

County—STAFFORD.

Parish—GNOSALL.

Charity—GNOSALL MEMORIAL  
INSTITUTE.B.  
126,545.

Stamp £1.

*Scheme including appointment of Trustees and vesting in  
Official Trustee of Charity Lands.*

## CHARITY COMMISSION.

In the matter of the Charity known as the GNOSALL MEMORIAL INSTITUTE, in the Parish of GNOSALL, in the County of STAFFORD, comprised in a deed of grant dated the 12th May 1921; and

In the matter of the Charitable Trusts Acts, 1853 to 1939.

**The Board of Charity Commissioners for England and Wales do hereby Order** that the following Scheme be approved and established as the Scheme for the regulation of the above-mentioned Charity:—

### SCHEME.

1. *Administration of Charity.*—The above-mentioned Charity and the endowment thereof specified in the first schedule hereto and all other the endowments (if any) of the Charity shall be administered and managed subject to and in conformity with the provisions of this Scheme by the Committee of Management hereinafter constituted who shall be the Trustees of the Charity.

2. *Vesting.*—The land specified in the said first schedule is hereby vested in The Official Trustee of Charity Lands for all the estate and interest therein belonging to or held in trust for the Charity.

3. *Cash.*—All sums of cash now or at any time belonging to the Charity and not needed for immediate working purposes shall be invested (unless otherwise ordered in writing by the Minister of Education) as soon as possible in the name of The Official Trustees of Charitable Funds under the authority of a further Order of the Charity Commissioners.

### OBJECT.

4. *Use of property.*—The land with the buildings thereon specified in the said first schedule shall be appropriated and used under the name of the Gnosall Memorial Institute as a public or village hall for the purposes of physical and mental training and recreation and social, moral and intellectual development through the medium of reading and recreation rooms, library, lectures, classes, recreations and entertainments or otherwise as may be found expedient for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Gnosall and its immediate vicinity without distinction of sex or of political, religious or other opinions.

### COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

5. *Constitution.*—The Committee of Management (hereinafter referred to as the Committee) shall consist of competent persons of full age appointed from time to time as hereinafter provided (hereinafter referred to as Members) all of whom shall go out of office at the end of each annual general meeting. Subject as hereinafter provided for additional Representative Members and for Co-optative Members the full number of Members shall be twenty-three being

Eight Elected Members and  
Fifteen Representative Members.

6. *Elected Members.*—Subject as hereinafter provided for the first Elected Members and for casual vacancies the Elected Members shall be appointed at the annual general meeting of the Charity to be held as hereinafter provided and shall be entitled to hold office from the end of the annual general meeting at which they are appointed until the end of the annual general meeting in the following year.

7. *First Elected Members.*—The first Elected Members shall be the persons named in the Second Schedule hereto and shall be entitled to hold office until the end of the first annual general meeting.

8. *Representative Members.*—Subject as hereinafter provided for the first Representative Members and for the additional Representative Members the Representative Members shall be appointed by the organisations named in the second column of the third schedule hereto. The Parochial Church Council shall be entitled to appoint two Representative Members and each of the other organisations so named shall be entitled to appoint one Representative Member. Each appointment shall be made at a meeting convened and held according to the ordinary practice of the organisation concerned and shall be made either during the month next before the annual general meeting to take effect from the end of that annual general meeting or as soon as practicable after the annual general meeting to take effect from the date of appointment. The chairman of the meeting shall cause the name of each person appointed to be notified forthwith to the Committee or their clerk.

9. *First Representative Members.*—The persons named in the third column of the third schedule hereto shall be the first Representative Members and each of them shall be deemed to have been appointed by the organisation set opposite his name to hold office until the end of the first annual general meeting.

10. *Addition of Representative Members.*—The Committee shall have power pursuant to a resolution passed at a meeting of the Committee by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the Members for the time being to authorise the appointment of an additional Representative Member by any organisation in Gnosall not otherwise entitled under the provisions of this Scheme to appoint a Representative Member but having aims of a social, recreational or educational character not inconsistent with those upon which the property of the Charity is held under this Scheme but no such resolution shall be effective until it has been approved in writing by the Minister of Education.

11. *Co-optative Members.*—Subject as hereinafter provided for the first Co-optative Members the Committee may appoint if they think fit not more than ten Co-optative Members and each appointment of a Co-optative Member shall be made at a meeting of the Committee to take effect from the date of appointment.

12. *First Co-optative Members.*—The first Co-optative Members shall be the persons named in the fourth schedule hereto and shall be entitled to hold office until the end of the first annual general meeting.

13. *Failure to appoint.*—The proceedings of the Committee shall not be invalidated by any vacancy among its Members or by any failure to appoint or any defect in the appointment or qualification of a Member.

