

Minutes of the Caust Place Farm Allotments Annual General Meeting held in Mortimer Hall, Old Marston on the 9th December 1992 the meeting commenced at 7-30pm.

Number of people in attendance — 24.

Apologies for absence None.

Minutes of the last AGM read and Proposed as a true record by Mr Conn Seconded by Mr Zandy.

Chairman's opening remarks.

Mr Conn presented the members present with a printed sheet highlighting items for their consideration and debate — This is shown overleaf in the form of the printed sheet. After reading out sheet No questions to the Chairman were put.

SEE OVERLEAF →

Court Place Farm Allotment Association.
Old Marston, Oxford.

Secretary:

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Chair:

Mr T. Cann
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Treasurer:

Mr G. Tandy
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In general, 1992 has been a year of little change regarding the Allotment scene in Oxford.

As like last year, the City Council has again frozen all future money for the Estates department.

There is, however, a fresher, more forward looking outlook coming from the Oxford Allotments Federation, which I personally look forward to working with and I see great opportunities for the future of allotments starting from the Federation, if anywhere. Although, this is no decremental reflection on any past Federation officials, I personally have had little experience of their work and can only speak as I find.

With regards to the Rules revision talked about at last years AGM, in only the last month there has been a 16 page guideline produced, endorsed by the Federation, the City Council and their solicitors department, on an ideal set of Constitution and Rules for Allotment Associations. So this is being look at and hopefully recommendations from the Committee will be issued very shortly. Although, it must be pointed out that, nothing can be done without the backing of the Associations members, at an AGM, and so we must look towards the 1993 AGM and ensure action is taken then.

As Mr Savin, our Secretary, will probably tell you later, the Association, as a whole, again did well in the Council Allotments competitions and so the contributing few are once again to be thanked for their work.

Now, I am not going to name any of either the contributing few or the none-contributing masses, that I feel would be a fruitless and embarrassing exercise for all concerned.

What I am going to say is that more is needed from all of you, so that all of the work does not fall on the few, all of the time.

I am not asking for you all to move the Earth in the name of the Association, what I am asking is for you all to think of more than just your plot of land.

Afterall, there may not always be good old what-their-name who always does this and that, in the same way as there may not always be an allotment Association or site at Court Place Farm. If more is not done BY MORE.

Tim Cann. Chairman.
Court Place Farm Allotment Association.

Secretary's report

Mr Savin presented the meeting with a printed sheet with an outline of the years events. No questions were received from the A.G.M. members. The sheet is shown below.

COURT PLACE FARM ALLOTMENTS AGM 1992

SECRETARY'S REPORT

THIS HAS BEEN A BETTER GROWING YEAR THAN OF LATE WITH SOME GOOD CROPS AND ALSO SOME GOOD RESULTS IN THE ANNUAL ALLOTMENT COMPETITION.

THE USUAL PROBLEMS OF BREAK-INS TO THE SHOP AND SHEDS AS WELL AS A BIT OF VANDALISM HAVE GIVEN THE COMMITTEE EVEN MORE WORK THAN THEY NEEDED.

HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF ALLOTTEES HAS REMAINED ABOUT THE SAME COMPARED TO LAST YEAR.

I MUST TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK MR. TANDY FOR ALL HIS HARD WORK OVER THE YEARS. VERY FEW PEOPLE REALIZE JUST HOW MUCH HE DID. THEY WILL NOW.

* 1992 secretary

R. Savin

Treasurers Report

Mr Tandy presented a comprehensive report, on a printed sheet to the A.G.M. See overlap. →

