

STATES OF JERSEY
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Further Education Sub-Committee held at 5.30 p.m.
on Wednesday, 3rd. February, 1971 at the Education Department

New buildings
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(ii) The Sub-Committee was informed that it was unlikely that work on site would be started before October, 1971. The Committee instructed the Principal to prepare a memorandum for the next meeting, outlining the courses which were running and proposed for September, 1971 and September 1972 and detailing the facilities which would be required as the training developed. The memorandum would then become the basis of the Education Committee's report to the States and Finance and Economics Committee requesting an amount of £250,000 for the development of Phase 11 of the College.

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18. The Committee noted that Highlands College, the property of the Order of the Brothers of Laménais comprising extensive buildings on a 12 acre site, might be available for purchase and, with relatively small alterations, could provide suitable accommodation for the College of Further Education, offices for the Education Department as well as accommodation for other projects.

The Committee decided that arrangements should be made with the Order for the Chief Architect to undertake a preliminary survey of the site and buildings.

R. H. Le Cornu
Vice President

20th May 1971

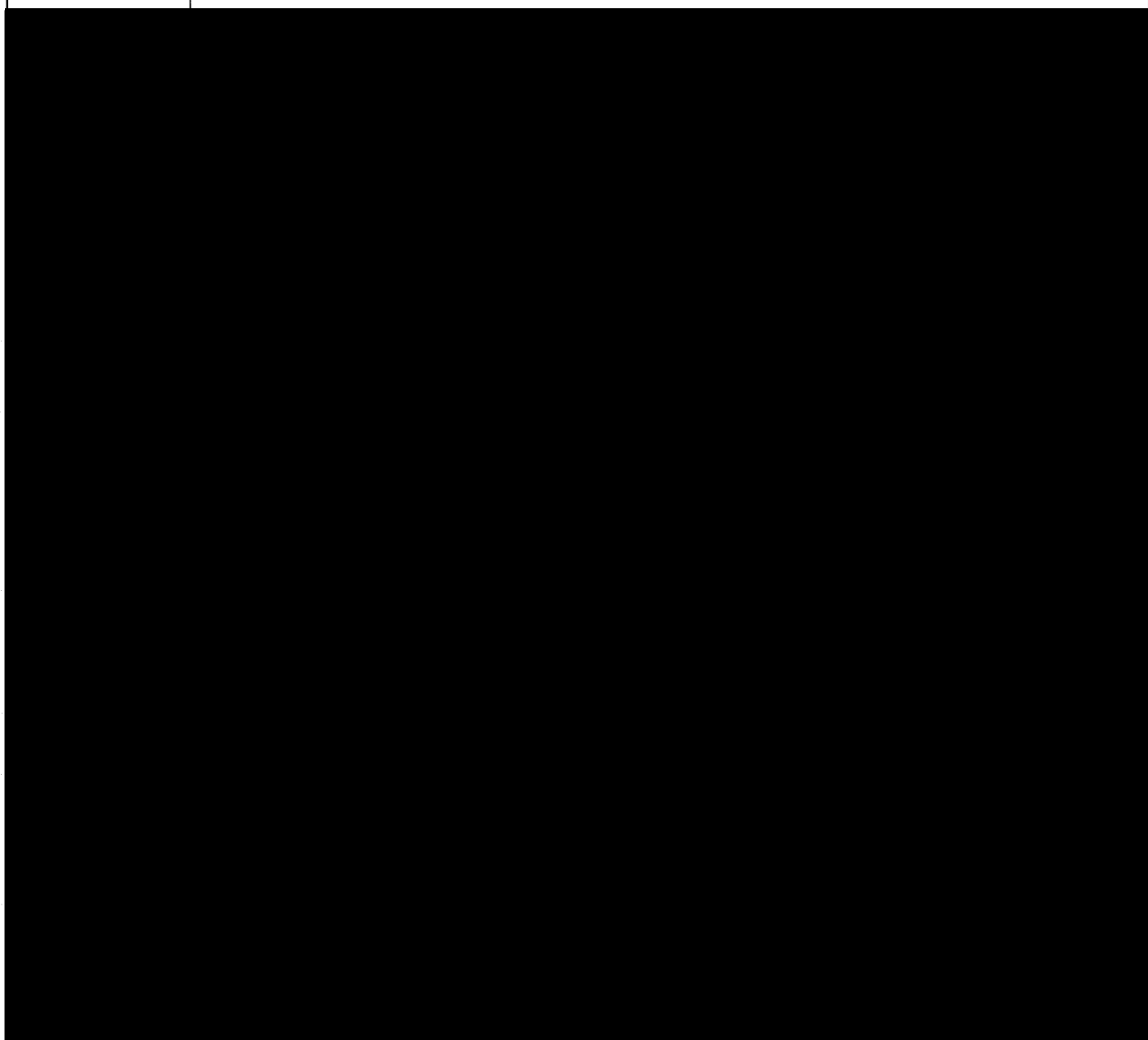
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13. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 18 of 29th April, 1971, requested the Chief Architect of the Department of Public Building and Works to submit a brief report on his general impressions of the site and buildings of Highlands College arising from his preliminary survey on Tuesday, 18th May, 1971.

