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INTRODUCTION

This is the second register of the projects financed by the King Edward's Hospital Fund for London through several committees and produced annually by the King's Fund Centre. It records and indexes in a standardised form the majority of the projects which were in progress at the end of December 1979, noting whether the decision to finance was taken by the Management Committee, the Project Committee, the Education Committee or the Centre Committee.

Probably the Register is not complete. At the end of 1978 the Research and Development Committee proposed a revision to its remit, and the Management Committee of the Fund, in agreeing to this proposal, suggested that since so little (if any) of the Committee's work could be described as research in its scientific sense, the word "project" more accurately described its role. Having said this, it is not always easy to determine whether a decision to make a financial grant necessarily makes the objective a "project"; often the Fund will support an association, or encourage a cause, which is not innovative. These grants have by and large not been included in the Register.

Most of the projects listed are supported by the Project Committee, the members of which are listed at the end of the project summaries (white pages). The Committee, which meets quarterly, does not have tightly defined terms of reference. The Committee, and indeed the King's Fund, does not finance clinical projects, nor does it make grants to bodies or to individuals outside London where the aims of the project are designed to benefit solely that body or individual. The Committee and the Fund do not finance the provision of services other than those which can be seen to be experimental. The word "management" applied to the health and social services most accurately describes the content of most of the projects undertaken and coupled with the aim to support truly innovative work indicates some of the parameters of the grant-giving committees.

Two further general points are important. First, and in common with most grant-giving bodies, the Fund looks carefully at applications to see whether a genuine attempt is incorporated to test whether the project's aims and objectives have been achieved at its conclusion. Evaluation is notoriously difficult, but is none the less worth attempting in most cases. Secondly, a clear statement of the plan of the project is required and an indication given of the way or ways in which project results might be published or made generally available.

The Project Committee has a standard application which is normally used, and the usual procedure is for an applicant to submit first a brief narrative statement of his proposal to the Secretary of the Committee. If this is accepted, with or without modification the full application form is completed and at this stage the advice of expert assessors is sought. There is no formal panel of assessors but the Fund has always been fortunate in being able to call upon the advice of experts, which is invariably given with great care. In many cases, an applicant meets the Fund's representatives before a submission is made to the Project Committee, who will decide whether to accept the proposal, reject it or modify it.

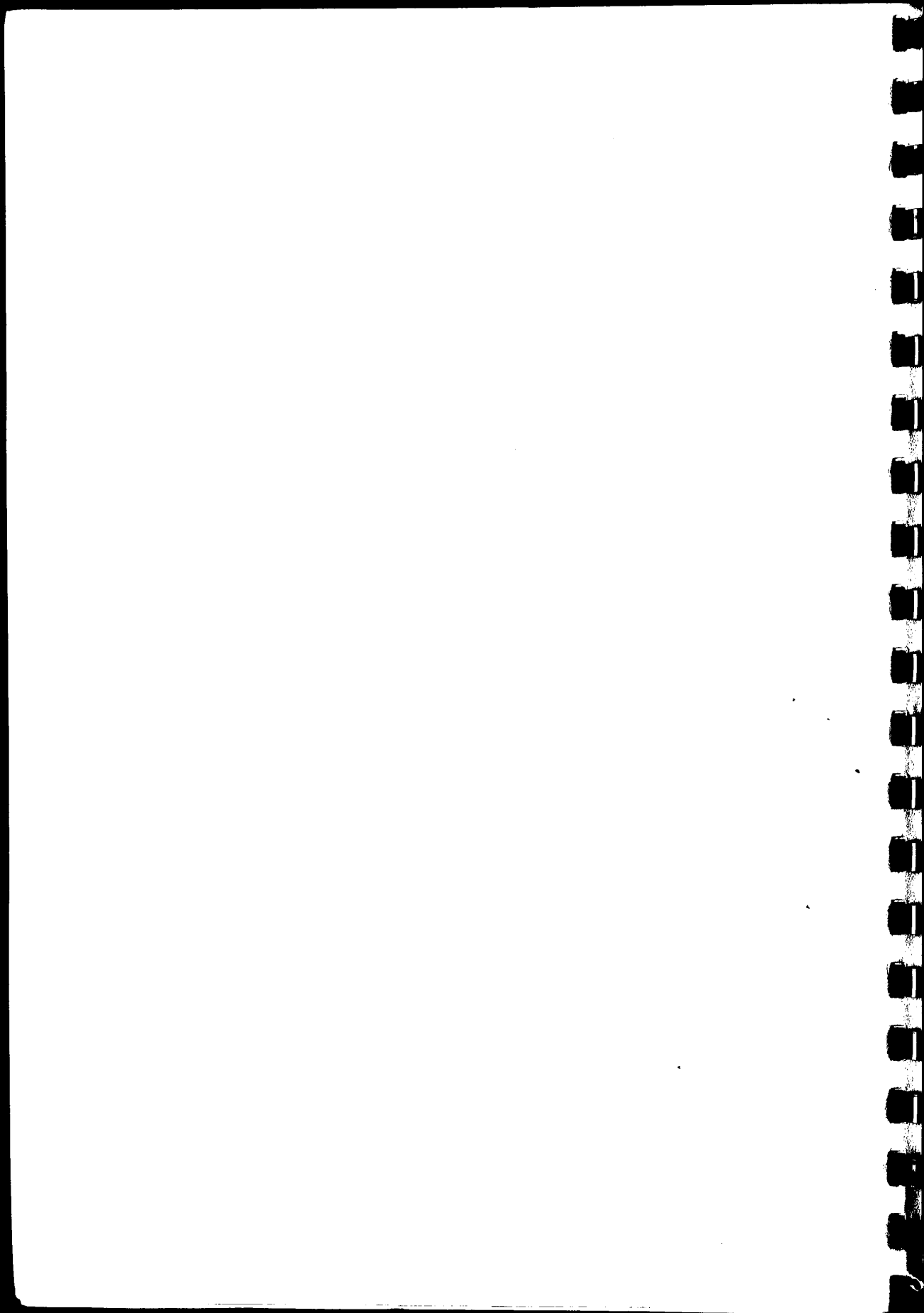
During a recent review of the Committee's work, it was emphasised that the Committee need not act solely in response to applications submitted. It is open to the Project Committee to commission work and actively to encourage innovative pilot studies in areas which it believes to be important. Many of these areas cover topics which for one reason or another tend to be neglected by health and local authorities.

This account of project activity is necessarily abbreviated. It is included in the Register in order to give some general background information about the Fund's procedures for this part of its activities. It is hoped that the register of current projects will be of use to health care staff inside and outside the

Fund. A larger comprehensive work which also contains details of many of the project and research activities of the European and Scandinavian Health Institutes is maintained by the library of the King's Fund Centre.

January 1980

W G Cannon
Director, King's Fund Centre
and
Secretary, Project Committee



ALPHABETICAL LIST OF PROJECTS

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| Asian names and NHS records | PRO 79/44 |
| Assessment of function of volunteer service coordinators | PRO 79/65 |
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| The language barrier | MAN 8832 |

| PROJECT TITLE | PROJECT NUMBER |
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| Medical records research project, University of Nottingham (Innovations in medical records) | MAN 8378 |
| Medical Services Study Group | MAN 8604 |
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PROJECT TITLE

PROJECT NUMBER

Visiting of long stay institutions by members of Community Health Councils (CHCs)

CEN 78/15

Visual arts intervention and long term care

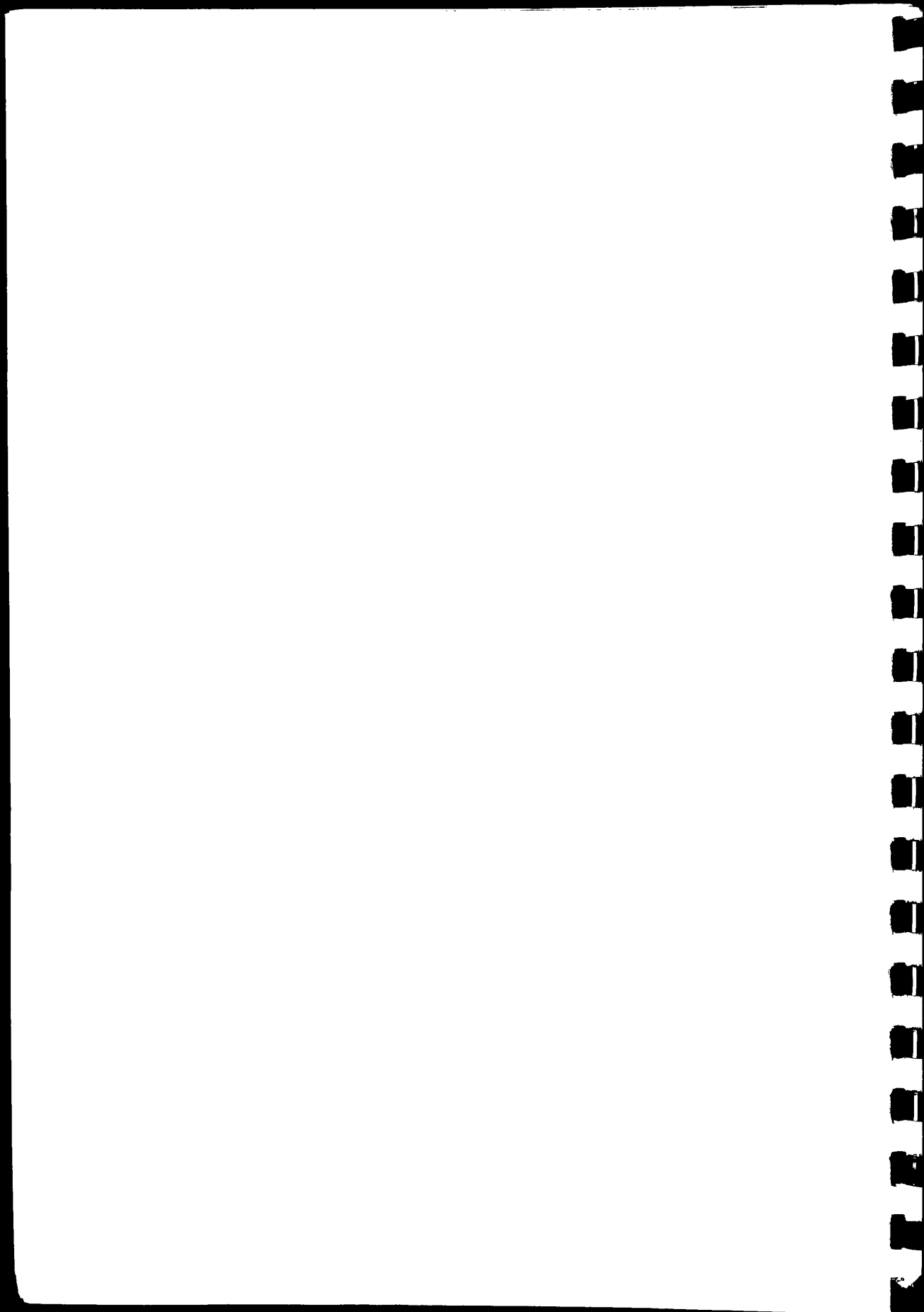
R&D 78/14/iii

Women doctors, medical manpower and the NHS

PRO 79/57

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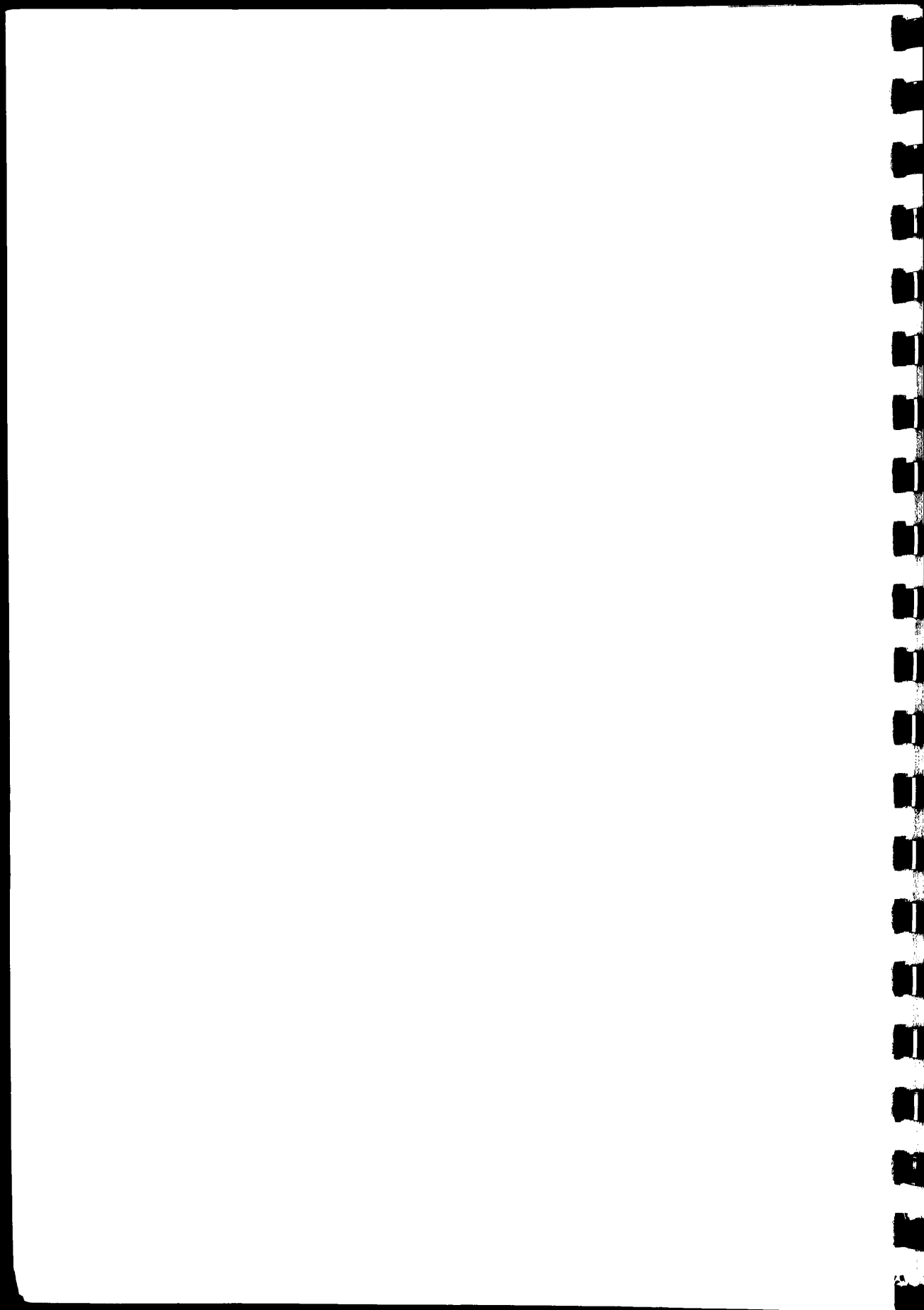


KEY TO PAGE NUMBERING SYSTEM

The page numbers in this register, used for determining the filing order of the project summaries, consist of abbreviations representing the Fund's project sponsoring committees (see explanation below) and the minute numbers of the committees. The filing order is alphabetically by committee abbreviations and numerically within each committee's collection.

Explanation of abbreviations:

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| CEN | King's Fund Centre Committee |
| ED | King's Fund Education Committee |
| DEV | King's Fund Hospital Development Committee (ceased 1975) |
| MAN | King's Fund Management Committee |
| PRO | King's Fund Project Committee |
| R&D | King's Fund Research Committee (ceased 1975) |
| | King's Fund Research and Development Committee (ceased 1978) |



KING'S FUND CENTRE COMMITTEE

CEN 77/17
78/22
79/8

Project: Sickness in society.

Starting date: November 1977.

Planned duration: Three series of annual lectures.

Funds allocated: £750.

Project leader: Reverend Dr Douglas Pett, Hospital Chaplain,
 St Mary's Hospital, Praed Street, London W2.

Project officer:

Project base: St Mary's Hospital; address above.

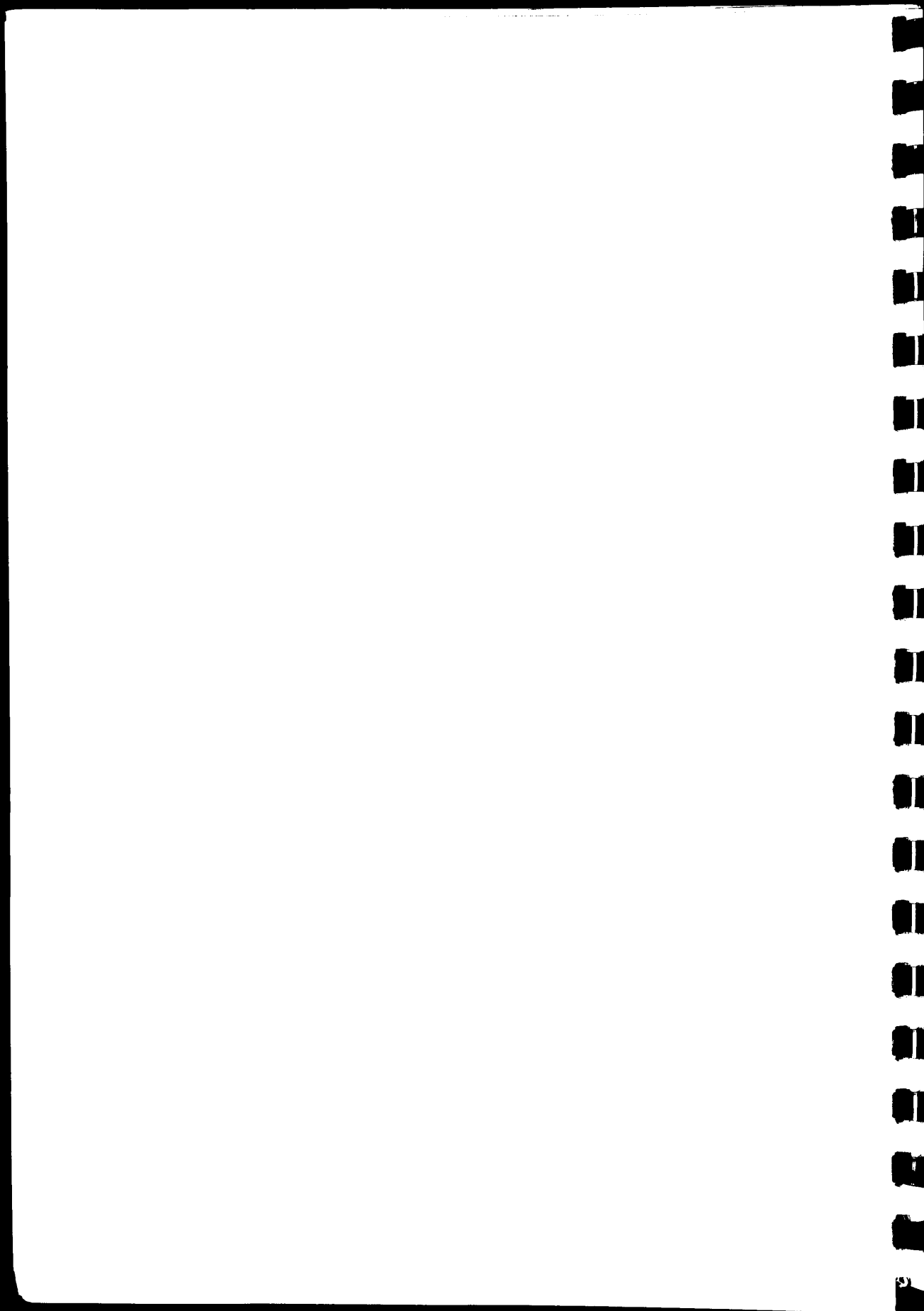
Objectives: To hold annually a series of three or four lectures for
 hospital chaplains and all workers in hospital on a wide
 range of sociological and ethical subjects.

Methodology: The lectures are planned by Dr Pett who invites speakers
 known to him.
 The lectures are given in November and December.

Presentation
of results: Consideration is being given to the publication of some
 or all of the lectures.

Evaluation criteria: Continuing attendance at the lectures.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: An enquiry into the role and usage of Post Graduate Medical Library facilities by General Practitioners.

Starting date: January 1978.

Planned duration: 9 - 12 months.

Funds allocated: £280.

Project leader:

Project officer: Dr H K Ford, 4 Poplar Avenue, Heacham, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

Project base: address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To improve the provision of medical information to general practitioners.
- 2 To quantify GP use of postgraduate medical library facilities in East Anglia.
- 3 To change existing attitudes and the use of library facilities.

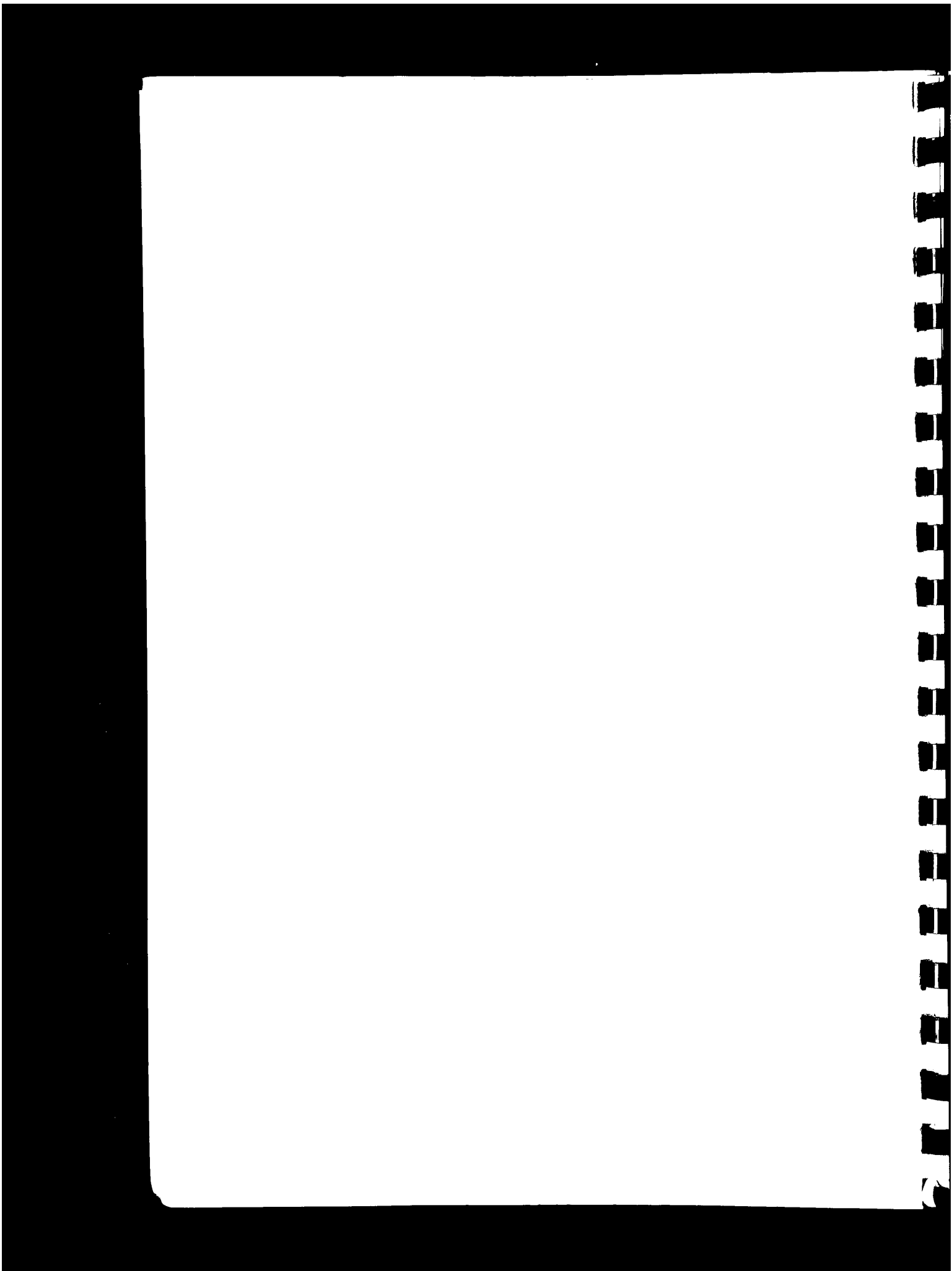
Methodology:

- 1 To circulate questionnaires to GPs in a health district to ascertain the extent they use library facilities and their attitudes.
- 2 To keep records of information sought by GPs and thus build up a profile of local needs.

Presentation of results: Publication in a professional journal.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND CENTRE COMMITTEE

CEN 78/13

Project: An outdoor activities course for GP trainers and trainees.

Starting date: September 1979.

Planned duration: 5 days.

Funds allocated: £500

Project leader: Dr J A McEwan, Senior Lecturer, Department of General Practice Studies, King's College Hospital Medical School, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8RX.

Project officer:

Project base: Department of General Practice Studies; address above.

Objectives: To provide a complete change of atmosphere and material for solving problems.

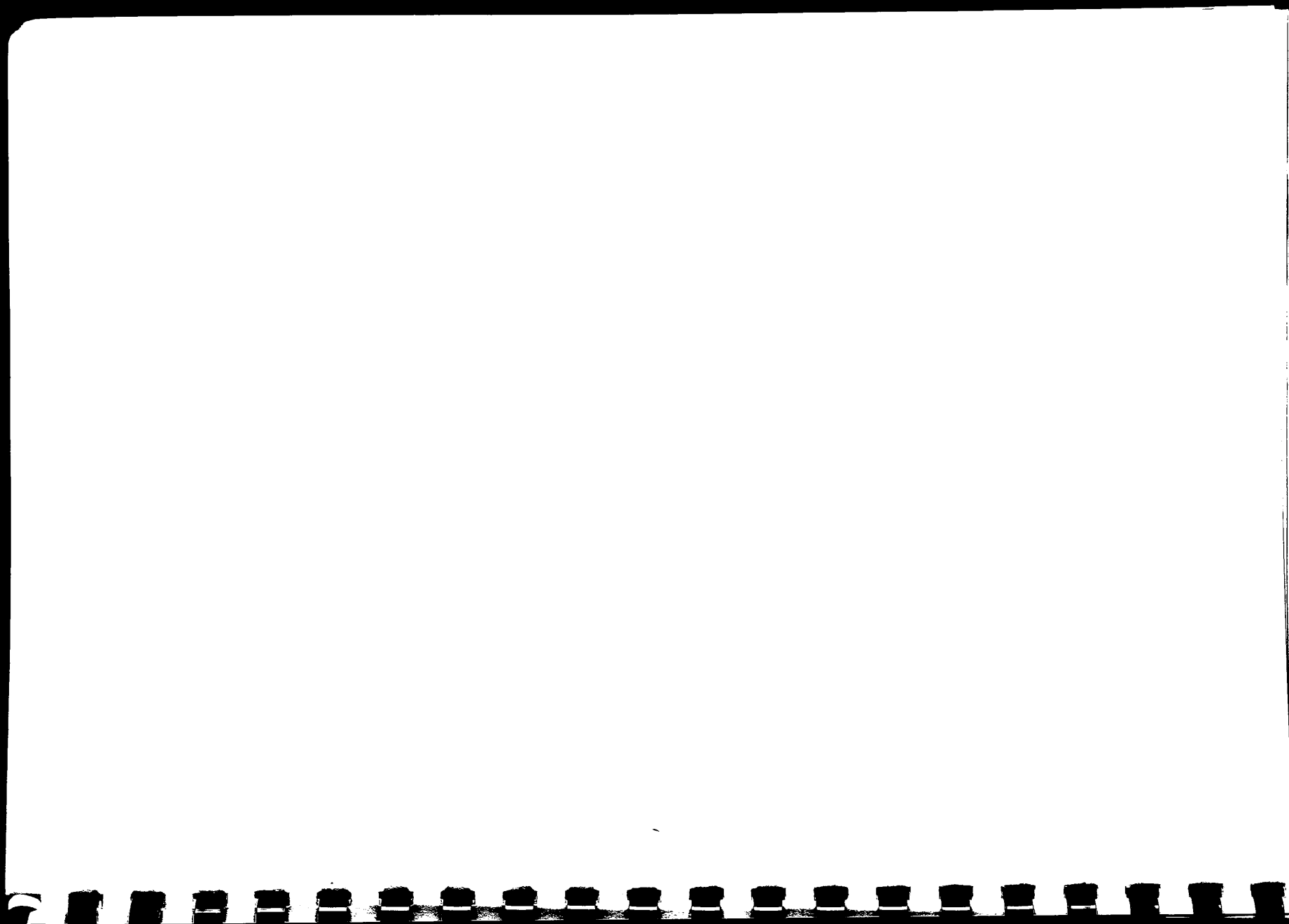
Methodology:

- 1 To hold a night exercise involving some physical output, thinking, problem solving and challenge.
- 2 To explore a slate mine and a slate mining village.
- 3 To arrange rock climbing, canoeing, surfing and kiln building.
- 4 To provide ample opportunity for discussion.

Presentation of results: Written report to King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Visiting of long stay institutions by members of Community Health Councils (CHCs).

Starting date: March 1978.

Planned duration: 9 months.

Funds allocated: £500

Project leader: Miss Andrea Whittaker, Project Assistant, King's Fund Centre.

Project officer:

Project base: King's Fund Centre.

Objectives: To produce a small publication for members of CHCs giving suggestions on such subjects as:-

- Pre-visit planning
- Establishing good relationships with staff
- How to ask the right questions
- Asking about written ward policies
- General hospital services - laundry, meals
- Frequency of visits
- Writing reports.

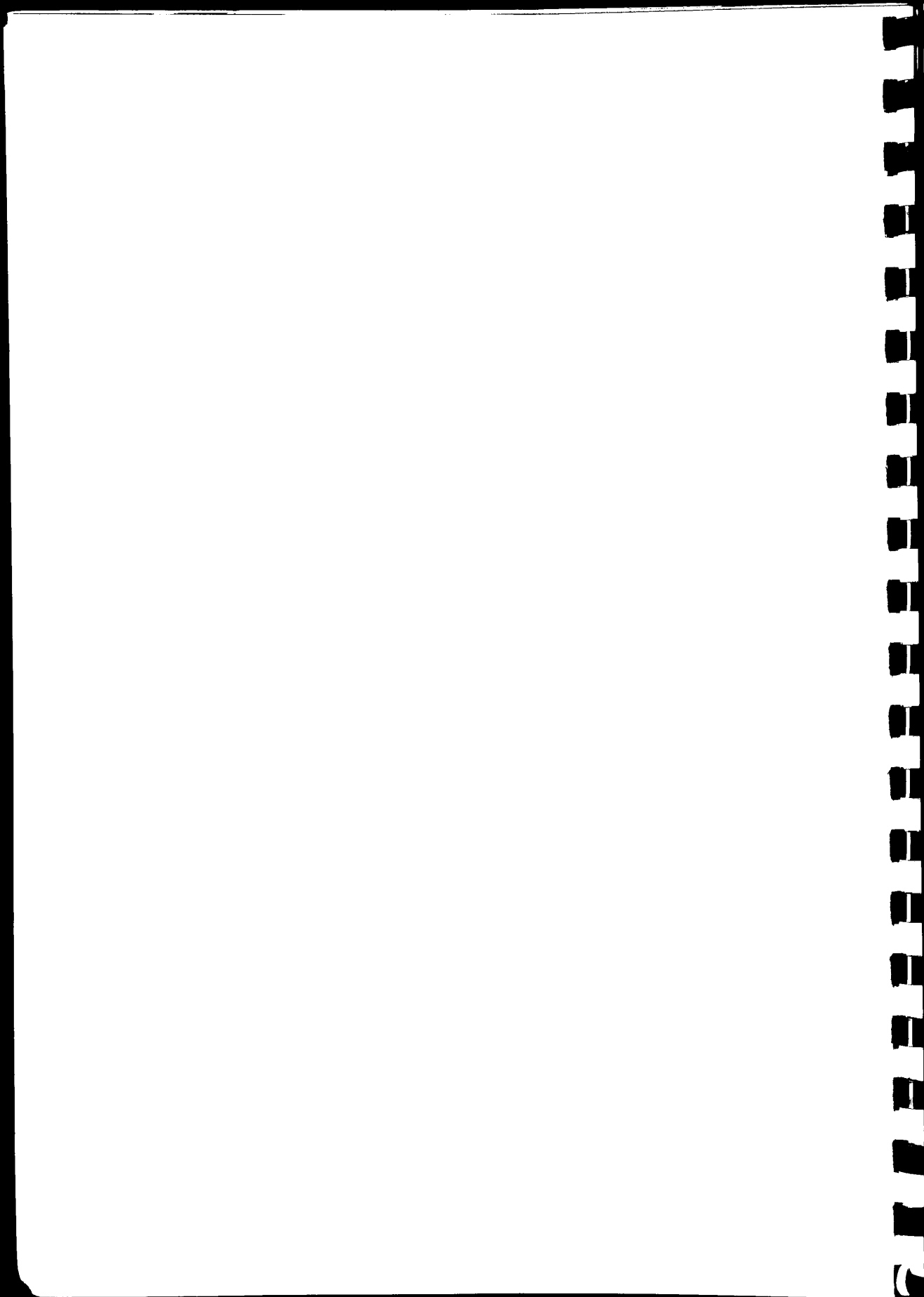
Methodology: A small working party consisting of CHC members and staff of the King's Fund Centre has been established to plan the publication.

