

C.S.

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<i>P. J.</i> Prod - <i>Govt. Building</i> <i>Broadcasting</i>	
No.	<i>130/35</i>

Ag Chief Election.

SUBJECT.

1935

24th April

Previous Paper.

Proposed Broadcast
Building etc
and see

277/35. 271/31 + 219/35

MINUTES.

(1.) Minute from Ag Chief Election, 24/4/35.

Director Public Works.

It is proposed that the Telephone Exchange should revert to its former position at the Govt. The former exchange room is now the Chief Constable's bath room. Would you kindly examine the matter and say whether some arrangement could be made. It might be possible to erect a small building on the North of the bath room.

Subsequent Paper.

mch
C.S.

26. 4. 35

Hon. Col. Sec.

An extension on the present building either to the East or North would not be satisfactory. I have been into the question with Mr Mercer and the Chief Constable, and it is agreed that the best place for an exchange would be the present Chief Constable's office, which is seldom used.

It is proposed that a door be cut through leading to the Police Station, and a call box be erected at the S. W. corner this with other minor alterations would cost £20.

C. Roberts.

30-4-35.

Yl.

With reference to the proposed removal of the Telephone Exchange from the Town Hall, I submit this paper which shows that arrangements could be made to convert the Chief Constable's Office into an exchange.

I will see Yl. about this tomorrow morning. MCH

H.C.

Expenditure approved
 The telephone sh^d be used for
 emergency calls only after 9 p.m.

M.H. 19/6/35

Director P.W.Rs.

Ch. Electrification.

To note. Steps should
 be taken to have the work
 put in hand and the Exchange
 moved from the Town Hall.

M.H.
 C.S.
 19.6.35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Submitted for instruction.
 Is the work to be charged to
x x P.W.R. & minor works, or
 do you wish it charged to
 any other head please?

O. Robert

19-6-35.

Director P. Wks.

Cost may be charged
to Munro works as suggested.

MCH
C.S.
21.6.35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted.

M. Roberts.
21-6-35

Chief Electrician

Passed to you accordingly.

CWG.
21-6-35

Hon C.S.

Before the exchange can be
moved to the new site it will be
necessary to purchase the material
for wiring from the UK please.

It may be possible to do the work
without new materials, but in that
case the exchange would have to
be closed for some three weeks.

There was no estimate made for the
purchase of the material required in
the estimates for 1935, and to purchase
material now will ultimately lead to
a SW being required.

A member
of CE

1/7/35.

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C.E.

It is desirable that the work should proceed.

Please Submit Indent.

MCH
C.E.

4.7.35

Hon C.S.

Noted. the work will proceed, and Indent submitted for materials please.

A. Meeker

Ag. C.E.

8.7.35.

14/20/35

(2)

Minute from Chief Electrician 24/7/35.

Director Public Works.

In favour of your consideration and recommendations, please.

MCH
C.E.

25.10.35

Hon Col Sec.

The Chief Electrician's request seems reasonable. I suggest that figures as to number of calls and revenue derived from the call office might be given in support of the request. I went into the question of changing

over the telephone exchange with Mr Mercer, but no mention was then made of a waiting room being necessary. I suggest that it will also be necessary to make provision for a lavatory.

The alterations and additions to provide for a small waiting room and lavatory will be approximately £80

A. Roberts.

D. P.W.

29-10-35.

C.E.

Please state monthly average number of calls from call office and revenue.

MCH

C.E.

29. X. 35

Hon bal Sec

number of calls paid for from October 1934 to October 1935 is shown as 1518 a monthly average of 126. The ~~new~~ revenue for this period was £26-3-3. I respectfully show for comparison calls during the same period of 1933-1934. Calls 944 monthly average of 81 and revenue £14-16-6

GWB

C.E. ED

1-11-35

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y/h.
It will be necessary to
make provision for a small
waiting room for the Telephone
Exchange and also a lavatory.

MCH
C.S.
4. XI. 35

It is a pity that this was not
thought of before. The £80 will
have to be found

£££££ 3/x.

Overin Public Works.

To note. Presumably the
work can be done this year. There
is £350 available under broadcast
studies under which saving the
cost of moving telephone exchange
re. can be met.