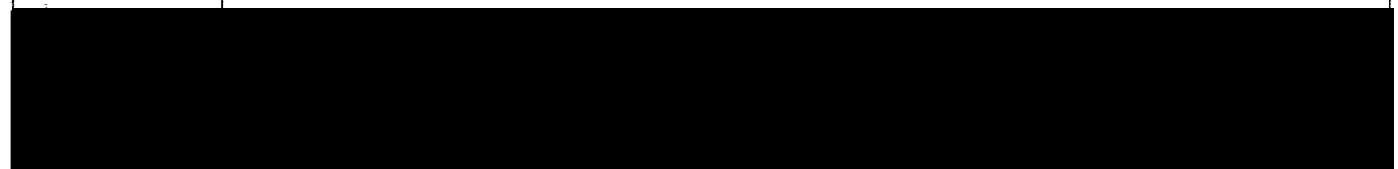
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26. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 13 of 20th May, 1971, received a report from the Chief Architect, of the Department of Public Building and Works, on his general impressions of the site and buildings at Highlands College. It was decided that arrangements should be made for the Committee to view the property at the first opportunity.



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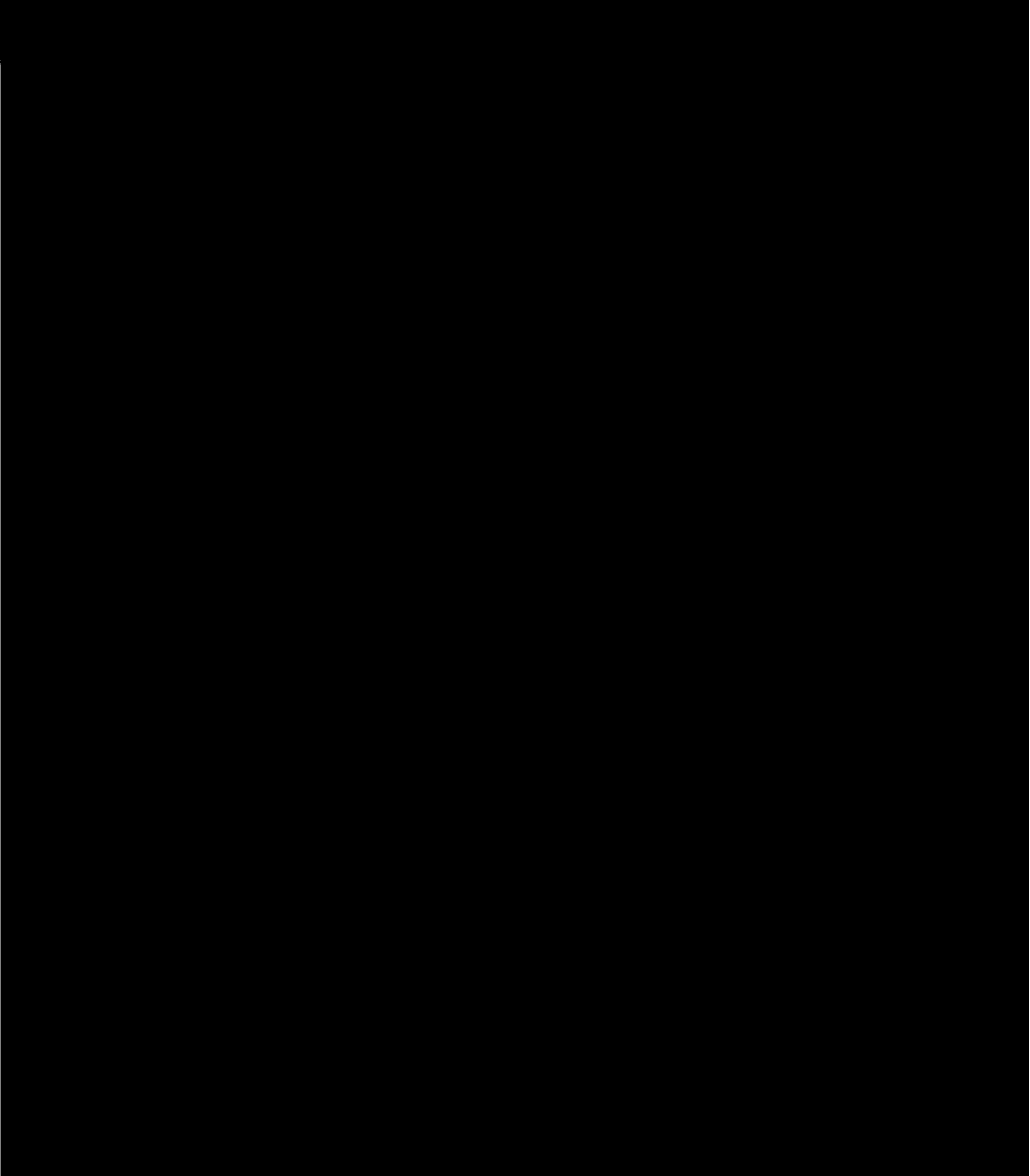
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8. The Committee received an Act of the Finance and Economics Committee, dated 28th July, 1971, asking that a comprehensive report be submitted by the Education Committee outlining its future policy for Further Education facilities.

The Committee recalled that the Director of Education was preparing a comprehensive report on Educational Policy which included details of its plans for the extension of Further Education and agreed that the report should be submitted to the Finance and Economics Committee at the earliest opportunity.