In addition a number of seminars and workshops have been held to test ideas for inclusions in the publication.

Presentation of results: Publication by the King's Fund Centre.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Mental health training film.

Starting date: January 1979.

Planned duration: 1 year.

Funds allocated: £500

Project leader: Dr D C Wallbridge, Consultant Psychiatrist,
Camden and Islington Area Health Authority.

Project officer: as above.

Project base: Camden and Islington Area Health Authority.

Objectives: To prepare a feasibility study for an educational film
aimed at assisting in the training of social workers
who are given statutory powers relating to the compulsory
admission of patients to a mental hospital.

It is hoped that the film will also be of interest and
of educational value to other professional groups -
doctors, nurses, medical students.

Methodology: The film will be based on clinical material provided
by Dr Wallbridge.

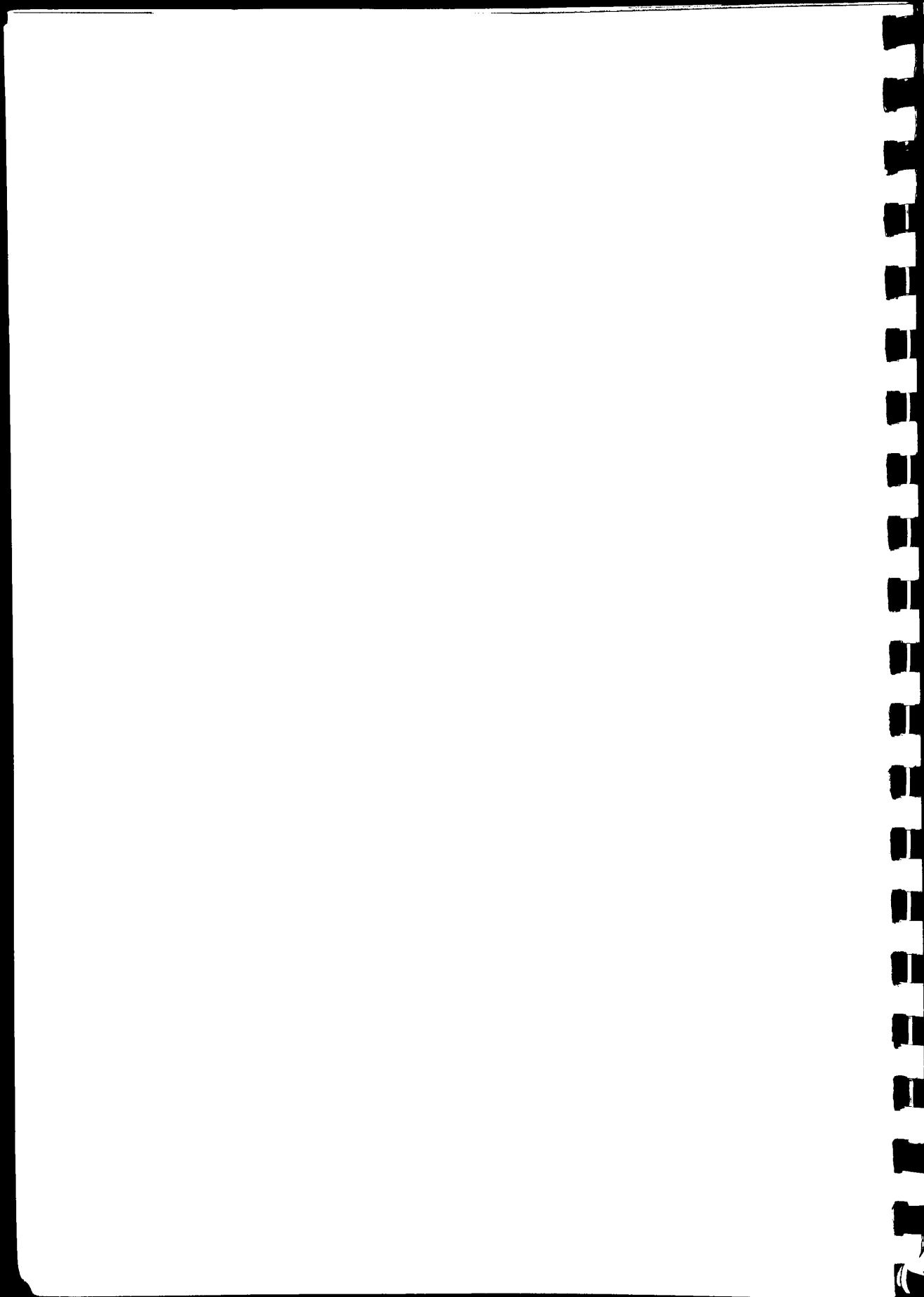
The film, which will be professionally produced, will
be of 20 - 30 minutes in length.

There will be provision for a break for discussion in
in the middle.

Presentation
of results: Film, as above.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: The place of attachment in human behaviour.

Starting date: October 1979.

Planned duration: 3 days.

Funds allocated: £1,000.

Project leader: Dr C M Parkes, Consultant Psychiatrist,
The London Hospital Medical College, Turner Street,
London E1 2AD.

Project officer:

Project base: King's Fund College, 2 Palace Court, Bayswater, London W2.

Objectives: To hold a small three day seminar of experts in the
field of human attachment and to exchange ideas regarding
the common theoretical background to work in this area.
Some 25 - 30 participants will be invited, a number from
The United States.

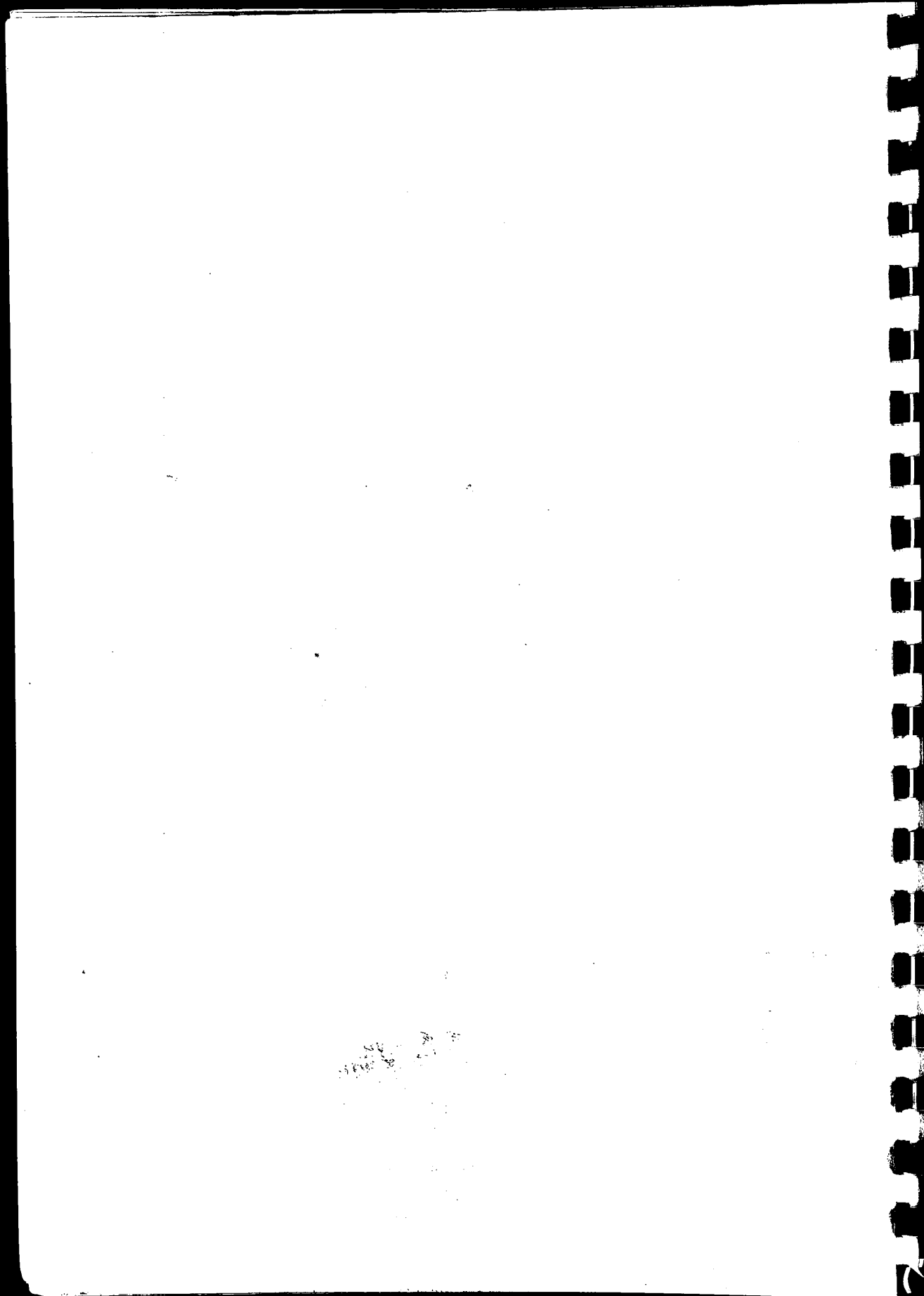
Methodology: The study will be divided into three groups.

- 1 Attachment and the understanding of human behaviour
- including affectional bonding and the understanding
of child behaviour and psychosocial transitions and
social change.
- 2 Aetiological factors in mental disorders
- including life change events and depression, the
significance of affectional bonding in the
epidemiology of depression and analytical psychology.
- 3 The practical implications of attachment
- including the prevention of mental disorder and the
revelance of family and marital therapy.

Presentation
of results: Publication of a book.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Support to the Darenth Park Voluntary Consortium.

Starting date: 1 April 1979.

Planned duration: Contribution to first year's expenses.

Funds allocated: £500.

Project leader: Ian Banner, Honorary Treasurer, Darenth Park Voluntary Consortium.

Project officer:

Project base: c/o Cambridge House, 131 Camberwell Road, London SE5.

Objectives: The Consortium is a charity established to represent the interests of the mentally handicapped in all matters concerned with the phasing out of Darenth Park Hospital and its replacement with new units.

The grant is to be used for two main purposes

- (i) To purchase documentation for the use of Consortium members, so as to facilitate their informed participation in the debate about those changes in service provision.
- (ii) To enable the Consortium to produce papers itself as part of its contribution to this process of change.

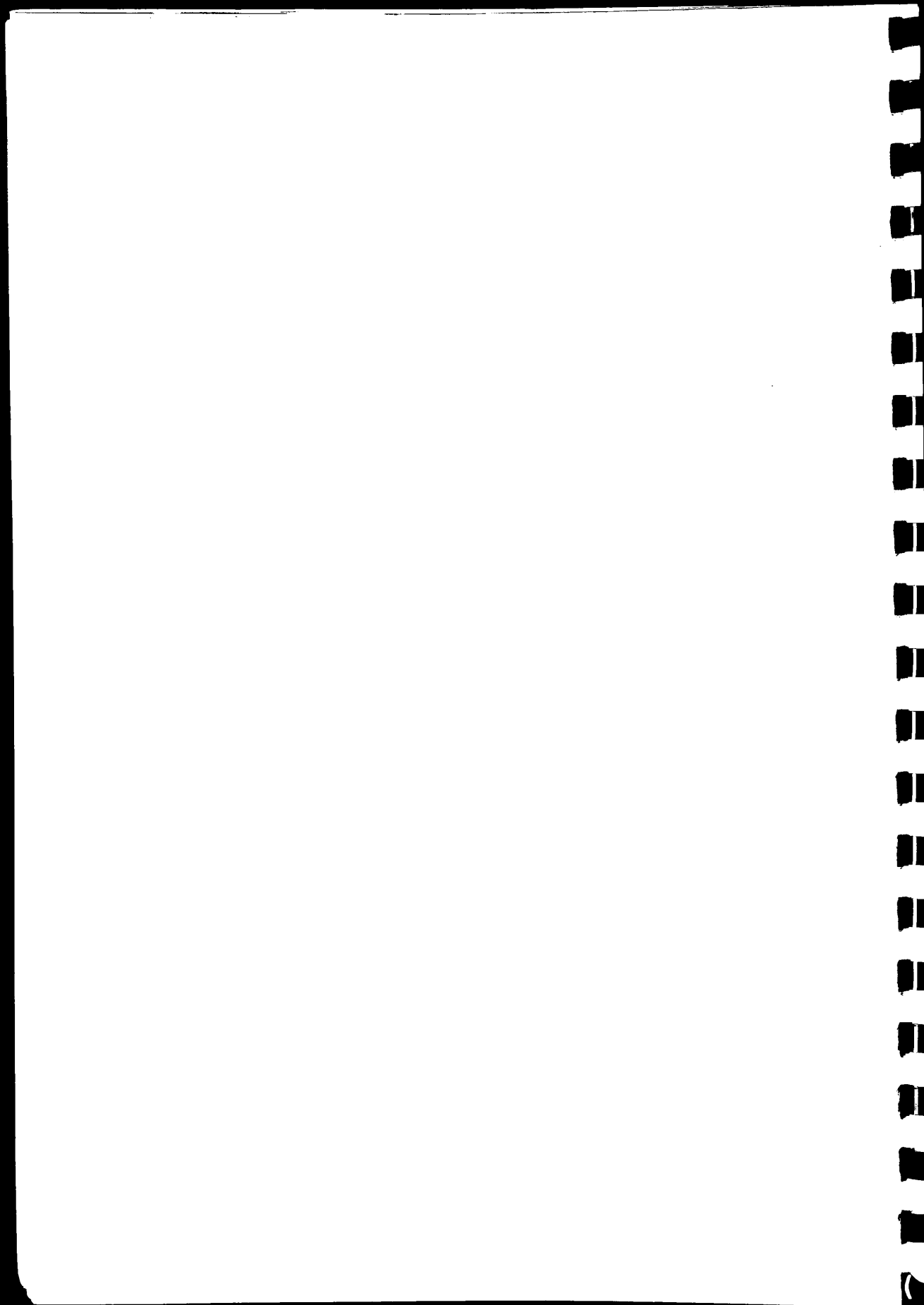
Methodology: The work of the Consortium represents an experiment in collaboration among voluntary agencies across a large hospital catchment area. Those centrally involved will themselves monitor this experience with a view to learning from this experiment.

Presentation of results: Papers will be prepared on this work and other forms of dissemination (e.g. a Centre conference) may prove appropriate.

Evaluation criteria: The success of this experiment will be measured against

- the extent to which the aims of the Consortium are met
- the extent to which innovative approaches to participation in planning processes are developed
- the extent to which the existence of the Consortium provides support for those most affected by major changes in mental handicap provision
- the extent to which this experience suggests lessons of wider relevance to consumer and public participation in the development of health and welfare services.

KF coordinator: Mrs J Rush, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Exploratory survey of alternative approaches to primary and community health care in big cities

Starting date: April 1979

Planned duration: six months

Funds allocated: £1,400.00

Project leader: Helen Rosenthal, Vice Chairperson, City and Hackney CHC

Project officer:

Project base: King's Fund Centre and Department of Environmental and Preventive Medicine, St. Bartholomews Medical College

Objectives: To describe the nature and experience of a number of projects inside and outside the statutory health services which have a common focus on some of the following: preventive strategies against ill-health; attempts to increase participation amongst groups and individuals in the community to take responsibility for their health; attempts to stimulate participation in provision of health services; the meeting of health needs which fall outside the range of statutory provision.

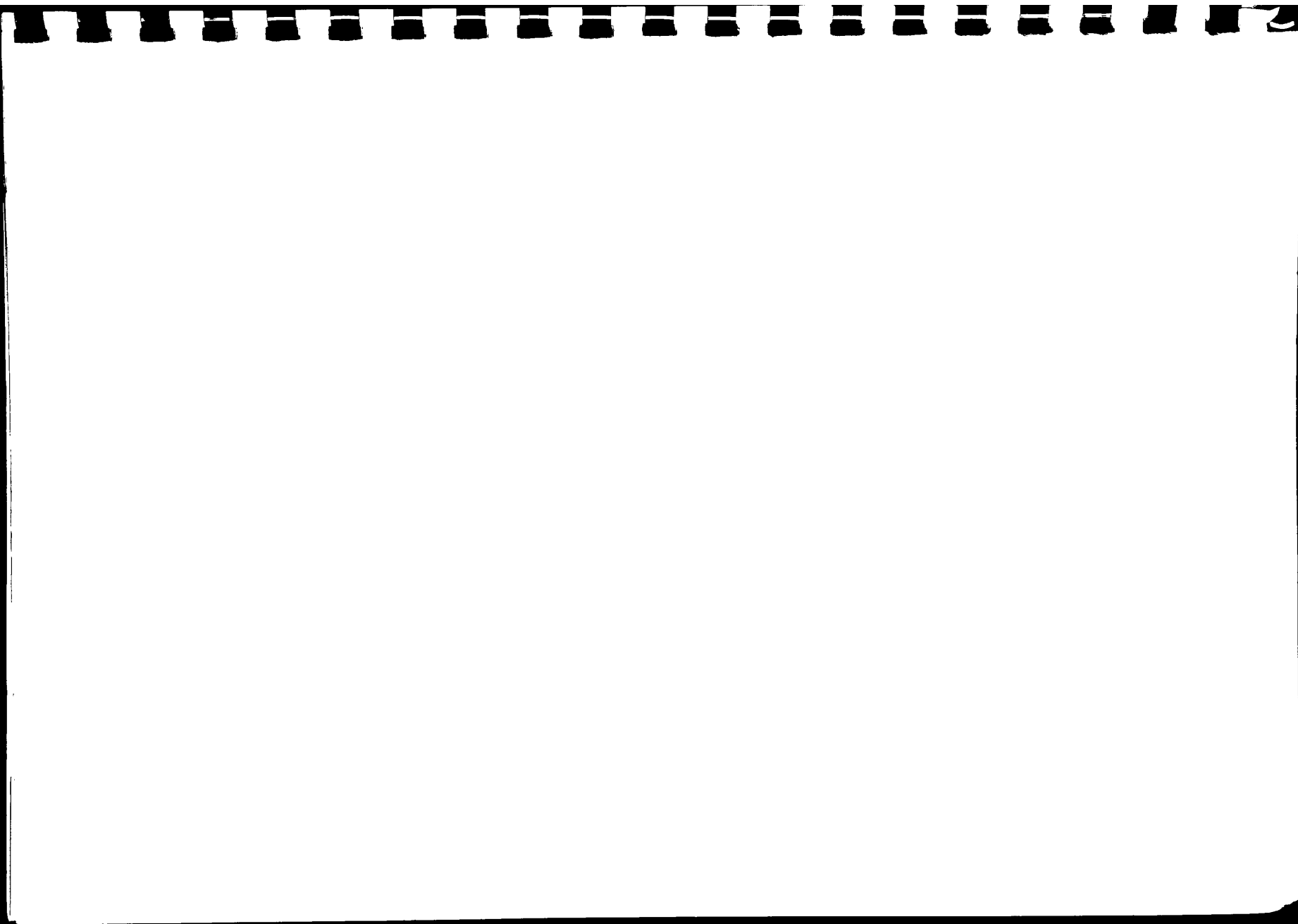
As a result of the survey, a conference to be arranged, possibly the first of a series at the Centre, for people involved or interested in this aspect of primary and community health care.

Methodology: Through library work and field visits, a descriptive survey will be built up of mainly community-based project in urban Britain. Starting points will be health initiatives under Inner City Partnership, community health projects already identified, patients' associations, CHC's, and new approaches within statutory community health services.

Presentation of results: Survey, to form basis of a working paper for conference

Evaluation criteria: This is an exploratory study designed to contribute to the generation and sharing of ideas: and thereby support fresh initiatives in the field of primary and community care in big cities.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Hull District School of Nursing (Mental Handicap Division)
Educational Resources.

Starting date: July 1979.

Planned duration: 1½ - 2 years.

Funds allocated: £250.

Project leader: J F Rogers,
District Nursing Officer,
Hull District (Humberside AHA).

Project officer: A R Thompson,
Tutor,
Hull District, (Humberside AHA).

Project base: School of Nursing,
Brandesburton Hospital,
Driffield.

Objectives: To improve communications in the school and collaborative
work between service colleagues to benefit both students
and post graduate staff.

To improve educational resources at the school by
conversion of a practical room to a learning resources
unit.

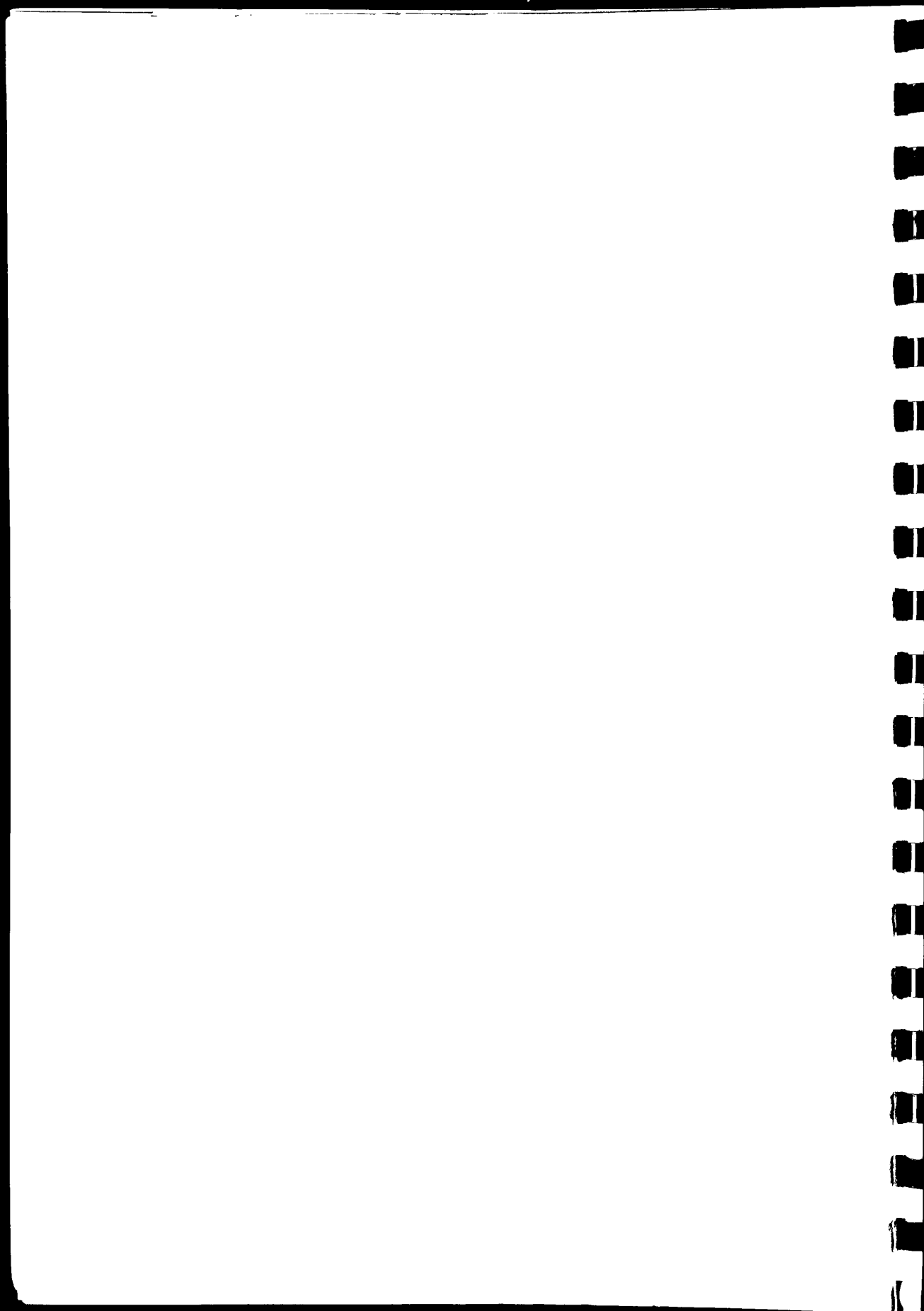
To plan scripts for tape-slide programmes and to copy
video-tape programmes.

Methodology: By purchase and set up of necessary equipment to enable
scheme to proceed.

Presentation
of results: In a paper by Mr Thompson, giving details of programme
planning, technical activities and evaluation of the
teaching/learning process, which might be printed and
circulated.

Evaluation criteria: Not stated.

KF Coordinator: Miss H. O. Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Training Course for Practice Nurses.

Starting date: November 1979.

Planned duration: 2 months.

Funds allocated: £498.

Project leader: D E James, BSc, MEd,
Director,
Department of Adult Education,
University of Surrey,
Guildford.

Project officer:

Project base: Department of Adult Education,
University of Surrey,
Guildford.

Objectives: To run a pilot course for practice nurses in order to:

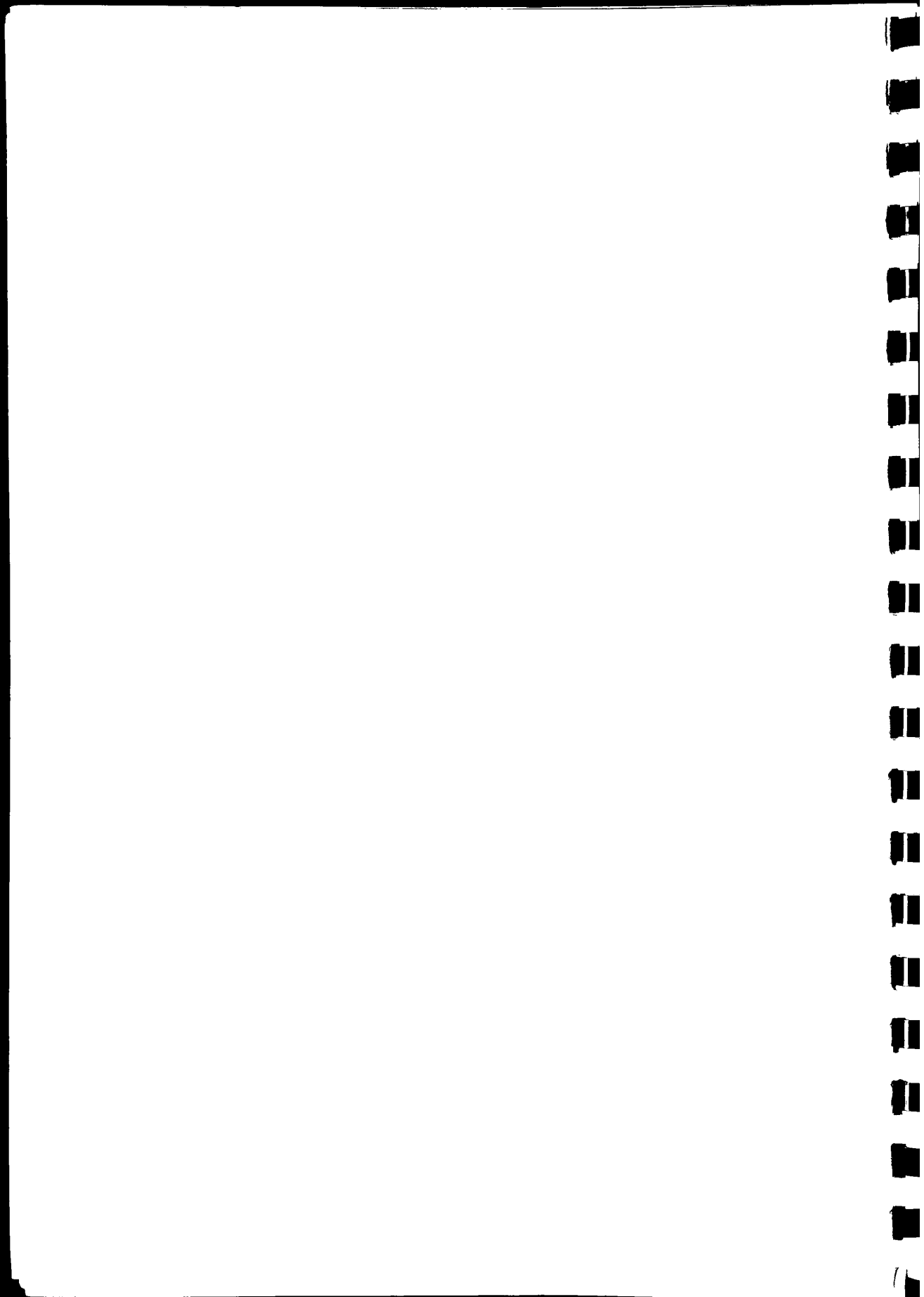
1. Explore the type of work undertaken.
2. Delineate what further training, if any, they require
3. Explore what administrative underpinning is required with regard to career structure and conditions of service.

Methodology: By holding a pilot course on six Tuesdays in November and December 1979 at the University of Surrey.

Presentation of results: At a seminar at the KF Centre after the course, to examine results, debate findings and consider suggestions for further action.

Evaluation criteria: The amount of interest generated.

KF Coordinator: W. G. Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Training Film - Communicating with the Deaf.

Starting date: November 1979.

Planned duration: Not stated.

Funds allocated: £500.

Project leader:

Project officer: Derrick Edwards,
Senior Health Education Officer,
Brent & Harrow AHA.

Project base: Brent & Harrow AHA.

Objectives: To produce a twenty - minute video tape on the theme
of communication problems of the deaf, in order to
arouse latent interest and concern about these
problems.

Methodology: To produce the film with help from a film company
"Trigger Tapes".

To distribute the film through Brent and Harrow
Area Health Authority, training groups, Social
workers and Y T and film libraries. The audience
for which it is intended is:

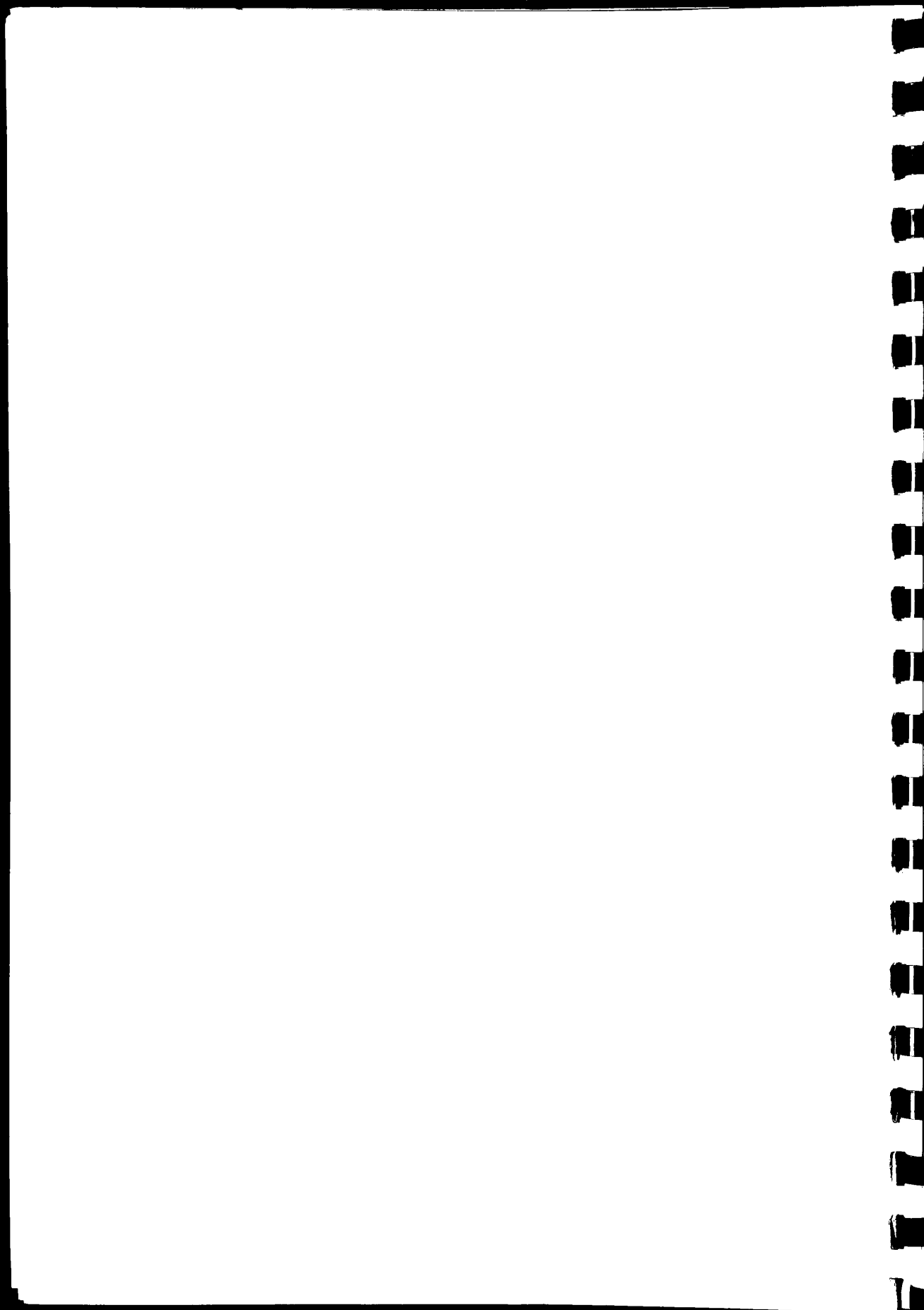
1. Secondary school children.
2. Adult interest groups.

