

Ringing commenced at 3.00 pm., & despite early low attendance, good work was done with a number of learners. A short service at 4.45 pm. was followed by tea in the nearby Church Room. At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Vicar of Kimpton, Revd. R. Meredith, who was welcomed to the meeting by the secretary.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs R. Brown, & R. Clouston, Revd. A. Talbot-Ponsonby, Miss J. Fellows, Miss G. Brearley, Mrs M. Coburn & Mrs B. Sillis.

The minutes of the last district meeting were read, & signed as a correct record. No matters arose for discussion.

Election of New Members

As a full ringing member, Steven Chandler of St. Stephens, proposed P.T. Dale, seconded R. Bickerton.

As a propitiatory member, Andrew Nicol, of the Abbey, proposed G. Penney, seconded A. Carter.

Both elections were carried.

District Junior Representative.

The Secretary stated that it had been agreed by the Committee that it would be a good idea to have one under-18 on the Committee. No formal election could be made until an A.D.M., but the Committee has power to co-opt members onto itself. With this in mind, the under-18's were urged to give thought to nominations for the person to fill this position, so that

at the July meeting the nominations can be considered by the Committee. None of the under 18's at the meeting was willing to express an opinion of the idea, & Secretary asked them to think about it in time for the next meeting.

Forthcoming Practices

June 20th, St. Michael's - a Surprise Practice. The D.R.M. said it was hoped to attempt the standard 8 methods, singly & in species, and also Glasgow.

No requests for special practices had been received, but Mr. Penney said he would like to see such practices supported by other than the Abbey ringers, & suggested the Committee may wish to look into the question of support, perhaps by attending themselves.

District Coach Outing

The D.R.M. stated that arrangements were in hand, but had nothing to report at this stage.

Date & Place of Next meeting

This is to be as arranged at North Myms in the afternoon, & Monkton Hadley in the evening. The Secretary stated that, due to some trouble last year, the tea, at N. Myms, will be provided only for those who send their names in. The D.R.M. stated the special method would be Glasgow, but suggested this is not advertised in the R.W. Mr. Penney agreed.

A. O. B.

A number of details regarding reviving & other arrangements at the C.C. meeting were given. It was noted that the gallery to the Civic Hall will be open all day, & the Secretary urged all members to take this opportunity of seeing the Council in action.

It was also pointed out that a Social evening in the ^{Town Hall} ~~hall~~ on the Tuesday evening is open to all members of the Association. Members were also advised that an exhibition of the Associations history & achievements will be on display over the weekend in St. Peter's belfry.

Mr. Penney proposed of vote - of thanks to the Vicar of Kington for the use of the bells, to the local ringers for the excellent tea arrangements & to the Secretary for playing the organ. Mr Cull added to this thanks of the Kington ringers to those who had sent their names for tea; it was noted that the number of people present was the same as the number of names received.

There being no further business the meeting was closed. Handbells were rung by some for a short while in the Church room. In the tower, the good work with learners was continued, with more advanced methods shown in.

W. G. G. G.
CHAIRMAN