

C.S.

POSTAL.

1921.

Telegraphs.

TEL/GRA/1 # 9

No. 1057/21.

C.E. ¹³ 21/5

Colonial Postmaster.

SUBJECT.

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Telegraph Office.

31st October.

Transfer to Town Hall.

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

Extract from Governor's Minute 31st October, 1921 (M.P. 1059/21)

Para 3. The present arrangement by which the Telegraph operators work in a building at so great a distance from the office of the Colonial Postmaster is unsatisfactory, and it would be preferable that accommodation should be found for them in the rooms allotted to the Colonial Postmaster in the Town Hall. The room which is at present used as a store would be suitable, but if this is used it will be necessary to provide another store room.

4. The Colonial Postmaster can have the use of the two rooms (with separate entrance) on the north side of the building now used as a Police Station. If these rooms were put into a state of good repair and provided with the necessary fittings they would probably prove sufficient for the requirements of the Colonial Postmaster.

5. If, however, the Colonial Postmaster finds that they are at too great a distance from the Post Office or otherwise unsuitable, it will be necessary to erect a small store. I shall be glad to have the views of the Colonial Postmaster on this matter. In my view the two rooms referred to could be made to provide more suitable accommodation near than a small building/

Subsequent Paper.

building erected near the Post Office.

(init'd) J. H.

31st October, 1921.

Minute from Colonial Postmaster, 31st October,Encl (1)

Ys.
Petition for approval of Postmaster's
re-arrangement of rooms

31/10/21

Approved but I understand that the
waiting room will probably be required on
at least one evening next week.

JH
2 Nov. 1921.

Col. Postmaster

Accordingly

As proposed by you the boys
can be moved temporarily to the P.O. if
the waiting room is otherwise required on any night.

31/10/21

For ^{the} Col. Sec.

Noted. Perhaps the Col. Engineer's
can be instructed to arrange for the transfer
of the Telegraph Office to the Town Hall
as soon as possible, and to carry out the
necessary alterations required. The two
rooms on North side of building now used
as a Guard room would not be too far
away if an entrance door were put in
facing the Library and Museum
entrance. A doorway is already cut
and simply requires a door fitted up.

M. Craigie Harkett
Col. Postmaster

Ch.
 Will you please take the
 necessary action

T. H. H. 5/11/21

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

Work in connection with the removal of cupboards etc. from the store-room to the Postmaster's Office will be commenced at once and arrangements made to transfer the Telegraph Office to the Town Hall.

Colonial Engineer.
 XX/XX/XX.

2. Requisition to Incur, under Head XXIII, Sub-head 4, in the sum of £15 will be submitted to cover cost of this work.

R. B. B. B. B. B.
 Colonial Engineer.
 10/11/21.

To await requisition.

Minute from Col. Engineer, 10th Nov. 1921 Encl 2.
Minute from Col. Treasurer 10th Nov. 1921 Encl 3

Ch. Will you please pay for
 the ~~for~~ Repairs etc

T. H. H. 12/11/21

The Hon. Col. Secy.,

Requisition to Incur under "Repairs" has been passed into the Treasury.

2. ~~This~~ After the above mentioned Req. to Incur has been approved the available balance on the vote

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(XXIII, 2.), will be £10. This amount will not, I think, be sufficient to cover to the 31st. December 1921 and a Special Warrant may be required according to the work which will have to be undertaken.

R. B. Basely.
Colonial Engineer.
21/11/21

Note: An F.R. has been submitted
no. 371/21. This may be p.c.
meantime

ttttt 22/11/21

Minute from Col Postmaster 29th Nov 1921
encl (2)

M.B. submitted.

Henrickson's review may be dismissed?

ttttt 5/12/21

Colonial Postmaster,

Will you please endeavor to
arrange with the O.C Naval Works
to take Henrickson over for the date
of the termination of his employment under
Govt, which should be as soon as can
be arranged.

ttttt 6/12/21

Hon. Col. Sec.

Noted. I will endeavor to
arrange with the O.C. Naval
Works accordingly.

M. Craigie Harkness
6. XII. 21.

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Minute from Col Postmaster 9th Dec 1921. Encl (5)

Ch.

