

ST. ANSELM HALL,

Victoria Park, Manchester, 14.

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Application for Admission.

Application for admission should be made to the Warden on this form, and should be returned to him as soon as possible.

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1.—Name in full (surname first)

Bisbrown, Alan Kay

2.—Home Address

*Westfield, Park Road, Treesall,
In Fleetwood
Lancs.*

3.—Name of Parent or Guardian

S. Kay Bisbrown

4.—Profession of Parent

Joiner & Builder

5.—Date of Birth

October 9th 1916.

6.—Date and Place of Baptism

Oct 21st/1916, Privately, & at St Oswalds Church
Meesall.

7.—Date and Place of Confirmation

May 7th 1931, at St James Church, Stalmine

8.—Places of Education, with dates

Baines's Grammar School.

Paulton, Le. & Lde.

In Blackpool.

from Sept 1928.

9.—Public Examinations passed. Give particulars of subjects taken, credits or distinctions gained, &c.

School Certificate 1934.

Matriculation 1935 (Northern Universities)

English, Latin, Pass. History, French, Credit.

Mathematics, Credit.

Geography, & Chemistry. Good.

10.—Games played. State if House, School, or other Colours have been won

School 1st XI Football

School 1st XI Cricket-

Tennis.

11.—What subject do you propose to study at the University?

Pass B.A. Degree.

12.—For what University Scholarships (if any) are you competing?

The Hall Scholarships only.

13.—Do you wish to compete for one of the Hall Scholarships?

~~No.~~

14.—In what occupation do you hope to engage after leaving the University?

Church of England Minister

15.—Religious Denomination (if not Church of England)

- 16.— Names and Addresses of not more than three persons to whom reference can be made. One of these should be the applicant's head master, house master, or tutor

The Headmaster, Baines's Grammar School
Poulton Le. Fylde
Blackpool.

Dr Mc-hiel Faulkner
Lancaster Rd,

Knottend, W Fleetwood

Rev H. G. Emerson

Stalmine Vicarage, Park Rd.

Tressall, W Fleetwood.

- 17.— Signature of Parent or Guardian

J. K. Bisbrown.

- 18.— Signature of Applicant

Alan Kay Bisbrown.

Date April 23rd 1936.

"Westfield", Park Rd.

Preesall

No Fleetwood

Apr 16/36

The Rev Warden.
St Anslam Hall.
Victoria Park.
Manchester.

Rev Sir

I have been advised by

Canon Boddington to become an Entrant
to Manchester University, and to take a
3 years Arts Course, prior to taking Holy Orders.

I would be most grateful if you would
forward me details, re conditions, and also
the Prospectus.

to

yours sincerely

Alan Kay Bisbrow.

Park Rd.

Preesall

No Fleetwood.

Received
8/4/36

Stalmine vicarage

Preesall,
Hleetwood,

25.4.36

Dear Sir.

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst re Mr A. M. Bishrown.

(a). To use his mother's own words - "He is not brilliant", but I consider him to be a young man of average ability. He certainly possesses the 'Grace of Perseverance', and keeps closely to his work until he achieves the end in view.

(b). To the best of my knowledge he has been able to take his full share of responsibility in the sports life of the school.

I have always found him to be of an exceedingly shy disposition, but I partly attribute this to the fact that his parents never allowed him

to associate with the village children. I believe that with suitable training in a right atmosphere, this difficulty would be eventually overcome, and he would settle down happily in his new sphere.

(b) His moral character is all that could be desired.

Trusting these details may be of service to you.

I am,

yours very truly,
Henry G. Bouverie

The Rev The Warden.
St Andrew Hall
Manchester.



Baines's Grammar School.

TELEPHONE: POULTON, 99.

HEAD MASTER:
F. J. STAFFORD, M.A., M.ED.

POULTON-LE-FYLDE,

Near Blackpool,

27th April, 1936.

The Rev. The Warden,
St. Anselm Hall,
MANCHESTER, 14.

Dear Sir,

Alan Bisbrown.

