

General Committee Meeting Thursday August 19th 43.

Present: - A Hall in the Chair.

Messrs: - E Raines, H Ridyard, H R Schofield, E S Jones, J H Firth, H Cawthron and J Gibson.

The minutes of last meeting held July 15th were read and adopted.

A letter from M^r Draycott was received asking for permission to rent a small portion of land near No 5 Tee for the purpose of keeping poultry. It was decided not to entertain the application.

The Secretary reported that he had received a cheque amounting to £52-3-7 from the War Damage Commissioners in payment of the claim for bomb damage to the Course.

The following, duly nominated and seconded were passed for membership by ballot: - Mess^{rs} H Whitehead, W Sowerbutts, Geoffrey Taylor, and M^{rs} W Sowerbutts.

It was reported that M^r C H Bowler had written stating that he could not accept the Committee's offer of £40 in settlement of his claim in connection with No 16 Field and small portion of land adjoining, and that he had paid £93-5-0 for same. He stated that he would accept £74 in full settlement. The question was discussed and it was decided that M^r R Wood and the secretary interview the surveyor to the Stamford Estate to see if some satisfactory arrangement can be made.

The following accounts were passed for payment: - Ashton Gas Co 6/8/11, J Waterhouse & Co 1/7/3, J W Hall Ltd 1/19/6, and Hurst Laundry 1/0/6. Total £10-16-2.

The Minutes of the Handicap, House and Greens Committees were passed as read.

A discussion took place regarding trespass by the public through the front entrance gateway and it was decided that the large gates be closed as a temporary measure in order to protect our rights.

It was reported that two men had been fishing in the pond adjoining the Club-house without permission, and it was decided that in future permission must be obtained from the Committee through the Secretary.

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