

TRUSTEES OFFER ST. ALBANS' RESERVE TO COUNCIL.

Cr. F. Stenson and Mr. E. J. Luxford waited on the Braybrook council on Monday night and offered to vest in it the local recreation reserve, containing about six acres, and valued at about £1,000, subject to the following conditions: that the reserve be maintained for all time for the use of the people of St. Albans; that in the event of Sunshine becoming a borough the status of the reserve be the same as under the shire; and that the reserve be known as the Errington reserve. The Trustees had no thought of the council ever disposing of the land, but as Sunshine would at some time become a borough it was desired to make such arrangements as would keep the ground for the people's use.

Mr. Luxford informed Cr. McKay that the Trustees had full power to sign the transfer.

The Trustees' offer is consequent on the proposal of the council to construct Percy street, on which the reserve abuts. As the reserve is technically private property the Trustees are responsible for their share of the construction of the road, namely £476, but as they have no resources they propose to hand over the reserve to the council.

Councillors informally discussed the proposition, and it was decided to ascertain whether the Keilor council were willing to become joint trustees of the reserve with Braybrook. The secretary was instructed to communicate with the Keilor secretary with a view to enable that

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On the motion of Crs. Pennell and Pridham the thanks of the council were accorded to Cr. Stenson and Mr. Luxford.

The Percy street construction scheme was deferred.