MINUTES of the MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL, held at the LEIUSRE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER 1992 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. W G East
Cllr. R D Bartlett
Cllr. L G Caller
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, D J Cowell and T V Dixon.

The Town Mayor welcomed Councillor Colin Holt as a Member of the Council.

- 532 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor's P S Crow, Mrs S East and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.
- 533 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th November 1992 were confirmed and signed.
- 534 ELECTION The Deputy Returning Officer had advised the Town Clerk that Colin Douglas Holt had been elected as Town Councillor for the Knockhall Ward.
- 535 BOROUGH PRIDE Members were advised of information received regarding plans for environmental improvements, it was agreed that this item be referred to the next Recreation and Amenities Committee.
- 536 STANHOPE ROAD A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council referring to a recently held Meeting and requesting that a site meeting be arranged.
- 537 NEWSHOPPER ARTICLE Members were advised of a letter received from Stone Parish Council concerning a petition from Residents and an error made by a Newspaper report.
- 538 KENT RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised that a letter and document had been received from Kent County Council regarding the Kent Rail Action Group.

Councillor L G Caller entered Committee Room.

539 CHANGE OF CYCLE OF MEETINGS Members were asked to consider whether the current 6 weekly cycles of Meetings could be changed when the 1993/94 Meetings were arranged.

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540 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Excluding Minute 431 - Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor B E Read

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 10th November 1992 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

541 COACHING COURSES Reference Minute 431 - Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That this item be amended to read that the fee be paid by the Town Council on the understanding that it would be repaid if the Duty Officer should resign from his position within 1 year.

542 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor R D Bartlett

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 19th November 1992 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

543 THAMES WATERFRONT STUDY Reference Minute 461 - Councillor Mrs S East advised Members of a Site Meeting attended with Tim Houghton from the Groundwork Trust to discuss plans for the Riverside Walk.

544 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith and seconded by Councillor B E Read

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 24th November 1992 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

 $\underline{545}$ FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor L G Caller

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 3rd December 1992 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

546 VALLEY VIEW PLAYGROUND Reference Minute 504 - Members were advised of a Meeting with Saxon Homes, Councillor P S Crow and Councillor Mrs S East to try and resolve the situation regarding Valley View Playground.

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547 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council alongwith the engrossment of the Supplemental Lease for Alkerden Lane Allotments and it was

RESOLVED

That the document be completed and it was signed and sealed by Councillor P S Crow and Councillor Mrs S East accordingly.

548 NAVAL COLLEGE Members were advised that a Site Meeting had been arranged for Saturday, 19th December 1992 at 10am.

549 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were advised that a letter of sympathy had been sent to Councillor Worrell of Stone Parish Council and that a member of staff, Alec Chandler was currently in hospital.

The Mayor wished Members of the Council a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

550 TOWN PLANNING The following planning application had been received from Kent County Council requesting Members comments:-

DA/88/1144A - Proposed additional gas extraction wells, pursuant to condition (2) of permission DA/88/1144A.

It was agreed that previous comments be reiterated.

The following planning application had been received from Dartford Borough Council and were submitted for Members consideration:-

DA/92/0425/A - Submission of details of boundary fencing and signage pursuant to conditions 4 & 5 of planning permission ref. no. DA/92/0425 for the erection of a single storey rear extension and change of use of property to form Doctors surgery on ground floor and a self contained flat on first floor with associated car parking.

32 London Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections.

GR/92/0048 - Construction of a waste to energy centre for the disposal of municipal solid waste and the generation of electricity and carrying out of ancillary works.

Former Northfleet Power Station, Crete Hall Road Northfleet.

It was agreed that this application be referred to the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

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The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting planning permission:-

DA/92/0568/ADV - Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe. DA/92/0386(REV) - 21 Beaton Close, Greenhithe. DA/92/0563 - 38 Eagles Road, Greenhithe.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 7th JANUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs G M Prior - Chairman Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. B E Read

Also in attendance was Mr G Cresswell - Parks Foreman and Mr Tim Houghton - Project Officer of Groundwork Trust.

551 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th November 1992 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, M D Chater, D J Cowell, T V Dixon, Mrs S East, W G East and R Simmonds.

552 THAMES WATER FRONT STUDY Mr Tim Houghton - Project Officer from the Groundwork Trust was welcomed to the Meeting.

Mr Houghton informed Members that the Project began at the latter part of October 1992, and the aim was to run a recreational path extending from the western edge of Dartford Borough to the centre of Gravesham. Routes were to be identified and the name of the route to be defined.

The Trust would eventually like to the link the path from the source of the Thames to the Thames Barrier and Members were asked to submit ideas for this project.

A Draft Report was to be published during February followed by Consultations.

Mr Houghton was thanked for attending the Meeting and was advised that the Town Council fully supported this project.

553 PARK FOREMANS REPORT The Knockhall Road changing rooms had been left in a unsatisfactory condition and pins had been left out overnight and fixture lists had not been submitted to the Parks Foreman or Groundsman.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room.

554 RENOVATION OF KNOCKHALL PITCH Members were asked to consider the purchase of a Spiker, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a Spiker be purchased at the maximum cost of £2,000 plus £500 for materials.

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555 GANG MOWING Members were asked to consider the gang mowers being repaired for the remainder of the season, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee be given delegated authority to up grade equipment should the budget be available.

- 556 PARKS TRUCK Members were advised that it was unlikely the parks truck would pass the MOT this year, it was suggested that the Parks Foreman obtain quotes for used trucks.
- 557 SECURITY SWANSCOMBE PARK Members had received copies of quotes for installation of a security system and were advised of a further break-in resulting in a mower being stolen. It was agreed that more information be obtained and this item be included on the Meeting of the next Recreation and Amenities Committee.
- 558 SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY Members received a copy of a letter from Dartford Borough Council regarding employees undertaking certain duties at Swanscombe Cemetery, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the offer be accepted and reviewed after a period of 3 months.

559 VALLEY VIEW PLAY AREA Members received a copy of a letter from Saxon Homes and were advised of a verbal offer of £18,000 for the Commuted Sum including legal costs,

RECOMMENDED

That the offer be accepted and Saxon Homes be advised that the Council were committed to providing recreational facilities for residents of this area.

- 560 ALLOTMENT SUB-COMMITTEE Members were asked to bring their copy of the Report of the Meeting of the Allotment Sub-Committee held on 9th September 1992. It was agreed that this item be deferred to a future Meeting as Councillor Dixon was unable to attend due to illness.
- 561 RECYCLING BANKS Members were asked to consider additional sites for Recycling Banks to be located, it was agreed that a reply be sent reiterating that East of Eagles Road Car Park and the British Legion Car Park sites would be appropriate.
- 562 GROVE HALL ROOF Members received copies of quotes for roof repairs to be made at the Grove Hall and it was suggested that this item be included in the Annual Estimates for 1993/94, and additional quotes be obtained.

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- 563 GANG MOWING Members received copies of 3 quotes for gang mowing at Swanscombe Park, Knockhall Road Playing Field and Broomfield Road Sports Ground and it was agreed this item be deferred to the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.
- <u>564 SAXON COURT FENCE</u> Members were advised of a converation with a resident from Saxon Court regarding the erection of a fence, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a site meeting be arranged for Saturday, 16th January 1993 at 10am.

565 BOROUGH PRIDE - PILGRIMS ROAD Members were advised that the layout for improvements at Pilgrims Road had been received and Members were asked to make further comments, it was suggested that a bus shelter be installed alongwith a litter bin.

566 SPRING INTO THE COUNTRYSIDE CAMPAIGN Members were asked to further consider correspondence received regarding the Spring into the Countryside Campaign of events and activities from 12th-25th April 1993.

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567 THAMS-SIDE ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK Members had received a copy of a letter from the Groundwork Trust regarding the Thamesside Environmental Network and it was agreed that Councillor Crow would report back to the Council.

568 KENT TRANSPORT PLAN Members were advised that a copy of the Consultation Document had been received from Kent County Council alongwith a Questionnaire, it was agreed that this item be deferred to the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

569 TOWN PLANNING

DA/89/0698/OUT & DA/92/0095/OUT - Ingress Park, Greenhithe.

Members were advised that a copy of the report on the abovementioned application had been received, it was suggested that a copy of the report be submitted to Members and this item be deferred to the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

GR/92/0048 - Former Northfleet Power Station, Crete Hall Road, Northfleet

Members were advised that a copy of the Environmental statement had been received and comments were to be made by 18th January 1993, it was agreed that this be deferred to the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

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The following planning applications had been received from Dartford Borough Council and were submitted for Members consideration:-

DA/92/0653 - Change of use of property from shop and dwelling to 2 No. self contained flats with associated parking.

46 Church Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - Members recommend refusal to this application as it was the policy of this Council not change shops into flats and it would increase the parking problems in that area.

DA/92/0652 - Erection of a Conservatory.

3 Seymour Walk, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections - Provided neighbouring prorperties were informed.

DA/89/0614/B - Submission of landscaping details pursuant to condition (8) of planning permission Ref. No.
DA/89/0614 for the formation of a Town Car Park.

Woodlands, 79 High Street, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

The following Planning Application had been received from Kent County Council for Members comments:-

DA/82/617 - Northfleet Landfill - Condition (iii)

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

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

DA/92/0581 - 104a Church Road, Swanscombe.

The following Decision Notices were received refusing permission for development:-

DA/92/0426(REVISED) - 70a High Street, Swanscombe.
DA/92/0327/OUT - Land to West of Station Road, Greenhithe.
DA/92/0331/OUT - Land to West of Station Road, Greenhithe.

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570 ANY OTHER BUSINESS It was asked that the 'No Dogs' sign be replaced at Greenhithe Foreshore.

The spring on the gate leading into the Childrens Play Area at Swanscombe Park was in need of replacement.

Lighting at Broomfield Road Footpath was not in working order.

571 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

 $\underline{572}$ CHURCH ROAD HALL Members were advised that the construction had not been removed, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this matter be passed to the Solicitor and instruct that unless this was removed, legal action would be considered.

CHAIRMAN

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 14th JANUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance were Mr Ian Bishop - Head of Professional Services and Mr Stuart Jemmett - Implementation Officer both from Dartford Borough Council.

573 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 1992 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, T V Dixon, Mrs S East, W G East, V Openshaw and Mrs G M Prior.

574 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor's D J Cowell and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

575 COUNCIL TAX Mr Bishop and Mr Jemmett were welcomed to the Meeting.

Mr Bishop then gave a full explanation of how the Council Tax was calculated and the reductions and exemptions that would apply.

Members were advised that the rate was to be set by the Borough Council on 3rd March and rate bills would be circulated by 15th March 1993.

Appeals against the bandings of properties could be made and the last date for such appeals was 30th November 1993.

Mr Jemmett offered to deal with any queries about the tax and Councillor Read thanked them both for attending and providing such a comprehensive presentation.

576 INCOME FOR NOVEMBER 1992 The Income for November amounting to £16,741.17 was received as set out in the annexed list.

577 ACCOUNTS PAID FOR NOVEMBER 1992 The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £26,594.60 had been paid during November.

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578 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were advised that the following accounts which had been received for payment:-

Dartford Borough Council - Supplemental Lease,
Alkerden Lane Allotments
Dartford Borough Council - Insurance Rent 92/93
£2285.35

National Association of Governors and Managers Subscription

£25.00

RECOMMENDED

That these accounts be paid.