To follow up with tapes, slides, etc.

Presentation
of results: Not stated.

Evaluation criteria: Not stated.

KF Coordinator: W. G. Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Travelling Exhibition of Low Vision Aids.

Starting date: October 1979.

Planned duration: Indefinite.

Funds allocated: £1075.

Project leader: Lady Hamilton OBE., MA.,
Chairman, Disabled Living Foundation,
346 Kensington High Street,
London W14 8NS.

Project officer: Mrs Valerie Scarr FSMC., FBOA., D Orth., DCLP.,
Project worker on DLF Projects for the visually Handicapped.

Project base: Disabled Living Foundation,
346 Kensington High Street,
London W14 8NS.

Objectives: To buy, fit and assemble a suitcase containing:

- A display of low vision aids, each labelled with its number, name, manufacturer, description and purpose.
- A set of slides of each item.
- Notes for a Lecture/Demonstration of the aids.
- A list of manufacturers' names and addresses.
- A list of Low Vision Aid Clinics in the United Kingdom.
- A list of sources of helpful advice to visually handicapped people and those concerned with their care.

This to be used to make known to individuals and professionals what resources are available to the visually handicapped.

Methodology: To obtain the necessary aids on loan from manufacturers, to assemble the suitcase, publicize by a press launch and make available for hire to:

- Courses or seminars in geriatric medicine, community medicine and general practice.
- Courses in nursing for community nurses, health visitors and in geriatric nursing.
- Courses, seminars and exhibitions in social work for visually handicapped and for elderly people.
- Courses and seminars in special education.
- Courses, seminars and exhibitions mounted by Community Health Councils and by voluntary bodies working in the fields of old age and visual handicap.

The scheme should then become self-supporting.

Presentation of results: Report to the DLF Advisory Panel on Projects for the Visually Handicapped.

Report to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria: Not stated.

KF Coordinator: W. G. Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Terminal care and the relief of pain.

Starting date: January 1972.

Planned duration: 15 months.

Funds allocated: £2,875.

Project leader: Dr J W Lloyd, Pain Relief Unit, Abingdon Hospital,
Marcham Road, Abingdon, Berks.

Project officer:

Project base: Pain Relief Unit; address above.

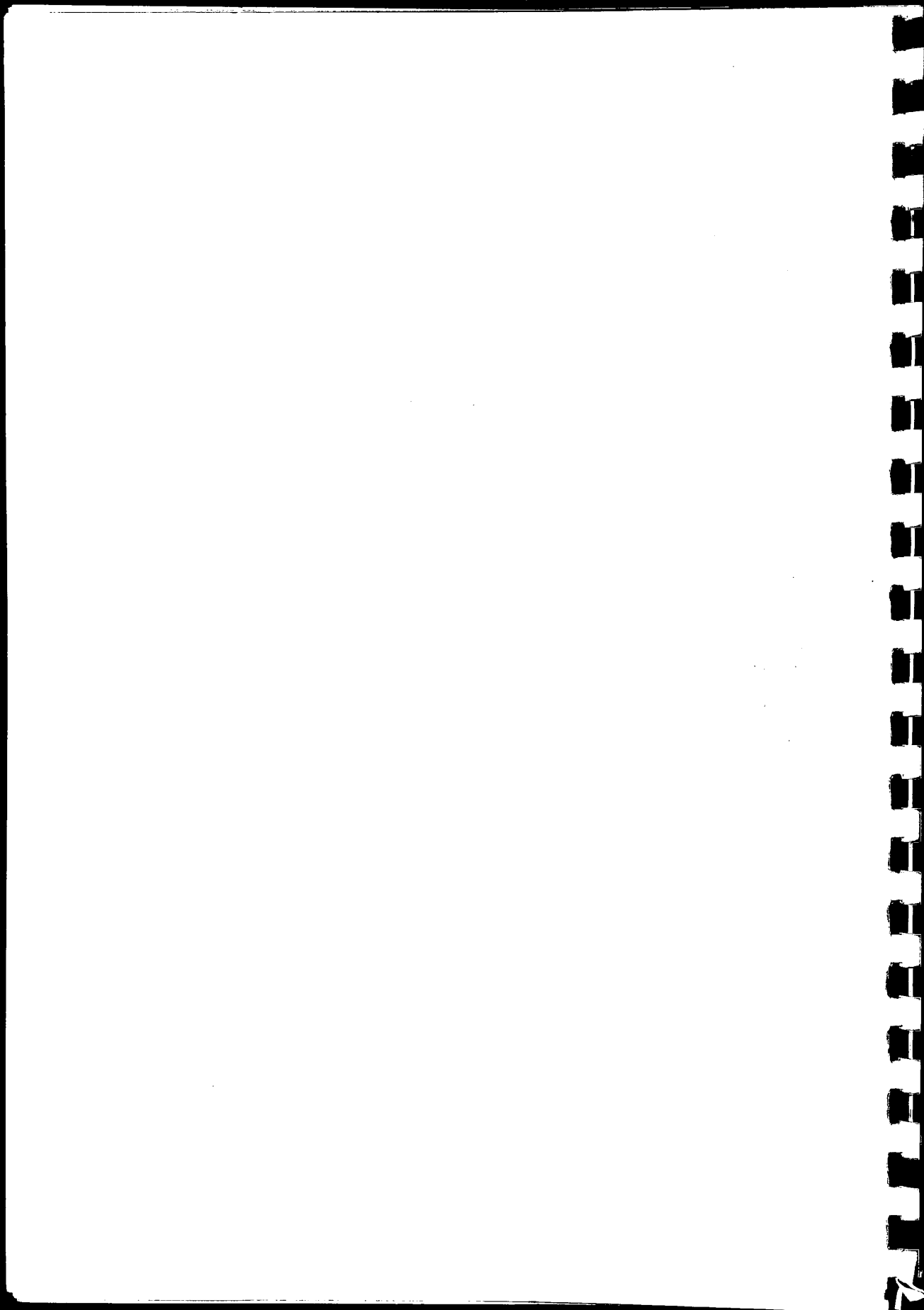
Objectives: To evaluate the results of providing a unit for terminal care and a clinic for the relief of pain within a National Health Service hospital, in cooperation with local health authority and voluntary organisations.

Methodology: A medical social worker was appointed to analyse the records of patients admitted to the unit at Abingdon Hospital. A total of 100 patients were to be followed up and comparisons made between patients suffering from cancer who were admitted to the unit, and those who were not. The cost of hospitalisation is to be set against the comparative costs of caring in the community.

Presentation of results: Not specified.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Evaluation of the Application of Decision Analysis Techniques to Health Service Problems

Starting date: April 1979

Planned duration: Nine months

Funds allocated: £1,250

Project leader: P.J. Torrie
Director, King's Fund College

Project officer: Professor A F M Smith
Professor of Mathematics, University of Nottingham

Project base: SW Leicester Health District and Department of Mathematics, University of Nottingham

Objectives: To test the value of using decision analysis techniques within the National Health Service in relation to: (a)

1. Quality of decisions made:
2. Upgrading the manager's decision making skills.
3. Resolving difficult issues

(b)

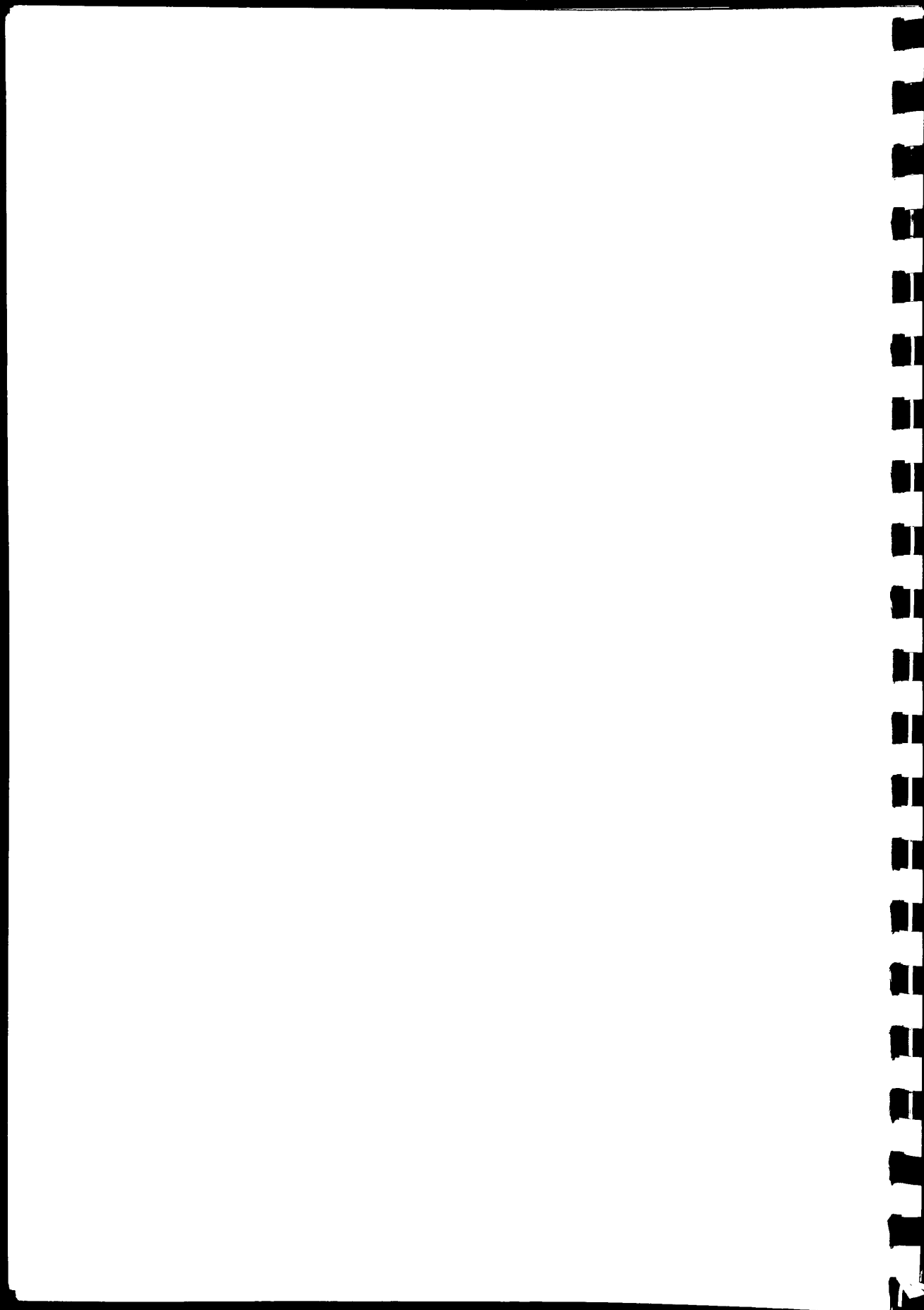
To relate theory to practice through the production of suitable case studies.

Methodology: To assist senior managers in the SW Leics, Health District to develop their own ability to apply these techniques to problems facing the district

Presentation of results: Case studies: Articles:
Seminar: Users' Manual

Evaluation criteria: Framework for evaluating success has been developed by the College. Assessment at end of six months

KF Coordinator: P J Torrie King's Fund College



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EDUCATION COMMITTEE

ED 77/30 (i)

Project: Corporate Management Course for Senior Health Service Manager.

Starting date: October 1980

Planned duration: Three years

Funds allocated: £10,000 development grant and funds for two years at £25,000 pa commencing in 1980

Project leader: P. J. Torrie

Project officer: Miss F M Dixon
Associate Director, King's Fund

Project base: King's Fund College

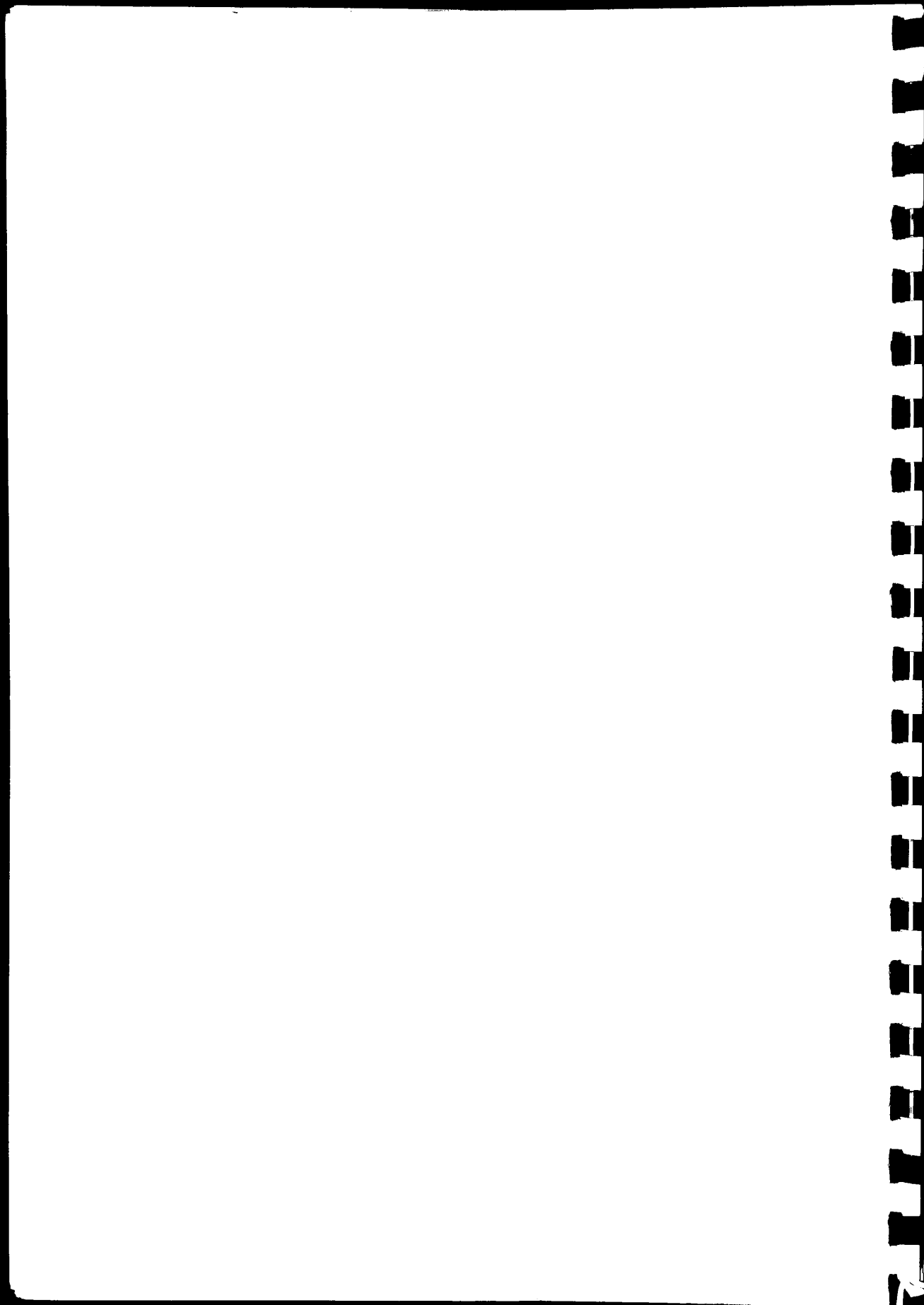
Objectives: To implement a recommendation of the Thwaites Report (The Education and Training of Senior Managers in the NHS)

Methodology: Experimental course of six to eight weeks will take place at intervals of about nine months
College will obtain assistance of a dept of epidemiology and a business school. Six month evaluation period towards the end

Presentation of results: Evaluation report with programme, and training material used and recommended.

Evaluation criteria: King's Fund Education Committee will act as Steering Committee - precise evaluation not yet decided

K.F. Coordinator: P J Torrie



Project: Study grants, Health Services Management Centre, Birmingham (Fellowships for Senior Managers to Study Projects Jointly with Academics)

Starting date: October, 1979

Planned duration: Three years

Funds allocated: £27,500 (1980)
£30,000 (1981)
£22,000 (1982)

Project leader: Dr D K Williams
Director, Health Services Management Centre, Birmingham

Project officer: Stuart Haywood
King's Fund College

Project base: Health Services Management Centre

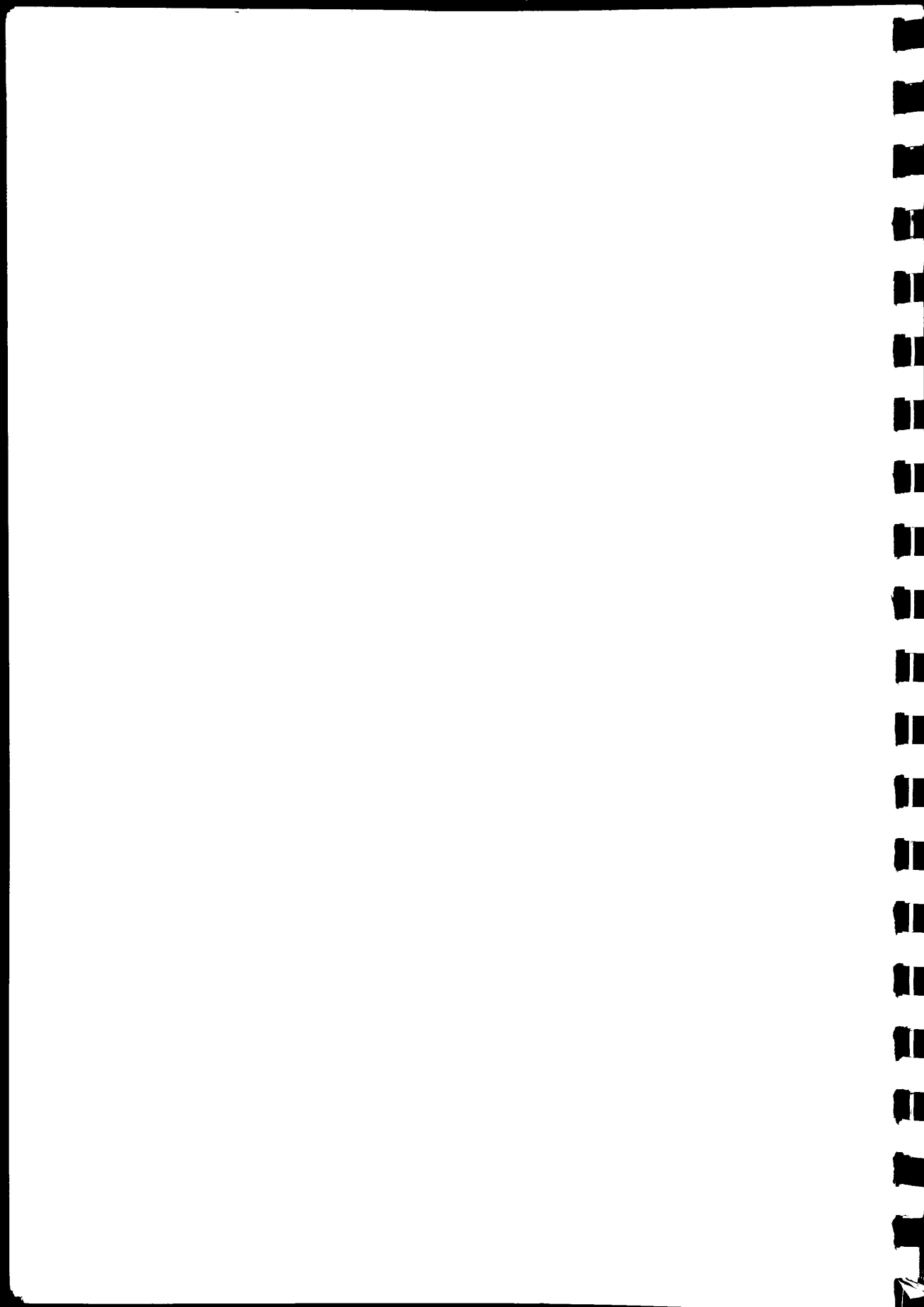
Objectives: To provide:
1 A major, direct, personal developmental experience for the Fellows, which will
2 Have a considerable impact upon the work of the HSMC and the King's Fund College, whose publication will
3 Generally enhance the quality of health services management

Methodology: Studies that enhance the effectiveness of senior management in the NHS, the service being viewed as a major and integral part of British Community Government
Activities that require a university involvement and links with local government, medical, education.
Activities the DHSS and NHS would find difficult to support financially in the near future.
Senior and very experienced NHS managers working jointly would seek to facilitate personal development through problem solving exercises

Presentation of results: Reports of practical assistance to policy makers
First class training material

Evaluation criteria: Towards the end of 3 year period, evaluation would be based on the successful conclusion and acceptance of studies

KF Coordinator: P J Torrie
Director, King's Fund College



Project: Nature of the Job of the District Administrator

Starting date: January 1979

Planned duration: One year

Funds allocated: £18,000

Project leader: P J Torrie
Director King's Fund College

Project officer: Dr Rosemary Stewart, Oxford Centre for Management Studies

Project base: Oxford Centre for Management Studies

Objectives:

- 1 To provide information that can assist in the development of training programmes
- 2 To contribute factual information about what the DA does to any relevant policy discussions

Specific

To identify both the similarities and differences in the activities of the DA

To describe the different approaches that DAs have to their jobs, and to explore how far this approach is personal to the DA or is determined by the situation

To distinguish the common aspects of the DA's job and those that vary with the nature of the district

Methodology: Framework for research based on Dr. Stewart's previous research published as "Contrasts in Management" and Kotter and Lawrence's study in the US "Mayors in Action"

Stage 1 Structured interviews of two hours duration to

- a) identify case demands of the job, common to all DAs
- b) identify the ways in which different types of district affect the DA's job in terms of demands, constraints and choices
- c) to try to clarify the different domains in which DAs operate:
- d) to identify DAs who might participate in Stage 2

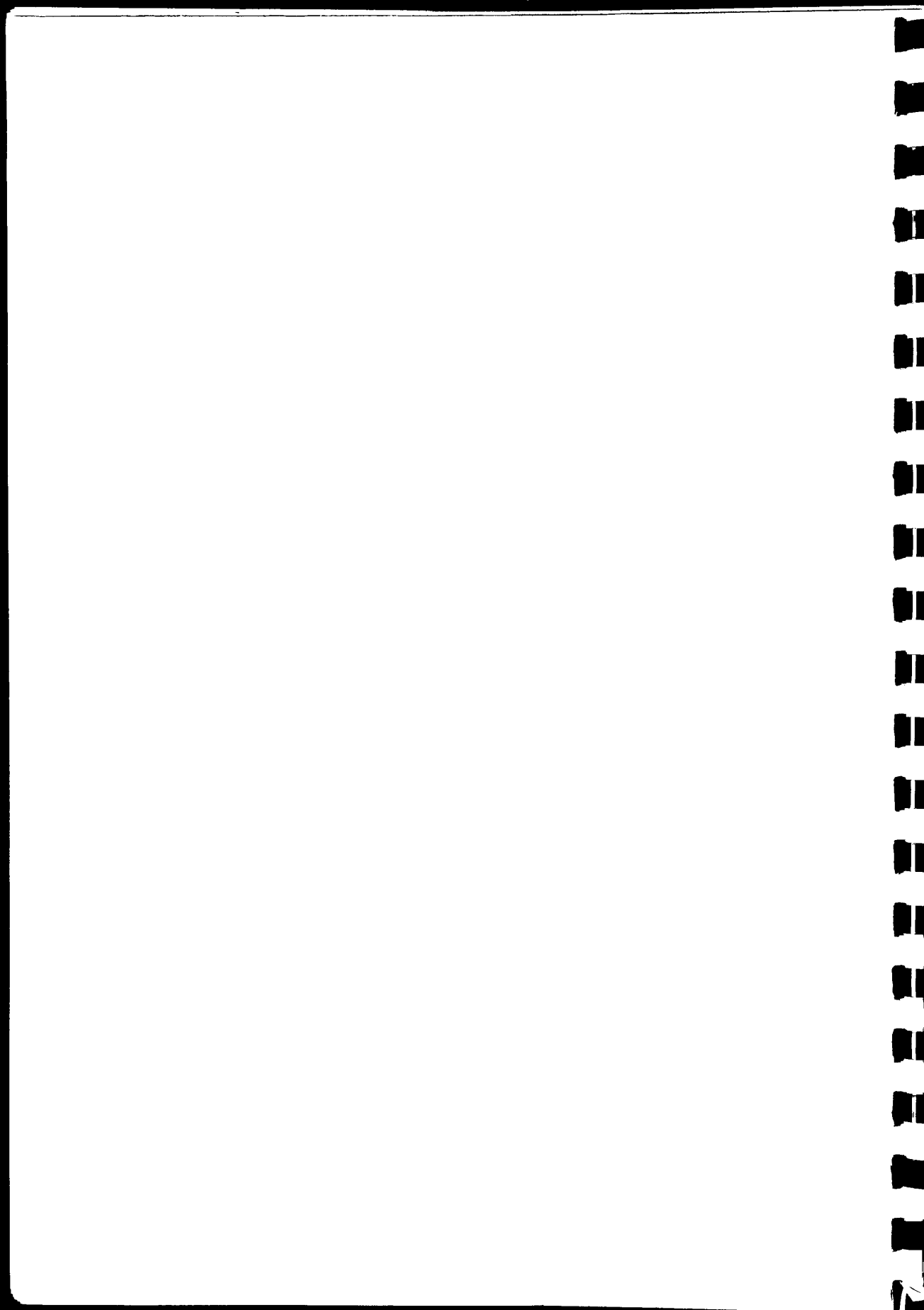
Stage 2

One week's observation of selected DAs including discussions with other members of the DMT and some key contacts

Presentation of results: Group discussions and seminars
Case material. Final written report

Evaluation criteria: Validation through seminars and workshops

KF Coordinator: P J Torrie King's Fund College



Project: Medical records research project, University of Nottingham. (Innovations in medical records)

Starting date: July 1974.

Planned duration: 3 years, later extended to 5 years.

Funds allocated: £49,650.

Project leader: Professor E Maurice Backett, Department of Community Health, University of Nottingham, University Hospital, Clifton Boulevard, Nottingham NG7 2UH.

Project officer: Dr A L Rector, Lecturer in Community Health; address as for Professor Backett.

Project base: Department of Community Health, University of Nottingham.

Objectives:

- 1 To make a general study of records procedures with particular reference to innovatory systems.
- 2 To produce a directory or gazetteer of projects concerned with medical records.

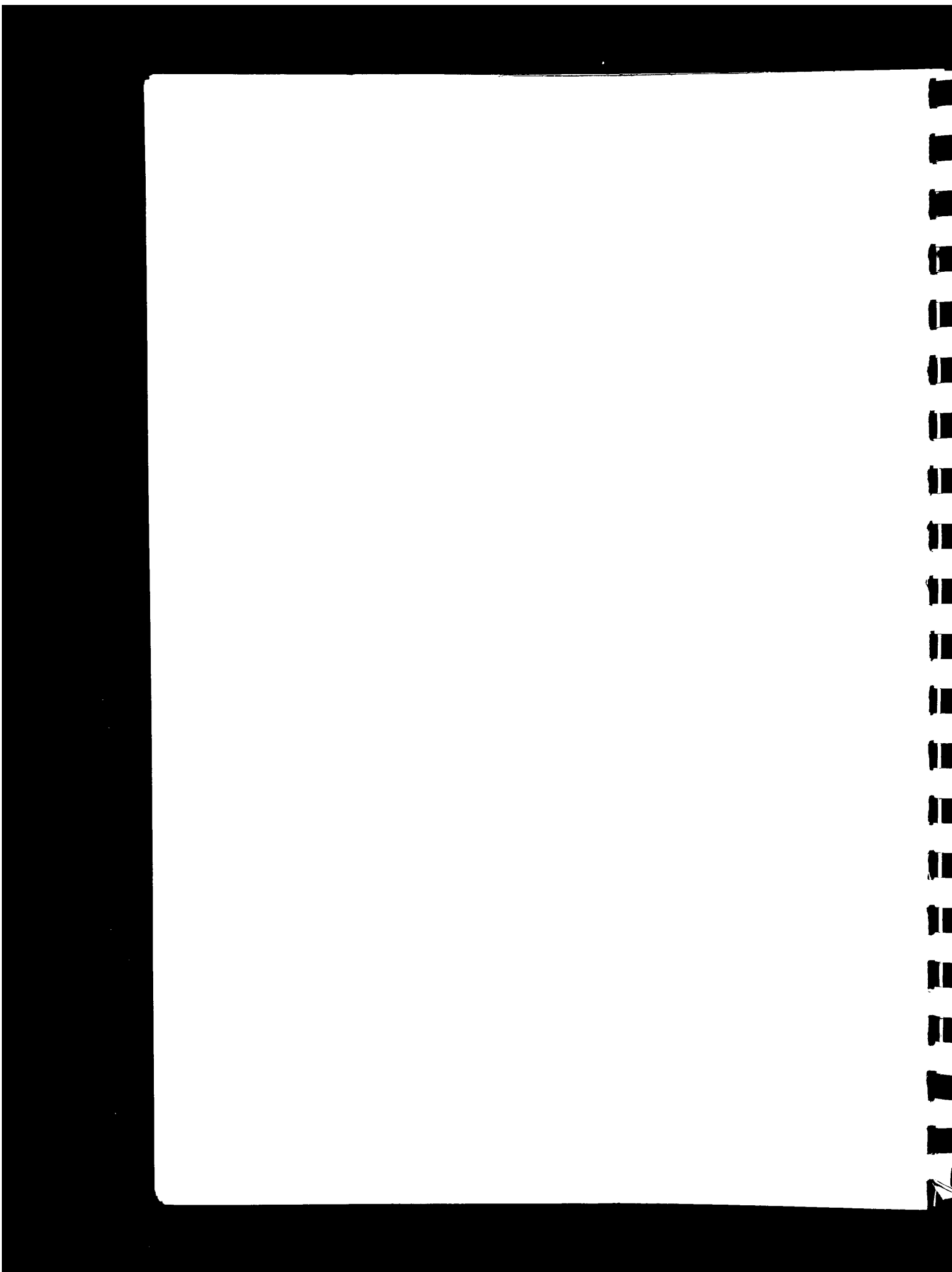
Methodology:

- 1 Identification of projects through discussion with the Department of Health and Social Security, Regional Medical Officers, Specialists in Community Medicine (Information), and the Association of Medical Records Officers.
- 2 Literature review.
- 3 Seeking information about projects through requests published in the journals Medical Record and Update.
- 4 Selection of projects for inclusion in the gazetteer, using the criterion that a project should be concerned with the development of medical records or information systems designed to improve patient care.

