Minutes of a special meeting held at the Plymouth Hotel Inglewood called by Messrs. Roy, Coutts & Hunter for the purpose of receiving a report from the engineer on the abandonment of his contract by P. Matthews and giving instructions thereon

Present Messrs. Roy in the chair, Morley, Macpherson, Griffith, Coutts, Hunter & Doherty.

The President stated that he had received information from the engineer of the abandonment of the Smithburn & Inglewood main-road contract by the contractor Matthews, and had therefore called the present meeting to consider the matter.

The engineer reported that he visited the contract on the 27th July and found that the work was not proceeding satisfactorily and that his instructions had not been carried out. He engineer had therefore informed the contractor that unless the work was carried on in accordance with specification and conditions of contract no further payments would be made.
Yesterday the contractor had called upon the President and complained of the wage he had received from the engineer. The letter from the President to the engineer reporting these complaints

was put in and was together with the engineer's reply thereto. He report went on to state that on visiting the contract on the 1st Aug. the engineer found it deserted and all the plant and tools removed. Also that the amount paid to the contractor was £75 and that the measurement of the work executed gave its value at £76-6-0. The deposit in the hands of the Treasurer was more than sufficient to cover any probable loss.

Moved by Mr Hunter
Sec. by Mr Macpherson That tenders be called for the completion of the work and that the President and the members for the Inglewood Riding be appointed a committee with power to accept a tender subject to the approval of the Council and to an amount not exceeding the unpaid balance of the original contract —

Carried.

The meeting then closed.

Confirmed
[illegible]
President

Inglewood
9 Sept 1889

Shires interested

Upon this letter a general opinion was expressed by the Council that no portion of the Shire Funds should be expended at the Eyre, but that a bridge ought to be erected nearer Avoca Forest. It was ultimately

Moved by Mr Hunter
Sec. by Mr Morley That the consideration of the matter be postponed

Carried

12 Upon the Treasury with accounts & vouchers for the payment of the second portion of the endowment £240

The Treasurer reported receipts for the month £33-5-0 Expenditure £229-17-0

The report was received.

The Engineer reported that the main road work on the Landsborough & Inglewood road had been commenced by the contractors and that the plans had been approved by the District Engineer.
The various works in progress in the Shire were going on satisfactorily
The report was received

The engineer also reported verbally that the approaches to the culverts on the main road have been damaged by the rains and require repair and that metal requires spreading on some of the roads.

Moved by Mr. Beamer
Sec. by Mr. Macpherson That the engineer be empowered to have the necessary repairs effected.
Carried

The Secretary reported that the house at the Lake Farm at Belleburn had been accidentally burnt and all the pound books destroyed.

Instructions were given to purchase a new set of books for the pound, and to call for tenders for the erection of a brick or weatherboard cottage there 24 ft. by 12 ft. at a cost not exceeding £30. —

The following tenders were then opened
For forming and draining 2½ chains on the Inglewood & Wedderburn main road - divided into two portions
First portion 2990 yds.

J. Boan	£ 459. 0. 0
Hughes	424. 15. 0
Butterick	450. 6. 0
J. Paterson	597. 3. 7

At the annual election for one member of Council for the Inglewood Riding in the room of Richard Hegarty Esq who retired by rotation, the following candidates have nominated, and at the poll taken by me on the 12th Aug. at the polling place for the Riding received the number of votes placed opposite their respective names

Richard Redwood	40
Richard Hegarty	33

I therefore declare Richard Redwood Esq to be duly elected.
Thos. H. Gippert
Returning Officer

At an extraordinary election for one member of Council for the Inglewood Riding in the room of Robert Oberholtzer (who resigned his seat on the 8th August 1869) held by me on the 26th August the following candidates were nominated and obtained the number of votes placed opposite their respective names.

George Crosland	45
William Hall	37

I therefore declare George Crosland Esq to be duly elected.—

Geo H Fitzgerald
Returning Officer

The usual declaration was made by Mr. Saml. Rennie as Deputy for this Town before Henry Hunter Esq J.P. on the 23rd August 1869.