

MINUTES of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL
held at Manor House, Swanscombe, on THURSDAY 10th MAY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P J French
Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. M Munn
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. R Simmonds

1 ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR The Town Mayor requested nominations for Town Mayor for the forthcoming year, and it was,

Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That Councillor Anthony Maurice Barham be elected Town Mayor of the Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Barham thanked Members for electing him as Mayor of the Council and stated that he would serve the Community to the best of his ability and his fund raising activities would be directed to assisting with the provision of a baby unit for Gravesend Hospital.

Councillor Defty gave a vote of thanks to Councillor and Mrs Crosby for the work they had undertaken during Councillor Crosby's Year of Office.

2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR The Town Mayor requested nominations for Deputy Town Mayor, and it was

Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That Councillor Mrs Barbara Ann Halford be elected as Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

Councillor A M Barham gave a vote of thanks to Councillor Crosby for the work he had carried out during his year as Town Mayor and in particular the support he had given in trying to prevent the closure of Swanscombe School.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M D Chater, B R Francis and R A Francis.

4 APPOINTMENT AND CONSTITUTION OF STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES

RESOLVED

a) That the Recreation and Amenities Committee be constituted of the whole of the Members of the Council.

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- b) That the Allotment Sub-Committee be constituted of 7 Members, 4 from the Town Council - Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P J French, R Simmonds and the Town Clerk plus 3 Members of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Allotments and Gardens Association - Mr Collar, Mr Dixon and Mr Krief.
- c) That the Finance and General Purposes Committee be constituted of the whole of the Members of the Council.
- d) That the Executive Committee be comprised of 10 Members of the Council - Councillor's A M Barham - Town Mayor, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, M D Chater, M A Crosby, Mrs S East, Mrs B A Halford, N Halford, M J Munn, B G Poppy and B E Read.
- e) That the Emergency Committee be comprised of 5 Members of the Council - Councillor's M D Chater, T V Dixon, M J Munn, B G Poppy and R Simmonds.
- f) Leisure Centre Management Committee Councillor P S Crow voiced his concern at not being proposed for Vice-Chairman of the Committee. A proposal was lost, for the numbers serving on the Committee to be increased to 9, and for Councillor Crow to be elected as Chairman. It was

RESOLVED

That the Leisure Centre Management Committee be comprised of 8 Members of the Council - Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, Mrs A E D Barham, A M Barham, M D Chater, P R Defty, B R Francis, B E Read and R Simmonds.

5 TO DEFINE POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEE'S AND SUB-COMMITTEE'S

The Powers and Duties of Committee's and Sub-Committees were defined as follows :-

Recreation and Amenities Committee

Delegated functions

To exercise the functions of the Council in expending any finances allocated to it by the Council within the annual estimates or otherwise in the area of recreation grounds, parks, open spaces, playgrounds, allotments, sporting facilities, recreational facilities and community halls.

To exercise the functions of the Council in controlling the operation and provision of facilities in relation to recreation grounds, parks, open spaces, playgrounds, allotments, sporting facilities, recreational facilities and community halls.

To exercise the functions of the Council by making representations to the relevant Planning Authority on development proposals which may be laid before it under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Acts.

Referred function

To act as an advisory body considering any recommendations laid before it by other Committees or the Council which relate to facilities or areas within the scope of this Committee not contained within the delegated functions printed above.

Allotments Sub-Committee

Delegated function

To exercise the functions of the Recreation and Amenities Committee with reference to the appointment of lay volunteer allotment managers as per the provisions of section 29 of the Small Holdings and Allotments Act 1908.

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Referred functions

To report to the Recreation and Amenities Committee on any matter relating to the provision, management, maintenance, improvement and administration of all allotments under the control of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

To report to the Recreation and Amenities Committee on any finances relating to the provision, management, maintenance, improvement and administration of all allotments under the control of the Recreation and Amenities Committee inclusive of the right to report to the said Committee suggestions for finances to be included within annual estimates for specific schemes of improvement.

Finance and General Purposes Committee

Delegated functions

To exercise the functions of the Council in expending any finances allocated to it by the Council in the annual estimates or otherwise in the area of footway and footpath lighting, footpaths, car parks, and donations to local organisations or individuals or other bodies under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

To exercise the functions of the Council in the examination of all accounts submitted for payment and the collection of sums due to the Council.

To exercise the functions of the Council in the examination of any parochial charity accounts submitted to the Council under those provisions contained within section 32 of the Charities Act 1960 as amended.

To exercise the functions of the Council by making representations to the relevant Planning Authority on development proposals which may be laid before it under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Acts.

Referred functions

As an advisory body to consider and report to the Council on all finances not specifically allocated to other Committees including those finances contained within balances and investment accounts.

As an advisory body to consider and report to Council estimates for the making of the annual rate and precept issued, the raising of loans or borrowing of money and securing of any necessary loan sanctions, and the approval of schemes for local lotteries.

As an advisory body to consider any recommendations laid before it by other Committees or the Council which relate to facilities or areas within the scope of this Committee not contained within the delegated functions printed above.

As an advisory body to consider any recommendations specifically put to it by other Committees in relation to their expenditure and consider and report upon any matters not specifically allocated to other Committees.

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Executive Committee

Delegated functions

To exercise any functions of the Council on urgent issues or during the period of recess of the Council save those functions relating to the setting of an annual rate and issuing a precept, the raising of loans or borrowing of money and securing of any necessary loan sanctions, and the approval of schemes for local lotteries.

To exercise any functions of the Council on matters specifically delegated to it to decide save those exempted from delegation by statute and listed above.

To exercise any functions of the Council in relation to personnel matters save those reserved within Staff Disciplinary Procedures.

Referred functions

As an advisory body reporting to Council on any matters it has been specifically instructed to investigate.

As an advisory body reporting to Council on the question of levels of pay and salary settlements.

Emergency Committee

Delegated function

To assist, in an emergency, the population of Swanscombe and Greenhithe in overcoming any extreme or unusual conditions caused by natural or accidental means.

To co-operate with other Agencies, statutory or voluntary, to assist in the above.

To enlist the support of any other Organisations or individuals to assist in the above, as may be necessary.

To prepare contingency plans to meet any of the situations as described above.

Leisure Centre Management Committee

Delegated Functions

- a) To exercise the functions of the Council in expending any finances allocated to it by the Council within the annual estimates or otherwise, on the Leisure Centre.
- b) To exercise the functions of the Council in controlling and managing the operation and provision of facilities in relation to the Leisure Centre. To include the setting of fees, charges and opening times, taking into account local needs and within the guidelines set by the Council.
- c) To employ staff for the day-to-day management and operation of the Centre as allocated by the Committee. **AMB**

- d) To make representations to the Finance and General Purposes Committee in relation to the annual estimates in respect of Centre expenditure.
- e) To liaise as required with other Committees and staff of the Council, outside bodies and persons on any aspects of joint responsibility.
- f) To liaise with the Town Clerk on aspects of Leisure Centre Management as they affect the general administration of the Town Council.
- g) To investigate and implement, if considered appropriate, a Committee of Users as an advisory body, in order to achieve a high level of democratisation at a local level.

Referred Functions

- a) To act as an advisory body to consider any recommendations laid before it by other Committees or the Council which relate to facilities within it's jurisdiction and to take instructions from the Council on any matters relating to delegated functions.

6 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEE'S

RESOLVED

That the Council appoint the following Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committee's for the ensuing year :-

Recreation and Amenities Committee

Chairman - Councillor M A Crosby
 Vice Chairman - Councillor M D Chater

Finance and General Purposes Committee

Chairman - Councillor N Halford
 Vice Chairman - Councillor A M Barham

Executive Committee

Chairman - Councillor A M Barham
 Vice Chairman - Councillor Mrs B A Halford

Leisure Centre Management Committee

Chairman - Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith
 Vice Chairman - Councillor A M Barham

7 DAY AND TIME OF MEETINGS

RESOLVED

That the Annual General Meeting, the Annual Town Meeting, the Recreation and Amenities Committee, the Finance and General Purposes Committee, the Executive Committee, the Allotments Sub-Committee, the Emergency Committee and the Leisure Centre Management Committee Meeting's be held at 8 p.m. on the dates specified on the annexed list.

8 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

RESOLVED

That the Council appoint the following representative's to serve upon the various Committee's for the ensuing year :-

- a) Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs :-
 Councillor's T V Dixon, Mrs S East and M J Munn. **AMB**

DATES OF MEETINGS 1990/91

<u>COUNCIL</u>	<u>Recreation & Amenities</u>	<u>Finance & G.P.</u>
10th May 1990 (AGM)	24th May 1990	7th June 1990
21st June 1990	5th July 1990	19th July 1990
2nd August 1990	6th September 1990	20th September 1990
4th October 1990	18th October 1990	1st November 1990
15th November 1990	29th November 1990	6th December 1990
20th December 1990	3rd January 1991	17th January 1991
31st January 1991	14th February 1991	28th February 1991
14th March 1991	* 21st March 1991	4th April 1991
18th April 1991		

25th April 1991 - Open Town Meeting

16th May 1991 - Annual General Meeting

Executive Committee - to be held as necessary

Emergency Committee - to be held as necessary

Leisure Centre Committee - held every 2 weeks

Allotment Sub-Committee - to be held twice yearly

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- b) Senior Citizens Management Committee :
Councillor's P R Defty, R A Francis, P J French and B G Poppy.
- c) Swanscombe and Greenhithe Old People's Welfare Committee :
Councillor's P J French and M J Munn.
- d) County Area Committee of the Kent Association of Parish Council's :
To be agreed at a later date.
- e) Dartford Area Committee of the Kent Association of Parish Council's :
Councillor's M A Crosby, T V Dixon, Mrs S East and the Town Clerk.
- f) Gravesend and District Society for Mentally Handicapped :
Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith.
- g) Northfleet Landfill Liaison Committee :
Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, Mrs B A Halford and N Halford.
- h) Parish Liaison Group - Kent Association of Parish Councils.
Councillor M A Crosby.
- i) Greenhithe Landfill Liaison Committee :
Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith and Mrs B A Halford.
- j) Greenhithe Community Association :
Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and Mrs B A Halford.
- k) Post Office Advisory Committee :
To be argeed at a later date.
- l) Rail Link Action Group :
Councillor Mrs S East.
- m) One Way Traffic System - Working Party :
Councillor's A M Barham, P R Defty, T V Dixon, B G Poppy and B E Read.

9 AUTHORITY FOR THE PAYMENT OF CHEQUES

RESOLVED

That the following Members be appointed as signatories to authorise payment of cheques :-

- a) Bank Account Barclays - Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater, M A Crosby, T V Dixon, P J French and N Halford.
- b) Town Mayor's Account - Councillor's A M Barham, Mrs B A Halford and the Town Clerk.
- c) Town Mayor's Charity Account - the Town Clerk.

10 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th April 1990 be confirmed and signed.

11 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby,

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th April, 1990 be confirmed and the **AMB** recommendations contained therein be adopted.

12 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby,

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st May 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

13 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby,

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd May 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

14 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Members had received a copy of a letter from the former Assistant Manager of the Leisure Centre which was to be discussed at the next Meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee - to be held on Thursday, 17th May. 11 Members were invited to attend and were to be allowed to speak.

15 AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS A proposal was put forward by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford,

RESOLVED

That the Standing Orders be amended as follows :

Standing Order 1 Meeting of the Council delete "Manor House" from second line of 1 (i) and amend 7.30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

16 SWANSCOMBE COUNTY INFANT SCHOOL Members were informed of a letter received from Councillor P R Defty advising that due to health problems he was no longer able to serve as a School Governor. Councillor P S Crow gave a vote of thanks to Councillor Defty for his time spent serving as a School Governor.

17 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION Members were advised that the Annual General Meeting and Means Streets Conference was to be held on Thursday 26th May at the Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall.

18 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration :-

DA/90/0241 Erection of a detached garage.
44 Gunn Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/90/0259 Erection of a front canopy.
11 Munford Drive, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections

DA/89/0898/B Deletion of condition (11) for the development of Land for residential purposes. Condition relating to provision of footpath links between the western most part to the site and Station Road.
Land south of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to the deletion of condition (11) of planning permission ref DA/89/0898 and recommend that the original conditions be imposed. **AMB**

DA/88/0857/D Deletion of condition (11) of planning permission ref no. DA/88/0857 for the development of land for residential purposes. Condition relating to provision of footpath links between the western most part of the site and Station Road.

Land south of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to the deletion of condition (11) of planning permission DA/88/0857 and recommend that the original conditions be imposed.

DA/90/0289 Application under section 18/84 for the erection of an air attack siren. Sweyne County Primary School, Keary Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/90/0291 Erection of a single storey rear extension and change of use of property from single dwelling house to two self contained one bedroom flats with associated car parking.

79 Ames Road, Swanscombe Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object most strongly and feel that this application is completely out of character for this area.

The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development:

DA/88/0857/C Land between and part bounded by Station Road and The Avenue, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/88/1185/A Land to the South of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0110 2 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent

DA/90/0162 22 Spring Vale, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0171 Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0173 Keary Road Allotment Site, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0241 44 Gunn Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council refusing permission for development :-

DA/90/0129 'The Yard' Castle Road, Swanscombe Kent.

Councillor P S Crow wished Councillor's Mr and Mrs A Barham every success and an enjoyable year as Mayor and Mayoress. *Am Barham*

Town Mayor

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANGAEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane on THURSDAY, 17th MAY 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B R Francis
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs A E D Barham.

19 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 26th April and 2nd May 1990 were confirmed and signed.

20 DISCO Members were advised that the disco which had been arranged for May 12th had been cancelled due to lack of response and in view of the staffing situation.

Councillor B E Read entered the Committee Room

21 ADVERTISING Members considered the various options for advertising the summer activities and it was

RECOMMENDED

That Paul Bailey of the Borough Council be requested to include details in the brochures to be printed and arrangements be made for leaflets to be delivered in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area.

22 REFRESHMENT MACHINES Members were advised of a letter received from TDK Refreshment Services informing that it was uneconomical for them to continue with Brick Pack and Hot Drinks machine and both machines would be moved towards the end of this month.

23 STOCK TAKE Members had each received a copy of the latest stock take report.

NOTED

24 ANNUAL RATES Members were advised that a rate demand had been received for 1990/91 in the sum of £6,983.02.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Borough Council to see if concessions were available for the Leisure Centre as a non profit making concern.

25 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT A letter had been received from Councillor Mrs Halford asking if the Saturday evening entertainment was to continue after May 26th. An enquiry was also made regarding the possibility of a Rock Concert being held.

RECOMMENDED

That Saturday evening entertainment be continued on a monthly basis commencing on June 2nd and to be reviewed after 3 months. The financial implications of the Rock Concert to be obtained.

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26 LEISURE NEWS Members were advised of the advertising potential of the Leisure News Magazine

RECOMMENDED

That a regular copy of the magazine be obtained.

27 GLASS WASHING MACHINE Members were advised of the difficulties being experienced in getting the suppliers to install the machine.

RECOMMENDED

That if the machine has not been installed for use by Friday, June 8th the contract is to be cancelled.

28 CASHIERS OFFICE A letter had been received from the Borough Council advising that to supply and build an observation panel and a hand out point plus alarm button would cost £1,800.

RECOMMENDED

That the cost of an alternative hand out point be obtained.

29 RECEPTIONIST Members were given a copy of letters received from Centre Staff. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Chairman should request that Minute number 926 (89/90) should be withdrawn for further consideration by Members of the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

30 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC It was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

31 ASSISTANT CENTRE MANAGER Reference Minute 14 it was

RECOMMENDED

That a request be made to the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee for this item to be included on the Agenda of the Meeting to be held on May 24th and Councillor N halford to be advised of this decision.

Councillor's M D Chater, B E Read and R Simmonds left the Meeting.

32 ASSISTANT CENTRE MANAGER A report was made regarding the interviews held on Saturday, 12th May and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the position be offered to Mark Evans.

33 DATE FOR MEETING The next Meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee to be held on June 4th and applications for the position of Centre Manager to be included with the Agenda for consideration. Interviews to be held on Saturday, June 9th from 10.30 a.m.

34 SECURITY DOOR The cost of a digital entry system to be obtained.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane on THURSDAY, 24th MAY 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT :

Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman	Cllr. P J French
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith	Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. A M Barham	Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. P R Defty	Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon	Cllr. B E Read

35 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd March 1990 with Minute number 805 amended to read Keary Road Allotments, were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater and R A Francis.

36 PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT The Parks Foreman informed Members that a new week-end Park Attendant had been employed.

37 HERITAGE PARK Members were advised that the Solicitor had been contacted by Blue Circle and had received copies of previous correspondence together with a copy of the draft lease, the Solicitor would now be dealing with this matter on behalf of the Town Council.

Councillor B E Read entered the Committee Room

38 COMMUNITY HALLS Members were advised that windows had recently been broken at The Grove Hall resulting in expensive repairs. An additional amount of £30.18 for the Church Road Hall and £26.16 for The Grove would cover for malicious damage and this had been added to the Town Council's insurance.

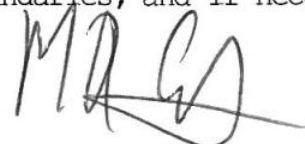
39 INVICTA MONUMENT Members had received a copy of a letter from Dartford Borough Council reference the location of the Monument, together with a copy of the letter sent to the Association of Men of Kent.

NOTED

40 LAND REAR OF CHURCH ROAD HALL Members were advised that the Owner of No.2 Church Road had still not replaced the fence to its original position, and had installed a gate alongside the end of the store room wall enclosing part of the Town Council's land for his own use. Members had received a copy of a letter from the Solicitor informing of the costs involved in having a surveyor to establish the boundaries prior to Proceedings being issued in Court.

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council accept the costs as stated in the letter from the Solicitor, instruct them to engage a Surveyor to establish the boundaries, and if necessary, attend Court.



41 CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT Members were advised that the Borough Council had provisionally suggested children's entertainment for August 3rd at Broomfield Road and August 16th for Knockhall. The Borough Council had also suggested that in the event of bad weather, the entertainment arranged for Knockhall be held at the Harmer Road Youth Club. After a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That additional entertainment be provided by the Town Council as in previous years, and in the event of bad weather, the Greenhithe Community Hall be used, again as in previous years.

42 DOG BYELAWS Members had received a copy of a letter from the Borough Council's Legal Services Officer informing of the latest situation regarding the Dog Byelaws, and advising Members that the Borough Council would be happy to undertake the legal work involved in producing a draft set of byelaws at a cost of approximately £200.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply accepting the Borough Council's offer providing it is established before any work commences that Swanscombe and Greenhithe will be included in the areas covered by the Byelaws once the Home Office have reached their final decision.