In answer to your enquiry I wish to say that I know of no reason why Alan Bisbrown should not be regarded as a suitable candidate for admission to a university Hall of Residence.

His intellectual ability is not more than average but I think that a Pass Degree course would be well within his powers as he is a very keen worker and possesses a considerable amount of tenacity of purpose. In games too, he is by no means brilliant but he has managed to gain a regular place on the 1st football eleven this season and turns out regularly for field events and cross-country runs. He has rarely missed a school holiday camp and, in this department of the school corporate life, his experience and willingness to help have been most valuable on trips abroad and at home. As a prefect he is giving useful service.

Bisbrown gets on well with the other boys and with members of the teaching staff. He is just a little different from the average school-boy--possibly both in manner and in his views. This is due, I think, to the fact that he has been brought up in a rather narrow home circle (he lives in a small village). I have no doubt, however, of his ability and willingness to "fit in" and to contribute to the corporate life of the Hall.

I shall be pleased to answer any specific questions about him.

Yours faithfully,

TEL. : 59 KNOTT END.

SURGERY HOURS :

MORNING . . . 9-10
EVENING . . . 6-7
FRIDAY . . . 9-10
ONLY

3rd after Easter.

FROM DR. S. A. NIELD-FAULKNER,

THE POPLARS,

KNOTT END,

FLEETWOOD.

My dear Sir, Re-Allen K Bisbrown, Park Lane, Preesall..

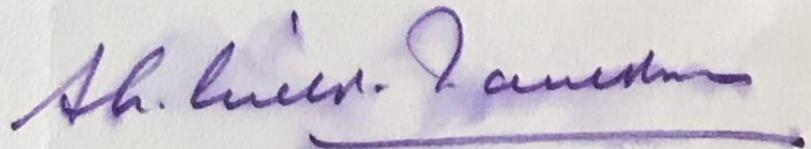
I have your letter of the 24th ult in regards to the above and as far as I know he is an intelligent boy for he has done well in his examinations, in respect of his athletic abilities and social qualities they are somewhat in embryo because the chances of distinguishing one's self are minus in a district such as this; but, I presume he will settle down to the exceptional chances of a College life in the service of Christ.

I cannot speak too highly of his character, his parents are charming people, the boy is humble in spirit and kindly in his attitude towards others,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Warden,
St Anselm Hall,
Victoria Park,
Manchester.



Diocesan Lay Reader to the Lord Bishop of Blackburn.

"Westfield"

Park Rd,

Presall,

nr Fleetwood,

May 6th 1935.

The Revd. L.H. South M.A.

Dear Sir.

The date & time which
you suggest, Tuesday (May 12th) at 12 noon is convenient
for me. I shall be pleased to meet you

Yours sincerely

Alan K. Bisbrow.

June 18th. 1936.

My dear Boddington,

I have seen both the men you mention, and have accepted them for the Hall for next Session.

Bisbrown is, as you say, extremely short of development, and I impressed on him that coming here and getting a degree would not in any way guarantee his being accepted for ordination. I told him to go home and talk this over with his parents from this point of view. He did so, and then wrote to say that he still wished to come, so that is that, and I shall not feel under any obligation to recommend him to you unless he makes really considerable progress. He is to read for the Ordinary Degree in Arts.

I wonder whether Bisbrown of Preesall has made application. I interviewed him in April and sketched out a course suggesting that St. Anselm Hall would be his best plan. He was told the Diocese could not finance him and he may have thrown it up or be looking further afield but I rather liked him. He was certainly short of development.

I was sorry to miss you at the Concord.

Yours sincerely,

Arthur Boddington

17.6.76

St. George's
Commission for
the year 11/9/36

Westfield, Park Rd
Preesall

W Fleetwood

Sept 9/36

The Rev Warden.

Dear Sir

Thank you for
your kind wishes & information. Sept 11/36

In view of my future career, the Ministry
I would like your permission to
substitute Hebrew for French (A)
in conjunction with the following.

for the intermediate:

- (a) Mathematics ✓
- (b) History ✓
- (c) Latin ✓
- (d) Hebrew (1st term)
- (e) Geography.