Presentation of results: Publication of the gazetteer as a King's Fund project paper.
Follow-up conferences and seminars.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinators: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre;
K Morton, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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Project: A study of the work role of medical records officers.

Starting date: May 1975.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £19,453.

Project leader: J G Myson, Honorary Secretary, Association of Health Care Information and Medical Records Officers.

Project officer: R J G Le Hunte, Inbucon/AIC Management Consultants.

Project base: King's Fund Centre.

Objectives:

- 1 To investigate the role and function of the medical records officer in the supervision and operation of hospital medical records systems, and the requirements for specialist training.
- 2 To study in greater depth what measures might most effectively be introduced to achieve changes of practice shown to be necessary by the preliminary investigation.

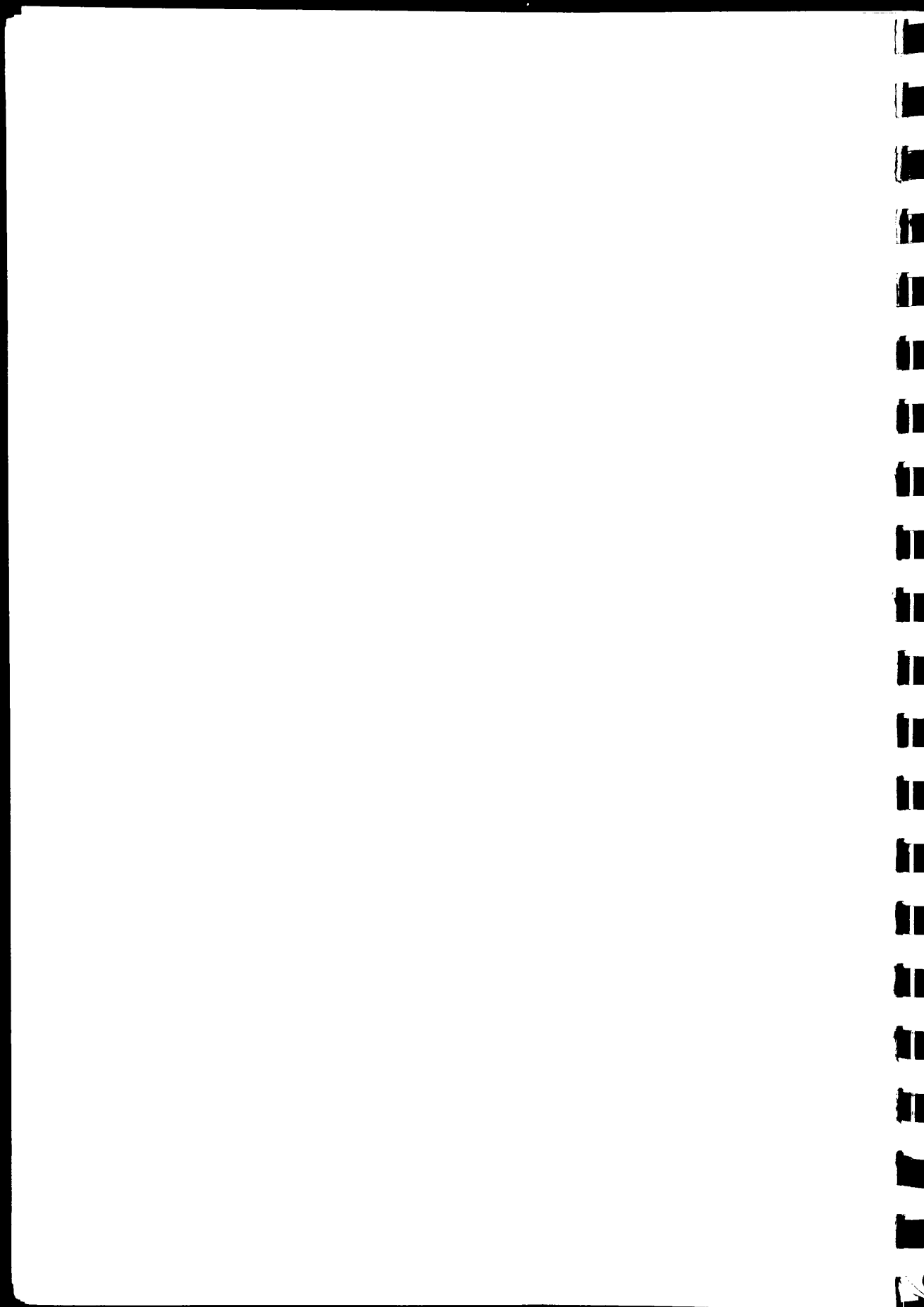
Methodology:

- 1 Six health districts, in England, Scotland and Wales, were visited and interviews were held with medical records staff, medical and nursing staff in hospitals, health service administrators, and general practitioners.
- 2 Using the findings from the first phase, the second phase is a development project exploring ways and means of strengthening and improving medical records services in the future.

Presentation of results: Written reports to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: K Morton, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MAN 8604
MAN 8972

Project: Medical Services Study Group.

Starting date: May 1976.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £42,000. Plus £120,000

Project leader: Sir Cyril Clarke, Director, Medical Services Study Group, c/o King's Fund Centre, 126 Albert Street, London NW1 7NF.

Project officer: Dr A G W Whitfield, Assistant Director, Medical Services Study Group; address above.

Project base: King's Fund Centre.

Objectives: To examine deaths and other medical disasters which should be preventable, to define as far as possible why they were not prevented, and thus to reduce the chances of similar misfortunes happening again.

Methodology: As a first step a small unit was accommodated at the King's Fund Centre to devise ways and means of achieving the objectives of the project.

Presentation of results: Written reports, copies of which are received by the King's Fund; the publication of papers in the professional journals.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

Note: This project is being carried out in collaboration with the Royal College of Physicians.

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Director, National Bureau of Standards

Washington, D. C.

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I am pleased to hear that you are interested in the work of the National Bureau of Standards.

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Very truly yours,
Director

Project: A family flat for the use of families with mentally handicapped children - Toynbee Hall.

Starting date: June 1977.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £12,000.

Project leader: Miss Rosalind Wyman, Director, Centre for the Mentally Handicapped, Sunley House, Gunthorpe Street, London E1.

Project officer: Stephen Hurry, Resident Project Organiser.

Project base: Sunley House, address above.

Objectives: To provide a flat for the use of families of children or adults who attend special nurseries, special schools and adult training centres.

Methodology: The flat is to be used for weekend relief, short term holidays, social/educational weekends, and parent and child overnight stays, with the oversight of a project officer who will keep a record of how the flat is used.

Presentation of results: A summary of events, numbers using the facility, and so on, to be presented to the project steering committee every six months.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

CHILDREN'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1977-1978

Project:

A family trial for the use of family therapy with handicapped children - Tynes House

Starting date:

June 1977

Planned duration:

3 years

Funds allocated:

£15,000

Project leader:

Miss Rosalind Wynn, Lecturer in Social Work, University of London, London W1

Project officer:

Stephen Wynn, Lecturer in Social Work, University of London, London W1

Project base:

Tynes House, 100, Tynes Road, London W1

Objectives:

To provide a family trial for the use of family therapy with handicapped children and adults in the Tynes House project.

Methodology:

The trial is to be based on the use of family therapy with handicapped children and adults in the Tynes House project. The trial will be based on the use of family therapy with handicapped children and adults in the Tynes House project.

Presentation of results:

A summary of the results of the trial will be presented at the annual meeting of the Children's Fund Management Committee, 1978, in the form of a paper and a report.

Evaluation criteria:

None stated

Co-ordinator:

W G Cannon, Director, Children's Fund, London W1

Project: Hospital engineers - bursary awards.

Starting date: October 1976.

Planned duration: To be reviewed after three years.

Funds allocated: £500 each year.

Project leader: J E Furness, Secretary, The Institute of Hospital Engineering, 20 Landport Terrace, Southsea, Hants.

Project officer:

Project base: The Institute of Hospital Engineering.

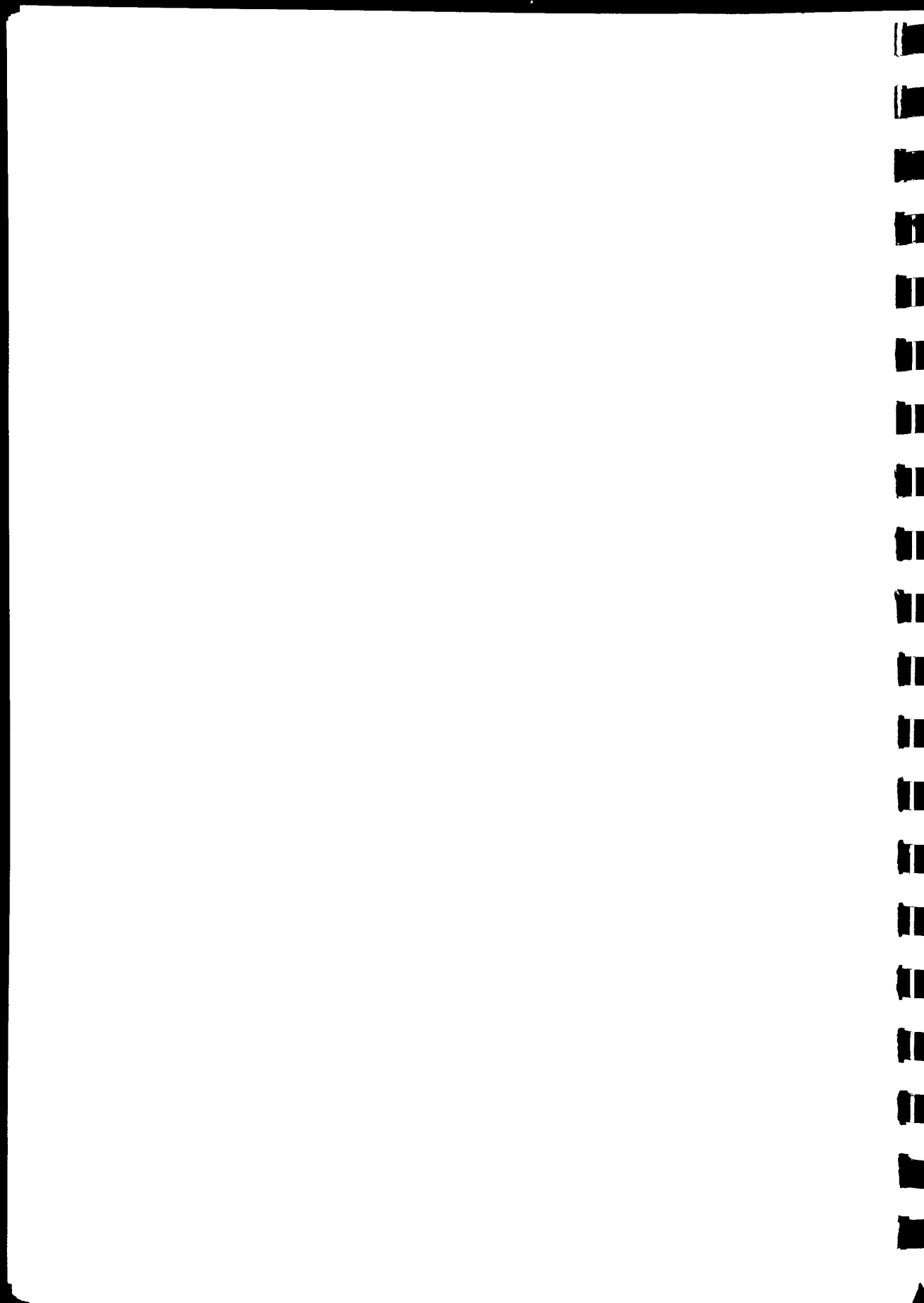
Objectives: To establish an annual bursary which will enable a hospital engineer to broaden his or her knowledge by overseas travel or by obtaining further training or industrial experience of particular relevance.

Methodology: An engineer is selected annually by a small panel representing The Institute of Hospital Engineering and the King's Fund.

Presentation of results: Reports are presented to the King's Fund by recipients of bursaries after their overseas visits or other activities.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre. (S E T Cusdin is the King's Fund representative on the panel mentioned above).



Project: National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital.

Starting date: September 1977.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £13,000.

Project leader: Mrs Sheila J Gatiss, Chairman, National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital, Exton House, 7 Exton Street, London SE1 8UE.

Project officers: Jo Rodin; Christine Andrews. Both part-time.

Project base: National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital, address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To produce educational material to familiarise children with the general routine of what goes on in hospitals.
- 2 To examine and assess the response from children and teachers, and to modify the educational games produced as necessary.
- 3 To publicise the material developed from the project.

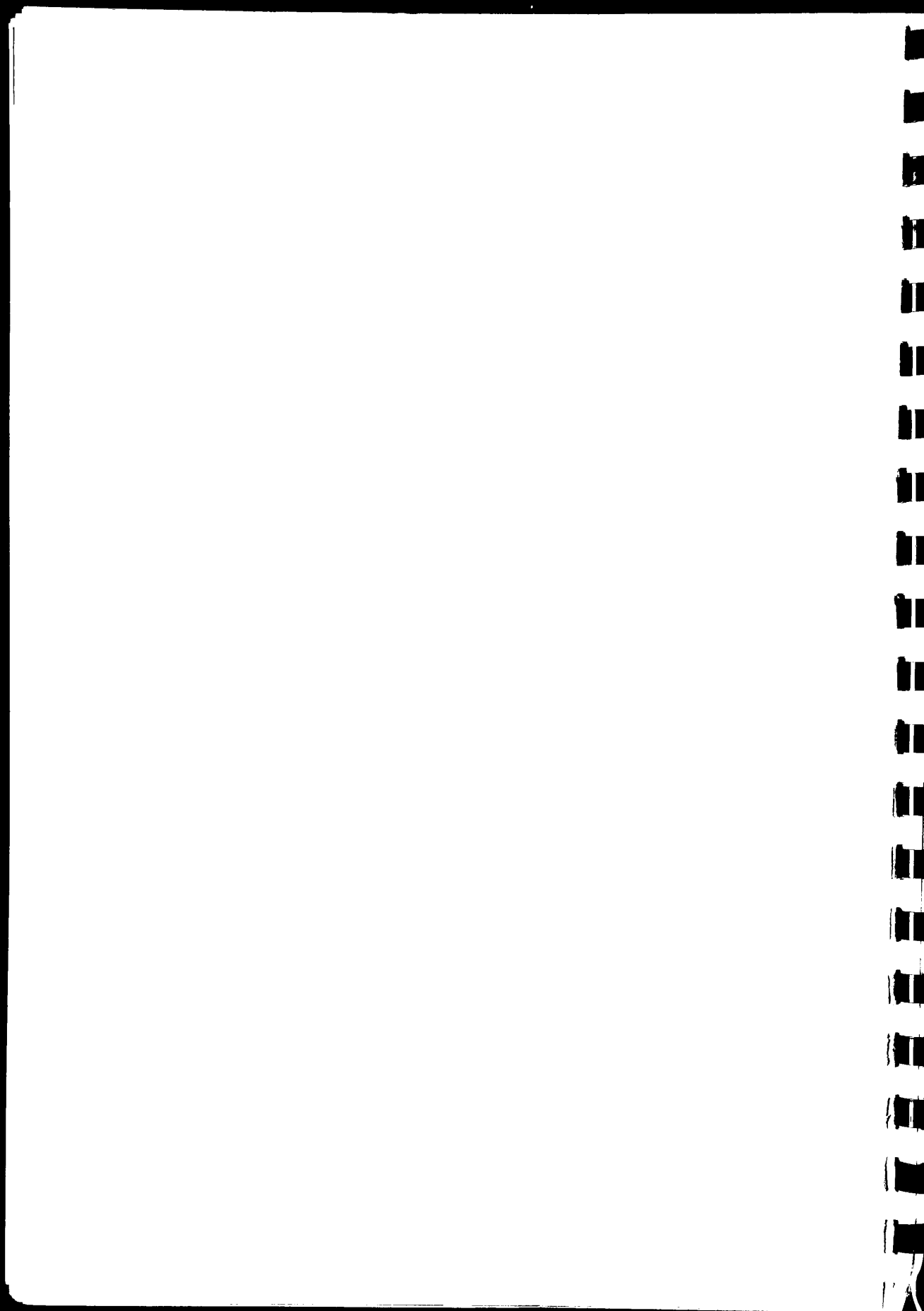
Methodology: The appointment of an officer to develop visual aids; collaboration with Kingston Polytechnic and the use of the resources there for producing the necessary material.

Presentation of results: Written reports, and presentations at conferences and seminars.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

See Project Committee PRO 79/28 for completion of the project.



Project: The development and evaluation of a modified A4 record system.

Starting date: June 1977.

Planned duration: Two years.

Funds allocated: £4,950.

Project leader: Dr Ian Tait, Principal in General Practice, 45 Park Road, Aldeburgh, Suffolk.

Project officer:

Project base: Dr Tait's practice, Aldeburgh, Suffolk.

Objectives: To develop and evaluate a modified A4 record system for use in general practice that will allow letters and reports to be filed flat while continuing to use the present size of record cards for recording important background information and for day to day clinical notes.

Methodology: The clinical notes of a group practice (4,500 patients) will be converted to the modified A4 record system.

The conversion will be studied to establish likely norms for the use of space, equipment, finance, time and professional skills entailed.

An information service and instructions about the adoption and use of the system will be developed. This will include an illustrated handbook and an audio-visual package for self instruction.

Presentation of results: Project report to King's Fund; Articles for professional journals; Production of instructional literature.

Evaluation criteria: The proposed system will be evaluated in use and optimum methods defined.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20301

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Project: Training ward sisters - experimental ward.

Starting date: October 1978.

Planned duration: 3 - 5 years.

Funds allocated: £30,000 (to cover the first two years)

Project leader: Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director,
King's Fund Centre.

Project officer: Miss C Davies, Project Assistant,
King's Fund Centre.

Project bases: Whipps Cross Hospital; Guy's Hospital.

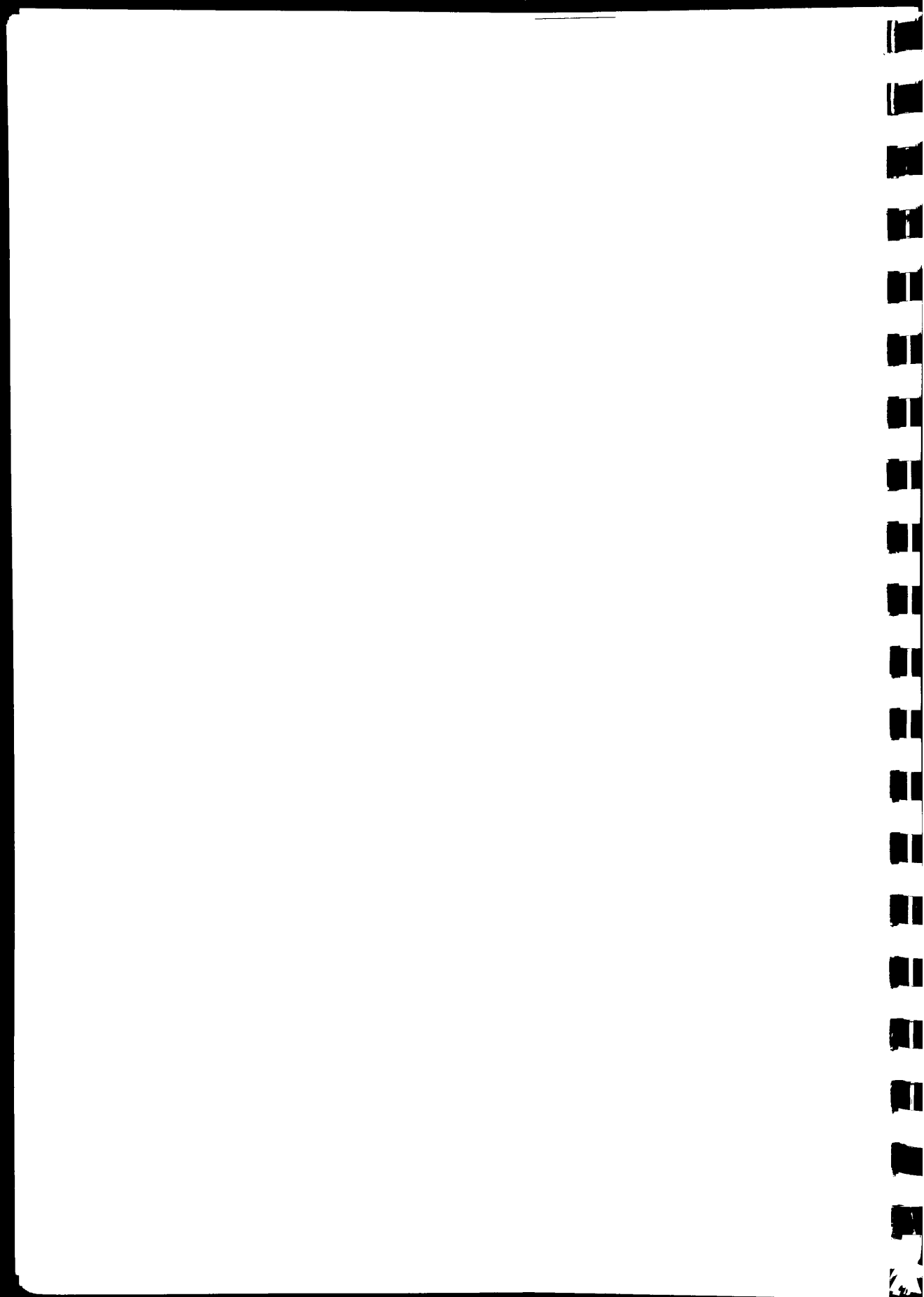
Objectives: To provide specific training for nurses to become
ward sisters.

Methodology: Training wards for the purpose will be set up at
Whipps Cross Hospital and Guy's Hospital. Each
ward will be provided with a nurse-tutor as well
as an experienced ward sister in order to help to
define a model for ward sister training which might
be used within the Area Health Authority.

Presentation
of results: To be determined.

Evaluation criteria: As prescribed by the Research Unit, Chelsea College.

KF coordinator: Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Childhood accident prevention.

Starting date: March 1978.

Planned duration: 2 years in the first instance.

Funds allocated: £27,200.

Project leader: Dr R H Jackson, The Medical Commission on Accident Prevention, 50 Old Brompton Road, London SW7 3EA.

Project officer: Mrs Jean Gaffin

Project base: The Medical Commission on Accident Prevention; address above.

Objectives: To form a Joint Committee on Childhood Accident Prevention, consisting of representatives of government departments, medical bodies, and other organisations concerned with childhood accident prevention. The committee's terms of reference to be:

- 1 To encourage investigation and research so as to increase our knowledge of the pattern of accidents in childhood and about the deeper causes of accidents.
- 2 To promote the production of safety equipment and to campaign for a better understanding of the importance of an adequate environment and for national laws aiming at a safer home environment.
- 3 To spread information on childhood accidents and on different types of risks and ways of preventing them.

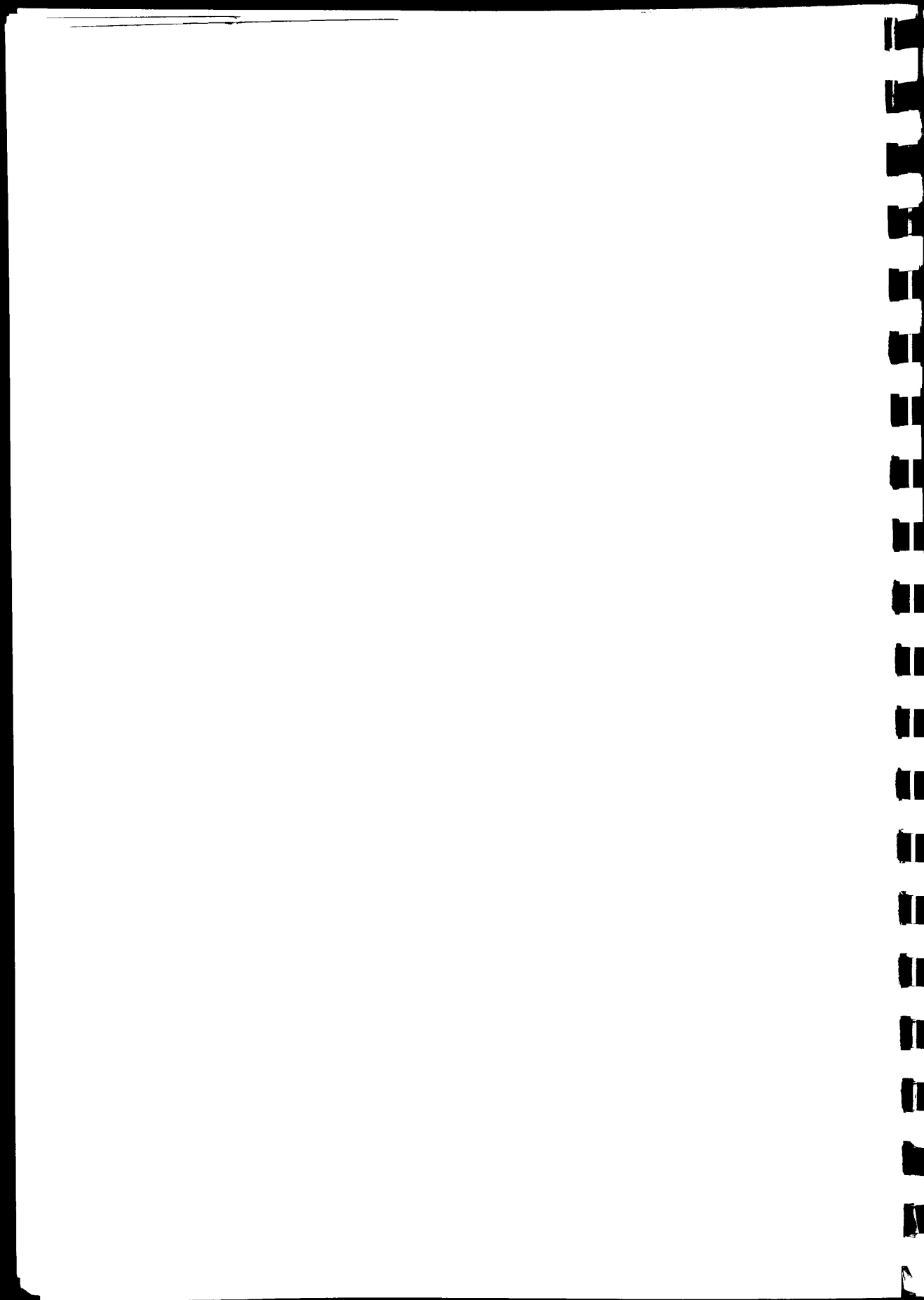
Methodology:

- 1 The collecting, coordinating and collating of information about work done in this field.
- 2 The initiating and supporting of research into the causes and types of childhood accidents and into their social and psychological causes and effects.
- 3 The ascertaining of factors in these accidents which are modifiable and by what means they can be altered.
- 4 The dissemination of information to appropriate national and local bodies, and to groups of people with a view to action being taken.
- 5 The examination of the effectiveness of accident prevention programmes.
- 6 The increasing of public awareness of the problems through the media and through publications.
- 7 The supporting (and not supplanting) of existing organisations working in this field.

Presentation of results: Not specified.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MAN 8817

MAN 8935

Project: Fellowship for retired NHS staff.

Starting date: September 1978.

Planned duration: 2 years

Funds allocated: £20,000.

Project leader: David James, Department of Adult Education,
University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey.

Project officer: D A J Simmonds, Project Officer (Research Fellow),
Department of Adult Education; address above.

Project base: Department of Adult Education; address above.

Objectives: To help ex NHS staff to help themselves by:

- 1 Providing the means of establishing and maintaining friendships, and assisting in overcoming loneliness and worry.
- 2 Providing a visiting service to housebound people.
- 3 Enabling former NHS staff, regardless of grade or discipline, to meet in a social and friendly atmosphere.

Methodology:

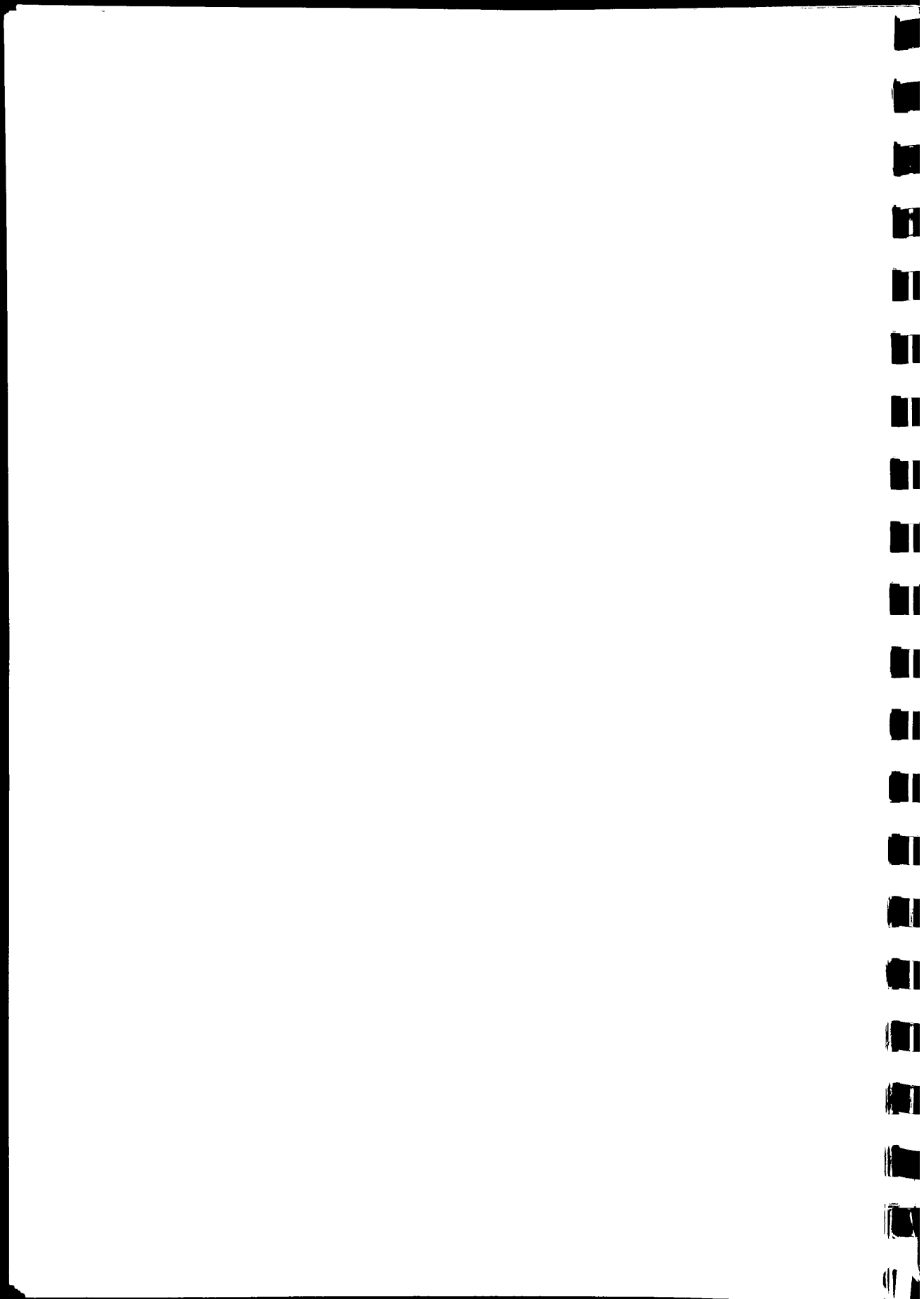
- 1 The setting up of study groups, made up of interested people willing to work together, to share experiences and mutually support each other, in developing and maintaining schemes and forming their own conclusions as to their usefulness.
- 2 Surveying schemes already in existence both within and outside the NHS.
- 3 In the light of experiments with the pilot groups, and by using appropriate sampling techniques, assessing the range of diversity of need experienced by certain groups of NHS staff on a national basis.

Presentation of results:

- 1 Regular reports in appropriate professional journals.
- 2 Informally via all associated with the work.
- 3 Selected associate workers speaking and writing about their work,
- 4 Conferences, seminars and workshops.

Evaluation criteria: The steering committee is expected to measure progress according to agreed yardsticks.

KF coordinators: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre;
Miss D Irish, Long Term Care Team, King's Fund Centre.