43 SCAFFOLD TOWERS Members were advised that it would be useful if a scaffold tower could be purchased for use in the Squash Courts and at the Centre. Courses were available for persons to be trained to use the towers. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That written estimates be obtained for these towers, and also for the hydraulic towers, which can be stored flat when not in use.

44 BOWLS PAVILION Members had received copies of the estimates that had been obtained for the work needed to be carried out at the Bowls Pavilion. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until further estimates had been obtained,

45 SQUASH COURTS Members were advised that two estimates had been received for the work needed on the Squash Court walls.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until another estimate had been obtained.

Councillor T V Dixon entered the
Committee Room

46 PARK MESS ROOM Members were advised that estimates had been received for a steel security door and a security cage for the Park Mess Room.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until a third estimate was obtained.

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47 REAR ACCESS OF MILTON ROAD Members had received a copy of a letter from a local resident regarding vehicle access and were advised of a verbal request to move the fence. After a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the letter from the residents be forwarded to Dartford Borough, and the Clerk inform the Borough that the problems referred to regarding the poor drainage was due to the fact that the access road for the new development is approximately 6-8" higher than the footpath which is the cause of the flooding. The residents to be advised that the access is not under the Town Council's control, but advise them that the Town Council had informed the Borough of their problems. The fence was not to be moved as it would interfere with the football pitches.

48 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members were advised that a letter had been received acknowledging receipt of the cheque for £920 in full and final settlement of the account for the Knockhall Changing Rooms.

NOTED

49 SWANSCOMBE BOWLING CLUB Members were advised that a copy of the fixture list for 1990 had been received and that the Annual Bowling Match between the Bowls Club and the Town Council had been arranged for Sunday 29th July at 3.30 p.m.

50 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue number 222 of the Direct Information Service had been received together with a draft copy of the Code of Practice relating to Waste Management, both were available in the office.

NOTED

51 SOUTH EAST IN BLOOM Members had received a copy of a letter from Kimberly Clark asking for the Town Council to help promote the competition in this area.

NOTED

52 PUBLIC FOOTPATH DS13 Members were advised that Blue Circle had been contacted by the Borough Council with reference to the subsidence where the footbridge was situated. It had been suggested that when the Contractor resumed work on the fence, it would be necessary for the land around the fence posts to be compacted. To overcome this problem the fence has been extended for 15 metres and was now complete.

53 GREENHITHE FORESHORE Members were advised that a letter had been received from the Cambria Scout Group seeking permission to erect a small marquee on Friday, 1st June for a Royal Naval Inspection to take place.

RECOMMENDED

That permission be granted subject to the usual conditions applying.

54 COBHAM TERRACE PLAYGROUND/MOUNTS COTTAGE SITE Members had received a copy of the Draft Section 52 Agreement from Dartford Borough Council asking for comments to be made as soon as possible to enable necessary amendments to be made. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members were not happy with "Play Bark" being used for a surface, and would require the same rubber tiles installed as with other play areas. The actual cost and type of equipment to be agreed before anything was signed, and Members felt that the equipment should be of a high standard as the site at Mounts Cottage was smaller than the Cobham Terrace one. Finally, what plans were there regarding the footpath from Kemsley Close down to Cobham Terrace.

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55 BEST KEPT GARDEN AND ALLOTMENT COMPETITION Members had received a copy of a letter from Dartford Borough seeking the assistance of local Councils to promote their Allotment competitions.

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council pay the entrance fee if anyone was interested in entering the competition, and the Allotment Association be advised of the competition.

56 K.A.P.C. Members had received a copy of issue number 169 of the Parish News together with copies of the following :

Kent Youth Music Association's newsletter; Rural Development Commission letter; and the National Code of Local Government Conduct. The following literature had also been received and was available in the office:

Invitation for Clerk's Information Day - 23rd June 1990;

Invitation to theme training course on 'Understanding Local Council Financial Management and The Audit' - 24th July, 1990;

Information regarding Parish Tree Wardens;

Open Day at Hadlow College - 10th June 1990;

Annual Report and Accounts from N.A.L.C. 1988/89.

57 DARTFORD STRATEGY FOR THE YEAR 2000 Members had received a copy of the consultation document from Dartford Borough. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members were interested to note that the Borough intended to promote the well being and success of all Schools, when they felt they had received no support in trying to stop the closure of Swanscombe High School. Members were also of the opinion that the document was lacking detail concerning all the Parish Council's in the Borough's area.

Councillor B E Read declared an interest in the following item.

58 RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION Members were advised of a request received from the Residents Association seeking permission to hold a Fete in Swanscombe Park on Sunday 24th June.

RECOMMENDED

That permission be given subject to the usual conditions applying.

59 SWANSCOMBE METHODIST CHURCH Members were advised of a letter from the Church Members informing that they were trying to arrange a quiz evening in Swanscombe, and had invited the Council to enter a team of 4-6 people.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply advising that the Town Council would like to enter a team of 4 people.

60 DEDICATION SERVICE - WAR MEMORIAL Members were advised of an invitation received from the British Legion to all Members to attend the Dedication Service on Sunday 10th June at 3 p.m. A march would commence from Park Road at 2.30 p.m. and refreshments would be available afterwards at the British Legion.



61 POST OFFICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Members discussed who should be the representative for the above mentioned Committee, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor M Lawrie be appointed to this position for the forthcoming year.

62 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members observations :-

DA/90/0319 Erection of a single storey rear extension and internal alterations to convert ground floor of properties into a single retail unit , and installation of new shop fronts and canopies.
33-37 High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

Councillor B G Poppy declared an interest in the above application and left the Committee Room.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

Councillor B G Poppy re-entered the Committee Room.

DA/90/0321/ADV &
DA/90/0328/LB Erection of 6 No. 48 Sheet Advertisement Hoardings - application for listed building consent
All Saints Church, High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members Object most strongly to this application as it would create a traffic hazzard, and the Church is a listed building despite being in a poor state of repair.

DA/90/0326 Erection of a first floor side extension.
Plot 53, Land adjoining Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members are not happy with this application and therefore request an urgent site meeting.

DA/90/0332 Change of use of property from single dwelling house to form 2 No. self contained flats with associated car parking.
121 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members Object most strongly to this application as it would further destroy an area which is already too densely populated.

The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0614/A Land Adj. 'Woodlands', 79 High Street, Greenhithe, kent.

DA/89/0629 (Rev) 'Woodlands' 79 High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0923 (Rev) Knockhall County Primary School, Sweyne Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0048 Land to the North of D.I.F.T. access to Station Road Greenhithe, thence to London Road and junction with Bean Road.

DA/90/0088 25/27 Church Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

The following Decision Notice has been received refusing permission for development:

DA/89/1082/OUT Land at The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.



The following Planning Application has now been submitted as an Appeal to the Secretary of State :

DA/89/1072 Ideal Homes (Southern) Ltd., Land at The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

63 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press, Public and Deputy Town Clerk be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

64 LETTER FROM ASSISTANT CENTRE MANAGER

Members had received a letter explaining the situation and no further action was to be taken.



Chairman

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane on THURSDAY 7th JUNE 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P J French
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. R Simmonds

65 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th April 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A M Barham, P S Crow, B R Francis, R A Francis and Mrs B A Halford.

66 INCOME FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1990 The Income for February and March amounting to £27,343.09 was received as set out in the annexed lists.

67 ACCOUNTS PAID FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1990 The Clerk reported that Accounts amounting to £58,502.31 had been paid during February and March 1990.

68 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were informed that the following accounts had been received for payment :-

B R Stacey	Fencing at Broomfield	£9,309.60
Wildings PLC	Computer	£1,970.15
Swan Memorials	Plaque (P.G.Melvin)	£ 30.00
D.B.C.	Bye Election	£ 840.70
Dartford Portable Buildings	Garage Base for Allotment Assoc.	£1,462.00
Dartford Portable Buildings	Additional work for base	£ 500.00

RECOMMENDED

That all of the above accounts be paid with the exception of Dartford Portable Buildings account for the additional work, for which a detailed breakdown of the invoice was to be obtained before payment was made.

69 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Members had received a copy of the proposed electoral arrangements. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Finance and General Purposes Meeting.

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70 PRECEPT AND SECTION 136 CONTRIBUTION 1990/91 Members were advised that the first instalment of Precept and Section 136 had been transferred from the Broough Council to the Town Council's Account on 30th April 1990.

NOTED

71 SQUASH COURTS - LOAN £40,000 Members were advised of notification received from the Director of Finance informing that the rate of interest which was to be applied from 1st April 1990 for the next two years would be 12.5%.

NOTED

72 PUBLIC LIGHTING ENERGY CHARGES AND V.A.T. Members had received a copy of a letter from Seeboard giving details of the method by which V.A.T. would be applied to the Town Council's Public Lighting and Energy charges as from 1st July 1990.

NOTED

73 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members had received a copy of the reply from K.A.P.C. regarding the amount of information that the Town Council were required to pass onto the Borough Council concerning the Community Charge.

NOTED

74 K.C.C. SUPERANNUATION FUND EMPLOYERS CONTRIBUTIONS Members had received a copy of a letter from K.C.C. informing of the new annual charges regarding employers contributions.

NOTED

75 WAITING RESTRICTIONS - GREENHITHE Members discussed the letter from the Development Services Officer regarding proposed parking restrictions at Greenhithe. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members felt that stringent parking restrictions should not be enforced until alternative arrangements were made, and that it was felt that the Developers, who had added to the problems, should make allowances for off street parking - then the Town Council could possibly agree to restrictions being imposed.

76 BRITISH RAIL Reference Minute 730, Members had received a copy of the reply from Network South East Division. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write again informing Network South East that Members were not in agreement with their views on the service provided, and ask them to bear in mind the increase in the population in Swanscombe and Greenhithe when the situation was reviewed. A request also be made for information regarding the proposed improvements for Swanscombe Station.

77 O.P.W.C. Reference Minute 812, Members were advised of a letter received from the Area Organiser requesting Members to seriously re-consider their request for permission to erect a garage for a second ambulance. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that a decision had been deferred until further enquiries were made.

Councillor's M A Crosby and P R Defty left the
Committee Room *AMB*

78 HERITAGE PARK Members were advised of a letter received from the Solicitor's requesting confirmation that a plan supplied by Blue Circle correctly showed the area of land that was to be included in the Lease.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply confirming that the plan was correct.

79 K.C.C. ARCHIVES Members were advised that a Researcher from K.C.C. Archives would be visiting the Centre to inspect old documents kept by the Town Council, and anything of interest would be removed and stored at the K.C.C. Archives department. Any Members wishing to see these documents would need to do so before the 28th June, 1990.

80 CIVIC SERVICE Members were advised of an invitation received from the Mayor of Dartford to attend a Civic Service on Sunday 1st July at St.Nicholas Church, Southfleet at 10.30 a.m.

81 QUIZ NIGHT Members were advised of receipt of a letter regarding the Quiz Night on June 27th. The venue had been fixed for Club 84, Harmer Road at 7.30 p.m.

RECOMMENDED

That the four representatives be chosen at the Town Council Meeting.

82 WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE Members were advised that the annual subscription in the sum of £20 was due for renewal.

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

83 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue numbers 223, 224, 225 and 226 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office.

84 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL Members were advised that a letter had been received from Blue Circle informing that with effect from 4th June 1990 their costs would be increased by around 7%.

NOTED

85 SECTION 137 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 Members had received a copy of a legal topic notice regarding the above mentioned Act.

NOTED

86 PARKING PROBLEMS Members had received a copy of a letter from a local resident regarding parking problems in the area.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council were hoping to meet with the Police soon to discuss this very problem.

87 MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE Members were advised that the Annual Report and Group Accounts for 1989 had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED AMB

88 NORTH WEST KENT COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT Members were advised that issue number 16 of the Newsletter programme and Task Details from 3rd June to 30th September 1990, had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

89 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the Summer 1990 newsletter had been received together with the following literature :-

Summer Conference 1990 - "Roads to Prosperity or Roads to Ruin?" - Friday, 22nd June 1990 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. at Wye College, Wye, Nr. Ashford, Kent.

Kent Wildlife Focus Magazine.

Autumn/Winter 1990 Programme.

Notice of Annual General Meeting - 8th June 1990 at 7p.m. at the Exhibition Hall, Springfield, Maidstone.

Spring/Summer 1990 edition of the Natural World Magazine.

All of the above literature was available in the office.

NOTED

90 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION Members were advised that the Annual and Treasurer's Report for 1989 had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

91 NEW HOMES MARKETING BOARD Members were advised that the latest edition of the New Homes Review had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

92 KENT COUNTY COUNCIL Members were advised that copies of the K.C.C. "In Touch" brochure had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

93 BARWICK BUILDING CONTRACTORS Members were advised of receipt of a brochure regarding low-cost affordable housing from the above mentioned Contractors, which was available in the office.

NOTED

94 BRITISH TELECOM Members were advised that the Spring issue of British Telecom's newsletter had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

95 INTERNATIONAL RAIL LINK Members had received copies of alternative route proposals put forward by Ove-Arup and Rail Europe, and were advised of receipt of a large colour brochure detailing the routes, which was available in the office. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That Members be issued with copies of the relevant pages from the brochure.

AMB

96 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that copies of the Local Council Review had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

97 WAR MEMORIAL Members were reminded that the Dedication Service for the War Memorial would be held on Sunday 10th June at 3 p.m.

98 ONE-WAY SYSTEM Members were advised of a letter from the Development Services Division informing that a meeting with the Police would be arranged once the new inspector had been appointed at Gravesend. The Borough Council would advise the Town Council of suitable dates once this had happened.

99 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Applications were submitted for Members observations :

- DA/89/0803/A Revisions to previously approved plans DA/89/0803 for change of use to form 8 s/c flats. Revisions in respect of the erection of a single storey rear extension revised layouts and provision of velux windows in front elevations.
10 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application due to the total lack of provision for car parking, and would be out of character with other buildings.
- DA/89/0843/A As above
9 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: As above.
- DA/90/0338 Provision of 2 No. dormer windows in rear elevation and formation of 2 s/c flats in roof space.
9-10 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: Members object strongly to this application due to the lack of parking spaces and it is completely out of character with the existing buildings.
- DA/90/0346 Erection of a detached industrial unit with associated offices.
Galley Hill Industrial Estate, London Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: No Objections
- DA/90/0347/OUT Redevelopment of site for residential use.
Greenhithe Library, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: Members have no objections to this application providing the following conditions are imposed :
- (a) The residential units are not flats and are in keeping with the immediate area.
 - (b) The use of library facilities is guaranteed. AMB

DA/90/0348 Erection of a single storey front extension.
26 Eglinton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections providing neighbouring properties have been notified
and have no objections.

DA/90/0356/ADV Erection of 3 No. internally illuminated fascia signs.
2 Stanhope Road, Swanscombe, kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections providing neighbouring properties have been notified and
have no objections.

DA/90/0372 Erection of a single storey rear extension.
39 Valley View, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections providing neighbouring proerties have been notified
and have no objections.

The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting
permission for development :-

DA/90/0259 11 Munford Drive, Swanscombe, kent. *AmBarham*

Chairman

INCOME FOR FEBRUARY 1990

Parks	Water heater	17.50	17.50
Community Halls	Grove	227.08	
	Church Road	168.41	395.49
Squash	Hire Fees	648.79	
	Registration	1.00	649.79
Administration	Copier	17.06	
	VAT Refund	5,037.57	
	Refund Thames Water re		
	Knockhall Changing Rooms	13.37	
	Insurance Claim (Storm damage re Squash Ct.Roof)	179.00	5,247.00
Leisure Centre	Admission and Memberships	404.79	
	Table Tennis	50.00	
	Badminton	371.30	
	5x5 Football	426.78	
	Bowls	33.48	
	Fitness Room	1,267.60	
	Sales	19.40	
	Aerobics	182.61	
	Short Tennis	33.92	
	Volleyball	141.40	
	Gaming & Video Machine	644.38	
	Junior Fun Club	37.83	
	Children's Parties	9.57	
	Misc.	35.36	3,658.42
Leisure Centre Bar	Bar takings	3,321.84	
	Bar food	268.57	3,590.41
			<u>£13,558.61</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID FEBRUARY 1990

Cash	Wages week 44	603.74
Inland Revenue	Tax & N.I. contributions	3,506.00
C Reeves	Butchers A/C - Centre	116.37
Craylands Chemist	Films for Camera	80.70
Bella Jones	Aerobics Coaching	73.00
R R Reynolds	Service to Gang Mowers	799.88
Thames Water	Centre March Quarter	613.32
TBL Vending	Cigars for Bar	74.47
K.C.C.	Admin & Parks equipment	21.10
D Kollar	Bakers A/C - Centre	51.73
Seeboard	Centre A/C	169.08
Bexley Automatics	Machine Rental & Licence	85.00
Cash	Wages week 45	794.24
Lodge Sports	Short Mat Bowls	1,269.60
Seeboard	Energy & Maintenance charges	30.44
N.K.Weekly News	Advert - Park Attendant	37.95
Sunlock Blinds	Blind for Town Clerk's Office	76.81
D.B.C.	Refuse clearance at Church Rd Hall	31.50
North Kent Oil	Diesel A/C (January)	10.00
Church Rd Garage	January Petrol A/C	101.58
Malden Timber Ltd	Parks supplies	45.08
Cash	Wages week 46	368.34
Bexley Automatics	Machine Rental & Licence	85.00
S R Jenkins	6 months window cleaning Church Rd Hall	26.00
Kings (Beers)	Bar supplies	153.72
Valet Tend	Centre cleaning materials	40.76
H Rose (Tottenham)	Bar supplies	393.36
K.C.C.	Centre & parks supplies	172.36

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INCOME FOR MARCH 1990

Parks	Water heater	10.00	10.00
Community Halls	Grove	39.48	
	Church Road	94.14	133.62
Squash	Hire Fees	380.33	380.33
Administration	Bank A/C's Interest	5,584.93	
	Sale of floor polish	12.50	5,597.43
Leisure Centre	Admission and Memberships	214.55	
	Table Tennis	33.48	
	Badminton	445.21	
	5x5 Football	499.39	
	Bowls	34.36	
	Fitness Room	1,430.66	
	Sales	22.96	
	Aerobics	311.31	
	Short Tennis	29.57	
	Volleyball	65.22	
	Gaming & Video Machines	514.24	
	Junior Fun Club	97.39	
	Children's Parties	9.57	
	Misc.	29.52	
	Trampolining	39.13	
Gymnastics	114.78	3,891.34	
Leisure Centre Bar	Bar takings	3,543.15	
	Bar food	228.61	3,771.76
			<u>£13,784.48</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID MARCH 1990

