

SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 24th MAY 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	Cllr. Miss M.C. Lawrie
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. D.S. Hagger	Cllr. B.E. Read
Cllr. Mrs. M.C. Hagger	Cllr. J.G. Rowlands
Cllr. J.B. Harvey	

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.A. Bacon, G. Baker, K.G. Boggis, P.S. Crow, N. Halford.

1. ELECTION OF TOWN MAYOR OF THE COUNCIL. The Town Mayor requested nominations for Town Mayor for the coming year and it was,

Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Hagger,

RESOLVED.

That Councillor Mrs. Ruth Lilian Florence Povey be elected Town Mayor of the Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Mrs. Povey thereupon took the necessary "Declaration of Acceptance of Office" and thanked the Council for the honour of electing her as Town Mayor for a second term.

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

Moved by Councillor Hagger and seconded by Councillor Caller

RESOLVED.

That Councillor Harold Edward Porter be elected Deputy Town Mayor of the Council for the ensuing year.

Councillor Porter then thanked Councillor Mrs. Povey for all her hard work during the past year and wished her well for the forthcoming year.

3. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. The Town Mayor informed Members that the date of the Hearing in connection with the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion is the 27th June 1984 at Gravesend Court.

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4. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - LONDON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. The Town Mayor informed Members that information has been received that it is extremely unlikely that a Pedestrian Crossing will be provided at the junction of the High Street and London Road, Swanscombe during the coming year as the volume of traffic does not warrant such provision at this time.

RESOLVED.

That this matter be discussed further at the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

5. APPOINTMENT AND CONSTITUTION OF STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES.

RESOLVED.

- a) That the Recreation and Amenities Committee be constituted of the whole of the Members of the Council.
- b) That the Finance and General Purposes Committee be constituted of the whole of the Members of the Council.
- c) That the Executive Committee be constituted of Nine Members of the Council - Councillors L.G. Caller, M.A. Crosby, N. Halford, D.S. Hagger, J.B. Harvey, P.G. Melvin, Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, H.E. Porter and B.E. Read.
- d) That the Sports Pavilion be comprised of Six Members of the Council plus the Town Mayor in an Ex-Officio capacity - Councillors K.G. Boggis, L.G. Caller, D.P. Francis, N. Halford, J.B. Harvey and H.E. Porter.

6. POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES. The Powers and Duties of Committees were defined as follows:-

FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

As an Advisory Body on all finances not specifically allocated to other Committees, the collection of sums due to the Council and the examination of all Accounts submitted for payment.

As an Advisory Body to consider and report to the Council on Estimates for the making of the Annual Rate for the district and precept issued. Administration and supervision of footway lighting.

As an Advisory Body on any matters of Policy of the Council's Affairs.

To consider any recommendation specifically put by other

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Committees in relation to their expenditure. To consider and report on any matters not specifically allocated to other Committees.

As an Advisory Body with delegated powers to make representation to the Dartford Borough Council on development proposals within the boundary of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Acts.

RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE.

As an Advisory Body on all finances specifically allocated to it relating to recreation grounds, parks and open spaces, Community Halls, sporting and recreational facilities, allotments, car parks and footpaths.

As an Advisory Body on all matters relating to the provision and administration of recreational grounds, parks and open spaces, Community Halls, sporting and recreational facilities; provision of allotments and repair and maintenance of car parks and footpaths.

To consider any recommendations specifically put by other Committees which relate to facilities or areas within the scope of this Committee.

As an Advisory Body with delegated powers to make representation to the Dartford Borough Council on development proposals within the boundary of the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council under the provision of the Town and Country Planning Acts.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

As an Advisory Body reporting to Council on any matters of Management of the Council's affairs that it has been specifically instructed to investigate.

As an Advisory Body reporting to Council on any matters relating to Personnel issues that it has been specifically instructed to investigate.

As an Executive Body with delegated powers to make decisions on issues specifically allocated to it by Council.

As an Executive Body with delegated powers to make decisions on urgent issues during periods of recess of the Council.

SPORTS PAVILION SUB-COMMITTEE.

As an Advisory Body reporting to the Recreation and Amenities

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Committee on any matters it has been specifically instructed thereby to investigate.

RESOLVED.

That the Powers and Duties of Committees be confirmed.

7. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

RESOLVED.

That the Council appoint the following Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Committees for the ensuing year:-

Recreation and Amenities Committee :-  
Chairman - Councillor L.G. Caller  
Vice-Chairman - Councillor H.E. Porter

Finance and General Purposes Committee:-  
Chairman - Councillor N. Halford  
Vice-Chairman - Councillor D.S. Hagger

Executive Committee:-  
Chairman - Councillor Mrs. R.L.F. Povey  
Vice-Chairman - Councillor H.E. Porter

Sports Pavilion Sub-Committee:-  
Chairman - Councillor L.G. Caller  
Vice-Chairman - Councillor H.E. Porter

8. DAY AND TIME OF MEETINGS.

RESOLVED.

- a) That the Annual General Meeting of the Town Council be held on 23rd May 1985 at Manor House, Swanscombe.
- b) That the Meetings of the Town Council be held on 28th June 1984, 2nd August 1984, 4th October 1984, 15th November 1984, 20th December 1984, 7th February 1985, 21st March 1985 and 2nd May 1985. 31st January 1985 - provision for Council Meeting re. Rate Setting, if required.
- c) That the Meetings of the Recreation and Amenities Committee be held on 31st May 1984, 12th July 1984, 6th September 1984, 18th October 1984, 22nd November 1984, 10th January 1985, 21st February 1985 and 4th April 1985.
- d) That the Meetings of the Finance and General Purposes Committee be held on 14th June 1984, 19th July 1984, 20th



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September 1984, 1st November 1984, 6th December 1984, 24th January 1985, 7th March 1985 and 18th April 1985.

e) That the Meetings of the Executive Committee be held on 12th June 1984, 10th July 1984, 21st August 1984, 25th September 1984, 23rd October 1984, 20th November 1984, 12th February 1985 and 12th March 1985.

f) That the Annual Town Meeting be held on 9th May 1985.

9. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES.

RESOLVED.

That the Council appoint the following representatives to serve upon the various Committees for the ensuing year.

- a) Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs  
Councillors L.G. Caller, P.S. Crow and D.P. Francis.
- b) Senior Citizens Club  
Councillors P.S. Crow, Mrs. M.C. Hagger, J.B. Harvey and H.E. Porter.
- c) Swanscombe and Greenhithe Old Peoples Welfare Committee  
Councillors Mrs. M.C. Hagger and Mrs I.M. Porter.
- d) Post Office Advisory Committee  
Councillor D. S. Hagger.
- e) County Area Committee of Kent Association of Parish Councils  
Councillors G. Baker and H.E. Porter.
- f) Dartford Area Committee of Kent Association of Parish Councils  
Councillors Councillors G. Baker, H.E. Porter and the Town Clerk.
- g) Joint Meetings with Representatives of the Swanscombe and  
and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs  
Councillors L.G. Caller, M.A. Crosby, D.P. Francis, N. Halford  
and J.B. Harvey.
- h) Joint Meetings with Representatives of the Swanscombe  
Allotments and Gardens Association  
Councillors S.A. Bacon, Mrs. M.C. Hagger, J.B. Harvey,  
Mrs. I.M. Porter and H.E. Porter.
- i) Gravesend and District Society for the Mentally Handicapped  
Councillor P.G. Melvin.

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- j) Trustee to the Almshouse Charity of Swanscombe for Five Year Term  
Councillor Mrs. R.L.F. Povey.

It was agreed that the Term of Office for the Trustees of the Senior Citizens Club be four years to co-incide with the Local Council Elections.

10. AUTHORITY FOR PAYMENT OF CHEQUES.

RESOLVED.

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

Councillors Mrs. M.C. Hagger, N. Halford, P.G. Melvin, Mrs. I.M. Porter, Mrs. R.L.F. Povey and J.G. Rowlands.

11. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings held on 26th April 1984 and 3rd May 1984 were confirmed and signed.

12. SWEYNE C P SCHOOL - GOVERNORS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter requesting the Town Council appoint a replacement on the Governing Body of Sweyne School for Councillor D.S. Hagger.

RESOLVED.

That this matter be referred to the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

13. K A P C PARISH NEWS. The Clerk reported receipt of the K A P C Parish News, a copy of which has been circulated to all Members.

14. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk informed Members that the appeal by Mr. Ali in respect of Planning Application No. DA/83/0275 at 16 Milton Road, Swanscombe has been dismissed by the Department of the Environment.

The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Applications on which the Council's observations are requested:-

DA/84/0242

Erection of a two storey side extension and sub-division of premises to form 3 No. self contained flats - 32 London Road, Greenhithe. Mr. L.G. Franklin.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council request a Site Meeting.

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DA/84/0262

Submission of details pursuant to outline application Ref. No. DA/83/0748/OUT for the provision of a new maintenance depot comprising a two storey and single storey building for offices and stores and vehicle parking facilities at Swanscombe Swimming Pool, London Road, Greenhithe - Dartford Borough Council.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council wishes to reiterate its objections most strongly, especially the increase in noise and nuisance to nearby residents.

DA/84/0273

Insertion of 5 No. windows in front elevation at Unit E6 Northfleet Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet - Brash Brothers Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval

DA/84/0280

Erection of a garage block with storage accommodation over, at Ingress Priory, High Street, Greenhithe - Mr & Mrs R Spring.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

Town Mayor.

*Al F. Spring*

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 31ST MAY 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. J.G. Rowlands

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. M.C. Hagger, D.S. Hagger, P.G. Melvin and B.E. Read.

15. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th March 1984 were confirmed and signed.

16. RECREATIONAL AREAS. The Parks Foreman gave his Report on the Town Council's Recreational Areas and informed that the cost for hire of the machine necessary to remove shrubs along the Park Road side of Swanscombe Park would be approximately £500 and not £250 as was at first requested. Cobham Terrace Playground is still causing concern with constant vandalism, and problems are being experienced with Tankers parking for longer than the permitted time on the Grove Car Park. At Swanscombe Pavilion the Dressing Room roof is leaking and the flooring tiles are coming up as they are constantly wet.

Councillor Crow here entered the Meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That a Site Meeting be held starting at Swanscombe Park at 10 a.m. on Saturday, 9th June 1984 and moving on to Cobham Terrace Playground, and all work on the Park Road side of Swanscombe Park to cease until after the Site Meeting.
- b) That the Parks Foreman enquire as to the cost of providing Iron Rail Fencing around the Cobham Terrace Playground.
- c) That a letter be sent to the Proprietor of the Milton Road Service Station requesting he comply with the Parking Regulations at the Grove Car Park.
- d) That a letter be sent to the Sports Association requesting repairs to the roof be carried out as soon as possible.

17. FOOTBALL PITCHES. The Clerk submitted a Report on the

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allocation of Football Pitches at Broomfield Road Sports Ground and Knockhall Playing Field for the 1984/85 Season and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Report be accepted and the Football Pitches be allocated as laid out in the Report.
- b) That evening matches be allowed at the Parks Foreman's discretion, providing Staff availability for marking out pitches, and the Season to end a fortnight before the commencement of the Cricket Season.

18. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE SQUASH CLUB - JOINT MEETING. Reference Minute No. 348, Members discussed the Report of the Joint Meeting with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Squash Club held on 9th February 1984 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a Site Meeting be held on Saturday, 9th June 1984 at 10 a.m. at the Squash Courts, with the Site Meeting at Swanscombe Park to follow immediately afterwards.

19. BOWLS PAVILION - SWANSCOMBE PARK. Members discussed future use of the Bowls Pavilion at Swanscombe Park and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That Members inspect the Bowls Pavilion during the Site Meeting at Swanscombe Park on 9th June 1984.

20. MULTI-PURPOSE LEISURE FACILITY - CRAYLANDS LANE. Members discussed the proposed Multi-Purpose Leisure Facility at Craylands Lane, Swanscombe and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council request a Site Meeting with Councillor Storey, Mr. G. Vickers and Mr. T. Davies of Dartford Borough Council, preferably before 12th July 1984 if possible.

21. MILTON ROAD REAR ACCESS. Reference Minute No. 251, the Clerk informed that replies have been received from residents indicating that two would like the concrete posts moved, six would not like the posts moved and two were interested but would like some indication of the costs involved first. - NOTED.

22. COBHAM TERRACE - VANDALISM. Reference Minute No. 200, the Clerk reported receipt of three replies to letters circulated by





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the Town Council to residents living near to Cobham Terrace Playground, indicating their views in relation to the constant vandalism of the Playground. - NOTED.

23. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE CRICKET CLUB. Reference Minute No. 357, the Cricket Club requested an urgent Meeting with the Recreation and Amenities Committee to discuss in detail the 1985 Season.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Cricket Club be informed that the 5th, 9th or 11th July 1984 would be suitable for their requested Meeting.

24. TREE PRESERVATION ORDER. Reference Minute No. 364, the Town Clerk informed Members of the reply received from the Borough Secretary to the Town Council's letter. - NOTED.

25. MICHAEL MCGOUGH FOUNDATION. The Clerk informed Members that Mrs. Latimer, who requested free use of the Church Road Hall to raise funds for the Michael McGough Foundation, had raised £100.

RECOMMENDED:

That a congratulatory letter be sent to Mrs. Latimer for her splendid work.

26. LEISURE BUS - DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL. The Clerk informed that the Borough Leisure Services Officer has once again requested use of the Town Council's outdoor recreation areas throughout the Summer to encourage participation in all types of sporting activities via the Leisure Bus.

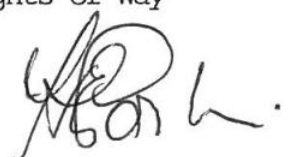
RECOMMENDED:

That use of the Town Councils outdoor recreation areas be granted as requested.

27. EVENTS - DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL. The Clerk reported receipt of literature from Dartford Borough Council informing of the Best Kept Garden Competition and also the Dartford Show Day of Sport - 29th July 1984. - NOTED.

28. NATIONAL PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION. The Clerk reported receipt of the Annual Report and Accounts for 1983 of the National Playing Fields Association. - NOTED.

29. DARTFORD DISTRICT RIGHTS OF WAY GROUP. The Clerk reported receipt of the Annual Report and accompanying leaflets, available for Members' information, from the Dartford District Rights of Way



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Group. - NOTED.

30. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - LONDON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Reference Minute No. 4, Members discussed the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing at the junction of London Road and the High Street, Swanscombe and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the Dartford Borough Council stating that it is felt that this is a special case and careful consideration should be given to the extreme difficulties in crossing this busy road, particularly at peak periods when the traffic is continuous.

31. SWEYNE C P SCHOOL - GOVERNORS. Reference Minute No. 12, Members discussed the appointment of a Town Council representative for the Governing Body of Sweyne C P School and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That Mr. M. Griggs of 97 Milton Road, Swanscombe be elected as representative to serve on the Governing Body of the Sweyne C P School.

32. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' observations:-

DA/82/617B

Drawings for Schemes of restoration and Working at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe - Blue Circle Industries.

OBSERVATIONS

That, whilst the Town Council objects most strongly to the infilling of Bakers Hole in the first instance, they would also state their very deep concern at the close proximity of the proposed Flaring Compound to the existing residential area. This Compound, it is felt, should be re-sited as far away as possible from any buildings, and in particular away from possible roadside access by children.

DA/84/0295/LB

Application for Listed Building consent to remove organ from South Transept at All Saints Church, Galley Hill, Swanscombe - Trustees R C Diocese of Southwark.