MCH
4. XI. 35

Hon. Col. Sec.

Yes the work can be carried
out this year. I will charge to
XXI P.W.B. 13 as directed.

C. Roberts.
D.P.W. 2/11/35

Director Public Works.

I am afraid I did not make
this quite clear. The provision
of a new exchange will have
to be charged to a new item
under XXI P.W.C., Savings to
Comm being met under item 13.

MCH
CS

13. XI. 35

Hon. Sec. Secretary.

Noted, and special
warrant for £80 under a
new head of Public Works
Extraordinary submitted. please

G. Roberts
D.P.W.
16/11/35

Hon. Sec. Treasurer,
Referred to you please.

M.C.
D.P.W.
16/11/35

Hon. Sec.
Sec.

G.R.
20/11/35

~~M.C.~~ Special Warrant Submitted

MCH
CS

20. XI. 35

21/11

Ull

£80/38/35 sent to Treasury
this day 21/11/35

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~~D.P.W.~~ CWP 20/11/35.
Chief Electrician - G.B.-C.E. 23-11-35

To note, please.

~~W.D.G.~~
22/11/35

③ Minute from D.P.W. 17/11/35

Ch.

To Sec. Do you agree with
the plan of the proposed
building.

M.C.H.

C.
18. XII. 35

Hon. Sec.

I respectfully state that
the building as shown in the plan
should fill all requirements

G.B.

22. 20-12-35

Submitted together with
plan.

Building to proceed after
Estimates for 1936 have been
approved by the S.O.S.

Approved
W.D.G. 21/11/35

M.C.H.
C.

21. XII. 35

Alvin Karpis

do not please

W.C.H.

21. XII. 35

Don. Col. Xee

noted.

A. Roberts

2:30 PM

24/12/35

Don. Col. Xee

do not please

W.C.H.

Don. Col. Xee

Noted. Several have submitted some comments on the survey of our local broadcasting but as H.E. has approved of the construction of the building my comments would not have any value further. I would be glad to see any letters on broadcast matters if possible before they are approved.

W.C.H.

Don. Col. Xee

Please submit your comments on local broadcasting, they may prove helpful.

2. All letters dealing with financial matters will be sent to you before they are approved.

W.C.H.

1.1.36

Hon. Colonial Secretary.

I have not yet seen the files on Broadcasting but I should like to see them.

2. The first reason for suggesting curtailment of expenditure on Broadcasting is that at present we have estimated revenue in 1936 amounting to £130 whereas the estimated expenditure in the same year is £200 - reflecting a loss of £70 on a service, the revenue from which is not likely to increase under the existing method of broadcasting.

3. I have been informed by the Chief Electrician that there are 227 houses in Stanley 120 of which are fitted for the reception of local broadcasting. There are also 85 registered wireless sets. Of the 85 registered wireless sets only 44 were registered at the end of 1934. An increase of over 90% in wireless registration in one year is large and is a definite indication of the popularity of wireless.

4. The price of wireless sets has decreased very considerably since the introduction of local broadcasting with the result that there is very little hope of the revenue from broadcasting reaching an amount sufficient to meet expenditure.

5. If the trade of the Colony was in a more prosperous state I should have no serious objection to a small amount of expenditure in excess of revenue but in the present circumstances I am not in favour of any additional expenditure on broadcasting.

Colonial Treasurer.
3rd January, 1936.

Hon. Secs.

The proposed building is required to make more room in the Town Hall for other purposes. It is not for broadcasting only but also to house the Telegraph office, C.I.'s office, workshop and store. Please see 217/35 and 277/35.

2. This file really deals with moving the Telephone Exchange from the Town Hall and thus has been somewhat misleading.

3. I agree with your remarks re broadcasting. Upkeep and

Maintenance is high owing to the
System being worked on wire
which need constant attention. It
will be doubt be preferable in our
course to abolish the present system
and let local broadcasting be carried
on from the W.F. Str.

MCH
C.I.
5.1.56

Hon. Sec.

Thank you. f 671136

P.A.

Minute from Chief Electrician 1/36 (4)

Ch.

You should first consult the
D.P. who and arrange with
him regarding the road.