N.K. Weekly News	Advert re Garages - Knockhall	75.90
A W Gore	Bar stock take	86.25
Kenuu Roofing	Roof repairs to Squash Courts (Ins claim)	223.10
Thames Water	Pavilion & Broomfield A/C's	336.74
C Reeves	Mayors chains (engraving etc)	59.00
D.B.C.	Christmas Lights	1,100.00
K.T.N.C.	Annual Sub Fee	15.00
Society of Local		
Council Clerks	Annual Sub Fee	29.00
C.P.R.E.	Annual Sub Fee	12.00
T.E. Beach	Re Grove C.P. re-surfacing	518.71
Pensioners Trade Union	Donation (Section 137)	100.00
High School Action		
Committee	Donation (Section 137)	250.00
Cash	Wages week 48	651.14
D.B.C.	Planning App re Centre (storage)	19.00
A.E. Frost	Park supplies	31.58
B R Stacey	Fencing around W.Memorial in Park	685.40
C Reeves	Feb. Butchers A/C	88.01
Initial Textile	Cleaning services re Centre	370.14
British Gas	Grove Hall A/C	138.10

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Accounts Paid March 90

Seeboard	Centre A/C	169.08
Occasions	Wreath (T.Bodle)	25.00
Bella Jones	Aerobics Coaching	45.00
N.Kent Oil	Feb. Diesel A/C	11.00
K.C.C.	Centre, Admin & Parks supplies	43.24
Cabana Central	Bar supplies	462.13
Courage Ltd	Bar supplies	2,226.00
H Rose	Bar supplies (spirits)	357.04
Dartford Courts	Licence extension fee (mayors reception)	4.00
Cash	Week 49	808.75
Recro Structures	Final payments re Knockhall	920.00
D Kollar	Bread A/C (Feb)	72.55
Bella Jones	Aerobics coaching	43.00
Medway Fire	Recharging extinguishers at Centre	50.35
E Doe	Service Tractor/trailer	405.95
Greenhithe Comm.Assoc.,	Donation Section 137	1,325.00
D.B.C.	Manor House Rental	900.00
Cash	Week 50	567.15
Inland Revenue	Tax & N.I.	3,673.27
R Allen	Supplies for Kitchen	33.15
Crusader Catering	Supplies for Kitchen	33.04
West Kent Supplies	Sundry supplies for Bar & Kitchen	168.41
Fishers	Admin supplies	1.93
Blue Circle	Allotment Rents	35.43
Church Road Garage	Feb. Petrol A/C	40.00
Kings	Bar supplies	23.54
Data Systems	Centre Admin supplies	21.33
Elite Car Hire	Taxi Hire A/C's	69.80
Cabana Central	Bar supplies	126.29
Sooner Snacks	Bar sundry supplies	81.03
Seeboard	St.Lighting	30.44
K.C.C.	Centre, Admin & Photo Copier A/C	328.57
Post Office	Re direction charge (re mail)	6.75
Cash	Week 51	610.27
Barclays Bank	Salaries	8,490.45
ABC Self Drive	Van Hire (Admin Move)	34.50
Hillesden Secutities	Equipment leasing (Centre)	108.02
Cash	week 52	735.83
Barclays Bank	Salaries	435.01
C Reeves	Butchers March A/C	89.69
Initial Textile	Cleaning Services at Centre	46.25
Bella Jones	Aerobics Coaching	109.00
K.C.C.	Parks & Admin supplies	61.38
De Man Events	Dance Floor	2,190.66
Fishers	Admin stationery	51.30
Local Publications	Advert - Receptionist Centre	51.98
D.P.A.	P.A. Hire (Sound system re Poll Tax Mtg)	69.00
Kentish Times	Supervisor advert	304.52
Opportunities	Leisure Officer advert - Centre	555.45
British Telecom	Admin A/C (Connection charges etc)	693.50
Charade	Band for Mayors reception	225.00
Barclays	Admin interest charges	3.54
Fleet Glass	Security Mirror - Centre	111.55
Bella Jones	Aerobics Coaching	144.00
Kentish Times	Leisure Officer Advert	304.52
Brindus	Park clothing	24.27
West Kent supplies	Bar sundries	122.35
Coffeetime	Sundry supplies - Kitchen	14.50
A D Disposables	Cleaning materials- Centre	147.66

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Accounts Paid March 1990

Courage Ltd	Bar supplies	906.01
Chemaide	Cleaning supplies	76.76
T.B.L. Vending	Bar sundries	195.22
Royal British Legion	Remembrance Day Wreaths	20.00
Brian Cooper Associates	Scribe 75 (Computer software)	805.00
K.A.P.C.	Local Council Admin - Ref book	19.50
George & Dragon	Mayor Reception - buffet suppers	475.00
D Kollar	Bakers A/C	81.46
British Telecom	Admin A/C	55.07
Church Rd Garage	Petrol A/C (March)	55.16
Wicksteed Leisure	Inspection Fee	28.75
Bexley Automatics	Machine rental & Licence	85.00
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Bexley Automatics	Machine rental & Licence	85.00
Bella Jones	Aerobics Coaching	48.00
D.B.C.	Half yearly Rates (Centre)	2,792.14
K.A.P.C.	Cancelled cheque	(20.00) -
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		£39,424.56
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MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane on Friday, 15th JUNE 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater and B R Francis.

100 BEER KEG CAGE Members were advised that children were interfering with the empty kegs and that a cage was required for storage.

RECOMMENDED

That quotes be obtained and the Bar Manager provide a report and suggested location.

101 DIGITAL ENTRY SYSTEM Members were given details of quotes that had been received and it was agreed that expert advice be obtained.

102 FITNESS ASSESSMENTS Members were advised of the list of people waiting for assessments and that a qualified coach would be employed to deal with this.

103 EXTRACTOR FAN Members had been advised of the problems of cooking smells wafting through the building and it was agreed that estimates be obtained.

104 HIRE OF SPORTS HALL Members had been given a short report on the costs associated with staffing etc. when functions were held in the main hall. It was agreed that further details be obtained, including the hourly rate of running costs.

105 RECEPTION TURNSTILE The Centre was losing money due to the fact that people were able to enter the building without passing through a turnstile and estimates were to be obtained for the next meeting.

106 GLASSWASHER Members were advised that Holborn Suppliers had ceased trading and the machine was now leased from Clover Leasing Co. Arrangements were to be made for installation and regular maintenance. This item to be referred to the Bar Manager for urgent attention.

107 VOLLEYBALL Members were advised that arrangements had been made for National League matches to be played at the Centre on 30th September, 16th December, 13th January and 24th March.

108 JUSTICE LICENCE An application had been made for a Protection Order and an application would then be made at the Transfer Sessions for the formal transfer of the Licence.

109 LANDSCAPING A letter had been received seeking observations on the landscaping details that had been suggested. Members approved the reply that had been sent asking for the boundary fence to be extended and the area turfed and shrubs planted at the front of the building.

110 LEASE Reference Minute 908, a reply had been received clarifying the insurance clause and enclosing a copy of a letter that the Solicitors were proposing to send to the Borough Council regarding the claim for compensation relating to the storm damage.

RECOMMENDED

That the clause relating to the insurance be accepted and the proposed letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council.

111 SWANSCOMBE CENTRE Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing that the Architects had been asked to provide details and estimates for lighting circuits to be adjusted and a letter box installed. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to Councillor Nothard advising him of the situation and pointing out that, as a letter box is also needed for the rent office, it is felt that a proportion of the cost should be borne by the Borough Council.

112 ADDITIONAL BUILDING COSTS An account had been received for £14,340 and a letter had been received in reply to the requested breakdown of this figure. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That Mr Griffin be asked to attend a meeting alongwith the relevant Officer to discuss the anomalies of the account with the original estimates that had been received.

113 REFUSE COLLECTION Members were advised of the letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing of the increased cost of the collection of non-domestic waste for 1990/91.

NOTED

114 MODERN ALARMS The Clerk reported receipt of an invoice for an engineer to attend the premises to carry out work on the security system.

RECOMMENDED

That the invoice be forwarded to the Borough Council as the fault was due to the fire doors not being fitted properly.

115 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT A letter had been received from Councillor Mrs B A Halford (reference minute number 25) advising that musicians were not available on a week to week basis and informing that she would like to start again in the Autumn. A request was made for block bookings to ne made for 3 months at a time.

RECOMMENDED

That musical entertainment be provided for a period of 3 months on the first Saturday of each month commencing in October.

116 TELEVISION A request was made for a television to be provided for the bar area.

RECOMMENDED

That a television be hired and arrangements be made for an aerial to be fitted and a licence obtained.

117 BOOKINGS FOR PRIVATE FUNCTIONS Members were asked to consider 3 applications for hiring the main hall.

RECOMMENDED

That the bookings for September and October be accepted.

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118 STANDING ORDERS Due to the number of items on the Agenda it was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (i) be suspended and the meetings of the Leisure Centre Management Committee should commence at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman *D.J. Ash-Bright*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at The Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 21st JUNE 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. A M Barham - Town Mayor
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. B R Francis
Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. B G Poppy

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater, M A Crosby, R A Francis, Mrs B A Halford, M J Munn and R Simmonds.

119 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th May, 1990 be confirmed and signed.

120 CHANNEL LINK Members had received copies of the latest proposed route from Ove Arup, and were advised of a recent meeting that had taken place with K A P C and British Rail.

121 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL Members were advised of a request from Blue Circle - Landfill Division to arrange a meeting with Members to discuss the proposal for them to extend the Site at Bakers Hole.

RESOLVED

That a meeting be arranged for Wednesday 11th July at 8 p.m. at the Centre.

122 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL LIAISON COMMITTEE Members were advised that the next meeting of the above mentioned Committee would be Wednesday 4th July at 7 p.m.

123 QUIZ EVENING Discussion took place regarding who the four representatives should be for the Quiz Evening on Wednesday, 27th June at the harmer Road Youth Club.

RESOLVED

That Councillor's A M Barham and P R Defty attend and any other Members who were available that evening to advise the Clerk.

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124 STORAGE UNIT FOR THE CENTRE Members were advised of the problem that had arisen when Dartford Portable Buildings had commenced work in preparation for the base. The Meeting was adjourned to allow Members to look at the site. The Meeting was re-convened, and it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk contact Dartford Portable Buildings to arrange a site meeting on Saturday 23rd June at 10.30 a.m. with Members being given the authority to make a decision.

125 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th May 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

126 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor B R Francis

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th May 1990, with the exception of Minute number 29, be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

127 RECEPTIONIST Reference Minute number 29, it was

RESOLVED

That this item be referred back to the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

128 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor T V Dixon and seconded by Councillor N Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th May 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

129 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th June 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

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130 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES It was reported to Members that Thameside Groundwork Trust had recently set up offices in Dartford and were interested to hear from any Town/Parish Councils who had any projects within their area they would like the Trust to undertake for them e.g. cleaning streams etc.

131 COUNCIL CHAMBER FURNITURE Members were advised that the Chamber furniture used at Manor House had been removed and was being stored in the Park.

RESOLVED

That investigations be made regarding the size of the desks and chairs with the possibility of them being used in the Committee Room.

132 DATE FOR TOWN MAYOR'S CHARITY EVENT AT THE PAVILION Members were advised of the problems with arranging a Saturday for the above mentioned event. After a brief discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk contact the Pavilion's secretary suggesting that the first Saturday in October be reserved every year in future for this event.

133 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor A M Barham requested Members permission for a Boot Fair to be held in August at Swanscombe Park to raise funds for the Mayor's Charity Fund.

RESOLVED

That permission be granted subject to suitable weather and ground conditions.

134 SCHOOL GOVERNOR - SWANSCOMBE COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL Members were advised by Councillor P R Defty that unfortunately, he was no longer able to continue with this post. After discussion it was

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

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135 K A P C COUNTY AREA REPRESENTATIVES Members were advised that two representatives were required for the above mentioned Committee. After discussion it was

RESOLVED

That Councillor A M Barham and Councillor T V Dixon be elected to serve upon this Committee.

136 TOWN PLANNING The following Planning Applications were submitted for Member's consideration :-

Public Inquiry - Use of the Land at Knockhall Chase Greenhithe Adjacent to the North Boundary of Chase Garage.

Members had received copies of the above Inquiry and had no Observations to make.

DA/88/1144/A Amendment to Landfill Gas Control System: Biffa, Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe.

Members had received copies of a letter from K C C regarding the proposed amendments in terms of clarification and landscaping improvements.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

Enforcement Notice - 7 Manor Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

Members had received copies of a letter from Dartford Borough Council informing of an appeal that had been registered against the above mentioned Enforcement Notice.

OBSERVATIONS: The clerk inform the Department of the Environment that the Town Council supported the appeal against the Notice on the grounds that the original matters referred to did not form a breach of planning permission.

DA/90/0399 Change of Use of Land from Amenity Land to residential garden and erection of a 5 feet high brick boundary wall.

Land adjacent to 39 The Grove, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections

DA/89/0898/A Land to the South of High Street, Greenhithe Following a request from Dartford Borough Council, Members agreed to withdraw their request for a Site Meeting on this application providing requests for Site Meetings were included with the Town Council's observations on Planning Applications DA/88/0857 and DA/89/0898/B.

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The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0147/C Land at Alkerden Lane, Swanscombe.

DA/89/0644(Rev) All Saints Church, Galley Hill, Swanscombe.

DA/89/0645/LB/Rev All Saints Church, Galley Hill, Swanscombe.

DA/90/0319 33-37 High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0372 39 Valley View, Greenhithe, Kent.

Town Mayor

AMBraham

MINUTES of a Meeting of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on Monday, 2nd JULY 1990 AT 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. B R Francis
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs A E D Barham.

137 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th May 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor B E Read
entered the Committee
Room.

138 DIGITAL ENTRY SYSTEM Members considered the advice that had been obtained from the crime prevention officer and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the quote from I.D.H. be accepted in the sum of £525 and Dartford Borough Council be asked to contribute towards this expense.

139 FITNESS ASSESSMENTS Reference Minute 102, Members were advised that the waiting list had now been cleared.

140 HIRE OF SPORTS HALL Reference Minute 104, after consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That future evening bookings should be charged £100 and events commencing earlier in the day should be charged £20 per hour.

141 VOLLEYBALL Reference Minute 107, Members were advised that the match to be held on March 31st had been re-arranged and would take place on March 3rd, 1991.

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142 TELEVISION Reference Minute 116, the television had now been installed.

143 FENCE Members were advised of the need to extend the railings leading from the entrance of the building and a letter was to be sent to the Borough Council explaining the problems.

144 RECEPTION TURNSTILE Reference Minute 105, quotes had been requested and should be available for the next Meeting.

145 STORAGE UNIT FOR THE CENTRE Members had received copies of estimates that had been received for the installation of the unit. After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for the storage unit to be sited in the car park.

146 LANDSCAPING Reference Minute 109, a reply had been received advising that the money set aside was to meet the landscaping conditions referred to in the planning consent.

147 I.L.A.M. Two complimentary tickets had been received for the exhibition to be held at Brighton on 10th and 11th July.

148 DISCLOSURE OF CRIMINAL BACKGROUNDS Members were advised of a Home Office decision which prevented Town/Parish Council's from obtaining this information.

149 ELECTRICAL MODIFICATIONS The Clerk reported receipt of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council enclosing the costs involved to modify the electrical services. It was agreed that further estimates be obtained for the provision of the maintained lighting facility.

150 TABLE TENNIS Members had received a copy of the letter from Mr Longhurst seeking assistance with facilities for their Club to continue to compete in the Gravesend League.

Mr Longhurst was invited to attend the meeting to explain the current position.

JDA

150 TABLE TENNIS Cont'd

After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That Members of the Table Tennis Club should have Membership of the Centre and 3 tables could be hired for 3 hours on Monday evenings at the rate of £10.50 which would include the entrance fees for the visiting team.

Councillor M D Chater entered the
Committee Room

151 PROBLEMS TO BE RESOLVED Members were advised of the letter received from the Borough Council in reply to the complaint made concerning the visible electrical cable and the grid that was blocked by dirt from the embankment.

152 RECEPTIONISTS Members were advised of a letter of resignation that had been received from Mrs Hercock who was moving to Doncaster.

After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That Mrs Cooper be offered the position of part-time receptionist.

A rota system to be arranged for the 3 part-time receptionists covering evenings and weekends.

153 ASSISTANT CENTRE MANAGER Members were advised that a letter of resignation had been received from Mr Fletcher. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That Mr Key be offered the position, commencing on Sp 22 and the salary to be reviewed in 3 months at the end of the probationary period.

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154 CENTRE MANAGER Members were advised that Mr Granados had been offered the position of Centre Manager.

It was agreed that Mr Key and Mr Bickerstaff be paid for the additional hours they would be working until the Manager commenced his employment.

155 GLASSWASHER Members were advised that arrangements had been made for the installation of the glasswasher.

156 SALARIES It was

RECOMMENDED

That the annual increase as advised by the N J L C be accepted with effect from 1st July 1990.

157 ACCOMMODATION Members were advised of the problems being experienced by the Centre Staff.

158 HIRE OF SPORTS HALL Members were advised that arrangements were being made for events to be held on Christmas Eve and New Years Eve and for a Charity Race Night. A request for a wedding reception to be held on October 6th was accepted.

159 INTERVIEW EXPENSES It was agreed to pay the expenses requested by Mr Neale and to pay the train fare for Mr Jeffery.

Chairman. *D. J. Costello*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, on THURSDAY
5th JULY, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman	Cllr. P J French
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith	Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. A M Barham	Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. P R Defty	Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. Mrs S East	Cllr. R Simmonds

The Chairman, Councillor M A Crosby advised Members that Councillor Smith from Dartford Borough Council had visited the Centre just prior to this Meeting, and discussion had taken place regarding the several outstanding problems with the Centre.

Councillor Mrs S East entered the Committee Room and apologised for being late.

160 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th May 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater, P S Crow, T V Dixon, B R Francis, R A Francis, Mrs B A Halford and N Halford.

161 OLD CHANGING ROOMS - KNOCKHALL Members were advised that the garages that were previously used as changing rooms had been broken into many times, causing damage to the sinks, showers, doors etc. The power supply had been disconnected. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Insurance Company to see if any claim could be made regarding the damage.

162 GOLF Members were advised of youths playing golf on the cricket square causing damage and creating a danger to the public.

163 LITTER AT BROOMFIELD Members were advised of the problems with litter at Broomfield Road Playing Fields.

RECOMMENDED

That two heavy duty bins be purchased and placed close to the seats.