MARSTON COURT PLACE FARM ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION.
ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1991.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Opening Stock.	£2950-34	Sales.	£5984-54
Purchases.	£4643-35	Closing Stock.	£2929-76
Trading Profit.	£1320-61		
	<u>£8914-30</u>		<u>£8914-30</u>
<u>Expenditure.</u>		Opening Balance.	£1353-86
Electricity.	£ 82-90	Add profit.	£1320-61
Insurance.	£ 100-00		
Stationary & Bags.	£ 28-88		<u>£2674-47</u>
Petrol & Oil.	£ 35-17	From deposit a/c Bank.	£3220-53
Shed Rent.	£ 100-00		
Repairs to Water System.	£ 46-28		<u>£5895-00</u>
New Locks & Tools.	£ 195-97	Plus decrease in stock.	£ 20-58
Entertainment.	£ 15-94		
Bank Charges.	£ 52-86		<u>£5915-58</u>
First Aid Kit.	£ 9-85	Less Expenditure.	£5070-49
Flowers re Funeral.	£ 13-50		
Gravel for paths.	£ 105-16		
Sac's Hon. & Exes.	£ 42-50		
Treas's " "	£ 55-00		
To Bradford & Bingley. B. Soc.	£4465-00		
	<u>£5349-01</u>	Closing balance Carried Forward.	<u>£ 845-09</u>
Less refund from Insurance. (Strimmer & Tools).	£ 278-52		
	<u>£5070-49</u>		

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Deposit Account.

Balance as at Nov. 1991.	£3199-92	Feb. 1992 Transferred from General A/C	£2700-00
Interest from bank.	£ 20-61	Interest	£ 22-29
	<u>£3220-53</u>	Transferred from Sales.	£1765-00
Transferred to General A/C	<u>£3220-53</u>	Refund from Insurance.	£ 612-95
Balance	£ NIL.	Balance Carried Forward.	<u>£5100-24</u>

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RENT ACCOUNT.

Rent for land.	£ 497-09	<u>Income.</u>	
Water Rate.	£ 209-65	Balance brought forward.	£ 448-09
Federation Fee & Don.	£ 20-00	Rents received.	£ 843-10
Hire of Hall.	£ 3-00	Council Grant.	£ 200-00
Hire of Skip.	£ 45-24	From council for water use.	£ 20-00
Bank Charges.	£ 26-43	Cash rec'd for hose use.	£ 22-50
Sac's Honorarium.	£ 37-50		
Treas's " "	£ 25-00		
	<u>£ 863-91</u>		
Balance at end of year.	£ 669-78		
	<u>£1533-69</u>		<u>£1533-69</u>

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Mr Wheable reported what we had purchased to improve our locks on the Buildings.

Mr Hodges asked if we had any help from council answer yes a small grant for small work.

Mr Sheehan asked Mr Jandy on advice on rents for the coming period - Mr Jandy advised they could stay as they are

Election of Officers

Treasurer Mr Wheable proposed Mr Carr Seconded by Mr Robinson and vote unanimous

Chairman Mr Lynney proposed Mr Jandy Seconded by Mr Robinson and vote unanimous

Secretary Mr Hodges proposed Mr Savin Seconded by Mr Wheable and vote unanimous

Miss Secretary Mr Wheable proposed Mr Sheehan Seconded by Mr Lynney vote unanimous

Committee members.

Mr Robinson, Mr Wheable, Miss Etekhare, Mr Wetz, Mr Lynney, Mr Massey, Mr Carr
Site Wardens Mr Gunning & Mr Ward.

Any Other Business

In discussion about mowing main paths it was stated that only committee men can use site machinery

Mr Wheable read out list of site work

which was daunting.

Mr Gunning when bonfires can be lit
Mr Savin, and Mr Shahan gave report
showing its possible to be fined up to
£2000-00 for having a persistent fire. Really
it all down to common sense and not
being a nuisance.

Honourariums Mr Sandy thought that
these ought to be increased

Proposal from Mr Sandy £80 each post
Mr Gurney £100-00 each post
(Secretary + Treasurer). Seconded by
Mr Hodge and Vote unanimous
Mr Wheable

Stated all members should pay
annual fee to avoid trouble over Sunday
trading Mr Cann ~~replied~~ replied that the
new rules would state this. Mr Savin
said it would all be sorted next year.
Mr Ward suggested that we advertise
vacant plots, also if committee men
wanted to cut member paths some
would pay.

Mr Gurney commented that we should
block paths that are in a bad
state due to rain with oil drums
as cones are no good.

Mr Cann thanked Mr Sandy for all his
efforts as treasurer and all agreed

First committee meeting to be held
in February at a date to be announced
there being no further business the meeting
closed at 8-50 pm

Shahan. min Secretary.