~~The building used as a Cable Station
will now be occupied by the O.C. Naval
Works it was put up by the
Attach m.p. in which Mr. Neave asked
for the use of the Cable Station~~

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12/12/21

The Hon. Col. Sec:

Noted & returned.

R. B. Asley.

Col. Engineer 26/12/21.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

C.S. No.....

MINUTE PAPER



Departmental Number.

From Col. Postmaster.

Date 31st October 1921.

To Hon. Col. Secretary.

SUBJECT.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH OFFICE, SUGGESTED TRANSFER OF TO THE TOWN HALL (POST OFFICE DEPT)

Reference Numbers. }

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Hon. Col. Sec.

I beg to recommend that the Wireless Telegraph Office be moved from its present accommodation at the cable Station to the Post Office. Owing to the telegraph Office being some distance away from the post Office it is extremely difficult for me to exercise proper supervision over the operating staff.

2. The most convenient place for the office would be the waiting Room which is immediately opposite the Post Office door, but as unfortunately there is no other suitable room in the Town Hall which could be used as a Waiting room it would not be possible to take the present room. I suggest that the room now used by this Dept., as a bag room be made the Telegraph Office. If this is done I further suggest:-

- (i) That the large cupboard in the waiting room be put up in the postmasters Office in place of the present cupboard which is unsightly and affords no proper protection for books and papers kept therein.
- (ii) That the cupboard in the Postmaster office be placed in the bag room as it is quite suitable for storing forms &c.

The Waiting room is seldom used except at Mail times and on occasions when dances are held. As a temporary measure we could use that room for storing empty bags as whenever the room would otherwise be required the bags could easily be moved into the Post Office. I should first like to see whether temporary storage of bags in the Waiting room will meet the requirements of the Post Office before making

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any recommendation concerning the provision of a bag room elsewhere.

3. Steps may therefore be taken to transfer the Wireless Office as early as possible.

M. Craig Harker

Col. Postmaster.

31st Octbr 1921.

No.

MINUTE.

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

..10th..November.....19 21.

From The Colonial Engineer

To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

XXIII. P.W.R. 4, Furniture Government Offices.

Requisition to Incur No. , in the sum of £15 being estimated amount required to enable transfer of Telegraph Office from Cable Station to Town Hall.

The sum of £10 is estimated as being the amount required for necessary alterations to cupboards etc to be made and the sum of £5 for work in connection with the running of line wires and connecting up of instruments etc. Should this last amount not be approved under this Head I think a new item would be required as there is not a vote under my Department in connection with the Telegraph Office. Colonial Engineer 10/11/21.

R.R. Stanley

The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary,

The attached Financial Requisition
No.81 of 1921 submitted with Colonial Engineer's covering minute.

2. I have not signed the requisition in question as it seems that this requisition would call for some comment. In the first place it hardly seem possible that such work as the removal of cupboards and the fitting out a Store-room as a Telegraph Office, as well as the cost of connecting telephone wires with the new office can be regarded in the light of "Furniture for Government Offices". It seems to me that such work should be regarded more in the light of alterations in the fittings of a Government Office, and such that it should more correctly be regarded ^{as} ~~in the~~ "Repairs to Government Buildings" being more or less structural alterations.



Colonial Treasurer

11th November 1921.

No. _____

MINUTE.

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

..... November 29th 19 21

From..... the Col. Postmaster.
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To

THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Hon. Col. Secretary,

When the Telegraph Office is transferred from the Cable Station to the post Office the services of the messenger now employed will no longer be required as the telegrams can be taken out by the Post Office messenger.

2. The messenger at the Wireless Office, Lester Henricksen, was first employed by the Western Telegraph Co, at wages of £4 per month. Perhaps the Admiralty Engineer would be willing to take Henricksen over.

M. (Major) Harrett
Colonial postmaster.

29th Novbr 1921.

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1037/21

No.

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MINUTE



9th Decbr1921

From the Col. Postmaster.....

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THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

M.P. No. 1037/1921

Hon. Col. Secty,

I beg to report that the Telegraph Office has this day been transferred from the Admiralty Cable Station to the Post Office. I have made arrangements with the Officer in charge of Naval Works to take over the former Telegraph Messenger, L. Hendricksen.

M. Francis Hallett
Col. Postmaster.

9.12.21.