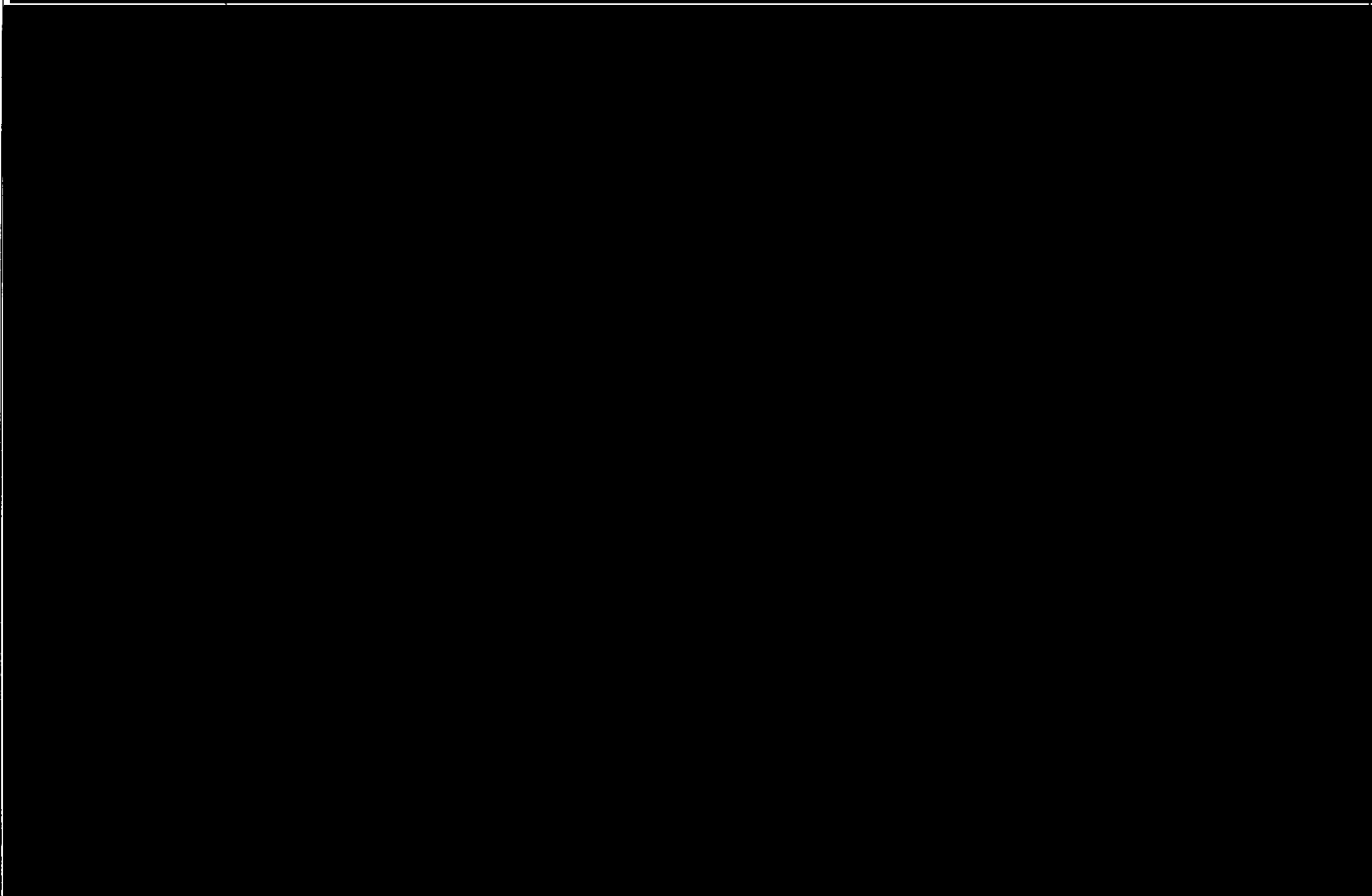
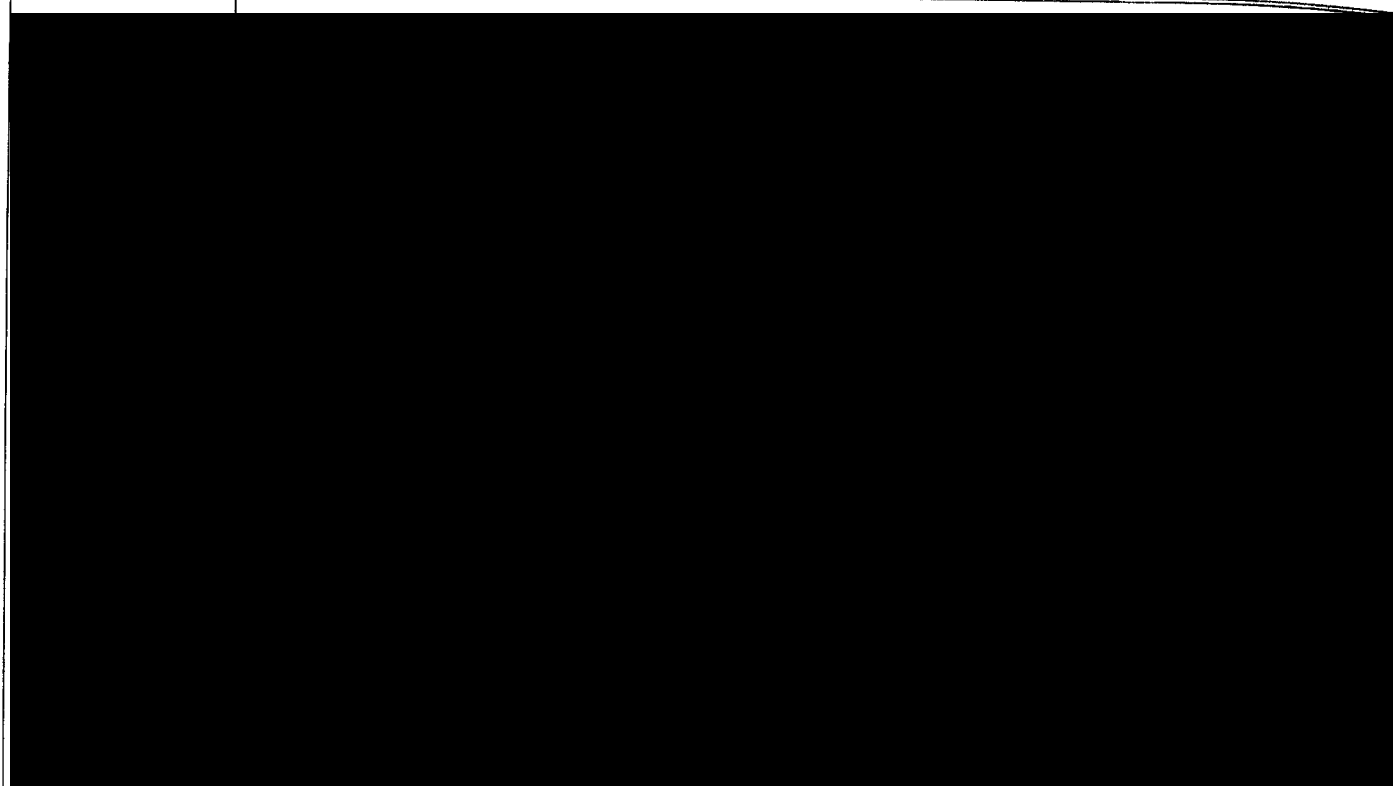




