

Mr P Bowles

RUTHERFORD LABORATORY BUILDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held in No. 4 Conference Room, Building R.1 on Monday 4th November, 1963.

Present: Mr. P. Bowles - Chairman  
Mr. A. Miller  
Mr. G.E. Simmonds  
Dr. J.H. Valentine

Apologies were received from Mr. Harbert, Mr. Louth and Mr. Snowden.

In Attendance Mr. R.G. Bowers  
Mr. K.H. Choate  
Mr. A.L. Cuthbert  
Mr. A.H. Fryer  
Mr. A. Hancock  
Mr. D.A. Harrison  
Mr. J.A. Nott  
Mr. G.N. Venn  
Mr. W.W. Woodall  
Mr. E.W. Young

ACTION

1. In opening the meeting the Chairman referred to the considerable reduction in committee work consequent upon the continued deferment of new projects. He felt that attendance at meetings would now involve fewer staff, and also that it would be reasonable to restrict in a corresponding measure the distribution of committee papers.

The Secretary was to review distribution lists and offer any resulting proposals for revision for the Chairman's consideration.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed subject to the following amendments:-

List A Sheet 2 Items 51 and 55 - Latest A.F.C. date should read 7. 10. 63  
Item 55 - Remarks Column - third line after "cabling only" insert "to be".

3. Matters Arising

A. Link Road to R.5 and R.6 (M2(a)) Mr. Choate had checked the estimate for the lavatory block, and confirmed it at the figure of £3,700.

Mr. Venn said he had been investigating the possibility of utilising a temporary lavatory in the area, erected for contractors use and no longer required thereby. He thought that after renovation it would serve, until a permanent block could be built. He had asked for estimates of renovation costs but had not yet received these.

Mr. Nott pointed out that the continued existence of this temporary lavatory prevented the completion of banking work, but agreed that this difficulty could be overcome by provision of a retaining wall behind the block.

Mr. Bowles asked for the estimate to be passed to him as soon as it was ready, and said that it would be considered as a matter of urgency by interested parties and if the project appeared acceptable it was to be put in hand without delay.

As regards the link road part of this main project Mr. Choate said it

was not expedient to complete the estimates until the probable date of the I.T.P. was known; there was about two weeks work remaining, and this might be left over at least until the end of this year. The Chairman ruled that any design charges outstanding should be cleared, and that this was to be the general principle applying to all projects now in abeyance.

B. Minor Works Orders - (M3) It was reported that project numbers were now shown in the schedules.

C. Lecture Theatre (M4(a)) Mr. Cuthbert reported that he had met the contractors and considered progress in the light of the target date. This could not be advanced to earlier than the end of February 1964, but only very serious weather difficulties could jeopardise that date. Mr. Bowles asked for very close attention to progress on this project, and to be informed immediately if anything occurred to make completion on time uncertain.

D. Restaurant (M5(a)) The Chairman told the meeting that the remedial work required on the floors of the foyer and rotunda was to be the subject of a meeting with S.W.O. and Construction Group Staff later in the day. Mr. Choate was asked what sum of money would be required to re-instate the sound proofing, and as early as possible to report whether this could be provided from savings made elsewhere.

E. Mercury Maintenance Block (M5(b)) Mr. Choate reported that the recommendations of the health authorities on this project were now being considered and related to the scheme.

4. Minor Works Orders to 31st October 1963 M.W.O.'s Nos. 116 and 117 were then distributed and scrutinised.

5. Area South of R.25 Office Block and Heavy Duty Laboratory Mr. Choate asked the Committee whether or not this area was to be made into a car park as the plans and estimates allowed. After some discussion as to the need for this park it was agreed that Dr. Valentine, Mr. Choate, and Mr. Woodall were to meet to consider this question, to examine the plans and estimates to establish the scope and cost of this projected park, and make recommendations in due course

6. Contractors Huts - Site Clearance The Chairman commented upon the multitude of contractors huts in various parts of the site. He said that when a project was completed all such huts and other facilities positioned in support of that project should be cleared as part of the exercise of preparing for handover of the project. This was not always followed, and the result was an unsightly collection of huts, for example, near the restaurant. He went on to say that this last condition, and the condition of the site generally, must be put in order by early Spring 1964, and that hereafter no diggings were to go forward until the plant or equipment they were to accommodate were on site and ready for immediate installation.

The possibility of disposing of Building R.19 was mooted but it was agreed this temporary building must remain available for some time yet. It was then decided that Mr. Harrison and Mr. Woodall were to examine the possibility of moving R.19 to an alternative site. It might be possible to absorb the present users of R.14 into R.13 evacuate R.19 staff into R.14 and clear R.19. The Chairman asked for a review of accommodation in R.14, R.13 and R.19, to be ready by the end of the year.

Mr. Choate asked the future of the lavatory block on the corner of R.8 - it was agreed that this was a temporary erection and is to be demolished when the R.2 extension is finished.

The Chairman summed up the requirements under this heading as follows:-

Mr. Choate

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Dr. Valentine  
Mr. Choate  
Mr. Woodall

Mr. Woodall  
Mr. Harrison

Mr. Woodall  
Mr. Nott

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- (a) Mr. Harrison to see that areas taken over are kept clear of builders equipment and debris.
  - (b) Mr. Choate and Mr. Nott to plan their contractors' areas to achieve the best layout.
  - (c) Mr. Woodall and Mr. Nott to review all contractors' and Institute huttet accommodation with the object of throwing up the maximum possible number of huts for demolition.

7. East Wall of Building R.1 Mr. Harrison tabled a drawing of a scheme for the incompletd doorway in the end wall, first floor, of Building R.1. He said that this doorway was designed to facilitate the movement of equipment into and out of the building where the items were too big or too heavy to pass up the internal staircase or the lift.

It was decided that the scheme was to be refined, to eliminate some non-essential aspects, and then it was to go for estimates as a Minor Works Order.

8. Progress on Existing Schemes - See Schedules A, B, and C, attached.

9. Date of the Next Meeting The next meeting will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday 2nd December, 1963.

E.W. Young  
Secretary

Rutherford Laboratory

15th November, 1963.

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