Project: The language barrier.

Starting date: May 1978. This is a continuation of earlier work sponsored by the King's Fund.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £10,000.

Project leader: Ms Alix Henley, Pathway Further Education Centre, Recreation Road, Southall, Middlesex.

Project officer:

Project base: Pathway Further Education Centre; address as above.

Objectives:

- 1 To prepare and produce a training package for health service professionals whose work requires them to overcome difficulties created by language problems in dealing with Asian patients.
- 2 To devise methods for training people who have to teach others how to overcome problems of the language barrier.

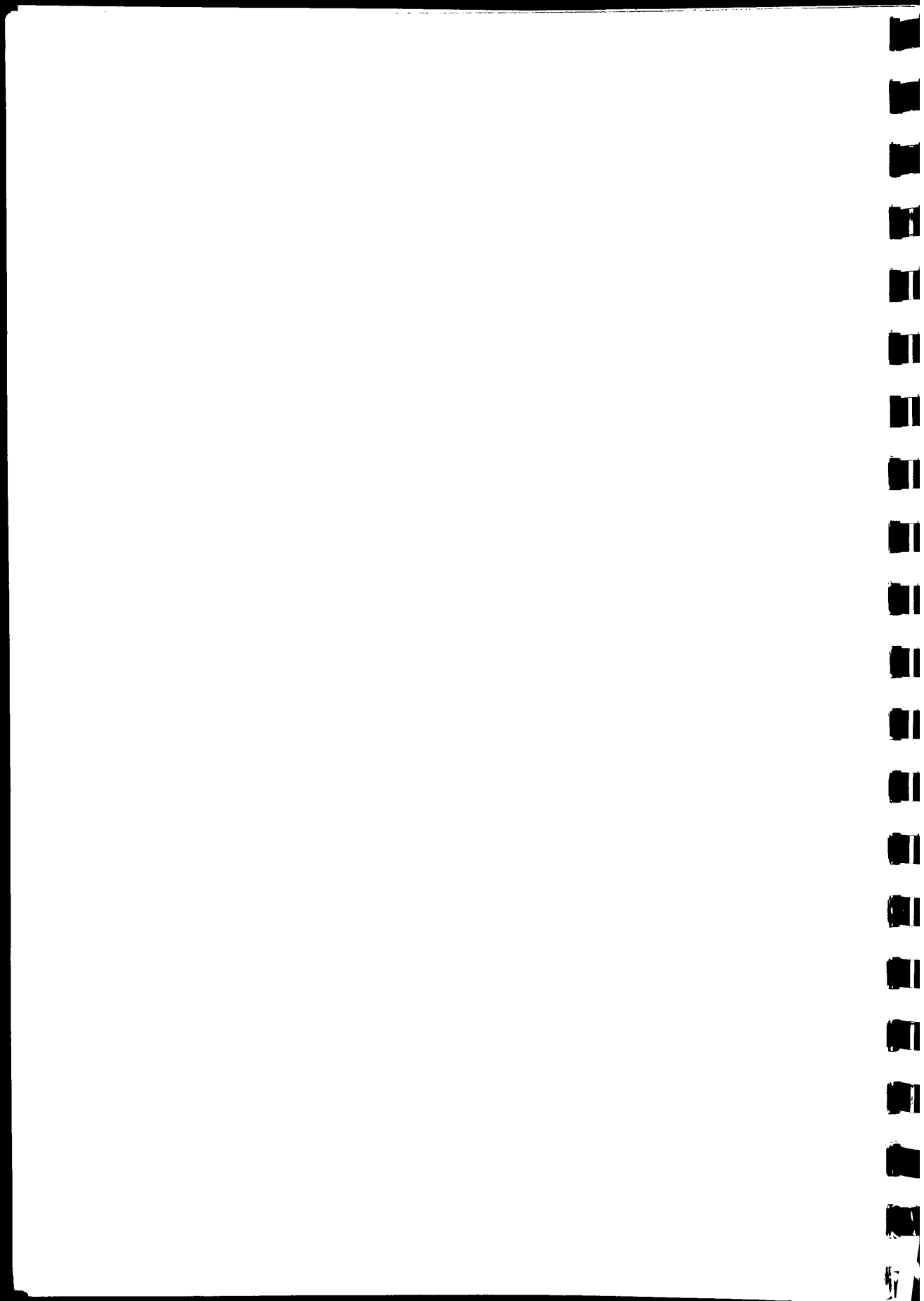
Methodology:

- 1 Examine current training methods and systems, and work out how the package would fit in with these.
- 2 Put material into an accessible and useful form.
- 3 Develop methods of presentation.
- 4 Work out ways in which trainers can extend their own knowledge and expertise.
- 5 Make trial runs of courses to be taught throughout the two years.
- 6 Produce final packages.
- 7 Make packages available to trainers.

Presentation of results: Marketable packages.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Working papers of the Royal Commission on the NHS

Starting date: October 1980

Planned duration: One Year

Funds allocated: £7,500

Project leader: Ms Christine Farrell,
Reader in Applied Social Studies,
Polytechnic of North London, Ladbroke House,
Highbury Grove, London N5 2AD

Project officer: Ms Rosemary Davies,
Polytechnic of North London, Ladbroke House,
Highbury Grove, London N5 2AD

Project base: North London Polytechnic

Objectives: To arrange, edit and update for publication 'The Working
Papers of the Royal Commission on the NHS'.

To publish these in the form of pamphlets and books
during 1980

Methodology: An introductory pamphlet will be written setting out
the purpose of the series and giving basic facts about
The Royal Commission.

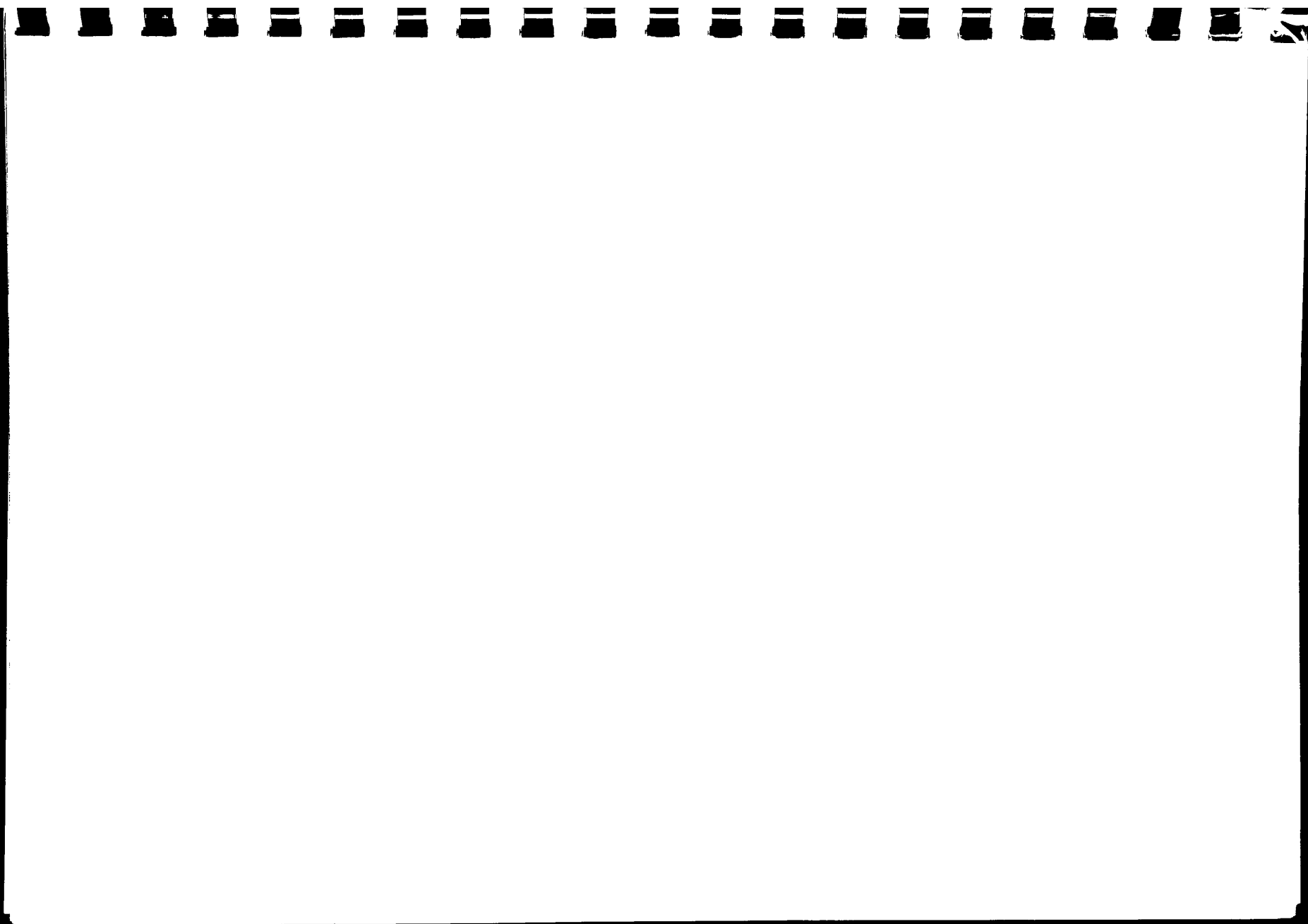
The material, which already exists, will then be arranged
into topics. Probably some ten pamphlets will be
prepared on subjects which will include Dentistry,
Private Practice, Rehabilitation and the Elderly.

The books, if this form is selected, will be collections
of papers on subjects such as Primary Health Care,
Management and Finance in the NHS, Staff in the NHS.

**Presentation
of results:** King's Fund Centre project papers,
Books published by the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria: Sales

KF Coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Commissioning Hospital Buildings

Starting date: January 1980

Planned duration: 2 years

Funds allocated: £3,500

Project leader: David Hands,
Assistant Director,
King's Fund Centre.

Project officer: Graham Millard
District Administrator,
Harrow Health District.

Project base: King's Fund Centre

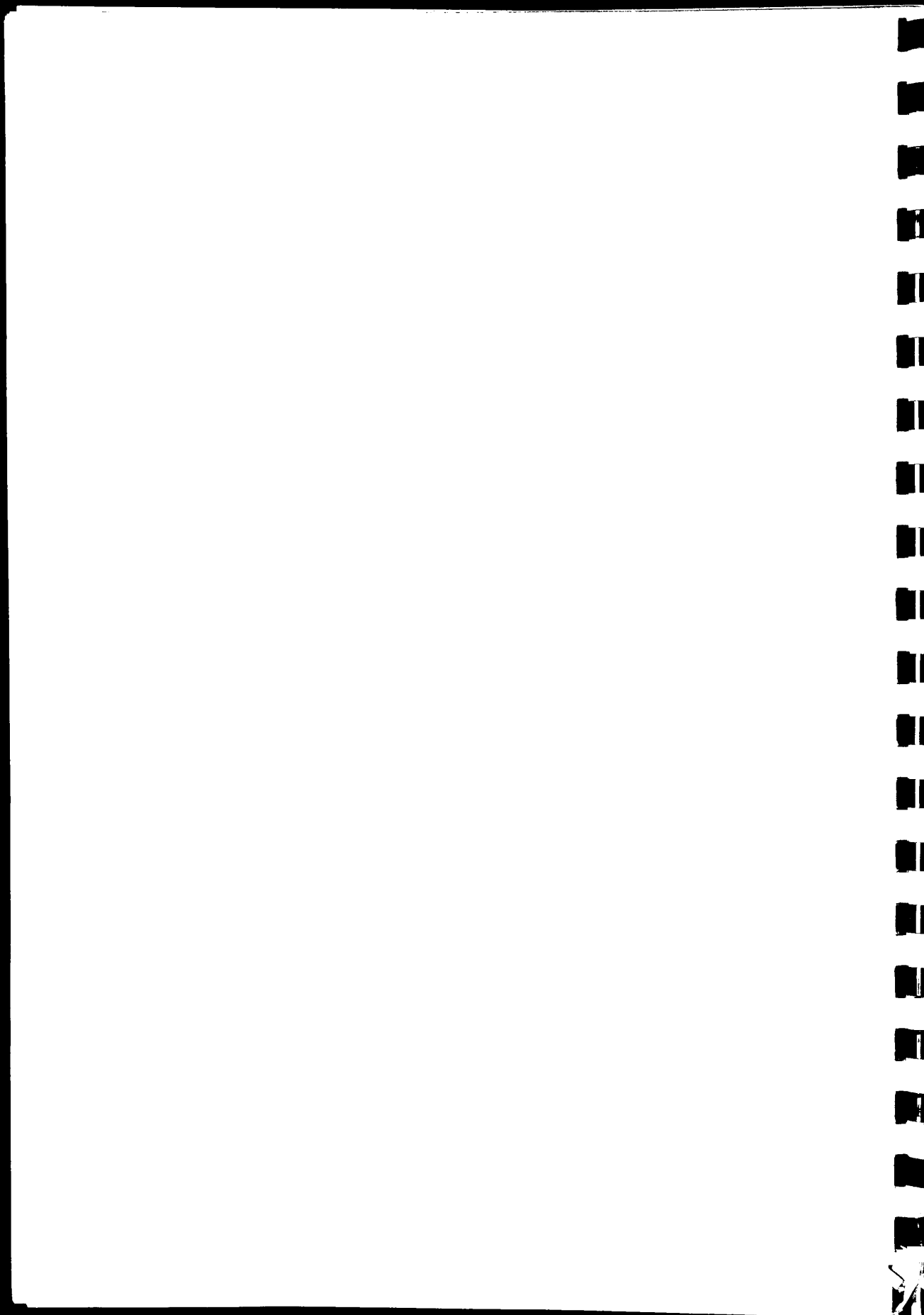
Objectives: To review the present (1975) edition of the King's
Fund Publication 'Commissioning Hospital Buildings'
in the light of developments since reorganisation
of the NHS in 1974 and to produce a new edition.

Methodology: 1. Discussion within multidisciplinary working
party established for the purpose.
2. Field work survey of recently commissioned projects

Presentation
of results: New edition of King's Fund Publication

Evaluation criteria: Sales of new edition of publication and extent
to which it becomes accepted as authoritative
guidance on the subject.

KF Coordinator: David Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre



KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MAN 8999

Project: Toynbee Hall/Senior Care and Leisure Centre

Starting date: April 1980

Planned duration: 2 years

Funds allocated: £10,000

Project leader: John Profumo,
The Universities' Settlement in East London,
Toynbee Hall, 28 Commercial Road, London E1 6LS

Project officer: Olive Wagstaff,
Director of the Senior Care and Leisure Centre

Project base: Toynbee Hall

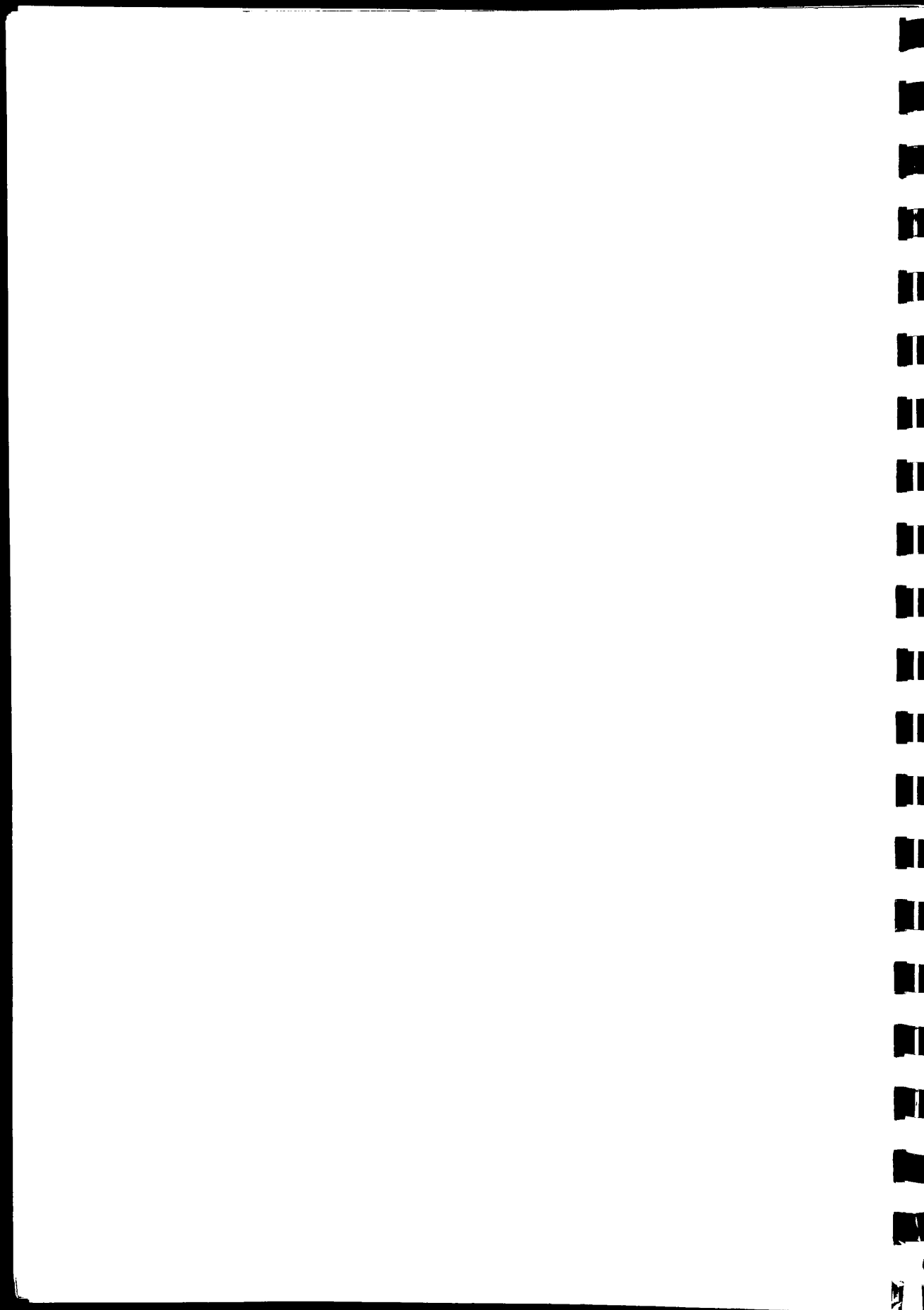
Objectives: To provide a Centre in order to offer an opportunity
for the elderly to live independently and to encourage
and enable them to contribute to society rather
than depend upon it. The Centre would be open to
both those living in Toynbee Hall and outside.

Methodology: To operate a day Centre from Monday to Friday, to
provide lunches and activities including a work
room, suitable for simple employment including
toy and candle making, metal work etc.

Presentation
of results: Not specified

Evaluation criteria: None stated

KF Coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre



Project: A mobile assessment unit for handicapped children.

Starting date: November 1978.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £41,893.

Project leader: Professor K S Holt, Department of Developmental Paediatrics, Institute of Child Health, London.

Project officer: Professor K S Holt.

Project base: Institute of Child Health, University of London.

Objectives:

- 1 To determine the role of a mobile unit in relation to the overall plans for providing effective services for handicapped children.
- 2 To plan and carry out the conversion of a double deck bus into a mobile unit.
- 3 To evaluate the work and to make recommendations for future development and arrangement of services.

Methodology: A full statement is available; in summary:

Two activities will be pursued simultaneously -

- 1 Discussions with colleagues and health authorities to determine the requirements and possible role of the mobile unit, followed by the working out of detailed plans of operation according to the wishes of the individuals responsible in each locality.
- 2 Planning and designing the conversion of the bus as a mobile unit.

When the bus is operational all activities of the mobile unit will be monitored.

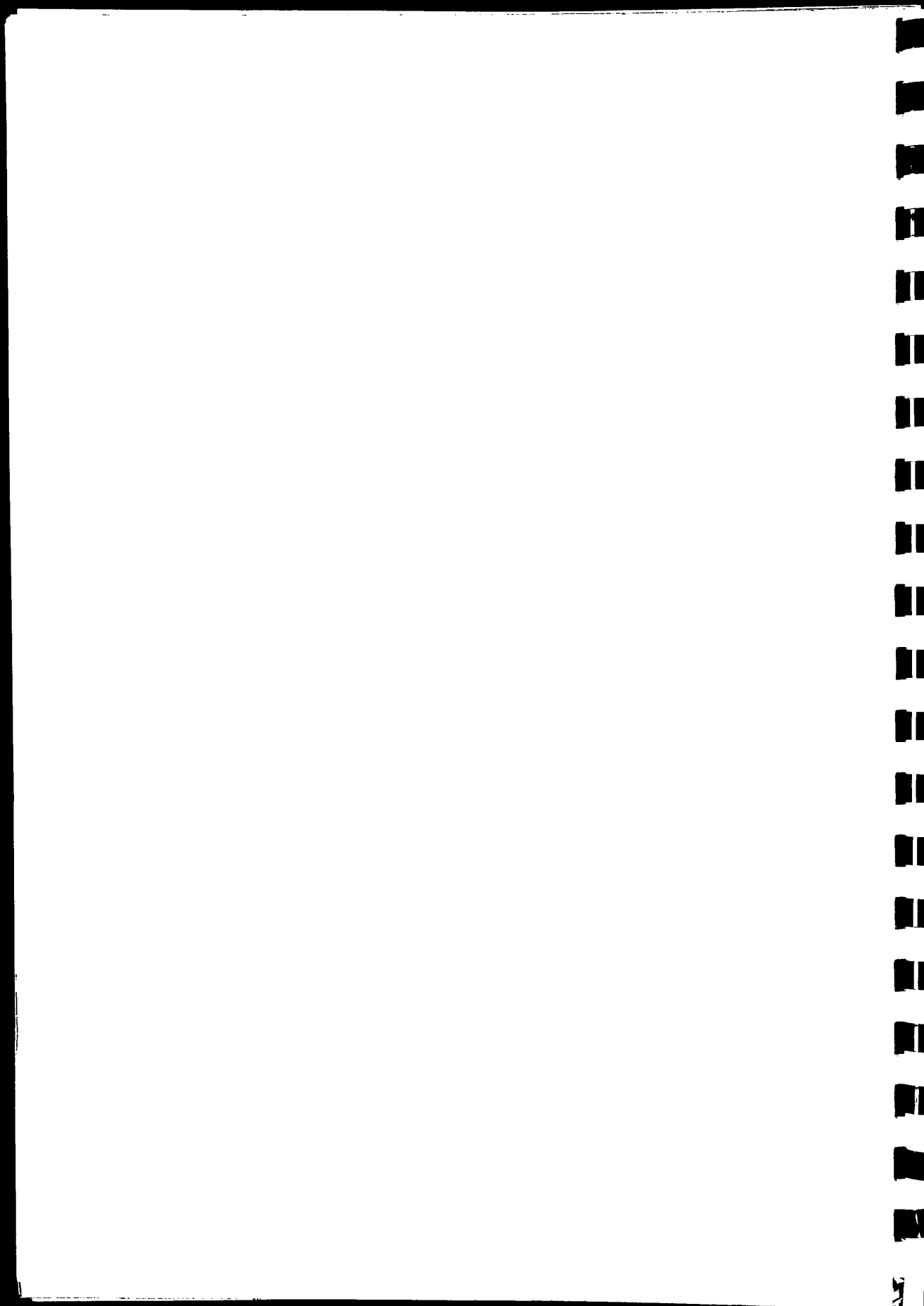
Presentation of results:

- 1 A written report to the King's Fund.
- 2 The publication of papers in appropriate professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

- 1 Descriptive report of the bus conversion with reasons for all items included.
- 2 Descriptive report of all activities undertaken. Activities will be itemised so that it will be possible to determine their clinical effectiveness and their cost.
- 3 Comparison with alternative arrangements.

KF coordinator: Mrs J Rush, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 78/34

Project: Equipment for the handicapped: a survey of UK resources.

Starting date: March 1979.

Planned duration: 1 year.

Funds allocated: £6,250.

Project leader: Professor Cairns Atkin, Rehabilitation Studies Unit, University Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Princess Margaret Rose Orthopaedic Hospital, Fairmilehead, Edinburgh EH10 7ED.

Project officer: J G Duncan, Project Officer, Rehabilitation Studies Unit (address as above).

Project base: Rehabilitation Studies Unit (address as above).

Objectives: (This is a joint project of the King's Fund and the National Fund for Research into Crippling Diseases)

To investigate the need for a UK organisation to carry out functions performed by the Institute for the Handicapped in Bromma, Sweden, and to indicate whether or not the establishment of such an organisation would be feasible in terms of support from representatives of the physically handicapped and their advisers.

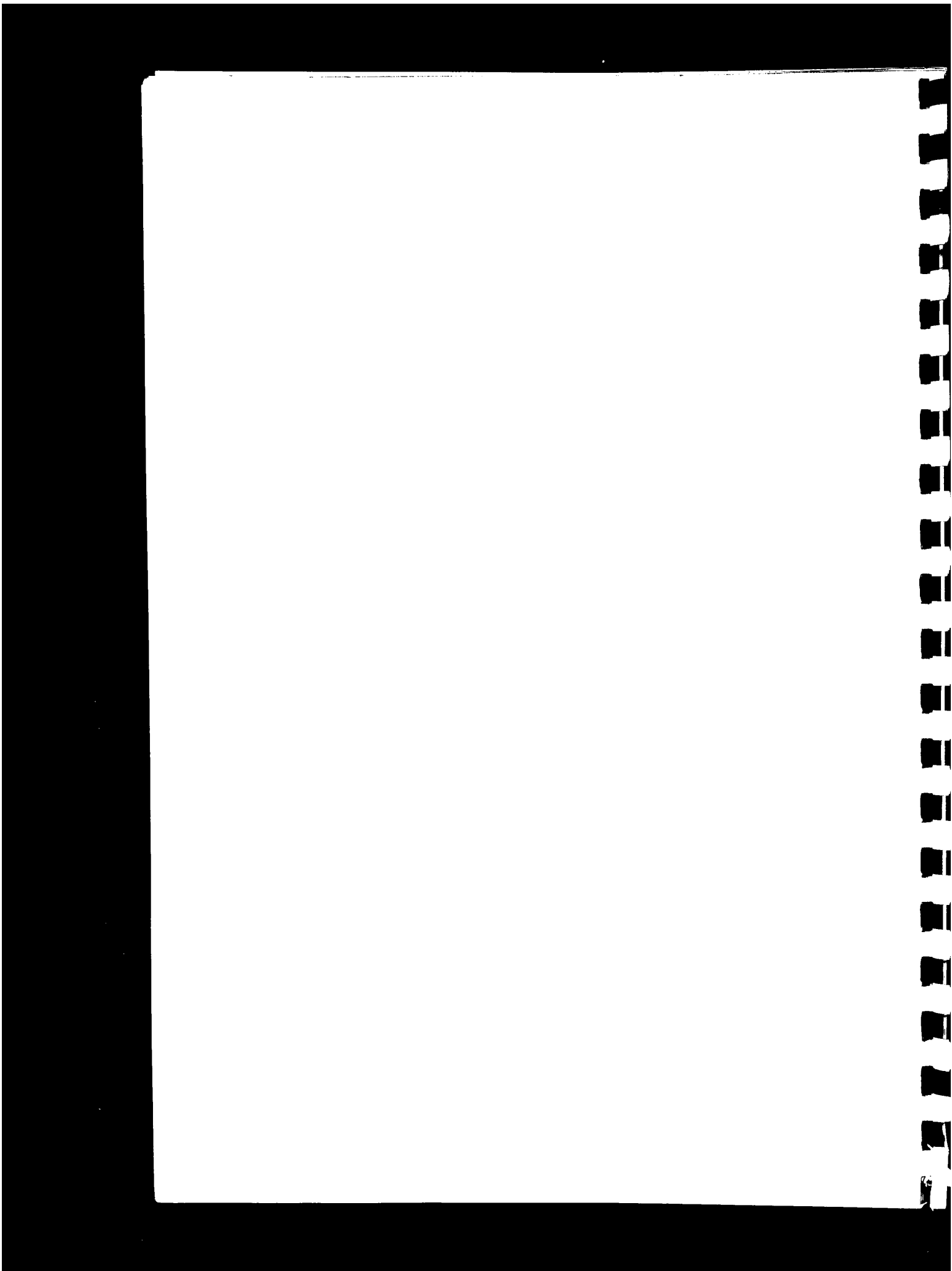
Methodology: During the first year, the period to be financed by the King's Fund, the project officer will gather material from the many agencies working for the handicapped and involved in the provision of equipment for them. This will be done by personal visits and by correspondence.

At the end of this period and for a further year or two, the arguments for various courses of action will be set out and a recommendation made. An outline plan for implementing the recommendation will be prepared, giving in broad terms the numbers of staff, the scale of accommodation, and the level of financing required.

Presentation of results: Written report to the funding bodies.

Evaluation criteria: Not discussed at this stage.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 78/37

Project: A4 size stationery for general practitioners.

Starting date: October 1978.

Planned duration: Approximately 2 years.

Funds allocated: £20,000.

Project leader: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

Project officer:

Project base: King's Fund Centre.

Objectives:

- 1 To enable between 30 and 40 general practices in the UK to begin the transfer of their most heavily used clinical records to stationery of A4 size.
- 2 To increase the numbers, and therefore the experience, of those who have made this change with the view later of holding conferences on the benefits that follow.

Methodology:

Each general practice will be required to submit a plan and timetable for the change over.

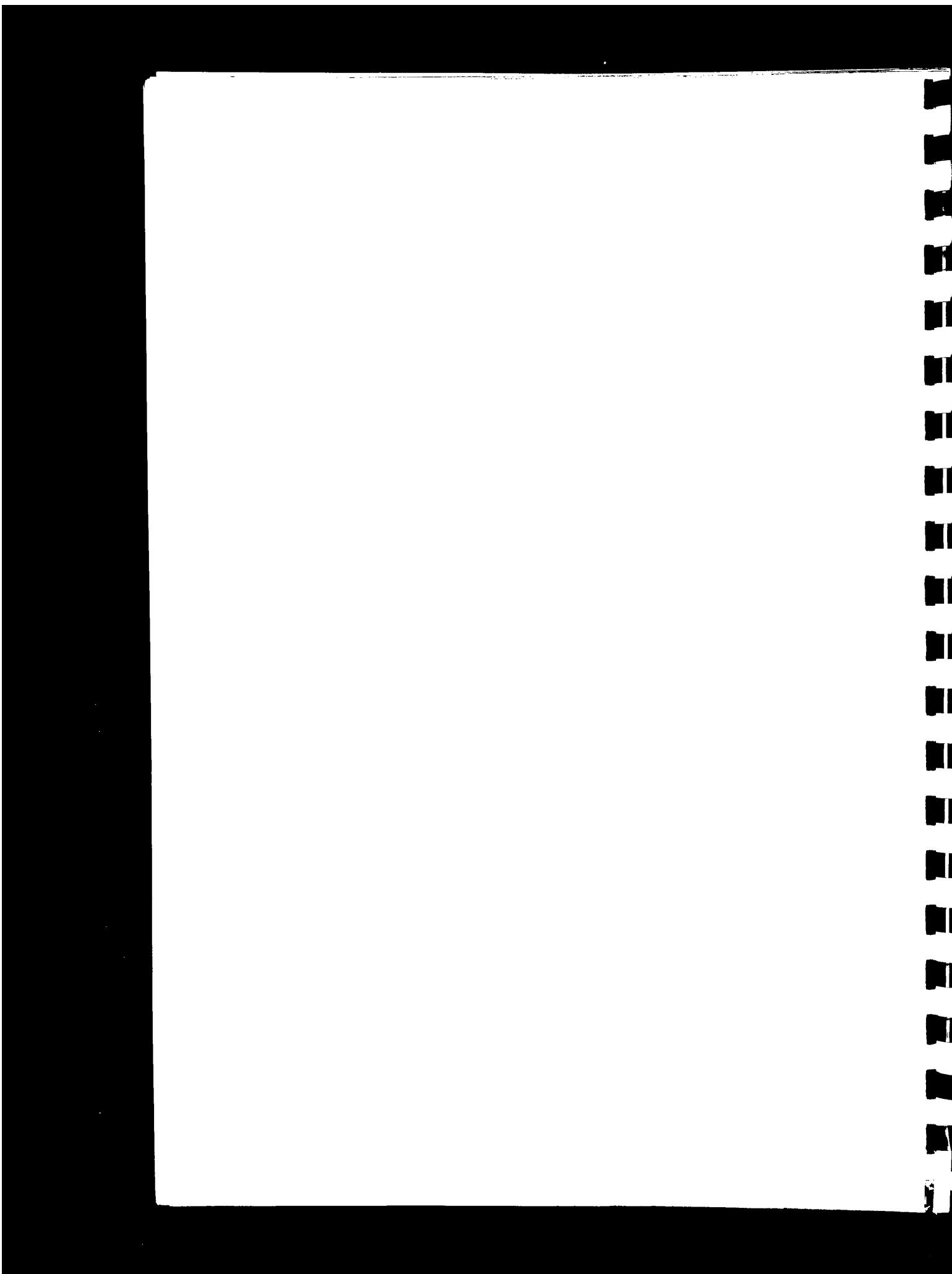
Each general practice will be asked to agree to participate in subsequent discussions.

