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RUTHERFORD HIGH ENERGY LABORATORY

Housing Allocation Committee

Minutes of the First Ordinary Meeting of the Housing Allocation Committee held in Mr. M. Snowden's Office in Building R.1 on Thursday 2nd March.

Present:- Mr. G. E. Simmonds - Chairman
Mr. B. Halstead
Mr. M. Snowden
Mr. W. M. Bray - Representing Staff Associations
Mr. J. Short - Representing Trade Unions
Mr. W. W. Woodall - Secretary

The Chairman welcomed the Staff Associations and Trade Unions representatives to this First Meeting of the Housing Allocation Committee. He recalled that the Committee was set up by the Steering Committee of the Rutherford Laboratory with the following terms of reference:-

1. To establish the procedure to be followed in the allocation of houses;
2. to consider applications for houses and to maintain a priority list of the successful applicants; and
3. to allocate houses as they become available.

The Chairman said that it was proposed at this stage to allocate houses in accordance with the regulations operating at A.E.R.E. The Staff Associations representative said that this was acceptable subject to the possibility that after discussions in the Whitley Council he might wish to suggest some departure from the A.E.R.E. regulations. This was noted.

The Secretary presented a list of approved applicants set out in order according to date of eligibility for houses. It was noted that the list included one employee in a grade not normally eligible for housing whose name had been admitted on exceptional compassionate grounds. The Staff Associations' and Trade Unions' representatives were informed of the circumstances and agreed with the employee's inclusion in the list.

The Secretary informed the Committee that it was hoped that 20 houses would become available for allocation by the end of May (including one still to be allocated by the A.E.R.E.). It was agreed that subject to the approval of the Director a list of 18 names being the first 18 in order of date of eligibility should be published in the Rutherford Laboratory Bulletin together with a statement that it was hoped to house those whose names were on the list by mid-June. The list is attached to these minutes.

It was agreed that detailed allocation of houses should be made by the Housing Officer in consultation with the applicants concerned and that if an applicant wishes to wait in order to be allocated a house in an area other than that at first offered to him he should be permitted to do so.

Date of next Meeting

It was not possible to say when it would be appropriate to hold the next Meeting as this would depend primarily on the availability of further houses but it was hoped that such a meeting might be arranged towards the end of April.

W. W. Woodall
Secretary - Housing Officer