579 LOAN GUARANTEES Members received copies of information from the Kent Association of Parish Councils regarding Loan Guarantees.

NOTED

580 SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB Members were asked to endorse the action of the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee who had asked for a donation of £100 to be made, under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act to the Senior Citizens Club. The donation was to assist with the replacement of items that had been stolen during a break-in

RECOMMENDED

Members endorse this action.

581 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW Members received copies of articles from Oast to Coast and copies of a response from Kent Association of Parish Councils regarding Local Government Review.

NOTED

582 KENT TRANSPORT PLAN Members were advised that a copy of the Consultation Document had been received from Kent County Council alongwith a Questionnaire and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee have delegated powers to complete and return the Questionnaire.

 $\underline{583}$ QUEEN ELIZABETH II WOOD Members were advised of a letter received from Hadlow College seeking financial assistance towards the cost of planting a wood at Hadlow College to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II reign.

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584 ELEMENTS Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council inviting Parish Councils to submit an article which would include features on Environmental Action being undertaken by Kent Parishes, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be referred to the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

585 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £15.00 and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this subscription not be renewed.

586 SOCIETY FOR LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS Members were advised that the annual subscription was now due for renewal in the sum of £49.00 and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

587 FLOODING - GUNN ROAD Members were advised of a reply received from Dartford Borough Council regarding the flooding in Gunn Road.

NOTED

588 TRANSPORT PROBLEMS Members received a copy of a reply from The Department of Transport regarding traffic problems being experienced locally as a result of roadworks on the A2 at Swanscombe.

NOTED

589 NATIONAL SCHIZOPHRENIA FELLOWSHIP Members were advised of a request for financial assistance from the National Schizophrenia Fellowship.

NOTED

590 KENT ASSOCIATION OF BOYS CLUBS Members were advised of a letter received seeking financial assistance alongwith a copy of the Kent Association of Boys Clubs book.

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591 SWANSCOMBE STATION Members received a copy of the reply from Network Southeast regarding Swanscombe Station.

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592 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS Members were advised that Issue Nos 288 and 289 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office.

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593 ST MARYS CHURCH, GREENHITHE Members were advised of a Quiz Evening being held on Friday, 29th January 1993 at the Church Hall.

594 KENT COUNTRYSIDE STRATEGY REVIEW Members were advised that the Kent Countryside Strategy Review Document had been received and comments were to be made by 1st March 1993. It was agreed that, if neccessary, this item be included on a future agenda.

595 PUBLICATIONS Members were advised that the following publications had been received:-

C P R E - Kent Branch News, Autumn/Winter 1992. Kent County Constabulary - The Relay Newspaper. Kent County Council - November issue of Logic.

Kent Rural Community Council - Winter Edition of Oast to Coast alongwith the Newsletter of Local Charities.

Village Halls Information Sheet. Dial Kent Leaflet.

South East Employers Association - Training Courses, March 1993.

Aspects of Employment Law Workshop, 29th January 1993.

Kent County Council - East Thames Corridor Update, December 1992. English Nature - December Issue Site Lines.

K N T C - Winter/Spring Edition Wildlife Focus.

Winter Edition Natural World.

(Copies of the Guide to Reserves available for £7.50 plus postage and packaging).

Campaign letter to recruit new members.

W W F - Request for financial assistance towards the campaign to serve the Big Cats.

Appeal for Volunteers for Street Collections.

Winter Edition of Newsletter.

January Edition of Wildlife Magazine.

Kent County Constabulary - Policing Charter of Kent and Gravesend.

Publications of European Communities - Information of E C Publications.

NOTED

596 SAXON HOMES - LAND ADJOINING MOUNTS ROAD Members were advised of a letter had been received alongwith a Notice of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 terminating the Tenancy in respect of the Land adjoining Mounts Road on 31st July 1993.

NOTED

597 STANHOPE ROAD - SWANSCOMBE Members were advised of a Site Meeting which had been held on 12th January 1993.

NOTED

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598 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1993/94 Members were advised that this item would be deferred until 28th January 1993 when a Special Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee would be held.

599 TOWN PLANNING

DA/89/0698/OUT and DA/92/0095/OUT - Ingress Park, Greenhithe.

Members received a copy of the report from Dartford Borough Council and it was

RECOMMENDED

That further observations be made to the Borough Council asking for the Abbey to be restored as far as was possible and advise that Members felt that the plans gave an 'over' development of the area and reducing the space for recreation and leisure.

GR/92/0048 - Construction of a waste to energy Centre for the disposal of municipal solid waste and the generation of electricity and carrying out of ancillary works.

Former Northfleet Power Station, Crete Hall Road, Northfleet.

This item was referred from the the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee. Councillor Simmonds advised on the Environmental Statement received from Gravesham Borough Council.

It was agreed that a reply be sent advising that Members felt the control of the pollutants was not adequately defined and that the traffic arrangements were not sufficient to cope with the amount of traffic that would be generated by this application.

600 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members were advised that demolition work would start week commencing 18th January 1993 on the former Swanscombe School site.

CHAIRMAN

	TOWN COUNCIL	LEISURE CENTRE
Equipment (Safe)		746.12
Wages (Week 31)	748.49	10.00
Lease of Equipment (Bar)		51.28
Maintenance		263.20
Supplies (Parks)	45.53	
Playground Equipment	148.05	
Equipment		28.38
Fencing	1861.20	
Maintenance		48.77
Allotment Rent	45.00	
Wages (Week 32)	834.23	10.00
Supplies	62.49	12.00
Water Account	187.36	139.57
Electricity Account	10.66	630.56
Gas Account	40.66	
Park Supplies	1460.93	40.00
Miscellaneous	2122 42	10.88
Inland Revenue	2128.42	1639.15
Fuel Account	81.90	
Heritage Park Fencing	803.76	222 54
Advertising Fuel Account	20.00	228.51
	30.00	140.00
Wages Advertising	36 10	140.00
Audio Equipment Repair	36.19	76.06
Occasional Licence		76.96
Poppy Wreaths	20.00	4.00
Wages (Week 33)	744.78	10.00
Building Maintenance	29.37	10.00
Miscellaneous	29.37	90.20
Supplies	22.91	90.20
Maintenance Supplies	62.13	
Bar Supplies (Gas)	02.13	3.60
Cleaning Maintenance		235.00
Planning Permission	27.50	255.00
Wages (Week 34)	744.49	10.00
Business Rates	189.00	501.00
T V Rental	103.00	12.49
Street Lighting Account	46.60	12.49
Bar Supplies (Spirits)	10100	613.77
Bar Supplies (Beer)		837.81
Insurance Refund	514.64	037.01
Playground Equipment	246.00	
Plants	172.37	
Stationary	36.85	
Monthly Salaries (Month 8)	2756.19	5154.68
Food Expenses		68.29
Miscellaneous		20.65
Wrestling Event		620.00
Rent & Licence (Gaming Machi	nes)	173.00
Casual Staff	•	59.69
Window Cleaning		18.00
	£14,127.04	£12,467.56
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Total: £26,594.60

INCOME FOR NOVEMBER 1992

Parks	Football Contribution - Bowls Club	65.00 335.62	400.62
Play Area's	Manor Park		10,000.00
Administration	VAT Refund Street Lighting Refund	101.73 1.99	103.72
Community Halls	Grove Church Road Insurance Refund Sports Pavilion	75.25 110.00 514.64	699.89
Leisure Centre	Income		2,744.59
Bar	Income		2,792.35
			£16,741.17

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 21st JANUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. W G East - Chairman

Cllr. A C Ash-Smith

Cllr. D J Cowell

Cllr. T V Dixon

Cllr. Mrs S East

Cllr. V Openshaw

Also in attendance - Councillor C D Holt, Richard Bartholomew - Centre Manager and John Lorence - Bar Steward.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith and P S Crow.

601 SUBSTITUTES Councillor Holt was nominated as Substitute for Councillor Crow.

 $\underline{602}$ STOCKTAKE Members had received copies of the Stocktake Report to 12th January 1993 and on request the Bar Steward explained the cause of the deficits and surplus' recorded on the stocktake reports.

The Steward was asked to prepare a list of price increases for consideration at the Meeting to be held in February.

- 603 BREWERIES ALLOCATION It was agreed that a meeting be arranged with representatives from the Brewery.
- 604 OVER 50's ACTIVITIES The Centre Manager advised he was hoping to arrange this event for Monday afternoons. After discussion it was agreed that the Parent/Toddler Trampoline Sessions be monitored and the Over 50's event be arranged for an afternoon other than Monday.
- 605 CENTRE LIGHTING Members were advised that the exterior lights had been repaired and were fully functional.
- $\frac{606 \text{ MEMBERSHIP}}{289.}$ Members were advised that Membership to date was

NOTED

 $\frac{607\ \text{ROOF LEAKS}}{9\text{were arranging}}$ Members were advised that the Borough Council

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- 608 FIRST AID COURSE Arrangements were still being made for staff to obtain first aid training and the Centre Manager was contacting a former Nursing Sister.
- 609 FITNESS ROOM QUALIFICATION Paul Merrills had agreed to attend a course to obtain the neccessary qualification and arrangements were currently being made.

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- 610 FIVE A SIDE LEAGUE A League was being organised now that teams were showing an interest in this event.
- 611 TOWN MAYOR'S CHARITY The Five-a-Side Football event had been arranged for Wednesday, 17th March 1993.
- 612 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Members were advised that 130 Children had attended the party which had been a great success,

RECOMMENDED

That a vote of thanks be given to the staff who had worked so hard to make this event a success.

613 NEW YEAR DISCO All tickets for the New Year Disco had been sold and the evening had been a great success,

RECOMMENDED

That a vote of thanks be given to the staff who worked so hard that evening.

 $\underline{\text{614 GRASSED AREA}}$ The park staff had installed wooden bollards to prevent cars being parked on the grassed area alongside the approach road to the car park.

615 BAR STEWARD The Centre Manager had suggested that the Bar Steward be allowed to have Sunday evenings off, unless he was needed to cover Special Events. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager arrange a new staff rota to cover this situation for consideration at the next Meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

616 MAINTENANCE Members were advised that two water pumps and two time clocks were in need of replacement at a cost of £960 plus VAT. One of the sump pumps was also faulty and would possibly need to be replaced,

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for this work to be completed.

617 SOCIAL EVENTS After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager be present at all events which were promoted by the Town Council at the Leisure Centre.

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618 YOUTH TRAINING STUDENT Members discussed the Courses which were to have been provided by Thameside Training and it was agreed that the Trainee be asked which ones he would have been attending.

The Centre Manager advised that he had put the Trainee forward for 2 interviews at Leisure Centres where vacancies had been advertised.

619 STAFFING Members were advised that Alec Chandler had been ill since December and was receiving treatment,

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of good wishes be sent from the Committee.

620 WRESTLING EVENT Members were advised of the financial position regarding the event which had been arranged for March 1993,

RECOMMENDED

That the Chairman be given delegated authority to sanction this expenditure.

The tickets were to be £4.00 for adults and £2.00 for under 16's and Senior Citizens. Children under 14 would only be allowed entry if accompanied by an adult.

