Annual Meeting held Feb. 3rd 1953.
Rev. C. Sinclair in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and signed on the motion of G. Scott seconded by J. Metcalfe
The Treasurers Report was heard and accepted
Election of Officers.

All Officers were re-elected as previous year.

Chairman Rev. C. Sinclair
Vice Chairman Mr. J. Waggett.
Secretary Mr. G. Calvert.
Treasurer Mr. J. T. Coates
Auditor Mr. J. Waggett.
Committee. Rev. C. Sinclair Mr. James Waggett. Mr. Laurie Lukin, Mr. G. Scott, Mr. Jack Metcalfe and Mr. Wm Alderson.

It was decided to take the same Newspapers as last year.

Repairs

Proposed by G. Scott seconded by S. Fawcett that the rainwater pipe be extended to an existing drain

Electric Light

It was decided to have the electric light installed in the Institute. The Secretary was asked to seek Tenders for wiring the Rooms, and to call a Meeting of the Committee at a later date

Proposed by G. Scott seconded by J. Metcalfe that a Meeting be called in September to arrange the Annual Effort.

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Minutes of Committee Meeting held in the Institute 9th April 1953 Rev. G. Sinclair Presiding.

(1) Members present. — Messrs L. Rukin, John Metcalfe, George Scott, Wm Alderson, and G Calvert, Secty.

(2) The meeting was called to deal with the matter of wiring the Institute in readiness for the electric light, and tenders were considered from three Contractors. After a discussion it was moved by Mr. G. Scott seconded by Mr. J. Metcalfe that the tender of Mr. Rodbel of Keith be accepted

(3) Mr Sinclair asked permission to wire the garage underneath the Institute, offering to defray the cost of same, and to pay $\frac{1}{6}^{th}$ of the cost of lighting as his share, This was agreed to on the motion of Mr L Rukin seconded by Mr. Geo. Scott.

(4) It was decided to comply with a request from the Coronation Committee to place a light outside the Institute, the cost of same to be borne by the Coronation Committee, and the question of a charge for current consumed to be dealt with at a later date

The matter of the switch was discussed, and it was decided to encase it in a box with two keys one each for the Caretaker and Chairman.

G Sinclair
14 Dec 1953

Annual Meeting held December 14th 1958

Rev. G. Sinclair in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the motion of G. Scott seconded by S. Fawcett.

The Treasurers Report was heard and showed an adverse balance of £1-10-3½. This Report was accepted on the motion of G. Calvert seconded by G. Scott.

Election of Officers.

All officers elected as last year.

Caretaker

Mrs Rukin to continue for another year.

Papers.

Proposed by G. Calvert seconded by L. Rukin that the Daily Express be taken instead of the Northern Echo.

Proposed by John Cooke seconded by J. Alderson that the Herald be discontinued

It was carried to not take the Herald and to take the Daily Express instead of the Northern Echo.

Annual Effort

It was proposed by L Rukin seconded by S. Fawcett that a Whist Drive, Supper & Dance be held on 17th February The Secretary to write to suitable bands and call a meeting at a later date to make final arrangements

Sale of Papers "News Chronicle" 6/- to John Cooke.

"Daily Express" 5/- to J. Alderson. "Farmers Weekly" 2/6 to S. Fawcett

News of the World. 5/- to G. Calvert.

G Sinclair - 21 Dec 1954

Annual Meeting held 21st December 1954.

Rev. C. Sinclair in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the motion of G. Scott, seconded by S. Fawcett

The Treasurers Report was heard, and showed a Balance of £3-5-6.

This ~~was~~ Report was accepted.

Election of Officers.

All Officers were re-elected as last year.

It was agreed to take the same newspapers as last year.

Mrs Rukins tender for Caretakers Duties £12 for the year was accepted.

It was agreed that any broken window panes be renewed.

Annual Effort.

It was decided to hold a Whist Drive Supper, and Dance around 18th or 25th February. The Secretary to invite tenders from suitable dance bands, and to call a Meeting at a later date to make final

Sale of Papers

News Chronicle.	6/-	to John Coates
Daily Express.	4/-	G. Calvert.
Farmers Weekly.	22/6	S. Lawcett
News of the World.	3/6	G. Calvert.

G Sinclair
19 Dec 1955

Annual Meeting held 19th Dec. 1955
Rev. G. Sinclair in the chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the motion of G. Scott seconded by L. Rukin.
The Treasurers Report was read and showed an adverse balance of £3 - 6 - 4.
This was accepted on the Motion of L. Rukin and seconded by G. Calvert.

Election of Officers.
All were re-elected en bloc.

Papers.
It was proposed by L. Rukin seconded by J. Metcalfe that the same papers be taken as last year. News Chronicle, News of the World, and Farmers Weekly.