164 PLAY EQUIPMENT Members were advised that the see-saw plank at the Knockhall area had been removed for safety reasons, and could not be replaced.

RECOMMENDED

That the base also be removed and this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

165 FOOTBALL PITCH ALLOCATION Members had received a copy of the proposed pitch allocation for the 1990/91 Season.

RECOMMENDED

That the pitch allocation be approved with possible consideration being given to the youth team who had applied earlier in the year for a pitch.

166 KNOCKHALL ROAD GARAGES Members were advised of a letter received from the Valuation Officer informing that the garages should be advertised for sale at £15,000. A letter was sent in reply, explaining the bad state of the garages and that the Estate Agents had asked if a more realistic reserve price of £6,000 could be placed on the property.

The District Valuer had then inspected the garages personally, and was in agreement with the price of £6,000.

RECOMMENDED

That the garages be advertised for offers in excess of £6,000.

167 PARK MESS ROOM Members were advised that further estimates had been requested for a steel security door.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting.



168 SQUASH COURTS Members had received copies of the estimates for painting the outside walls of the squash courts.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.
Councillor M A Crosby declared an interest in the next item and took no part in the discussion.

169 BOWLS PAVILION Members received copies of further estimates regarding the work needed to be carried out to the Bowls Pavilion. After a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until a meeting had been arranged with the Bowls Club, the Town Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

170 GROVE CAR PARK Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council regarding abandoned vehicles in the Grove Car Park. After a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council place their own Notices on the vehicles and the Clerk write to the D.V.L.C. to try and obtain the owners names and addresses.

171 BOTTLE BANK Members were advised that a Bottle Bank had been placed in the Grove Car Park by the Borough Council.

172 HERITAGE PARK Members had received a copy of the Draft Lease. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply to the Solicitor raising various points including the coloured area not indicated on the plan; the right of way marked on the plan; the landscaping of the area to be kept to it's natural state; and the length of notice regarding the termination of the lease.

173 SCAFFOLD TOWERS Members were advised that a price list for the hire of scaffold towers had been received and the purchase price had to be negotiated with the Company.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting.



174 PARISH TREE WARDENS Members were advised that details of training schemes and an introductory course for tree wardens had been received.

RECOMMENDED

That the Notices be displayed and copies sent to Councillor R Simmonds and the Greenhithe Community Association for their information.

175 SPORTS PAVILION Members had received a copy of a letter from the Sports Association seeking access on to the sports field. A further letter had also been received regarding the Lease and the possibility of amending the current one or having a new one. After a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply advising that Members could appreciate the problems and a meeting would hopefully be arranged to discuss the issue.

176 PUBLIC FOOTPATHS Members were advised that the following Orders had been confirmed as unopposed Orders :

Public Path (Part of DS6 Craylands Lane, Swanscombe)
Diversion Order 1190 No.2

Members were also advised that the Public Footpaths Sub-Committee had not been formed and footpath matters would be dealt with by the Highways and Transportation Committee. Following a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Footpaths Officer informing that footpath DS6 - Craylands Lane was badly overgrown and in need of cutting back.

177 GARAGE REAR OF 106 MILTON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE Members had received a copy of the reply regarding the above mentioned garage using the premises for spraying cars.

RECOMMENDED

That letters be sent to the neighbouring properties informing them that if they have any cause for complaint to contact Mr Parkinson at Dartford Borough Council.

178 SHELTER Members were advised that the Kent Churches were to have a stand at the Kent Show giving national organisations the opportunity to publicise Rural Housing. The Kent County Show was to be held at Detling on 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th July.

179 T.V.E.I. Members were advised that a copy of the schedule arranged for the forthcoming year had been received and was available in the office. Members were further advised that a Business Schools Liaison Seminar was being held on Tuesday, July 17th at Northfleet School for Girls, and an exhibition entitled Learning Together was to be held at St Georges Centre, Gravesend from 9th to 13th July.

RECOMMENDED

That the enclosed Notices advertising the above be displayed accordingly.

180 INVICTA MONUMENT Members were advised that at a recent Meeting of the Policy Committee held at Dartford Borough Council it had been agreed that the Borough Council would pay for any costs involved in storing or moving the Invivta Monument. A meeting to be arranged with representatives of the Men of Kent Association and an Officer from the Borough Council to discuss the siting of the Monument.

181 HAYMAN SQUASH CLUB Members were advised of a request received from the above mentioned Squash Club to hire one court on Wednesday evenings . The Club were prepared to pay 3 months in advance for a 10% discount.

RECOMMENDED

That permission be granted for them to have use of one court on Wednesday evenings only.

182 P.O.U.N.C. Members were advised of the latest information received from the Post Office Advisory Committee.

RECOMMENDED

That this be forwarded to Councillor M Lawrie.

A handwritten signature, possibly 'M. Lawrie', written in dark ink.

183 MANOR HOUSE Members had received copies of a letter from Dartford Borough Council advising that the Resources Sub Committee had declared that Manor Park was surplus to requirements, Manor House was to be demolished and the land sold by Tender, subject to Outline Planning Consent being obtained.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply advising that members were unanimously opposed to the whole area of Manor Park being sold for development but in view of the Borough Council's proposals they would like to be included in the consultations.

Members were concerned at the lose of open space, the playground and the reduction of space for the Oast House. A suggestion was made for a Health Centre to be incorporated in the development

The Clerk was also asked to advise the Council for the Protection of Rural England of the possible threat to trees in Manor Park.

184 SCHOOL GOVERNOR - MANOR ROAD INFANTS SCHOOL Following a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting.

185 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members observations :

Councillor B G Poppy declared an interest in the following Application.

DA/90/0426 Erection of single storey side and rear extensions.
The Arches, Mounts Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/90/0430 Provision of Dormer windows in front elevation.
Plot 48 Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: What provision has been made for the additional parking spaces required for a 5 bedroom property.

DA/90/0446 Erection of a two storey side and single storey rear extension.
92 Ames Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections



DA/90/0447/OUT Erection of a four storey block of 15 No. 1 Bed and 6 No. 2 Bed Flats with associated car parking at basement level.

"Haslington" Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members are opposed to this application due to overintensive use of the site and are concerned that this area is being over-developed with 1 bedroom flats.

The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development:

DA/90/0356ADV 2 Stanhope Road, Swanscombe Kent

186 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE After a brief discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That an Executive Committee Meeting be held on Thursday, 12th July at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. D. [unclear]', written over a horizontal line.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on Thursday, 12th July, 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. A M Barham, Town Mayor
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. B E Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M J Munn.
187 MINUTES The Minutes of Meetings held on 16th November 1989 and 1st May 1990 were confirmed and signed.

188 PARK STAFF Members considered the grading of the Park Staff and it was then

RECOMMENDED

That D Hinkley be promoted to Groundsman and his wage to be increased by £5 per week with effect from 16th July, 1990.

D Scutts to undertake Groundsman duties only if needed and J Barton to be promoted to Gardener and this to be reflected in the annual wage increase due to take place in September 1990.

189 FOOTBALL ATTENDANT After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the vacancy for an attendant at Knockhall Changing Rooms be advertised at the rate of £8 per session on match days.

190 STAFF SALARIES Members were advised of the A.P.T & C Salaries agreement for 1990.

RECOMMENDED

That this agreement be accepted and salaries for the Town Clerk, Deputy Clerk and Parks Foreman be increased accordingly with effect from 1st July, 1990.

A M Barham

191 TOWN CLERK After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Clerk's salary be increased to Sp 29 with effect from 1st April, 1990

Members to be supplied with a copy of the Constitution of Committee's for discussion at the next Meeting of the Town Council.

192 WEEKEND PARK ATTENDANT Members were advised of references that had been received for Mr Davey. *AmBarham*

Town Mayor.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre, Swanscombe on MONDAY,
16th JULY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. B R Francis

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's
Mrs A E D Barham and M D Chater.

193 RECEPTIONISTS Members were advised that Mrs Cooper had accepted the position of receptionist for evenings and weekends and a meeting was to be held to arrange a mutually agreeable shift rota. The part time receptionists had requested enhanced payment for week-end work and the Clerk was asked to explain that an additional payment had been included in their hourly rate and further consideration would be given to this matter when the wages were reviewed in September.

194 SUMMER HOLIDAY LEAFLETS Approximately 4000 leaflets had been delivered, giving details of summer holiday courses and activities. Additional advertising was to be arranged.

195 STORAGE UNIT A letter had been received from the Planning Services Officer giving temporary permission for the store to be sited in the car park for a period not exceeding twelve months. The store had been delivered on July 11th.

196 EXTENSION FOR STORAGE Quotes were being obtained for an extension to solve the storage problems, and it was agreed that quotes should also be obtained for the cost of providing a multi purpose floodlit area.

197 DIGITAL ENTRY SYSTEM I D H Alarms were to install the system on July 23rd.

198 GLASS WASHER Members were advised that the glass washer had been installed.

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199 BAR PRICES The prices of wines, beers and spirits had been increased due to an increase in brewery prices.

200 JUNIOR FUN CLUB The Assistant Manager had suggested that the Fun Club should be held on Saturday mornings, which was a quiet time for the Centre, and part time staff would be required to assist.

201 CARPET DAMAGE Members were advised that the carpet had been damaged in the bar area when beer kegs were delivered and a letter had been sent to the breweries seeking compensation.

202 CENTRE MANAGER A letter of acceptance had been received from Mr Granados who would commence employment on August 6th. Members were also advised of reference letters that had been received.

203 LICENSING Members were advised that the Town Council's Solicitor had been advised of Mr Fletcher's resignation and had been asked to include Mr Granados and Mr Key on the Licence.

204 ALARM SYSTEM Members were advised of a letter received from the Borough Council with the invoice for an engineer attending to deal with an alarm problem. It was agreed that as the problem had been caused because the doors were not fitted securely, the invoice should be returned to Dartford Borough Council.

205 BAR STAFF A letter had been received from Mrs James advising that she had served her probationary period and asking for her wages to be reviewed. The Clerk was asked to advise Mrs James that her wages would be reviewed in September and the points raised in her letter would be taken into consideration.

206 LEISURE CENTRE STAFF After consideration it was agreed that name tags should be obtained for the bar staff, receptionists, supervisors, manager and assistant manager of the Centre.

207 PHOTO MACHINES The Assistant Manager was asked to investigate the possibility of having a machine installed.

Chairman.

M. J. Ashford

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 2nd AUGUST, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. A M Barham - Town Mayor	
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith	Cllr. P J French
Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham	Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. M A Crosby	Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. P R Defty	Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon	Cllr. B E Read

Prayers were read by Reverend T Mercer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M D Chater, Mrs S East, R A Francis, B R Francis, M J Munn and R Simmonds.

208 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st June, 1990 be confirmed and signed.

209 GARAGE REAR OF 106 MILTON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE Reference Minute 177, Members were advised that a letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council requesting the names of the local residents who had complained about the spraying etc being carried out at the above mentioned premises. After discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That the Town Mayor, Councillor A M Barham would visit one of the residents to clarify the situation.

210 NATIONAL CODE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONDUCT Members had previously received a copy of the above mentioned document.

211 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS - SWANSCOMBE HIGH STREET Members were advised of a letter received from Leisure Services at Dartford Borough Council informing that the Chamber of Commerce were unable to extend their responsibility to the provision of lighting in Swanscombe, therefore, the Town Council were being asked to take over the responsibility with a contribution from the Borough Council of £1,000. Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED AMB

That the Clerk reply asking how much the Borough Council had spent on this facility in previous years, and informing that Members felt the amount offered by the Borough of £1,000 should be increased as it was not sufficient to meet current costs.

212 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members had received a copy of the letter from Mr Lane, Chairman of the above mentioned Action Committee. After a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That a reply be sent explaining that letters in support of the School remaining open had been sent and that it was not always possible for Members to attend every meeting, however, they fully support the Action Committee in their fight to keep the School open. The Action Committee also to be advised that Town Councillor's were not aware of the meeting at the Borough Council offices which would explain why a larger proportion of Councillor's were not present.

213 MANOR PARK Members were advised of correspondence received from the Protection of Rural England regarding the trees in Manor Park, and from the Kent Association of Parish Councils regarding the possible Compulsory Purchase of the land. Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council requesting a Tree Preservation Order be placed on all the trees in Manor Park. Members to be issued with a copy of the reply from K A P C regarding Compulsory Purchase of the land.

214 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the above mentioned Council informing that their Secretary was leaving her post after eight years of service.

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215 NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE Members were advised of a letter received from Mr Hayes, Dartford Borough Council inviting the Clerk and the Chairman of the Council to a special meeting with the Community Health Council to discuss the latest situation regarding the N H S and possible hospital closures, to be held at the Civic Centre on 11th September at 7.30 p.m. *AMB*

216 LEASE - SWANSCOMBE CENTRE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Solicitor asking if correspondence concerning peppercorn rent was available.

217 LETTER OF COMPLAINT FROM LOCAL RESIDENT Members were advised of receipt of a letter of complaint from a local resident in Gunn Road regarding children playing football in the corner of the Park. After a brief discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That a copy of the letter be sent to the Police to seek their assistance in the matter and a letter be sent to the resident advising of the action taken.

218 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th June 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

219 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd July 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

220 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs A E D Barham and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th July 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

221 BOTTLE BANKS Discussion took place regarding Minute 171, and it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the Borough Council regarding the various options that might be available reference sponsorship and, advising that Members were interested in having a bottle/paper bank installed in the Knockhall/Greenhithe area. AMB

222 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor M A Crosby and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

223 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th July 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

224 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith advised Members of a meeting she had attended at the Greenhithe Community Association.

A meeting of the Gravesend and District for the Mentally Handicapped had also been attended by Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith who reported of their fund raising events and the problems being caused by changes in the benefits system.

Councillor M A Crosby informed Members he had recently attend a meting of the K A P C and that the next meeting was to be held at the Leisure Centre.

225 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL LIAISON COMMITTEE Members were advised that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th July, 1990 had been received and were available in the office.

226 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor A M Barham advised Members that the plaque for the late Councillor P G Melvin has been placed on the seat at Greenhithe Foreshore, and a letter had been sent seeking a new lease for the Foreshore. Members were also advised of a Charity Boot Fair to be held in Swanscombe Park on Sunday, 12th August, 9 a.m. start. Councillor M A Crosby was presented with a cheque for £25 in recognition of the work carried out during his year of office, and which he intended to donate to the Swanscombe School Action Committee.

227 SCHOOL GOVERNOR FOR SWANSCOMBE COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

AMB

228 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Members had received copies of the proposed amendments to the Electoral Arrangements.

NOTED

229 FURNITURE FROM COUNCIL CHAMBER - MANOR HOUSE Members discussed the possibilities of using the furniture from Manor House, and it was,

RESOLVED

That investigations be made into the possibility of reducing the size of the furniture so it might fit into the new Committee Room.

230 CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE'S

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Meeting of the Executive Committee.

231 AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS Members had received copies of a proposal made by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford to amend the Standing Orders

RESOLVED

That Standing Order number 21 vii be amended to read "one third" instead of "one half" of its Members.

Councillor B E Read left the Committee Room.

232 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :

DA/90/0454/OUT Redevelopment of Site to provide a 45,000 Sq.Ft. supermarket, 5,000 Sq.Ft. fast food restaurant, 50,000 Sq.Ft. of class B.1. Business accommodation, 6,000 Sq.Ft. retail shops, a 5,000 Sq.Ft public house and 100 self contained flats with associated car parking and access roads.

Land to the West of Station Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS: Members urgently request a Site Meeting is held.

DA/90/0457 Erection of a two storey rear extension.

Royal British Legion Social Club, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations. *AMB*

DA/90/0482 Continued use of land for light industrial purposes.

34-40 Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/90/0496 Erection of a first floor rear extension.

5 Stanhope Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

DA/88/0203 63 Ames Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

Members were advised of a letter received from the Development Services Officer concerning the disputed boundaries regarding the above mentioned application.

The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0898/A Land to the South of High Street, Greenhithe.

DA/90/0289 Sweyne County Primary School, Keary Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0321/ADV All Saints Church, High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0326 Plot 53, Land adjoining Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0328/LB All Saints Church, High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0399 Land adjacent to 39 The Grove, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0457 Royal British Legion Social Club, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

The following Decision Notices had been received refusing permission for development :

DA/88/0857/D Land South of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent

DA/89/0898/B Land South of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0291 79 Ames Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0332 121 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Kent. AMB

DA/90/0338(Rev) 9-10 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe,
Kent.

The following Planning Application was withdrawn on 10th July,
1990.

DA/90/0347/OUT Redevelopment of Site for residential use.
Greenhithe Library, London Road, Greenhithe,
Kent.

Town Mayor *AM Barkham*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre, Swanscombe on MONDAY,
13th AUGUST, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. B E Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's
Mrs A E D Barham and R Simmonds.

233 MINUTES The Minutes of the Minutes held on 15th June, 2nd
and 16th July 1990 were confirmed and signed.

234 STAFFING The Centre Manager, Mr Granados was welcomed to his
first meeting.

Members were advised by the Centre Manager that he would like to
have an additional supervisor which would enable him to contact
schools etc and promote the Leisure Centre.

Members were also advised that Mrs Burnett had given notice of
her resignation and her last day of employment as day time
receptionist would be August 14th.

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager arrange for a supervisor and 2 part time
receptionists to be engaged.

235 EXTRACTOR FAN The Clerk had been advised that a cooker hood
would be more suitable than an extractor fan and the maximum cost
would be £150. This item was deferred for further advice to be
obtained.

236 TURNSTILE Members had received copies of the two estimates
that had been obtained :-

(a) £1,906.00
(b) £1,941.00

RECOMMENDED

That the Manager arrange for the turnstile to be installed,
subject to finance being available.

237 CASHIER'S OFFICE Additional estimates were to be obtained
for a hand-out unit for equipment.

238 ADVERTISING Members were advised that an advertisement had been placed in the August edition of Shoppers Choice.

239 FLOODLIT PITCH A verbal estimate had been obtained in the sum of £21,585 and it was agreed that this item be deferred until more detailed information was available.

240 STORAGE EXTENSION Members were advised of estimates that had been obtained ranging from £20,000 to £25,575. A letter was to be sent to Dartford Borough Council seeking their permission to extend the building under the terms of the lease.

241 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL Discussion took place regarding the renewal date and it was

RECOMMENDED

That memberships would be renewed on January 1st of each year.

242 ACCOUNT FOR EXCAVATION WORK Members were advised of an account that had been received for excavation work in the sum of £985.

RECOMMENDED

That the account be paid.