621 MUSIC AND DANCE LICENCE A renewal notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council in the sum of £660.00,

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Clerk arrange for this account to be paid, subject to the advice received from Councillor A C Ash-Smith.

622 SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That, with the exception of the Bar, smoking would not be permitted in the Leisure Centre.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 28th JANUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. A C Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. W G East
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. C D Holt
Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M D Chater.

Reverend Mercer was unable to attend the Meeting and sent his apologies.

623 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

The Meeting of the Town Council was suspended and was resumed at 8pm with Councillor P S Crow in the Chair.

- 624 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th December 1992 were confirmed and signed.
- 625 PARISH NEWS Members had received a copy of the Parish News No. 196 advising that Kent Rural Community Council were holding an Information Day on 12th February 1993 at County Hall, Maidstone and replies were to be made by 8th February 1993.
- 626 SEMINAR Members were advised that an invitation had been received to attend a Special Seminar of the Future of English Local Government being held on Tuesday, 23rd February 1993 at the Kenilworth Hotel.
- 627 ZURICH INSURANCE Members received copies of correspondence from Zurich Insurance advising of the agreement which had been reached with Municipal Mutual Insurance and it was

RESOLVED

That the letter be signed and returned - effectively transferring the Council's Insurance from Municipal Mutual to Zurich Insurance.

- 628 DRAFT COMMUNITY CARE PLAN 1993/94 Members were advised that the Draft Community Care Plan 1993/94 had been received and was available in the office.
- 629 CHILDRENS PLAY AREA MOUNTS ROAD Members received a copy of a letter from Saxon Homes regarding the Landlord and Tenant Notice which had been served on the Council.

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- 630 BRITISH RAIL TIMETABLE A letter had been received from Kent County Council advising of proposals for timetable changes, to be introduced from May 1993, none of which affected this area.
- 631 COUNCIL TAX BASE 1993/94 Members were advised that a letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council alongwith a copy of the calculation used to arrive at the tax base figure.
- 632 KENT RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised that a meeting of the Kent Rail Action Group was to be held on Wednesday, 17th February 1993 at County Hall, Maidstone.
- 633 APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES Members were advised, that due to this resignation of Brian Kemp, it was neccessary to appoint a Member to serve on the Committee's for the Allotment and Garden Association, also the Local Government Review Sub-Committee. It was

RESOLVED

That Councillor C D Holt should be appointed to serve on these two Committee's.

634 STANDING ORDERS It was proposed by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East that Standing Order No. 25 (ii) be suspended and a Special Meeting of the Town Council be held at the Leisure Centre on Thursday, 4th February 1993 to set the Council Tax for 1993/94

RESOLVED

That this proposition be accepted.

635 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor R Simmonds and seconded by Councillor P S Crow

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 10th December 1992 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

636 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs G M Prior and seconded by Councillor P S Crow

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 7th January 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

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637 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor R D Bartlett

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 14th January 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

638 SWANSCOMBE STATION Reference Minute 591 - Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith advised Members that the Borough Council had been informed that Swanscombe Station was to be improved and it was

RESOLVED

That a letter be sent to British Rail, querying previous information that had been received and asking for details of the current situation.

639 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor W G East and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 21st January 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

640 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

A report had been received from Mr Malcolm Munn on behalf of Swanscombe County Infants School. Councillor L G Caller had been re-elected as Chairman and discussions had taken place concerning new cleaning and catering contracts.

The minimum of repairs would be carried out on the present school premises.

Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith reported on behalf of the Gravesend and District Mentally Hanicapped Children and Adults Society.

A letter had been received from the County Council seeking views on the size of residential care homes following a recent court case.

Considerable care was to be used in selecting a site for a new home and an example was Turnbull Close in Stone, where residents has objected strongly to a new home being built.

The Committee had also expressed their concern over the closure of hostels.

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Future funding for residential care allowances at present were paid by the Department of Social Security. As from April 1993 the County Councils Social Services Department would assum responsibility and existing residents would not be affected.

641 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members were asked to inform the office of their attendance at the Civic Reception on 20th March 1993.

Councillor Crow spoke of the communities deep regret over the recent incident resulting in the death of the young girl from Greenhithe.

642 TOWN PLANNING The following planning applications had been received from Dartford Borough Council and were submitted for Members consideration:-

DA/93/0003 - Erection of six no. two bedroom semi detached houses with associated parking and new access road onto Valley View and the provision of a childrens play area with associated landscaping.

Mount Cottage, 32a Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

DA/93/0004 - Erection of a part two storey/part three storey building to provide 6 no. two bedroom maisonettes and 6 no. two bedroom flats together with assocated car parking, private and open amenity space at Mounts Road.

Playground adjacent Homemead, Bean Road, Green-hithe.

OBSERVATIONS - Members of the Town Council wish to see the footpath retained which leads from this area to Kemsley Close and Valley View.

DA/93/0009/ADV - Retention of a Non-illuminated 1 \times 48 Sheet Poster advertising panel.

Land fronting 1a Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

DA/93/0015 - Erection of a single storey rear extension.

37 Valley View, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No objections providing neighbouring properties are informed.

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DA/93/0019 - Erection of a building for garage and storage use.

Northfleet West Grid Sub Station, Southfleet Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections.

DA/89/0756/A - Submission of details of boundary walls and fences, external materials, refuse storage and landscaping pursuant to conditions 6,8,9 and 10 of planning permission ref no. DA/89/0756 for the erection of a 3 storey building.

Land at la London Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - Members object to this application due to overintensive use of the site, lack of parking spaces and as London Road narrows at this point the access on to this road is unsatisfactory.

Vehicular access on to London Road having been refused for the adjacent site.

The following Decision Notices had been received granting permission for development:-

DA/92/0652 - 3 Seymour Walk, Swanscombe. DA/92/0425/A(Revised) - 32 London Road, Greenhithe.

643 QUESTIONS

Members were advised that a Meeting of the Sesame Spastic Society for the Kent area would be held at Milestone Road School, Dartford on Wednesday, 11th February 1993 at 8pm.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council requesting that the sign, situated at the entrance of the slip road leading from Southfleet Road to the garage and Springhead Nurseries, be amended.

It was asked when the Committee Room would be decorated.

It was suggested a letter be sent to Crest Homes enquiring when the playground equipment was likely to be installed.

It was reported that the footpath leading from Stanhope Road to London Road was in a muddy condition due to lorries entering Bamber Pit.

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 $\underline{644}$ EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

645 CHURCH ROAD HALL Proposed by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East that the Church Road Hall be closed from 31st March 1993 and all bookings following that date be transfered to the Grove Hall and the situation be reviewed in 6 months.

Following a lengthy disucssussion, a recorded vote was requested,

FOR	AGAINST	
P S Crow R D Bartlett Mrs S East W G East C D Holt Mrs G M Prior B E Read R Simmonds	A C Ash-Smith Mrs D J Ash-Smith A M Barham L G Caller M A Crosby T V Dixon	

It was therefore

RESOLVED

That the proposal be accepted.

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TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 28th JANUARY 1993 at 7.35pm

Present:	Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. A C Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. M A Crosby	Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. W G East Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
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Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M D Chater.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room followed by Councilor A C Ash-Smith.

Councillor Mrs G M Prior entered the Committee Room.

646 DRAFT ESTIMATES 1993/94 Members discussed the draft estimates for 1993/94 which had been circulated.

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MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 4th FEBRUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor
Cllr. R D Bartlett
Cllr. L G Caller
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. R G East
Cllr. W G East
Cllr. C D Holt
Cllr. V Openshaw
Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D J Cowell.

647 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were advised that Councillor's A C Ash-Smith and Mrs D J Ash-Smith and the Town Mayor, Councillor P S Crow had recently attended the incident room where the Police were dealing with the murder inquiry.

Members were asked to respond to the invitation for the ${\tt Town}$ Mayor's Reception.

648 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1993/94

Councillor V Openshaw entered the Committee Room

After a lengthy discussion it was proposed that the estimated figures for 1993/94 for Church Road Hall be increased by £2300 for wages, £100 cleaning materials and £100 furniture and fittings.

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

That this proposition be accepted.

649 DRAFT ESTIMATES 1993/94 Members were advised that the Council Tax for Band D properties would be increased to £71.91 and it was

RESOLVED

That the Draft Estimates for 1993/94 be accepted.

650 COUNCIL TAX It was proposed by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor R D Bartlett that the Council Tax for 1993/94 for Band D properties be set at £71.91

RESOLVED

That this proposal be accepted.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the GROVE HALL, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY, 10th FEBRUARY 1993 at 8pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow Town Mayor

Cllr. A C Ash-Smith

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. R D Bartlett

Cllr. L G Caller

Cllr. D J Cowell

Cllr. Mrs S East

Cllr. Mrs G M Prior

Cllr. B E Read

Councillor W G East also attended the Meeting.

651 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest in one of the items to discussed under Agenda item 5.

652 MINUTES and signed. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th October 1992 were confirmed

653 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

654 YOUTH TRAINING STUDENT Members were advised that the Youth Training Student had obtained a position with Cygnets, which was run by Gravesham Council to complete his training.

The Leisure Centre Committee were to consider whether to employ another Youth Training Student and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Executive Committee endorse the action taken by Members of the Leisure Centre Committee.

655 PERFORMANCE RELATED PAY INCREASES After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Meeting of the Executive Committee be held in Arpil to discuss this issue and draw up guidelines for future reference.

656 COMMUNITY HALLS STAFF Members considered the position of staffing since it had been agreed that the Church Road Hall should be closed from 31st March 1993. Following a lengthy discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That as from 1st April 1993, 2 caretakers be employed to cover a 7 day working week.

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The Clerk to consult with the halls staff and offer one of these positions to both of the week day caretakers, with pay and conditions of employment as instructed.

657 GROVE HALL CARETAKER Members were advised of the problems being experienced by the Caretaker on Wednesday lunch times, when she found if difficult to return in time to lock the hall, after the booking and asked if someone else could be allowed to do this. Following a lengthy discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Caretaker be responsible for locking and unlocking the hall and adhere to her Contract.

 $\underline{658}$ STAFF INTERVIEWS Members were advised of an interview that had been recorded and it was

RECOMMENDED

That in future every effort be made for a third party to be present to avoid the need for interviews to be recorded.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. Mrs S East - Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. W G East Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. B E Read Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance was Mr G Cresswell - Parks Foreman and P C Wood - Kent County Constabulary.

659 MINUTES and signed. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th Janauary 1993 were confirmed

Apologies for absence were received from Countillor's A C Ash-Smith and Mrs G M Prior.

Councillor's C D Holt and B E Read entered the Committee Room.

660 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor V Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion and a non-pecuniary interest in the Swanscombe Tigers.

A non-pecuniary interest was declared by Councillor's D J Cowell, P S Crow, Mrs S East, C D Holt and B E Read reference the Sports Pavilion.

Councillor C D Holt also declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to Greenhithe United.

661 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the next item.

662 ALARM SYSTEM Councillor Mrs East welcomed P C Wood to the Meeting.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room.

Members received information regarding the installation of an alarm system.

Councillor W G East entered the Committee Room.

Members discussed this item at great length and the Clerk was asked to carry out the instructions given accordingly, and that this be deferred to the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee once a quote had been obtained.

