

Minutes of the Court Place Farm
allotments Committee meeting held in
Mortimer Hall, Old Marston on Tuesday
7th Feb 1978. The meeting commenced
at. 7-35 P.M.

Members Present Mr Straud, Mr Sheehan
Mr Hay, Mr Gandy, Mr Beesley, Mr
Dibsdale, Mr A Smith, Mr Webb
Mr Soames, Mr Hall, Mrs Hall, Mr
Short, Mr G Smith.

Apologies for Absence None

Minutes of the last meeting read and
Proposed as a true record by Mr A.
Smith Seconded by Mr Soames. vote
Unanimous

Matters arising Mr Straud reported that
Polysthene sheeting was now getting into
our ditches.

Draw for Raffle a proposal from Mr
Sheehan that the prizes for the Raffle
be 11 £1.00 vouchers to be spent in
our shop Seconded by Mrs Hall and
Vote Unanimous

Secretarys Report Seeds there was still
no sign of these coming in. Onion
sets had arrived also Potatoes these
were a little clearer than others around
Oxford but our were top quality A.A.1.
and in the shops this may not be so

so price is no guide.

Letter to city estates

Mr. Straud read out a letter he had sent to the city estates re our diseased trees, Amenity Building, Water and Financial position of our association. Mr. Straud then read the reply from the Council stating that tree trunks in hedge were closing gaps. The diseased trees were to be examined, and surprise at our financial position. Mr. Straud then read the letter he had written in answer to this complaining about the comments in the Council's letter and explaining our position financially and how we had helped ourselves re land, Building and Trees. Mr. Straud then reported that as a result of these letters we had been awarded £150-00 by the Council for ballost and topsail the Proposer of this amount had been Councillor W. Fragg. Mr. Straud then suggested that when we got this money, that £100-00 should go into the general account and for Scales and towards the Amenity Building £50-00 should go into the rent account.

Amenity Building The replacements for the damaged items had been received from Banbury Buildings also the roof was on and nearly finished. Mr. Straud thanked four committee men for their efforts on the Building.

Proposal from Mr. A. Smith that we implement the suggestion of Mr. Straud

that Mr Libsdale, Mr Fandy, Mr Short and Mr J Smith be offered £5-00 each for their efforts on the Amenity Building this to be in cash or goods. Seconded by Mrs Hall and vote unanimous.

Water Hall connection not found so more digging to be done this to the next Sunday.

Treasurers Report Mrs Hall reported that the General account was £326 less £146-00 for Potatoes so £178 in account which was a bit low.

Rent account we were overdrawn by £88-10 but we had ^{received} £56-00 ~~in~~ ~~the~~ this was low but felt to be better than getting loans to pay for our Amenity Building.

Site improvements Ballast had arrived and roads are bad and help was needed to fill pot holes. Willow trees needed cutting the wood can be had free.

Any other Business There had been complaints about rabbits and pigeons ~~to~~ (re Mr Joanes) reference was made to past minutes regarding these matters i.e. we had been advised by the Police not to allow shooting and allottes should be told so if they ask. Mr Beasley asked if we could get our seeds cheaper from other sources.

but Mr Straud thought not and
said our source was cheaper and
weighing loose seeds needed a lot
of work.

The application had been received
from Mr ~~Stake~~ ^{Hedge} plot 33A. 4' x 4'
in size.

Plots. vacant ones would be let
after the rents are in. The waiting
list seems to be steadily down.
There being no further business the
meeting closed at 9-00 pm. the next
meeting to be Tuesday 7th March
1978 in Grosvenor Hall at 7-30 pm.

→ Committee members rents
received in advance.

H. Sheehan.

Ass. Secretary *Sheehan* 7/8/78