MCH
C.I.
5.2.56

Hon. Col. Lee

Si.

I have consulted the Hon D.P. who regarding
digging & closing of a part of Ross Road during
next week. I have also seen the Chief Constable
with reference to necessary lamps to be placed
by this department during any period that
the road is closed.

G.W. Butcher

C.E. & D

6-2-56

Ch.

Work may proceed. The Editor Penguin
could publish a Notice re the
road.

MCH

7.2.56

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Mr Col Sec

Instructions received and
please

gab
C.E. - 10-2-36

P.A.
M.C.H.

(5) Minute from R.B. of 14/3/36.

Yh. Submitted. The Estimates for
1936 have been approved by the
S. of S. May the work on
the Broadcasting Office proceed?

MCH
16. 5. 36

Yes please. I would now like
to see a provisional programme for
carrying out the work for which
provision is made under P.W.E

17/3/36

Director Public Works.

To note and for
provisional programme, please.

MCH
17. 5. 36

MS
19/35
Hon. Colonial Secretary.
Noted, please.

A list of works under
Public Works, Extraordinary, with remarks,
is submitted separately.

J. Roberts

26/3/36

Hon. Col. Sec.

The new building for Broadcasting etc was
to have been sited on the bank to the N.E. of the
Town Hall. On excavating for the foundations
it is found that the site is unsuitable.

I fear it will prove a very costly undertaking.
This is on account of the depth of peat found,
which varies from 5 ft on the S to 8 ft deep
on the N. side.

The building can with advantage be sited
in the Dockyard, to the South of the P. Wh.
Stone facing Ross Rd. I have been into
the question with Mr Butcher and he prefers the
new site, the main reason being that it will
be some 90 yds. further away from the Power House
thus eliminating much of the hum from the
lighting plant. In anticipation of receiving
approval I have commenced work on the new
site.

Submit that action may be approved please.

J. Roberts

C.S.O. No. 130/35'

Inside Minute Paper.

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✓
The recommendation of the
D.P.W. Submits for approval.
MCH
CS
27. 5. 56.

~~Still~~ 30/3/56

D. P. W.
To note
MCH
30. 5. 56

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted thank you.

CWC
D.P.W.
30/3/56.

P.A.
31/3/56

6. Minute from Supr. E. & J. of 29. 8. 45
(7)

WK
also in P.W.E. draft estimates for 1946.

✓
dB
29/8/45

B.L.
1/11/45
✓

P.T.O.

(8)

Unwarrantable Colonial Seminars.

In accordance with your instructions I have conferred with S. E. & T. on this matter & enclose the plan which has evolved as the result of our discussions.

I addressed you a long memorandum on this matter in August 1945 but cannot trace my copy, but the essential need for the various works was clearly set out therein.

I estimate the cost at £700. It was the intention to build the new North Wall in Stone faced concrete in order to collect data for this type of walling which was proposed for both the hospital & Town Hall & library.

I would be grateful if the tracing be not folded & marked therein as it will be required for prints when paper is available at which time I will send you a copy for record purposes.

S. E. & T.

(9)

Ch S. E.
22. VIII. 46

Passed to you for comments before submission upwards please.

EE.

Ch S. E.
(10)
22. VIII. 46

Seen thank you. I think the arrangements are very satisfactory and will prove a vast improvement on the present-unwieldy conditions

Ch
O E & T
22. 8. 46

A.C.S.

(11)

The plan is basically like that at
 (6): the letter. I congratulate E.E. with
 whom I shd. like to discuss it. Mean-
 while, it lies (completely rolled) on my
 table.

2. X on 6 — I presume the garage
 was not built?

3. I can't find accommodation for the
 phone switchboard in the new plan.

A.B.L.
 23/8/46

(12)

E.C. to see H.C.'s minute at 10 pl.

H.C.
 24.8.46

(13)

Innumerable Colonial Seminars.

Para. 2 in (11) The Garage was not built

do. 3 do. when the building was not
 completed the new S.C. was fixed in
 existing exchange i. no provision made
 in present scheme on address S.C., S.T.