The Press and Public were invited to return to the Meeting.

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663 RANSOMES AERIFIER Members were asked to consider whether the aerifier could be sold as it was now surplus to requirements and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Parks Foreman obtain the best possible price for this equipment.

664 TRACTOR HANDLING COURSE Members were advised that details of a Tractor Handling Course had been received, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That Graeme Cresswell and Debbie Graham attend the course.

665 PARKS TRUCK Members were advised that quotes had been received to renovate the parks truck and it was agreed that an additional quote be obtained.

666 ALLOTMENT SUB-COMMITTEE Members were asked to consider this item deferred from previous meetings.

Councillor T V Dixon agreed to speak to the Allotment Association regarding the cost of installing a water supply at Castlefields and Craylands Lane allotment sites.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Department of the Environment seeking information for a competitive quote for a water supply to be installed.

Members were advised of a letter received from a resident in Milton Road complaining of ruts near the New Burial Ground and it was agreed that the Parks Foreman arrange for hardcore to be taken to site.

667 GROVE HALL It was

RECOMMENDED

That the suspension of Standing Order 33 (iii) be adopted.

Members had received copies of 3 Quotations which had been received for re-roofing the Grove Hall, as follows:

- a) £1,760
- b) £2,688 + VAT
- c) £2,538.65 + VAT

RECOMMENDED

That the lower Quote be accepted on the understanding that it was up to standard of other Quotes. Quote C was to be accepted in the event that the first one was not to the required standard.

668 FOOTBALL TEAMS - KNOCKHALL PITCHES Members had received a copy of the report of a meeting which had been held on Wednesday, 27th January 1993 and had been attended by Representatives of teams that hired Knockhall pitches.



669 GANG MOWING Members received copies of Estimates for gang mowing in Swanscombe Park, Broomfield Road playing field and Knockhall Road playing field as follows:

- a) £160.00 per cut;
- b) £1988 per season (15 cuts);
- c) £90.00 per cut.

RECOMMENDED

That the lowest quote be accepted and the Park Staff grease and store the gang-mowing equipment.

670 SAXON COURT PLAYGROUND Members were advised that a site meeting had taken place regarding the erection of a fence, after discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the fence be erected in the position as originally agreed.

671 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Members were advised that the Pest Control Officer had dealt with the problems of rodents in this area.

672 STATION ROAD CAR PARK Members were advised that Kent County Council had no immediate plans to adopt the Station Road Car Park, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That letters be sent to Kent County Council and Dartford Borough Council advising that the Town Council wish to give up Tenancy of the car park. A Public Notice be given to the press advising that the Town Council intend to relinquish responsibility for the car park with effect from 1st April 1993.

673 SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY Members were advised of a meeting with Officers of Dartford Borough Council regarding the Park Staff locking Swanscombe Cemetery and it was agreed that staff patrol the Cemetery, sweep litter and report vandalism if required. This would be with effect from 1st April 1993.

674 DOWNS BOWLS CLUB Members were advised of a meeting which had taken place with representaives of the Downs Bowls Club, and after discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That 3 rinks be allocated and the garage be provided for their use free of charge for this year and the situation to be reviewed at the end of the season.

675 MURDER INCIDENT - LETTER Members were advised of a letter received from Sutton-at-Hone and Hawley Parish Council sending condolences to the community and the parents of the young girl involved, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of the letter be sent to the parents.

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676 KEARY ROAD ALLOTMENTS Members were advised of a letter received requesting permission to erect a greenhouse on plot 17 at Keary Road site, it was

RECOMMENDED

That approval be given providing the tenant assumed full responsibility for any damage to the greenhouse.

Councillor P S Crow declared an interest in the next item.

677 OLD PEOPLES WELFARE COMMITTEE Members were advised of a request received from Mrs Martin, Area Organiser for permission to use Swanscombe Park on Sunday, 5th September 1993 for their Annual Fete, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the request be granted and no charge be made.

678 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of a letter received from the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs informing that four Trustees names were being forwarded to their Solicitors and it was

RECOMMENDED

That a meeting with the Association and Councillors L G Caller, P S Crow and B E Read be held at the Pavilion on Monday, 1st March 1993 at 7.30pm.

679 SWANSCOMBE BOWLS CLUB Members were advised that the Lease from Swanscombe Bowls Club had been received, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the date for completion be 1st April 1993 and the Lease be sealed at the next Meeting of the Town Council.

680 HASTED CLOSE Members were advised of a letter that had been received from Saxon Homes informing that they were unable to be of further assistance but suggesting that the Borough Council's Enforcement Officer be asked to deal with this as an unauthorised change of use

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Enforcement Officer.

681 PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT Members were advised that the Engineers report had been received regarding the playground equipment.

NOTED

682 CIRCUS CAROUSEL Members were advised of a letter received from Circus Carousel requesting the use of Swanscombe Park as a venue for a Circus to be held in July, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Circus be invited to use the Park and a donation be made to the Mayor's Charity.



683 MANOR HOUSE PLAYGROUND Members were advised of a letter received from Crest Homes advising that the installation of the playground equipment would probably commence on 1st April 1993.

 $\overline{\text{Community Council}}$ Members were advised of a letter received from the Kent Rural Community Council alerting Councils of false bookings for hire of halls and it was agreed that local organisations and schools be advised.

685 TOWN PLANING The following planning application had been received from Dartford Borough Council requesting Members observations:-

DA/93/0030 - Erection of a single storey rear extension to form bathroom, lobby and enlarged kitchen.

70 Milton Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections - Providing neighbouring properties are informed.

Members were advised that the following planning applications received from Gravesham Borough Council had been withdrawn:-

GR/92/0048 - Construction of a waste to energy centre for the disposal of municipal solid waste and the generation of electricity and the carrying out of ancillary works.

Former Northfleet Power Station, Crete Hall Road, Northfleet.

GR/92/0669 - Construction of link road from Pepper Hill roundabout to Springhead Road, opposite Northfleet Cemetery, alteration to existing entrance and formation of a new vehicular entrance to Sainsburys Superstore, Springhead Road.

Land to the West of Springhead Road, Northfleet.

Members received copies of a reply and explanatory notes from Dartford Borough Council for the following:-

DA/92/0095 & DA/89/0698/OUT - Ingress Park, Greenhithe.

Following a discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise that comprehensive comments had previously been made in the letter dated 20th January but add that Members felt that, although the applicant had been waiting three and a half years, they should be willing to make some movement towards an agreeable solution.

The Clerk was asked to send copies of correspondence from this Council to all Members of the Borough Council's Development Control Sub-Committee.

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Members were advised that the following Decision Notice had been received:-

DA/91/0423/B(REVISED) - Land at Manor House, Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

 $\underline{686}$ ANY OTHER BUSINESS Members were asked to advise Dartford Borough Council in the event that gypsies were seen setting up camp in the area.

CHAIRMAN

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 18th FEBRUARY 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. W G East - Chairman

Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. R Simmonds

Councillor C D Holt was also in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, P S Crow and V Opendshaw, also from the Centre Manager - Richard Bartholomew due to illness.

687 SUBSTITUTES It was agreed that Councillor Holt should attend as Substitute for Councillor Openshaw.

688 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 10th November 1992, 24th November 1992, 10th December 1992 and 21st January 1993 be agreed and signed.

689 CENTRE REPORT Members had received a copy of the Report from the Centre Manager.

690 MEMBERSHIP It was agreed that comparison figures should be provided for the previous year.

691 YOUTH TRAINING STUDENT
Trainee had been successful and had obtained a position at Cygnets Leisure Centre to complete his training. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Manager arrange for Youth Training Students to be interviewed.

692 OVER 50'S ACTIVITIES It was

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for annual leave to be spread evenly throughout the year which would avoid the detrimental effect currently being experienced and assist the smooth running of the Leisure Centre.

693 ROOF LEAKS Members were advised that investigation had taken place and to date no response had been received.

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RECOMMENDED

That these arrangements be made as a matter of urgency.

A warning sign was to be installed, advising to keep clear of doors.

695 BAR STEWARD After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Steward be allowed to take Sunday evenings off and work an alternative shift providing adequate cover was provided and he was willing to work Sunday evenings if required.

 $\underline{69.6}$ BREWERIES ALLOCATION Members were advised by the Chairman of the meeting which had taken place (Reference Minute 603).

The barrelage sold by the Centre did not allow for any additional discounts to be made and in fact the targets were not being met.

It was agreed that the Chairman would discuss this issue with the Steward to try and improve the situation.

69 7 BAR PRICES The Bar Steward had put forward suggestions for price increases and of promotions which could lead to an increase in custom for the bar

RECOMMENDED

That the Bar Steward's recommendations be accepted.

698 MUSIC AND DANCE LICENCE Additional information had been obtained and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this account be paid.

699 MAINTENANCE Members were advised of recommendations that had been received regarding the chlorination of the hot and cold water system

RECOMMENDED

That this be deferred to the next Meeting of the Leisure Centre Committee.

70.05 A SIDE FOOTBALL A letter of complaint had been received from a Member of the Leisure Centre regarding the 5 A Side League being held on Wednesday evenings, therefore preventing use of the hall by other Members of the public. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the person concerned be invited to attend a Meeting with the Centre Manager and 2 Members of the Leisure Centre Management Committee at a mutually convenient time.

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701. VENDING MACHINES Members were advised of the proposals to install new vending machines for snacks and cold drinks and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this arrangement be agreed at the discretion of the Chairman.

702 TELEPHONE SYSTEM A request was made for the bar telephone to be adjusted to enable outgoing calls to be made. After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That the adjustment be made for Bank Holidays and details of a new system be obtained.

703 TELEVISION A letter had been received advising of an increase in the monthly rental charges, effective from 1st April 1993

RECOMMENDED

That the Contract be terminated and the situation be reviewed in 3 months. The Bar Steward be asked to provide live music evenings.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the GROVE HALL, THE GROVE SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY 1993 at 8pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. M A Crosby

Cllr. Mrs S East

Cllr. B E Read

Councillor T V Dixon was also in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's L G Caller and Mrs G M Prior and A C Ash-Smith.

704 SUBSTITUTE It was agreed that Councillor Dixon should attend as Substitute for Councillor Caller.

705 <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u> Councillor Crosby declared a non-pecuniary interest in an item to be discussed on staffing and it was agreed that he would not vote on this issue.

706 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

707 COMMUNITY HALLS STAFF Reference Minute 657, Members were advised of a letter of objection that had been received.

Councillor Crow advised Members of what had transpired at an earlier Meeting, which had been held to allow the person concerned to voice her objections.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Meeting.

Following a lengthy discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the original offer be retracted and the Clerk to consult with the staff and advise them of the new offer which was being made.

Councillor M A Crosby did not vote on the previous item.

708 PARK STAFF Discussion took place regarding staffing.

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709 LEISURE CNETRE Members discussed the financial position of the Council and the need to reduce the expenditure for the Leisure Centre

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk act according to instructions.

710 FORMER CENTRE MANAGER Members were advised of a letter that had been received from Municipal Mutual Insurance.

NOTED

711 SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION Members were advised of correspondence that had been received with details of training and consultancy services which were available.

712 SUMMER PARK ATTENDANT Members were asked to consider the hourly rate for the Summer Park Attendant and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the hourly rate be increased by 0.12p per hour.

