

Minutes of the Caunt Place Farm
allotments committee meeting held in
Montimer Hall Old Marston on Tuesday
October 4th. 1977. The meeting commenced
at 7-45 P.M.

Members present

Mr. Shuckan, Mr. Short,
Mrs. Hall, Mr. Pinfold, Mr. A. Smith,
Mr. Joames, Mr. Straud, Mr. J. Smith
Mr. Webb.

Apologies Mr. Todd (absent), Mr. Nicholls
and Mr. Hall (lateness).

Minutes of the last meeting read and
proposed as a true record by Mr
Joames seconded by Mr. Pinfold & all
unanimous.

Matters arising

40 gallon drums. We had been offered
some more of these by Mr. Bradbury.
We would store them on the car park.

Raffle

Mr. Webb enquired how this was
going. It seems we had taken approx
£12-00 so it looks successful so far.
Date of agm. Mr. Shuckan reported
that he had obtained permission
to have Montimer Hall at 7-30 P.M.
on November 3rd. Thanks to Mr. Harvey
of the Montimer Hall theatrical group.

Secretary's Report Mr Straud read from a letter that had been sent to Marston Parish Council re. Dangerous trees in the recreation field boundary, sleeping policemen in our approach road, overhanging bushes in Baults Lane, and football supporters using our car parking facilities. Mr Straud then read the reply. Car parking a sign was coming. The sleeping policemen were not a danger. Dangerous trees would be dealt with in due course. Overhanging bushes in Baults Lane were the responsibility of the Highways Dept. It was generally felt that the sleeping policemen were too high and any complaints about these from motorists should be referred to Marston Parish Council.

Amendment Building the Secretary reported that Planning permission had been obtained, also Barclays Bank told Marston had offered us an overdraft of £200-00 over a year interest free. If we also use £200-00 from the general account we would be paying cash for the building so we might get discount. Mr James enquired if after using £200-00 from the general account there would still be enough for trading. Mr Straud replied we would just get by but it would be worth it.

Proposal from Mr James and

Seconded by Mr A Smith that a £200-00 overdraft be obtained from Barclays Bank. and £200-00 from the general account be used to purchase the Amenity Building. Vote Unanimous
Tapsail Some had been offered but it was a bit expensive so none was coming at the moment.

Treasurers Report £193-48 had been obtained from rents out of this had to come £57-33 for rent to council £8 for the hire of the hall There were also 7 rents to come The General Account stood at £327-00 all Bills paid. Mr A Smith enquired how much was left in the rent account in reply was told £120-00 approx. less Honorariums leaving approx £80-00 in rent account. Mr Smith said this money could be used for trading Mr Straud replied it was there if needed.

Correspondence

A letter was read by the Secretary from a Mr D. Perkins re lack of cultivation of his plot the letter gave excuses for lack of cultivation Mr Straud stated he would reply to Mr Perkins telling him the need of soil aeration to help get rid of club root. Mr Perkins rent had been taken.

Mr Nickalls Bad plot.

Mr Straund reported that he does not do his plot properly and people are complaining but he does not want to give any up. no rent had been taken in this case. Proposal from Mr Short seconded by Mr Joames. That a letter be sent to Mr Nickalls stating that the condition of his plot had been fully discussed in committee and it was felt that he should give up five pole. but his plot will be looked at again at the March next period when this feeling could be waived. In view of this his rent will now be accepted. Vote on proposal Unanimous.

Re-letting plots

A Mr Conway wants to change a plot - he has 15 pole and he wants to change 5 pole that is not very good for a good five that has become vacant. Proposal from Mr Hall seconded by Mr Joames. That this matter had been fully discussed in committee & no satisfactory reason could be found for allowing what he wants. Vote Unanimous.

Plots. 10 - 5 pole plots to be let 2 in the Bottom field and 8 in the top field leaving just over 20 on our waiting list.

Sunday work. path to be marked out by Mr Humphreys plot as he wants

to erect shed.

Sheds:

A derelict shed on Mr. Jones' plat to be removed before re-letting of plat. Mr. Shuckman has a shed on his plat which is not his. This must be removed by the owner a Mr. Mayhew the Secretary would write to him to remove it.

Future purchases. Time was needed also for lime but this is getting hard to get at the old price. Also some Kerosene was available in burst bags. Lamps were also on order.

A.O.B. Next years rent Mr. A. Smith enquired how much. After discussion it was felt that this committee recommend to the A.O.M. \$3.00 per plat per annum and \$2.00 per plat per annum for D.A.P's.

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Mr. Webb (Chairman) thanked the outgoing Committee for all their efforts

H. Shuckman (Ass. Secretary)

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