

Minutes of the Court Place Farm allotments
association Annual General meeting for
1984 held in Mortimer Hall, Old Marston
Friday December 7th. The meeting commenced
at 7-40 pm

Number of people in attendance - Fifteen

Apologies for absence Mr and Mrs Faulkes

Minutes of the 1983 A.G.M. read and proposed
as a true record by Mr R Smith Seconded
by Mr Eliot.

Matters arising from the 1983 minutes

It was
asked if allottees had been notified in
writing of this meeting as had been
minuted the answer was no as it had
been overlooked.

Secretary Report

Mr Stroud presented a
printed sheet to the members, This is
shown overleaf.

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SECRETARY'S REPORT. December 7th, 1984

It is not often that we get two years the same, but the drought of last year was even longer this time with no heavy spring rains to build up a water table. The ground turned to dust with huge cracks and the early crops really suffered. Early potatoes, peas and beans were the main sufferers.

The later crops have recovered well and we now have plenty of winter greenstuff and carrots which were missing last year. There was no carrot fly this time but we have more white fly than ever before.

This year we have very few late frosts and the weeds are still growing in abundance.

Our worst pest this time has been rabbits which are living above ground and difficult to catch. The Council is trying to get money to exterminate them but is facing opposition from Friends of the Earth, etc.

We are to have an extension to our new shed. Over £ 5000 worth of sales were made in the new building, which means a lot of work for the Committee and we would welcome any new member who could give a little of his time.

We all feel the death of Wally Dibsdale. We will miss him a lot.

Henry Sht
Hon. Secretary

Mr Stroud further reported that of our building had recently been broken into the till had been taken but this only contained a small amount of cash.

also a radio had been taken and our locks had been cut

Rabbits this was a continuing nuisance the council were going to start gassing them

Oxford city council had allotted £2000 to be spent on sites.

Amenity Building

It was reported that the council were to erect an extension to the rear of our building. This would allow us to buy in larger bulk and so keep costs down.

In questions to Secretary Mr Harris enquired if the loss of the till etc. would be claimed off our insurance, answer yes.

Water supply.

Mr McCarthy complained that the water supply in the roadway near the bungalows was not adequate. The Secretary explained that we had the tanks and the pipe but the problem was crossing plots some allottees had refused.

Mr Reave asked if all the tanks were to become ballvalve answer yes as this was council policy. Taps left running was still a problem.

Treasurers Report.

This was presented to all present on a printed sheet

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MARSTON COURT PLACE FARM ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION.

Accounts for year ending November 1984.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Opening Stock.	£2137-33	Sales.	£5620-47
Purchases.	£5018-85	Closing Stock.	£2390-13
Trading Profit.	£ 854-42		
	<u>£8010-60</u>		<u>£8010-60</u>
<u>Expenditure.</u>			
Electricity.	£ 57-46)	Opening Balance.	£ 482-75
Insurance.	£ 71-92)	Add Profit.	£ 854-42
Stationery & Staples.	£ 8-92)		
Transferred to Investment Account.	)		<u>£1337-17</u>
Secretaries Honorarium & Expenses.	£ 367-63)		
Treasurers Honorarium & Expenses.	£ 50-00)		<u>£ 582-43</u>
	£ 26-50)		
			<u>£ 754-74</u>
		less Increase in Stock.	<u>£ 252-80</u>
		Bank balance & Cash in Hand.	<u>£ 501-94</u>

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DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.

Deposits at Nov. 1983.	£2293-87	Cost of New Grass Cutter & Sythe.	£ 242-41
Interest for year.	£ 132-61	Sprayer & Weed Killer.	£ 125-22
From General Account.	£ 367-63		<u>£ 367-63</u>
	<u>£2794-11</u>		
Paid out.	£ 367-63		
Balance at Nov. 1984.	<u>£2426-48</u>		

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RENT ACCOUNT.

<u>Expenditure.</u>		<u>Income.</u>	
Rents for Land & Shed.	£ 365-07	Balance brought Frwd.	£ 169-53
Water Rate.	£ 284-26		
Allotment Federation Fee.	£ 10-00	Rents etc., received.	£ 856-55
Hire of Mortimer Hall.	£ 7-00		
Insurance.	£ 71-93		
Ditching, Fencing, Grass Cutting.	£ 82-00		
Control of Unlet and Uncultivated Plots.	£ 70-00		
Repairs to Old Mower.	£ 21-00		
Secretaries Honorarium & Expenses.	£ 50-00		
Treasurers Honorarium & Expenses.	£ 26-50		
Wreath.	£ 5-00		
Balance at Bank.	£ 33-32		
	<u>£1026-08</u>		<u>£1026-08</u>

It was proposed by Mr A Smith that the Treasurer had again done a good job
Seconded by Mr James and all agreed

Election of officers

Proposed by Mr Cavell
Seconded by Mr Slay that Secretary, Chairman and Treasurer remain the same all agreed
as Secretary Mr Stroud, Chairman Mr Slay, Treasurer Mr Gandy

Proposed by Mr A Smith Seconded by Mr Elliot that the committee be re-elected
en-Bloc committee therefore will be
Mr + Mrs Faulkes, Mr K Short, Mr A Smith,
Mr Ginet, Mr Elliot, Mr Savin, Mr Shahan.
Mr G Smith

Site Wardens

Mr Harris, Mr King, Mr Green.

Any other Business

Future rents Mr A Smith
Proposed that outgoing committee's recommendation be accepted - that the rents remain the same
Seconded by Mr Cavell and vote unanimous

First committee meeting 5th February 1985 in
Montimer Hall 7-30pm Start.

There being no further business the meeting
closed

K Shahan
(Miss Secretary)

L. Davis