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OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

DA/84/0303

Erection of Vehicle Repair Workshop at 19 London Road,  
Swanscombe - Mr. B.S. Cheema.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council object to this Application on the grounds  
that it is too close to a busy and dangerous road junction.

DA/80/0734/A

Revisions to previously approved plans ref. DA/80/734 for the  
erection of a ground floor extension to provide workshop and  
showroom/toilets, forecourt canopy and first floor extension  
for residential accommodation and installation of underground  
diesel tank. Revisions in respect of alterations to canopy  
at Milton Road Service Station, Milton Road, Swanscombe - Mr.  
G. Harfield.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

Councillor Read here entered the Meeting.

33. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

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

34. ESTIMATES - COMMUNITY HALLS. Reference Minute No. 368,  
Members considered the Estimates received for renovation and  
redecorator work to the Town Council's Community Halls and it  
was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Chairmen of the Recreation and Amenities Committee  
and Finance and General Purposes Committee study the Estimates in  
greater detail with the view to producing a short list of suitable  
Contractors.



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b) That a Gas Supply be installed at the Grove Hall in preparation for the installation of Central Heating.


35. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS.  
Reference Minute No. 3, Members discussed the current situation regarding the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the matter of the signing of the Guarantee Document for the Charringtons Brewery be considered further at the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

b) That the Town Council continue the action against the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs.

Chairman.



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 12TH JUNE 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. D.S. Hagger  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

36. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. Members discussed the Disciplinary Procedure Document put before them and after consideration, it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Document be accepted, but with the following amendments:-
- 1) Page 4, Paragraph 2, the words 'discussed with' be altered to 'notified of'
  - 2) Page 6, Stage 1,2 and 3 to read 'The Town Clerk' in Column 3
  - 3) Page 8, All references to the Town Mayor be deleted and replaced with 'Chairman, Vice-Chairman of Executive Committee and a Committee Chairman
- b) That a copy of the Document, as amended, be circulated to all Members of the Executive Committee.
- c) That a copy of the Document, as amended, be put to the Town Clerk for her comments.

37. TOWN CLERK'S MATERNITY LEAVE. Members were advised that the Town Clerk would be taking Maternity Leave as from 3rd September 1984. Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Town Clerk advise in writing accordingly.
- b) The Town Mayor discuss the question of temporary cover of the Town Clerk's duties with the Town Clerk and the Assistant to the Town Clerk, and report back.

Councillor Crosby declared an interest in the following item and left the Council Chamber.





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38. HALL CARETAKER - WAGE AWARD. Members were advised of the situation in that the Hall Caretaker should have been included in the recent Manual Workers Pay Award for 1984/85 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Hall Caretaker be included in the 1984/85 Manual Workers Pay Award, back dated to 1st April 1984, and be notified accordingly.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. J. Power', is written over the printed name 'Chairman'.

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MINUTES of the Meeting of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 14TH JUNE 1984 at 7.30  
p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. D.S. Hagger	Cllr. B.E. Read
Cllr. J.B. Harvey	Cllr. J.G. Rowlands

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker, Mrs. M.C. Hagger and P.G. Melvin.

39. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th April 1984 were confirmed and signed.

40. INCOME FOR THE MONTHS MARCH, APRIL AND MAY 1984. The Income for the Months of March, April and May 1984, amounting to £26,103.19, was received as set out in the annexed list.

41. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £53,800.82p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That in future all payments included in the amount for 'Wages' be listed separately.

b) That a meeting be arranged between the Town Council and Representatives from Seaboard.

42. COBHAM TERRACE - ROAD SURFACE. Reference Minute No. 338, the Clerk reported receipt of two letters, one from Kent County Council and one from Councillor E. Moore, informing of future plans for repairs to Cobham Terrace/Bean Road, Greenhithe. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Town Council request a Site Meeting with representatives of Kent County Council, Mr. R.J. Dunn M.P. and Councillor E. Moore, due to the serious condition of Bean Road, Greenhithe.

b) That a request also be made for Alkerden Lane and Stanhope Road/Southfleet Road, Swanscombe to be included for viewing at the

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same time.

43. STREET LIGHTING - RENEWED COLUMNS. The Clerk outlined problems arising from the re-connection of new lighting columns which were erected during Phase I of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That representatives of David Webster Ltd and Kent County Council be invited to attend the proposed meeting with Seaboard representatives, in order to resolve this situation, and that the Dartford representative on the South Eastern Electricity Consultative Council be invited to attend.

44. STREET LIGHTING - PROPOSED ALL-NIGHT LIGHTING. The Clerk informed Members that Kent County Council have notified that it would cost the Town Council approximately £5.24p for each lighting column, per year, to keep the Street Lights on all night, plus any administration charges levied by the Dartford Borough Council.

RECOMMENDED:

That enquiries be made of Dartford Borough Council regarding possible administration costs for the retention of all-night Street Lighting.

45. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II CONVERSION. Members were informed of the receipt of Tenders for Phase II of the Conversion of the Street Lighting. As the Contractors did not have a Schedule to work from for Phase II, prices were given for possible work to individual columns only.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Kent County Council requesting any details they may have of the Survey for Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme.

46. STREET LIGHTING - ALMA ROAD/ORCHARD ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. The Clerk submitted an estimate for the supply and connection of three lighting columns for Alma Road/Orchard Road, Swanscombe and after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the provision of these columns be included in Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme, and that the Contractors be requested to carry out this work as a matter of priority.



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47. CRAYLANDS LANE FOOTPATH - LIGHTING. Reference Minute No. 334, Members discussed the quotation received from Seeboard for the provision of brackets to put the existing columns in Craylands Lane Footpath back into lighting.

RECOMMENDED:

That the work be carried out as detailed in the quotation.

48. MANOR HOUSE - LEASE. Councillor Crosby informed Members that he had submitted details relating to the proposed Lease for Office Accomodation at Manor House, to the Dartford Borough Council, who are considering the matter further.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be deferred until relevant information is received from the Dartford Borough Council.

49. GROVE HALL - PROPOSED EXTENSION. The Clerk informed Members of the receipt of an account from the Architect who was originally requested to submit plans etc. for the proposed extension to the Grove Hall. The plans were subsequently not used and the Architect requested payment for the designs and other work involved.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Architect's Account be paid, as requested.

Councillor Miss Lawrie here entered the Meeting.

50. PROPOSED MULTI-PURPOSE LEISURE FACILITY. Reference Minute No. 20, the Clerk informed that Dartford Borough Council have notified that Wednesday, 25th July 1984 at 7 p.m. on Site at Craylands Lane would be suitable for the requested Site Meeting regarding the Proposed Multi-Purpose Leisure Facility. - NOTED.

51. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Applications on which Members' observations were requested:-

DA/84/0311

Change of use of property from residential to private Nursing Home at The Mount, Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhihte - Mr & Mrs E. Jansz.



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OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council objects as the gradient is too steep for access when considering its proposed use.

DA/84/0025/ADV

Display of an internally illuminated wall mounted sign, a non-illuminated fascia sign and a non-illuminated free standing double-sided hoarding at Junction of Manorway and London Road, Swanscombe - Beddington Commercial Motors Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval

DA/84/0330

Erection of a part single storey and part two storey rear extension at 27 Church Road, Swanscombe - Mr. V. Kumar.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing neighbouring residents do not object.

Reference Application DA/82/617: Storage of Coal Clinker and Gypsum at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe, the Clerk reported receipt of a copy of a letter sent to Blue Circle Industries by Kent County Council, in respect of the relaxation of conditions for the working of coal clinker and gypsum stockpiles during the current mining dispute.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Kent County Council conveying the Council's grave concern that conditions have been relaxed, albeit only to cover supply of essential materials during the current coal-mining dispute, and seeking re-assurance that this is not a way towards continual relaxation, as was initially requested by Blue Circle Industries.

Members requested enquiries be made regarding building works now being carried out at 96 Milton Street, Swanscombe.

52. MANOR HOUSE - COMPLAINTS. Members discussed the serious noise and nuisance being caused by motor cyclists etc. in Manor Park, which is particularly disruptive for people holding meetings in Manor House Council Chamber.





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RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council regarding this matter , and requesting the gates to Manor Park be locked and adequate fencing erected around the Park.

53. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

54. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY. Councillor Crosby outlined proposals for the Town Council to assume responsibility for the administration of Swanscombe Cemetery and the grounds of Manor Park.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council produce statistics for the administration of Swanscombe Cemetery and Manor Park.

55. COMMUNITY HALLS. Reference Minute No. 34, the Chairman submitted estimates from Contractors for the renovation and re-decoration of the Town Council's Community Halls.

The Grove Hall

Three quotations were submitted for General Works to the Grove Hall:-

1) £12,357      2) £13,141      3) £8,356

Two quotations were submitted for the Installation of Central Heating:-

4) £1,888      5) £1,882

Two quotations were submitted for Repairs to the Roof:-

6) £287      7) £870

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That quotation No. 3 - £8,356 be accepted for General Works to the Grove Hall.
- b) That quotation No. 4 - £1,888 be accepted for the Installation of Central Heating at the Grove Hall.

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- c) That quotation No. 6 - £287 be accepted for repairs to the Roof at the Grove Hall.

The Church Road Hall

Two quotations were submitted for General Works to the Church Road Hall:-

- 1) £8,711                      2) £4,468.15p

Three quotations were submitted for the Installation of Central Heating at the Church Road Hall:-

- 3) £2,164                      4) £1,748.48p                      5) £2,396

One quotation was submitted for Installation of a Suspended Ceiling at the Church Road Hall:-

- 6) £1,923.42p

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That quotation No. 2 - £4,468.15p be accepted for General Works to the Church Road Hall.  
b) That quotation No. 4 - £1,748.48p be accepted for the Installation of Central Heating at the Church Road Hall.  
c) That quotation No. 6 - £1,923.42p be accepted for the Installation of a Suspended Ceiling at the Church Road Hall.

It was agreed that £1,000 be allocated for each Hall as a Contingency Fund.

56. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS - SPORTS PAVILION. Members discussed the current situation with regard to the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council take no further action in this matter.

Councillors Crosby, Halford and Porter requested that their votes against this recommendation be recorded.

Chairman



INCOME FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH, APRIL AND MAY 1984

Parks	- Football	39.82	
	- Tennis	42.17	
	- Bowls	340.00	
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			421.99
Administration	- Use of Copier	16.30	
	- Re-imburement by KCC for Letterheads	33.35	
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			49.65
Allotments	- Annual Rents		213.35
Community Halls	- General Hire		397.00
Squash	- Playing Fees	1,966.26	
	- Registration Fees	7.00	
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			1,973.26
Deposit Account	- Precept 1st April 1984		22,505.00
Customs & Excise	- VAT Repayment		496.94
Sundries	- Dartford Magistrates Court Repayment for Damage to Swanscombe Park		46.00
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			<u>£26,103.19</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID

Wages	- W/E 1.3.84	714.92
Wages	- W/E 8.3.84	589.13
Wages	- W/E 15.3.84	803.94
Mr. J. Kimber	- Town Mayor's Reception	20.00
MEP Catering	- Town Mayor's Reception	162.50
Wages	- W/E 22.3.84	634.81
Inland Revenue	- Tax & National Insurance	1,309.42
British Gas	- Gas Supply - Church Road Hall	127.00
Wages	- W/E 29.3.84	748.15
Seeboard	- Street Lighting repairs and Quarterly Accounts for Church Road Hall, Sports Pavilion and Swanscombe Park	1,240.28
M.M.I.	- Insurance Renewal	135.47
Securicor	- Monthly Account	46.64
David Webster	- Additional Payment - Phase One Conversion	1,369.97
Church Rd. Gar.	- Account - January & February	63.90
Nat. Play. Filds.	- Subscription 1984	5.00
BML Copier	- Toner for Copier	138.00
Brindus Ind.	- Supplies Park & Halls	166.05
N A L C	- Subscription	37.00
Blue Circle	- Allotment Rent	63.66
T. Parker & Son	- Supplies - Parks	92.87
Post Office	- Vehicle Licence - Parks	90.00
K A Y C	- Donation	50.00
Swanscombe Drum & Bugle Corps	- Donation	20.00
Seeboard	- Street Lighting Direct Debit	960.51
Schoder Ltd	- Direct Debit - Photocopier	116.95
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	carried forward	£9,706.17

	brought forward	9,706.17
Wages	- W/E 5.4.84	713.66
Computastore	- Disc for Payroll	23.00
Wages	- W/E 12.4.84	729.19
Abbey National	- Investment	15,000.00
Alliance Build. Soc.	- Investment	15,000.00
Wages	- W/E 19.4.84	835.05
Wages	- W/E 26.4.84	801.40
Securicor	- Monthly Account	46.64
Church Road Garage	- Petrol Account - Parks	60.10
British Telecom	- Accounts - Office and Park	235.93
K A P C	- Subscription	160.50
Blue Circle Ind.	- Parks Supplies	13.12
Riverview Supplies	- Parks Supplies	58.65
Wego Computers Ltd.	- Stationery	16.10
S E Employers Organ.	- Handbook	8.00
Geerings	- Administration Equipment	114.37
D B C	- Rates - Community Halls	334.98
Ernest Doe	- Light Equipment - Parks	30.64
Kentish Times	- Advertising	18.50
A E Frost	- Materials - Parks	34.13
Thames Water	- Accounts - Parks and Community Halls	200.70
Seeboard	- Account Bowls Pavilion	9.53
Seeboard	- Street Lighting Repairs	359.35
Seeboard	- Direct Debit - Street Lighting	*
Wages	- W/E 3.5.84	788.30
Wages	- W/E 10.5.84	618.50
Inland Revenue	- Tax and National Insurance	1,512.71
Wages	- W/E 17.5.84	804.23
Wages	- W/E 24.5.84	740.66
Inland Revenue	- Tax & National Insurance	1,443.99
K C C	- Superannuation	688.43
British Institute of Management	- Subscription	35.00
Church Road Garage	- Petrol Account - Parks	72.98
Association of Cost & Executive Acc.	- Subscription	17.00
Thames Water	- Accounts	109.02
Wages	- W/E 31.5.84	777.36
Securicor	- Monthly Account	46.64
Southern Water	- Accounts	367.74
Seeboard	- Account Knockhall	109.68
Seeboard	- Street Lighting Repairs	203.03
A E Frost	- Materials - Parks & Community Halls	243.73
Geerings	- Stationery Equipment	35.47
T. Parker & Sons	- Parks Equipment & Materials	530.19
Gravesend Reporter	- Advertising	40.00
Kentish Times	- Advertising	10.70
D B C	- Rates - Community Halls	95.75
Seeboard	- Direct Debit - Street Lighting	*

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£53,800.82p

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\* Awaiting Notification of Direct Debit Amount from Seeboard

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 28TH JUNE 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.A. Bacon, G. Baker, K.G. Boggis, P.S. Crow, J.B. Harvey, Miss M.J. Lawrie and J.G. Rowlands.

57. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th May 1984 were confirmed and signed.

58. SQUASH COURTS. Reference Minute No. 18, the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee informed Members that arrangements have been made to reinforce the Token Meters at the Squash Courts for greater security.

59. MULTI-PURPOSE LEISURE FACILITY - CRAYLANDS LANE. Reference Minute No. 20, the Town Mayor reminded Members of the Site Meeting to be held on 25th July 1984 at 7 p.m. at Craylands Lane , Swanscombe.

60. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Porter ,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 31st May 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

61. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. Reference Minute No. 36, Members requested their thanks be conveyed to Councillors G. Baker and J.G. Rowlands for all their hard work during the compilation of the Disciplinary Procedure document.