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25. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 26 of 3rd June, 1971, noted a letter, dated 10th November, 1971, from the Jersey Chamber of Commerce Incorporated stating that the Council of the Chamber was of the opinion that Highlands College would be a valuable acquisition for the purposes of further education with particular reference to catering.

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5. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 2 of 2nd December, 1971, recalled its decision that it would wish to acquire part of the Highlands site as an additional playing field for St. Helier Boys' School and reaffirmed that it was still interested in the property itself as a building for the College of Further Education.

The Committee recalled the Finance and Economics Committee's opposition to the proposal and its own earlier wish to proceed farther with the acquisition of the property for further education. Irrespective of this, the Committee decided that it was still interested in acquiring the orchard lying to the east of the buildings as a school playing field and reaffirmed its decision to ask the Island Development Committee if it would reserve the area for this purpose. At the same time the Committee decided to investigate the possibility of acquiring fields 628 and 629.

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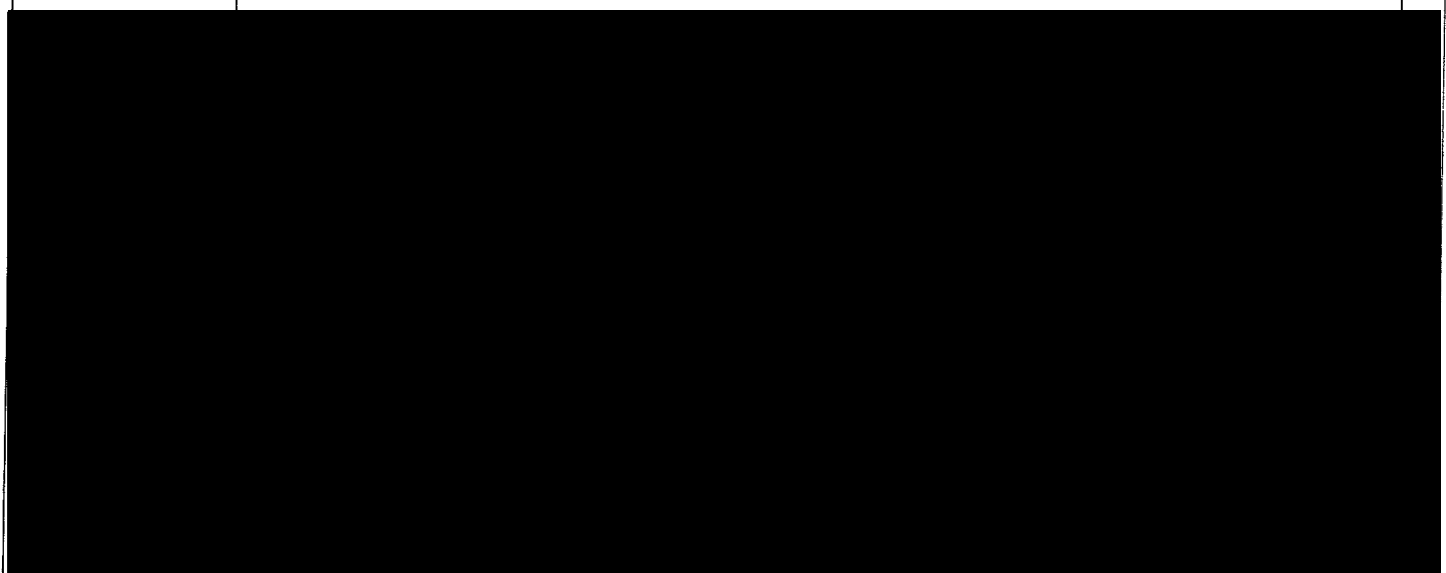
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16. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 5 of 16th December, 1971, with regard to the acquisition of the orchard at the rear of "Highlands College" as a school playing field, received a letter dated 22nd December, 1971, from the States Planning Officer stating that the price for this land might be £15,000 or more a vergee. The Planning Officer considered that the area was not large enough for a playing field and that it would be better if the Committee reconsidered the question of acquiring fields 628 and 629 at the rear of "Primrose Hill" which were still shown on the Jersey Development Plan as a public open space intended for playing fields.