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TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 25th FEBRUARY 1993 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon

Cllr. R D Bartlett
Cllr. L G Caller
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. R Simmonds

713 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th January 1993 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs G M Prior.

714 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor P S Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

715 INCOME FOR DECEMBER 1992 The income for December amounting to £7457.00 was received as set out in the annexed list.

716 ACCOUNTS PAID FOR DECEMBER 1992 The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £30504.95 had been paid during December.

717 COUNCIL TAX Members had received a copy of the leaflet which had been supplied to Dartford Borough Council for circulation with the Council Tax Bills.

718 GROUP 4 Members were advised that a letter had been received from Group 4 advising of a price increase with effect from 1st May 1993.

NOTED

719 N A L C Members were advised that the renewal of the NALC subscription was due in the sum of £71.00, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

720 STREET LIGHTING Members were advised of correspondence which had been received from Seeboard informing that maintenance charges were to be increased by $3\frac{1}{2}$ % and there was to be a decrease in the cost of electricity - both effective from 1st April 1993.

721 STATION ROAD - GREENHITHE Members received a copy of a reply from Dartford Borough Council to a local resident who had complained of the condition of the Highway in Station Road, Greenhithe and it was agreed that a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council advising that no improvement had yet been made.

722 KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - COUNTRYSIDE STRATEGY Members were advised that details of open meetings had been received from Kent County Council informing the dates of venues.

NOTED

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723 PARISH COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT Members had received copies of letters from Kent Rural Community Council requesting support for a project being set up to employ a Development Officer. It was agreed that a letter be sent wishing them well with this project.

724 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Members had received copies of audited accounts from the Greenhithe Community Association, after discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Association be advised that the Council would be unable to make a donation in the coming financial year, but would be willing to consider assisting when new premises were ready for occupation.

725 POLICE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE Members were advised that a Meeting of the Police Consultative Committee would be held on Wednesday, 14th April 1993.

726 KENT TRANSPORT PLAN Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council thanking the Council for their comments which would be taken into account and advising that a copy of the Transport Plan would be forwarded in due course.

NOTED

727 BUS SERVICE Members had received copies of a letter from a local resident complaining of the Bus Service and asking for an additional bus stop

RECOMMENDED

That the request be forwarded to Dartford Borough Council for bus shelters to be repaired and a request stop be provided between Knockhall Road and Knockhall Chase. A letter be sent to Kent County Council seeking information about grants for bus shelters.

728 APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS Members received a copy of a letter from the North West Kent Area Education Office regarding police checks.

NOTED

729 OUTSET Members were advised of correspondence which had been recieved advising of services and opportunities which were available from this charity for disable people.

NOTED

730 NIGHTINGALE PROJECT Members were advised that details had been received from the Nightingale Project Organisation enclosing leaflets which were available.

NOTED

731 FOOTPATH - STANHOPE ROAD TO NORTHFLEET Members were advised of a response received from Blue Circle informing that appropriate action would take place to improve the situation of mud on the path. It was suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Blue Circle for their prompt attention to this problem.

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732 PUBLICATIONS Members were advised that the following Publications had been received and were available in the office:-

N A L C - Direct Information Service Nos. 290, 291 and 292; Issue Nos. 21 & 22 of RELAY from Kent County Constabulary;

Annual Report for 1991/92 from Dartford Borough Council;

Regional Press information from Commission of European Communities entitled Increased Support of European Community Interregional Co-operation;

A preview issue of Kent Business from Kent Messenger Group; December issue of LOGIC;

Details of Best Kept Village Competition from Kent Rural Community Council; Wildlife Magazine (February 1993) from WWF;

Issue 23 of Country Matters and the 1991/92 Annual Report from North West Kent Countryside Project;

List of Publications available from the National Association of Governors and Managers;

Details of South East in Bloom Competition from Kent County Council.

NOTED

733 LOGIC Members were advised that LOGIC publication No. 1 (January 1993) had been received.

NOTED

734 SPONSORED LITTER BINS Members were advised that a letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council launching a scheme for sponsorship of litter bins, it was agreed that this item be deferred to the Recreation and Amenities Committee to be held in April.

735 INTERNATIONAL RAIL LINK Members were advised of a letter received from Kent Association of Parish Councils informing that a Meeting would be held at Harrietsham Village Hall on Tuesday, 9th March 1993 at 7.30pm to discuss the International Rail Link.

NOTED

736 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing the Council that a donation of £250.00 towards the cost of Christmas lighting would be forwarded, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of thanks be sent.

737 PARISH NEWS Members received copies of the Parish News Issue No. 197.

NOTED

738 AGE CONCERN Members were advised of a letter from Age Concern concerning questions put to the Charity Commissioners.

NOTED

739 SESAME - SPASTICS SOCIETY Members received copies of information from the SESAME Spastics Society seeking support from the public for their campaign to urge the Government to provide a wider choice of education resources for children with disabilities.

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740 TOWN PLANNING The following Planning Applications were received from Dartford Borough Council seeking Members observations:-

DA/93/0044 - Change of use of property from Launderette to Amusement Arcade.

(Vacant) 1 The Parade, High Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - Members of the Town Council were unanimous in their objections to this application.

The premises are located at a very busy junction and cars parking there will cause additional hazards.

The noise would be a problem for the occupants of the premises above the shop and would cause an environmental nuisance for local residetns.

Members also objected to this change of use and felt this was not suitable for young children - who can become addicted to these machines and there was a large recreation area, a youth club and a leisure centre in the near vicinity.

DA/93/0052 - Erection of a single storey side extension.

77 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections - Providing neighbouring properties were informed.

The following Decision Notices were received granting permission for development:-

DA/92/0653 (REVISED) - 46 Church Road, Swanscombe. DA/92/0580 (REVISED) - 20 Hasted Close, Greenhithe.

741 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

742 GUARENTEES A discussion took place regarding Loan Guarentees given by the Town Council.

743 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING A leaflet had been received concerning the conduct of Town or Parish Meetings and it was agreed that this item be included on the agenda for the Town Council Meeting to be held on 11th March 1993.

CHAIRMAN

INCOME FOR DECEMBER 1992

Parks	Football	275.00
Administration	Interest (BPA)	218.79
Community Halls	Grove 206.10 Church Road 120.70	326.80
Leisure Centre	Income	2868.95
Bar	Income	3767.46
		7457.00

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	TOWN COUNCIL	LEISURE CENTRE
Kitchen Equipment Hire		110.37
Wages (Week 35)	791.12	10.00
Bar Supplies		71.23
Stocktake		82.25
Cleaning Materials		35.02
Euipment Repairs		98.14
Equipment		33.46
Table Tennis Equipment		106.93
Maintenance		35.25
Maintenance (Alarms)		82.25
Building Maintenance		74.85
Stationary	64.33	
Wages (Week 36)	796.99	43.82
Equipment Repairs (Parks)	687.95	
Materials (Parks)	64.63	
Legal Fees	287.63	
Equipment for Cleaning		135.12
Supplies (Bar)		408.43
Parks Materials	42.47	
Advertising (Psychic Fair)		226.52
Car Hire (Senior Citizens)	14.00	
Fire Protection Maintenance		49.35
Maintenance Agreement (Lifts)		900.64
Cleaning Materials	84.72	13.57
Electric Account		751.14
Inland Revenue	2324.37	1630.98
Loan Repayment		3592.00
Monthly Salaries (Month 9)	2698.43	5034.84
Wages (Week 37)	1858.14	20.00
Business Rates	189.00	501.00
Tickets (New Years Disco & Party)		47.00
Security Service	88.19	176.36
TV Hire		12.49
Donation (S137) GCA	1000.00	PK (0000) PARISO
Wages		140.00
Gas Supplies		3.60
Maintenance		176.25
Bar Supplies (Beer)		1010.14
Floral Tribute (Mr Hearn)	17.00	
Heritage Park Rent	14.69	
Street Lighting Accounts	256.00	00.54
Wages (Week 39)	435.89	20.54
Parks Supplies (Tools)	102.20	21 51
Bar Supplies (Snacks)		21.51
Maintenance (Lighting)	42.55	36.24
Buildings Maintenance (Park)	43.55	
Invitation Cards (Civic Recep.)	93.00	
Fuel Account	65.03	
Stationary Christman Lighting	7.70	
Christmas Lighting	1683.19	61.39
Cleaning Materials		82.25
Detection Units	26.00	02.23
Refuse Account	20.00	51.28
Lease of Equipment	100.00	51.20
Donation (Christmas Party)	100.00	
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	TOWN COUNCIL	LEISURE CENTRE
Machines (Rental) Costumes (Christmas Party) New Year Disco Casual Staff Food Expenses Casual Staff (Bar)		173.00 75.00 260.00 98.90 64.46 111.16
	£13,836.22	£16,668.73

GRAND TOTAL: £30,504.95

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 11th MARCH 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. W G East Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs G M Prior Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. R Simmonds

Prayers were read by Reverend T Mercer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith and B E Read.

744 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor P S Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

Councillor's C D Holt and V Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest regarding the Sports Pavilion.

745 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 28th January and 4th February 1993 were confirmed and signed.

746 TREES FOR KENT Members were advised that a course entitled 'The Role of the Tree Warden in Kent' would be held on Sunday, 21st March 1993 at Lenham.

Councillor R Simmonds declared an interest in the next item.

747 UNION RAILWAYS Members were advised that Councillor Simmonds would attend as a representative on a visit to TGV Atlantique, and it was

RESOLVED

That £50 be allocated for out of pocket expenses towards the trip.

748 RAIL LINK CONSULTATION Members were advised of correspondence that had been received from Kent Association of Parish Councils regarding the proposals for the International Rail Link, including details of the proposed consultations arrangements.

749 MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE Members were advised that Municipal Mutual Insurance would hold an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company on Wednesday, 24th March 1993 at Westminster Central Hall, London.

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750 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor R D Bartlett and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 28th January 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

751 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 10th February 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted and that 'this should not set a precedent' be added to the last paragraph of the report.

752 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor L G Caller

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 11th February 1993 be amended to include apologies from Councillor A C Ash-Smith and Mrs G M Prior and the Minutes be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

753 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE With the exception of Minute 702 - Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 18th February 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

754 TELEPHONE SYSTEM Reference Minute 702 - It was agreed that this item be deferred to the next Meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

755 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 24th February 1993 be amended to include apologies from Councillor A C Ash-Smith and the Minutes be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

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756 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor R D Bartlett and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 25th February 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

757 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith reported on behalf of the Gravesend and District Mentally Handicapped Society.

The Extension to the main building was nearing completion.

The final interview had taken place for the Development Officer for the Gravesend and Dartford District, and the applicant from Hartley had previously been involved with Mencap.

The government were reforming ideas on assessing the mentally handicapped.

The Royal Society were revising their methods of assessment.

758 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS The Lease had been received and was ready to be sealed and signed and it was

RESOLVED

That the Lease for the Bowls Club be signed by Councillor's P S Crow and Mrs S East.

759 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were advised that a previous planning application for an amusement arcade was to be given a recommendation of refusal from Officers of Dartford Borough Council.

Members were informed that Councillor Reads mother had been taken ill and a letter wishing her a speedy recovery was to be sent.