62. MATERNITY LEAVE. Reference Minute No. 37(b), the Town Mayor reported that she had discussed the question of temporary cover of the Town Clerk's duties while the Town Clerk is on Maternity Leave, with the Assistant Clerk, who has agreed to provide the necessary Full-Time cover.

63. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Crosby it was,



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RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 12th June 1984 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

64. COMMUNITY HALLS. Reference Minute No. 55, the Chairman of the Finance and General Purposes Committee informed that the cost of additional unforeseen items needed at the Grove Hall amounts to approximately £900, and he felt that the Contingency Fund allowed should be increased to £1,500.

RESOLVED.

That the Contingency Funds for both the Grove Hall and the Church Road Hall be increased to £1,500.

65. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Crosby,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, held on 14th June 1984, be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

66. K.A.P.C. - DARTFORD AREA COMMITTEE. Councillor Porter reported on the Dartford Area Committee Meeting of the Kent Association of Parish Councils, held on 5th June 1984, and informed Members that amongst the many items discussed were Crime Prevention and the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, which had been fully discussed at a meeting of the Police Advisory Committee. The lack of Policing in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area was also discussed, and the idea of Parishes informing Local Radio of items of interest etc. - NOTED.

67. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - LONDON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Reference Minute No. 30, the Town Mayor informed Members of the receipt of a reply to the Town Council's letter requesting careful consideration be given to the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing at the junction of London Road and the High Street, Swanscombe. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That this Council believes that the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing serving Swanscombe at the junction of London Road and the High Street is an issue which should be treated as a priority by the Highways Authority, and therefore calls upon that body to treat such provision as a special case.

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That this Council further believes that it would serve the interests of the local people if a site meeting were to be held during the peak traffic period, with Members of the Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council being invited. That this Council commend all local people to sign the petition now being distributed in the area, as it is in the interests of this case to show the depth of local support.

Councillor Mrs. Porter here entered the Meeting.

68. KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS. The Clerk reported receipt of No. 123 of the Parish News and accompanying leaflets, which were available for Members consultation. - NOTED.

69. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter and set of plans from Kent County Council regarding the landscaping, site access and site facilities at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That, due to the number and complexity of the plans, Members be invited to attend the Council Chamber at 7 p.m. on Thursday, 12th July 1984, prior to the Recreation and Amenities Committee meeting, in order to study the plans in more detail.

The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Application on which the Members' observations were requested:-

DA/84/0355

Erection of a first floor rear extension at 99 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe - Mr. M. Hutchins.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

DA/84/0026/ADV

Erection of an internally illuminated projecting box sign at 47 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. Michaels-Turkseven.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

Reference Minute No. 14, the Borough Council have informed that a Site Meeting has been arranged for Monday, 9th July 1984 at 9.15 a.m. before determining Application DA/84/0242 - 32 London Road,

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Greenhithe.

70. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED.

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

71. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. The Town Mayor reported receipt of a letter from the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs, requesting a meeting with the Town Council to discuss future co-operation. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

- a) That discussion take place at the next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee regarding the Town Council's future policy for the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.
- b) That, when all present legal matters are concluded, the Town Council issue a Statement outlining the reasons etc. for which the action was taken against the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs.
- c) That, if at any time the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs start any building works in connection with their proposed extension, then the Town Council take out an injunction against them.



Town Mayor.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 12TH JULY 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. H.E. Porter, Chairman	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L.G. Caller, P.S. Crow, N. Halford, J.G. Rowlands.

72. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st May 1984 were confirmed and signed.

73. RECREATIONAL AREAS. The Parks Foreman reported that work is progressing satisfactorily in all areas. Unfortunately the seats in Swanscombe Park are continually being smashed and, on occasions, the wood attacked with axes, etc. The fencing at Cobham Terrace is now being systematically cut down and removed by vandals, and at Knockhall Playing Field the trees are being stripped of their bark. Problems are still being experienced with the Grove Car Park, and in particular recently, with the transference of inflammable liquids between tankers parked on the Car Park. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That a letter be sent to the owner of the tankers warning of the action the Town Council will take if he does not comply with the regulations governing the Grove Car Park.
- b) That a letter be sent to the Environmental Health Officer informing of the Town Council's concern regarding this matter.
- c) That the Customs and Excise Officials be informed of this matter.

74. COBHAM TERRACE - RAILINGS. Reference Minute No. 16 b), the Chairman informed of the receipt of an Estimate for the provision of Iron Railings at Cobham Terrace Playground for a sum of £2,200. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for further Estimates to be obtained.



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75. TREE PROBLEMS. The Clerk informed of problems with trees in various areas around the Town, as vandals are stripping the bark from the trees.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission be given for the removal of the trees at Knockhall and Broomfield Road which have been stripped of their bark.

76. SQUASH COURTS. Members discussed the provision of showers and the replacement of the damaged floor tiles at the Squash Courts and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That Estimates be obtained, preferably before the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting, for the necessary work to be given further consideration.

77. SQUASH - REGISTRATION FEES. Members discussed the Squash Registration Fees owed by the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Squash Club and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the payment of fees owed for 1982/83 be waived, and payment for the years 1983/84 and 1984/85 be requested from the Squash Club.

78. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE CRICKET CLUB. The Clerk submitted a Report of the Meeting held with Representatives of the Cricket Club on Thursday, 5th July 1984 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Report be accepted, and the proposed fixtures of 21 games plus a provisional 3 extra games, if required, for the 1985 Season within the specified Hire Charge, be agreed, and that permission be granted for the use of a large metal box for storage purposes in the Tractor Shed.

79. GROVE HALL - RE-DECORATION. The Clerk requested colours be agreed for the necessary painting in the Grove Hall.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That this matter be agreed between the Office Staff and the Female Members of the Council.

b) That the formation of a Halls Sub-Committee be discussed at

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the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

80. GROVE HALL - TREES. The Clerk informed of problems occurring with the trees alongside the Grove Hall, which are rather tall and are starting to damage the guttering on the nearest Town House, with the further problems of the roots undermining the paving stones of the house as well. The Dartford Borough Council's Arboriculturalist has been requested to investigate this matter, and he is hoping to inspect the trees within the next two or three weeks. - NOTED.

81. FOOTBALL - TRAINING SESSIONS. The Clerk reported requests from Blue Anchor F C and A F C for use of Broomfield Road Sports Ground and changing facilities for Pre-Season Training Sessions.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission be granted for the use of Broomfield Road Sports ground, as requested, at a charge of £1 per session.

82. FENCING - SWANSCOMBE PARK. The Clerk reported that the corrugated iron fencing adjoining residential property and the Putting Green in Swanscombe Park is rusty and worn and in need of replacement.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

83. FOOTPATH THROUGH DRG SACKS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Dartford District Rights of Way Group, informing of action taken under Section 53(2) of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, with regard to the closure of the Footpath from Taunton Road to Swanscombe via DRG Sacks. - NOTED.

84. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. The Clerk reported that the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs has requested a meeting to discuss the 40% or 50% basis charge for Squash services.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

85. SWANSCOMBE SKULL SITE. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the nature Conservancy Council requesting the Town Council's observations on their proposals for the Swanscombe Skull Site.



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RECOMMENDED:

That a representative from the Nature Conservancy Council be invited to attend the site meeting to be held on Wednesday, 25th July 1984.

86. ALL SAINTS CHURCH, SWANSCOMBE. Reference Minute No. 366. the Diocese of Southwark notified that they intend to sell All Saints Church in its existing condition, and as far as they are aware the Weather vane will not be disturbed. - NOTED.

87. CHILDREN'S SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT 1984. The Clerk reported a request from Dartford Borough Council for a site with alternative wet weather accomodation for the Bus Stop Theatre Workshop for some time between the 30th July and the 17th August 1984.

RECOMMENDED:

That enquiries be made regarding the possibility of using the Church Centre Hall in the event of inclement waether.

88. LEISURE BUS. Dartford Borough Council have requested use of Swanscombe Park on Monday mornings during the Summer Holidays for the Leisure Bus.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission to use Swanscombe Park, as requested, be granted.

89. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Reference Application DA/83/0487 - Dartford Borough Council submitted copies of an appeal lodged by Mr. A. McMaster against the decision to refuse planning permission for the erection of one dwelling with an integral garage on Land at The Avenue, Greenhithe. - NOTED.

Reference Application DA82/617/B - Kent County Council submitted further drawings relating to landscaping, site access and site facilities at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe for Members' information. - NOTED.

The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' observations:-

DA/76/77

Landscaping and restoration at Southfleet Road, Quarry, Swanscombe - Blue Circle Industries.



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OBSERVATIONS

No Objections

DA/84/0311(revised)

Change of use of property from residential to private nursing home at The Mount, Cobham terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council reiterate its objections to this application (DA/84/0311), as the gradient is too steep for access when considering its proposed use.

DA/84/0390

Insertion of new windows in front elevation to serve new storage area at Unit 2A Northfleet Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet - Crusader Catering Supplies Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval

90. WHEATSHEAF PUBLIC HOUSE. Members were informed that complaints have been received from residents near to the Wheatsheaf Public House, High Street, Swanscombe concerning persistent noisy and unruly behaviour etc., in and around the Public House, which is becoming more and more frequent.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the Landlord of the Wheatsheaf Public House informing of the Town Council's grave concern regarding the complaints of bad behaviour received from local residents.

91. POLICE CONSTABLE B. HIRSCHFELD. Members discussed the retirement of Police Constable B. Hirschfeld after many years of Police Duty around the Greenhithe area.

RECOMMENDED:lnl

That Police Constable Hirschfeld and his wife be invited to attend the Town Council Meeting to be held on 2nd August 1984, when the Town Mayor will make a Presentation in recognition of the many years of loyal service to the local Community.

92. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

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RECOMMENDED:

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

93. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. The Clerk informed of the current position regarding the District Valuer's assessment of the Sports Pavilion, as requested with regard to the rental review.

RECOMMENDED:

That the District Valuer be requested to negotiate, on behalf of the Town Council, the new rental for the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

Chairman. *h. y. b. d. d. e. r.*

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 19TH JULY 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. D.S. Hagger	Cllr. B.E. Read
Cllr. J.B. Harvey	Cllr. J.G. Rowlands

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker, L.G. Caller and Mrs. M.C. Hagger, and the Town Clerk.

94. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th June 1984 were confirmed and signed.

95. INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1984. The Income for the Month of June 1984, amounting to £983.17p was received, as set out in the annexed list.

96. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £8,072.46p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

97. COBHAM TERRACE - ROAD SURFACE. Reference Minute No. 42, Members considered a reply from Kent County Council's Highways Department to the Town Council's request for a site meeting regarding Cobham Terrace, Bean Road and Stanhope Road.

RECOMMENDED:

That the site meeting be arranged via the Borough Engineer, who will be invited to attend along with County Councillor Waterton-Lee, County Councillor Moore and Mr. Dunn M.P.

98. STREET LIGHTING - PROPOSED ALL-NIGHT LIGHTING. Reference Minute No. 44, the Clerk reported that Dartford Borough Council have advised that their administration charge for the costs to cover All-Night Street Lighting for the year 1984/85 will be £30 per quarter. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council agree to the restoration of All-Night Street Lighting as soon as possible.

99. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. Reference Minute No. 45, the Clerk reported that Kent County Council representatives have been

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in the area recently carrying out the necessary survey for Phase II of the Street Lighting Programme, and their findings are awaited. - NOTED.

100. MANOR HOUSE - LEASE. Councillor Crosby requested copies of letters received from Dartford Borough Council, answering his queries regarding Office Accommodation at Manor House, be circulated to all Members. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be discussed further at the next Town Council Meeting.

101. MANOR HOUSE - COMPLAINTS. Reference Minute No. 52, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Dartford Borough Council enclosing copies of letters from Kent County Constabulary with their comments on the nuisance being caused at Manor House.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the Borough Secretary, with a copy to the Leisure Services Committee requesting a reply to the Town Council's request for fencing and a gate to be provided at Manor Park.

102. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY. Reference Minute No. 54, Members considered a Report on the financial aspects of the Town Council assuming responsibility for Swanscombe Cemetery. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Chairman consult the Town Clerk with regard to certain amounts in the Report, after which the Report be submitted to the Dartford Borough Council with a request for a meeting, and notification from the Borough Council as to exactly who will be attending the meeting as their representatives.

Recorded Vote.

FOR

Cllr. Bacon	Cllr. Mrs. Porter
Cllr. Crosby	Cllr. Porter
Cllr. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. Povey
Cllr. Halford	Cllr. Read
Cllr. Harvey	Cllr. Rowlands

AGAINST

Cllr. Boggis

ABSTENTIONS

Cllr. Hagger Cllr. Lawrie Cllr. Melvin

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103. THE GROVE COMMUNITY HALL. The Clerk informed that work is progressing most satisfactorily on the renovations of the Grove Hall, and requested an interim payment of £4,750 for the Building Contractor. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the monies be paid to the Building Contractor, as requested.
- b) That the cost of providing windows blinds at the Grove Hall be ascertained for the next Town Council Meeting.
- c) That the Safety Officer be requested to inspect the building prior to commencement of hire to the public.

104. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. Members discussed the Sports Association's request for a meeting to discuss the 40 or 50% payment of Squash takings.

RECOMMENDED:

That figures relating to the amount of Squash takings received for the past two years be made available for the next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee, so that, after consideration, a date may be arranged for the requested meeting.

105. SQUASH COURT SHOWERS AND FLOOR COVERING. Members were informed that estimates had not yet been obtained for the Showers and Floor Covering at the Squash Courts. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That estimates be obtained for the Showers and Floor Covering at the Squash Courts for the next Town Council Meeting.

106. COBHAM TERRACE PLAYGROUND - FENCING. Members discussed the costs of erecting iron railings at Cobham Terrace Playground and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council enquiring into the possibility of moving the gate which gives access onto Bean Road, and further estimates for iron railings be obtained.

107. STREET LIGHTING - CONNECTIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Seaboard regarding the requested meeting with their representatives and David Webster Ltd. and representatives from Kent County Council. After discussion it was,

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RECOMMENDED:

That the Chairman liaise with the Town Clerk on this matter.

108. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Reference Minute No. 51, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Kent County Council reassuring that requests for relaxation of conditions governing Bakers Hole would only be considered when a specific problem arises. - NOTED.

DA/84/0391

Erection of a front porch at 17 Church Road, Swanscombe - Mr. S. Brooks.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objection providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

*109* 108. MULTI-PURPOSE LEISURE CENTRE. Members discussed the current situation with regard to the proposed Site meeting to be held on 25th July 1984 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That, if possible, copies of the Report compiled by Councillor Baker be circulated to all Members before the meeting on the 25th July.

*110* 109. TOWN CLERK - MATERNITY LEAVE. The Town Mayor informed Members that she had received a letter from Mrs. Stevens, the Town Clerk, informing of her intention to commence Maternity Leave on 3rd September 1984. - NOTED.

*M. Talbot*  
Chairman.



INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 1984

		£	p
Parks Dept	- Costs for Damage to Park	16.00	
	Cricket	10.43	
	Football	139.00	
	Tennis	27.83	
	Bowls	5.19	
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			198.45
Administration	- Use of Copier	99.39	
	Sale of Documents	11.25	
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			110.64
Allotments	- Rents		13.66
Community Halls	- Hire Fees		125.50
Squash	- Fees	532.92	
	- Registrations	2.00	
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ACCOUNTS PAID

Wages	- W/E 7.6.84		769.20
Town Mayor's Allowance			30.00
Petty Cash	- Parks Dept.		18.62
Wages	- W/E 14.6.84		1,136.99
Petty Cash & Postage	- Administration		34.39
Petrol Allow.	- Administration		23.87
Inland Revenue	- National Insurance & Tax		1,236.72
British Gas	- Gas Supply - Grove Hall		640.00
Church Rd. Gge.	- Account May 1984 - Parks		58.55
Wages	- W/E 21.6.84		674.02
Petty Cash	- Parks Dept.		23.66
Wages	- W/E 28.6.84		824.86
Post Office	- Tax - Parks Vehicle		90.00
Southern Water	- Acc. - Church Road Hall		44.71
Securicor	- Monthly Account		46.64
Rigby Taylor	- Equipment & Materials - Parks		23.01
T. Parker & So.	- Parks Machinery		121.16
Kent C.C.	- Rent - Station Road Car Park		75.00
Fishers of Dfd.	- Stationery		20.99
Brindus	- Supplies - Parks & Community Halls		78.64
B C I	- Rent - Castlefield All. & Cobham Terr.		75.00
S E Employers Organisation	- Subscription		28.75
M M I	- Insurance Renewal & Vehicle Insurance		968.80
Seeboard	- Street Lighting - Direct Debit		699.87
Seeboard	- Accs. Knockhall Spts. Ground and Church Road Hall		212.05
Schroder	- Copier Leasing - Direct Debit (Quarter)		116.96
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SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 2ND AUGUST 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. B.E. Read
Cllr. Mrs. M.C. Hagger	Cllr. J.G. Rowlands

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.A. Bacon, G. Baker, D.S. Hagger, Miss M.J. Lawrie and P.G. Melvin.

The Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs. Povey welcomed Mr. and Mrs. B. Hirschfeld to the Council Meeting and presented Mr. Hirschfeld with a Carriage Clock as a token of the Town Council's appreciation for his 25 years of loyal and dedicated work as a Police Constable of the Kent County Constabulary stationed at Greenhithe. Mrs. Hirschfeld was presented with a bouquet of flowers and the Town Mayor gave all the Town Council's good wishes for a long and happy retirement for them both.

Mr. Hirschfeld thanked the Town Council for the gift and good wishes received, and stated that he had very much enjoyed his service in Greenhithe and had found the local people well worth working for, and with, and that is one of the reasons he and his wife have decided to remain in the area to enjoy his retirement.

111. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th June 1984 were confirmed and signed.

112. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Porter and seconded by Councillor Halford,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 12th July 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

113. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Porter

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 19th July 1984 be approved and the

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recommendations contained therein adopted.

114. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 31ST JULY 1984. Councillor Caller gave a short verbal report on the Executive Committee Meeting held at the Grove Hall on Tuesday, 31st July 1984, and informed that it had been agreed that the following items be included in the refurbishment works now being undertaken:-

1. The wood panelling be continued to the kitchen area.
2. That Roller Blinds be fitted to all windows.
3. That more working surfaces be provided in the kitchen area.
4. That new seats and chains be provided in the Gents Toilets.
5. That a new step be made to the paved area.

115. SWANSCOMBE ALLOTMENTS AND GARDENS ASSOCIATION. Councillor Porter reported on the meeting held with representatives of the Allotments Association on 4th July 1984 and outlined a few of the matters discussed.

RESOLVED.

That matters arising from the meeting needing further consideration be discussed at the next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

116. BAKERS HOLE, SWANSCOMBE. Councillor Halford reported on the latest meeting of the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee and informed that tipping is due to start at the site on 13th August 1984. - NOTED.

117. MANOR HOUSE - LEASE. Councillor Crosby informed Members of his negotiations with the Borough Council concerning the New Lease for Office Accommodation at Manor House, and stated that he was most unhappy at the outcome and with the amount of monies being requested by the Borough Council from the Town Council. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council request a meeting with Dartford Borough Council to discuss the Lease and work undertaken by the Town Council on behalf of the Borough Council.

118. 1981 CENSUS. The Clerk reported receipt of statistical

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information from the 1981 Census for this area, which will be available for reference. - NOTED.

119. TOWN TWINNING. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter and information from the Town Twinning Association in Paris. - NOTED.

120. LEISURE FACILITIES - SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE. Members were informed of a Report which has been compiled by Councillor Baker regarding possible Leisure Facilities which would benefit the area.

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council's thanks be conveyed to Councillor Baker for his efforts in compiling the Report.

121. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Dartford Council informing of a site meeting to be held at All Saints Church, Swanscombe on 9th August 1984 at 8 a.m.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter, plan and report from Kent County Council requesting the Town Council's observations on Blue Circle Industries' proposals for the gas migration control system at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe.

RESOLVED.

That this matter be referred to the next meeting of the Executive Committee for further consideration.

DA/84/0033/ADV

Display of 1 No. Internally illuminated double sided pole and price display sign and 5 No. internally illuminated box signs over pump islands at Greenhithe Service Station, London Road, Greenhithe - Esso Petroleum Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

DA/78/0714/A

Revisions to previously approved plans DA/78/714 for erection of a two storey side extension. Revisions based on partial implementation to provide interim single storey extension at 15 Riverview Road, Greenhithe - Mr. J.E. McNamara.

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OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objection from neighbouring properties.

122. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED.

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

123. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS - SPORTS PAVILION. The Town Mayor informed Members of the contents of a letter recently received from the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs and advised of the current situation with regard to the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

RESOLVED.

That this matter be referred to the next meeting of the Executive Committee for further discussion.

Town Mayor.



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 21st AUGUST 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. L.G. Caller  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J.B. Harvey and P.G. Melvin.

124. ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION - TRACTOR. Discussion took place regarding a request from the Allotments Association for permission to hire a tractor for clearance work on Northfields Allotments.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Parks Foreman investigate the Allotment Association's proposals, and if he is in agreement, then permission be granted to the Association for work to be carried out, as requested.

125. GROVE HALL AND CHURCH ROAD HALL. The Chairman advised that, as the renovation and redecoration works at the Grove Hall are now almost completed, it is necessary to arrange a schedule for the re-opening of the Hall and the closure of the Church Road Hall. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That, subject to all works being completed, the Grove Hall re-open on Monday, 3rd September 1984, and that the Contractors be informed that they can commence renovation works at the Church Road Hall the week commencing 10th September 1984.

126. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY. The Chairman informed that Dartford Borough Council will be putting the Town Council's Financial Report on Swanscombe Cemetery to their Policy Committee Meeting at the end of September, and will contact the Town Council after that date to inform of their Committee's deliberations.- NOTED.

127. MANUAL STAFF - PARKS DEPARTMENT. Members were informed that Mr. E. Acton's employment with the Town Council has been terminated as from 4th August 1984 and discussion took place on the payment of holiday pay to Mr. Acton.

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RECOMMENDED:

- a) That holiday pay be paid to Mr. Acton as stated.
- b) That the vacant position in the Parks Department be advised, as previously.

128. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. The Chairman advised on the current situation with regard to the legal proceedings with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe association of Sports Clubs and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council's Solicitors be requested to advocate a speedy conclusion to the present negotiations.

129. STREET LIGHTING - TRANSFER OF SERVICE CHARGES. Members considered a report submitted on the problems encountered with the connection of new columns erected during the Phase I conversion of Street Lighting.

RECOMMENDED:

That a meeting be arranged between Mr. Wilmot of Kent County Council and representatives from Dartford Borough Council, Seaboard and David Webster Ltd. and the Executive Committee on Tuesday, 11th September 1984 at 7.30 p.m. at Manor House.

130. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' observations:-

DA/84/0439/OUT

Erection of a two storey detached building to provide two No. maisonettes on Land adjacent to 22 Castle Street, Swanscombe - Mrs. P. Howard.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

DA/84/0447

Use of Ground floor and lower ground floor in connection with vehicle repair business, with ancillary parking and boundary treatment at G & M Motors, London Road, Swanscombe - Mr. C. Gay.



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OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council strongly object to this application, as stated on previous applications for these premises, as it is felt that this would be a potential hazard to traffic on such a busy road and in such close proximity to a bad road junction.

DA/84/0461

Erection of a 6ft high boundary fence at 3 & 5 High Street, Greenhithe. - Mrs. M. Moss.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

131. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. It was agreed that the words 'Local Authority' be changed to 'Swanscombe and Greenhithe Town Council' in the Disciplinary Procedure document prepared for the Town Council Staff and that, providing there are no objections to the document, it be accepted at the next Town Council Meeting.

132. DARTFORD UNEMPLOYED CENTRE. The Chairman informed of a request from the Dartford Unemployed Centre for free use of a football pitch at Broomfield Road for Saturday 1st September 1984 for a friendly football match.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission be granted for use of the football pitch, as requested.

Chairman.



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MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 6TH SEPTEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.A. Bacon, P.S. Crow, D.P. Francis and Mrs. R.L.F. Povey.

133. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th July 1984 were confirmed and signed.

134. PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT. The Park Foreman reported that trees in Swanscombe Park are being stripped of their bark, and the roadway which is in need of repair has been broken up even more with heavy lorries going in to the Cemetery. The Arboriculturist from Dartford Borough Council has attended at Swanscombe Park and offered to supply a possible tree programme for future planting. Broomfield Road Sports Ground is suffering from an increase in illegal dumping of refuse, vandalism of playground equipment and a break-in at the Tractor Shed. All the Football Pitches are now ready for the commencement of the Season.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Borough Council be contacted should permission be required to remove any trees at Swanscombe Park which may be affected by the Tree Preservation Order.

135. PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. Councillor Crosby stated that he felt some of the playground equipment is now outdated and in need of replacement and after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That this matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for further consideration of the purchase of new equipment.

b) That an inventory be taken of any missing or broken parts of the playground equipment.

136. SEATING AREA - SWANSCOMBE PARK. Members expressed concern at the state of the concreted area around the seating area in the centre of Swanscombe Park.

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RECOMMENDED:

That the concreted area be repaired as soon as possible.

137. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY. The Clerk reported that Dartford Borough Council have notified that the Town Council's comparative costings for the administration of Swanscombe Cemetery will be reported to the Policy Committee on 24th September 1984, after which date the Borough Council will write to the Town Council. - NOTED.

138. MANOR HOUSE ACCOMMODATION The Clerk reported that Dartford Borough Council have enquired if the Town Council have any objection to the partitioning of rooms 7 and 8, and the exclusive use of the upstairs kitchen being granted to the Kent County Council Social Services Department to allow them more Office space.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council has no objection to the proposed alterations, as outlined.

139. COBHAM TERRACE - ROAD SURFACE. Reference Minute No. 97, the Borough Engineer has notified that the patching works in Cobham Terrace have now been completed and he would therefore suggest that a site meeting is now unnecessary.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That Mr. Smith of Dartford Borough Council is notified of the Town Council's dis-satisfaction with what has been done at Cobham Terrace and informing that the Town Council would urge immediate requests be made to the Kent County Council for a new roadway along the whole of Bean Road, which is in a very dangerous condition.

b) That the Town Council proceed with their original intention of holding a site meeting, as per Minute No. 97.

140. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. Reference Minute No.123, Members discussed the Sports Association's request for permission to build a rear extension at Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be deferred.

141. ALLOTMENTS - LAND AT ALKERDEN LANE. The Clerk reported

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receipt of a draft Lease for Land at Alkerden Lane which is used for Allotments, from the Borough Secretary.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Lease be accepted as submitted.

142. COBHAM TERRACE PLAYGROUND. Reference Minute No.106, the Clerk reported receipt of a reply from Dartford Borough Council to the Town Council's letter regarding the changing of position of the gate at Cobham Terrace Playground.

Estimates for Iron Rail fencing at the Playground were submitted as follows:-

1. Irvine Builders	£2,200
2. Colyer Brothers	£2,378

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the position of the gate remain unchanged.

b) That estimates be requested for the provision of 4'6" high fencing instead of 5'6" as previously requested.

143. FENCING REPAIRS - SWANSCOMBE PARK. Estimates for fencing repairs at Swanscombe Park were submitted as follows:-

Bowling Green Fence

1. Colyer Brothers	£598
2. Gravesend Fencing	£484 + VAT

Putting Green

1. Colyer Brothers	£685.87
2. Gravesend Fencing	£1264.50 + VAT

RECOMMENDED:

That repairs to the fences at Swanscombe Park be carried out by Colyer Brothers as soon as possible.

144. GROVE HALL AND CHURCH ROAD HALL. The Clerk reported that renovation and redecoration works have now been completed at the Grove Hall and it is hoped that the Hall will be re-opened the week commencing 3rd September 1984. It was agreed at the Executive Committee Meeting held on 21st August 1984, that providing there are no problems with the Grove Hall, the Contractors be advised that they may commence work on the Church Road Hall the week commencing 10th September 1984.

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RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Clerk check the Insurance for the Grove Hall with regard to claims for broken windows.
- b) That possible ways of erecting shutters over the windows, for greater protection, be investigated.
- c) That the electricity meters in the Hall be boxed in for greater safety.

145. ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION. Reference Minute No. 115, Councillor Porter outlined some of the Allotment Association's requests and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Town Council allow £50 for the purchase of paint for the shed doors at Keary Road Allotments.
- b) That the possibility of planting shrubs instead of fencing at Castlefields Allotments be investigated.
- c) That Blue Circle Industries be requested to clear footpaths around Northfields Allotments which are overgrown.
- d) That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council to investigate the possibility of the Allotments Association renting a garage for storage purposes.

146. MANUAL STAFF - PARKS. Members were informed that Mr. E. Acton's appointment with the Town Council was terminated as from 4th August 1984. - NOTED.

147. AUDIT 1984. The Clerk informed Members that the appointed Auditors, Peat Marwick, Mitchell & Co. have notified that they hope to attend at Manor House on 20th September 1984 to Audit the Town Council's Accounts. - NOTED.

148. SQUASH TAKINGS. Members considered a Report outlining the Squash Takings for the past two years. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council introduce a 50% cancellation fee for people who have booked a court and do not notify when they are unable to play.

149. SWANSCOMBE SKULL SITE. The Clerk informed that the Nature Conservancy Council have produced a brief information sheet to

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inform Swanscombe Residents of the work taking place at the Swanscombe Skull Site. This will be distributed together with a letter from Dartford Borough Council asking for support for the project.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council thanking them for their efforts in co-ordinating plans for the clearance work at Swanscombe Skull Site.

150. POPLAR TREES - GROVE HALL. Reference Minute No. 80, the Clerk reported that the Borough Leisure Services Officer has recommended that one of the Poplar Trees at the Grove Hall be removed as it could cause damage to the adjacent Town House.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Parks Foreman make arrangements for the removal of the Poplar Tree, as recommended.

151. MANOR PARK. Reference Minute No. 101, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Borough Leisure Services Officer notifying of steps being taken to combat the problems being experienced at Manor Park. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Borough Leisure Services Officer be notified that the Town Council feel very strongly that the playground must be fenced off, and the problems would be alleviated if the gates to Manor Park were locked where possible.

152. K.A.P.C. The Clerk reported receipt of the K.A.P.C. Parish News with various enclosures as stated.

153. COUNCILLOR J.G. ROWLANDS. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Councillor J.G. Rowlands tendering his resignation from the Town Council.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Councillor Rowlands conveying Members' good wishes for himself and his family for their future life in Wales.

154. BAKERS HOLE LIAISON COMMITTEE. Members discussed the replacement of Councillor Rowlands on the Bakers Hole Committee for the meeting to be held in the near future and it was,

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RECOMMENDED:

That Councillor Baker attend the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee Meeting in place of Councillor Rowlands.