With regard to the Committee's continued interest in the property itself as a future College of Further Education, the Planning Officer understood that it had been generally agreed that this suggestion had been abandoned and that development on Field 617 St. Saviour was to proceed.

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5. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 16 of 30th December, 1971, gave further consideration to the question of acquiring Highlands College as the College of Further Education and decided that the advantage lay with new buildings for the College on Field 617, St. Saviour. The Committee accordingly authorised the Director of Education to proceed with the planning of the College on that site. The Committee also decided to consider the possible acquisition of the adjoining Fields 631 and 632 after its visit to sixth form colleges in Hampshire.

At the same time the Committee authorised the Land Officer to re-open negotiations for the acquisition of Fields 628 and 629 at the rear of "Primrose Hill", St. Saviour to serve as playing fields.

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11. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 5 of 13th January, 1972, received an Act of the Finance and Economics Committee, dated 23rd February, 1972, stating that the Housing and Island Development Committees were recommending that Highlands College, St. Saviour, should be purchased for a States housing development and asking for comments on the effect on schools on the suggested provision of dwellings possibly in 1976. The Committee also received letters dated 23rd February, 1972 and 3rd March, 1972, from the States Planning Officer and the Housing Officer respectively.

The Committee noted that it was likely that the majority of the occupants would come from families already located generally in the town area, that a large proportion of the dwellings would not be suitable for families with children of school age and also that by 1976 the total number of children of primary school age would have declined. The Committee accordingly decided to inform the Finance and Economics Committee that the schools in the vicinity of Highlands should be able to accommodate any children living on the estate and that it would not be necessary to provide a new school in the area.

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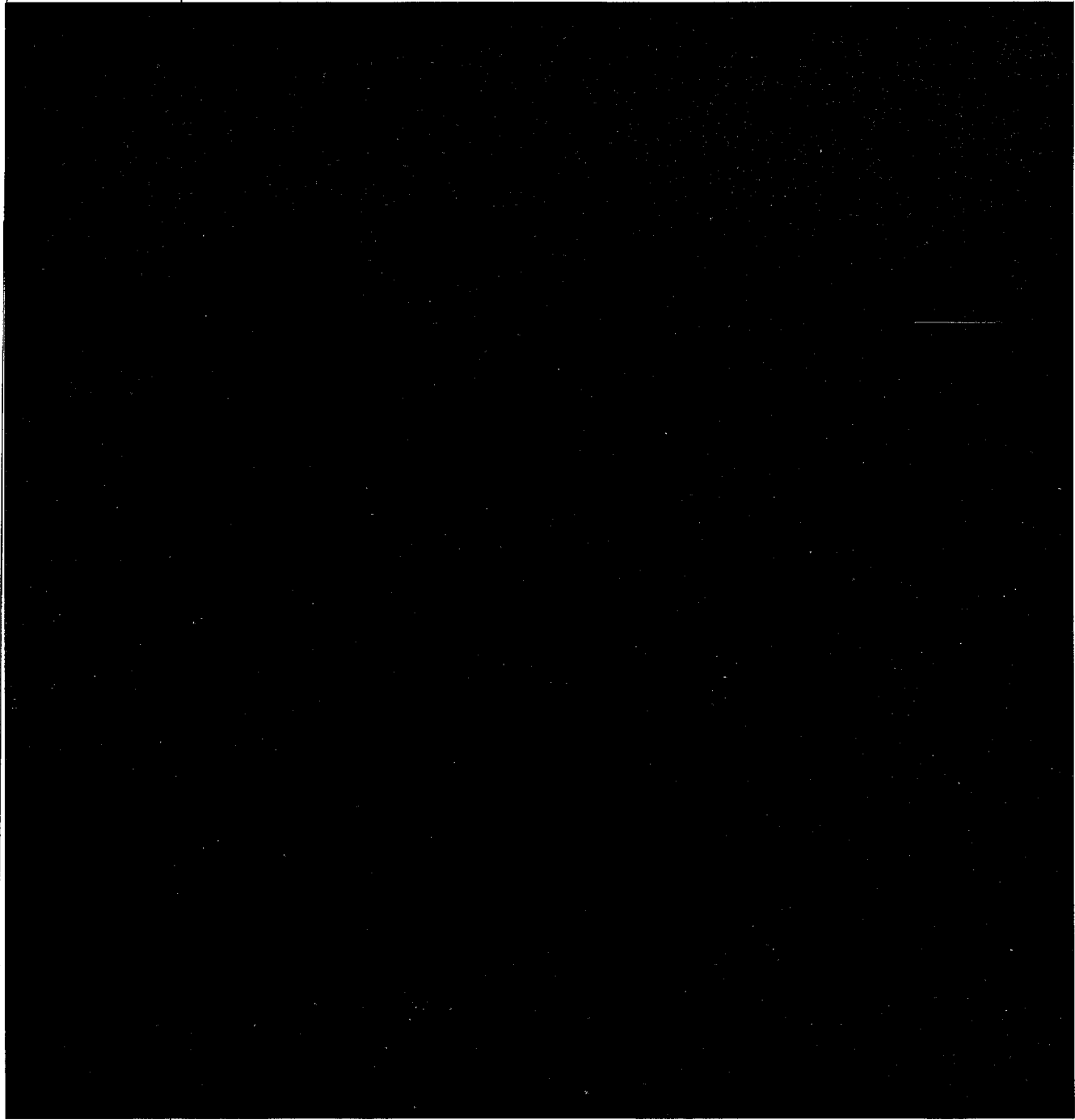
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2. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 11 of 9th March, 1972, gave further consideration to the effect on schools of the proposed development of the site of Highlands College for housing. The Committee decided to inform the Finance and Economics Committee that although on the information provided by the Housing Officer and the States Planning Officer it seemed likely that the schools in the vicinity should be able to accommodate any children living on the estate, nevertheless as neither of the schemes had yet been accepted by the Housing Committee it would wish to be consulted before the final decision was taken about the number and type of houses to be built.

