

# Wheatley, Oxon.

At a preliminary Meeting at the Merry Bells, on Wednesday, Oct. 22, 1919. The Vicar in the Chair (in the absence of Mrs. Miller) — Mrs. Warner described the history and organization of the Women's Institutes in Canada and England, and the following resolutions were proposed, seconded, and carried nem. con.

Proposed by Miss Gale,  
seconded by Mrs. Bell,

"That there shall be a Women's Institute in Wheatley, to be the community centre for the Women of Wheatley and Littleworth, under the Federation of Women's Institutes."

Proposed by Miss Christian,  
seconded by Miss Hillsdon,

"That the Home of the Wheatley Women's Institute shall be the Smart Room at the Merry Bells" (subject to

(with consent of the Committee of the  
Red Triangle Club.)

Both carried nem. con.

The following Committee was appointed -

- Newton
- Hilsdon
- Currie
- F. Fowler Tr.
- Cripps
- S. Harris
- Holland
- Bell V.P.
- Miller P.
- ~~Leyshon~~
- ~~G. Harris~~
- Hall
- Antrobus
- Christian Sec.
- Gale
- F. Heath
- A. Dennis
- ~~Swill~~

Note.

Those names crossed  
through are ladies  
unable to serve -  
vacancies were filled.  
(see names opposite) -

Miss Ellison

" A. Antrobus

Mrs H. Fowler

The Officers were elected as below -

<u>President</u>	Mrs Miller	Prop. by Miss Gale Sec. - Mrs Hilsdon
<u>Vice President</u>	Mrs Bell	Prop <sup>t</sup> Mrs Curriell Sec. Mrs F. Fowler
<u>Secretary</u>	Miss Christian	Prop <sup>t</sup> Miss Gale Sec. Mrs Curriell
<u>Treasurer</u>	Miss Antrobus Mrs F. Fowler	Prop <sup>t</sup> Mrs Hughes Sec. Mrs Curriell

Note -

Miss Antrobus resigned, vacancy filled by Mrs F. Fowler.

The above Officers were elected from the 18 Members of Committee, subject to their consent.

The place of Members not able to serve was filled at the following Committee Meetings, (See over).

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Mrs Leysdon resigned, Miss Ellison  
elected in her place.

Mrs H. Fowler also elected  
vice Miss Savill.

Oct. 23, 1919.

Committee Meeting to meet  
Mr Griffiths, Y.M.C.A.

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Present.

Mesdames Curill, C. Harris,  
Cripps, Hilsdon, \*Leyshon, F. Fowler, Holland,  
Misses Antrobus, Gale, Heath, Dennis,  
Laking (Y.M.C.A.) and Christian.

A Sub-Committee was elected to act on  
occasions with the Red Triangle Club -  
viz - Mrs F. Fowler, Cripps, C. Harris  
Hilsdon - and Misses Ellison, Dennis,  
and F. Heath (Secretary)

Time of Meetings discussed, but  
not settled.

Mr Griffiths' proposal to offer free  
accommodation in the Merry Bells was heard  
and gratefully accepted, subject to the  
sanction of the Men's Committee - also

a second proposal to admit Members of the W.I. to the same privileges as Members of the Red Triangle Club, for a payment of 3<sup>d</sup> monthly.

Members of the W.I. were invited to the Rally of the Red  $\Delta$ , on Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>

Next Meeting fixed for following night, at 6 p.m.

Oct. 24.

Present

Same Members as yesterday, and  
Mr. H. Fowler and Miss Ellison -

Communications and suggestions from Mr. Griffiths were read and considered - (see over) -

Proposals and Suggestions

from

Mrs Griffiths, Y.M.C.A.

- Merry Bells -  
- Wheatley -

The Men's Committee is very willing that the Women's Institute shall have the use of the Concert Hall { 1 afternoon per week  
1 evening per month  
and the Committee Room  
as required.

At the same time the Men's Committee proposes that the W. I. should consider including Holton, Forest Hill and Shotover - The Men's Club covers this area.

The W. I. could co-opt some one to represent each Village on their Committee

### Social Club (Red Triangle)

The Men's Committee is very pleased to include Women Members (over 14 yrs.) at a subscription of 3<sup>/-</sup> per ~~week~~<sup>month</sup>, and will be pleased to work with the Women's Committee.

The Men's Committee has appointed the following Sub-Committee to work with the Women's Sub-Committee.

Mr. Bell	Mr. W. Sheldon	Mr. J. Gould
Mr. S. Shepherd	Mr. Whiting	Mr. Clarke (Sec.) -



Proposed by Miss Ellison  
Seconded by Mrs Curill,

"That the  
Women of Holton, Forest Hill, and Shotover  
be invited to join this W.I."

Carried.

Prop. by Miss Antrobus,  
Sec. by Mrs C. Harris,

"That the Committee  
co-opt the following as Members"

For Holton - Mrs Langdale Smith

" Forest Hill - Miss Hanson,

" Shotover - Mrs Piggott.

Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write  
at once to the above.

Further discussion on times of Meeting  
took place, and it was decided to meet  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in each month, at  
7 p.m., and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at  
2.30 p.m., for the present. If Members  
wished, weekly meetings to be arranged later.

The Opening Night to be on Wed.  
Nov. 5, at 7 p.m.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain  
a Speaker, and an Entertainment  
to be provided by Members of the W.I.  
Refreshments to be given by the  
Committee.

Next Meeting, to make final arrange-  
ments, Monday, Nov. 3, at 6 p.m.

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Committee Meeting -

Present -

Mrs Miller, in the Chair,  
Mesdames Cripps, Holland, F. Fowler,  
Hilsdon, Newton, H. Fowler, & C. Harris.  
Misses Antrobus, Gale, Heath, Dennis,  
Ellison, Hanson, and Christian.

Mrs G. Harris being unable to serve on the Committee, Miss A. Antrobus was elected in her place, on proposition of Miss Gale, sec. by Miss Christian.

The Secretary had written to Mrs Langdale Smith, Mrs Piggot, and Miss Hanson. Replies were received expressing their willingness to serve on Committee, and represent their various Parishes.

A letter was also read from Miss Daking, of the Y. M. C. A. saying she would be pleased to give an address on "Folk-Dancing," on the 5<sup>th</sup>.

and she also offered to give a demonstration in String-knotting.

The Sub-Committee reported that arrangements were well in hand for the Entertainment, which would consist of Musical Items, followed by a Dramatic Sketch.

The Secretary reported there were over 80 Members' names on the Books up to date.