

Minutes of the Caust Place Farm
Allotments Committee meeting held in
Mortimer Hall, Old Marston on Tuesday
November 14th 1978 the meeting commenced
at 7-35 p.m.

Members Present

Mr Sheehan, Mr Webb.
Mr Ball, Mrs Hall, Mr Soames, Mr A
Smith, Mr Lidsdale, Mr Day, Mr Jandy
Mr Straud, 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 and
vote unanimous

Matters arising

Mr A Smith asked about
Mr More a bad allative. Mr Straud reported
that a letter had been sent giving him
notice to quit and there had been no
reply. Mr Webb enquired if the matter
should be left to the letting committee
Mr Straud replied that as minutes he
has been given notice to quit.

Gate in the field

Mr Webb reported that
it now seems alright Mr Lidsdale
confirmed this. it seems as if someone
anonymous had fixed it.

Mr Gurneys rent

This was still not being accepted as the Council had still not come to a firm decision as regards shed size.

A.G.M. date

Mr Shukan confirmed that Mr Harvey of the Winterton Hall Theatrical Group would allow us to use the main hall on Thursday November 30th. for the purpose of our A.G.M. Mr Andy enquired if we could get a note printed about the A.G.M. to distribute to the allatties. Mr Short reported that it was free to get news of our A.G.M. put over Radio Oxford but application had to be by letter. Mr Webb volunteered to contact Radio Oxford with the necessary information. Mr A Smith enquired if Association members are entitled to vote at our A.G.M. Answer from Secretary yes. Mr Smith asked what about Public Answer No. but Mr Strand thought that this might be difficult to control. Mr Slay asked what check we had if a person was a member, it seemed none but their names are recorded. Mr Webb thought membership cards were a good idea Mr Strand replied that proper rent cards were needed with rules printed in them it was generally agreed that the new committee would have to deal with this.

Secretary's report

An application - had been received for a shed on plot 99 Mr. Hodges Mr. Straud reported this would be 4' x 6' Rubbish Dumping.

Mr. Straud reported that there was a spate of this and asked committee to keep eyes open also there had been complaints about dogs.

Mr. Webb reported that path adjacent to playing field needed attention.

A request for more ballast and weedkiller had been lodged with the city council. Car Park.

This badly needed attention and the ballast and weedkiller would be used on it when received.

Plots

Five had been let and we had 10 on our waiting list. There were also some rough ones which we would have to keep an eye on.

Treasurer's report

The General Account stood at £269 all stock paid for.

The Rent Account

This was at £237-00 The water bill had been paid £26-22 The Hire of the Hall was also owing along with some bills.

Mrs. Hall reported that our shed sales this year had been £3500 so far.

Mr. Straud commented that we had some hedges to be cut so we are not

that well off as this was a big job
any other business

next years Rent.

Mr. Shaud

thought our rents were just about right at \$3.00 per plot and on a par with the rest of Oxford. Mr. Day thought they could go up a bit as we are saving allottee's money when they buy through the shed. Mr. Jandy thought we should list the site jobs that we want to do and then raise the rent accordingly. In discussion it was felt that a toilet on site was important and also a difficult job, it was felt that the one near our top gate should be made usable and kept to it ~~and~~ should be sold to allottees. It was generally agreed to leave this matter to the next committee.

Next years rent (cont.)

Mr. Lilleshale stated that rents should stay the same this coming year until we have more money. Mr. Jandy disagreed saying that site jobs should be done as soon as possible before the price goes up. After a lot of discussion and proposals on what the rent should be next year it was decided to recommend to the A.G.P. M. £3-50 per plot £1-75 per half plot O.A.P.s. £2-50 per plot and £1-25 per half plot. These amounts per annum.

Potatoes.

Mr Straud asked for advice on potatoe sales. It was generally agreed to order and sell from the shed approximately four varieties.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 PM

W. J. Straud
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(As. Secretary)