

ACC/1297/CLR/01/001/027

Minutes of Meeting

held at 16. Great George Street. Westminster, S.W on
Tuesday the 9th March 1897 at 3 o'clock p.m.

Present.

Henry Tennant Esq., in the Chair.

Lord Colville of Culross,

Sir Francis Knollys,

Honorable Algernon H. Mills,

Lord Rathmore of Shanganagh.

Sir Benjamin Baker, Engineer: Mr Frank Dawes, Solicitor: and Mr Graham, Secretary.
Mr Wm Morris J. [Junior] of Messrs Ashurst Morris Crisp & Coy. [Company] was
also present.

The Minutes of last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Engineers Report No 13 was read and ordered to be recorded.

Engineers Office.

8. Queen Annes Gate. S.W.

9th March 1897

Engineers Report No 13

To the Directors of the
Central London Railway Coy.

Engineers Report

Gentlemen,

At Shepherds Bush Station three shields are working, and 547 yards of tunnel have been completed. Break up lengths for two 25 feet Cross Over Roads have been commenced.

At Holland Park Station two shields are working, and 388 yards of tunnel have been completed. A shield chamber is being constructed for the 21 feet tunnel shield.

At Notting Hill Gate Station two shield chambers for the 21 feet Station tunnels have been completed, and delivery of one 21 feet shield is expected this week.

At Queens Road Station two shields are working and 175 yards of tunnel have been completed.

At Westbourne Station two shields are working and 374 yards of tunnel have been completed.

At Marble Arch Station one shield has started and 130 yards of tunnel have been completed.

At Oxford Circus one of the 21 feet tunnel shields is now being erected in a chamber constructed for the purpose, and one 11 ft. 6 ins [inches] tunnel shield is at work and 60 yards of tunnel completed.

At Tottenham Court Road a chamber is being constructed for the erection of a station tunnel shield and 58 yards of 11 ft. 6 in. tunnel have been completed.

At British Museum Station a large shield chamber has been constructed and 75 yards of 11 ft. 6 in. tunnel have been completed.

At Chancery Lane Station three small shields are at work and 178 yards of tunnel completed.

At Post Office Station one 20 feet shaft, one 18 feet shaft and two 23 feet shafts are being sunk.

At the Bank Station about 200 feet of the passenger and pipe subway round the station is completed with the exception of the permanent roof.

Good progress has also been made at the stations with the passages from the lift shafts to the platforms.

We are, Gentlemen.

Yours faithfully.

sig. [signed] Fowler & Baker.

*Petitions against 1897 Bill.

vide folios 94 & 104*

The Secretary submitted a list of the Petitions lodged against the Central London Railway Bill 1897. as follows: -

1. John & Edward Bumpus
2. Vestry of the Parish of St Marylebone.
3. Marshall & Snelgrove.
4. Edward Horsman Bailey & others. (Portland Trustees)
5. Vestry of St George. Hanover Square.
6. London County Council.

The Central London Railway Company's Petition against the London County Council Improvement Bill 1897 was also placed on the table.

*Notice issued regarding division of shares.

vide folio 97 & 108*

The Secretary reported that in accordance with the resolution of the Board which was passed on the 4th February last, a circular was issued to the shareholders inviting them to make application for the division of their shares into “preferred” and “deferred” half shares, and that applications had been received in respect of 35,600 shares.

* Letter of Condolence from the Directors to Mrs Greathead.*

The Secretary reported the following extract from the Chairman’s speech at the last Half Yearly Meeting had been sent to Mrs Greathead, and Mrs Greathead's reply was ordered to be recorded on the Minutes of the Company.

“There is one paragraph in the report which I am sure you will have read with much regret, and that is as regards the death of Mr J.H. Greathead, who was one of the Engineers of the Company. Mr Greathead whose name is associated with the shield system of tunnelling made the question of underground railways and their mode of construction his especial study. Had he lived, the successful completion of the Central London Railway would we may be well assured, have been a great gratification to him; and whilst realising our own loss, I am sure we shall all be prepared and desire to convey to Mrs Greathead our sympathy in the loss which she has sustained.”

Ravenscraig, Streatham [Illegible]
February 6th 1897.

Dear Mr Graham,

Thank you for your letter of yesterdays date and I will be glad if you will convey to the Chairman of the Central London Railway my thanks for his kind message and the gratification I feel at the kind way he mentioned my husbands name at the General Meeting. It would indeed have been a pleasure to him to see the completion of the railway.

Believe me, Yours very sincerely.
signed Blanche Greathead.

Documents sealed by the Company.