14. *Declaration by Members.*—No person shall be entitled to act as a Member whether on a first or on any subsequent entry into office until after signing in the minute book of the Committee a declaration of acceptance and of willingness to act in the trusts of this Scheme.

15. *Determination of membership.*—Any Member who is adjudged bankrupt or makes a composition or arrangement with his creditors or who is incapacitated from acting or who communicates in writing to the Committee a wish to resign shall thereupon cease to be a Member.

16. *Vacancies.*—Upon the occurrence of a vacancy the Committee shall cause a note thereof to be entered in their minute book at their next meeting and in the case of a vacancy in the office of Representative Member shall cause notice thereof to be given as soon as possible to the organisation entitled to fill the vacancy. Any competent Member may be re-appointed. A casual vacancy in the office of Elected Member may be filled by the Committee but a person so appointed shall retain office so long only as the vacating Elected Member would have retained office if no vacancy had occurred.

#### MEETINGS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

17. *Meetings of the Committee.*—The Committee shall hold at least two ordinary meetings in each year. A special meeting may be summoned at any time by any two Members upon four days' notice being given to all the other Members of the matters to be discussed.

18. *First meeting.*—The first meeting of the Committee shall be summoned by Harold Joseph Moulton, of Audmore, Gnosall, or if he fails for two calendar months after the date of this Scheme to summon a meeting by any two of the Members.

19. *Chairman.*—At the first meeting in each year after the annual general meeting of the Charity the Committee shall elect one of their number to be chairman of the meetings of the Committee until the commencement of the first meeting after the annual general meeting in the following year. The chairman shall always be eligible for re-election. If at any meeting of the Committee the chairman is not present within ten minutes after the time appointed for holding the same or there is no chairman

*the members present shall choose one of their number to be chairman of the meeting.*

20. *Voting*—Every matter other than the appointment of an additional Representative Member shall be determined by the majority of votes of the Members present and voting on the question. In case of equality of votes the chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote whether he has or has not previously voted on the same question but no Member in any other circumstances shall give more than one vote.

21. *Minutes and accounts*.—A minute book and books of account shall be provided and kept by the Committee. All proper accounts in relation to the Charity shall be made out in each year and certified in such manner as the Minister of Education requires and copies thereof shall be transmitted to the said Minister in compliance with the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Acts.

22. *Rules and regulations*.—The Committee may from time to time make and alter rules and regulations for the conduct of their business and for the summoning and conduct of their meetings and in particular with reference to

- (a) the terms and conditions upon which the said hall may be used as a recreation room and for entertainments, meetings, social gatherings and other purposes and the sum (if any) to be paid for such use ;
- (b) the appointment of an auditor, treasurer and such other unpaid officers as the Committee may consider necessary and the fixing of their respective terms of office ;
- (c) the engagement and dismissal of such paid officers and servants for the said hall as the Committee may consider necessary ; and
- (d) the number of Members who shall form a quorum at meetings of the Committee, provided that the number of Members who shall form a quorum shall never be less than a third of the total number of Members for the time being.

#### APPLICATION OF INCOME.

23. *Receipts and expenditure*.—All payments for the use of the said hall and all donations for the benefit thereof shall be paid into a trust account at such bank as the Committee shall from time to time prescribe. The moneys standing to the credit of the said account shall be applied as the Committee shall decide in repairing and insuring the said hall and the furniture and effects therein and in paying all rent (if any), rates, taxes, salaries of paid officers, and servants and other outgoings and in providing furniture, games, books, newspapers, periodicals and other literature and means of recreation and otherwise for the upkeep, improvement, extension and rebuilding of the said hall.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

24. *Annual general meeting*.—An annual general meeting of the Charity shall be held in each year. The first annual general meeting shall be held as soon as practicable after the date of this Scheme. Every subsequent annual general meeting shall be held in the month of October. The Committee shall cause notice of the meeting to be published in Gnosall at least seven days before the date thereof and shall present to the meeting the report and accounts of the Charity for the preceding year. All inhabitants of the Parish of Gnosall of 18 years and upwards shall be entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting. The persons who are present at the first annual general meeting shall elect a chairman of that meeting and the chairman for the time being of the Committee shall be chairman of every subsequent annual general meeting but if he is not present at the meeting the persons who are present shall elect a chairman of that meeting. If in any year the annual general meeting is not convened and held in the month hereinbefore prescribed it shall be convened and held as soon practicable thereafter in that year and shall be convened by such persons as the Minister of Education shall nominate for the purpose.