243 RATE RELIEF Reference Minute 24, a form had been obtained for claiming rate relief.

NOTED

244 USAGE FIGURES Members had received copies of usage figures for the 3 month period to July.

NOTED

245 STOCKTAKE REPORT Members had received a copy of the report for the period to 11th July.

NOTED

246 MEMBERSHIP Members discussed the various options relating to the fee for residents to become members.

247 PRIVATE FUNCTIONS Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That bookings can be taken for 12 months in advance.

248 TABLE TENNIS Mr Longhurst had written to accept the offer of one court being available on Monday evenings from 7.30 to 10.30 p.m.

NOTED

249 BUILDING PROBLEMS Members had received copies of the letter received from Councillor Nothard, and it was agreed that estimates be obtained for isolating the lighting switches.

250 CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS Members had received a copy of the letter received from the Solicitor regarding the loss suffered due to the storm damage alongwith a copy of the letter received from the Borough Council.

A further letter received from Attenborough & Jones had been forwarded to the structural engineer, as advised by the Town Council's Solicitor.

251 LICENSING Members were advised of a letter that had been received, confirming that an application to transfer the Licence was to be made on September 7th.

252 DIRECTION SIGNS A letter had been received from the Borough Council advising that enquiries were being made to see if funds were available to provide directional signs.

253 OFFICE BLINDS Members were advised of a quote that had been obtained to fit vertical blinds in the offices, in the sum of £404.48.

RECOMMENDED

That the blinds be obtained.

254 TRANSFER OF OFFICER'S LEAVE Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that a

RECOMMENDATION

be put to the Executive Committee for Officer's transfer of leave to apply, as per the N J C conditions of service.

255 CASUAL STAFF The Centre Manager explained the need for casual staff to be employed and it was then

RECOMMENDED

That Mr Granados be responsible for employing casual staff as and when required.

256 OVERTIME PAYMENTS Discussion took place regarding the inconvenience of leiu time time being taken and it was

RECOMMENDED

That overtime payments be made at the discretion of the Centre Manager.

257 TRAINING COURSES Courses for first aid training, weight training and badminton were to be arranged.

258 WEIGHING MACHINE Members were given details of a weighing machine that could be installed at no expense to the Council,

RECOMMENDED

That the machine be installed in the foyer.

259 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Members were advised of a party that had been arranged for Saturday 22nd December for 5 to 11 year olds and enquiries were to be made for sponsorship.

Chairman

A. J. Ash-Brook

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on
TUESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. P R Defty

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's
Mrs A E D Barham, A M Barham, B E Read and R Simmonds.

260 LEISURE CENTRE GENERAL Members were advised that the Leisure Centre was running quite well with a full compliment of staff. There was, unfortunately, a poor response to the summer courses and activities but it was hoped that this would improve in the future.

261 WATER CONDITIONER Members were advised of equipment and this was to be discussed again at a later date.

262 OUTSIDE NOTICEBOARD Members were advised that prices regarding outside noticeboards had not yet been received but should be available for the next meeting.

263 SATURDAY MORNING FUN CLUB Members were advised that the Saturday morning fun club had got off to a slow start.

264 STAFFING Members were advised that Paul Merrills had been employed as Recreation Supervisor, Ann Hill was now employed as morning receptionist, the cleaner vacancy had been taken by Vivian French, and Denise Flaxton was the afternoon receptionist.

265 CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS Members had received a copy of the reply from the Structural Engineer, which had been forwarded to the Solicitor.

Members were also advised that the boilers had overflowed the previous week-end and that the Clerk had taken out insurance to cover consequential loss on behalf of the Town Council.

266 CINEMA CONVERSION Members were advised that a quotation for installing 2nd hand equipment had been received in the sum of approximately £17,100.00. Following discussion, it was agreed that this item be deferred.

267 CONCESSIONARY USE: OFF PEAK A suggestion was made that concessionary use during off-peak times be introduced in line with outdoor facilities.

RECOMMENDED

That concessions be implemented after the Meeting of the Town Council to be held on 4th October.

268 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Members were advised that a children's Christmas Party had been arranged for Saturday 22nd December 3 - 6 p.m. followed by an under 18 disco 7 - 10 p.m. Local business' has agreed to sponsor this event and 50 tickets were to be distributed for children in need from this locality.

269 PLANNED ACTIVITIES Members were advised that the following activities were bring planned:

Judo Coaching - Monday evenings
Football skills awards and competitions - Wednesday evenings
Soft Toy making - Thursday mornings
Ladies only fitness sessions
Starting the following week ladies recreation - Tuesday a.m. and 50 plus Thursday a.m.

270 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT Following a discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That musical entertainment be held in the bar on Sunday evenings for 3 months, from October 7th.

271 CASHIER'S UNIFORMS This item was deferred for further consideration.

272 PRIVATE FUNCTIONS Discussion took place regarding the length of time needed for staff to prepare the hall for private functions.

273 STORAGE EXTENSION Reference Minute 240, a reply had been received from the Borough Council advising that they were unable to consider such an extension until the lease had been signed.

274 LEASE Members were advised of correspondence relating to Baker's Hole that had been forwarded to Mr Dornan of Blue Circle reference the peppercorn rent.

275 CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS - ROOF DAMAGE Reference Minute 250, a reply had been received from the Structural Engineer advising that the onus was on the roofing contractor to prove that the fixing system used was designed and manufactured to withstand the necessary wind forces, bearing in mind the exposed aspect of this building.

A copy of this letter had been sent to the Town Council's Solicitor.

276 FIBREGLASS INSULATION Members were advised of problems being experienced by staff due to fibre glass insulation that had been installed to overcome the draught problem.

277 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE Members discussed the estimated expenditure for 1990/91.

278 MULTI-PURPOSE FLOODLIT AREA Estimates were to be obtained for this facility.

279 FURNITURE Members were advised of the need to purchase additional chairs and tables for functions. This item was deferred for a decision to be made at a later date.

280 HAND-OUT POINT Members were advised of the type of hand-out point that was needed and it was agreed that this would be discussed at a later date.

Chairman. *S. J. Ashworth*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE

held at The Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on
6th SEPTEMBER 1990, at 8 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. M D Chater - Chairman	
Cllr A M Barham	Cllr. N Halford
Cllr P S Crow	Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr T V Dixon	Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr P J French	Cllr. B E Read
Cllr Mrs B A Halford	Cllr. R Simmonds

281 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th July, 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, Mrs A E D Barham, M A Crosby, P R Defty and R A Francis.

282 CRICKET MATCH INCIDENT Members were advised of an incident that had taken place involving a car that had been damaged by a cricket ball during a match being played at Broomfield Road. On the advice of the Town Council's Insurance Company, the owner of the vehicle had been asked to make a claim to the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Cricket Club. Members were informed that although the Town Council have public liability insurance it might be advisable to ask the hirer's of facilities if they have suitable cover.

NOTED

Councillor Mrs B A Halford entered
the Committee Room

283 SQUASH COURT WALL Members were advised of the previous three estimates that had been received to repaint the outside of the Squash Courts. Following a lengthy discussion it was proposed by Councillor Mrs Halford and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon that various art colleges be contacted regarding the possibility of having a mural on the end wall. Councillor P S Crow requested that a Recorded Vote be taken regarding this proposal.

For the proposal
A M Barham
M D Chater
T V Dixon
P J French
M J Munn
Mrs B A Halford
N Halford

Against the proposal
P S Crow
B G Poppy
B E Read
R Simmonds



Therefore, following the Recorded Vote, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the local colleges be contacted with a view to having a mural painted on the end wall of the Squash Courts.

284 PARK MESS ROOM Members were advised of the estimates that had been received regarding the steel security door and cage in the park mess room. Following a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting, and meanwhile, the Crime Prevention Officer be contacted for his advice as to the best solution to the security problem.

285 PLAY EQUIPMENT Reference Minute 673, 1989/90, Members instructions were requested regarding replacing the rocking horse at Broomfield and the redundant see-saw at Knockhall. Members were also advised that the Delta Climber that was to be placed at Valley View no longer complied with British Standard number 5696. Wicksteed Leisure had inspected the Climber and were prepared to negotiate the possibility of part exchanging it with new equipment and they mentioned another option available - to lease equipment. Following a short discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That investigations be made as to exactly why this piece of equipment no longer complied with B.S No. 5696, and whether it could be modified to meet this standard. The representative from Wicksteed Leisure be asked to attend the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting to explain the various options his Company were offering.

286 SQUASH COURTS Members had received a copy of a letter of complaint from a member of public regarding the Squash Courts advanced booking facility. After a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That although Members understood the point the letter was making, they felt that the present situation should stand.

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287 ROAD NAMES FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT AT GREENHITHE QUAY Members were advised of the proposed new road names for the above mentioned development.

RECOMMENDED

That out of the six suggestions, Nelson Rise be removed and replaced with Beaton Close.

288 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Members had received a copy of a letter of complaint from a local resident in Taunton Road.

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor M D Chater visit the person concerned to discuss the problem.

289 ALLOTMENTS Members were advised of two requests received via the Allotment Association to erect sheds on plots 19 and 22 at the New Burial Ground Site, and a greenhouse on plot 19 at Keary Road Site.

RECOMMENDED

That the Association be informed that Members have no objections to these requests.

290 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue numbers 227, 228 and 229 of the Direct Information Service had been received, and were available in the office.

NOTED

291 SWANSCOMBE COUNTY INFANTS SCHOOL Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Mrs Bassant informing that as part of their School Project they were trying to make the children aware of the environment and to take care of it. Members were also advised that a reply had been sent from the Town Council informing of the bottle bank that had been installed in the Grove Car Park.

Members were advised of a letter received from Environmental Services at Dartford Borough Council concerning the sponsorship of the bottle banks, informing that all profits would be donated to Guys Hospital - Kidney Patients Association.

Following discussion, Councillor Mrs B A Halford was intending to write to Dartford Borough Council regarding sponsorship of the bottle bank in the Grove Car Park.

292 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised that the following brochures had been received and were available in the office :

Ausplay - Australian play equipment
Local Charity - Spring issue
Oast to Coast - Summer 1990.

NOTED

293 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members had received copies of issue numbers 171 and 172 of the Parish News and were advised of the following invitations :

Finance for Parish Council's - 22nd September, 1990.
Environment and Development - 15th and 16th Sept 1990.
Understanding Personnel and Human Resource Management -
2nd October, 1990.

NOTED

294 SALE OF LAND AT MANOR HOUSE Members were advised that a letter has been received from the Legal Services Officer acknowledging receipt of the Town Council's objections to the sale of the land and informing that Members objections would be considered by Borough Members of the Resources Sub-Committee at a meeting to be held on 13th September.
Discussion took place regarding the problems that were being experienced by residents living near the Site.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council informing of the problems and nuisance being experienced by local residents.

295 PLAQUE - P.G.MELVIN Members were advised of receipt of a letter of thanks from Mrs Melvin regarding the plaque on the bench at Greenhithe Foreshore.

NOTED

296 INVICTA MEMORIAL Members had received copies of the latest correspondence from the Kentish Men regarding the Invicta Memorial.

Members were advised that the Memorial had now been removed from the Manor House site.

NOTED

297 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised of an invitation received from the C P R E to attend a performance of "Memphis Belle" at the Cannon Cinema, Canterbury on Friday 7th September, 1990 at a cost of £15 per ticket.

NOTED

298 DARTFORD REVIEW Members were advised that the Summer issue of the Dartford review had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

299 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY Members were advised that a copy of the Kent Public Rights of Way Strategy had been received together with a Guide to Definitive Map Procedures - both were available in the office.

NOTED

300 KNOCKHALL ROAD - SALE OF GARAGES Members were advised that Prudential Property Services had received an offer of £6,000 for the garages at Knockhall - the Auction was due to take place on 18th September. Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That subject to this Committee having the authority, the offer be accepted.

Councillor P J French left the
Committee Room.

301 DOWNS BOWLS CLUB Members had received a copy of the letter from the above mentioned Bowls Club requesting use of the public bowling green. After a discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council felt that the second Green should be kept for hire by the general public, and were therefore unable to assist them on this occasion.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MAW' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

302 SPRINGVALE FOOTBALL CLUB Members were advised of a letter received from the above mentioned Club regarding the condition of the football pitch.

RECOMMENDED

That the Parks Foreman be given a copy of the letter and this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

303 LICENCE APPLICATION - 33/37 HIGH STREET, SWANSCOMBE Members were advised of receipt of an application for an Off-Licence at the above mentioned premises.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply objecting to this application on the grounds that this area was sufficiently well served with Off-Licence premises already.

304 SCHOOL GOVERNOR - MANOR ROAD INFANTS SCHOOL Discussion took place regarding the above mentioned vacant position, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor M J Munn be elected to serve as Governor for Manor Road Infants School.

Councillor's P S Crow, B G Poppy,
B E Read and R Simmonds left the
Committee Room.

305 BOWLS PAVILION Members had received a copy of the report regarding the meeting with the Bowls Club. Following a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a Site Meeting be held at Swanscombe Park on Saturday, 15th September at 11 a.m.

306 SEX BIAS Members had received a copy of item 4783 of the Direct Information Service number 228 reference charges for Senior Citizens.

RECOMMENDED

That in future the Town Council's policy would be that any person aged 60 or over would qualify for a reduction in recreational facilities as applicable.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M A C W', written over a horizontal line.

307 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS Members were informed that the following Planning Applications had been dealt with during recess:

DA/89/0028/A Submission of details of estate roads and footpaths pursuant to condition (2) of ref DA/89/0028 for the erection of an industrial/warehouse building with associated offices and car parking.

Kent Kraft Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS : No Objections

DA/89/0100/A Submission of landscaping details and retaining wall pursuant to conditions 4 & 7 ref DA/89/0100 for the erection of a 4 storey side extension and conversion of property to form 8 no. self contained flats, and revisions in respect of the provision of sloping roofs to former windows.

12 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members request a Site Meeting.

DA/89/0898/C Submission of landscaping details pursuant to condition 6 of ref DA/89/0898 for the erection of 55 no. terraced houses, 1 detached house and 4 no. flats with associated estate roads, garages and car parking.

Land south of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No observations

DA/90/0509 Change of use of part of ground floor of property from residential use to form additional retail shop area and alterations to form new entrance to remaining residential accommodation.

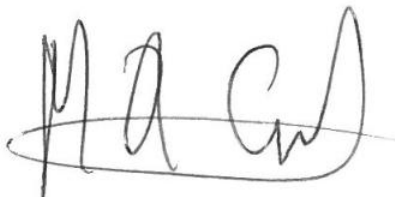
14 & 16 Castle Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections.

DA/90/0511/OUT Redevelopment of site for residential purposes.

Greenhithe Library, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M A C W', written over a horizontal line.

DA/90/0513 Erection of a retaining wall.

13 & 14 Worcester Close, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections.

DA/90/0515 Erection of a single storey front and side extension.

25 Valley View, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No observations.

The following Decision Notice had been received granting permission for development :

DA/90/0426 The Arches, Mounts Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

The following Planning Application was submitted for Members consideration :

DA/90/544 & 545 Proposed extension Northleet Landfill Site.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was decided by the Vice Chairman's casting vote that No Objections would be raised against this Application.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre on TUESDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER 1990
at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. R Simmonds

Councillor's Mrs B A Halford and N Halford were also present.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P R Defty and B E Read.

Councillor A M Barham entered the
Committee Room.

308 STAFFING Members of the Committee discussed the current position regarding the Assistant Manager.

Councillor N Halford entered the
Committee Room.

Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, A M Barham, M D Chater and R Simmonds would meet the Assistant Manager on Saturday, 22nd September to discuss the points raised in the letter which he had sent to the Chairman of the Committee.

309 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT Members were advised that the musical evenings would commence from Sunday October 7th.

Chairman

D.J. Ash-Smith

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at
The Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane Swanscombe on
THURSDAY, 20th SEPTEMBER 1990 at 7 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. A M Barham - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. B E Read

Councillor P S Crow had been invited to attend the Meeting and took part in the debate that followed.

The Parks Foreman was also in attendance.

310 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July, 1990 were confirmed and signed.

311 STAFFING Following a very lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That an additional report be presented at the next Recreation and Amenities Committee by the Parks Foreman concerning relevant incidents reported by the Park Attendants.

A letter to be sent to Dartford Borough Council after the report had been discussed by Members of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

Chairman *AMB Barham*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, on THURSDAY,
20th SEPTEMBER, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P J French
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. B E Read

In the absence of Councillor N Halford, Councillor A M Barham chaired the Meeting.

312 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th June 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P S Crow, P R Defty, Mrs S East, R A Francis and Mrs B A Halford.

Councillor's B E Read and N Halford entered the Committee Room.

Councillor N Halford then chaired the remainder of the Meeting.

313 INCOME FOR APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 1990 The Income for April, May, June, July and August amounting to £166,573.78 was received as set out in the annexed lists.

314 ACCOUNTS PAID APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 1990 The Clerk reported that Accounts amounting to £162,554.83 had been paid during April, May, June, July and August 1990.

315 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Reference Minute number 68, Members were informed of receipt of a letter from Dartford Portable Buildings explaining the additional charge of £500 regarding the Allotment Garages base.

RECOMMENDED

That the account be paid.



316 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of a verbal message received from Mr Howell offering 24th or 31st October for a meeting. Members were also informed that the Clerk was waiting for a letter from the Solicitors, who were in turn waiting for Mr Howell to contact them reference the Lease.

RECOMMENDED

That subject to the Solicitors advice, a meeting be held on 24th October with the Association.

317 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING Reference Minute number 211, Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council in response to the request for details of previous expenditure. Following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply accepting the Borough's contribution of £1,000 for this year, and request that an amount be included in their estimates for maintenance and repairs in future years.

318 SWANSCOMBE HIGH SCHOOL Members were advised that the Department of Education and Science had acknowledged the letter of protest against the closure of the School.

They advised that the proposals were presently under consideration and it was not possible for comments to be made but Members' concern was noted and would be taken into account.

NOTED

319 HERITAGE PARK Members had received a copy of the revised lease, and were advised that a letter had been received from the Solicitors informing that the rent under the lease was to remain fixed at £50 per annum for the whole of the 20 year term. Following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the draft lease be accepted, and a letter be sent to the Nature Conservancy Council informing them that the lease had been accepted.

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320 AUDIT Members had received a copy of the letter from the Auditor together with a copy of the reconciliation statement to 31st March, 1990.

RECOMMENDED

That the letter from the Auditor be included on the Agenda for the next Leisure Centre Management Committee Meeting.