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9. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 2 of 23rd March, 1972, received Deputy P.M. de Veulle, President of the Island Development Committee and Mr. R.B. Skinner, Chief Executive Officer in connexion with the proposal to acquire Highlands College.

Deputy de Veulle informed the Committee that the Order of Christian Brothers was asking £400,000 for the buildings and site, which he felt was reasonable, but that the President of the Finance and Economics Committee considered £250,000 an adequate price. In his opinion, it was desirable that the States should acquire the site for the public of the Island and if necessary a decision taken later whether it would be transferred to the

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Housing or Education Committee, on the understanding that Education would have priority for its utilisation as a site for a College of Further Education.

As the Order required a decision by the end of April, it was necessary that there should be no further delay and he suggested that he with the Presidents of Housing and Education should discuss the matter with the Brother Director with a view to negotiating a price and possibly deferring the decision to the end of May. Deputy de Veulle wished to submit a report to the Finance and Economics Committee in time for its meeting on 3rd May, to bidge that report on 10th May and to have it debated at a special sitting of the States on 30th May. With regard to the provision of the money for the purchase he explained that the Island Development Committee could allocate up to £300,000, he understood that the Housing Committee would be prepared to make £100,000 available if required for housing purposes and hoped that the Education Committee would allocate the £100,000 voted in 1969 for Phase I of the College of Further Education if the purchase was approved for educational purposes. The Committee pointed out, however, that a vote of credit would be required to provide initial or extended services at "Highlands".

The Committee agreed that the site would be suitable for a College of Further Education, as well as providing offices for the Education Department and Children's Section and that, furthermore, the orchard at the rear of "Highlands" would be available as a much needed additional playing field for the adjacent schools. If the conclusion of the Committee's present discussions on the reorganisation of education were that a sixth form college ought to be established, there would be room on the site for this building also, which could be linked with the College of Further Education for joint use of the laboratories and other facilities. The acquisition of the site for educational purposes would release compensating properties including La Motte Street, Phillips Street, the Pier Road buildings, the site of the proposed Eastern Secondary School and field 617 acquired originally as a site for the new College of Further Education.

The Committee agreed in principle that the States ought to acquire the site and that it should be reserved for education purposes. The Director of Education was requested to prepare a report for incorporation as an annex to the report of the Island Development Committee.

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4. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 9 of 20th April, 1972, received Deputy P.M. de Veulle, President of the Island Development Committee and Mr. R.B. Skinner, Chief Executive Officer, in connexion with the proposal to acquire Highlands College. The Committee also received a draft Report and Proposition prepared by the Island Development Committee for presentation to the States, through the intermediary of the Finance and Economics Committee, and a copy of a letter dated 29th April, 1972, from Langlois Limited acting on behalf of the Order of the Christian Brothers, stating that the Order would be prepared to accept £375,000 clear of all legal and agent's costs, and excluding any of the movable effects, such as furniture, machinery, the organ, crops etc., which could be purchased by agreement.

The Committee was of the opinion that the property should be acquired for the public of the Island and that it should be utilised for educational purposes. Having discussed the question of price, the Committee authorised the President to negotiate a price between £350,000 (all legal fees to be paid by the Committee) and £375,000 (each side to be responsible for its own legal fees.) The Committee decided that it was not prepared to pay the agent's fees and that it would not wish to purchase any of the movable effects other than the organ which it expected to be included in the sale for the price offered.