A letter from the Manager of Barclays Bank was read, reporting that their Alarm Bell was not working owing to water dripping onto it, from a leak in the Gutter.
It was decided that the gutter be repaired as soon as possible, also any broken window panes be replaced.

Annual Effort.

It was decided to hold a Whist Drive, Supper and Dance on some favourable date in early March. The Secretary was to obtain tenders from two or three dance bands, and to call a meeting later to make the necessary arrangements.

The Secretary reported that he had an enquiry for the purchase of the Institute's Calor Gas Cylinder and Regulator. After some discussion it was agreed that the price for these be £2-10-0. The Secretary to sell it at that price if he could.

Sale of Papers.

News Chronicle 6/-	T. Fawcett.
Farmers Weekly 2/.	S Fawcett
News of the World 7/-	G. Calvert.

G Scott
Jan 3 1957

Annual Meeting held 3rd JAN. 1957.

Chairman. Mr. G. Scott.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted on the motion of L. Rukin seconded by J. Metcalfe

The Treasurers Report was heard and showed an adverse Balance of £3 - 2 - 11. Proposed by G. Calvert seconded by L Rukin that this report be accepted.

Election of Officers

All officers were re-elected en-bloc.

Mrs Rukin to be Caretaker for another year.

Paper to be taken for 1957.

News Chronicle and Farmers Weekly.

Annual Effort.

It was decided to have a Whist Drive Supper and Social on JAN 23rd. The Secretary to make arrangements and have a meeting at a later date.

Sale of Papers.

News Chronicle 7/- John Coates

Farmers Weekly £1. Simon Fawcett

It was decided that the North Riding Education Authorities be asked to pay 5/- for each occasion the school use the Institute. The Institute to provide heating and lighting etc.

G Scott Jan 14. 1958

Annual Meeting held JAN. 14th 1958

Chairman. Mrs. G. Scott.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and accepted on the proposition of L. Rukin seconded by J. Metcalfe.

Treasurers Report.

This was read and showed a Balance of £9-10-0. L Rukin moved and S. Fawcett seconded that this Report be accepted.

Election of Officers.

All re-elected en-bloc. Mrs Rukin Caretaker.

It was decided to take the same papers for another year. News Chronicle and Farmers Weekly.

Annual Effort.

Proposed by L. Rukin seconded by S. Fawcett that a Whist Drive, Supper and Dance be held in late February or early March on similar lines to the previous year. A Meeting to be held on Feb. 3rd to make final arrangements.

Sale of Papers.

Farmers Weekly	£1-0-0	Simon Fawcett
News Chronicle	5-0	John F. Coates.
Calor Gas Fittings	£1-0-0	do.

G Scott Jan 6th 1959

Annual Meeting held January 6th 1959.

Mr. G. Scott in the chair

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the motion of L. Rukin seconded by S. Fawcett Treasurers Report was heard and this showed a balance of £21 - 8 - 5.

Proposed by G. Calvert seconded by L Rukin that the report be accepted

Election of Officers

All re elected as previous year.

Repairs

The guttering over the alarm bell was reported to be leaking. It was decided to ask G. Clarkson to repair this & re new the guttering, also to plaster some parts of the ceiling in the first room. and replace any broken window panes.

Mrs Rukin offered to arrange for colouring the walls and ceilings in the spring

Proposed by Mrs Rukin seconded by S. Fawcett that a Whist Drive, Supper, and Dance be held in the autumn, arrangements to be made later

It was decided to take the same papers as last year.

Sale of Papers

News Chronicle 9/- J. Cooke. Farmers Weekly 27/6. S. Fawcett

W. Alderson

Annual Meeting held 5th JANUARY 1960
Mr. W. Alderson in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted on the motion of Mr. S. Hawcett seconded by John Coates
The Treasurers financial report was heard, and showed a Balance in hand of £19 - 13 · 5
Proposed by Mr S. Hawcett seconded by Mr. G. Scott that this Report be accepted
Election of Officers.
All officers re-elected as previous year.
Proposed by G. Scott seconded by G. Calvert that the same newspapers be taken for another year, namely News Chronicle & The Farmers Weekly
There ~~was~~
The Secretary was instructed to send a letter of thanks to each of the ladies who helped Mrs Rukin to spring clean and decorate the Institute, aslo to Mr. T. Sinclair for painting the windows

G Scott Chairman Dec 22nd 1960

Annual Meeting held 22nd Dec 1960
Mr. G. Scott in the Chair.