Presentation of results:

Through conferences and/or the publication of papers in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Handbook for members of health authorities.

Starting date: February/March 1979.

Planned duration: 1 year in the first instance.

Funds allocated: £18,000.

Project leader: W E Hall, Secretary, National Association of Health Authorities.

Project officer: W E Hall (as above).

Project base: National Association of Health Authorities, Park House, 40 Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2RT.

Objectives: To produce, in a concise and readable form, and probably in a loose-leaf format, a guide for members of health authorities in the UK, on subjects which arise in connection with the running of the National Health Service.

Methodology: Each article will have two functions: to give a simple exposition of requirements and procedures; and to point objectively to some of the difficulties that have to be borne in mind by those planning and running the service.

There will be five categories of article:

- 1 The structure and broad management concepts of the service.
- 2 An explanation of terms and processes involved in running the service.
- 3 A description of the role of the central authority (the DHSS) and a commentary on the NHS in its relation to Government.
- 4 Special aspects of the service with particular reference to its contact with the patient.
- 5 Subjects of topical interest.

Presentation of results: A loose-leaf handbook having regular supplements.

Evaluation criteria: Comments from members of health authorities will be sought and, as the project will be a continuing one, changes will be made where appropriate as further supplements are prepared.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

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Project: A community care service for diabetics.

Starting date: February 1979.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £21,208.

Project leader: Dr R D Hill MB FRCP, Consultant Physician,
Poole General Hospital, Poole, Dorset.

Project officer: Dr R D Hill (as above).

Project base: Poole General Hospital.

Objectives: To test the feasibility of setting-up a central
computer register of diabetic patients. This will be
used together with the measurement of interval blood
sugars to assess:

- 1 The frequency of follow-up, and
- 2 the degree of control in patients looked after
predominantly by their general practitioners, and
also those looked after predominantly by the
hospital diabetic clinic.

Methodology:

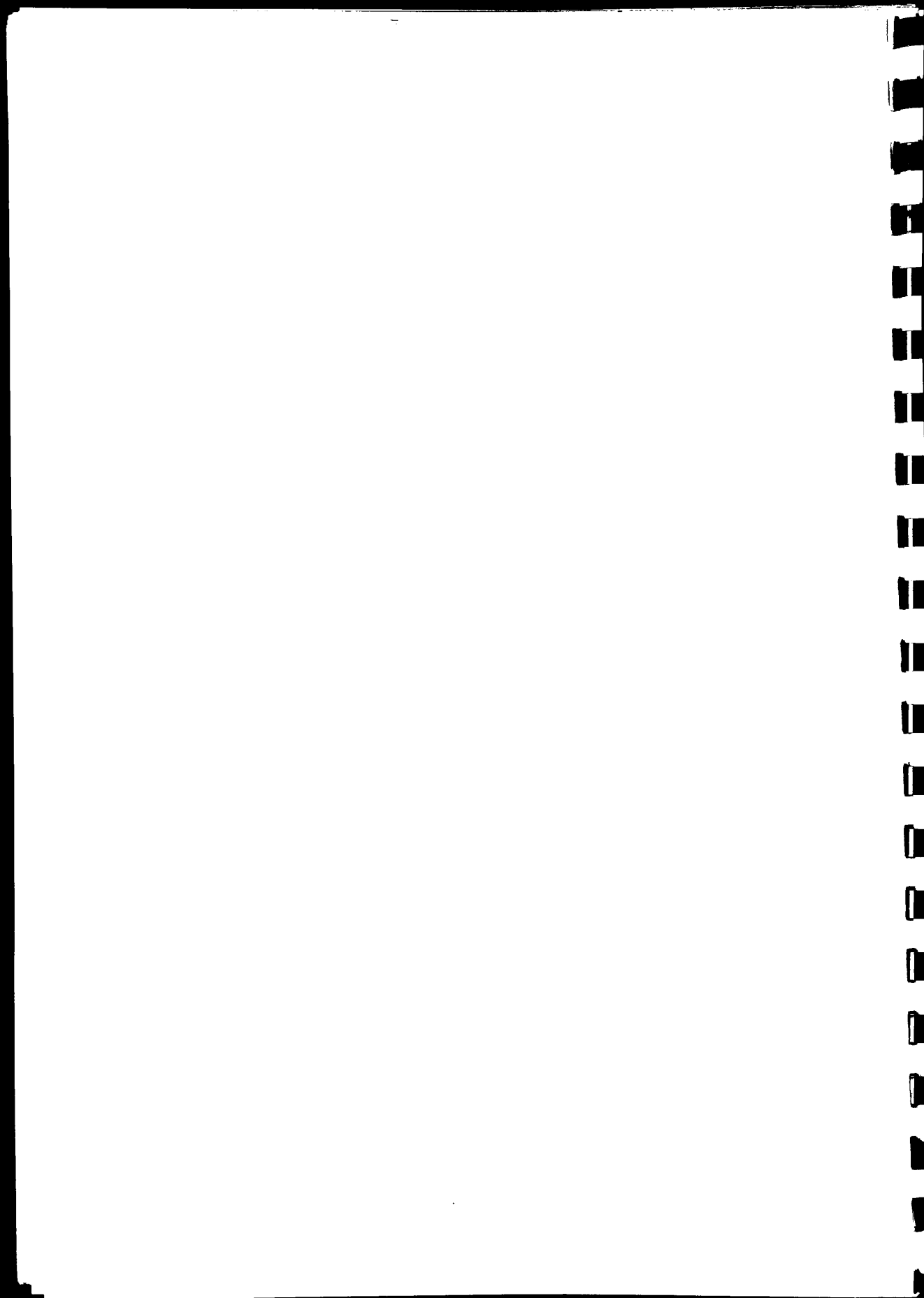
- 1 A register of all patients with diabetes in the Poole
area has already been set up. The information is on
punched cards.
- 2 The cards will be used to compile a central diabetic
register on a cassette memory.
- 3 All blood sugars are measured in the Biochemistry
Department at Poole General Hospital to provide
information on follow-up and standards of control.
This information will be fed into the cassette
memory and matched with patients.
- 4 At specified intervals the computer will list
patients by general practitioner, giving details of
interval blood sugars and the dates on which they
were measured.
- 5 The Diabetic Clinic will be provided with an overall
picture of the standard of control being exercised.
Each general practitioner will be provided with
information about his patients with poor control or
who are not being followed-up.

Presentation
of results: A series of papers to various diabetics bodies, and
papers for publication in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria: General practitioners in the area will be consulted
about the value of the information obtained, in terms
of patient care and follow-up.

A full analysis of the clinical data stored on the
punched cards will be undertaken and this will provide
valuable epidemiological information.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Survey of District Planning Teams in England.

Starting date: July 1979.

Planned duration: 1 year.

Funds allocated: £10,500.

Project leaders: Dr W E Kearns, District Community Physician,
North West District, Department of Community Medicine,
11 South Wharf Road, London W2 1PE.

Mrs P Mullen, Lecturer, University of Birmingham,
Health Services Management Centre, Park House,
40 Edgbaston Park Road, Birmingham B15 2RT.

Project officer: Mrs K M Murray-Sykes, Research Assistant, North West
District; address as for Dr Kearns.

Project base: Department of Community Medicine, North West District;
address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To secure an improvement in the contribution of District Planning Teams to the local planning of services and by that means to achieve a better service for the consumer.
- 2 To find out how planning teams are really working in Districts and Single-District Areas throughout England.
- 3 To provide information which will enable Districts and Single-District Areas to review the work of their planning teams in a wider context, to be aware of successful and unsuccessful methods when setting up new teams, and to find out about alternative methods of planning.
- 4 To discover the place of planning teams in the NHS planning system, the relationship of District Planning Teams with Joint Care Planning Teams, and the role of DCPs, GPs, Social Services, CHCs (and other groups, if time permits) in planning.

Methodology:

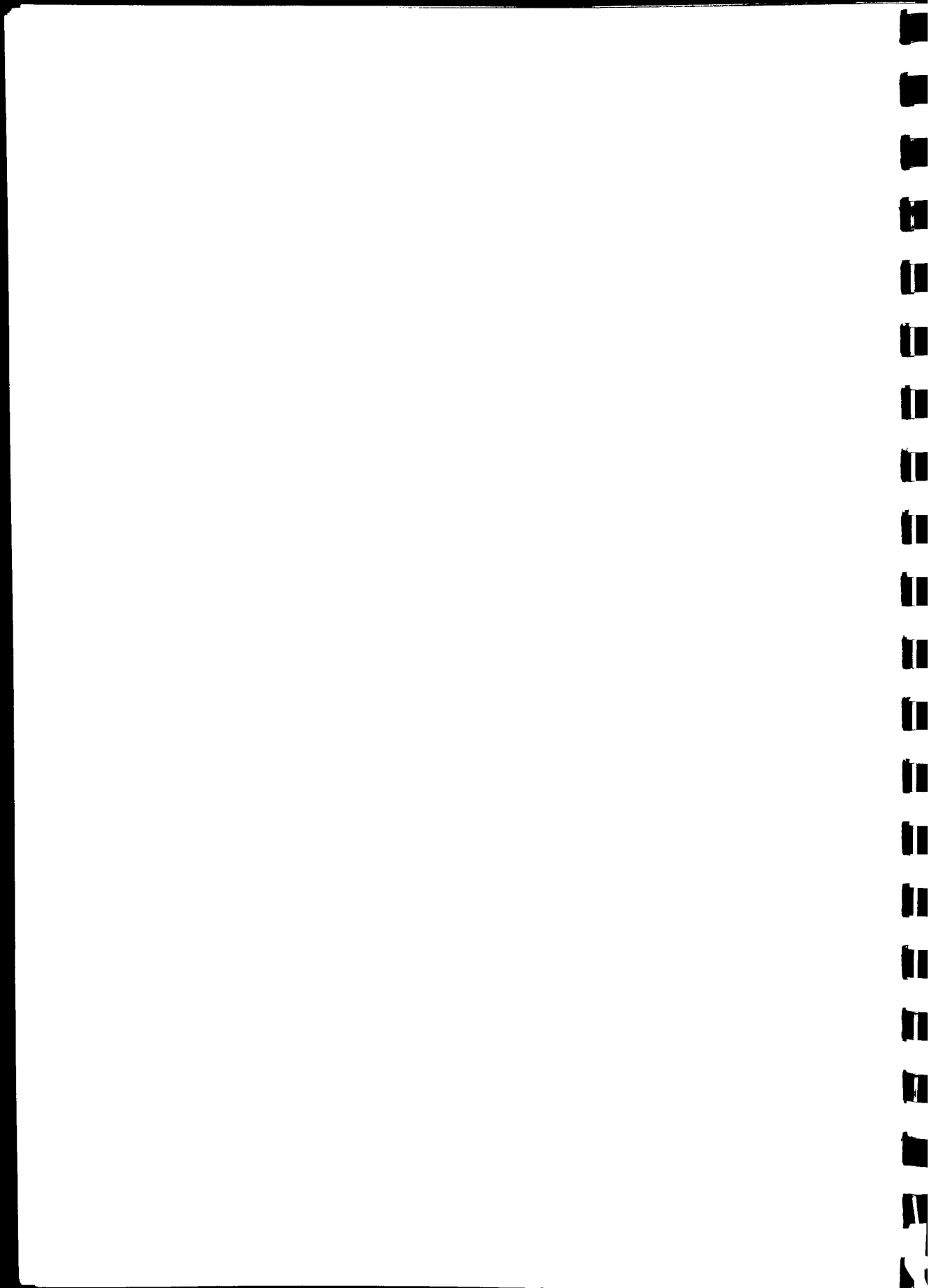
- 1 Pilot studies of Districts and Single-District Areas, by postal questionnaires.
- 2 Literature review.
- 3 Analysis of questionnaires by computer.
- 4 Selective interviews in Districts and Areas.

Presentation of results: Lectures and seminars; workshops; publication of papers.

Evaluation criteria:

- 1 By measuring the amount of success in assembling new information.
- 2 The extent to which the information is used, and the improvement in the work of planning teams.

KF coordinator: D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/17

Project: Peer teaching in health education

Starting date: February 1979

Planned duration: 1 year

Funds allocated: £5,150

Project leader: Diane Plamping, Senior Dental Officer, Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham Area Health Authority (Teaching)

Project officer: Diane Plamping (as above)

Project base: Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham AHA(T), The Royal Eye Hospital, St George's Circus, London SE1 OBA.

Objectives:

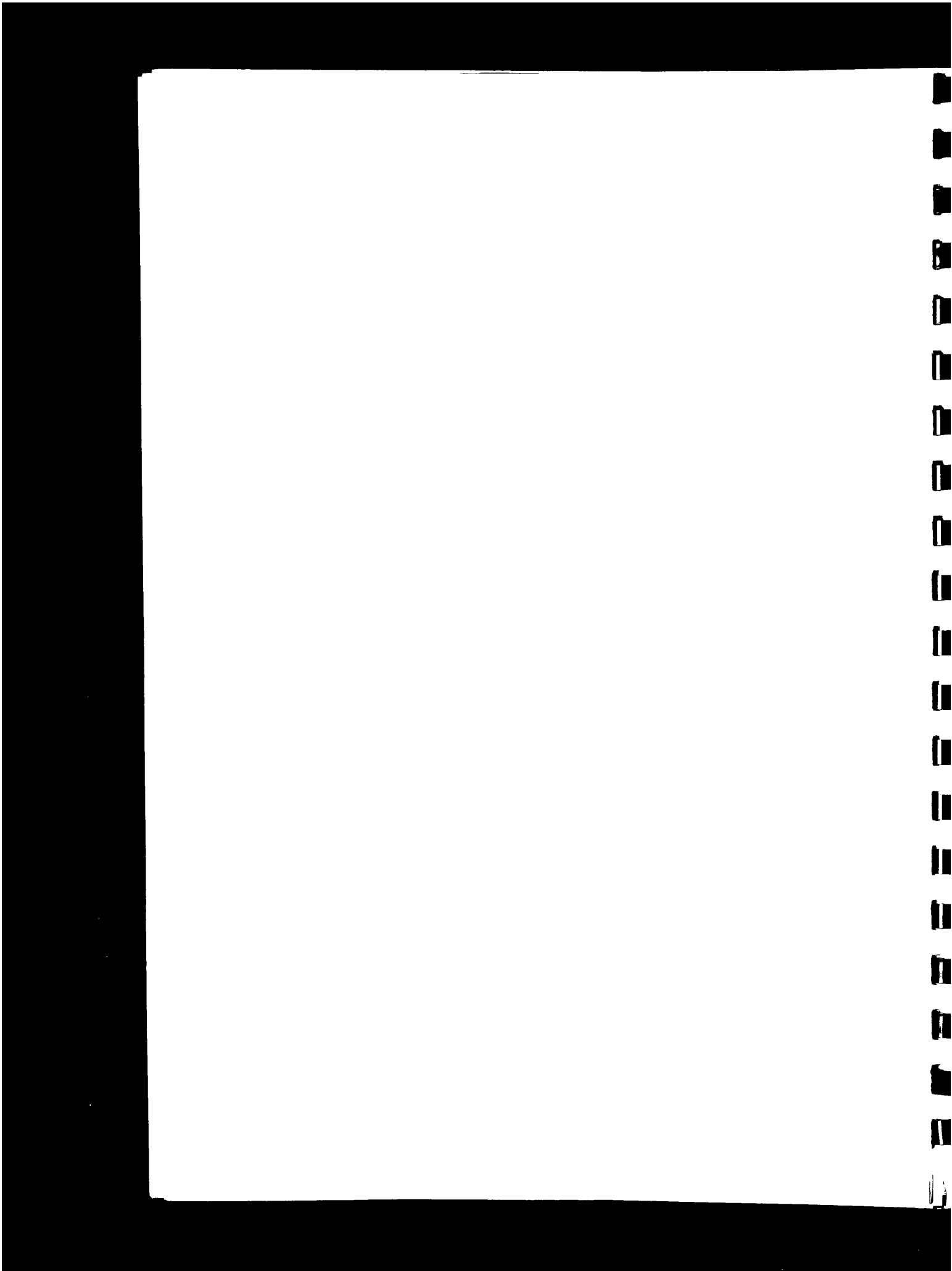
- 1 To assess the feasibility of using a group of children to give dental health information to their peers
- 2 To extend the range of topics which child teachers in the health club teach, for example, diet
- 3 To identify new settings
- 4 To develop new teaching materials
- 5 To measure the pupil children's knowledge before and after the teaching given by the child teachers
- 6 To monitor the effect of these experiences on all those involved
- 7 To continue the education of the child teachers
- 8 To examine ways of extending the project into other areas

Methodology: The children will continue to meet weekly in their health club and there will be special holiday health events. People who have already worked with the club - for example, dental health educators, will work as helpers, and a coordinator will be appointed

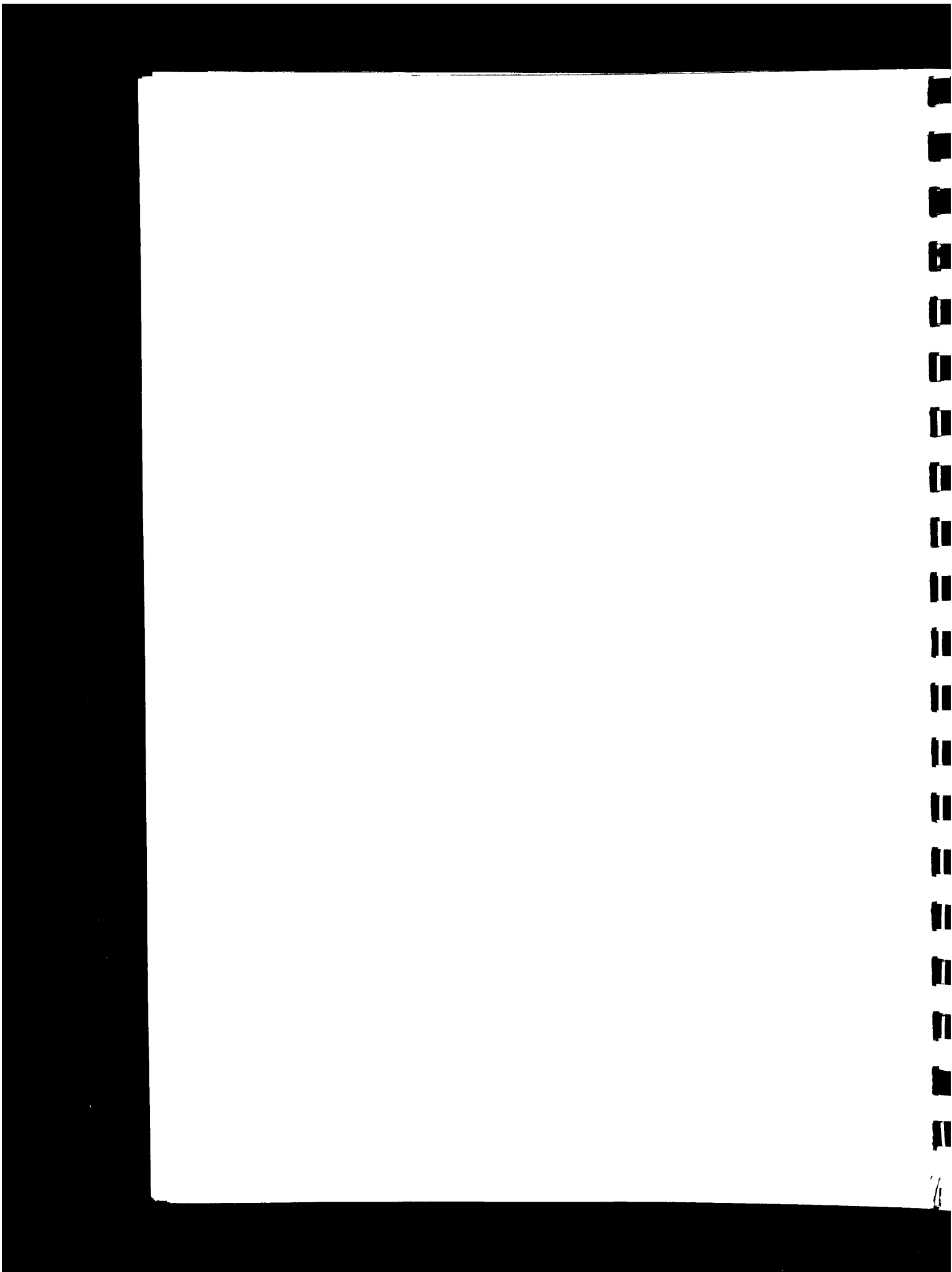
Presentation of results: A report will be published, possibly by the King's Fund Centre, and made available to appropriate professional bodies concerned with health and education, and to their professional journals

Evaluation criteria: None stated

KF coordinator: Miss H O Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre



- Project:** The application of computer indexing to the operation of an N H S pharmacy based drug information centre.
- Starting date:** 1 June 1979.
- Planned duration:** 2 years.
- Funds allocated:** £16,000 over 2 years.
- Project leader:** Mrs Bronwen Davies, BPharm., MSc., MPS.
Principal Pharmacist (Drug Information) Guy's Hospital.
- Project officer:** Miss Christine Adams, Pharmacist, Drug Information Centre, Guy's Hospital.
- Project base:** Regional Drug Information Centre, Guy's Hospital.
- Objectives:**
1. To provide a computer generated coordinate index for sources of information acquired by the drug information centre, for use in dealing with enquiries.
 2. To provide to other UK drug information centres a microfilmed computer-generated index to the national drug information abstract which are prepared by cooperation amongst all the regional drug information centres.
 3. To construct a model for the development of the national abstracts into a computer - based data bank.
- Methodology:**
1. Investigation (already in progress) of the feasibility of the project by a pharmacist who is also trained in information science.
 2. The development of a file capable of holding all current production of national abstracts and monthly updating of the file.
 3. The development of computer programmes to handle the work, using a terminal linked with a computer at University College Computer Centre.
 4. The creation of a file for use in processing in-house answers to enquiries.
 5. The production of a computer-generated index to the national abstracts file and the enquiry answers file.
 6. The production of a microfilmed version of the index for distribution to other UK drug information centres.
- Presentation of results:**
1. Introduction of new methods will provide a demonstration of results.
 2. Reports in professional journals.
 3. Presentations at relevant conferences and meetings.
- Evaluation criteria:**
1. Qualitative changes in the level of service will be assessed by monitoring the service given at the drug information centre at Guy's Hospital.
 2. Changes in the distribution of the national abstracts, following centralised indexing, will be monitored and assessed.
 3. The Guy's scheme will be evaluated in terms of its future progression to a national computerised data base.
- KF Coordinator:** Keith Morton, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/27

Project: Colostomy Ileostomy and Urostomy - A study of the late effects of having a stoma

Starting date: 1 August 1979

Planned duration: 2 years

Funds allocated: £10,000

Project leader: Ian P Todd MS MD FRCS
Consultant Surgeon
St Bartholomews & St Marks Hospitals

Project officer: Miss Kay F Neale SRN
Project Assistant
c/o The Medical College
St Bartholomew's Hospital
London EC1

Project base: St Bartholomew's and St Mark's Hospitals, in association with the Departments of Stoma therapy

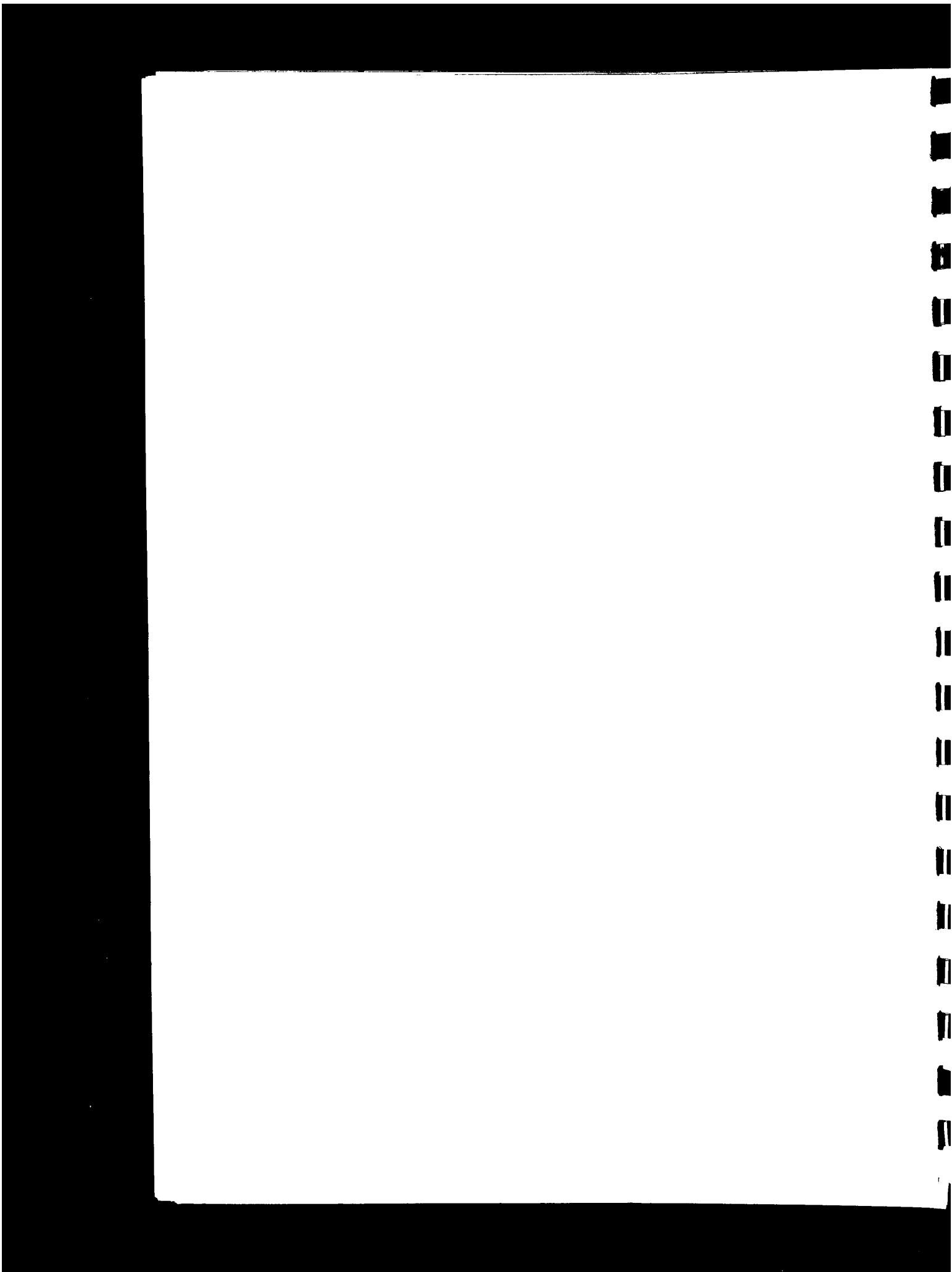
Objectives: To study patients at home and their relationships to family after leaving hospital: to study effect of stomatherapy and to assess those trained in the work itself

Methodology: To appoint and brief a project officer
To draw up a list of patients to be questioned
To prepare a proforma of questions to be answered by patients
To collect data, to assess, with the help of a statistician and a computer and to present results

Presentation of results: Critical Assessment of the work carried out
Papers to appropriate societies - Articles in journals
A PhD thesis by the Project officer

Evaluation criteria: Statistical evaluation

K F Coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre



KING'S FUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/28

(See MAN 8677/111)

Project: National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital

Starting date: 2 October 1979

Planned duration: 1 Year

Funds allocated: £9,000

Project leader: Mrs. Sheila Gatiss, Chairman, National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital, Exton House, 7 Exton Street, London SE1 8UE

Project officer: Jocelyn Rodin SRN ONC Research Officer, National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital: Christine Andrews B.Ed (Hons) Educational Advisor Research Project, National Association for the Welfare of Children in Hospital.

Project base: School of Graphic Design - Kingston Polytechnic

Objectives: To continue the work of the previous project for one year:

1. To produce educational material to familiarise children with the general routine of what goes on in hospitals.
2. To examine and assess the response from children and teachers, and to modify the educational games produced as necessary
3. To publicise the material developed from the project.

Methodology: By continuing to employ the staff employed on the project for a further year in order to complete the work of developing visual aids and the production of games and cut-outs.

Presentation of results: Printed report
Exhibition and Conference at K F Centre

Evaluation criteria: By testing the material produced on both English and non-English speaking children, both in this country and abroad

KF Coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/42
(See R & D 76/118 (d))

Project: User related financial information system.

Starting date: July 1979.

Planned duration: Two years (continuing without interruption existing project (q.v.))

Funds allocated: £19,400.

Project leader: The District Administrator,
St Thomas' Hospital.

Project officer: R. Lincoln,
Assistant Finance Officer,
St. Thomas' Hospital.

Project base: St. Thomas' Hospital.

Objectives:

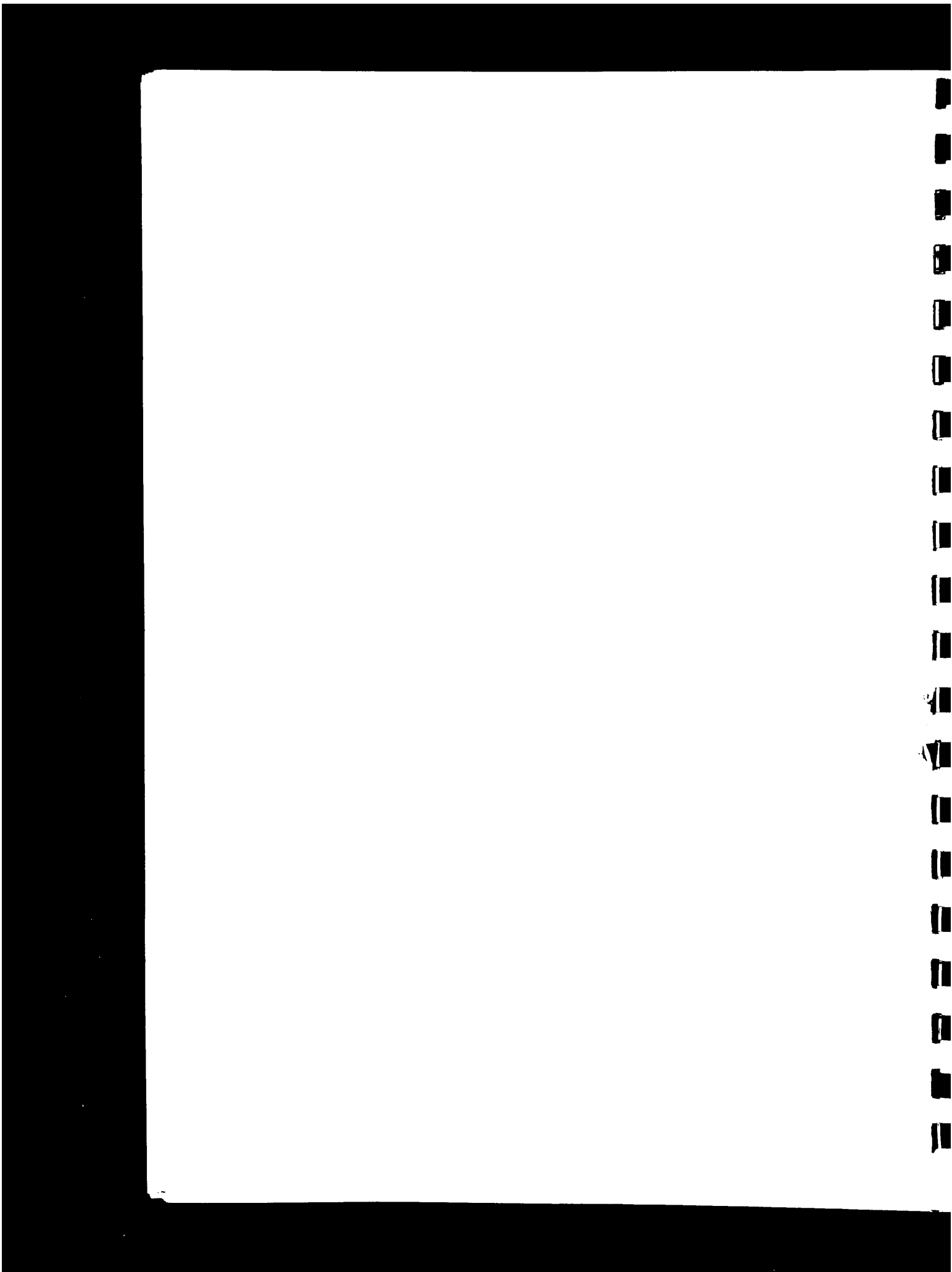
1. Set up parallel speciality budgets based on information available to the project team. Those budgets will of course be guesstimates in some instances and any monthly comparative reports produced will only be used by the project team or the Steering Committee in the first instance.
2. Implementation of a system of data recording within diagnostic and para medical departments which in all instances is capable of being re-arranged on a monthly basis into information to be used as a monitoring/influencing mechanism.
3. The project team will need to be involved in discussions relating to management changes within the district.
4. Basic financial, stores and supplies systems, operating within the District need to be investigated and reported upon and geared towards:- maintenance of manufacturing accounts; commitment accounting; centralised creditor control etc.
5. The project team needs to establish on- going working relationships with the Departments of Health Service Planning and of Computing Science.
6. Investigate the possibility of linking expenditure information resulting from SAS with the in-patient statistics captured in the District's in-house computer.
7. Close liaison should be established with the SAS Implementation Team at West Midlands RHA, in relation to Phase II of the System.
8. Carry out a feasibility study into the possibility of further analysing expenditure to treatments/ procedures.