321 VALLEY VIEW PLAYGROUND Members were advised that a plan of the proposed playground area had been received, and Members had received details of the equipment that had been suggested. Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the equipment be accepted, including the honeycomb whirl with a speed restrictor, and a request be made for a second entrance at the opposite end of the site.

322 CIVIC SERVICE - HARVEST FESTIVAL Members were reminded of the Town Mayor's Civic Service on Sunday 30th September at 10.30 a.m.

323 POLICE AND COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE GROUP Members were advised that a meeting of the above mentioned group was to be held on Tuesday, 16th October at 7.30 p.m. at the Gravesend Grammar School for Boys.

NOTED

324 COMPLAINT REGARDING PAVEMENT REPAIRS Members had previously received a copy of the letter from Mrs Burt (included with the previous Agenda)

The complaint was referred to Dartford Borough Council, who had advised that they were dealing with the claim, and that pavements are inspected on a three monthly cycle and specific locations, would be checked by the Highway Inspector, if requested.

NOTED

325 RAIL TIMETABLE - OCTOBER 1990 Members had received details of the proposed changes by Network South East from Kent County Council and the Borough Council:-

NOTED

326 N A L C Members were advised that issue numbers 230, 231 and 232 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office. Members had received a copy of item number 4892 reference Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

NOTED

327 K A P C Members had received a copy of the Parish News issue number 173.

NOTED

328 SUPERANNUATION FUND Members were advised of a letter that had been received from the Technical Officer of Investments at K C C advising of the amended rates regarding employer's contributions. The Town Council's flat rate was now 47% of the employees contribution rather than the 115% plus the annual charge of £400 previously notified.

NOTED

329 DANGER ZONES 1990 Members were advised of receipt of a book entitled Danger Zones 1990 for Councillor's and Officers which was available in the office.

NOTED

330 WAITING RESTRICTIONS - GREENHITHE Reference Minute 75, a copy of the reply received from Dartford Borough Council was enclosed for Members, asking them to reconsider their previous comments. Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members were not happy with the Eagle Pit car park due to it being well hidden from view and felt that it would prove to be a target for vandalism and thieves. Members were of the opinion that waiting restrictions should only be imposed on a three month trial basis, once the developers had finished.

331 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members were advised that Practice Note number 24 entitled "Maintaining the Community Charges Register" had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

332 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Members had received a copy of the Association's annual income and expenditure balance sheet for 1989/90.

NOTED

333 CHANNEL TUNNEL Members were advised that a note of the Joint Consultative Meeting which took place at Dover District Council Offices on March 28th had been received, and was available in the office.

NOTED

334 SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS Members were advised that a copy of the 3rd edition of the Association's Newsletter had been received, and was available in the office.

NOTED

335 BUSINESS EMPLOYMENT AGENCY Members were advised that details of the College at Miskin Road, Dartford had been received, and were available in the office.

NOTED

336 GARAGE REAR OF 106 MILTON ROAD Members had received a copy of the reply from the Environmental Health Officer, and following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members accepted Mr Parkinson's comments and asking him to ensure that all relevant regulations regarding paint spraying were strictly adhered to.

337 KENT ASSOCIATION OF BOYS CLUBS Members were advised of an invitation received to attend the Back to School Dinner on October 30th. Tickets were £15 each and the guest speaker was Jeffrey Archer.

338 THAMES SIDE INDUSTRIAL ROUTE Members had received a copy of the reply from K C C reference the query made concerning compensation for properties affected by the above-mentioned route.

NOTED

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339 HEALTH SERVICE Members were advised that a copy of the booklet entitled the " N H S Reforms and You" had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

340 KENT MINERALS LOCAL PLAN, CONSTRUCTION AGGREGATES Members were advised of receipt of a letter from K C C informing that a Report of Survey and Draft Written Statement and Proposal Map had been prepared and had been approved for public consultation. An explanatory leaflet had also been received and the documents could be seen at District Council Planning Offices, main libraries, or purchased, although the proposals did not directly affect the Town Council.

NOTED

341 ENGINEERING INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND INSPECTION FEES Members were advised that a letter had been received from M M I informing that charges had been reviewed and would be increased by 9.75% after October 1st, 1990.

NOTED

342 POST OFFICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Members were advised that the next meeting of the above mentioned Committee would be held on October 8th and items to be included on the Agenda should be received by September 24th. Following a discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply, requesting an item be included on the Agenda concerning the lack of a sub-post office at Knockhall. A copy of the reply to be sent to the P O U N C representative, Councillor M Lawrie.

343 COMMUNITY CHARGE HEARING Members were advised of a reply that had been received from the Clerk to the Justices advising that Court 2 was used for the hearings because the presence of a large number of disruptive members of the public in the gallery would have posed additional security problems. Court 2 was the court normally used for what were termed miscellaneous cases involving applications by the Local Authority.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that as there was not a large number of disruptive members of public present, perhaps future hearings could be held in one of the larger courts.

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344 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised that the Autumn edition of Oast to Coast had been received and was available in the office together with the following :

Village Halls Insurance - (copy of leaflet was enclosed);
The Rights of Way Act 1990;
An invitation to attend a seminar on October 27th, entitled Let the Children Play;
Dates for meetings of Police and Community Consultative Groups;
and an invitation to contribute to the leaving gift for Eleanour Clayson, who had worked in the administration department for 18 years.

NOTED

345 C P R E Members were advised that the following literature had been received and was available in the office :

An appeal for financial assistance to help save the countryside from the Transport Departments damaging road policies;

An invitation to purchase shares of the 500 Club at £12 per share;

Details of a vacancy for a Give-As-You-Earn Sales Person;

A note advising that David Allford was leaving having served as Conservation Officer since 1986;

The Spring/Summer edition of the Kent Branch News;

An invitation to join the R S P B;
Raffle tickets to assist with fund raising;

Summer edition of the Countryside Campaigner; and

The Annual Report 1989.

NOTED

346 RAIL LINK Members were advised that issue numbers 6 and 7 of the Railink Update had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

347 INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR ANIMAL WELFARE Members were advised of an appeal for financial assistance received from the above mentioned group to assist with their campaign against cruelty to animals.

NOTED

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348 ROSS, GREEN & CROWE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the above mentioned Solicitors informing that their offices were now in Spital Street, Dartford and their charge for straight forward court applications would be £30.

NOTED

349 SCHOOL GOVERNORS Members were advised that the Summer edition of the Bulletin for Teachers and Governors had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

350 ROYAL SOCIETY FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised that a D I Y Handbook for Urban Wildlife Conservation was available at a cost of £2.50.

NOTED

351 WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE Members were advised of receipt of a letter of thanks for supporting the above mentioned organisation together with the following literature which was available in the office :

July edition of W W F News;

An invitation to support the campaign to reduce atmospheric pollution;

Leaflet entitled What on Earth can I do concerning the Environment;

Gift Catalogue; and

B B C Wildlife Magazine.

NOTED

352 KENT ASSOCIATION FOR UNDER ELEVENS Members had received a copy of a letter inviting the Town Council to become a member of the above mentioned Association.

RECOMMENDED

That further information be obtained concerning this Association and the item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.



353 PLANNING STRATEGY FOR KENT Members were advised that a copy of the 1990 approved Kent Structure Plan and Explanatory Memorandum had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

354 MANOR PARK Members were advised that details of the Borough Council's Development Brief for Manor Park had been included in their Agenda for the Planning Meeting to be held on September 17th. The details were available in the office.

355 NORTH DOWNS RAIL CONCERN Members were advised of a letter received from the above mention Group.

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of the letter be forwarded to the Rail Link representative, Councillor Mrs S East.

Councillor M J Munn left
the Committee Room.

356 LETTER FROM LOCAL RESIDENT Members received a copy of a letter from a local resident opposing the application for an off-licence at 37-39 High Street, Swanscombe, and complaining about the lack of stamps in the machine outside the High Street post office.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing the resident of the Town Council's opposition to the proposed off-licence, and the item regarding the lack of stamps be included on the Agenda of the Post Office Advisory Committee Meeting.

357 PLAY AT SOUTHFLEET VILLAGE HALL Members were advised of an invitation to attend a play at Southfleet Village Hall on October 3rd. Tickets for the play only £3.50, for the play and a buffet £5.50.

NOTED

358 COMMITTEE ROOM FURNITURE Following a discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the old Council Chamber furniture be sold.
Arrangements be made for coat hooks to be installed in the Committee Room.

359 TOWN PLANNING The following planning application was submitted for Members consideration :

DA/90/0597 Erection of a first floor extension to existing building to form additional offices.

Barney Sands & Hartridge Ltd., 6A/7A Northfleet Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'M. Halpin', written in black ink.

Income for April 1990

Parks	Water	12.50	
	Tennis	18.82	
	Bowls	690.35	721.67
Community Halls	Grove	161.74	
	Church Road	137.01	
	Sports Pavilion	750.00	1,048.75
Squash	Hire fees		342.87
Administration	Copier	1.25	
	Precept & S.136	111,125.00	111,126.25
Allotments	Rents		260.41
Leisure Centre	Membership	181.98	
	Table Tennis	31.74	
	Badminton	421.74	
	5 x 5 football	261.86	
	Bowls	31.75	
	Fitness Room	1,189.58	
	Aerobics	339.13	
	Short Tennis	24.35	
	Trampoline	5.22	
	Fun Club	87.39	
	Parties	53.92	
	Sales	13.83	
	Sundry	35.64	
	Video machine	222.85	
	Vending machine	44.55	
	Karate	201.23	3,146.76
Centre Bar	Bar takings	4,137.78	
	Food	278.07	
	Gaming machine	157.39	4,573.24
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			121,219.95

Accounts Paid April 1990

Leisure Centre

Wages week 53	677.97	
Allotment Rents	0.76	
Insurance Policy	240.00	
Park Mess Room repairs (Ins.claim)	230.23	
Cleaning & Services		133.11
Cost of Moving Copier to Centre	11.50	
Aerobics Coach		62.00
Advert for Staff (Receptionists)		31.63
Seeboard (Toilet Block, Park & Bowls A/C)	135.82	
Diesel A/C	10.00	
Paper Cups for Water Cooler		117.11
Legal fees re Knockhall	425.50	
Admin Stationery	16.00	
Spirits for Bar		487.06
Wages week 1	691.93	
Centre & Bar Petty Cash & Stamps etc		87.38
Tax & N.I. Contributions	1,726.26	
Tax & N.I. Contributions		2,586.06
Aerobics Coach		54.00
Gas A/C Church Rd Hall	57.30	
Gas A/C		1,429.69
Repairs & Service to Parks Equipment	429.41	
N.P.F.A. Subscription Fee	25.00	
South East Employers Annual Sub	57.50	
5x5 football trophies		124.55
Water A/C's K'Hall & Church Rd	77.32	
Seeboard (Grove Hall)	23.66	
Cleaning materials etc		79.52
Water A/C (Church Rd Hall)	23.97	
New water heater in Park	104.26	
Photo Copier Paper	10.51	10.51
N.A.L.C. Annual Sub	54.00	
K.A.P.C. Annual Sub	306.25	
Lease on Kitchen equipment		108.02
Wages week 2	735.47	
Membership Cards		42.90
Aerobics Coach		56.00
Seeboard (Church Rd Hall)	78.86	
Gas A/C Grove Hall	102.18	
Phone A/C	45.12	272.59
K.C.C. General supplies	22.90	
Park vehicle service	35.65	
Admin Stationery	51.76	
Salaries	2,159.45	5,046.29
Wages week 3	690.75	
Centre Stamps & Petty Cash		33.61
Rental re Glasswasher		150.28
Bar sundries		50.00
Repairs to heater - Park	10.00	
Machine Rental - Gaming machine		85.00
Musical entertainment		80.00
Musical entertainment		40.00
Bakers A/C		85.63
Veg A/C		37.95
Butchers A/C		138.77
Refund on Trampoline Course		18.00
	<u>9,267.29</u>	<u>11,447.66</u>

GRAND TOTAL

£20,714.95

Income for May 1990

Parks	Water heater	12.50	
	Cricket	150.00	
	Tennis	56.90	
	Bowls	53.39	272.79
Community Halls	Grove	143.85	
	Church Road	53.05	196.90
Squash	Hire fees		306.44
Administration	Copier	0.42	
	Refund Town Mayor's A/C	333.22	
	Refund V.A.T.	2,617.50	2,951.14
Allotments	Rents		58.14
Leisure Centre	Membership	254.99	
	Table Tennis	19.13	
	Badminton	569.57	
	5 x 5 football	272.61	
	Bowls	18.70	
	Fitness Room	1,364.13	
	Aerobics	371.71	
	Short Tennis	9.57	
	Fun Club	63.48	
	Childrens Parties	35.87	
	Sales	23.40	
	Gym Club	229.57	
	Karate	279.90	
Refund Telephone A/C	578.51		
Misc.	48.10	4,139.24	
Centre Bar	Bar takings	5,001.29	
	Food	340.64	
	Gaming machines	618.40	5,960.33
			<u>£13,884.98</u>

Accounts Paid May 1990

Leisure Centre

Spirits etc.		161.77
Soft drinks		284.40
Electricity A/C		3,471.31
M.M.I. Ltd	2,041.28	
Admin Notices re Audit	0.75	
Copier Paper	51.10	33.25
Cleaning services etc.		133.11
Wages & (Bar Petty Cash)	719.02	24.50
Admin Tax adjustment	7.25	
Park supplies	29.30	
Stock Take Fees		86.25
Beer supplies		2,133.96
Aerobics Coach		57.00
Centre admin supplies		11.89
Diesel A/C	30.00	
Truck service	471.00	
St.Lighting Energy & Maintenance	39.00	
Sports equipment		156.31
Petrol A/C	56.54	
Poll Tax payments (Various)	194.44	
Wages	724.25	
Bar expenses & Petty Cash		35.80
Student expenses		30.00
Admin Petty Cash	16.00	
Advert - Park Attendant	77.86	
Kitchen cupboards		80.00
Park Attendant duties	120.00	
Telephone A/C's	138.14	76.26
Park supplies	296.70	
Ins.Claim re Park	1,043.12	
Bar sundries		156.33
Wages	678.10	
Centre supplies		96.84
Tax & N.I. contributions	1,815.84	1,944.02
Sports Assoc (% of squash takings)	1,332.47	
Superannuation	1,786.02	2,142.14
Town Mayor's Allowance	500.00	
Cleaning services etc.		133.11
Admin supplies	6.60	6.60
Aerobics Coach		94.00
Park supplies	91.40	
Admin supplies	28.31	48.00
Cash register		316.25
Bar supplies		184.40
Spirits etc		488.75
Bar supplies		271.28
Bar sundries		107.88
Water A/C's	300.88	
Wages	654.38	
Bar Petty Cash		22.67
Admin - Stamps	19.10	
Salaries	2,271.26	5,369.79

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Accounts Paid May 1990 (cont'd)

		<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Lease agreement		108.02
Park Attendant duties	83.76	
Aerobics Coach		67.00
Centre Manager advert		304.52
Tree works at Knockhall	184.00	
Sundries for kitchen		50.50
Water A/C - Park	35.54	
Wages & Centre Petty Cash	761.38	16.00
Park Attendant duties	36.24	
Musical entertainment		40.00
Gaming machine rental		85.00
Musical entertainment		40.00
Casual bar staff payments		24.00
Musical entertainment		50.00
Gaming machine rental		85.00
Musical entertainment		50.00
Gaming machine rental		85.00
Beer supplies		1,445.17
Butchers A/C		104.73
Bakers A/C		74.92
Kitchen sundries		44.00
Aerobics Coach		60.00
	<u>£16,641.03</u>	<u>£20,891.73</u>

GRAND TOTAL £37,532.76

Income for June 1990

Parks	Water heater	7.50	
	Tennis	14.30	
	Bowls	59.12	80.92
Community Halls	Grove	49.19	
	Church Road	72.25	121.44
Squash	Hire fees		339.92
Administration	Insurance Claim	66.79	
	Interest Bank A/C	2,944.46	3,011.25
Allotments	Rents		15.97
Leisure Centre	Membership	155.44	
	Table Tennis	9.57	
	Badminton	534.78	
	5 x 5 football	215.21	
	Bowls	11.30	
	Fitness Room	1,035.22	
	Aerobics	398.27	
	Short Tennis	10.44	
	Fun Club	54.34	
	Children's Parties	6.52	
	Sales	14.78	
	Private function	67.50	
	Darts	15.65	
	Misc.	28.24	
	Vending Machine	68.84	
	Refund electricity account	139.76	2,765.86
Centre Bar	Bar takings	3,522.87	
	Food	212.54	
	Gaming machines	373.05	4,108.46
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			<u>£10,443.82</u>

Accounts Paid June 1990

Leisure Centre

Admin & Park supplies	10.90	
Leasing re glass washer		50.19
Aerobics Coach		78.00
St.Lighting & Maintenance	39.00	
Cleaning etc for Centre		133.11
Admin supplies	6.79	
Admin supplies & Centre supplies	6.30	1.24
Extra Premium re insurance (Halls)	54.32	
Advert Centre Manager		238.05
Wages week 9	976.95	
Centre Petty Cash & Salaries		245.54
Diesel A/C	50.00	
Copy of licence re Bar		4.00
Donation Section 137	20.00	
Admin reference book	9.45	
Kitchen sundries		11.00
Aerobics Coach		81.00
Park supplies	14.95	
Plaque (Cllr.Melvin)	34.50	
Bye Election	840.70	
Supplies for Centre		72.28
Fencing - Broomfield	10,706.04	
Base re Allotment garages	1,646.80	
Computer, Printer & Disks etc	2,265.67	
Kitchen sundries		27.14
Cleaning supplies for Centre		60.26
Cups for drinking machine		126.99
Admin & Centre phone A/C's	414.04	1,441.84
Water A/C's (various)	476.64	
Annual Sub (WWF)	20.00	
Petrol A/C	72.00	
Wages & Centre Petty Cash	575.55	16.00
Tax & N.I.	1,937.95	1,913.29
St.Lighting & Maintenance	39.00	
Poll Tax (various)	198.13	
Centre cleaning supplies		31.28
Aerobics Coach		85.00
Manhole cover (Sq.courts)	130.00	
Bedding Plants	52.76	
Park machinery serviced	607.69	
Hire of sound equipment (Memorial) <i>Services</i>	69.00	
Bar sundries		43.87
Bar sundries		49.67
Repairs to Cool Shelf		59.57
Wages & Centre expenses	693.68	35.06
Admin stamps	18.60	
Tax for park vehicle	100.00	
Salaries	2,212.42	5,807.26
Support Contract for Computer	68.89	
Interview expenses (Manager) <i>Vacancy</i>	25.00	
Kitchen equipment lease		108.02
Loan repayment (P.W.L.B)	4,161.25	
Aerobics Coach		53.00

