

Meeting of the Court Farm Allotment Committee
on Tuesday the 18th June 1974 held at
the Manson British Legion Club rooms
commencing at 8.00pm.

Members present

Messrs Perkins, Stroud, Jones,
Bowen, Dobrow, Halsbey. Stone.

Apologies. None.

In the absence of Mr Sauter, our
President, Mr Jones took the chair.

The minutes were read and accepted
as a true record.

proposed Mr Stroud.

Seconded Mr Dobrow.

carried unan.

Matters arising:

Mr Stroud asked if
it was true that Teves fluid was
being sold loose from the site
but in unmarked bottles, Mr Bowen
replied it was, Mr Stroud continued
saying that this was a frowned
upon practice which should cease
due to the danger of accidental

consumption of what amounts to a Poison. After discussion around "It has got to be put in something" and the merits or otherwise of buying it for sale already in suitable containers, it was agreed by the Secretary Mr Bowen to stick Poison labels on the bottles at the time of filling. Mr Stroud was asked to supply the Poison labels and agreed to.

Committee Walk around.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the proposed walk around scheduled on June the 2nd was in fact walked on Sunday the 3rd of June, notes being made using the previous walk around records for reference. In general a big improvement was observed, the few exceptions were noted and given to the Secretary with remonstrative guidance.

Mr Bowen reported that in the main he had dealt with the report to the Committee's guiding instructions and would shortly pass the report back to the Minutes Secretary for inclusion into the records, he further

stated that he had written to Mr Lindsey who had replied that his wife had been ill.

Mr Hodkins hedge will be put right when plants are moved at the end of the growing season;

and Plot number 180 has been taken over by a Mr Denney.

Mr Bowen added that he had given notice to Mr Merrick who had not replied, so he had sent another letter informing Mr Merrick that he was no longer an allottee at Court Farm Association.

Mr Bowen said that Mr. Timms had apologised to him and had offered to donate one pound towards improvements in the bottom field, ^{water supply} should a general fund be set up for this purpose.

Mr Jones proposed a general vote of thanks to the committee members who had repaired the fence in the bottom

field and cut the Marston road hedge.

A general discussion took place re the state of the grass on the site, in many areas it being very long and about to seed. The Allen scythe being out of order, Mr Jones asked if money was available to purchase a new one, in the absence of the Treasurer Mr Bowen replied that perhaps £30-00 could be available. This lead into plot rent discussions and the apparent sad state of our finances.

Mr Perkins drew to the committee's attention certain back minutes relating to the association's membership mandate to the committee that a review of rents and possible increase recommendations are to be discussed in September and then put to the following A.G.M. Mr Jones called for a vote to postpone the probable rent increase and subsequent purchase of a grass cutter to the A.G.M. reluctantly this was agreed by committee.

Correspondence.
The Secretary reported that a reply from

Mr. G. Powell had shown that the
Marston Parish Council ~~are~~ in
fact owners of the Roadway into the
Associations ground: That Mr Busfield
had not replied re holes in the hedge:

Mr Halbey said that he had sold the
remaining sacks of seed potatoes for
One Pound to the Pigman:

Roadways. Mr Jones suggested that
main roadways should be 12'-0" wide.
also relating that he had asked
Mr Hodges son to move their van which
was blocking a roadway:

Rules. The sub committee set up
to vet the new proposed rules reported
that agreement on a modified set
had been reached which Mr Stoud had
taken for typing: He said that a typed

copy had been given to the chairman, (not present) and a second set to Mr Bowen, who said his set had gone to the printers for estimating printing costs, and Mr Stoud did not have his copy with him:

It was suggested that the rules be accepted as read and passed. This proposal was rejected strongly by the Rules sub Committee, and was not pursued further, it being agreed that the whole committee should meet and discuss the proposed rules Sunday morning next at 11.30 am.

Mr Bobrow, tendering his apologies saying he would not be present.

Mr Stoud asked Mr Bowen if he had received a letter re Senior Citizens allotment competition. Mr Bowen replied that he had, and it had been passed to Mr Spicer for reprinting.

The Disposal Skip had been picked up and observation of rubbish still on site called for another skip to be put on site. Mr Stoud will ask the Council to oblige.