A.H.J.E.E.
 21. VIII. 46

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I agree H.S.E.T. The paper the S.C.
 to be in the present Exchange owing
 to

indication from the radio or the telephone wires
if it is in the same building as the latter.

2. Provisional estimate for cost for 1947
Estb. — Half cost at least from Depend.
encies etc.

Abel

29.8.46

Plan is a very nice one. It shows
back to E.E.

(14)

E.E.

To note provisional approval of proposed
alterations to Broadcast Building.

Can you please let me have an estimate
of the total cost so that I can include the
necessary provision in the Dependencies draft
estimates for 1947.

The plans submitted at 8 are returned
herewith, pl.

W. Pres.
29.8.46

Honorable Colonial Secretary.

Both furniture but excluding technical
writing or transmitters etc. Say £1000. (I think hundred)

W. F.

20. VIII. 46.

16

E.E.

— 1/2 the extra £400 (or £700 + ①) see
furniture?

Abel
2/5/46

(17)

Memorable Colonial Secretary.

Yes. Please, because rightly or wrongly I have included sound dealing hangings in the "furniture" & the bulk of ^{the furniture} ~~which~~ will be specially made & executed locally

P.W. F.
5.12.46

18

try inc. include £1100 (£600 from Dependencies)

A.B.
6.9.46

(19)

E.C. We have spoken. ∴ £1100 P.W.F. (partly recoverable from Dependencies £600)

A. Jones.
6/9/46.

(20)

Memorable Colonial Secretary.

None for action. *P.W. F.* 6.12.46.

Estimates ✓
B.M. 30/10/46
30/9/46
30/9/46
15.11.46
18.11.46
P.A.

21

EE
S/ET.

Please consider as to
best use to be made of
present EST building
when S/ET takes over the
combined Communications
Dept. It might make
a good permanent office for
PWD?

MC. 18/2.

Kh.
18/2

H.Aq.C.S.

22.

EST building will make a good office for P.W.D but am
not clear as to where S.E.T would then be accommodated

23.

EH 1 March 49.

H.A.C.S. The new establishment will have to provide space
for handling of telegrams, telegram accounts, telephone and broadcast
services, which, have to consist of at least, office for Supt. a fair
size room for sorting telegrams and filing accounts, a workroom for
repairing instruments and a store for radio telephones & broadcast
materials. From what I can see, no space as above will be
available in the Town Hall, and I presume the Gymnasium will
revert to its original scheme of being reading room etc.

2. Is it too much to suggest a revision of the P.O. needs in the Town
Hall with a view to reading space available?

444 SET
1.3.49

24.

E.E.

x at 23 for your comment's p.

Kh.

25

3/8

H.A.G. C.S.

1. Office for Superintendent could be that allocated to T. Clerk ~~with~~ as clerk in Town Hall.

2. There is a space of 42' x 22' approx allocated to sorting in Town Hall - part of this could ~~be~~ be modified for use of account filing etc - though not knowing what staff will be required it is difficult to say.

Agree.

3. In any event I do not consider that Town Hall is suitable for either store or workroom

4. Accommodation for reading room is in Town Hall - The gymnasium will not be used for this purpose

5. Suggest P.M. be consulted as to whether he thinks say such a large space is required for sorting bearing in mind that there are only twelve mails per year

6/8 9 Mar. 1949.

26.

P.M.

para 2 above pro. p.

Kh.

11/3.

27.

Hon. Col. Sec.

this mail
arriving

As the mails seem to be getting bigger each time we have to sort camp mails as well as Stanley mails at the same time, and there has been occasions when we have had to deal with a mail from U.K. one to U.K. and a camp mail at the same time. I think we will need all the space allocated to sorting in the Town Hall. Furthermore, we find that with the present arrangement, we use three parts of the Gymnasium for sorting.

28.

For. p.m.

14/3/49.

E.T. building to be gutted and converted to a studio. MC 1/10.

29

E.E.
Ch W/Com. } 28 fi.
Ole Ant. }

Kk.
12/4.

HA9.C.S
notes. Eff 13.4.49.

Am M.C.S. note. 14/4/49.

H.E.S.

Noted.

It would be worth getting plan of building and sending to BBC for advice on soundproofing, studio design etc in conjunction with our request for advice on type of equipment.