155. WHEATSHEAF PUBLIC HOUSE. The Chairman informed of the receipt of a copy of a Petition, sent to Dartford Borough Council by local residents who live near to the Wheatsheaf Public House, complaining about noise, nuisance and unruly behaviour. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That a letter be sent to the Environmental Health Officer expressing the Town Council's grave concern over this matter, and enclosing a copy of the letter sent by this Council to the Landlord of the Wheatsheaf Public House, to which no reply has been received.

b) That Trumans Brewery be notified of the Petition and complaints received.

c) That a letter be sent to Gravesend Police requesting their help with illegal parking around the Wheatsheaf Public House.

156. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Applications on which Members' observations are requested:-

DA/84/0477

Submission of details pursuant to permission reference No. DA/83/0704/OUT in respect of 4 detached houses with integral garages at Land between Mounts Court and 93 Mounts Road, Greenhithe - B. Wahl & Co. Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

DA/84/0476

Change of use of property from residential to private nursing home and erection of an external fire escape staircase at The Mount, Bean Road, Greenhithe - Mr. & Mrs. E. Jansz.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council objects as the gradient is too steep for access when considering proposed use.





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DA/84/0475

Erection of a block comprising 3 No. houses and 12 No. Flats with associated landscaping, access and parking provision at 21-26 Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe - Gravesend Churches Housing Association.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

Councillor Halford requested that his objections to this recommendation be noted.

DA/79/0452/A

Variation to Condition (VIII) attached to planning permission Ref. No. DA/79/0452 for the change of use from warehousing with ancillary offices to general industry with ancillary offices. Variation in respect of operating hours at Unit 4, Galley Hill Estate, London Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council strongly object to conditions being relaxed, due to noise and nuisance caused during unsocial hours.

157. K.C.C. - YOUTH CLUB PREMISES. Members discussed reports that the Swanscombe Youth Club may be closing down, and the possible effects this may have on the Playgroup who use the same premises.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk write to Mrs. Medland at Dartford Divisional Education Office and Mr. Rayfield of the Local Management Committee to enquire if any firm plans have been made with regard to the Youth Club premises.

158. BARRIER - REAR OF ORCHARD ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Councillor Boggis enquired into the possibility of erecting a Barrier across the rear access to Orchard Road Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for further consideration.

Chairman of Committee



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 20TH SEPTEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	
Cllr. G Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. M.C. Hagger, D.S. Hagger and B.E. Read.

159. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th July 1984 were confirmed and signed.

160. INCOME FOR JULY AND AUGUST 1984. The Income for the months of July and August 1984 amounting to £4,198.01p was accepted, and Members were informed that an additional amount of £867.03p should be added to Community Halls making a total of £5,074.04p, as per annexed list.

161. TOWN COUNCIL FINANCES. Members discussed the Town Council's Accounting procedures and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That any order or purchase for renewal or replacement or new acquisition with a value exceeding £100 be confirmed first by the Town Mayor or a Committee Chairman.

b) That all expenses (personal) be endorsed by the appropriate Supervisor and in the case of the Clerk or Acting Clerk, by the Mayor or Committee Chairmen or, in their absence, by their Deputies.

c) That, in the absence of the Town Clerk, independent advice be sought on certain Accounting Procedures and the preparation of the 1985/86 Estimates.

162. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £27,558.17p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

163. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. The Clerk submitted Reports outlining monies previously owed to the Town Council and now paid in since legal proceeding commenced. - NOTED.

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164. FINANCE REPORT. The Clerk submitted a Report of the Town Council's 1983/84 Balances and after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That estimates be obtained for work to showers at Squash Courts.

165. STREET LIGHTING - 11TH SEPTEMBER 1984. Members were informed that the result of the meeting between the Town Council's Executive Committee and representatives from Seeboard and David Webster Ltd. was that it was agreed the Town Council notify Seeboard of the columns which need connecting and request a further quotation.

RECOMMENDED:

That the necessary connection work be completed as soon as possible to enable Phase I of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme to be completed.

166. "CLOWNS" TOURING TROUPE. The Clerk reported a request from a troupe of professional clowns who would like to use the Town Council's recreational areas to present a show.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission be granted pending further enquiries being made with regard to required dates and admission charges etc.

167. PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. Members discussed the condition of the Town Council's Playground Equipment and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That £1,999 be allocated for the repair and renewal of Playground Equipment at Broomfield Road Sports Ground.

168. BRITISH RAIL TIMETABLE. The Clerk informed that Kent County Council have notified that British Rail have indicated that the 1985 Rail Timetable changes in Kent will be restricted to eliminating any shortcomings in the 1984 Timetable, and any points concerning current train services should be sent to Kent County Council at Maidstone. - NOTED.

169. THE SUN PUBLIC HOUSE. The Clerk reported receipt of notice of the intention of Mr. E.J. Hargreaves to apply for the Full Transfer of Licence for The Sun Public House on Friday, 5th October 1984. - NOTED.

170. OPERATION RALEIGH. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter

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from Miss Helen Armour requesting the Town Council's sponsorship for her bid to raise £1,000 towards the costs of her becoming a Venturer for part of the 'Operation Raleigh' round-the-world expedition. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this Matter be deferred to the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

171. BARRIER - REAR OF ORCHARD ROAD. Reference Minute No.158, Members discussed illegal parking at the rear of Orchard Road and the possible erection of a locking barrier across the rear entrance way to prohibit illegal parking,

RECOMMENDED:

That letters be circulated to the residents of Orchard Road requesting their views on the erection of a locking barrier across the entrance to the rear of Orchard Road.

172. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' observations:-

DA/84/0041/ADV

Display of two No. 48 sheet advertisement hoardings at George and Dragon Public House, Galley Hill, Swanscombe - London and Continental Posters.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Refusal

DA/84/0355

Erection of first floor rear extension at 99 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe - Mr. Hutchins.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Borough Planning Officer requesting any representations which the Town Council may wish to make in connection with the preparation of the Dartford Local Plan be sent to the Borough Council by 31st October 1984.



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RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be discussed further at the next Meeting of the Town Council.

173. CHANGE OF DATES OF MEETINGS. The Chairman informed Members that it has been necessary to change the dates of the next Finance and General Purposes Committee and Town Council Meetings to 25th October 1984 and 8th November 1984 respectively, this is due to the local election being held on November 1st 1984.

174. LONDON ROAD, GREENHITHE. Members expressed concern regarding the amount of road repairs to London Road, Greenhithe over the past few years, at great inconvenience to road users and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Mr. Smith at Dartford Borough Council regarding this matter.

175. MRS. A.D. STEVENS. Members were informed that the Town Clerk, Mrs. Stevens, had given birth to a son on Wednesday, 19th September. Members requested their congratulations and best wishes be sent to Mrs. Stevens and her family.

176. AUDIT 1983/84. Members were informed that, due to unforeseen circumstances the 1983/84 Audit would now take place on 25th September 1984 and not the 20th September, as previously advised. - NOTED.

Chairman.



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. L.G. Caller  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. D.S. Hagger  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. J.B. Harvey  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

177. SPORTS PAVILION - SHOWERS. Members discussed the question of tenders for work on the showers at the Sports Pavilion and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk contact the Borough Council and request their aid in assessing the exact work necessary to ensure the efficiency of the showers at the Sports Pavilion.

178. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. Members discussed the proposed Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That tenders be requested for the Phase II Street Lighting Conversion, with the tenders to be returned by 24th October 1984.

179. OFFICE STAFF - HOURS OF WORK. The Chairman informed the Committee of a request from the Office Staff to take a three quarters of an hour lunchtime and finish at 5 p.m. instead of 5.15 p.m.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Office Staff's hours of work be altered, as requested.

180. SWANSCOMBE PARK - STAFF. The Chairman informed Members of a request from the North Kent College, Miskin Road, Dartford for the Town Council to take a Youth for one or two days per week for job experience in Swanscombe Park.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council agree to the North Kent College's request, as outlined.

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181. OFFICE PROCEDURES. Members discussed various matters in connection with Office Procedures and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Assistant Town Clerk write to the Town Clerk regarding certain items.

182. ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK. Members discussed the Assistant Town Clerk's salary and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Assistant Town Clerk's salary be increased to Spinal Point 21 plus Allowances, for a temporary period, until the return to work of the Town Clerk.

Chairman





INCOME FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY & AUGUST 1984

Parks Dept	-	Hire of Park	15.00	
		Costs for damage to park	34.00	
		Storage	150.00	
		Cricket	10.00	
		Football	190.66	
		Tennis	146.52	
		Bowls	60.62	
				606.80
Administration	-	Use of Copier	12.30	
		Re-imburement of overpayment BML	279.48	
				291.78
Allotments	-	Rents		129.50
Community Halls	-	Hire Fees		230.00
		S & G Assoc. outstanding payments (5041.28)*		876.03
Squash	-	Fees (including £10.20 stolen)		994.96
Customs & Excise	-	VAT Repayment		1944.97
				£5074.04

ACCOUNTS PAID

Mr Tuson	-	Architect Fees - Grove Hall		1,050.00
Wages	-	W/E 5/7/84		594.12
Inland Revenue	-	Tax & National Insurance		1,745.09
Wages	-	W/E 12/7/84 (Parks PC £20)		945.76
Wages	-	W/E 19/7/84 (Stamps £14.27)		806.60
Customs & Excise	-	VAT Payment		19.24
Wages	-	W/E 26/7/84 (Petrol £30.69)		677.58
Dartford B C	-	Rent - Manor House		2,494.49
Brindus	-	Parks Dept - Protective clothing & cleaning materials		53.96
British Telecom	-	Telephone A/c's Parks & Manor House		233.88
Church Rd Garage	-	Petrol A/c June		92.64
Harringtons	-	Plants & Peat		364.40
Securicor	-	Monthly A/c		46.64
G L C	-	Rent - Greenhithe Foreshore		50.00
Thames Water	-	A/c's Parks & Community Halls		362.35

carried forward 9,536.75

	brought forward	9,536.75
Southern Water	- A/c's Parks & Social Halls	377.47
Dartford B C	- St. Lighting Repair	16.48
Dartford B C	- Rates - Car Parks/Squash Courts & Knockhall Playing Field	575.61
Wego Computers	- Service Contract - Computer	92.87
T Parker & Sons	- Parks Machinery - Green Machine & Hayterette	451.08
Seeboard	- A/c Park & St. Lighting Repairs	354.62
A E Frost	- Parks - Materials - Paint/Locks etc	73.54
Seeboard	- Direct Debit - Street Lighting	699.87
Wages	- W/E 2/8/84	829.07
Cllr. Mrs Povey	- Town Mayor's Allowance	30.00
Wages	- W/E 9/8/84	556.07
D B S	- Heating - Grove Hall	2,248.45
Wages	- W/E 16/8/84 (stamps £21.43 - Petrol £11.94)	1,023.36
Colyer Bros	- Grove Hall - Contractural Work	5,762.94
Inland Revenue	- Tax & National Insurance	1,375.33
Wages	- W/E 23/8/84 (P C £19.76)	596.30
R K Roofing	- Grove Hall	287.93
Church Rd Garage	- Petrol A/c - July	74.19
Securicor	- Monthly Account	46.64
T Parker & Sons	- Top dressing - Machinery parts & Grass feed etc.	603.74
Fishers	- Stationery	55.98
Wego Computers	- Stationery - wage envelopes	34.50
Seeboard	- Street Light Repairs	515.30
A E Frost	- Parks Materials	6.80
Wages	- W/E 30/8/84	633.41
Seeboard	- Direct Debit - Street Lighting	699.87
S & G Assoc of Sports Clubs	- Calculation	(4,165.25)*
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		£27,558.17
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\* Not included in totals - See Reports as attached.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 4TH OCTOBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. M.C. Hagger, D.S. Hagger and Miss M.J. Lawrie.

183. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd August 1984 were confirmed and signed.

184. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 21ST AUGUST 1984. The Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 21st August 1984 were confirmed and signed.

185. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Porter,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 6th September 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

186. BAKERS HOLE LIAISON COMMITTEE. Members discussed the replacement of Councillor Rowlands on the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee and it was,

RESOLVED.

That Councillor G. Baker replace Councillor Rowlands on the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee.

187. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Porter,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

188. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 21ST SEPTEMBER 1984. The Minutes of the

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Executive Committee were confirmed and duly signed.

189. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE. Reference Minute No. 131, Members were advised that the Town Council's Staff have raised no objections to the Disciplinary Procedure document circulated to all Members of Staff.

RESOLVED.

That the Disciplinary Procedure document be accepted and duly adopted.

190. BAKERS HOLE LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING. Members were informed of the recently held meeting of the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee and were told that, as the infilling of the pit has only been operational for the past month, it is difficult to give any firm reports on the effects of the tipping of domestic refuse, and a clearer indication will probably be achieved in about eighteen months time, when attendant problems may arise.

191. KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS. The Clerk reported receipt of the K.A.P.C. Parish News with the magazine Oast to Coast, and other leaflets and enclosures which are available for Members' consultation. - NOTED.

192. LEASE OF ALLOTMENT LAND AT ALKERDEN LANE. The Clerk informed Members of the receipt of the Lease for Allotment Land at Alkerden Lane, Swanscombe from Dartford Borough Council.

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council sign the Lease for the Allotment Land at Alkerden Lane.

The Town Mayor, Deputy Town Mayor and Assistant Town Clerk duly signed and sealed the Lease.

193. MANOR HOUSE - LEASE. Members discussed the signing of the Lease from Dartford Borough Council for Office Accommodation at Manor House and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Clerk clarify the position regarding the clause stating that the Town Council must pay 15.8% of any future costs in repairs etc. for Manor House, as this could prove extremely costly for the Town Council.

194. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Application which has been received

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for Members' observations:-

DA/84/0520

Erection of a 2ft. high trellis on top of existing 11ft. high wall at 'Walmer', Ingress Park, High Street, Greenhithe - Mr. B.P. Beddoes.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval.

The Clerk reported that the Department of the Environment have notified that their Inspector has proposed a modification to the Diversion Order 1983 No.2 Ames Road, Swanscombe and further notifications will follow in due course. - NOTED.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Kent County Council containing a copy of a letter from Blue Circle Industries who are seeking to extend for 2 years the period for compliance with Condition (iv) of planning permission DA/77/540 for the landscaping and restoration for Phase III of the landfill at Bamber Pit, Swanscombe. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council are opposed to any extension being granted to Blue Circle Industries for compliance with the Condition (iv) DA/77/540, as it is felt that definite landscaping and restoration plans should be fully submitted, as requested, as this could give rise to further requests for delays, and it is felt that reclamation and final restoration should not be impeded in any way.

Reference Minute No. 172, Members discussed further the letter from the Borough Planning Officer requesting the Town Council's observations on any proposals they may wish to make for the Dartford Local Plan.

RESOLVED.

a) That the Clerk write to the Borough Planning Officer outlining the general ideas put forward, which include, review of access roads into Swanscombe, derelict land in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area, the condition of Bean Road, Greenhithe and the provision of more Sheltered Housing Schemes and Council Houses both in this area and the rest of Dartford Borough, so that he may receive them for 31st October, as requested.

b) That the Borough Planning Officer be informed that the Town



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Council wish to contact him again with regard to the Dartford Local Plan when more time has been given for a more detailed discussion on the points mentioned, and any further points which may arise.

Town Mayor

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 18TH OCTOBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. J.B. Harvey	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker and P.S. Crow.