1/ The Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted on the motion of L Rukin seconded by S. Fawcett.
2/ The Treasurers Report showed a Balance of £17.10.2 and was accepted. L Rukin proposed and was seconded by the Secretary.
3. Election of Officers.
All as previous year.
4. It was decided to continue taking the same two newspapers as last year. The Farmers Weekly and the Daily Mail.
5/. It was unanimously decided to have some effort during 1961 to mark the Centenary of the Institute. After some discussion it was decided to hold a Whist Drive, Supper & Dance in March, the exact date to be fixed later. The Secretary to engage the Cairn Dance Band, and call a meeting on January 16th.
The Sale of Papers concluded the Meeting
Farmers Weekly £1.7.6 to Mrs S. Fawcett
Daily Mail 9.0 - Mrs T. Coates.

Meeting held 16th Jan 1961

It was proposed by L. Rukin seconded by W. Alderson that the Whist Drive, Supper & Dance be held on March 29th.
The Secretary reported that the Cairn Band had vacant dates for that week. It was decided to have a good prize for the highest Score, a clock was suggested, and various other prizes were promised from members, friends and tradespeople
Charges Fixed Whist 2/6 Supper 2/. Dance 2/6.
G Scott Chairman Jan 6 1962

Annual Meeting held JAN. 5th 1961. Mr. G. Scott in the Chair
The Meeting commenced with members stood a few moments in respect to Late Mrs. Waggett.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the proposition of Mr. W. Alderson seconded by Mr. J. Melcalfe
The Treasurers Report showed a Credit Balance of £42 - 4 - 7. This was accepted on the motion of Mr. W. Alderson and seconded by Mr L. Rukin.

Election of Officers.
Proposed by W. Alderson seconded by L. Rukin that Mr. G. Scott be Vice Chairman, the offic

Annual Meeting held JAN. 5th 1962
Mr. G. Scott is the Chair.
At the opening of the meeting the Chairman expressed that the past year had seen the passing of Mr. James Waggett, who had been Vice Chairman for many years and a lifelong member and worker for the Institute. The Meeting stood a few moments in silent respect.
The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted.
The Treasurers Report showed a Balance of £42. 4. 7
This very favourable Report was unanimously accepted
Election of Officers.
Mr. G. Scott was elected to be Vice Chairman and all other officers a last year.
It was decided that a new coal scuttle be obtained. This was left to the Caretaker.
The Sale of Papers concluded the Meeting
Daily Mail 10/-
Farmers Weekly £1.
G Scott Vice Chairman Dec 21st 1962

Annual Meeting held Dec. 21st 1962.
Chair Mr. G. Scott.

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read, and adopted on the motion of Mr. J. Metcalfe seconded by Mr. S. Fawcett.
2. The Treasurer's Report of a Balance in hand of £41-3-3 was considered very favourable, and was accepted on the proposition of G. Calvert seconded by Mr. J. Metcalfe.
3. Election of Officers.
   All as last year and that Mr S. Fawcett be elected to the Committee
4. It was decided to take the same two newspapers as last year.
5. In view of the favourable financial position it was agreed to not have an Effort for funds during the coming year
6. The Sale of Papers concluded the Meeting
   The Farmers Weekly £1
   The Daily Mail 10/-.

G Scott Vice Chairman Jan 7th 1963

Annual Meeting held January 7th 1964.
Mr. George Scott. in the Chair.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted on the motion of Mr. J. Metcalfe and seconded by Mr. W. Alderson
2. The Treasurers Report was heard and this showed a Credit Balance of £37 - 5 - 0. This favourable report was accepted unanimously
3. Election of Officers. All were re-elected as for previous year. and it was agreed that the same papers be taken for another year.
4. It was decided that the charge for the hire of one room in the Institute for the N.F.U Group Meetings be five shillings per night. The second Friday in each month. It was agreed to pay Mrs Sinclair for switching off the outside light each night at 10 o'clock, also that the leak in the rainwater gutter be repaired.
5. It was decided that no Whist Drive & Dance be held this year
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G Scott Vice Chairman Dec 29th 1964

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Annual Meeting held Dec 22nd 1964
Mr. G Scott Chairman

1/ The minutes of the last meeting were read, and accepted.
Proposed by Mr J. Metcalfe seconded by Mr S. Fawcett
2/ Treasurers Report. A credit Balance of £34 - 15 - 11
was unanimously accepted
3/ Election of Officers. All as last year.
4/ It was agreed to take the same two newspapers as previously. "The Farmers Weekly" and the "Daily Mail"
Mr S. Fawcett and Mr J. Coates to buy these papers.
5/ Caretaker. Mrs Rukin wished to be relieved of the duties as Caretaker, as from the end of the year.
It was proposed, seconded and carried that the Secretary display a notice inviting tenders for the post of Caretaker, and to call a meeting at a later date

Meeting held in Jan. 1965. to appoint Caretaker.
Only one tender was received, this being from
Mrs M. E. Metcalfe for £14 for the year.
After some discussion it was agreed to engage Mrs Metcalfe as from 1st February.
Signed S Fawcett Vice Chairman Jan 10th 1966

Annual Meeting held on January 10th 1966.

