

SEDLESCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL REPORTING TO THE ELECTORATE OF SEDLESCOMBE. MARCH 1969

FINANCE

The General Rate for 1968-1969 was 12s.8d.

Sedlescombe Parish Council levied no rate last year, its commitments being covered by the interest from its investments and the credit balance brought forward from its expenditure in 1966-1967.

In August 1968 sufficient Stock was sold to yield £550 towards the cost of the Sports Ground Pavilion. Sedlescombe Parish Council's capital investments at present are as follows:-

National Development Bonds	4,405
6¼% Treasury Loan	<u>3,191</u>
Total	<u>£ 7,596</u>

A loan of £125 has been made to the Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust for the purchase of a second-hand triple gang-mower. This loan is being repaid by a reduction of rent over a two-year period.

Donations have been made to the Churchyard Fund and to the Sedlescombe Playing Fields Trust for the repair of equipment in the children's playground.

Copies of the Draft Accounts for 1968-1969 and of estimates for 1969-1970 will be distributed at the Parish Assembly Meeting on Tuesday, 18th March. The audited accounts for 1967-1968 will be on the table for inspection.

SPORTS FIELD PAVILION

A Pavilion has been erected on the Sports Field. It has an attractive appearance and it offers amenities to the Cricket & Football Clubs which have so long been lacking. The Pavilion was supplied by the (Hastings) Timber Constructions Co. Ltd. at a cost of £574.6.9. and erected by local voluntary labour supplied by the two Clubs mentioned. The Pavilion has been insured for the sum of £800.

ALTERATIONS TO THE LAYOUT OF THE VILLAGE GREEN

These were completed in the late Autumn and have much improved the appearance of the Green. It is still uncertain when the promised Car Park will materialise as the decision of the Ministry in regard to the R.D.C.'s application for loan consent has not been received.

An application to the R.D.C. for Public Conveniences is under consideration.

THE WIDENING OF BREDE LANE

This has been postponed indefinitely and no date has been fixed for the promised footways.

An application for a speed limit in the lane was refused as being unnecessary.

NEW HOUSES IN SEDLESCOMBE

Attractive new Council houses have been added to the East View Terrace Estate, comprising 8 1-bedroomed flats, 8 2-bedroomed flats and 28 3-bedroomed houses.

There have been a number of new very pleasant houses in the Park Shaw Estate.

FOOTPATHS AND FOOTPATH SIGNS

The money spent on the repair of footpaths has been refunded by the County.

Footpath Signs made of stone, the cost of which has been borne by the Parish Council, are now supplied by the County and only the cost of erection must be paid for. Twelve of these Signs have been sent and will be erected when the weather is suitable.

NEW CHILDREN'S RECREATION GROUND

The R.D.C. has offered a piece of land for this purpose in the East View Terrace area, to be equipped, put in order and maintained by the Parish Council. The Council has accepted the offer and has asked the R.D.C. to do the necessary fencing, transplanting shrubs, etc. at their estimated cost of £140. The R.D.C. is considering the matter.