#### SALE.

25. *Procedure*.—If the Committee by a majority decide at any time on the ground of expense or otherwise that it is necessary or advisable to discontinue the use of the land and building belonging to the Charity as a public or village hall under the provisions of this Scheme a meeting of the inhabitants of the Parish of Gnosall of 18 years of age and upwards shall be called by the Committee to consider the said decision. At least 14 days before such meeting notice of the meeting and the purpose thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the said hall and advertised in a newspaper circulating in the said parish. If the decision of the Committee is confirmed by a majority of the inhabitants present and voting at the meeting the Committee may sell the said land and buildings or any part thereof subject to the approval of the Minister of Education.

26. *Proceeds*.—The Committee shall apply the clear proceeds of any such sale either

- (a) in acquiring subject to the approval of the Minister of Education other land and buildings to be held upon the trusts of this Scheme ; or
- (b) towards such other charitable purposes or objects for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Gnosall as may be approved by the said Minister.

Pending such application as aforesaid the Committee shall pay the said clear proceeds to The Official Trustees of Charitable Funds and the said Official Trustees shall invest the same in their name at compound interest in trust for the Charity.

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS.

27. *Members not to be personally interested.*—No Member shall receive remuneration or be interested in the supply of work or goods at the cost of the Charity.

28. *Questions under Scheme.*—Any question as to the construction of this Scheme or as to the regularity or the validity of any acts done or about to be done under this Scheme shall be determined conclusively by the Minister of Education upon such application made to her for the purpose as she shall think fit.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

Land containing 3,025 square yards or thereabouts situate in the Parish of Gnosall in the County of Stafford having a frontage on the north east to Lowfield Lane and bounded on the north west by the road from Gnosall to Stafford (excepted thereout the mines and minerals more than 200 feet thereunder) with the building thereon known as the Gnosall Memorial Institute being the property comprised in the above-mentioned deed of grant dated the 12th May 1921 made between The Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England of the one part and Walter Henry Brough and eleven others of the other part.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE.

John Thompson Deakin, of Sunnymede, Newport Road, Commercial Accountant,  
Mrs. Annie Major, of Clyde Cottage, The Rank, Housewife,  
Herbert John Marsh, of Chapel House, Newport Road, Fireman,  
Thomas Henry Parker, of Brook House Farm, Audmore Road, Farmer,  
Sydney Samuel Pemberton, of Roslyn, Stafford Road, Rating and Valuation Officer,  
Mrs. Lucy Rhodes, of Wharf Road, Housewife,  
George Thomas Turner, of Southolme, Newport Road, Joiner, and  
Mrs. Elsie Evelyn Walker, of 35 Greenfields, Housewife, all in Gnosall.

#### THIRD SCHEDULE.

1. No.	2. Organisation.	3. First Representative Member.
1	The Parish Council of Gnosall .. .. .	Harold Joseph Moulton.
2	The Parochial Church Council of St. Lawrence, Gnosall, with Christ Church, Knightley	The Reverend Harry Lowe. Henry Griffiths.
3	The Managers of the Gnosall Parochial School .. .. .	Walter Henry Brough.
4	The Managers of the Gnosall Infants School .. .. .	John James Henn.
5	The Education Committee of the County Council of Stafford	Alexander Nicholas Hillier.
6	The Committee of the Gnosall Women's Institute .. .. .	Mrs. Josephine Gertrude Matthews.
7	The Committee of the Gnosall Mothers Union .. .. .	Mrs. Edith Jane Peake.
8	The Committee of the Gnosall Company of Girl Guides .. .. .	Miss Kate Tomlinson.
9	The Committee of the Gnosall Company of Brownies .. .. .	Mrs. Mary Joyce Haydon.
10	The Committee of the Senior Gnosall Branch of the National Farmers' Union	Thomas Gordon Lloyd.
11	The Committee of the Junior Gnosall Branch of the National Farmers' Union	Alan Roderick.
12	The Trustees of the Gnosall United Charities .. .. .	Miss Ethel Dorothy Myatt.
13	The Committee of the Gnosall Football Club .. .. .	Harry Rhodes.
14	The Billiards Committee of the Gnosall Memorial Institute	William Friend.

#### FOURTH SCHEDULE.

Joseph Samuel Downs, of Knightley Hall, Woodseaves, in the County of Stafford, Farmer,  
and

Mrs. Frances Alice Fox, The Glen, High Street, Widow,  
Walter Barnard, of Willow Cottage, Wharf Road, Roadman,  
Mrs. Gertrude Stanworth, of Blenarvon, Mill Lane, Housewife,  
William Henry Friend (Junior), of The Rank, Shop Assistant,  
Arthur Jones, of 13, Greenfields, Farm Worker,  
William Edwin Major, of Clyde Cottage, The Rank, Road Foreman,  
John Lees, of Lanehurst, Willey Lane, Engineer,  
Frederick Cooper, of 10, Greenfields, Postman, and  
George Herbert William Barber, of Newport Road, Mechanic, all in Gnosall.

Sealed by Order of the Board this 26th day of February, 1954.