760 TOWN PLANNING The following planning applications had been received from Dartford Borough Council and were submitted for Members consideration:-

DA/93/0063 - Erection of a two storey rear extension.

81 High Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Objections - Providing neighbouring properties were informed.

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DA/93/0080 - Provision of a childrens play area with associated play furniture and landscaping pursuant to condition (16) of planning permission ref no.
DA/86/0687 for the redevelopment of the site.

Land South of High Street and Eagles Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

DA/93/0078 - Erection of a single storey side extension.

58 Milton Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

DA/93/0067 - Erection of a single storey rear extension.

Treetops - 32A London Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

DA/92/0368/A - Submission of landscaping details pursuant to condition (4) of planning permission ref no.
DA/92/0368 for the formation of 10 no. parking bays with associated land.

Land bounded by 98-118 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS - No Observations.

The following Decision Notice had been received refusing permission for development:-

DA/93/0009/ADV - Land Fronting 1A Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

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

DA/93/0015 - 37 Valley View, Greenhithe.

761 QUESTIONS

Questions were raised regarding the provision of litter bins and the accounts paid by residents to both water companies.

Councillor Crow was to question whether the sponsorship provided for street cleansing could include this area.

Councillor W G East entered Committee Room.

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It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Environment Officer of Dartford Borough Council regarding the lack of cleaning in Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

762 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

763 ALARM SYSTEM Members received copies of 3 quotes, after discussion it was

RESOLVED

That a Resolution be made at the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee to be held on 25th March 1993.

Councillor M A Crosby left the Meeting followed by Councillor's C D Holt and V Openshaw.

764 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of a recent Meeting with Representatives of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs, after a discussion it was

RESOLVED

That the Association be advised that their planning application for an extension would be supported but the Town Council would not allow additional land for a car parking area and they were legally unable to act as guarantor for the additional loan.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of the MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 18th MARCH 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. W G East - Chairman

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance was Councillor C D Holt.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, P S Crow, D J Cowell and Mrs S East.

765 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th February 1993 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor C D Holt entered the Committee Room.

766 SUBSTITUTES It was

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor Holt attend as Substitute for Councillor Crow.

767 TELEPHONE SYSTEM Reference Minute 702 - which was referred from the Meeting of the Town Council held on 11th March 1993, after consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk make further enquiries and the system be reprogrammed for the Bank Holiday periods.

768 ADVERTISING Members were advised of an advertisement and an article on the Leisure Centre which had been placed in the Informer.

769 TELEVISION After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That a used television be purchased and the Bar Steward to arrange this in conjunction with the Chairman.

770 VENDING MACHINES Members were advised that the snack machine had been replaced.

771 INCOME FIGURES Members had received copies of income figures for the Bar and the Centre and were advised of membership numbers to date.

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772 MAINTENANCE Reference Minute 699, after receiving advice it was

RECOMMENDED

That this Contract not be accepted but the water tanks and down system be professionally inspected, and cleaned if required, every 4-5 years.

773 ENGINEER'S REPORT ON LIFTS Members were advised that copies of the reports had been received and were informed of comments that had been made

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise Dartford Borough Council of the problems and ask that they attend to these items.

774 KENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE BLIND The Clerk reported receipt of a letter that had been received, thanking Members for the offer to use the Centre for a fund raising event.

775 LICENCE Members were advised of an invoice that had been received for the renewal of the Phonographic Performance Licence in the sum of £288.19 and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this account be paid.

776 BANK HOLIDAY HOURS The Bar Steward had suggested that the Centre's Bar should be opened at lunch time on Good Friday and Easter Monday and it was

RECOMMENDED

That these recommendations be accepted.

777 STOCKTAKE Members had received copies of the stocktake report covering the 56 days to 9th March 1993.

NOTED

778 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

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RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk include the recommendation from the Leisure Centre Management Committee on the agenda for the Executive Committee Meeting to be held on 24th March 1993.

A vote of thanks to be given to the Bar Steward for his assistance during the absence of the Manager.

The Receptionist to take paid leave for her holiday in April and her wages to be adjusted accordingly in the event that she left the employment of this Council.

CHAIRMAN

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the GROVE HALL, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY, 24th MARCH 1993 at 8pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. Mrs G M Prior Cllr. B E Read

Councillor T V Dixon was also in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith and D J Cowell.

780 SUBSTITUTES Councillor T V Dixon attended the Meeting as Substitute for Councillor A C Ash-Smith.

781 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th & 24th February 1993 were confirmed and signed.

782 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

783 LEISURE CENTRE STAFF The Leisure Centre Management Committee had put forward the recommendation that the Bar Steward be temporarily upgraded to the dual role of Steward/Centre Manager, due to the needs of the Centre during the absence of the Centre Manager through illness.

This upgrading to be effective from 19th March and his salary increased to that of the Centre Manager with affect from that date.

Casual Staff to be employed by the Steward as required

RESOLVED

That this recommendation be endorsed.

784 PARKS STAFF Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk carry out the instructions as requested.

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785 DISCLOSURE OF CRIMINAL BACKGROUNDS Members were advised of the request from Dartford Borough Council to have these checks carried out for staff who would be patrolling the Cememtery and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk arrange for this information to be obtained for the Parks Foreman, Parks Assistant and Part time Attendant.

786 TRAINING COURSES Members were advised of details of courses which had been received from South East Employers.

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TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at THE LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 25th MARCH 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs G M Prior Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. B E Read Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, D J Cowell and W G East.

787 CHANNEL RAIL LINK Members had received correspondence and information regarding the Channel Rail and were advised that a Mobile Public Information Centre would be sited in the Leisure Centre Car Park on Friday, 23rd April 1993.

It was asked if a 4 track line was to be used and if lines were to be used to get freight off the road, apparently Kent Association of Parish Councils were suggesting this.

Questions were raised regarding the location of the station.

Councillor's Mrs G M Prior and B E Read entered the Committee Room.

It was said that all existing roads should be upgraded or widened.

It was felt that the Town Council should be involved at the planning stages and the Council should make a statement to welcome the Rail Link.

Members were opposed to any moves to close Swanscombe Station.

Members were advised that Residents in Stanhope Road objected strongly due to the noise pollution and residents would be looking for compensation. The Town Council must stress the need for noise barriers to protect residents most affected.

Councillor V Openshaw entered Committee Room.

It was felt that the building of the Rail Link it would create more jobs for people living in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area.

It was asked if a request could be made that a percentage of local people be employed in this project and a local office be set up for the unemployed.

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A suggestion was made that the proposals be cautiously welcomed and the Town Council be involved to obtain the best options and request that the Thameside Link also be completed.

It was suggested that the Town Mayor request assistance and counselling for people who may suffer from the problems the link would create.

It was then

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council and Union Railways giving a cautious welcome to the proposals and requesting that this Council be involved at the earliest planning stages.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at THE LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 25th MARCH 1993 8pm

Present:

Cllr. Mrs S East - Chairman
Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. R D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. R D Bartlett
Cllr. L G Caller
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. P S Crow

Cllr. R Simmonds

788 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th February 1993 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, D J Cowell and W G East.

789 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor's C D Holt and V Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest in the Sports Pavilion.

Councillor's M A Crosby, Mrs S East and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

790 PARK FOREMANS REPORT Members were advised that the park truck and equipment had been stolen. The truck had since been recovered and Members were advised of the cost of repairing the damage and of the work needing to be carried out for the MOT certificate to be obtained.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter of complaint regarding the material used to fill the ruts in the pathway to the New Burial Ground Allotments and the Parks Foreman was to be asked if some material could be laid over this ballast.

791 ALLOTMENTS It was agreed that a Site Meeting of the Allotments would be held on Saturday, 3rd April 1993 meeting at the Leisure Centre at 10am.

792 SPONSORED LITTER BINS This item was referred from a previous meeting for Members consideration.

NOTED

793 DOWNS BOWLS CLUB Members were advised of a letter received from the Downs Bowls Club accepting the offer of 3 rinks for the new season.

An estimate had been obtained for the installation of a new electrical supply in the sum of £293.75 plus VAT, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Downs Club to see if they could assist with the electricity installation.



794 HERITAGE PARK Members were advised that a Meeting of the Heritage Park Working Party had been held on Monday, 22nd March 1993.

795 MAY FAYRE Members received a copy of a letter from the Secretary of St Peter and St Paul Church requesting use of Swanscombe Park for their May Fayre on Saturday, 29th May 1993, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the park be used for the May Fayre Celebrations.

796 STATION ROAD CAR PARK Members were advised that a notice had been placed in the Dartford Informer and the Car Park informing that from 31st March 1993 the Town Council were no longer responsible for this area.

797 GROUNDWORK TRUST Members were advised that a copy of the Winter Edition of Groundwork News had been received.

NOTED

798 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL SITE Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council asking if the Town Council were interested in using the playing fields of the former school

RECOMMENDED

That a reply be sent requesting the terms and conditions for use of the playing fields.

799 TAUNTON ROAD SITE Members were advised of a letter received from Sun Alliance informing that they could not provide indemity insurance for this land.

800 SWANSCOMBE PARK Members were advised of a letter of complaint that had been received from a resident in Ames Road and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise that the height of the fence would be increased, budget permitting, and suggest that the police be contacted if anyone is seen committing crimes in the park.

801 BOOT FAIR Members were advised of a letter received from the 2nd Swanscombe Scouts requesting use of Swanscombe Park in July. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the scouts be allowed use of the park free of charge on a convenient date.

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802 ZURICH INSURANCE Members were advised that the renewal notice had been received from Zurich Mutual for inspection of the playground equipment, in the sum of £312.48.

A quote for £555.00 had been obtained from Cornhill Insurance

RECOMMENDED

That the quote from Zurich Mutual be accepted.

803 GROVE HALL Members were advised of a request from Cygnets Play Group for them to put a fridge in Grove Hall, it was agreed that the Play Group have permission, but at their own risk.

A request to place a storage shed in the grounds of the Grove Hall was made, and it was agreed that more information be obtained.

Councillor P S Crow declared an interest in the next item.

804 CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH A request was received from the Town Mayor for the use of Broomfield Playing Field for a Charity Match on 14th April 1993. It was agreed that the pitch be available free of charge.

805 SPORTS PAVILION This item was deferred to the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

806 TOWN PLANNING Members were advised that the following Decision Notice had been received granting permission for development:-

DA/93/0030 - 70 Milton Road, Swanscombe.

The following Decision Notice had been received refusing permission for development:-

DA/92/0612/AGR - Land West side of Craylands Lane Pit 14, Swanscombe.

807 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.



808 ALARM SYSTEM Members were informed of the advice that had been obtained from the Insurance Company and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the proposals be carried out as suggested.

CHAIRMAN

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 8th APRIL 1993 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs S East

809 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th February 1993 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, P S Crow, T V Dixon, W G East, C D Holt, V Openshaw, Mrs G M Prior and R Simmonds.

- 810 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor's D J Cowell, M A Crosby and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.
- 811 INCOME FOR JANUARY 1993 The Income for January amounting to £12,826.62 was received as set out in the annexed list.
- 812 ACCOUNTS PAID FOR JANUARY 1993 The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £25,900.43 had been paid during January.
- 813 INCOME FOR FEBRUARY 1993 The Income for February amounting to £8.753.65 was received as set out in the annexed list.
- 814 ACCOUNTS PAID FOR FEBRUARY 1993 The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £25,386.10 had been paid during February.