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Accounts Paid June 1990 (Cont'd)

Membership Cards		541.08
Paymaster system	39.98	
Centre cleaning supplies		48.19
Allotments Rents	80.63	
Wages	605.39	
Safety tiles in Park	200.10	
Monthly hire of T.V.		12.49
Installation of Aerial		54.05
T.V. Licence		71.00
Music in Bar		40.00
Music in Bar		40.00
Machine rental & licence		85.00
Machine rental & licence		85.00
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	£29,481.07	£11,749.47

TOTAL

£41,230.54

Income for July 1990

Parks	Hire of Park	18.00	
	Cricket	150.95	
	Tennis	37.34	
	Bowls	43.26	
	Football	121.95	371.50
Community Halls	Grove Hall	86.45	
	Church road	119.55	206.00
Squash	Hire Fees		489.45
Adminstration	Interest		2,985.41
Allotments	Rents		7.73
Leisure Centre	Membership	183.27	
	Table Tennis	6.52	
	Badminton	356.53	
	5 x 5 football	323.48	
	Bowls	9.12	
	Fitness Room	1,097.60	
	Aerobics	280.01	
	Short Tennis	33.91	
	Fun Club	38.70	
	Children's Parties	19.56	
	Sales	16.79	
	Misc.	34.25	
	Vending machine	67.15	
	Karate	77.82	
	Hire of Committee Room	30.00	
	Summer holiday activities	32.61	2,607.32
Leisure Centre Bar	Bar takings	3,755.22	
	Food	254.74	
	Gaming machines	323.21	4,333.17
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			<u>£11,000.58</u>

Accounts Paid July 1990

		Leisure Centre
Wages & Centre P.Cash & stamps	742.99	38.60
Salaries		454.33
Centre supplies		17.69
Parts & MOT for Van	137.44	
Centre equipment	51.00	
Aerobics Coach		48.00
Circular (HMSO)	1.95	
Cleaning etc		133.11
Mixers for Bar		312.83
Spirits for Bar		1,009.96
Sundries - Bar		226.89
Beer for Bar		2,093.50
Electric A/C (Grove & Bwols)	60.10	
Travelling expenses (re Manager)		10.00
Travelling expenses (re Manager)		30.00
Lease - glasswasher		50.19
Petrol A/C	52.00	
Aerobics Coach		53.00
Computer stationery	43.00	
Machine Rental & Licence		151.50
Diesel A/C	13.00	
Bar supplies		90.81
Wages & Bar P.Cash & leaflet delivery	692.08	58.03
Bakery provisions		118.89
Centre electricity A/C		1,975.91
Inland Revenue (Tax & N.I.)	2,029.36	2,463.27
Butcher A/C		63.46
Donation Sec.137 (G'hithe Assoc)	1,428.75	
St.Ltg (energy & maint.)	39.00	
Aerobics Coach		57.00
Phone A/C's	252.58	621.43
Gas A/C's (Comm.Halls)	69.28	
Taxi hire (Senior Citizens)	76.45	
Repairs to K'hall changing rooms	137.68	
Draft Order re C.C.T.	0.90	
Wages & Bar P.Cash	739.11	28.50
Machine rental & Licence		42.50
Wages (Casual Bar Staff)		41.00
Weight Assesments		77.00
Lease - kitchen equipment		108.02
T V Rental		12.49
Aerobics Coach		53.00
Gas A/C's (Centre)		1,112.38
Electricity A/C's	235.50	
Photo Copier A/C	313.94	
Training Day (Computer)	287.50	
Car Park rental (St.Rd)	125.00	
Security Store		2,850.85
Poll Tax (Comm.Halls, SQ.Crts. Car Parks & Centre)	309.85	906.85
Wages & P.Cash Centre	743.75	39.05
Kitchen sundries		15.00
Bar sundries		47.99
Bar sundries		77.97
Spirits for Bar		136.01
Salaries	<u>2,589.55</u>	<u>5,548.85</u>
	<u>£11,171.76</u>	<u>£21,175.86</u>

GRAND TOTAL £32,347.62

Income for August 1990

Parks	Tennis	53.23	
	Bowls	33.26	
	Football	476.88	
	Water Heater re-payment	10.00	573.37
Community Halls	Grove Hall	83.80	
	Church Road	116.30	200.10
Squash	Hire Fees		362.42
Administration	Use of Copier	54.64	
	Re-imbusement re glass-washer	159.53	
	V.A.T. Refund	294.65	508.82
Leisure Centre	Membership	295.65	
	Table Tennis	25.66	
	Badminton	603.48	
	5 x 5 football	315.66	
	Fitness Room	1,120.43	
	Aerobics	346.09	
	Short Tennis	45.22	
	Fun Club	37.39	
	Sales	8.18	
	Misc.	132.18	
	Vending machine	65.83	
	Summer Holiday		
	Activities	52.17	
	Private Functions	360.00	3,407.94
	Leisure Centre Bar	Bar Takings	4,412.00
Food		234.49	
Gaming machine		325.31	4,971.80
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			<u>£10,024.45</u>

Accounts Paid August 1990

		Leisure Centre
Initial Textile (Cleaning etc.)		133.11
Sports Turf Maintenance (Parks)	72.38	
A W Gore - Stock take		86.25
Paper Cups		70.26
Aerobics		56.00
Rent re Taunton Road	25.00	
Security entry system		603.75
Fencing at Taunton Road	1,099.40	
General Supplies	43.35	31.75
Bar supplies		149.60
Bar sundries		144.90
Bar Sundries		88.33
Refund re Hall	7.80	
Greenhithe Foreshore Rent	50.00	
Wages & Petty Cash	944.27	24.14
Lease re glass washer		50.19
Beer supplies		1,616.09
Installation of glass washer		137.96
Wages	679.78	
Bakers A/C		56.47
Butchers A/C		181.92
Aerobics		44.00
Repairs to water main	338.55	
Diesel account	20.00	
Centre supplies		3.00
Garages for Allot Assoc.	1,730.00	
Kitchen sundries		55.28
Assesments		35.00
Tax & N.I. contributions	2,065.07	1,980.12
Water accounts - various	465.39	
Taxi hire re Senior Citizens	36.00	
Survey fees re Land rear Church Rd	315.41	
Parks supplies	21.42	
Leisure Centre advert		17.25
Parks supplies (part Ins.claim)	178.98	
Wages & Petty Cash	553.66	42.75
Tractor tyres	108.10	
Petrol A/C	80.50	
Machine rental		85.00
St.Lighting & Maintenance	39.00	
T V Rental		12.49
Fitness Room equipment		36.75
Digging out area for storage unit		1,132.75
Aerobics		110.00
Films for Camera		96.84
Veg A/C		35.31
Safety Tiles for play areas	305.79	
Music & Dance Licence		49.00
Repairs to Grove C.P. Floodlight	23.16	
Annual rent re lamp standard (B.R.)	0.58p	
Admin & Centre supplies	43.75	201.19

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Accounts Paid Aug 90 (cont'd)

Poll Tax payments (various)	311.00	903.00
Spirits for Bar		317.93
Beer supplies		1,578.39
Wages	707.63	73.41
Lease kitchen equip		108.02
Salaries	2,435.30	6,518.05
Aerobics		62.00
Wages	773.20	10.08
Centre advert		181.13
Extended warranty re water cooler		50.03
Machine rental		85.00
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	£13,474.47	£17,254.49

GRAND TOTAL

£30,728.96

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at The Swanscombe Centre, Swanscombe, on MONDAY 1st OCTOBER 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. A M Barham - Vice Chairman
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith and Mrs A E D Barham.

360 AUDIT Members had received a copy of the letter from the Auditors, Peat Marwick McLintock. Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a report of policy be produced for the next Meeting.

361 CENTRE - GENERAL Members were advised that three new activities had recently started at the Centre - Ladies Recreation, over 50's and Parent and Toddler, the last of which was doing really well.

362 ALL WEATHER PITCH Members were advised that various companies had been contacted regarding quotes for the all weather pitch, however, to date no replies had been received.

NOTED

363 VOLLEYBALL Members were advised of receipt of a letter from St.Vincent's Volleyball Club regarding block bookings for the hall for training purposes as well as matches, following discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Club be granted use of the hall on Sunday evenings at a rate of £11 per hour to cover entry fees for visiting teams. Members of the volleyball team must become members of the Centre. This would be reviewed in May 1991.

364 MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL END OF YEAR DEFECTS INSPECTION Members were advised that on Tuesday, 18th September the building had been inspected for any defects, a letter containing the results of the inspection had been provided for Members information. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Town Council could not be responsible for the maintenance of the building until the manuals and installation details had been received.

365 EXTRACTOR FAN Councillor R Simmonds gave his suggestion that a 10" extractor fan with 3 speeds and reverse should be installed in the kitchen area.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council seeking permission to have the fan installed and for details of the construction of the building.

366 CHRISTMAS LEAVE Members discussed Christmas leave arrangements for the Centre staff, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre be closed on Christmas Day and New Years Day, opened on Boxing Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. operating with a skeleton staff.

367 FIRE EXIT Discussion took place regarding items stored in this area, and it was agreed that the Centre Manager provide a report detailing the various items stored.

368 HIRE OF HALL Members were advised of a request received from staff enquiring if staff discount could be considered for hire of the hall for weddings etc.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be considered when the charges were reviewed.

369 LEASE Members had received copies of letters sent to R Dornan reference the request for peppercorn rent to be considered together with a copy of a letter from the Legal Services Officer regarding the problems the Town Council had complained about. Members were further advised of receipt of a letter requesting that the lease be completed.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk wait for a reply from Mr Dornan, and in the meantime, a copy of the letter originally received from John Wilson be sent to Mr Griffin and Mrs Winchester Dartford Borough Council.

370 INSURANCE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Town Council's Solicitor advising that the drafting of the lease was incorrect and that apart from fire insurance, the Borough Council would only take out other insurance on the building if requested by the Town Council.

371 ADVANCED DISCOUNT Members were advised that a statement had been received informing that from January 1st to June 20th the sum of £1,013.88 had been written off based on 71 barrels.

NOTED

372 SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members had received a copy of the letter received from Mrs Tattum.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that it was not the policy of the Committee to give discounts on bookings for the hall, and advise that a charge of £100 would be made. This item to be included on the next Town Council Meeting.

373 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised of receipt of confirmation informing that the licence had been transferred into the names of Mr Granados and Mr Cunningham. Members were also advised that an account has been received from the Solicitor for the work involved since June 11th, in the sum of £352.44.

RECOMMENDED

That the account be paid.

374 STOCKTAKE REPORT Members had received copies of the stocktake report to 29th August.

NOTED

375 RESIGNATION Members were advised of a letter received by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith from Councillor Mrs A E D Barham informing of her resignation from the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

Chairman

A. J. Ash-Smith

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 4th OCTOBER, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT :

Cllr. A M Barham - Town Mayor	
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith	Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. M D Chater	Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. M A Crosby	Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. P R Defty	Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. T V Dixon	Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P S Crow, Mrs S East, B R Francis, P J French and B G Poppy.

376 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd August, 1990 be confirmed and signed.

377 CASTLE STREET - GARAGES Members had received a copy of a letter signed by several local residents informing that the rental agreement on their garages was to be terminated. Following discussion it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council informing that this would cause additional problems for local residents reference parking and requesting that the Town Council be kept advised of any plans for this area. A letter also be sent to the freeholder of the land making enquiries regarding the future of this site, and finally, inform the local residents of the Town Council's action.

378 PLANNING INFORMATION Members had received a copy of a circular from N A L C regarding availability of planning information, and seeking any comments Members may have.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply making the observation that decisions were sometimes made before Members had had the chance to make their observations known.

AMB

379 SALE OF LAND - MANOR HOUSE Members were advised of a letter from Mrs Winchester, Legal Services Dartford Borough Council informing that notwithstanding the objections raised by the Town Council, the Borough Council had resolved to sell the site at Manor House, including the park and playground, subject to the beneficial planning consent. Following discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk contact the Parish Tree Wardens seeking their advice as to whether any of the trees due to be destroyed could be saved by having Tree Preservation Orders placed on them.

380 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised that the 67th Annual Meeting of the K R C C was due to be held on 6th October 1990 at 2 p.m. in Detling Village Hall.

381 LETTER FROM LOCAL RESIDENT Members were advised of receipt of another letter from a local resident who was against the off-licence application in the High Street.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply informing of the objections already made by the Town Council.

Councillor M A Crosby declared an interest in the next item.

382 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from the above mentioned Committee seeking financial assistance. It was agreed that this item be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee

383 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th August, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

384 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor P R Defty

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th September, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

AMB

385 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor M A Crosby and seconded by Councillor M D Chater

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

386 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th September, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

387 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor M D Chater and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

388 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September, 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

389 NETWORK SOUTH EAST Reference Minute 325, Members discussed various problems concerning British Rail including the following points :

(a) A major disruption at Dartford Station on 4th October affecting services to Greenhithe and Swanscombe.

(b) Swanscombe Station being un-manned most of the time resulting in passengers being unable to purchase the Capital railcard, also the automatic ticket machine not working.

(c) What has happened to the proposed renovation work that was due to commence at Swanscombe Station, and the fact that an extra stop has been included for Greenhithe, could this not also be done for Swanscombe.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the General Manager of Network South East with a copy to R J Dunn M.P. raising the above mentioned points.

390 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith informed Members of a recent meeting of the Gravesend and District Society for the Mentally Handicapped she had attended on 3rd October. The new centre at Pelham Road was nearly finished except for furnishing and landscaping, and should be handed over in November with an official opening in January 1990.

Councillor Mrs B A Halford reported that being a School Governor now involved more and more work and that there was a shortage of Teachers.

391 GAS PIPELINE Members had received a copy of a recent County Council Committee Report regarding a Gas Pipeline proposal from Shorne to Kemsley and across the Dartford Marshes to Littlebrook Station.

Members had no observations to make.

392 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS Members were advised that the Knockhall Road Garages had been sold to Southfleet Investments Ltd., for £6,000. The Transfer Document was now ready for signing by the Town Mayor, and the Deputy Town Mayor.

An Agreement for the supply of Electricity for Public Lighting had also been received and required signing by the Town Mayor.

RESOLVED

That the above mentioned Documents be signed by the Town Mayor, Councillor A M Barham, and the Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs B A Halford on behalf of the Town Council.

393 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor A M Barham informed Members that a date for an Executive Committee Meeting needed to be arranged.

RESOLVED

That an Executive Committee Meeting be held at 9 p.m. on Thursday, 18th October following the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

394 AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS Members had received a copy of a proposal made by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor A M Barham to amend Standing Order number 1. After discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That Standing Order number 1 (i) be amended as follows:

"Meetings of the Council shall be held at the Council Offices, Swanscombe at 8 p.m. unless the Council otherwise decides at a previous Meeting. The Leisure Centre Management Committee to be the exception, with that Committee's Meetings to commence at 7.30 p.m. *AMB*

395 ABSENCE OF COUNCILLOR R A FRANCIS Members were advised that, due to illness Councillor R A Francis had nearly reached the point where he had not attended any Meetings for six months, which would normally result in an election being called. Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor B E Read

RESOLVED

That should it become necessary, Councillor R A Francis be given an extension of two months.

396 MEMBER TO BE APPOINTED TO SERVE ON THE LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Members were advised that due to the resignation of Councillor Mrs A E D Barham a Member needed to be appointed to serve on the above mentioned Committee. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor M D Chater

RESOLVED

That Councillor Mrs B A Halford be elected to serve on the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

397 TOWN PLANNING Members were advised that the following Planning Application was withdrawn on 20th September 1990

DA/90/0515 25 Valley View, Greenhithe, Kent

The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development

DA/89/0898/C Land South of Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0348 26 Eglinton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

Members were advised that a Site Meeting had been arranged for Saturday 6th October at 9.30 a.m. to discuss the following Planning Application :

DA/90/0454/OUT Redevelopment of Site to provide a 45,000 Sq.Ft Supermarket, 5,000 Sq.Ft Fast Food Restaurant, 50,000 Sq.Ft of class B1 Business accommodation, 6,000 Sq.Ft Retail Shops, a 5,000 Sq.Ft Public House and 100 S/C Flats with associated car parking and access roads.

Land to the West of Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

A M Barham.
Town Mayor

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE
held at the Swanscombe Centre, Swanscombe on THURSDAY,
18th OCTOBER, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P J French
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. R Simmonds

398 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September, 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room and apologised.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs S East, B R Francis, R A Francis, B G Poppy and B E Read.

399 PARK TREES Members were advised of three quotes that had been received for the work necessary to the Poplar trees situated at the perimeter of Swanscombe Park.

RECOMMENDED

That the quote from A C Austin in the sum of £200 be accepted.

Councillor's Mrs B A Halford and N Halford entered the Committee Room and apologised for being late.

400 FOOTBALL PITCHES Members had received a detailed report from the Park's Foreman concerning the condition of all the football pitches. Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a detailed costing be obtained for the necessary work required to bring the pitches back to a good condition. A letter to be sent to all the football teams informing that to enable the work to be carried out it would be necessary to close one pitch per season until completion of the work.

Councillor A M Barham entered the Committee Room.



401 BOWLS CLUB Members had received copies of a plan of the bowls pavilion, a report on the meeting held on 15th September, and of the letter received from the Bowls Club. Following a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply to the Bowls Club informing that the Town Council had agreed on the following points :

(a) A Lease be drawn up for a 5 year period - not to include an automatic renewal - and all legal fees incurred to be the responsibility of the Bowls Club. Hire charges to be linked to inflation.

(b) The Pavilion could be extended providing the use of it be restricted to the normal opening hours of the Park, and the Town Council to retain absolute control.

(c) The walls of the green could be lowered providing the work was completed by the beginning of the 1991 Season.

(d) The automatic watering system could be installed. Use of the green to be at the discretion of the Greenkeeper.

402 BOWLS PAVILION - WINDOW REPLACEMENT Members were advised of the quotes received to replace the windows in the Bowls Pavilion.

RECOMMENDED

That the quotation from Gravesham Borough Services be accepted in the sum of £2145.00.

Materials to be obtained to allow the Bowling Club to carry out the work to the Pavilion, as agreed.

403 KENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE UNDER ELEVENS Reference Minute 352, Members had received further information concerning the above mentioned Organisation.

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council become Members of the Kent Association for the Under Elevens.

404 SQUASH COURTS - ADVANCED BOOKING Reference Minute 286, Members were advised that another letter had been received from the residents concerning the facility of advanced block booking of the squash courts. Following discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members had agreed that they were welcome to block book one squash court on a Friday evening with a 10% discount for payment in advance.