The Secretary reported that the following list of documents had been sealed by the Company: -

Name	Description	Date of Sealing.
Ecclesiastical Commissioners	Petition	13. January

E.J. Tomlin	[Petition]	[13 January]
[E.J. Tomlin]	Assignment of leasehold premises	14. January
[E.J. Tomlin]	Memorial of deed	[14 January]
Mrs E.T. Allason	Conveyance of freehold premises	[14 January]
[Mrs E.T. Allason]	Memorial of deed	[14 January]
Ecclesiastical Commissioners	Petition	21. January
R.W. Clark.	[Petition]	[21. January]
E.J. Tomlin	[Petition]	[21. January]
R. Debenham	Deed of Covenant	8. February
[R. Debenham]	Petition	[8. February]
V [-]	Share Certificates	25. January
Trustees of the Latymer Charity	Conveyance of freehold premises	8. February
[Trustees of the Latymer Charity]	Memorial	[8. February]
V [-]	Share Certificates	[8. February]
V [-]	[Share Certificates]	12. February
Ecclesiastical Commissioners	Conveyance of freehold premises	[12. February]
[Ecclesiastical Commissioners]	Memorial	[12. February]
R.W. Clark.	Assignment of leasehold premises	17. February
[R.W. Clark.]	Memorial	[17. February]
Mrs S.V. Blanchard.	Duplicate Assignment	[17. February]
S. Walker to James Shaw	Assignment of 87. Newgate Street.	[17. February]
London & Westminster Bank	Agreement.	26. February

Duke of Bedford	Conveyance of 133-136 High Holborn	[26. February]
[Duke of Bedford]	Memorial of Deed	[26. February]
Ecclesiastical Commissioners	Conveyance & Memorial of Deed	[26. February]
V [-]	Share Certificates	[26. February]

Financial Statement

The Secretary submitted a Financial Statement which was ordered to be recorded.

Financial Statement at 9th March 1897.

Receipts.

On shares &c. 1,394,045,,17,,1

Expenditure.

To Nov 10. as per previous statement 778,385,,16,,0

Further sums for land, works, &c: 191,427,,3,,4

969,812,,19,,4

Available Balance

£424,232,,17,,9

Less.

Amount on deposit at Bank 61,000,,0,,0

Amounts on loan. 340,437,,9,,3

401,437,,9,,3

Credit Balance per Pass Book

£22,795,,8,,6

List of Cheques drawn since last Meeting.

A list of cheques drawn since last Meeting was submitted by the Secretary and approved.

Name	Particulars	Amount.		
Ashurst Morris & Coy	1897 Bill Expenses	250		
Nelke Phillips & Bendix	Loan Account.	169	18	4
Inland Revenue Comm. [Commissioners]	Income Tax		17	6
E. Cassel	Commission	6	8	1
"Times"	Advertising	3	15	
"Daily Telegraph"	[Advertising]	3	13	
Waterlow & Sons Ltd	Stamps	2	12	5
Nelke Phillips & Bendix	Loan a/c	637	6	2
E. Cassel	Commission	6	8	6
Secretary & Clerks	January salaries	47	18	4
Laing & Fletcher	Overpaid Call	106		
Barclay & Coy	Overpaid Call	20		
W. J. Brown.	Interest Warrant.		5	10
Bircham & Coy	Additional property	5,500		
Cannon Street Hotel	Use of Room	3	3	
"Daily Chronicle"	Advertisement	2	12	3
Waterlow & Sons	Stamps	4	15	10
Cazenove & Akroyds	Loan account.	150,000		
Electric Traction Coy:	Contract.	43,284	11	1
Ernest Cassel	Commission	6		6
A. Ruffer & Sons.	Overpaid Call	146		
Petty Cash		10		
Secretary & Clerks.	February Salaries	47	18	4
Crews Lichtenstadt & Coy	Loan account.	130,000		
E. Cassel.	Commission	6	1	2
Electric Traction Coy:	Mansion House Works	<u>606</u>	<u>15</u>	
		<u>£330,873</u>		<u>4</u>

Accounts for payment

The Secretary submitted the following list of Accounts for payment, which was approved.

Name	Particulars	Amount.		
Waterlow & Sons	Stationery	29	18	5
Inland Revenue Comm	Land Tax Redemption	344	5	
[Inland Revenue Comm]	[Land Tax Redemption]	754	5	
Electric Traction Coy:		36,300	5	5
		<u>£37,428</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>

*Specifications &c for Carriage.

vide folio 107*

The Specifications and Drawings for a Central London carriage which had been prepared by Mr D. Bain of York, were submitted, and the matter was deferred for further consideration.

* video folios 99 & 108*

Davies Street Station.

The Secretary read the correspondence which had passed between Mr Morris, the Solicitor of the Electric Traction Company, and Sir Howard Vincent with reference to the latter's opposition to the Central London Bill 1897. and Mr Morris submitted a draft agreement between the Duke of Westminster and the Central London Company which was approved and ordered to be sealed, subject to a satisfactory agreement being made with the Electric Traction Company for the carrying out of the work.

H. Tennant [signed]
Chairman.