Councillor Mrs S East entered Committee Room.

<u>815 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</u> Members were advised that the following account had been received for payment:-

Timber Technique - £640.42

RECOMMENDED

That this account be paid.

816 PARKS TRUCK Members were advised of price lists that had been obtained for Leasing a truck, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Chairmen of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Recreation and Amenities Committee look for the best terms for purchase or leasing of trucks - within the confines of the budget.

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817 CYGNETS PLAYGROUP A request was received from the Cygnets Playgroup for the erection of a shed to be situated in the grounds of Grove Hall, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That this request be accepted and the Playgroup pay 50% towards the cost of the planning fee.

It was agreed that the rate of hire be increased to £2.50 per hour.

818 SUPERANNUATION RATES Members received copies of a letter from Kent County Council informing of the increased rate of employers contributions.

NOTED

819 HERITAGE PARK Members received copies of a Report of the Meeting of the Heritage Park Working Party held on 22nd March 1993.

NOTED

820 CHRISTMAS LIGHTING Members were advised that a sample of a second hand decoration had been received and 8 of these were available at a cost of £35.00 each, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the lighting decorations be purchased and local traders be invited to sponsor the cost of the Christmas lighting.

821 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were asked to consider the renewal of the annual subscription received from the Kent Rural Community Council in the sum of £25.00. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the annual subscription be renewed.

822 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION Members were asked to consider the renewal of the annual subscription received from the National Playing Fields Association in the sum of £25.00. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the annual subscription be renewed.

823 SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION Members were advised that the renewal notice had been received from the South East Employers Association in the sum of £150 plus VAT and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the annual subscription be renewed.

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824 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members were advised that the annual subscription received from the Kent Association of Parish Councils in the sum of £350 plus VAT and £5.75 for the additional copy of Local Council Review was due for renewal. It was

RECOMMENDED

That the annual subscription be renewed and the additional copy of the Local Council Review be ordered.

825 SWANSCOMBE STATION Members received a copy of a letter from Network South East regarding Swanscombe Station.

NOTED

- 826 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members received copies of issue no. 198 of the Parish News, and it was agreed that a letter would be sent commenting on the Rail Link when more information had been received.
- 827 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL SITE Members received copies of a reply from Kent County Council regarding the site of the former school.

NOTED

828 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW Members of the Local Government Review Committee received an extract from the National Association of Local Councils Direct Information Service No. 294 regarding the restructuring of Welsh Local Government.

NOTED

829 KENT MINERALS PLAN Members were advised that a copy of the Kent Minerals Plan had been received and a copy had been given to the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and it was

RECOMMENDED

That a request be made for this Council to be included on the list for consultation purposes.

830 BUS SHELTERS Members received copies of the reply from Dartford Borough Council in response to the complaints made regarding the Bus Shelter in the High Street.

NOTED

831 BUS SHELTERS - KNOCKHALL ROAD Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council Highways, regarding an inspection of the Bus Shelter in Knockhall Road, and it was agreed that this be investigated further.

NOTED

832 INSURANCE Members were advised of a letter received from Zurich Insurance advising that the Town Council would be invited to renew the policies for 1993/94.

NOTED

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833 POLICE COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP Members received copies of confidential figures from the Crime Management Unit, and it was agreed that a representative from Dartford Borough Council be invited to attend meetings of the Crime Prevention Committee.

Members were advised that the next Public Meeting of the Community and Police Consultative Group would be held on 14th April 1993 at Gravesend Grammer School for Boys.

Members were also advised of a further letter received from Superintendent Lofthouse urging the Council to review the type of bins used in the area following recent terrorist activities. It was agreed that a letter be sent to the police asking if there would be problems with bins in this area and the Clerk to advise Dartford Borough Council of the contents of this letter.

834 STATION ROAD - GREENHITHE Members received copies of a reply from Dartford Borough Council regarding the highway condition in Station Road, Greenhithe. It was agreed that a letter be sent requesting a meeting with a Dartford Borough Council representative and a local Town Councillor to discuss the problems being experienced.

835 PUBLICATIONS Members were advised that the following publications had been received:-

Kent County Councils Railink Update Issue Nos. 20 & 21. Kent Rural Community Council - Free demonstration of village hall floors on Tuesday, 13th April 1993 at the Bapchild Village Hall. The Kent Messengers Kent Business Newspaper Issue 1.

WWF - Wildlife Magazines Issues No. 3 & 4.

National Schizophrenia Fellowship - Seeking donations.

Kent County Councils Issue of Logic No. 2.

English Nature Newsletter Spring 1993 Issue.

National Music Day - Registration Form to be held on 26th & 27th June 1993.

The Kent Messengers Kent Business Newspaper Issue 2.

Kent County Constabulary - The Relay Newspaper Issue No. 23.

Commission of the European Communities - Report on Interregional and Cross-Border Cooperation - Summary of Structural Policies 1993-1999.

Kent County Councils Issue of 'Elements' No. 5.

Kent Rural Community Councils Issue of Oast to Coast - Spring 1993.

National Association of Local Councils - Issue of Local Council Review - Winter 1992.

The Direct Information Service - Issues No. 293, 294 & 295.

NOTED

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836 INTERNATIONAL RAIL LINK Members received copies of a letter from Kent County Council regarding the International Rail Link Consultation, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a representative be invited to attend at a Meeting with Union Railways.

837 RAIL LINK - DISPENSATION A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council asking if dispensation was required for Members with a pecuniary interest in the proposed Rail Link.

The Clerk had asked for dispensation for all Members.

838 OFWAT Members were advised of a reply received from Ofwat informing that, as water is a utility, you cannot apply normal practice and obtain alternative quotes for a supply to be laid on.

NOTED

839 CIVIC SERVICE Members were advised that a Civic Service would be held on Sunday, 2nd May 1993 at St Nicholas Church, Southfleet at 10.30am.

840 GROUNDWORK TRUST Members were advised of correspondence received regarding Groundwork Trusts 'Spring into the Countryside Campaign' from 12th to 25th April 1993.

Councillor M A Crosby left the Meeting.

 $841\ \, \text{TOURISM NEWS}$ Members were advised that a fact sheet and Kent County Councils Tourism News, No.10, had been received.

NOTED

842 RAILINK UPDATE Members were advised that issue no.21 of the Railink Update had been received.

NOTED

- 843 STREET CLEANING Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council regarding street cleaning in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area. Members were asked to notify the Clerk of particular areas.
- 844 ADVERTISEMENT HOARDINGS Members were advised of a letter received from Regal Displays regarding sites for advertisement hoardings.

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845 TOWN PLANNING The following planning application had been received from Dartford Borough Council requesting Members observations:-

DA/91/0300/REV - Revisions in respect of road layout, parking, siting of community centre and provision of 2 storey housing to replace 3 storey block of flats.

Former Knockhall County Primary School and Land at Sweyne Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS - It was recommended that the response be made by the Chairman after the Clerk has contacted the Greenhithe Community Association.

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

DA/93/0052 - 77 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe.

DA/93/0019 - Northfleet West Grid Sub Station, Southfleet Road, Swanscombe.

DA/93/0063 - 81 High Street, Swanscombe. DA/93/0078 - 58 Milton Street, Swanscombe.

846 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

847 SECURITY LIGHTING Members were asked to consider quotations for security lighting, after discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the quotation in the sum of £320.00 be accepted.

848 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of a letter received from the Association of Sports Clubs, requesting that a meeting be arranged

RECOMMENDED

That a Meeting be held on 26th or 28th April 1993 at the Leisure Centre, and a copy of the letter received from Kent Association of Parish Councils be provided for each Member of that Committee.

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849 QUESTIONS

It was asked if any response had been received regarding the previous occupier of 2 Church Road and that recent correspondence be followed up.

CHAIRMAN

Parked.

INCOME FOR JANUARY 1993

Parks	Football		670.00
Administration	Interest - Playground Account Interest - HI Acct. Photocopier	612.51 4274.16 10.21	4896.88
Community Halls	Grove Church Road	143.90 135.80	279.70
Miscellaneous	Street Lighting		33p
Leisure Centre	Income		3489.83
Bar	Income		3489.88 £12,826.62

	Town Council	Leisure Centre
Par Evponence		64.00
Bar Expenses Senior Citizens Donation S137	100.00	04.00
Lease of Equipment	100.00	51.28
Wages (Week 40)	1082.81	31.58
Inland Revenue	2071.71	1604.32
Copier Rental Charge	258.37	1004.52
Wages (Week 41)	593.88	20.00
Maintenance	333.00	48.27
Equipment Repairs		168.02
Street Light. & Elec. Acct.	15.05	1164.63
	15.05	79.67
New Year Event	00 04	79.67
Equipment Repairs Fuel Account	89.04	
	85.00	791.69
Bar Supplies (Spirits)		204.46
Bar Supplies (Soft Drinks)	10.00	204.40
Fuel Account	10.00	70.22
Repair to Bar Till	26.00	79.32
Refuse Account	26.00	328.27
Wages	0720 40	140.00
Monthly Salaries (Month 10)	2730.49	5255.20
Wages (Week 42)	772.27	10.00
Public Perform. Rights Account		543.13
Electrical Maintenance	40.64	332.27
Fertilizer	18.61	4.00
Occasional Licence (Wrestling)		4.00
Maintenance Repairs		122.35
Stocktake		82.25
Taxi's (OAP's) (S137)	12.00	
Subscription Renewal (SLCC)	49.00	
Subscription Renewal (NALC)	25.00	
Supplemental Lease	50.50	
Insurance Rent		2285.35
Wages (Week 43)	742.60	30.44
Materials & Maintenance	45.60	
Occasional Licence (Reception)		4.00
Window Cleaner	31.50	
Cleaning Materials		42.24
Repairs to gates	88.12	
T V Rental		12.49
Gas Accounts	238.40	
Electric Accounts	191.33	
Bar Supplies (Beer)	1.00 (1689.51
Business Rates	189.00	501.00
Lease of Glass Washer		51.28
Food Expenses		44.68
Casual Staff		90.63
Casual Staff		76.90
Machine Rental		173.00
Maintenance		257.92
	£9,516.28	£16,384.15

Grand Total: £25,900.43

INCOME FOR FEBRUARY 1993

Parks	Insurance Claims Tennis	2512.89 15.32	2528.21
Administration	VAT Refund Copier	577.99 1.70	579.69
Community Halls	Grove Church Road	248.80 18.00	266.80
Leisure Centre	Income		3413.48
Bar	Income		1965.47
			£8,753.65

ACCOUNTS PAID FOR FEBRUARY 1993

	Town Council	Leisure Centre
Wages (Week 44)	960.54	46.05
Repairs to Security Store		205.63
Gas Account		2129.40
Water Accounts	35.34	137.73
Bar Supplies (Snacks)		62.89
Photocopier	49.35	
Cleaning Services (Hygiene)		86.75
Cleaning Supplies		27.14
Stationary & Supplies	174.50	
Repairs to Equipment	132.31	
Parks Supplies	69.32	
Wages		140.00
Telephone Accounts	309.23	575.72
Wages (Week 45)	636.64	10.00
Electricity Account		872.02
Taxi's (OAP) (S137)	16.00	3.2.02
Fuel Account	86.99	
Repairs to Heating Boiler	93.65	
Maintenance (Window Repair)		133.95
Water Account	46.15	133.33
Equipment	2477.90	
Stationary	20.67	
Fuel for Tractor	10.00	
Bar Supplies (Vend. M/C)		131.27
Bar Supplies (Spirits)		299.99
Bar Supplies (Beer)		415.57
Wages (Week 46)	782.73	26.96
Street Lighting Account	46.60	2000
Repairs to Security Store		255.31
Equipment	94.00	233.31
Rent & Maintenance	35.25	1.00
Inland Revenue	2432,80	1654.06
Casual Staff		15.00
Cleaning Staff & Windows		182.50
Machines Rent		173.00
Maintenance (Repairs)		39.00
Food Expenses		47.93
Monthly Salaries	2748.00	5153.55
Wages (Week 47)	757.69	10.00
Water Account	, , , , , ,	148.17
Misc. Admin	9.99	140.17
Business Rates	143.00	
Bar Supplies (Snackes)		18.84
T V Rental		12.49
Cleaning Materials		60.99
Photocopier	35.02	00.55
Allotment Rents	109.52	
	£12,313.19	£13,072.91

Grand Total: £25,386.10

MINUTES of an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 15th APRIL 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. A M Barham

Cllr. R D Bartlett

Cllr. L G Caller

Cllr. M A Crosby

Cllr. T V Dixon

Cllr. W G East

Cllr. B E Read

Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, Mrs S East, C D Holt and Mrs G M Prior.