405 SWANSCOMBE PARK MESS ROOM - SECURITY Members were advised of two estimates that had been received for securing the Park Mess Room.

RECOMMENDED

That the estimate from Ambassador Security be accepted in the sums of £580 plus V A T for the window grills and £640 plus V A T for the door drill.

406 SQUASH COURT WALL Reference Minute 283, Members were advised that the Head of the Arts Department at Thames Polytechnic had advised that his students might well be interested in painting a mural on the squash court wall. However, they would be unable to commence work until after Christmas, and he was not able to give a definite answer before mid-December.

NOTED

407 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE SPORTS ASSOCIATION Members were reminded that a meeting had been arranged with the Sports Association for Wednesday 24th October, at 8 p.m.

408 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY - PERIODIC REVIEW Members had received a copy of a letter from the Legal Services Officer regarding public rights of way.

NOTED

409 CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Mrs Trott, Entertainments Assistant thanking the Town Council for their co-operation in providing venues for the summer entertainment.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting additional entertainment be provided next year.

410 GALLEY HILL SCOUTS GROUP Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Galley Hill Scouts thanking the Town Council for the use of the Church Road Hall over the past two and a half years.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply wishing them well in their new Scouts Hall.



411 GREENHITHE FORESHORE Members had received copies of two letters from the Solicitors acting on behalf of The Marine Society. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Tenancy at Will be accepted.

412 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that Issue numbers 233 and 234 of the Direct Information Service had been received, and were available in the office.

NOTED

413 ASSOCIATION OF LARGER LOCAL COUNCILS Members were advised of an invitation received to attend the Annual Conference 1990 - "Third Tier Government in the 1990's". The Conference was to be held in Sheffield on 9th and 10th November - cost £87 per ticket.

NOTED

414 KENT THAMES-SIDE GROUNDWORK TRUST Members had received a copy of the letter received from the above mentioned Trust together with details of the various schemes they operated.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply inviting them to attend a Meeting with Members and suggesting a site visit to the land at the rear of the Centre beforehand.

415 RAIL LINK Members were advised that Issue number 8 - September 1990 of the Rail Link update had been received and was available in the office.

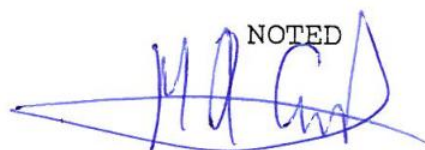
NOTED

416 SHELL BETTER BRITAIN CAMPAIGN Members were advised that a Campaign pack had been received together with a report on Community Environmental Projects - both were available in the office.

NOTED

417 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised of receipt of a Programme of events up to January 1991, and The Natural World Magazine together with The Kent Wildlife Focus - all of these were available in the office.

NOTED



418 NORTH WEST KENT COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT Members were advised that the Annual Report April 1989 to March 1990 had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

419 LOCAL COUNCIL REVIEW Members were advised that the Autumn edition of the Local Council Review had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

420 WORLD WIDE FUND Members were advised that the October edition of the Wildlife magazine had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

421 KENT GUIDE Members were advised of receipt of "A Guide to the County" from Kent County Council which was available in the office.

NOTED

422 K A P C Members were advised of an invitation to attend the 43rd Annual General Meeting of the K A P C for the two voting Members and a further two non-voting Members. The Meeting was on 3rd November at 10 a.m. at the Ditton Community Centre. Members were also advised of a request received for financial support towards their Centenary of Parish Councils - National Appeal.

RECOMMENDED

That the representatives on the K A P C Area Committee wishing to attend the A G M inform the Clerk accordingly, and the Town Council make a donation of £20 towards the Centenary Appeal.

423 WICKSTEED LEISURE Members had received a copy of the letter received from Wicksteed Leisure advising of various options regarding leasing play equipment etc.

NOTED

424 SWANSCOMBE BOWLS CLUB Members were advised of a letter received from the Bowls Club offering the 28th July 1991 for the annual match.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply accepting the 28th July for the annual match between the Club and the Town Council.



425 CHRISTMAS LEAVE - PARK STAFF Members were asked to consider the Christmas leave arrangements for the Park Staff.

RECOMMENDED

That the Park Staff have the 24th, 25th and 26th December off and have Monday 31st December off as annual leave. The arrangements were subject to the usual agreement with the Park being opened on the Bank Holidays as in previous years.

426 TOWN PLANNING Members had received a copy of a report from the Development Planning and Transportation Committee entitled North Kent Marshes Study.

NOTED

The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/90/0617/EUC Application for an established use Certificate for use of the premises for the sale of motor vehicles.

164 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS : No objections providing permission is only applicable to this particular applicant.

DA/90/0653 Erection of a single storey extension to sports hall to provide showers and toilet facilities.

Swanscombe Youth Centre, Harmer Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS : No Objections.

The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/90/0446(Rev) 92 Ames Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 18th OCTOBER, 1990 at 9 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. A M Barham - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. N Halford

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B E Read.

427 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September 1990 were confirmed and signed.

428 ANNUAL WAGE INCREASE Members were advised that the manual workers wage increase had been agreed and increases of between 9.37% and 9.63% were to be paid with effect from 1st September, 1990.

RECOMMENDED

That Mr J Barton's wages should be increased by £5 per week in recognition of his promotion to gardener, with effect from 1st September, 1990.

The Park Staff and Caretakers should have their wage increased, according to the N J C Agreement, with effect from 1st September, 1990.

429 MILEAGE ALLOWANCE Members were advised that the N J C had advised of an increase in the mileage allowances - taking into account the recent changes in petrol prices.

RECOMMENDED

That the increased mileage allowances be paid.

430 ANNUAL LEAVE Members were advised that 2 Members of Staff were entitled to 5 days additional leave, according to the N J C Conditions of Service, due to continuous service with previous Councils.

RECOMMENDED

That the additional leave be included.

A M Barham

431 CONTRACTS Members discussed the Contracts of Employment which were being prepared.

432 CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE'S This item to be included for discussion at the next Meeting of the Executive Committee.

433 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of the disciplinary and grievance procedure be circulated to Members and Staff of the Town Council.

Town Mayor

AMBraham

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, on MONDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. B R Francis
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Simmonds.

434 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 5th May, 13th August, 4th and 18th September 1990 were confirmed and signed.

435 RECEPTIONIST Members were advised that a letter of resignation had been received from Miss Flaxton.

Councillor B R Francis entered the Committee Room.

436 ANNUAL WAGE INCREASE Members were advised of the increase that had been agreed for the hourly paid staff.

RECOMMENDED

That the increase of between 9.37% and 9.63% be agreed for Staff and paid with effect from 1st September.

437 CASUAL STAFF

RECOMMENDED

That the hourly rate for casual staff be increased to £3.25 for bar, £3.00 for manual and £2.00 for bottle boys.

438 ASSISTANT BAR MANAGER

RECOMMENDED

That the salary for the Assistant Bar Manager be discussed by the Executive Committee.

Councillor A M Barham entered the Committee Room.

439 BAR MANAGER Members discussed the hours worked by the Bar Manager and it was

RECOMMENDED

That 4 hours contractual overtime (at time and a half) be included to cover the additional hours worked, with effect from 1st November.

440 STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES Members had received details of responsibilities given to Supervisors.

RECOMMENDED

That more emphasis be placed on providing entertainment at the Centre.

441 DISCLOSURE OF CRIMINAL BACKGROUNDS Members were given a copy of the reply that had been received from the Home Office.

NOTED

442 INSURANCE Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith advised Members of insurance details that she had obtained from the Borough Council and about which she would make further enquiries.

443 AUDIT REPORT Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That Staff be asked to carefully monitor the sale of alcohol - bearing in mind the discrepancy in the stock takers report.

The Bar Manager to be stringent and provide a report after the stocktake had been completed at the end of October.

444 BAR TAKINGS Members were advised that payment was made for casual staff from the takings which would account for the discrepancy between the till roll and the amount banked.

445 PETTY CASH The Assistant Manager was now responsible for the petty cash and would arrange for the window cleaner to be paid monthly on account.

Councillor B E Read left the Meeting.

446 TABLES/CHAIRS It was,

RECOMMENDED

That 150 chairs and 20 tables be obtained.

447 ACTIVITIES Members were advised that a judo coach had been engaged for Monday evenings and trampoline courses would be starting shortly. Football skills award scheme and 5-a-side competitions would be commencing shortly.

448 CHRISTMAS PARTY Members were advised that tickets were available from the receptionist and 50 tickets were to be given to Social Services for needy children.

449 DISCO The Friends of the School Association were offering to run a Family Disco on December 1st and donate the proceeds for the Children's Christmas Party.

RECOMMENDED

That the offer for the Disco be accepted.

450 STORAGE - FIRE EXIT STORE Members were advised that equipment had been moved around to make the best use of available space.

451 STORAGE FACILITY Members were advised that an additional storage area was needed. More equipment was needed for new activities, posing more storage problems.

NOTED

452 FIRST AID COURSE Members were given details of the first aid courses that were available.

453 MULTI-PURPOSE FLOODLIT PITCH A quotation had been received in the sum of £29,490.00 plus approximately £10,000.00 for the floodlights.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be referred to the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee with quotes that had been received.

Councillor Mrs B A Halford left
the Committee Room.

454 CHRISTMAS LEAVE Reference Minute 366, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre should close on Boxing Day and open from mid-day on New Year's Day.

The Centre Staff should be given an additional days leave to compensate for working Christmas Eve.

Chairman *W. J. Ash-Smith*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Swanscombe on
THURSDAY, 1st NOVEMBER, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. B R Francis
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. M J Munn
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B G Poppy
 Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. R Simmonds

455 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater, P R Defty, Mrs S East, P J French, Mrs B A Halford and B E Read.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room and apologised for being late.

456 INCOME FOR SEPTEMBER 1990 The Income for September amounting to £123,866.44 was received as set out in the annexed list.

457 ACCOUNTS PAID SEPTEMBER 1990 the Clerk reported that Accounts amounting to £25,156.98 had been paid during September.

458 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT The Clerk reported that the following Accounts had been received for payment :

Fishers (Steel Cabinet)	£2,400.00 plus VAT
CBHB&P (Legal fees re.Manor House)	£ 75.00 plus VAT
British Legion - Donation for Wreaths at Dedication Service.	

RECOMMENDED

That Fishers and CBHB&P invoices be paid, and a donation of £30.00 be made to the Royal British Legion under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

459 KNOCKHALL GARAGES Members were advised of a letter received from the Town Council's Solicitors confirming the sale of the garages for £6,000 and enclosing a cheque for £4,845.00 - being the balance after commission and expenses had been deducted. Members were also advised that investigations were still being made as to how the Town Council could dispose of the money.

460 GARAGES - CASTLE STREET Members were advised of a reply received from Dartford Borough Council informing that no proposals had been received for the site of the garages in Castle Street, and if any applications were received the Town Council would be consulted.

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of the Borough Council's reply be forwarded to Mr Ripley - one of the residents in Castle Street.

461 MANOR HOUSE, SWANSCOMBE Reference Minute 294, Members were advised of a reply received from the Borough Council informing that no funds were available to provide security patrols, however, it was hoped that the problems would be resolved when the site was made available for development. Members were further advised that the Cedar Tree that was due to be cut down was now likely to remain.

462 ALKERDEN LANE Members had received a copy of the Borough Council's reply concerning the complaint regarding the Town Council not being notified in advance of the closure of Alkerden Lane.

NOTED

463 COUNCIL CHAMBER FURNITURE Members were advised that an offer of £10.00 had been received for all of the Council Chamber furniture which was currently being stored in the garage in Swanscombe Park.

RECOMMENDED

That a Notice be placed in the Parish News and the Local Council Review advertising the furniture, and any local organisation who could make use of it would be welcome to the furniture free of charge.

464 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Members were informed that the Policy Committee had approved the recommendations of the Borough's Boundary Review Sub-Committee and an order would be made to effect the revised arrangements as from 28th November, 1990.

The proposal for Swanscombe and Greenhithe was that the total representation be reduced from 18 to 17 Councillors as follows:

Ward	Number of Councillors
Galley Hill	5
Greenhithe	2
Knockhall	5
Swanscombe	5

NOTED

465 PARISH LITTER PICKERS Members were advised that a resident of Greenhithe had contacted Councillor Nothard asking if the Borough Council would be prepared to provide the equipment needed for volunteers to clear litter from various areas.

Councillor Nothard had advised that the Borough Council were not obliged to provide litter pickers for Parish Council's with the necessary equipment and the Town Council had now been asked if they would be prepared to help.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply thanking the resident for his interest and informing that the Town Council would provide equipment up to a maximum of £20.00.

466 IRVING WALK Members were advised that the Borough Council had informed that the service road to the rear of Irving Walk was not maintained by the Highways Authority and they had forwarded the complaint to the Manager of Darthomes for his attention.

NOTED

467 C P R E Members had received a copy of a letter from C P R E informing of their Countryside Prospectus.

NOTED

468 SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS Members were advised that the September edition of the Newsletter Seefacts had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

469 KENT LOCAL PLAN FOR WASTE DISPOSAL Members had received a copy of a letter from Kent County Council informing that they were to prepare a local plan for waste disposal.

NOTED

470 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from the above mentioned Committee seeking financial assistance with the campaign to prevent the closure of the School.

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council make a donation towards their campaign in the sum of £100.00 under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.



471 COUNTY SURVEYORS ANNUAL REPORT Members were advised that a copy of the report for 1989/90 had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

472 THAMES-SIDE INDUSTRIAL ROUTE Members had received copies of the Compulsory Purchase Order and Side Roads Order.

NOTED

473 K A P C Members had received a copy of the Parish News issue number 174.

NOTED

474 N A L C Members were advised that issue number 235 of the Direct Information Service had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

475 BRITISH TELECOM Members were advised that the latest edition of Business News had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

476 CONFERENCE - YOUR COMMON LAND Members were advised that K C C were to hold a conference at Ryarsh Village Hall on Friday 30th November to demonstrate the significance of common lands and outline the laws affecting them.

NOTED

477 FIDELITY INSURANCE COVER Members were advised that the current level of insurance cover for the above mentioned item was £6,000.00. Following a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the limit be increased to £10,000.00.

478 REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE Members were advised of an invitation received to attend the Remembrance Day Service in Swanscombe Park on Sunday 11th November at 10.30 a.m.

479 K R C C Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the K R C C concerning a Local Needs Housing survey.

NOTED

480 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE'S Members were advised of receipt of a letter from R J Dunn M.P. informing that emergency telephones should be installed on the A.2. between Bexley and the Three Crutches by 1995.

NOTED

481 CHRISTMAS LEAVE - ADMINISTRATION STAFF Members discussed the Christmas leave for the staff, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Administration Staff have 24th, 25th and 26th December off and the 31st December as annual leave.

482 HALF YEARLY FIGURES Members had received copies of the Half Yearly Figures.

NOTED

483 FLOODLIT TRAINING AREA Members discussed the floodlit training area, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred to the next Recreation and Amenities Committee, and in the meantime, detailed costs be obtained and the Clerk contact the Sports Council to see if a grant might be available.

484 REPORT REGARDING AUDITOR'S COMMENTS Members discussed the letter received from the Auditor's, and the various action that had been taken as a result of their comments. Members were also advised of a letter received from a Chartered Accountant offering his services to the Council.

RECOMMENDED

That Mr Lambert, the Chartered Accountant be contacted to arrange a meeting with the Clerk for further discussion regarding his services, and how he might be able to help the Town Council.

485 TOWN PLANNING The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :

DA/90/544 & 545 Proposed extension Northfleet Landfill.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.



DA/90/0680/OUT Redevelopment of site to provide a 4100 Sq.M. Supermarket 4100 Sq.M. of business/office units, 470 Sq.M. fast food restaurant, provision of a vehicular access to Station Road and parking and servicing facilities.

Southern part of land to west of Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object most strongly to this Application on Highway grounds. Swanscombe and Greenhithe is already very heavily congested, the roads cannot cope with the traffic now. Members feel that this Application should not be considered until such time the road network in this area is substantially improved, also it does not comply with the Dartford Local Plan.

DA/90/0681/OUT Redevelopment of site to provide 7800 Sq.M. of residential units, a 4100 Sq.M. supermarket, 4100 Sq.M. of business/office units, 550 Sq.M. of retail shop units a 450 Sq.M. public house, 470 Sq.M. fast food restaurant together with moorings for 100 boats, provision of vehicular access to Station Road and parking and servicing facilities.

Land to the West of Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Object as above.

The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/90/0511/OUT Greenhithe Library, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council acknowledging receipt of the Town Council's application to modify some Poplar trees in Swanscombe Park which were covered by a Tree Preservation Order.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, on MONDAY, 5th NOVEMBER 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

486 CENTRE MANAGER Members were advised that the Centre Manager had completed his probationary period.

487 STAFF DIARY Discussion took place regarding Members use of the diary which contained daily records of events.

488 CASUAL LABOUR Members were advised that casual assistants were being engaged to deal with the cooking for children's parties and assist with the Saturday fun club etc.

489 MEMBERSHIP CARDS The Centre Manager advised that cards had been ordered for use from January 1st, 1991 and would include authorisation to use the fitness equipment.

490 ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA Members were advised that a display of encyclopaedias was to be set up in the foyer and that a competition to win one set would be arranged.

491 ENTERTAINMENT Arrangements had been made for professional entertainment to be held at the Centre of the first Saturday of each month from January 1991 for a trial period of 3 months.

492 FINANCE Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith advised Members of a letter received from the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, expressing concern at the income figure for the Centre.

493 LEASE Members had received copies of letters from the Solicitor and the Borough's Legal Services Officer.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise that the lease would be signed at the earliest opportunity.

494 BADMINTON Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith had received 2 letters seeking permission to block-book court time for badminton, which the Manager was asked to deal with.

495 MAINTENANCE CONTRACT Members had received copies of a contract for the heating and ventilation system. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That a basic contract be accepted to cover the period until April 1991. Consideration would then be given to an annual contract in line with the Council's financial year.

496 BUILDING MAINTENANCE Members had received copies of letters sent by Dartford Borough Council.

RECOMMENDED

That Harland Ceilings be contacted and if they are to rectify the problem the Borough Council must be advised.

497 TUMBLE TOTS The Manager informed Members that one court would be used from January 1991 for Tumble Tots, which should encourage Mothers with young children to use the facilities.

498 HALF YEARLY FIGURES Members considered the implications of the figures that had been produced.

Chairman

D.J. Ash-Smith