I propose purchasing some of my
books, after receiving your
reply.

Yours sincerely

Alan K. Bisbrown

From THE PRINCIPAL (Rev. E. H. Ward).

Telephone:—LICHFIELD 94.
Station:—TRENT VALLEY 1½ MILES.
CITY ½ MILE.

THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE,
LICHFIELD.

14th December 1939.

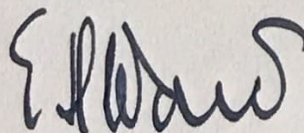
My dear Warden,

I little expected that I should be writing to you at St. Anselm's, but one of your men, A. K. Bisbrown, has applied for admission to the College and has given your name as a referee. I should be very grateful if you could let me know anything about him which will be useful.

I hope you are finding the work at St. Anselm's interesting. It should give you greater scope than you had at Stephenson Hall. It has always seemed to me that there were very great potentialities at St. Anselm's. I understand that Stephenson Hall is closed, and that there is real doubt about it ever opening again. If this is so I shall have to recommend suitable candidates to apply to you for admission. It would perhaps help me if you could let me know something about the fees for ordination candidates, and whether the university course possible for them is similar to that at Sheffield.

All kind regards and best wishes for Christmas.

Yours sincerely,



Rev. G. J. Inglis,
St. Anselm Hall,
Victoria Park,
Manchester 14.

Rev. G. J. Inglis, M. A.

18 December 39.

My Dear Principal,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of 14 December. A. K. Bisbrown came here in October, 1936, and should take his Degree (a pass Degree in Arts) at the end of this Session. He has connections with the Diocese of Blackburn, and came here on the recommendation of Canon Boddington. I do not think that he is brilliant at his work, and personally he is diffident, and gives me the impression of being undeveloped in some ways. He does not come to Chapel as regularly as some of the other Candidates for Ordination. I understand from the late Warden that his conduct has always been satisfactory, and I know that he is popular with the other Students. It is not easy for me to write about a Student whom I have known for one Term only, and, if you would care to refer to the late Warden (Rev. T. H. South, Adderbury Vicarage, Banbury, Oxon.), I am sure that he would be glad to let you have his views about Bisbrown.

I understand that Stephenson Hall, as a hall for men Students, will cease to function for the duration of the war. The buildings are being used for women Students. Before I left, I did my best to put the Hall papers in order, in the hope that they would be of use to the Warden after the war. This Hall, of course, is on a larger scale, and, so far as I can judge, I think that the religious life, and the community life in general, is thoroughly sound. In churchmanship, we are of the same type as Stephenson Hall, and use the Prayer Book of 1928. I have four Candidates for Ordination and I should be very grateful if you would recommend the Hall to any applicants whom you think suitable. I enclose a copy of the Hall prospectus, in the hope that it may be of interest. The Fees are £84 per Session, a figure which compares quite favourably with those of the other halls here. I should be very glad, of course, to see what could be done to secure a Hall Bursary for an Ordination Candidate with good qualifications.

With all good wishes for Christmas and the coming year,

Yours sincerely,

The Reverend The Principal.

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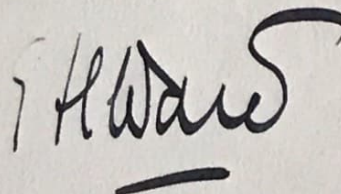
My dear Warden,

Thank you very much for your report about
Bisbrown.

I am also very grateful to you for sending me
particulars about St. Anselm's. While Stephenson Hall
was going strong I was quite quite content to recommend
the few men I came across who had to take a degree at a
new University to go there. For myself I shall be
surprised if the Hall continues as a Hostel after the
war. It is too much dependent on the authorities of the
University, and they, quite naturally, can only think of
the Hall in terms of the University, and their chief interest
is in the Hall over which they have complete control.

Every best wish for the New Year.

Yours sincerely,



Rev. G. J. Inglis,
St. Anselm Hall,
Victoria Park,
MANCHESTER 14.