The Meeting opened by appointing Mr Simon Fawcett to be Vice Chairman, this caused by the loss during the past year of Mr George Scott of West Stonesdale, who was a life long member, formes days Treasurer, and lately served as Vice Chairman.

1/. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted on the Motion of Mr. J. Coates seconded by Mrs. J. Metcalfe

2/. The Treasurers Report of a Credit Balance of £28-2-3. was accepted on the motion of Mr. J. Metcalfe seconded by G. Calvert.

3/ Election of Officers as last year.

4/ It was decided to take the same papers as last year, and the same buyers to take them home

5/. It was proposed by Mr J. Metcalfe seconded by the Secretary that an Effort be held this year. It was decided to hold a Whist Drive, Supper and Dance on 23th February. Mr Walter Fors Band be engaged to play for the dance Prices and details to be arranged later.

Signed S Fawcett Vice Chairman January 16th 1967

Annual Meeting held January 16th 1967.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed
The Treasures Report showed a Balance of £31-7-10.
of this £17-13-0 was from the Whist Drive Supper and Dance held during that year. This very favourable report was accepted on the motion of G. Calvert seconded by Mr. J. Metcalfe.
All Offices were re-elected for another year. with Mrs M. E. Metcalfe as Caretaker.
It was agreed to take the same papers for another year.
The Secretary was instructed to see how much of the spouting on the building should be renewed. and to employ Mr Walker to carry out these renewals, with either Plastic of heavy metal, at the best terms he could obtain.
As it was decided to hold no effort during the year, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Signed S Lawcett Vice Chairman December 21st 1967.

Annual Meeting held on December 21st 1967

Vice Chairman presiding

1/ The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read Proposed by Mr. J. Coates seconded by Mr. J Metcalfe that they be accepted and signed

2/ The Treasurer read out his Report for the year which showed a Credit Balance of £17-16-10. This was accepted on the motion of G. Calvert seconded by Mr J. Metcalfe. It was pointed out by the Treasurer that Mr. Walkers bill for new spouting supplied and fixed had not come to hand, so he was unable to include this in his balance sheet, and as this was expected to be about £15 it left a very narrow margin with the Balance.

3/ All offices were Re Elected en-bloc

4/ Caretaker. It was agreed to have Mrs Metcalfe as last year.

5/ As funds are at a low level it was decided to take some measures to try to improve matters.
The Secretary was instructed to approach the Bank Manager for an increase in their rent for the room for Bank Purposes. also the N. F. U. Group, and others who might wish to hire the room.
Mr. Metcalfe drew attention to the fact that newspapers were not being read very much. Many mornings when he delivered the papers he noticed previous days papers just where

he had left them, and apparently unopened. In view of this it was decided that no papers be taken for the year 1968.

6/. It was decided to have a Whist Drive, Supper and Dance on February 23rd. and to engage either the "Colodonians" Band, or the "Meteor" Band to play for the dance. A meeting to make all other arrangements to be called at a later date.

7. As there appeared to be no further business the meeting was closed.

Signed S Fawcett. Vice Chairman. January 9th 1969.

Annual Meeting held 9th January 1969
Mr. S. Fawcett in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.
Proposed by Mr John Coates and seconded by
Mr. S. Fawcett that they be signed.

The Treasurers Report showed a Credit Balance
of £19-12-4. This favourable report was accepted
on the motion of G. Calvert sec by Mr S. Fawcett

Matters arising.
It was decided that Mr. J. Sinclair pay
his own electricity bill. suggested that he
has his own meter for his garage.

Election of Officers.
All as last year.
Caretaker Mrs. Metcalfe.

There was some discussion about the outer door.
Enquiries to be made for the price of repair
or a new one.

K.W. Wadsworth
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Annual Meeting 24th November 1970
attended by 5 members with Rev K.W. Wadsworth in the chair

The minutes of the last previous meeting were read & signed.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of £25 at Dec. 1969. A balance of about £30 might be expected at Dec. 1970 if subscriptions are paid.

A general discussion on the future of the Institute (now very little used) led to the decision to call a public meeting on 8th December to enable anyone interested to voice an opinion on Winding-up the Institute & so help the committee members to make a wise decision.

The serving Officers were re-elected en bloc to serve for the time-being

Meeting called on 28th January 1971
to decide the future of the Institute.
attended by 6 members with Rev. K.W. Wadsworth. Chairman

Proposed by Mr. Wm Alderson, seconded by
Mr. John Metcalfe, that the Institute should
close, and cease to exist as such.
An amendment to this was proposed, but
failed to find a seconder.
The proposition was carried.
Four members voted, two abstained.
The Billiard Table, furniture, and books to be sold.
Thanks to be given to the Congregational Church
for 110 years use of the building.