

Minutes of the East Place Farm Allotments
Committee meeting held in Mortimer Hall
old Marston on Tuesday 10 October 1989
The meeting commenced at 7-30 pm.

Members present. Mr Skuhan, Mr Gandy, Mr Day,
Mr Stroud, Mr Robinson, Mr Savin,
Mr Wheable (Warden).

Apologies for absence. None.

Minutes of the last meeting read and
proposed as a true record by Mr Gandy.
Seconded by Mr Robinson.

Matters arising Flame gun. one of these had
been purchased for £19-77 and was proving
a useful tool.

Insurance The position was still not clear
regarding whether non-committee men
were covered for personal injury - until
the position is clear only committee
members to use machinery. The flame
gun can be used by all members at
their own risk, and at committee
members discretion.

Site map. This has been redrawn, printed
and is in use. Further copies also held in
reserve.

Mr Price Mr Skuhan and Mr Savin had
investigated the matter of this person

depositing rubbish on a plot adjacent to her property. A neighbour had stated that the property was up for sale. The dumping now has ceased. The matter of a gate from the property to our site would have to be watched.

North Boundary upper field

The large gap near new houses had now been sealed with a woven fence. The houses appeared to be nearing completion.

Gravel

a large quantity of this was now on site.

A Treasurer Report

Mr Jandy read from a printed sheet the details of the accounts. In brief.

Rent Account

Rents received for year £813-35
Paid out water £157-95 Rent £497-08.
Insurance £50-00 Federation £10-00
Balance £339-13

Investment Account £3340-91 Interest for year £178-53.

General Account Sales to date £5,143-98.
Balance after Purchases and Expenditure £1,327-76. Total monies £5057-80.

Stock at cost £2600-20 Assets £542-00

It was felt that our finances were in good shape and gave us security against

any calamity (i.e. Fire).

Letter ments. The Treasurer Mr Andy felt there was no need to increase rents this time.

Any other Business

Friends of the Earth

The Secretary had received a ^{letter} from the FOTE with the concern being expressed over lack of cultivation of some plots and the suggestion that fruit trees and bushes could be planted. Proposal from Mr Andy that we will contact FOTE with a view to discussing the planting of fruit trees in designated areas seconded by Mr Samu and Kate unanimous.

Water Supply.

Mr Andy reported that the August 7th meter reading was exceptionally high. Thames water were also concerned. We had noticed a leak adjacent to the meter (our side) and this was reported to Thames water who gave us a refund but stated our consumption was still high. Causes noted Ball valve leaking, Gypsys taking water, and a considerable mis-use of Mosepipes

Mosepipes

Discussions took place on allowing allottees to use Mosepipes the pros + cons were discussed, as this requires a rule change this matter would be left until the A.G.M. when members can air their views.

Visit to Barton Farm

The council had

various pieces of ground management equipment being demonstrated. Some seemed dangerous but one piece of machinery seemed very good — a trimmer on wheels Mr. Salin put it through and Mr. Robinson thought very good machine.

As we had secure area to keep one and someone to operate there was a good chance the council will supply us with one.

Annual General Meeting

This would be at 7-30 pm on 12th December 1989 in Mortimer Hall. Meeting closed at 9-05 pm.

J. Shuck.
(Miss Secretary.)