195. MINUTES. Members were informed of the omission of part of Minute No. 137 whereby discussion took place regarding the proposal that the Town Council and the Borough Council pay 50% each of the cost of repairs to the roadway from Swanscombe Park into Swanscombe Cemetery, when it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council pay 50% of the costs on this occasion but inform the Borough Council that, should any future repairs be necessary, then the Town Council would expect the Borough Council to bear the cost, as they are the sole users of the heavy vehicles going into the Cemetery, which, it is felt are responsible for the breaking up of the roadway surface.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September 1984 were confirmed and signed.

196. REPORT OF THE PARKS FOREMAN. The Parks Foreman expressed grave concern regarding the damage being caused to the back iron supports of the Football Goal Posts at Broomfield Road Sports Ground with them being wrapped around the goalposts and having to be cut away to remove them. The fencing at Swanscombe Park has now been repaired and the planting, and treatment to the Bowls Greens is underway, the Parks Foreman submitted a lengthy list of extra fixtures played by the Swanscombe Bowls Club during the past Season and informed that the machinery is now ready to go away for the yearly maintenance overhaul. A Report on the costs of maintenance etc. of the Cricket Wicket was submitted and the Parks Foreman informed the Committee that complaints have been received about the Football Pitches which are getting to be in a dreadful state with dogs fouling them and glass being smashed and scattered around the ground.

RECOMMENDED:





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- a) That the Town Council contact the Borough Council's Dog Warden for assistance with the problem of dogs on the Broomfield Road Sports Ground.
- b) That the Reports on the Bowls Fixtures and the Cricket Wicket be discussed further at the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.
- c) That the Clerk enquire into the costs of the Dartford Borough Council's plants etc.
- d) That the Parks machinery be sent for its yearly maintenance service, as requested.

197. SWANSCOMBE SKULL SITE. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Kent County Council informing of a site meeting at Swanscombe Skull Site on Monday, 5th November 1984, and requesting information as to who will represent the Town Council.

RECOMMENDED:

That Councillors G. Baker, N. Halford, J.B. Harvey, Mrs. I.M. Porter, H.E. Porter and the Clerk represent the Town Council at the site meeting.

198. DOORSTEP DELIVERIES IN RURAL KENT. The Clerk reported receipt of a lengthy Report from Kent County Council regarding Doorstep Deliveries in Rural Kent. The Report is available for anyone interested and comments on it should be forwarded to the County Planning Officer at Maidstone. - NOTED.

199. HARMER ROAD PLAYGROUP. The Clerk reported that the recent problems experienced by the Harmer Road Playgroup have now been resolved with the removal of the two pool tables from the room which was their playroom, and had reduced their floor space by being placed there. - NOTED.

200. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY - ROADWAY. The Clerk reported that the Borough Leisure Services officer has notified that it has been agreed that 50% of the costs for repairs to the roadway into Swanscombe Cemetery be included in the 1985/86 Estimates, for consideration. The Borough Council will not accept responsibility for any future costs for damage etc. unless it can be proven that one of their vehicles is directly responsible.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk request the Borough Council to temporarily repair the worst areas of the roadway, as a matter of urgency.



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201. WHEATSHEAF PUBLIC HOUSE. Reference Minute No. 155, Members were informed that letters have been received from Dartford Borough Council, Kent County Council and Gravesend Police, who all inform that the situation at the Wheatsheaf Public House is being closely monitored, and steps taken to alleviate problems for nearby residents. - NOTED.

202. REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES. The Clerk reported receipt of invitations for the Town Mayor and Escort, and Members and Ladies/Escorts, to the Remembrance Day Services at Dartford Central Park at 11.00 a.m. and at SS Peter and Paul Church, Swanscombe at 3 p.m. on Sunday, 11th November 1984. - NOTED.

203. TREE PLANTING - SWANSCOMBE PARK. Members discussed plans submitted by the Dartford Borough Council for the planting of trees along the Park Road side of Swanscombe Park. Councillor Boggis presented a Report for the Enhancement of Swanscombe Park. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That copies of Councillor Boggis's report be circulated to all Members for further discussion at the next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

204. LIONS YOUTH AWARD SCHEME. Members were informed of the receipt of a letter from Northfleet Lions who would appreciate nominations of suitable candidates between the ages of 15-18 years, for their Award Scheme.

RECOMMENDED:

That local youth organisations be contacted to see if they have any suitable candidates for the Award Scheme.

205. SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY. The Clerk reported that the Borough Secretary has informed that the Borough Council has decided to take no action to transfer the administration of Swanscombe Cemetery to the Town Council. - NOTED.

206. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/84/0538

Use of premises as a restaurant with living accommodation over at 108 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe - Mr. E.B. Swithinbank.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council request a site meeting be held and more



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information made available regarding exact usage, hours of opening etc., before giving their observations on this application.

DA/84/0551/OUT

Erection of a pair of semi-detached houses on Land adjacent to 108 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe - Mr. K.E. Wilmot.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council request a site meeting be held before giving their observations on this application.

APPEAL BY MR & MRS FISHER 68 MILTON ROAD SWANSCOMBE.

The Dartford Borough Council have notified that Mr & Mrs Fisher of 68 Milton Road, Swanscombe have appealed against their decision to refuse Planning Permission with regard to Application DA/83/349. The Appeal will be determined by written representations.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council support the Borough Council in their refusal of permission for this Application on the grounds that the increase in size is far too big and obtrusive.

207. COMMUNITY HALLS. The Chairman supplied Members with copies of Conditions for the Hire of the Town Council's Community Halls which he had compiled.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Conditions for Hire of the Community Halls be discussed further at the next Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee, when Members have had the opportunity to consider them in greater detail.

208. REPORTS ON PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. The Chairman submitted Reports he had compiled on the condition of the Town Council's Playground Equipment and further recommendations on necessary repairs to all equipment, and new items of equipment which may be erected at Broomfield Road Playground (reference Minute No. 167). After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the necessary repairs to the Playground Equipment be carried out, as outlined.

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b) That a Non-Bumper Seesaw, Rocking Horse and Mini-Whirl be purchased for installation at Broomfield Road Sports Ground at an approximate cost of £1,557.68.

209. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE SQUASH CLUB. The Clerk reported a request from the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Squash Club to extend the hours of their Friday night play from 5.30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Squash Club's request to extend the Friday night playing time, be agreed.

210. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

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

211. INCIDENTS IN SWANSCOMBE PARK. The Chairman read out letters and reports on recent incidents in Swanscombe Park, and Councillor Boggis declared an interest in this item.

Councillors Bacon and Melvin informed the Meeting that they were leaving the Council Chamber, whereupon the Chairman requested it be recorded that he had warned the said Councillors that they should not leave the Council Chamber whilst discussing confidential matters.

Councillors Bacon and Melvin then left the Meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the next Meeting of the Executive Committee for further discussion on the matters referred to in the letters received by the Chairman.

Chairman

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House,  
Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. L.G. Caller  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. J B Harvey  
Cllr. P.G Melvin  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

212. INCIDENTS IN SWANSCOMBE PARK. Members discussed at length the letters and reports received by the Recreation and Amenities Committee Chairman concerning recent incidents in Swanscombe Park with regard to cycle riding and control of dogs in the Park.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Town Council look into the possibility of some provision in the locality, for children to ride cycles where they do not create a nuisance or disturbance.
- b) That a letter be sent to the Parks Staff supporting them in their enforcement of the Town Council's Bye-Laws.
- c) That a letter be sent to the parents of the children concerned in the cycling incidents requesting their support in upholding the Town Council's Bye-Laws.

213. DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S BADGE OF OFFICE. The Chairman informed the Committee that the Deputy Town Mayor's Badge of Office had been stolen when the Manor House Offices were broken into, and the Insurance Company have requested an estimate for a replacement Badge.

RECOMMENDED:

That an estimate be obtained for the replacement of the Deputy Town Mayor's Badge.

214. NOTICE BOARD - MANOR HOUSE. Members discussed the erection of a Notice Board in the entrance foyer of Manor House and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk make enquiries regarding this matter.

215. CHRISTMAS LEAVE - OFFICE STAFF. Discussion took place regarding Christmas Leave for the Town Council's Office Staff and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council's Offices be closed on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

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24th, 25th and 26th December 1984, Monday, 31st December 1984 and  
Tuesday, 1st January 1985.

216. ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES. Reference Minute No. 161, Members agreed  
to recommend payment of a consultancy fee for advice received regarding  
accounting procedures and preparation of estimates.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. F. ...", is written over the printed name "Chairman".

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 25TH OCTOBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. J.B. Harvey	Cllr. B.E. Read

217. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th September 1984 were confirmed and signed.

218. INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1984. The Income for the month of September 1984, amounting to £25,261.35p, was received as set out in the annexed list.

219. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £14,110.12p have been paid since the date of the last Meeting.

220. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE I. The Clerk reported that, while Seeboard were checking the twelve new columns which needed new connections to complete Phase I of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme, it was discovered that three more new columns needed new connections, opposite 135 Milton Road and at the side of 23 and 49 Milton Road, Swanscombe. The cost for these connections would be £523.80p. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the quotation of £523.80p for connections of new columns be accepted, as outlined.

b) That the Clerk enquire why the policy of all-night Street Lighting has not been implemented in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area, as per the Town Council's instructions.

221. OPERATION RALEIGH. Reference Minute No.170, Members discussed the request from Miss Helen Armour for a financial contribution towards the costs of her expedition with the Operation Raleigh venture.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council donate £30 towards Miss Armour's funds, with a further £20 being donated from the Town Mayor's Charity Fund. The £30 donation to be made under Section 137, Local Government Act 1972.

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222. CHRISTMAS LEAVE - OFFICE STAFF. Reference Minute No. 215, the Chairman advised Members of the recommendations of the Executive Committee with regard to the Office Staff's Christmas Leave.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Office Staff's Christmas Leave be as recommended by the Executive Committee.

223. HALF-YEARLY EXPENDITURE. The Clerk submitted the Half-yearly Figures for the expenditure on General Administration and Street Lighting, and informed that these, together with the figures supplied at the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting on 18th October 1984, comprised the Town Council's expenditure for the six months from 1st April 1984 to 30th September 1984. - NOTED.

224. GRAVESHAM CRIME PREVENTION PANEL. Members considered a report on the Gravesham Crime Prevention Panel sent out by the Dartford Area of the Kent Association of Parish Councils and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That enquiries be made of Mrs. Salway, the Dartford Area representative, as to the possibility of acquiring more information on the Shrill Alarm Campaign.

b) That Mrs. Salway be informed of the Town Council's grave concern, which has been voiced on many occasions, regarding the lack of policing in the area.

225. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk informed of the following two site meetings to be held in the near future:-

DA/84/0475 - At 21-26 Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, 5th November 1984.

DA/84/0476 - At The Mount, Bean Road, Greenhithe at 4.00 p.m. on Monday, 5th November 1984.

The Clerk informed that a copy of the Diversion Order for the Public Footpath at Ames Road, Swanscombe, together with a Map, have been deposited at Dartford Council Offices, High Street, Dartford and may be inspected between 9 a.m. and 4.30 p.m Monday to Friday.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Borough Council be requested to deposit a copy of the Order and Map at Manor House Offices for easier access by members of the public of Swanscombe.

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226. SCRAP METAL BUSINESS - MILTON ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Members were informed that a Scrap Metal Business is being carried out from premises in Milton Road, Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED:

That enquires be made of the Dartford Borough Planning and Environmental Health Departments regarding this matter.

227. HOPE ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Members were advised of the disgraceful state of Hope Road, Swanscombe with repairs to Stock Cars being carried out there.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Environmental Health Officer be contacted regarding this matter.

228. MANOR HOUSE LEASE. Members discussed the Lease for Office Accomodation at Manor House and it was agreed that the Town Council seek further advice on the content of the proposed Lease.

229. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. The Chairman opened and signed three Tenders for Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be referred to the next Meeting of the Town Council for further consideration.

Chairman



INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1984

Parks Dept.	Cricket	191.74	
	Football	273.57	
	Tennis	5.22	
	Bowls	10.78	
	Costs for damage to Park	18.00	
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Administration	Use of Copier		2.62
Community Halls	Grove Hall	62.75	
	Church Road Hall	50.00	
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Squash	Hire Fees	396.53	
	Regristration Fees	<u>21.00</u>	
			417.53
Precept	(June 1984)		22,505.00
Barclays Bank	Deposit A/c Interest		1,519.02
Building Society	Interest		205.12
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			<u>£25,261.35</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID

Wages	- W/E 6/9/84 (£20 Petty Cash to replace stolen money).	540.59
Mrs Stevens	- Wages W/E 6/9/84	100.44
Inland Revenue	- Tax & National Insurance	1,104.92
British Gas	- A/c Church Road Hall	72
British Rail	- A/c Lighting column	50
Ammonite Flooring Church Road Garage	- Flooring - Squash Courts	307.22
Sunlock Blinds	- Petrol A/c - August (Parks)	48.20
Securicor	- Roller Blinds - Grove Hall	255.47
Blue Circle Industries	- Monthly A/c	46.64
1) Seeboard	- Allotment Rents	8.71
	- A/c Knockhall Sports Ground & St. Light repairs	44.37
Wages	- W/E 13/9/84	600.50
Mrs Stevens	- Wages W/E 13/9/84	100.44
Wages	- W/E 20/9/84 (Parks Petty Cash £19.65)	626.50
Mrs Stevens	- Wages W/E 20/9.84	100.44
Colyer Bros.	- Grove Hall Renovation	5,463.98
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	carried forward	9,349.64



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs.R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. Mrs. M.C. Hagger	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. D.S. Hagger	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker and P.S. Crow.

230. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 1984 were confirmed and signed.

The Town Mayor welcomed Councillor Mrs. G.E. Hall back to the Town Council after her success in the recent local By-Election to elect a Town Councillor for the Swanscombe Ward.

231. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Porter,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 18th October 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

232. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Crosby,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 23rd October 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

233. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Caller,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th October 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

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234. ALL-NIGHT STREET LIGHTING. Reference Minute No. 220 b), Members discussed the position with regard to the Town Council's request to the County Council to restore the Street Lights converted under the Phase I of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme, and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Clerk obtain quotations for the work necessary to restore the lights to All-Night Lighting.

Councillor Miss Lawrie here entered the Meeting.

235. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. Reference Minute No. 229, Members discussed Tenders received for the conversion work for Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme and it was,

RESOLVED.

That this matter be referred to the next Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for further consideration.

236. SKULL SITE - SITE MEETING. Members were informed of the very interesting site meeting held at the Skull Site on Monday, 5th November 1984 and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Nature Conservancy Council be contacted and enquiries be made into the possibility of one of their experts on the Skull Site attending the Council Chamber to talk to the whole Council, as the information given at the site meeting had been extremely interesting.

237. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/84/0572

Erection of a vehicle repair workshop with related parking provision and formation of vehicular access to the A226 at 19 London Road, Swanscombe - Mr. Cheema Singh.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council object to this Application on the grounds that this is an extremely busy and sometimes dangerous stretch of road.

DA/84/0575

Erection of a pair of semi detached homes and a pair of detached

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garages on Land adjacent to 22 Castle Street, Swanscombe - Mr. T.R. King.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

DA/84/0582

Erection of a front porch at 84 Stanhope Road, Swanscombe - Mr. Dolph.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

DA/84/0584

Erection of a two storey rear extension at 'Branscombe', Harmer Road, Swanscombe- Mr. D. Cass.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

Members were informed that a modification had been made for the widening of the footpath to 2 metres around the proposed new sheltered housing scheme at Ames Road, Swanscombe in respect of the Diversion Order which has been the subject of a recent appeal.