Methodology: As with earlier project.

Presentation of results: As with earlier project

Evaluation criteria: None stated

KF Coordinator: D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/44
(See Man 8832)

Project: Asian names and N H S records.

Starting date: September 1979.

Planned duration: 1 year.

Funds allocated: £6,750.

Project leader: Miss. Alix Henley.
Pathway Further Education Centre,
Recreation Road, Southall, Middx.

Project officer: Collette Taylor.

Project base: Pathway Further Education Centre.

Objectives:

1. To provide for key N.H.S. staff - eg. medical records staff, midwives etc. simple information leaflets on Asian names.
2. To devise a general code of practice for entering all Asian names and a procedure for altering names wrongly entered in the past.
3. To design a training package for use by local staff, trainers and supervisors.
4. To plan continuing publicity for management who are often unaware of the practical difficulties.
5. To plan continuing publicity aimed at Asian communities who should be informed of the risks of the present unsatisfactory lack of knowledge.

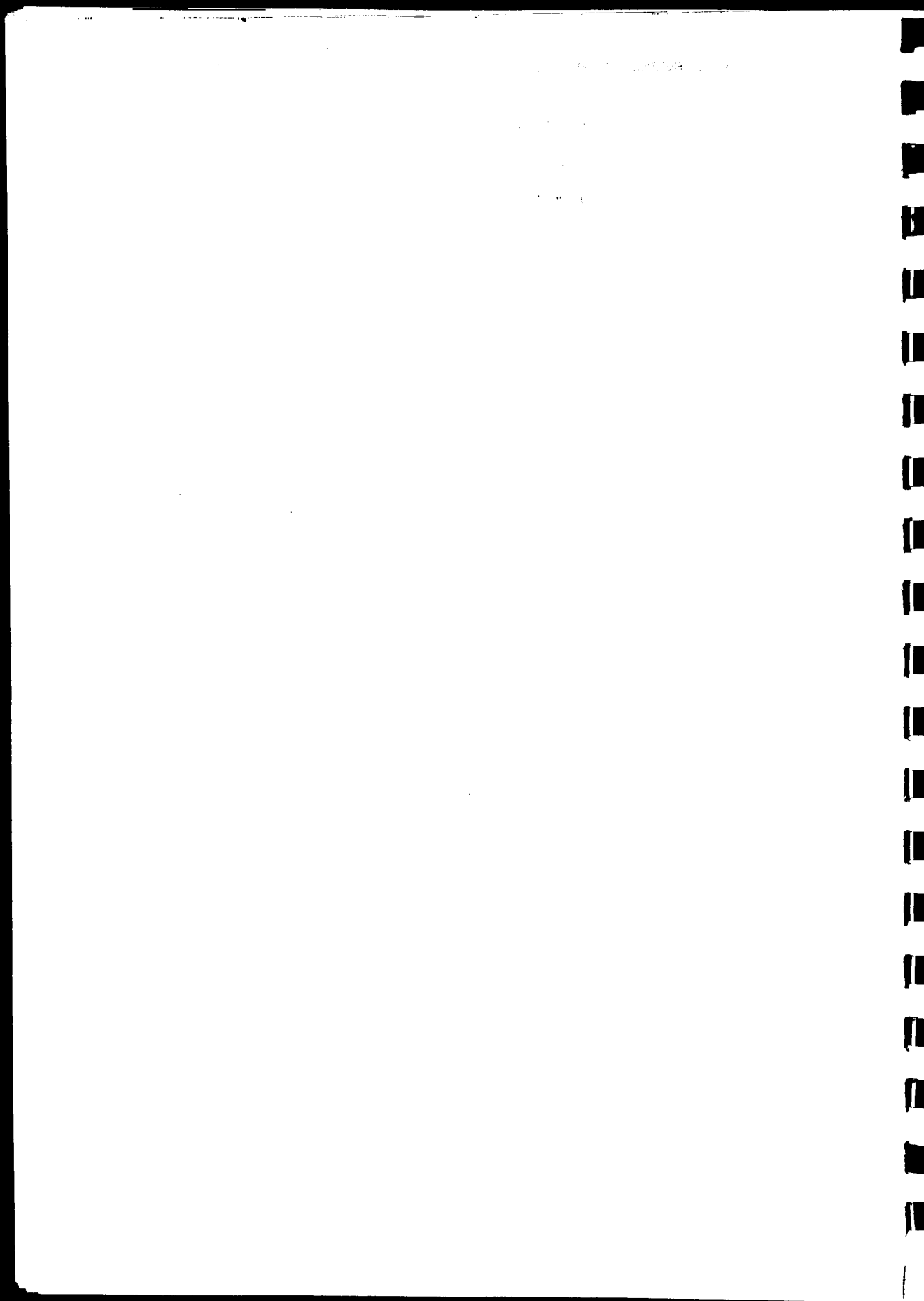
Methodolgy: The project officer when appointed will:

1. Study N.H.S. records.
2. Draw up simple statements describing the main characteristics of the three Asian naming systems.
3. Plan training material for use with N.H.S. staff by local trainees.
4. Devise simple information leaflets and wall charts.
5. Draw up a programme for publishing the results of this work for:
a) Management in the N.H.S.
b) Asian communities.

Presentation of results: Training materials as described above. Report to the King's Fund for possible publication. Short reports in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria: By keeping in touch with departments where records are a problem before and after training information sessions.

KF Coordinator: W. G. Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/45

Project: A guide for handicapped school leavers. *due to be published late 1981.*

Starting date: August 1979.

Planned duration: Six months.

Funds allocated: £6,240.

Project leader: Mrs. P. Russell, Secretary, Voluntary Council NCB. for handicapped children.

Project officer: To be appointed.

Project base: The Disabled Living Foundation, 246 Kensington High Street W14.

Objectives: To prepare a guide for handicapped adolescents, their parents and teachers containing practical information on sources of financial, social, emotional and educational help for the handicapped person between the ages of fourteen and eighteen.

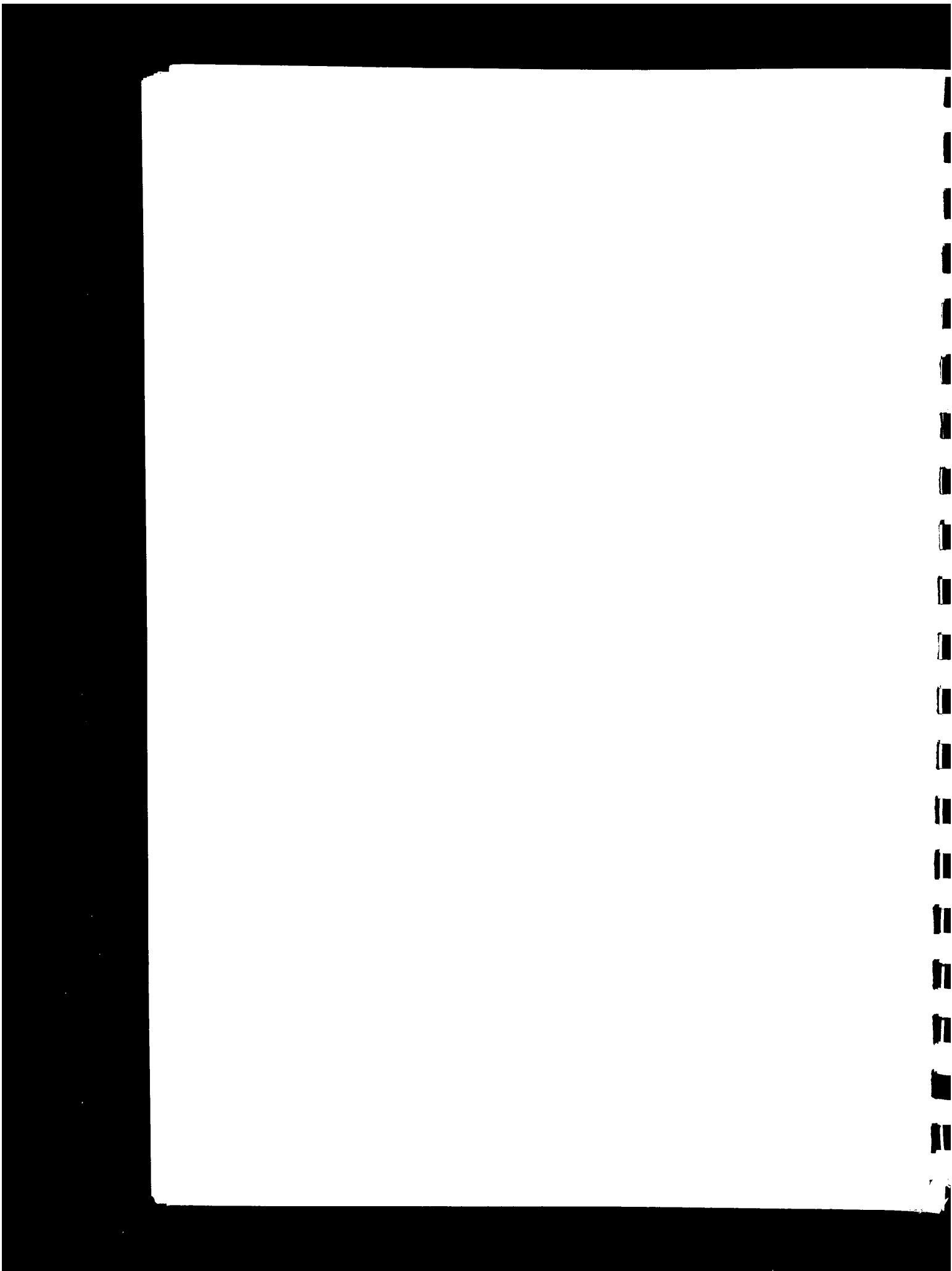
Methodology:

1. A steering committee, already established under the auspices of the V.I.C. Association for the International Year of the Child will oversee the project.
2. Information collected by the Disabled Living Foundation will be examined and collated.
3. The writing will be carried out on a free lance and commissioned basis.

Presentation of results: The guide will be published at a low cost.

Evaluation criteria: Feedback information will be sought from voluntary and statutory agencies who purchase the guide.

KF Coordinator: Mrs. W. Arnett Rayson.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/52 (b)

Project: Establishment of a nurse based occupational health service for people at work.

Starting date: October 1979.

Planned duration: One year.

Funds allocated: £12,118.

Project leader: Professor J. W. Bridges, Director,
Institute of Industrial and Environmental Health
and Safety, University of Surrey.

Project officer: Miss M. F. French, S.R.N., O.H.N.C.
Occupational Health Nursing Adviser,
University of Surrey.

Project base: University of Surrey, Guildford.

Objectives: To establish a nurse-based occupational health service for people at work in the vicinity of Guildford (including those employed by industry, the hospitals and local authorities).

To use this service as a model for setting up occupational health services elsewhere.

To make maximum use of work being done in other university departments (adult education, physics, biology etc.) to determine the extent to which such expertise can be used in occupational health work.

Methodology: To make contact with the many bodies interested and involved in occupational health.

To obtain a picture of priority problem areas in occupational health and safety by talking to people at all levels of responsibility.

To provide short training programmes for managers, supervisors, nurses etc.

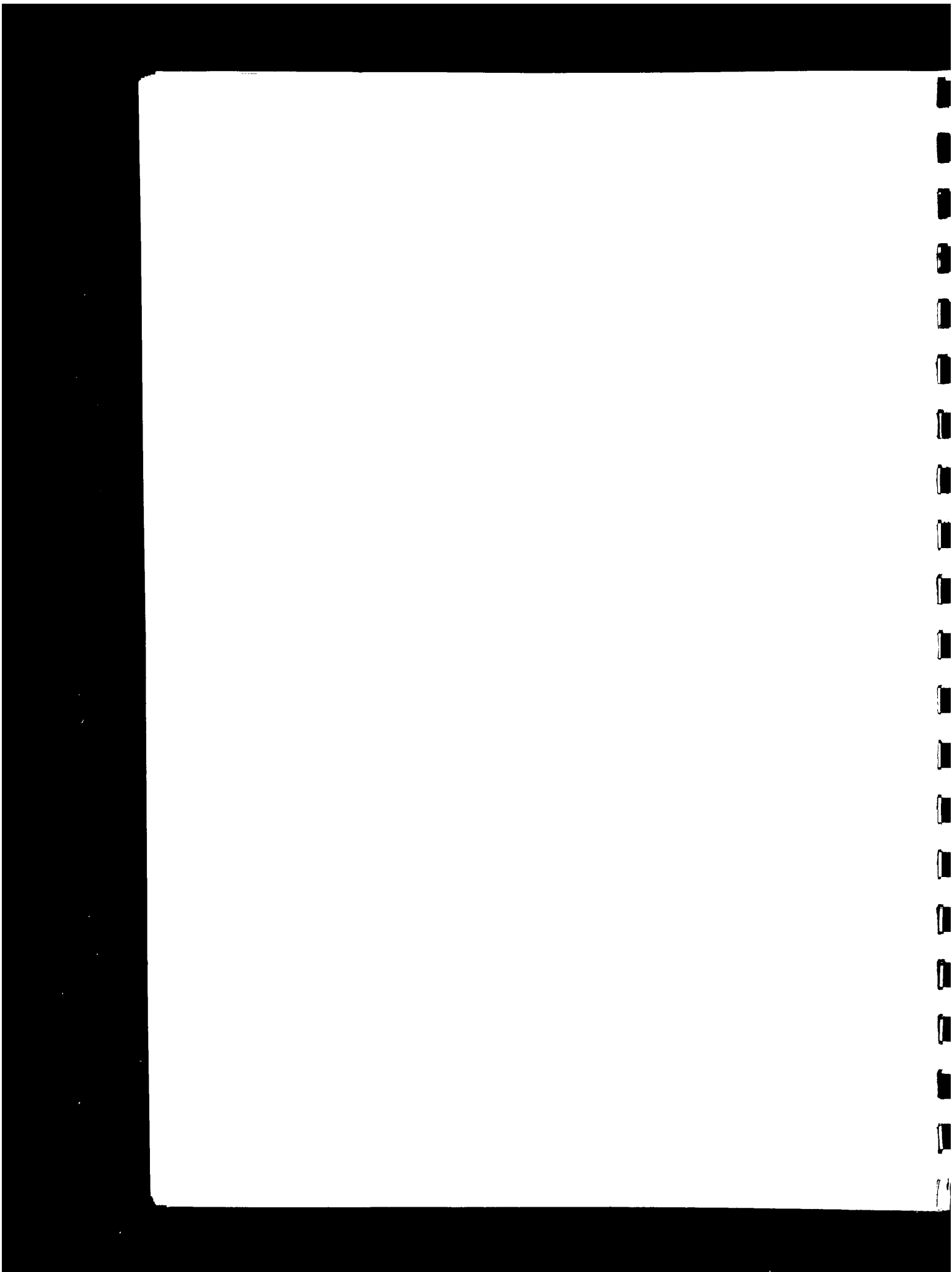
To plan suitable medical support by discussions with The District Community Physician and interested general practitioners.

Presentation of results: Reports to the King's Fund, D.H.S.S., T.U.C. and C.B.I.
Shorter reports in appropriate professional journals.

Evaluation criteria: The response of local industry and the hospital service to the scheme at various stages in its development.

The analysis of the service by outside experienced advisors.

KF Coordinator: W. G. Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/57

Project: Women doctors, medical manpower and the NHS

Starting date: October 1979.

Planned duration: Eight months.

Funds allocated: £3,850.

Project leader: Professor R. E. Klein,
School of Humanities and Social Sciences,
University of Bath.

Project officer: Mrs. Pat Day.

Project base: University of Bath, Claverton Down, Bath.

Objectives:

1. To review the existing state of knowledge on the subject (which will involve both a literature review and interviews.)
2. To analyse the policy issues and options, not to make specific recommendations, but to try to sharpen up the pros and cons of alternative strategies - to point up the policy dilemmas.
3. To identify areas where future research might make an important contribution to the debate.

Methodology:

To carry out a literature survey including literature on medical manpower policies generally (in the N.H.S.) and on the problems of women doctors specifically.

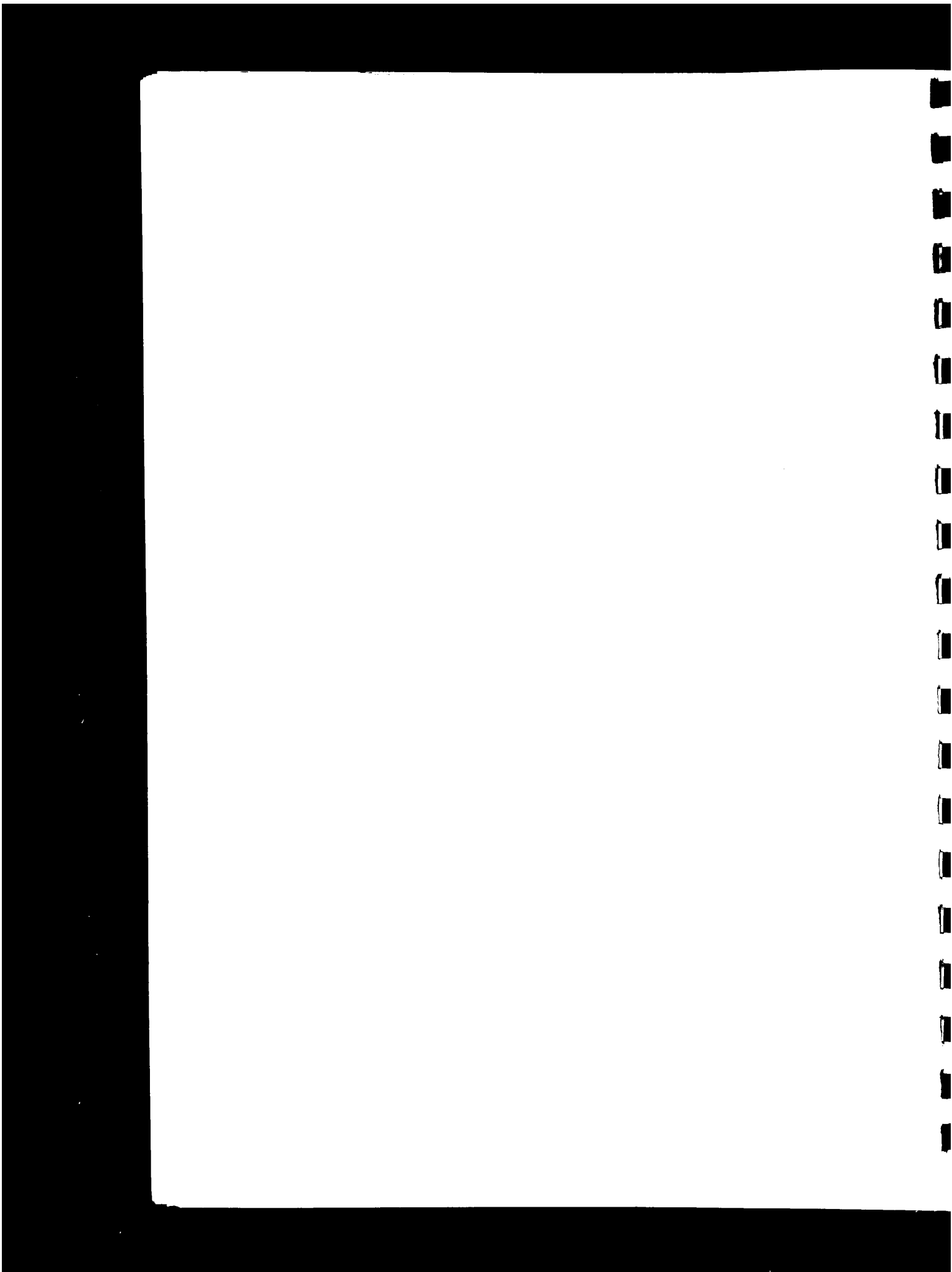
To explore specific issues arising out of this survey with others concerned - eg. The D.H.S.S. The Royal Colleges, groups representing women doctors.

To investigate schemes for facilitating the re-entry of women doctors to professional work.

Presentation of results: To produce a working paper for the King's Fund for general circulation and discussion.

Evaluation criteria: Not considered relevant. Consideration may be given to the possibility of organising a seminar to discuss and evaluate the fund report.

KF Coordinator: D. M. Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/61

Project: A media retrieval service for nurse teachers.

Starting date: Began in 1977. Fund contribution from October 1979.

Planned duration: Until July 1981.

Funds allocated: £10,000.

Project leader: S. N. Marson, Director N.H.S. Learning Resources Unit, Sheffield City Polytechnic.

Project officer: Jean Heath, Information Officer, N.H.S. Learning Resources Unit.

Project base: Sheffield City Polytechnic, 55 Broomgrove Road, Sheffield S10 2NA.

Objectives: To provide up to date information on aspects of nurse training and education - eg.

- a) Availability in this country.
- b) Cost or hire charges.
- c) Format/Running time.
- d) Details or summary of content.
- e) Guidance on level of material - basic or post basic.

To provide a telephone service for specific enquiries.

To provide lists of materials on specific topics identified by users.

Methodology: Visits are being made to similar services in medical fields. Cards are being designed and printed for indexing media. Distributors are being identified. A filing system is being chosen for subject headings of approximately 9,000 items.

Presentation of results: Report in professional grounds.

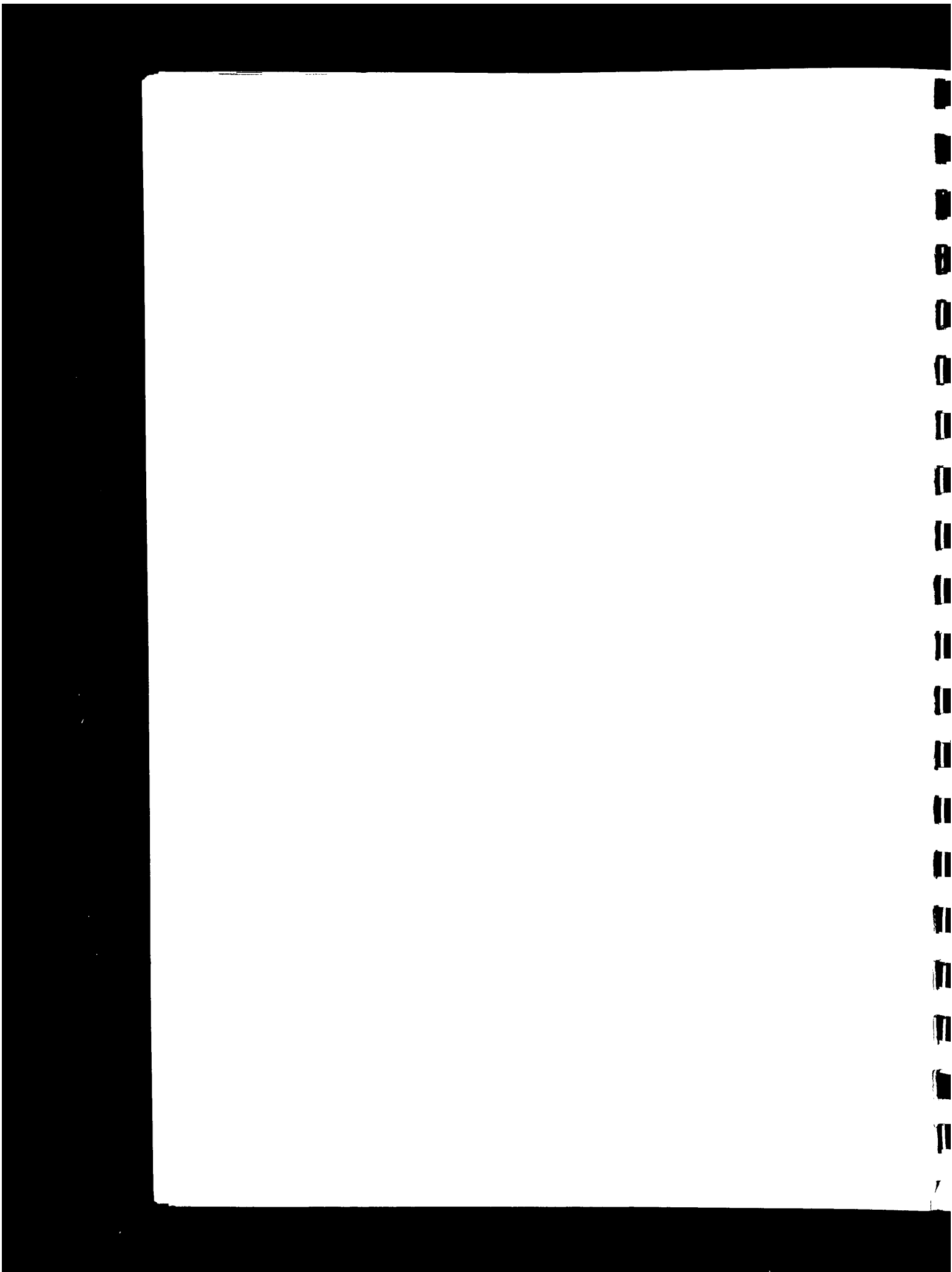
Report in Unit newsletter - "feedback".

Report to all Directors of Nurse Education in U.K.

Evaluation criteria: The number of people using the service.

A questionnaire will be designed after the first year of full operation to identify numbers and some attempt will be made to determine the value of the service.

KF Coordinator: Miss H. O. Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: The evaluation of an experimental continuing education programme for remedial therapists.

Starting date: 1 January 1980.

Planned duration: Two years.

Funds allocated: £12,000.

Project leader: Dr. D. J. Pereira Gray, Dr. M. S. Hall.
Department of General Practice,
Postgraduate Medical Institute, University of Exeter.

Project officer: M/S R. E. A. Goble.
Department of General Practice,
Postgraduate Medical Institute, University of Exeter.

Project base: Department of General Practice,
University of Exeter.

Objectives: To provide a course, the prospective evaluation of which might provide a foundation for a national framework of continuing education for the remedial professions.

Methodology: The following will be organised:

Individual tutorials.
Seminars.
Teaching in small groups.
Practical clinical conferences.
Clinical demonstrations and case analysis.
Project work related to clinical practice.
Interdisciplinary topic study days.
Roleplay.
Audio/visual facilities.

Presentation of results: Articles (some already published) in professional journals. The publication of a national discussion document on the role and content of remedial therapy.

Evaluation criteria: Evaluation will be by multiple choice questions, multiple essay questions, attitude inventories. These will be applied pre-course, during the course and post-course.

KF Coordinator: Miss H. O. Allen, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

PRO 79/65

Project: An assessment of the function of volunteer service coordinators.

Starting date: January 1980.

Planned duration: 1 year.

Funds allocated: £4,700.

Project leader: Peter Stubbings, Assistant Director,
The Volunteer Centre,
29 Lower King's Road, Berkhamstead.

Project officer: Pat Gay and Jill Pitkeathley,
29 Lower King's Road, Berkhamstead.

Project base: The Volunteer Centre.

Objectives: To examine in depth the work of those involved in coordinating the work of volunteers in Berkshire by focusing on the functions of the individual V S C and on the network formed by the interrelationships between them.

To assess the influence they have been able to exert on the policy makers and on the quality of volunteering.

To draw conclusion on how appropriate the VSC function is in servicing the voluntary sector.

Methodology: To discover from V S C:
Details of background and training.
Their day to day practice.
A comprehensive overview of the work and the nature and extent of the network in which they operate.
Whether they feel they influence the structure and function of the voluntary sector.
Criteria for optimum performance.
Whether they regard Trade Union contacts as working partners or otherwise.
Approaches to V S C will be made through the Berkshire Social Services Department.
A steering committee will be formed to monitor the project.

Presentation of results: A report to the King's Fund and to the Volunteer Centre.

Evaluation criteria: To hold regular meetings of the steering committee and at the end of the project to hold discussions with all those involved.

KF Coordinator: D. M. Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

KING'S FUND PROJECT COMMITTEE

Project:

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Project: Care of the elderly in Exeter, Devon.

Starting date: April 1974.

Planned duration: 3 years, extended later to 4 years.

Funds allocated: £22,240.

Project leader: J D Hamson, Director of Social Services, Devon County Council, County Hall, Exeter EX2 4QR.

Project officer: Initially - Mrs M Munday, Research Coordinator, Institute of Biometry and Community Medicine, University of Exeter, Exe Vale Hospital, Dryden Road, Exeter EX2 5AE.
In 1977, Mrs Munday was succeeded by Mrs J Rowe.

Project base: Institute of Biometry and Community Medicine, University of Exeter.

Objectives: To devise and implement a simple and cheap method of ensuring that the health and welfare needs of old people are regularly assessed, and to provide a means of coordinating the medical and social support.