850 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered the Committee Room

851 STAFFING Members discussed the report of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 24th March 1993 and considered the reasons for reaching that decision.

852 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 24th March 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 15th APRIL 1993 at 8.30pm

Present:

Cllr. W G East - Chairman Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith and Mrs S East.

853 BAR PROMOTION Members were advised that this promotion had now been running for 4 weeks and trade had increased by 223%.

854 MAINTENANCE A quote had been received for renewal of the maintenance contract for air conditioning and heating in the sum of £1717 plus VAT,

RECOMMENDED

That this quotation from Jubilee Building Services be accepted.

855 INCOME - FEBRUARY 1993 Members were advised that the cheque for £175 had been received from Municipal Mutual Insurance to cover the claim for damage to the steel security store.

856 CAR PARK Members were advised of quotes for security lighting which had been obtained.

857 PRACTICAL MANAGEMENT Members were advised of 2 volumes of Practical Leisure Centre Management which were available at the cost of £15.00 and it was

RECOMMENDED

That both volumes be purchased.

 $\underline{\tt 858}$ WATER FOUNTAIN A quotation had been requested for a mains water supply to be available. As this quote had not been received to date, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the decision be made by the Chairman and the Centre Manager.

859 YOGA Members were advised that classes were being advertised and it was hoped they would commence in the near future.

860 RAIL LINK INFORMATION CENTRE Members were advised that the car park would be clear by Friday, 23rd April 1993 for the Information Centre to be sited there.

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- 861 TELEVISION The Bar Steward advised that a second hand television had been purchased for the bar at the cost of £89.00.
- 862 VENDING MACHINES The new machines had been installed for the sale of snacks and soft drinks and were proving successful.
- 863 TRAMPOLINE A quotation had been obtained from the Service Engineer for work needing to be carried out, in the sum of £246.28 plus VAT,

RECOMMENDED

That the quote be accepted.

- 864 INCOME MARCH 1993 Members had received copies of the income figures for the Bar and the Leisure Centre for March 1993.
- 865 LIFT MAINTENANCE Members were advised of the letter received from Dartford Borough Council. It was agreed that the Engineer who provided the report be asked to return and explain his comments (which were unclear) at no expense to this Council.
- 866 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

- 867 STAFFING Members were advised of a letter that had been received from the Centre Manager, Richard Bartholomew.
- 868 VACANCY FOR BAR/CENTRE MANAGER After considering the applications which had been received, Members of the Leisure Centre Management Committee

RECOMMENDED

To the Executive Committee, that John Lorence be offered this position with effect from 1st May 1993. The salary to be that of the current Centre Manager with a review at the end of the probation period. Terms and conditions of service to be discussed.

A letter be sent to Richard Bartholomew advising him that the position has now been filled and thanking him for his services to the Council. Best wishes to be conveyed from the Leisure Centre Management Committee and every success in his search for employment.

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869 RECREATION SUPERVISORS Questions were raised regarding the amount of leiu time and outstanding holidays which had been accrued and it was

RECOMMENDED

That payment be made for the leiu time and the annual leave be cleared by the end of May 1993.

Annual leave to be spread throughout the year in future - with adequate cover being provided for the Centre.

870 WRESTLING Members were advised that this event would take place on Saturday, 24th April 1993.

CHAIRMAN CHAIRMAN

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY, 21st APRIL 1993 at 8pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith

Cllr. R D Bartlett

Cllr. L G Caller

Cllr. Mrs S East

Also in attendance Councillor's A M Barham and T V Dixon.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith and B E Read.

871 SUBSTITUTES Councillor's A M Barham and T V Dixon attended at substitutes for Councillor's A C Ash-Smith and B E Read respectively.

872 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th March 1993 were confirmed and signed.

873 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting.

874 STAFFING Members were advised of a recommendation made by Members of the Leisure Centre Management Committee and it was

RESOLVED

That this recommendation be accepted and John Lorence be affirmed to the position of Bar/Leisure Manager with effect from 1st May 1993.

875 PARK STAFF After consideration it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk act accordingly to instruction.

876 PARKS EQUIPMENT This item was considered and it was

RECOMMENDED

That a decision be made by Members of the Town Council at their Meeting on 22nd April 1993.

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877 GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That a decision be made by Members at the Meeting of the Town Council to be held on 22nd April 1993.

TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at THE LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 22nd APRIL 1993 at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. P S Crow - Town Mayor

Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. W G East Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. C D Holt Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. V Openshaw Cllr. Mrs S East Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A C Ash-Smith, L G Caller, M D Chater and B E Read.

878 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor's C D Holt and V Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest with reference to the Sports Pavilion.

879 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 11th and 25th March and 15th April 1993 were confirmed and signed.

880 INTERNATIONAL RAIL ROUTE Members were advised that the Borough Council had granted dispensation allowing them to speak and vote on matters relating to the Rail Link at Meetings of the Town Council.

A letter had been received from the Kent Association of Parish Councils asking for comments, and it was agreed that Councillor Mrs S East respond.

881 CONSULTATION - RAIL LINK Members were asked to consider 7th or 14th May 1993 for a Meeting to be held with Union Railways regarding the Rail Link, and it was

RESOLVED

That the Meeting be held on 14th May 1993 at the Leisure Centre and the Clerk to inform Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council.

 $\underline{882\ \text{FORMER}\ \text{SCHOOL}\ \text{SITE}}$ Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council regarding the former school site, and it was

RESOLVED

That a reply be sent to Kent County Council asking for details of terms and fees and request that the Town Council be consulted and possibly given the opportunity to express an interest in acquiring or leasing land before any contracts are agreed with the Gravesham Cavalier Cricket Club.

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883 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Members were advised of a letter received from Mr Dennis Dunn requesting that Members consider paying the account to have the shields engraved and cleaned in the sum of £67.75. The shields and cups were those which had been presented over the years for various achievements and it was

RESOLVED

That the shields be engraved and displayed and payment be made under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

884 KENT ASSOCIATION FOR UNDER 11's Members were advised that the Kent Association for Under 11's would hold their Annual General Meeting on 19th May 1993 at 11am at County Hall.

885 KENT RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council's Kent Rail Action Group informing that a Meeting was held on 20th April 1993.

NOTED

886 COUNTY ELECTIONS Proposed by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith that as the County Elections were being held on 6th May 1993, it be

RESOLVED

That the Annual General Meeting of the Town Council be held on 13th May 1993.

887 KENT COUNTY CONSTABULARY Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Constabulary requesting a meeting with Members of the Town Council, and it was agreed that a meeting be arranged with 3 Members attending.

888 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor W G East and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 18th March 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

889 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That Minute no. 795 be amended to read 29th May and the Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 25th March 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.



890 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs S East and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 8th April 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

891 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor W G East and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Leisure Centre Management Committee held on 15th April 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained thereing be adopted.

892 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor Mrs S East

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 21st April 1993 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted with Minute no. 876 being amended to read 22nd April 1993.

893 PARKS EQUIPMENT Reference Minute 876 - The Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee asked for permission to replace equipment that had been stolen and it was

RESOLVED

That £1,500 be allocated to purchase the 3 pieces of equipment.

894 GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT Reference Minute 877 - Members were asked to consider the use of Contractors to cut the remaining grass areas and it was proposed by Councillor Crow and seconded by Councillor Dixon that the Contractor currently carrying out the gang mowing also be engaged to cut these areas

RESOLVED

That this proposal be accepted.

895 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Simmonds referred to his recent trip to Atlantique and it was agreed that he should make a presentation to Members at the Annual Town Meeting which was to be held on Thursday, 29th April 1993.



896 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Crow advised Members that he would be presenting a cheque for Reverend Mercer on Sunday, 25th April 1993 from his Charity Fund, towards the cost of a new sound system for St Peter and St Paul Church.

897 QUESTIONS

A question was raised regarding the Meeting with representatives of the Sports Association.

It was reported that problems were being experienced by residents living near Greenhithe Foreshore regarding dogs in the park and it was asked that a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council requesting assistance with Dog Bye-Laws being instigated.

It was asked if a presentation could be made by Blue Circle for Members of Town Council.

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Accounts Paid - 60,149,269,271,273,382,482,577,716,812,814,
 Accounts for Payment - 61,150,221,275,348,383,483,578,815,
 Action for Ponds - 365,
 Actual Figures to 31.3.92 - 281.
 Advance of Discount - 23,178,
 Advertising - 256,768,
 Advertisement Hoardings - 844,
 Age Concern - 738,
 Air Pollution - 74,
 Alarm System - 662,763,808,
Alkerden Lane - 49,208,359,413,446,
Allotments - 791,
Allotment Sub-Committee - 235,452,560,666,
Allotment Lease - Alkerden Lane - 463,
Amateur Boxing - 20,97,
Amendments to Standing Orders - 12,
Annual Audit - 62,152,
Annual Estimates - 357,384,436,447,484,516,598,648,
Annual Leave - 264,
Annual Town Meeting - 743,
Annual Wage Increase - 342,
Any Other Business - 93,146,166,409,471,510,570,600,686,
Apologies for Absence - 4,
Appointment and Constitution of Standing and Other Committees -
Appointment of Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees - 7,
Appointment to Committees - 633,
Appointment of Governors - 728,
Appointment of Representatives - 9,
Association of Kentish Men - 87,
Attendance and Income - 171,
Auctions - 684,
Authority for Payment of Cheques - 10,
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Bank Holiday Hours - 776,
Bar Food - 176,
Bar Hours - 476,
Bar Prices - 254,697,
Bar Promotion - 853,
Bar Steward - 28,615,695,
Block Bookings - 104,253,
Blue Water -321,376,415,448,
Body of Trustees - Senior Citizens - 120,202,
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