WMB 21/4

E.E. Harrison plan p. 9.

Kk.
21/4.

PAID
5/2/49

MINUTE.

24 April

1935

To Hon Col Secretary

From Ag. Chief Electrician

Stanley

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Referring to a broadcast building, I consider that a building or rooms the same size as the present Penguin office would be convenient. A separate plan would be required. From what Mr Butcher said on the subject I believe his idea was to have the broadcast studio and the electrical store under the one roof. This arrangement would be of great assistance to the department with regard to keeping of store accounts. The Exchange would be much better away from the broadcast studio, and I see no reason why it can not be in the original exchange room.

A member

Ag. C.E.

24. 4. 35.

277/35

(2)

No.

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MINUTE.

October 24th 1935.

From

Chief Electrician.
Electrical Department.

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
Stanley, Falkland Islands.

I have to respectfully bring to your notice matters refering to the proposed change over to the new telephone exchange. At the moment there is a room allowed for the new exchange and also call office but there is no provision for a waiting room. It is often the case at present that one person is using the call box and five or six other persons are waiting about in the passages of the Town Hall to use the phone in turn. In the new position people would naturally endeavour to go into the telephone exchange and wait their turn as otherwise they would have to wait outside perhaps in rain or snow, if no provision is made for a waiting room it will mean that rather than a person coming some distance to use the telephone and then have to wait in the rain they will endeavour to use other subscribers telephones, but if there is a waiting room I consider it will help the telephone exchange a great deal. It will also be necessary to fit a small paying in window from the call box to the exchange to stop persons going into the exchange.

G. W. Butler

No.

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MINUTE.

17th December, 1935

From.
~~Mr~~ Director of Public Works,
Stanley.

~~MEMO~~ To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

PROPOSED BROADCASTING BUILDING.

The attached drawing is submitted for approval, please. In the event of the estimates for 1936 being approved by the Secretary of State for the Colonies concrete blockmaking can be put in hand.

Dr. Roberts.
Director of Public Works.

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14th March, 1936

To Hon. Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

From Director of Public Works,

Stanley.

Under XXI. Public Works Extraordinary (9),
provision is made for a Telegraph office, studio etc.
Is this work to proceed, please?

G. Roberts.

Director of Public Works.

No.

(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted).

MINUTE.

29th August, 19 45

To Hon Colonial Secretary

Stanley.

From Supervisor E & T Dept

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

The Public Works Dept have been asked to make several alterations in this building to provide better service for the General Public and administrative staff of this department. In addition provision for the erection of a building to house this departments 15 cwt truck is being made in the 1946 Estimates by the P.W.D.

In consulting the needs of this department with the Executive Engineer coupled to the fact that some arrangement may be included to meet future Broadcasting improvements and at the same time keep the department together, I submit for your consideration a plan drawn up by the Executive Engineer.

I have no idea what cost will be involved but I assume that the estimated cost will be provisionally included by the P.W.D pending approval.

I am sure you will agree that the present arrangement of offices is not convenient nor is there any room for anticipated expansion of the electrical or broadcast services.

ALL
S E & T
29.8.45

Pbn moved to MCI 19/06/2012

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MINUTE.

(4)

Feb 5th 1936

From ~~the~~ Chief Elec
To Port Stanley

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Sir. I am afraid it will be necessary to close the front road (Cross Road) between Barrack Street & Villiers Street on Monday 10th Feb & also probably Tuesday 11th Feb, when the work is commenced of laying new cables for change over of Telephone exchange, 14 cables in all have to be laid & fully protected. Can I publish a notice to this effect please that accordy to weather conditions etc road will be closed. Monday & Tuesday or Tuesday & Wednesday and traffic will use other convenient routes - G.W. Butcher

✓ I consider a second ~~Law~~ in workshop and essential.

Call Box not required but Telephone Exchange room could be retained and used to repair Radio sets etc.

North wall of workshop would be better if window is made 8 feet long
entrance to workshop from street to be on east end south of the window.

AM

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that, in any refer-
ence to this minute
the above Number
and the date may
be quoted.)

From _____

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

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To _____