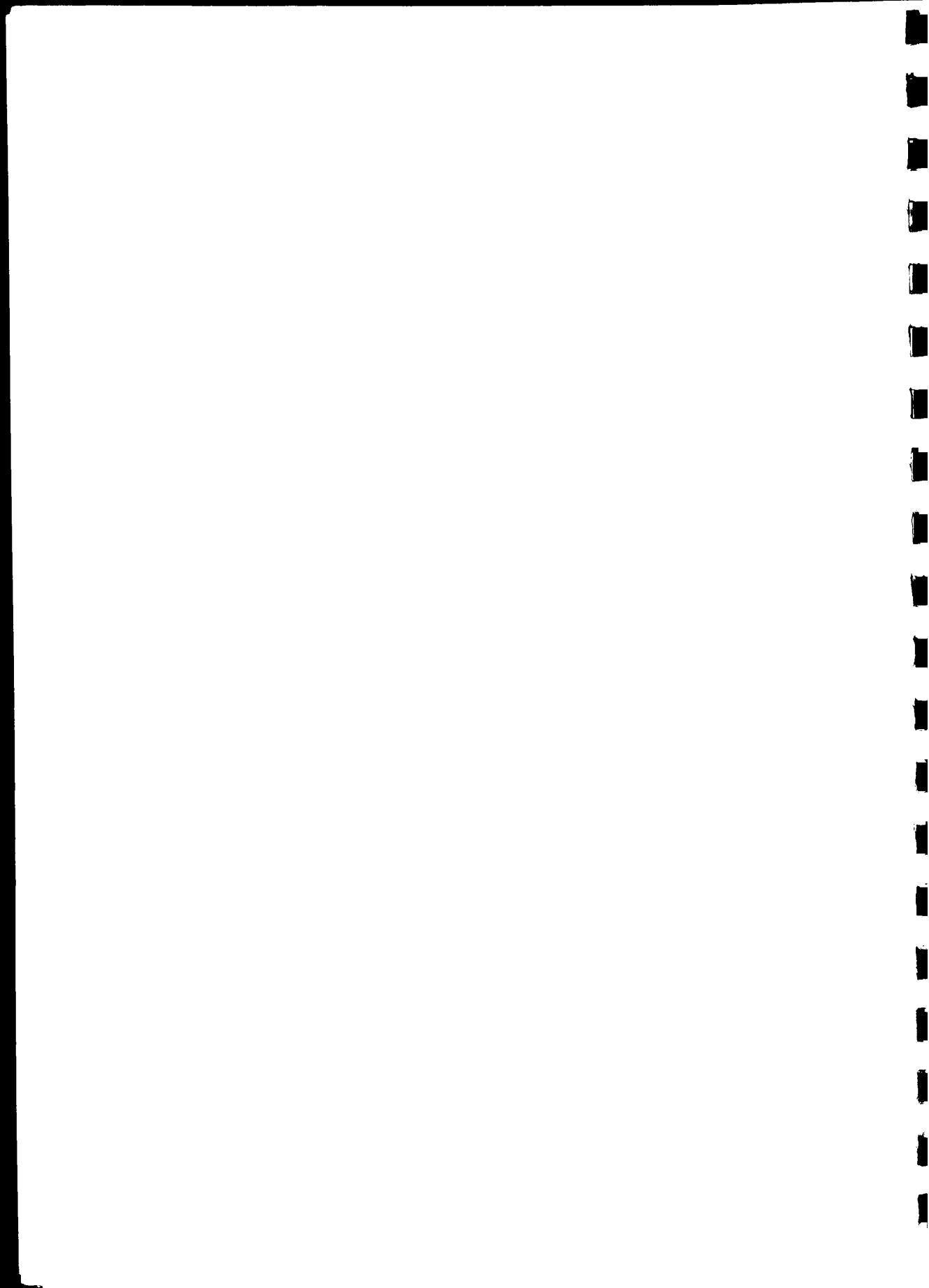
Methodology: The project centred on an area where the proportion of old people is greater than the national average. The following procedures were followed:

- 1 The identifying of old people at risk.
- 2 The measuring of their health and welfare needs.
- 3 The maintaining of a system for the regular review of their needs.
- 4 Determining how best to meet those needs.
- 5 The coordinating of a programme to provide integrated support from health and social services and voluntary organisations.
- 6 Enabling the effectiveness of the developed programme, and of the services within the programme, to be reviewed; the primary measure of effectiveness was seen to be the resulting decrease in estimated unmet needs of old people in the areas concerned.

Presentation of results: Written reports, copies of which have been received by the King's Fund; follow-up conferences and meetings.

Evaluation criteria: The extension of the original project was arranged to enable a trial of the developed system to be conducted in four general practices.

KF coordinator: Mrs W M Arnett-Rayson, Project Officer, King's Fund Centre.



KING'S FUND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

R&D 74/26/iii
MAN 8814

Project: Toynbee Hall Centre for the Mentally Handicapped.

Starting date: May 1974.

Planned duration: 3 years, extended later to 5 years.

Funds allocated: £20,000 for the first 3 years (R&D 74/26/iii) plus
£8,000 for a further 2 years (MAN 8814)

Project leader: John Profumo, The Universities' Settlement in East
London, Toynbee Hall, 28 Commercial Street, London E1 6LS.

Project officer:

Project base: Toynbee Hall; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 The initial grant: To assist in the setting up of an experimental centre for the mentally handicapped at Toynbee Hall which would provide (a) an information and referral service for parents which would collate and make available information about all services for mentally handicapped people; and (b) help to alleviate the stress felt by parents, thereby backing up local authority social workers.
- 2 The extension grant: To help to maintain the Centre for a further period pending the contribution of adequate funds from other sources.

Methodology:

To achieve its objectives, it was planned that the Centre would :

- 1 Provide an activities room for work with small groups of children, especially with babies and infants.
- 2 Make available leisure-time facilities for use during evenings, weekends and general holidays.
- 3 Respond to needs for a crèche, baby sitting and home visiting, and other auxiliary services.
- 4 Assist in the training of parents and helpers to work with mentally handicapped people.

Presentation of results: Not specified.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.

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Presentation
of results:

Evaluation criteria:

KE coordinators:

W. B. LAMARCA, JR., M.D.

Project: User-related financial information system.

Starting date: July 1976.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £14,000. This was a contributory grant; the main costs of the project were borne by the Special Trustees of St Thomas' Hospital.

Project leader: R J Baskin, Budget Project Manager, St Thomas' Hospital, London SE1 7EH.

Project officer:

Project base: St Thomas' Hospital.

Objectives: To develop and implement a user-related financial information system in the St Thomas' Health District (Teaching).

Methodology: The proposed system was to be based on methods described in the King's Fund publication Accounting for health, the bibliographical details of which are given below(1), and the project was to be conducted along the following lines:

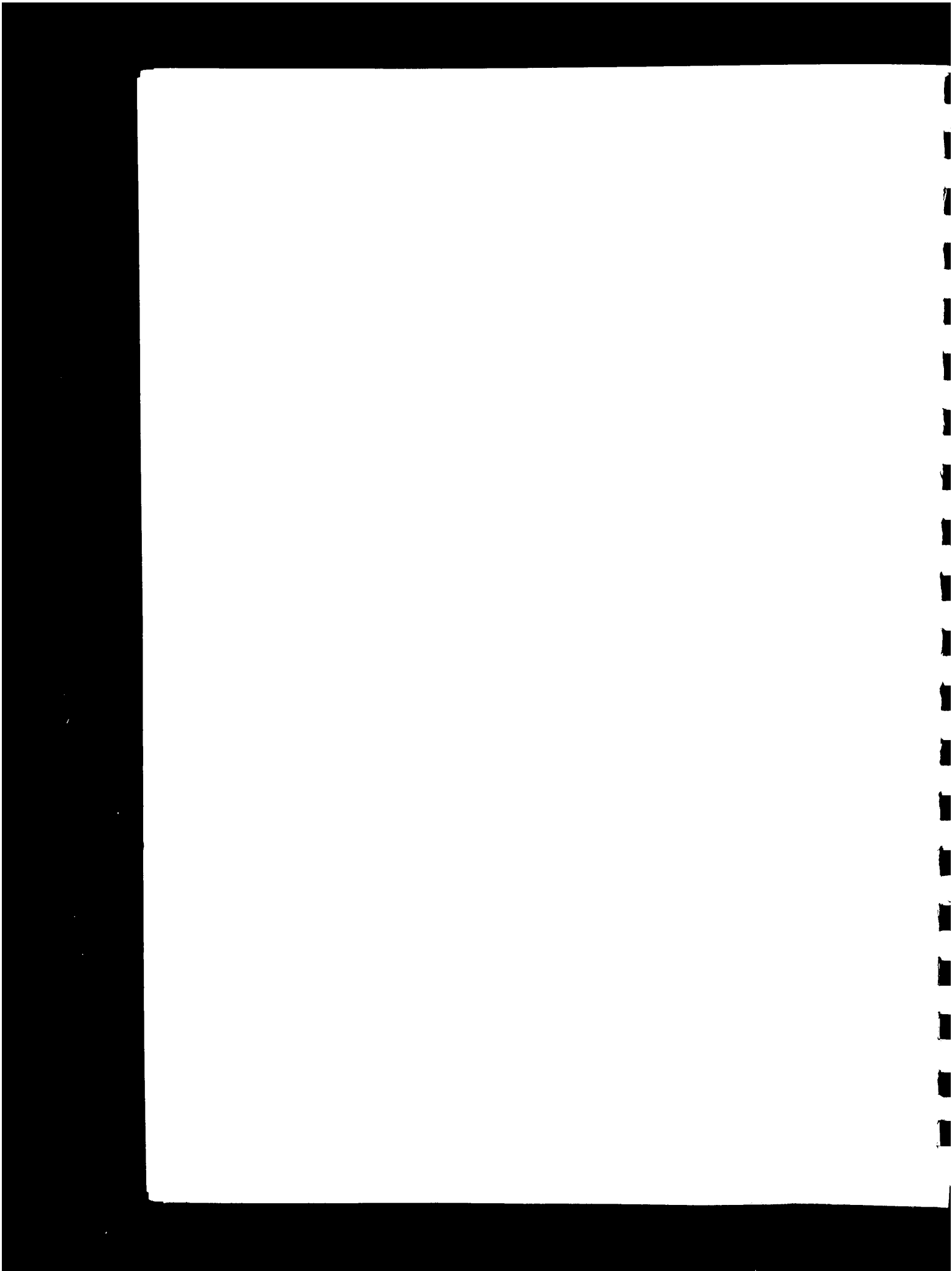
- 1 The definition of a set of output categories or function descriptions.
- 2 The itemising of broad input categories by which the use of resources would be allocated.
- 3 The definition and quantification of activity units.
- 4 The allocation of costs to activity units.

Presentation of results: Written reports to the steering committee, with copies to the King's Fund.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: D M Hands, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

Reference(1) KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL FUND FOR LONDON. Accounting for health: a report of a King's Fund Working Party on the application of economic principles to health service management. London, King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, 1973. pp.63.



Project: Appliances for the handicapped and disabled.

Starting date: July 1976.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £25,000.

Project leader: Dr B W Watson, Director, Department of Medical Electronics, St Bartholomew's Hospital, West Smithfield, London EC1A 7BE.

Project officer:

Project base: St Bartholomew's Hospital, Research Unit for the Handicapped, Department of Medical Electronics.

Objectives: To fund the appointment of a production engineer, in the Research Unit for the Handicapped, to enable the flow of designs of appliances for handicapped and disabled people to be maintained, and to ensure that the appliances are manufactured for wider distribution.

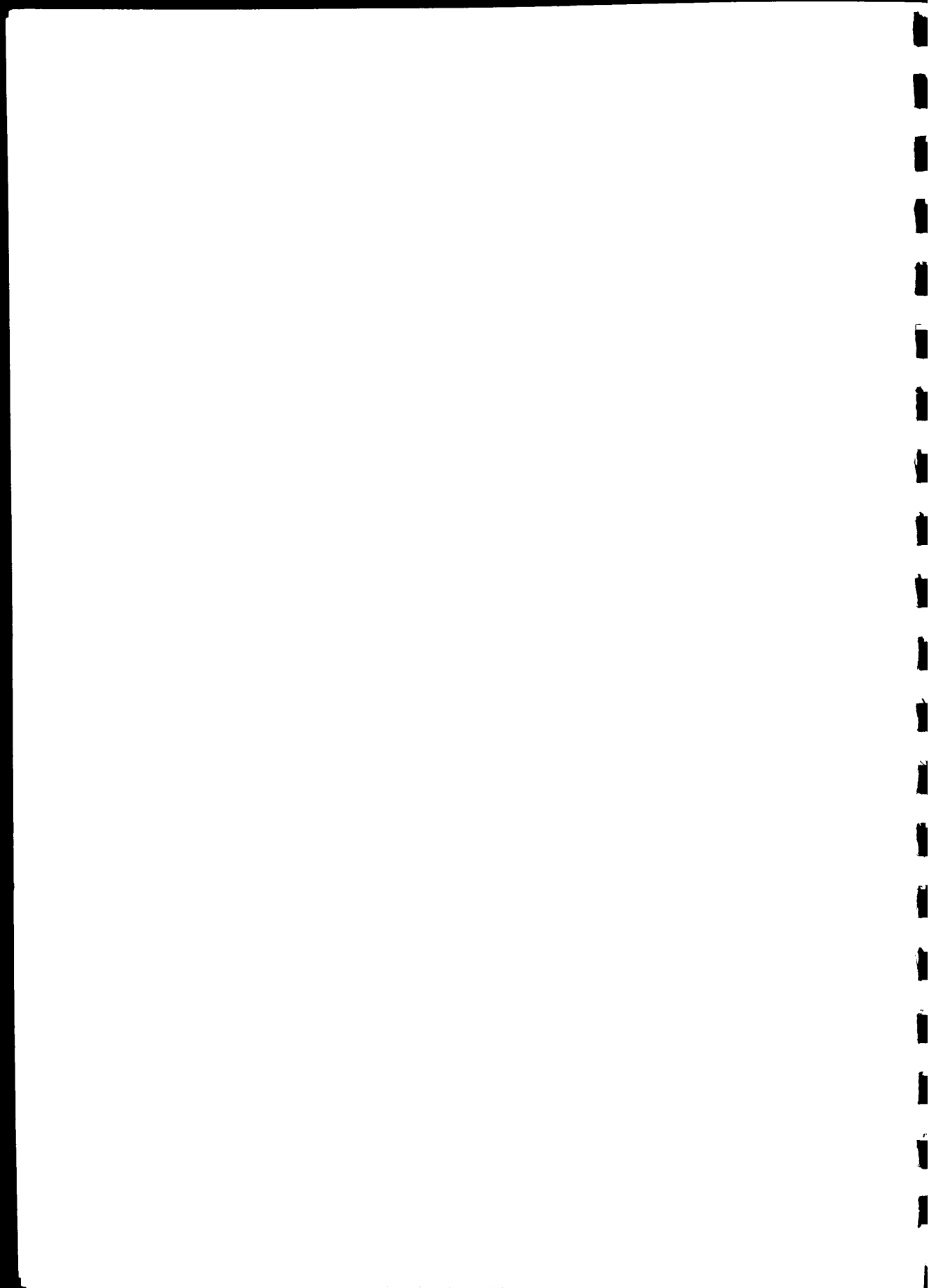
Methodology: The production engineer's development work has involved a range of appliances, including

- speech aids;
- bedside equipment;
- feeding aids;
- toilet and bathing aids;
- bedsteads and mattresses.

Presentation of results: Written reports, copies of which are received by the King's Fund; follow-up meetings.

Evaluation criteria: None stated.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Awkward patients - a film.

Starting date: September 1977.

Planned duration: 6-10 months.

Funds allocated: £5,000, as a contribution towards a total cost of about £25,000.

Project leader: S J Steele FRCS FRCOG, Academic Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Middlesex Hospital Medical School, Mortimer Street, London W1N 8AA.

Project officer: To be appointed

Project base: Middlesex Hospital

Objectives: To produce an educational film aimed at improving doctor/patient relationships.

Methodology:

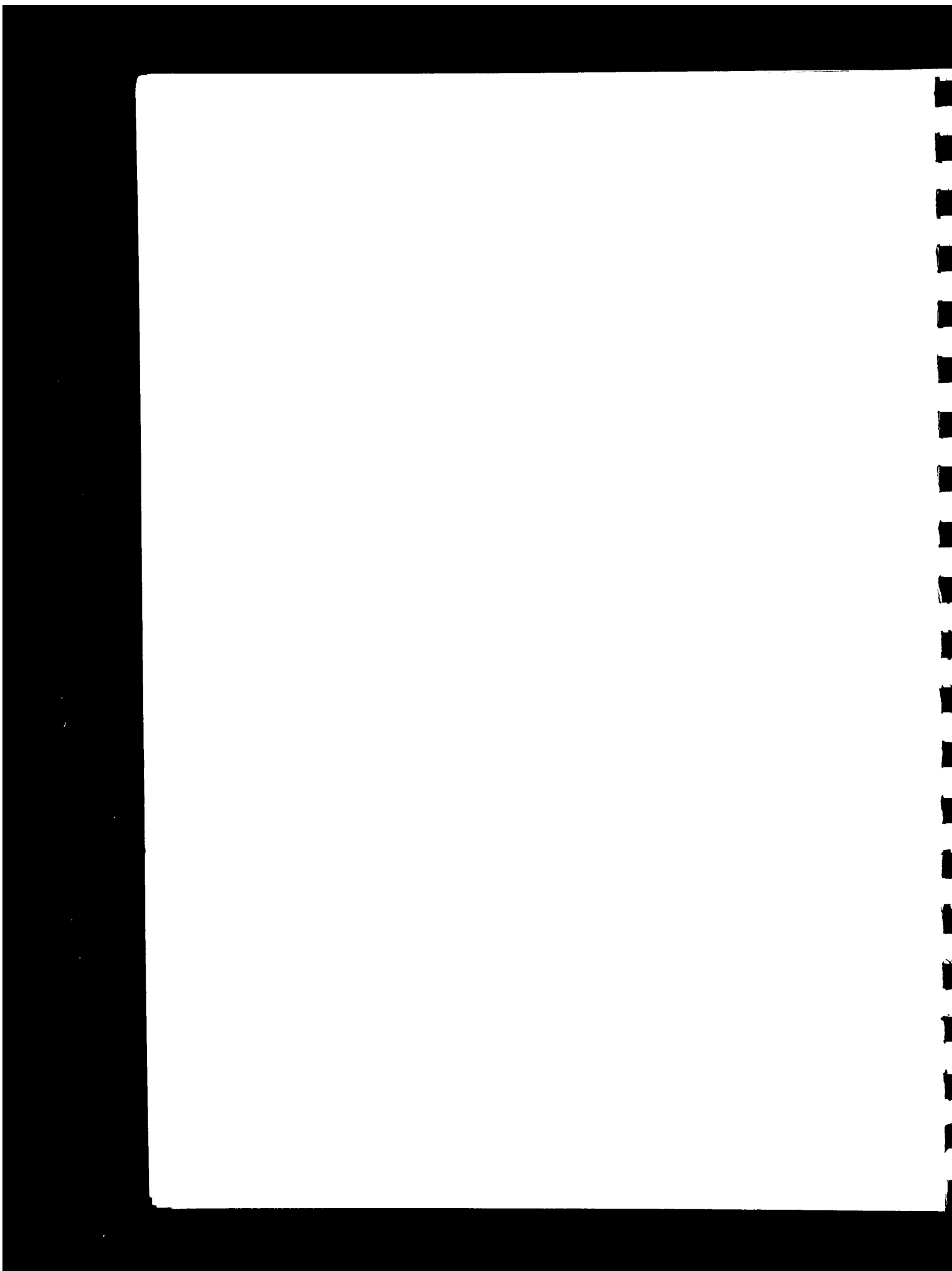
- 1 A high quality script will be prepared.
- 2 Professional directors and actors will be involved in making the film.
- 3 A 25 minute film will be produced.
- 4 A booklet will be made to accompany the film.

Presentation of results: Demonstrations of the film and booklet to large or small audiences of doctors, nurses and students.

Evaluation criteria:

- 1 Audience reaction, possibly tested by questionnaire surveys.
- 2 The level of acceptance by educational staff in nursing and medical schools.

KF coordinator: W G Cannon, Director, Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Short term residential care of young mentally handicapped children (aged 7 and under).

Starting date: July 1977.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £21,017

Project leader: Miss Maureen Oswin,
Thomas Coram Research Unit;
41 Brunswick Square, London WC1N 1AZ.

Project officer:

Project base: Thomas Coram Research Unit; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To focus attention on present policies of short-term residential care for mentally handicapped children.
- 2 To query whether the present short-term residential care services, while supporting parents, are giving enough consideration to the special needs of children who are separated from their families.
- 3 To draw up some guidelines on care for mentally handicapped children receiving short-term residential care, which may be helpful for the planners of the services, and for the families who use the services, and for the staff who are caring for the children.

Methodology:

To undertake the study in the Oxfordshire and Yorkshire Regional Health Authorities (eleven Area Health Authorities in a mixed rural/industrial/ residential population).

To examine where short-term care is provided.

To examine the organisation of such care.

To pay particular attention to the type of care provided to the children.

To consider family satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the arrangements.

To consider likely future developments.

Presentation of results:

To report in professional journals and/or a short monograph.

Evaluation criteria: Not stated - the project is largely an exploratory study.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Psychology services in primary schools.

Starting date: January 1978.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £30,315.

Project leader: Professor J Tizard, Thomas Coram Research Institute,
41 Brunswick Square, London WC1N 1A2.

Project officers: Dr Martin Bax and Dr Kingsley Whitmore,
Research paediatricians, Thomas Coram Research Institute.

Project base: Thomas Coram Research Institute; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To provide psychological expertise in the investigation of primary school children with learning and behavioural problems.
- 2 To determine the most effective contribution of a psychologist in primary schools, bearing in mind the prevalence of children with learning and behavioural problems and the shortage of psychologists.
- 3 To explore the ways in which school doctors and nurses can best collaborate with psychologists in helping such children.

Methodology:

- 1 An epidemiological survey in a defined neighbourhood.
- 2 A pilot study of alternative methods of health care and staffing, and the consideration of alternative ways whereby the psychologist can more effectively contribute his expertise to the recognition and management of learning and behaviour in primary school children.
- 3 An evaluation of the changes introduced.

Presentation of results: Reports in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

- 1 The rate of referral of junior pupils to the psychologist.
- 2 The extent to which psychological screening of school entrants can pick up children at risk.
- 3 The readiness of the psychologist to deal with referrals.
- 4 Client satisfaction.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Mobility information and demonstration service.

Starting date: December 1978.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £7,500.

Project leader: S R Gallop, Chairman, Disablement in the City,
Room 1407, Sudbury House, 15 Newgate Street,
London EC1A 7AU.

Project officer: Anthony E Northmore, Project Officer; address above.

Project base: Disablement in the City; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To provide effective information to disabled passengers and disabled drivers (including disabled families) on suitable vehicles and vehicle conversion.
- 2 To secure development and rapid introduction of improved economical conversions so that new best practices, concerning both equipment and methods, are taken up widely and promptly.
- 3 To confirm that severely disabled people can make a positive contribution to the counselling of newly disabled people.

Methodology:

- 1 A pilot investigation will be carried out in the south west of England.
- 2 Development of a coordinating system between existing agencies serving disabled people in S W England.
- 3 Distribution of a detailed questionnaire as a means of creating a register of disabilities and conversions.

Presentation of results:

- 1 Reports in professional journals.
- 2 Reports to government bodies and voluntary agencies.
- 3 Coverage in the media.

Evaluation criteria: The extent to which further developments are taken up nationally.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.

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Project: The use of an inpatient ward for the care of severely disabled psychiatric patients living in the community.

Starting date: April 1978.

Planned duration: 2 years.

Funds allocated: £7,187.

Project leader: Dr J L T Birley FRCP FRCPsych, Dean, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, London SE5 8AF.

Project officer: Dr D H Bennett MD FRCPsych, Consultant Psychiatrist, The Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, London SE5 8AZ.

Project base: Institute of Psychiatry; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To study the effect of providing intensive and flexible forms of personal, clinical and practical support to chronically ill psychiatric patients, using a hospital ward but maintaining the patients in the community.
- 2 To describe this supportive system and to study the community life style of the chronic patients using it.
- 3 To test certain hypotheses relating to the social network, clinical state and stability of the patient in this system.

Methodology:

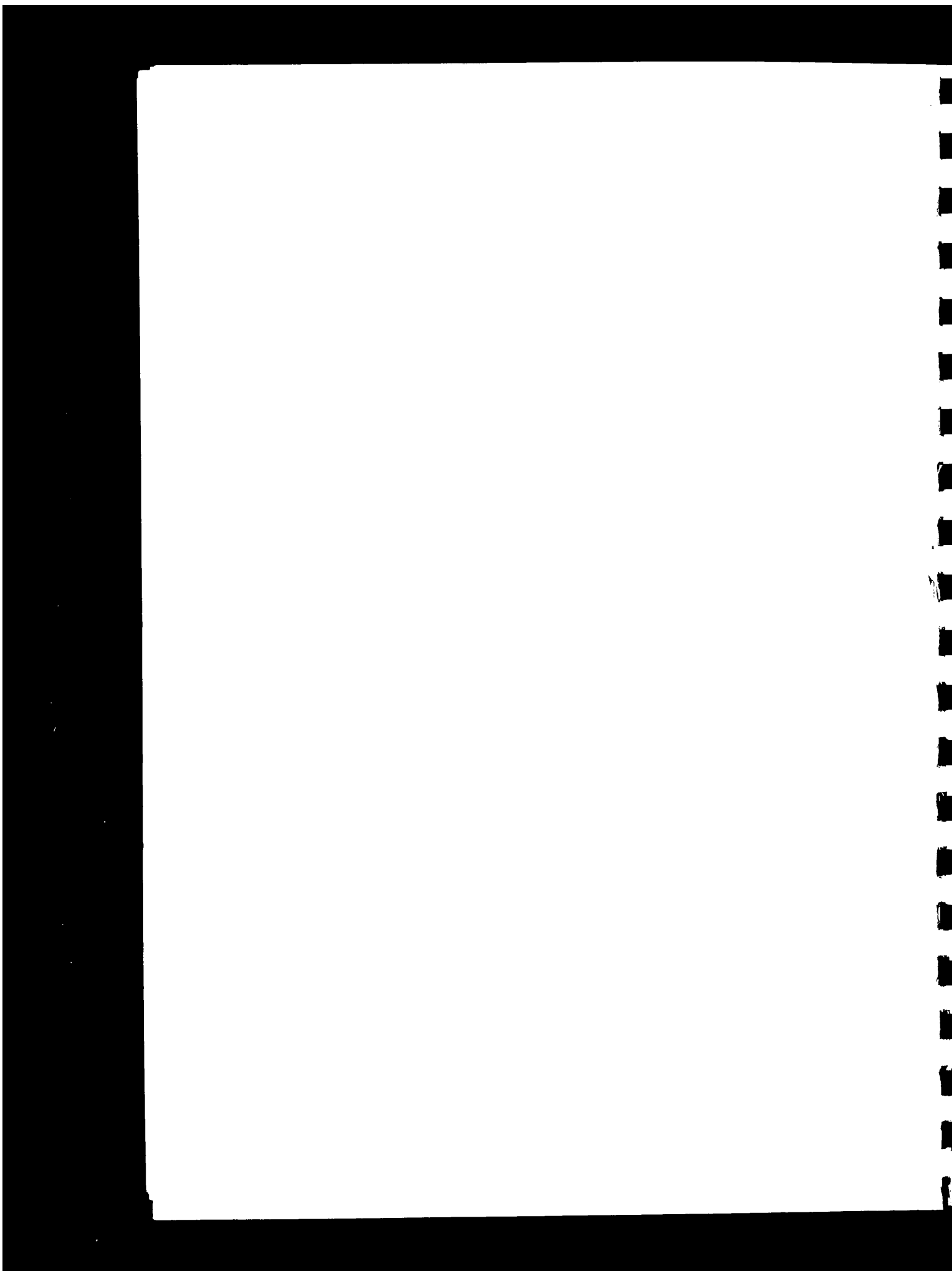
- 1 Analyse the system and the way it provides care.
- 2 Find out from staff and patients what support they feel they have given or have received.
- 3 Rate these patients in terms of their social competence, social network and symptomatic state.

Presentation of results: Publication of papers in professional journals.

Evaluation criteria:

- 1 A comparison of the psychiatric careers of the patients since using this service with their careers prior to contact.
- 2 A retrospective cohort study of all those in contact with the service five years ago.

KF coordinator: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



Project: Visual arts intervention and long term care.

Starting date: September 1978.

Planned duration: 3 years.

Funds allocated: £30,000.

Project leader: K R Jones, Head of Department of Special Education, Bristol Polytechnic, Redland Hill, Bristol. BS6 6UZ

Project officer: Ms Pauline Tilley, lecturer in art and the education of the Mentally Handicapped, Bristol Polytechnic.

Project base: Bristol Polytechnic; address above.

Objectives:

- 1 To discover methods of motivating residents (patients) in long term care to accept the challenges and disciplines of experiences in painting which raise it from a pastime to a fine art.
- 2 To devise means by which residents with low levels of technical skill may gain satisfaction from experiences in fine art.
- 3 To discover whether the need fulfilment associated with success in meeting creative challenges in fine art can, in relation to the effects of institutionalisation produce perceptible and beneficial personality changes in people in long term care.
- 4 To examine the changes of attitude, relationships and behaviour of the residents within their community and environment and to record the effects, if any, of these changes upon the institution as a developing social unit.
- 5 To change the residents problem of too much spare time into a positive advantage needed for the practice of fine art.

Methodology: Three main subject groups each with suitable control groups:

- 1 Young chronically sick in a hospital unit
- 2 Mentally handicapped adults in hospital
- 3 Mentally ill adults in hospital.

The learning processes of modelled imitation and identification will be used.

Experienced artists will work side by side with residents.

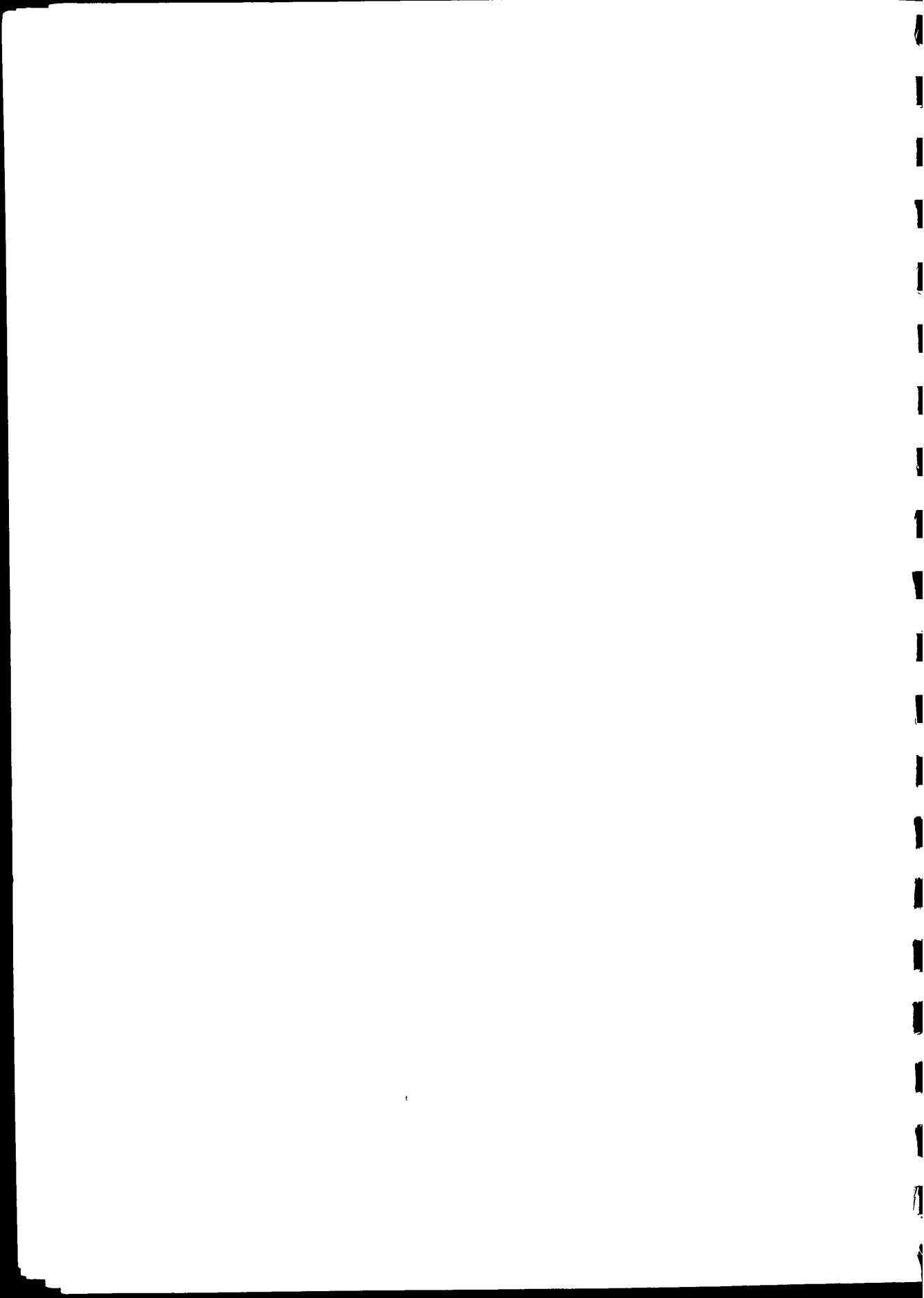
Help will be given in the identification of the creative problems, but withheld from the area involving personal preferences.

Help will be offered on the manipulation of materials and tools.

Presentation of results: Report in professional journal;
Thesis;
A teaching film - edited video tape.

Evaluation criteria: Comparisons will be made between the three groups studied. The most significant comparison will be between the observable personality factors of each resident at the beginning and end of the project. These will be based on questionnaires designed to present a clear picture of relevant personality traits of residents.

KF coordinators: Dr D Towell, Assistant Director, King's Fund Centre.



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