The Committee noted that the Island Development Committee would allocate £217,000 from its vote "Acquisition of Land (Major Reserve)" and £83,000 from its vote "Acquisition of Land", on the understanding that the Committee would be required to reimburse £300,000 to the Island Development Committee, the balance to be provided from the vote of £100,000 granted to the Committee in 1969. The Balance of the Committee's vote (£25,000) would remain available for necessary alterations and repairs at Highlands.

It decided that it would be appropriate for the Committee to present a Report and Proposition to the States and the Director of Education was requested to prepare a draft Report for consideration at the next meeting on 18th May, 1972.

Deputy de Veulle undertook to convey the decisions of this meeting to the Housing and Island Development Committees.

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2. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 4 of 4th May, 1972, with regard to the acquisition of Highlands College was informed that the Order of the Christian Brothers was prepared to accept an offer of £375,000 clear of all agent's costs, each side to be responsible for its own legal fees, but was not prepared to include the organ in the sale at that price and required an additional £5,000. The Committee decided that it would be prepared to recommend the States to purchase the property for educational purposes at a price of £375,000 excluding the organ.

The Committee considered the draft report prepared by the Director of Education and noted that a report from the Island Development Committee in support of the purchase would be included as an Appendix.

The Committee approved minor amendments to the Report together with a Proposition and requested the President of the Committee to present the Report and Proposition to the States, through the intermediary of the Finance and Economics Committee.

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8. The Committee, referring to its Minute No. 2 of 18th May, 1972, received an Act of the Island Development Committee, dated 23rd May, 1972, supporting the Committee's request that Highlands College should be purchased by the States for educational purposes. The Committee was informed that information had since been received that, although there was now no opposition to the purchase of Highlands College by the States from funds available to the Island Development Committee, a subsequent decision would be taken regarding the use of the buildings. The Committee decided to maintain its proposition for the purchase of the buildings for educational purposes.

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7. The Sub-Committee was informed that the States were still considering the purchase of Highlands College for use by the Education Committee as a College of Further Education. The members of the Sub-Committee unanimously supported the purchase of Highlands College for educational purposes. The members considered that the possibility of using the College for student accommodation during the holiday months should be borne in mind.

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Minutes of the Further Education Sub-Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 5th July, 1972.



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(ii) The Sub-Committee was informed that Highlands College had been purchased by the States for educational purposes and it was anticipated that the College of Further Education would be able to commence courses there in January, 1973. It had been hoped that Highlands College would be available in September of this year but the Christian Brothers had informed the Education Committee that they would not be able to vacate the buildings until November, 1972, at the earliest.

The Sub-Committee noted that the necessary investigation into the title of the property for the contract of sale was now being made by the Crown Solicitor and that the Christian Brothers had no obligation to the Committee until such time as the contract was signed. Nevertheless, with their agreement, arrangements were being made for St. Helier Boys' School to use part of the accommodation at Highlands between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. which in turn released a temporary timber classroom at Balmain Nursery for use by the College of Further Education. The Principal informed the Sub-Committee that lack of

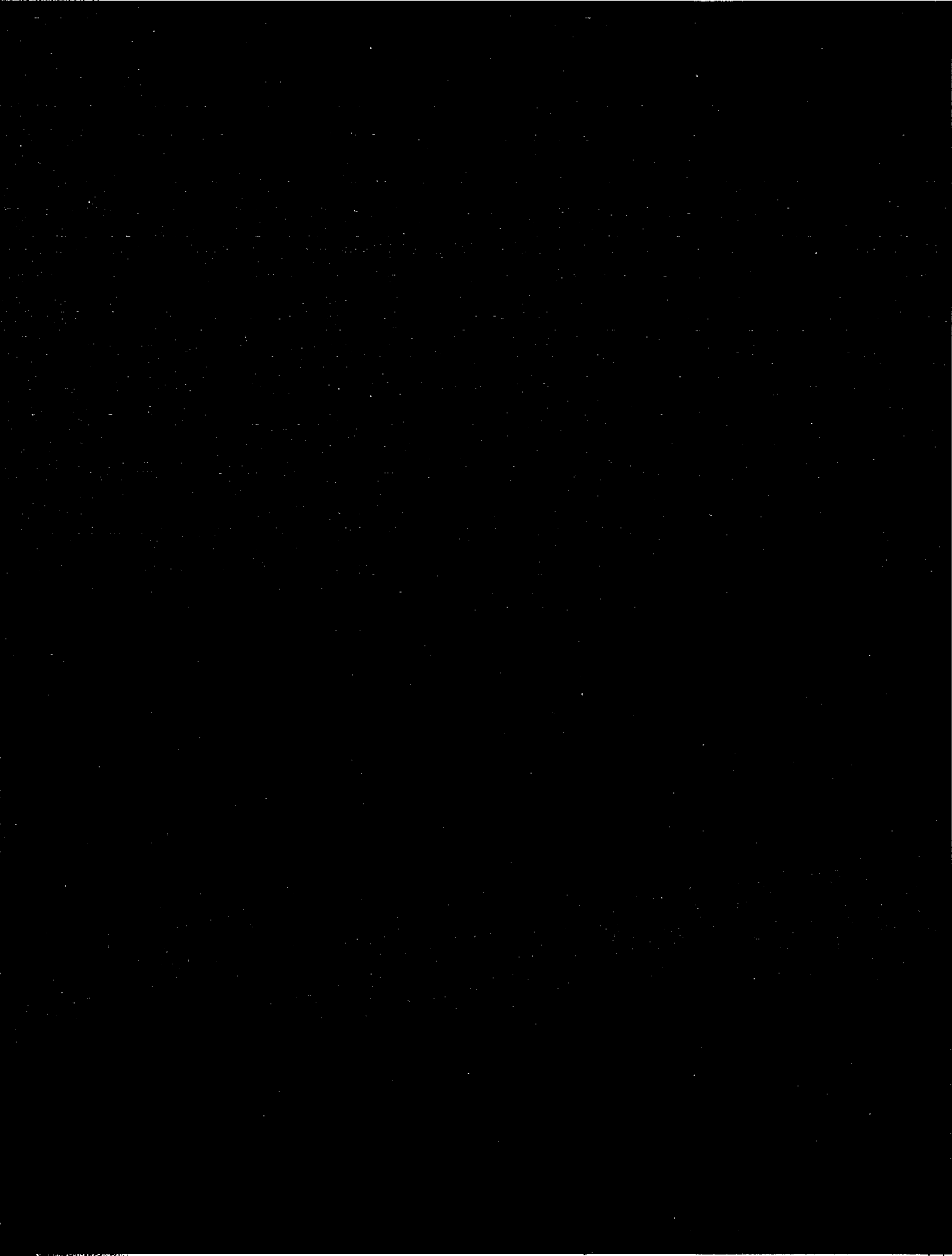
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accommodation would restrict some of the courses, particularly the catering course, for that one term. Evening classes would be moved to Highlands in the 1973/74 session, with the exception of some specialist needs.

The Sub-Committee members decided to view Highlands College at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 14th July, 1972.



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Minutes of the Further Education Sub-Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 9th August, 1972.



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Highlands College Assessment of Accommodation needs	6. The Sub-Committee decided to establish separate Working Parties for each Department to consider the best means of using the accommodation and facilities which would be available when the College moved to Highlands:-	rk r i t ,
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5. The Committee referring to its Act No. 8 of 1st June, 1972, approved the allocation of departmental accommodation at Highlands College as proposed by the College of Further Education Sub-Committee. Following an inspection of the premises, the Committee decided that the Director of Education should submit a report showing the estimated costs of transferring individual departments to Highlands College so as to enable it to decide priorities. The Committee agreed that overall administration of the property should remain with the Education Department and that the Principal of the College of Further Education should be responsible for Blocks A, B, C and G as shown on the general plan, with the exception of the Concert Hall and those rooms reserved for the Local Schools' Broadcasting Unit in Block A.

R. H. L. Lorne
Vice President
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4. The Committee received a memorandum dated 9th November, 1972, prepared by the Senior Administrative Assistant and endorsed by the College of Further Education Sub-Committee at its meeting on 21st November, 1972, detailing the essential work required to transfer the Education Department, the Children's Section, the Administrative Offices of the College of Further Education and the Business Studies Department of the College into Highlands, and agreed the recommendations, namely -

- (a) to accept, subject if possible, to re-assessment the estimate of the Jersey Electricity Company Ltd. for the installation of high and medium voltage supplies at Highlands at a cost of £5,900 and to distribute this supply to Blocks A, B and C at a revised estimate, being less than the £7,300 quoted, as the wiring of the supply to the welding workshops and Blocks C and D would now be subject to public tender;
 - (b) that tenders be invited for the internal wiring from distribution boards to the various points required;
 - (c) that a central telephone switchboard be installed to serve the Administrative Offices, the College of Further Education, St. Helier Boys' School and Hautlieu School;
 - (d) that two general handymen be appointed on a full-time basis, one of these to be Mr. P. Baudains, who was previously in the employ of the Christian Brothers at Highlands;
 - (e) that two full-time and two part-time cleaners be appointed from 1st December, 1972.
 - (f) that priority be given to making the caretaker's flat ready for occupation and that, until the caretaker was in residence at Highlands, a temporary arrangement should be made for Mr. D. Walker, a member of the staff of the College of Further Education to sleep on the premises and to be paid a special allowance of £5 per week;
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- (g) that permission be obtained from the Parish Authorities for the access from Wellington Road at Wellington Park to be designated a no waiting area;
- (h) that the Education Department and Children's Section be moved to Highlands between the 26th and 31st December, 1972, and the offices be closed to the public for that period, except for manning an emergency number;
- (i) that the present orchard to the east of the site should have the trees in the centre removed and the space grassed to provide a rough practise area with goal posts for St. Helier Boys' School;
- (j) that a statement be prepared for presentation to the States early in the Spring Session, giving the Assembly details of the Committee's use of the site and plans for the future.

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4. The Committee, referring to its Act No. 4 of 23rd November, 1972, noted that, following discussions with the Senior Administrative Assistant, the Jersey Electricity Company Ltd., had agreed to reduce its quotation for the supply of high voltage electricity to Highlands, St. Saviour, from £5,900 to £3,934 conditional on the heating by electricity of hot water to the kitchens and cloakrooms and of the supply of medium voltage from £7,300 to £5,955. A total saving of £3,311. The Committee accepted the revised quotation on these terms.