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council agree to the modification of the Diversion Order in respect of the new width of 2 metres for the footpath.

Reference Minute No. 206, Members were advised that a revised form of Application No. DA/84/0538 for the premises at 108 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe has been received from the Borough Council and after discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council request a site meeting be held before submitting any further observations.

Reference Application DA/83/0349/A Mr. & Mrs Fisher, 68 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Members were informed of the receipt of a copy of the Borough Council's Statement of Submission to the Department of



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the Environment in relation to the appeal by the applicants against the Borough Council's decision on the application. - NOTED.

238. MERCHANT NAVY COLLEGE. Members discussed the recent press coverage of the possible closure of the Merchant Navy College at Greenhithe and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Clerk write to Mr. Dunn M.P. in support of his efforts in opposing the closure of the Merchant Navy College.

Town Mayor.



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. D.S. Hagger  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. P.G. Melvin  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

Apology for absence was received from Councillor L.G. Caller.

239. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE. Members discussed the Conditions of Service for the Town Council's Office Staff and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council's Office Staff be employed under the National Joint Council Conditions of Service.

240. GROVE HALL. Members discussed recommendations from the Fire Officer for additional requirements at the Grove Hall and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk consult the Town Council's Insurance Company to ascertain exactly which of the Fire Officer's recommendations must be carried out to comply with Insurance conditions for the Grove Hall building.

241. DARTFORD LOCAL PLAN. Discussion took place regarding the Dartford Local Plan and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be discussed further at the next meeting of the Town Council.

242. GROVE CAR PARK. The Chairman informed Members of recent aggravation on the Commercial Area of the Grove Car Park, with up to five tankers and a lorry being kept there, and thereby greatly reducing the area for drivers of other Commercial Vehicles who park on the Car Park to use the High Street facilities.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the owner of the tankers and lorry requesting

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker and J.B. Harvey.

246. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th October 1984 were confirmed and signed.

247. PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT. The Parks Foreman informed Members that it is now necessary to cut back the trees along the Gunn Road side of Swanscombe Park, and also remove the shrubs which were previously reported as in need of removal. Rubbish tipping is becoming a problem once more with an increase of illegal dumping on the Town Council's recreational areas - in particular Broomfield Road and Knockhall Road Sports Grounds. Members were also informed that a tree which is obscuring a Street Lighting Column is in need of cutting back and as it is near to an electricity cable, further advice should be sought before removing any branches.

Councillors Crosby and Halford here entered the meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That permission be sought from the Borough Council to carry out the necessary work on trees in Swanscombe Park, as per the terms of the Tree Preservation Order.
- b) That the necessary advice be sought with regard to the cutting back of the tree near to the electricity cable.

248. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS - SWANSCOMBE PARK. Members enquired regarding the Christmas Holiday arrangements for Swanscombe Park and the Park Staff and after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Park remain open on Christmas Day and Boxing Day with the main double gates remaining closed and the other entrance gates being opened as agreed with the Park Foreman.



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249. FOOTBALL FIXTURES. Members enquired regarding the amount of notice given by the North Kent Sunday League, of the football fixtures for the Town Council's Sports Grounds and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk request the North Kent Sunday League fixture secretary to give as much notice as possible to the Town Council of the dates of matches to be played.

250. REPORT ON THE COSTS OF MAINTENANCE OF THE CRICKET WICKET. Reference Minute No. 196 b), Members discussed the information supplied by the Park Foreman on the costs of the maintenance of the Cricket Wicket at Broomfield Road Sports Ground for the past season, and thanked the Park Foreman for the Report which he had compiled.

251. SWANSCOMBE BOWLS CLUB - FIXTURES. Reference Minute No. 196 b), Members discussed the list of Fixtures (including additional Fixtures), and number of rinks used by the Swanscombe Bowls Club during the past season and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a meeting be requested with the Swanscombe Bowls Club on receipt of the Fixture List for the 1985 Season.

252. CONDITIONS FOR HIRE OF HALLS. Reference Minute No. 207, Members discussed the Conditions for the Hire of the Town Council's Community Halls and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That minor amendments be made to the Conditions presented.
- b) That a separate set of Conditions be produced for organisations or individuals who have regular bookings for use of the Halls.
- c) That the Conditions then be accepted.

253. REPORT OF SWANSCOMBE PARK BY COUNCILLOR BOGGIS. Reference Minute No. 203, Councillor Boggis requested a meeting be held to discuss the Report on Swanscombe Park in greater detail.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That a Special Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting be held on Thursday, 29th November 1984 at 7.30 p.m.
- b) That the Park Foreman attend the aforesaid meeting.



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254. PARKS MACHINERY. Reference Minute No. 196 d), the Clerk submitted a list of machinery which has been sent away for servicing. - NOTED.

255. COBHAM TERRACE PLAYGROUND. The Clerk submitted three estimates 1) £2,200, 2) £2,328 and 3) £1,897 for the provision and erection of iron rail fencing at Cobham Terrace Playground and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council accept the estimate of £1,897 for the provision and erection of iron rail fencing at Cobham Terrace Playground.

256. CHURCH ROAD HALL. Members discussed further the work and furniture and fittings required to complete the renovation works at the Church Road Hall and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That enquiries be made regarding the furniture in the recently closed Blue Circle Sports Club.
- b) That the estimate submitted for the work to floors in the main hall and kitchen area be accepted and the work carried out.
- c) That the Chairmen of the Recreation and Amenities Committee and the Finance and General Purposes Committee liaise over the costs etc. of providing all other necessary items for the completion of the renovation works at the Church Road Hall.

257. NORTH WEST KENT URBAN FRINGE PROJECT. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Project Officer for the North West Kent Urban Fringe Project, outlining the aims of the Project and requesting anyone who feels they may know of any problems in the Project Area, which they think he should be aware of, to contact him. - NOTED.

258. SHOWERS - SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. Reference Minute No.177, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Borough Engineer informing that, unfortunately, at the present time, his workload is such that he cannot spare anyone to look into the problem of the Showers at the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That this matter be discussed further at the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.
- b) That the Borough Engineer be informed of the Town Council's disappointment at the lack of assistance to local Parishes and Organisations etc. who require expert advice on certain matters.



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Councillor Miss Lawrie declared an interest in the following item.

259. GREATER LONDON COUNCIL - 1938 LAND ACT. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Department of the Environment enclosing a copy of a Press Statement regarding the Secretary of State's decision to prepare an Order transferring the land interests of the Greater London Council, on the abolition of that Council, to either Borough Councils, County Councils or other owning authorities.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That a letter be sent to the Department of the Environment requesting the land at Greenhithe Foreshore, at present leased from the Greater London Council, be transferred over to this Council on the abolition of the Greater London Council.
- b) That enquiries be made regarding the possibility of obtaining any of the land immediately adjoining the Greenhithe Foreshore.

260. COUNTY BOUNDARY REVIEW. A Copy of a Report to be placed before the Kent County Council Electoral Review group, concerning certain boundary changes, none of which affect the Town Council's area, was submitted for Members consideration. - NOTED.

261. PUBLIC TRANSPORT PLAN 1985/86. Members were informed that the Draft Public Transport Plan 1985/86 was available for consultation and any comments forwarded to County Hall, Maidstone by 3rd December 1984. - NOTED.

262. BEAN ROAD, GREENHITHE. Reference Minute No. 139, the Borough Engineer has informed that a scheme for the major re-conditioning of Bean Road, Greenhithe will, subject to the availability of capital funds, be commenced within the 1985/86 financial year.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk enquire if the Borough Engineer could advise this Council as to the type of work which will be undertaken as major re-conditioning of Bean Road, Greenhithe.

263. KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS. The Clerk reported receipt of Issue No. 126 of the Parish News from K.A.P.C., including a questionnaire on Future Training Needs of Councillors and Clerks.

RECOMMENDED:

That Members complete their copies of the questionnaire and return to the Clerk who will collate the information and return it to the K.A.P.C.

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264. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. Members considered the following  
Town Planning Application:-

DA/84/0601

Erection of a front porch at 32 Lewis Road, Swanscombe - Mr. P.V.  
Huggett.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring  
properties.

Chairman *Abdalla*.



MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE  
held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER 1984 at 7.30  
p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	Cllr. M.A. Crosby
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J.B. Harvey, Miss M.J. Lawrie, P.G. Melvin and B.E. Read.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Councillor Boggis to open the discussion by giving a short introduction to his Report on Swanscombe Park which had been submitted for Members consideration.

Councillor Boggis thanked Members for attending the meeting and stated that the Report on Swanscombe Park which he had compiled was intended as a broad basis for discussion, and for all Members to put forward any ideas which they may have for future projects in Swanscombe Park.

265. SWANSCOMBE PARK - REPORT.

1. Car Park

A possible re-opening of the exit gate which is at the moment kept permanently locked, and the introduction of a one-way system of driving into and out of the car park.

RECOMMENDED:

That no action be taken on this matter at the present time.

2. Children's Play Equipment

Some thought be given to refurbishing or renovating the Children's Play Equipment, with a possible expansion of the playground area.

RECOMMENDED:

That allowance be made in the 1985/86 Estimates for the provision of a Mini-Whirl at Swanscombe Park Playground.

3. Central Seating Area

Possible thought given to removing this area altogether, with extra seating being made available in the middle of the Park.

RECOMMENDED:

That some form of shrubs be planted around the seating area to

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relieve the bareness, and more seats be provided in the Park.

4. Memorial Fountain

Suggestion of repairs being carried out to enable the drinking fountain to be put back into working order again, and a small garden area made around the fountain.

RECOMMENDED:

That the fountain not be put back into working order again, but general improvements and renovation work be carried out to improve the appearance, and similar re-decoration work be carried out on the nearby flagpole.

5. Bowls Greens

Suggestions for making good the carpet, edging etc. on the Bowls Greens with possibility of the Bowls Club contributing to the expenditure.

RECOMMENDED:

That no action be taken on this matter.

6. Tennis Courts.

It was requested that the comments on the Tennis Courts be NOTED.

7. Bowls Pavilion

The building itself be re-furbished. Roof examined as it is showing signs of age and decay. Re-painting possibly necessary, and repairs to the railings on the balcony. Some form of heating could be introduced.

RECOMMENDED:

That enquiries be made regarding the costs for repairs to the Bowls pavilion roof and the balcony railings.

8. Putting Green

As the Putting Green is no longer used for that purpose, suggestions made for other possible uses.

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RECOMMENDED:

That enquiries be made into the costs of making the Putting Green into a Crazy Golf Course.

9. Trees and Shrubs

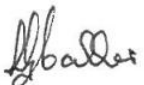
Comments and ideas for trees and shrubs were put forward and it was agreed these be NOTED.

10. Staff Toilets

Ideas for re-furbishment and redecoration of the Staff Toilets outlined.

RECOMMENDED:

That estimates be obtained for renovation works on the Staff Toilets in Swanscombe Park.

Chairman  .

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 6TH DECEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. L.A. Caller	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.G. Melvin and Mrs. I.M. Porter.

266. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th October 1984 were confirmed and signed.

267. INCOME FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 1984. The Income for the months of October and November 1984, amounting to £44,221.56, was received as set out on the annexed list.

268. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £24,592.60p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

269. CHRISTMAS LEAVE - PARKS STAFF. The Clerk reported that the Parks Staff would like to take Monday, 24th December 1984 off in lieu of time owed, and Monday 31st December 1984 as a day of their holidays.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Park Staff have Christmas Leave, as requested, providing the Park Attendant is agreeable to work on both of these dates.

270. CHURCH ROAD HALL - HIRE CHARGES. The Clerk requested a scale of charges for the hire of the Church Road Hall be agreed prior to its re-opening in the near future.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Hire Charges for the Church Road Hall be as follows:-

Regular Organisations	-	£3.00 per hour
Casual Organisations	-	£3.50 per hour
Social Events		
Monday to Friday	-	£4.00 per hour
Weekends	-	£4.50 per hour

271. MANOR HOUSE - LEASE. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from



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the Borough Secretary in reply to the Town Council's request for a limit to be put on the amount of expenditure which may be incurred on Manor House, for which the Town Council would have to contribute 15.8%.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council seek Legal Advice regarding the Draft Lease for Office Accomodation at Manor House.

272. TRAINING COURSE. The Clerk reported that the National Association of Local Councils will be holding a training course entitled "Understanding Communications and the Media", on 14th February 1985 in London. - NOTED.

273. STREET LIGHTING - ALL-NIGHT LIGHTING. The Clerk reported receipt of estimates of £1,450 and between £1,700 - £1,900 for the necessary work to convert the lighting columns which were changed to part-night lighting back to all-night lighting.

RECOMMENDED:

That the estimate of £1,450 be accepted and the work be carried out as soon as possible.

274. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. Reference Minute No. 235, Members considered the following three estimates submitted for Phase II of the Town Council's Street Lighting Conversion Programme:-

1. £17,420.00p
2. £ 9,491.00p
3. £13,670.00p

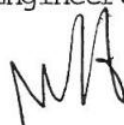
RECOMMENDED:

That Estimate No. 2 for £9,491.00p be accepted for Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme.

275. HOPE ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Reference Minute No. 227, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Borough Environmental Health Officer informing that there is no environmental health legislation which can be used to improve the situation in Hope Road, Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk write again to the Environmental Health Officer, concerning this matter, with copies of the letter being sent to the Borough Planning Officer and the Borough Engineer.



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276. MANOR HOUSE - SECURITY. Dartford Borough Council requested the Town Council's agreement to pay a proportion of the costs of providing floodlighting for Manor House building, to improve security.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council agree to the payment of a proportion of the costs for floodlighting Manor House building.

277. VARIOUS FOOTWAY RE-INSTALLMENTS. The Clerk reported receipt of an estimate from the Borough Engineer of £123.88p for the re-installment of the footway around the twelve public lighting columns which have recently been reconnected.

RECOMMENDED:

That the necessary re-installment works be carried out as per the Borough Engineer's quotation.

278. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Application was submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/84/0622

Change of use of residential accommodation on ground floor to form extension to retail shop area at 41 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. D.W. Curtis.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

DA/84/0601(revised)

Erection of a front porch at 32 Lewis Road, Swanscombe - Mr. P.V. Huggett.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

Members were informed that Dartford Borough Council have forwarded a copy of a decision made by the Department of the Environment to dismiss the appeal made by Carfax Outdoor Advertising Ltd., against the Borough Council's refusal to grant planning permission for the display of 2 free standing 48 sheet panels at London Road, Swanscombe.

279. SIGNATORY FOR CHEQUES. The Clerk informed that it is necessary

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to appoint another Member to sign cheques, due to the resignation of Councillor J.G. Rowlands.

RECOMMENDED:

That Councillor Mrs. G.E. Hall be appointed to sign cheques in place of Councillor Rowlands.

280. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

281. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. Members discussed the current situation at Swanscombe Sports Pavilion and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the Town Council's Solicitor be instructed to seek a settlement with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs on the terms outlined.
- b) That the Clerk write to the Kent Association of Parish Councils enquiring if they have a list of Solicitors who specialise in Local Government legislation.
- c) That the Town Mayor and Committee Chairmen prepare a full report on the preparation of the Lease for Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

Chairman





INCOME FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 1984

Parks Dept.	Plants	29.80	
	Costs for damages	30.00	59.80
Administration	Use of copier		55.78
Community Halls	Grove Hall	168.25	
	Church Road Hall	72.00	
	Sports Pavilion	2,250.00	2,490.25
Squash	Hire fees	1,031.05	
	Registration fees	11.00	1,042.05
Precept	October		22,505.00
Building Societies	Transfer for Halls		16,000.00
Inland Revenue	VAT Repayment		2,068.68
			44,221.56

ACCOUNTS PAID

Barclays Bank	Interest charges	1.64
Wages	W/E 4/10/84	690.75
Wages	W/E 11/10/84	610.85
Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance	1,548.48
Bitish Telecom	Accounts - Park & Office	240.07
A E Frost	Padlock - Sports ground	
	Seating area - Park	
	Grove Hall	46.36
* Seeboard	Street light repairs & accounts for Park & Halls	567.39
Thames Water	A/c - Church Road Hall	15.29
Wego Computers	Service Contract to Sept. '85	547.40
K C C	Superannuation	702.04
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 11/10/84	100.44
Wages	W/e 18/10/84	634.13
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 18.10.84	69.96
Dartford B C	Legal fees for lease	25.00
Audit Commission	Audit fees 1982/83	430.10
Petty cash	Parks - Derv, keys & papers	19.92
Wages	W/e 25.20.84	606.30
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 25.10.84	69.66
Thames Water	A/c Park & Sports Ground	295.08
Church Road Garage	Petrol - September A/c	30.19
Southern Water	A/c Park & Sports Ground	385.07
Seeboard	Craylands Footpath - balance of A/c	472.72
Fishers	Calculator repair	19.21
Colyer Bros	Boundary fence - Park	1,339.75
Seeboard	Direct debit - street lighting	699.87
		10,167.67
	CARRIED FORWARD	

	BROUGHT FORWARD	10,167.67
Wages	W/e 1.11.84	623.61
Petty cash	Admin - Agendas	
	Grove Hall - kettle	
	Parks - padlock	18.20
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 1.11.84	69.66
A E Frost	Interim payment - Church Road Hall	2,300.00
Seeboard	Street light repairs	88.27
Wages	W/e 8.11.84	600.10
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 8.11.84	69.96
A E Frost	Grove Hall	9.62
Seeboard	Street light repairs	82.06
Securicor	Monthly account	48.73
Toye, Kenning	Alteration to Town Mayor's Link	32.63
Shaw & Sons	Replacement key - ledger	2.50
Southern Water	A/c - Church Road Hall	23.52
Harringtons	Plants	48.42
British Gas	A/c Grove Hall	27.27
Design Building		
Services	Heating - Church Road Hall	2,452.50
Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance	1,125.39
Miss Armour	Donation - Operation Raleigh	30.00
Seeboard	Service connections	523.80
Wages	W/e 15.11.84	583.30
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 15.11.84	69.66
Dartford B C	Rates - Grove Hall, Squash Courts, Car Parks & Knockhall Garages	656.84
Hollisters Ltd	Squash Courts - replacement fan	171.76
Schroder	Direct debit - October	186.30
Wages	W/e 22.11.84	567.00
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 22.11.84	69.66
Securicor	December account	48.73
Rigby Taylor	Bowls Green	36.75
Fishers	Maintenance contract - typewriters	87.69
Proguard	Ceiling - Church Road Hall	2,325.20
Royal British		
Legion	Wreath	10.00
Church Road Garage	Petrol A/c - Parks	53.50
Greenhithe		
Community Assoc.	Deposit for Hall	10.00
Wages	W/e 29.11.84	602.77
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 29.11.84	69.66
Seeboard	Direct debit - St. lighting	699.87

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£24,592.60

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* Lighting repairs	343.79
A/c Bowls Pavilion	15.40
A/c Mess Room	20.97
A/c Church Road Hall	164.97
VAT	22.26
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	£567.39
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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 20TH DECEMBER 1984 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. B.E. Read

282. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th November 1984 were confirmed and signed.

283. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 20th November 1984 were confirmed and signed.

284. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Melvin

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 22nd November 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

285. SPECIAL RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Bacon,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 29th November 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

Members requested a vote of thanks be given to Councillor Boggis for his efforts in compiling the Report on Swanscombe Park.

286. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Bacon,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 6th December 1984 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

287. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II. Reference Minute No. 274, it was,

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RESOLVED.

That payment for Phase II of the Street Lighting Conversion Programme be made after 1st April 1985.

288. MERCHANT NAVY COLLEGE. Reference Minute No. 238, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Mr. R.J. Dunn M.P. informing that he will endeavour to do all he can to prevent the closure of the Merchant Navy College at Greenhithe. - NOTED.

289. CLERK'S COURSE. The Clerk reported that the Kent Association of Parish Councils will be holding a Clerk's Course on Saturday, 9th March 1985 at a cost of £7.50 per delegate. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Assistant Clerk, Mrs. Johnson, attend the Clerk's Course on Saturday, 9th March 1985.

290. PARISH NEWS NO.127. The Clerk reported receipt of Issue No. 127 of the Parish News and after discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Council notify the Kent Association of Parish Councils and Mr. R.J. Dunn M.P. of their support for the Representation of the People Bill regarding the right of postal or proxy voting with regard to Parish Councils.

291. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported receipt of the following Town Planning Applications for Members observations:-

DA/84/0642

Change of use of existing Snowcem Plant Building to General Industrial (Class IV) use at APCM Swanscombe Works, London Road, Swanscombe - Blue Circle Industries PLC.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

Councillor Melvin requested his vote against this Application be recorded.

DA/84/0650

Erection of a two storey rear extension at 70 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. A. Barham.

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OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

The Clerk reported receipt of notification of a Tree Preservation Order for a Copper Beech Tree on Land at The Mount, Bean Road, Greenhithe, and also the withdrawal of Application DA/84/0538 for 108 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

292. STANDING ORDER NO. 23. Members discussed the preparation of the Estimates for the year 1985/86 and it was,

RESOLVED.

That Standing Order No. 23 be suspended until after finalisation of the 1985/86 Estimates.



Town Mayor.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 10TH JANUARY 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.S. Crow and P.G. Melvin.

293. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd November 1984 were confirmed and signed.

294. SPECIAL RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING. The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on Thursday, 29th November 1984 were confirmed and signed.

295. CHURCH ROAD HALL. Members discussed the future of the old piano in the Church Road Hall and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the old piano in the Church Road Hall be disposed of.

296. FOOTBALL TEAMS. Members were informed of an increasing number of complaints being received regarding swearing and disgraceful behaviour of footballers on the Town Council's Football Pitches and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the Football Leagues and Referees requesting their aid in combating the increasing amount of bad behaviour on the Football Field.

297. MR. R. TAYLOR. The Clerk reported that Mr. R. Taylor, the Assistant Parks Foreman, has tendered his resignation and left the Town Council's employ on 14th December 1984.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Taylor for his hard work and conscientiousness since joining the Town Council's Parks Staff in 1981.

b) That the vacant position of Assistant Parks Foreman be advertised in the local press.



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Councillors Baker and Crosby here entered the Meeting.

298. ROADWAY - SWANSCOMBE PARK. The Clerk reported that the roadway from Swanscombe Park into the Cemetery recently deteriorated into a dangerous condition due to the continuous passage of heavy lorries etc. through the Park into the Cemetery by the Borough Council. Repairs have now been effected by the Borough Council, with the Town Council agreeing to pay half the costs, amounting to £260. - NOTED.

299. PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT - SWANSCOMBE SPORTS GROUND. Reference Minute No. 208, the Clerk reported that the new playground equipment was delivered on 26 November 1984 and has now been erected. - NOTED.

300. SQUASH COURTS. The Clerk reported that complaints have been received regarding the slippery condition of the floors of the Squash Courts which require sanding work to be carried out. A quotation has been received for the work at a cost of £120 per court plus £20 per court for re-painting of floor lines.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the necessary sanding work be carried out at the Squash Courts, as outlined.

b) That advice be sought on suitable types of heating for the Squash Courts.

301. COBHAM TERRACE PLAYGROUND. The Clerk reported that the Contractors who are to erect the fencing at Cobham Terrace Playground have notified that they will commence work in mid-February, due to one months delay on delivery of materials. - NOTED.

302. LONDON COUNTRY BUS SERVICE. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from London Country Bus Service who have advised that they are unable to give consideration to the re-instatement of the Green Line Coach Stop at Bean Road, Greenhithe as only two passengers boarded the coach on westbound journeys on a typical weekday. - NOTED.

303. SWANSCOMBE SKULL SITE. Reference Minute No. 236, Members discussed the proposed visit of representatives of the Nature Conservancy Council to discuss recent developments at Swanscombe Skull Site and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the representatives of the Nature Conservancy Council be invited to attend the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting at 8.30 p.m. on Thursday, 21st February 1985.

304. NORTH WEST KENT URBAN FRINGE PROJECT. Members discussed the

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suggestion of inviting Mr. Peter Morgan, the North West Kent Urban Fringe Project Officer, to discuss his work in the area at one of the Town Council's meetings.

RECOMMENDED:

That Mr. Morgan be invited to attend the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting to be held on 7th March 1985.

305. GROVE HALL. The Clerk reported a request from a Mrs. Houlihan to use the Grove Hall on Wednesday mornings for one hour from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. for the purpose of a Baby Club children under three years of age.

RECOMMENDED:

That Mrs. Houlihan be sent a copy of the Conditions for Hire of the Grove Hall, and a request for more information regarding the proposed supervisory staff for the Baby Club.

306. BEAN ROAD, GREENHITHE. Reference Minute No.262, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Borough Engineer detailing plans for the scheme of work to be carried out at Bean Road, Greenhithe and informing that it is hoped that work will commence between August 1985 and Spring 1986.- NOTED.

307. SWANSCOMBE BOWLING CLUB. The Clerk reported that the Bowls Club have requested confirmation that the Bowling Green will be available for their use for the 1985 Season.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Clerk provide as much information as possible on the costs of building the Bowls Pavilion etc.

b) That a meeting be arranged with the Swanscombe Bowls Club with a request for them to have their 1985 Season Fixture List available at the meeting.

308. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE CRICKET CLUB. The Clerk reported receipt of the Cricket Club's Fixture List for the 1985 Season. - NOTED.

309. DISTRICT VALUER - VALUATIONS OF PROPERTIES. Members were informed that the District Valuer has now provided valuations on the following Town Council properties:-

Swanscombe Sports Pavilion, Squash Courts, The Grove Hall  
Church Road Hall, Mess Room, Swanscombe Park,  
Bowls Pavilion, Swanscombe Park, Old Toilet Block,



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Three Garages, Swanscombe Park, Changing Rooms, Knockhall.  
The valuations take into account cost of demolition and site clearance,  
professional fees and inflation during the period of the insurance  
policy (one year). - NOTED.

310. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning  
Applications were submitted for Members' observations:-

DA/84/0572(revised)

Erection of a vehicle repair workshop with related parking provision,  
formation of vehicular access to the A226 and conversion of basement  
flat to ancilliary offices at 19 London Road, Swanscombe - Mr. Cheema  
Singh.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council objects to this application as stated on previously  
submitted application No. DA/84/0572.

DA/84/0682

Formation of new window openings in front elevation in conjunction with  
the formation of first floor offices at Unit R4 Northfleet Industrial  
Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet - Truman Ltd. Kent.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval

DA/84/0684/OUT

Erection of a pair of semi-detached houses at A.D. Thomas Builder,  
(Builders Yard) Castle Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval providing neighbouring properties are not adversely  
affected.

DA/84/0687

Erection of a single storey side extension at 23A Milton Road,  
Swanscombe - Mr. R. Spedding.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

311. CRAYLANDS LANE MULTI-PURPOSE LEISURE FACILITY. Members discussed

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reports in the local press concerning the possibility that the Dartford Borough Council may not now build the promised Leisure Facility at Craylands Lane, Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to the Leader of Dartford Borough Council protesting strongly that the Town Council were not informed of the possibility that the Multi-Purpose Leisure Facility may not now be built prior to the report being published in the local press.

312. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

313. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. The Clerk informed Members that a letter has been received from the District Valuer requesting certain information to enable him to advise a rental for the Swanscombe Sports Pavilion. Members also discussed a letter received from the Solicitor detailing the Sports Association's claim for re-imburement of lost takings due to the Town Council's closure of the Sports Pavilion on ~~30th~~ March 1984.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That legal advice be sought regarding the information requested by the District Valuer, and the matter discussed further at the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.
- b) That the Town Council instruct the Solicitor to settle the Sports Association's claim for loss of takings as detailed, providing no other payments are requested.

Chairman

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE  
held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 24TH JANUARY 1985 at 7.30  
p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. L.A. Caller	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. B.E. Read

314. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th December 1984 were confirmed and signed.

315. INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 1984. The income for the month of December 1984, amounting to £739.39p, was received as set out in the annexed list.

316. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £10,771.11p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

Councillor Lawrie here entered the meeting.

Members then considered the Estimates for 1985/86 and, as no decision had been made by 9 p.m. when the Special Town Council Meeting was due to commence, the Chairman adjourned the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting so that the Town Mayor could postpone the Special Town Council Meeting until a final decision had been reached regarding the rate for 1985/86.

The Chairman then re-convened the Meeting and continued with the outstanding Agenda items.

317. MANOR HOUSE LEASE. Reference Minute No. 271, the Clerk informed Members of the Legal Advice obtained concerning the terms of the Proposed Lease for Office Accomodation at Manor House and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk request the Solicitors to negotiate the terms of the Lease with the Borough Council on behalf of this Council.

318. OFFICE TELEPHONES. Members discussed the usage of the Office Telephone Equipment and it was,

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RECOMMENDED:

That the Telephone rental costs be reduced by the removal of three handsets from the Offices.

319. HOPE ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. Members were informed of the contents of letters received from the Borough Environmental Health Officer and the Borough Planning Officer informing of the current position with regard to efforts being made to alleviate problems in Hope Road, Swanscombe. - NOTED.

320. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF LICENCE. Members were informed that Piara Singh of The Fort, Broomfield Road, Swanscombe intends to apply for a Transfer of Licence for the above-mentioned premises, at Dartford Magistrates Court on 8th February 1985. - NOTED.

321. POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. Reference Minute No. 224, the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Mrs. Salway, who informed that she had raised the matters requested by the Town Council at the Police Advisory Committee Meeting held on 12th November 1984, and hoped to discuss the matter further at the KAPC Area Committee meeting to be held on 8th January 1985. Unfortunately that meeting had to be cancelled due to inclement weather and it is hoped that further information will be available after the next KAPC meeting which will now be held on 5th February 1985. - NOTED.

322. BLUE CIRCLE INDUSTRIES - METHANE GAS. The Clerk reported receipt of a Press Release from Blue Circle Industries containing future plans for the harnessing of Methane Gas, for use as fuel, at Stone Pit and also at Bakers Hole infill at Swanscombe. - NOTED.

323. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk reported that Dartford Borough Council have forwarded a copy of the decision notice allowing the appeal by Mr. McMasters against the Borough Council's refusal of planning permission for the erection of a one bedroom dwelling at The Avenue, Greenhithe. - NOTED.

The following Town Planning Application was submitted for Members consideration:-

DA/85/0014

Change of use of premises to reception and storage of non-ferrous scrap metal at 142 Milton Road, Swanscombe - Mr. C.W. Sedge.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council object to this application as it is felt that it is detrimental to the environment in this predominantly residential area, also Milton Road is a notorious black spot for traffic accidents.

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DA/85/0017

Submission of details of working and restoration for the excavation of chalk at Eastern and Western Quarries, Watling Street, Dartford - Blue Circle Industries.

OBSERVATIONS

That, due to the amount of plans submitted, this application be considered more fully at the Town Council Meeting on 7th February 1985.

324. ESTIMATES 1985/86. Final discussions took place on the Draft Estimates submitted for Members' consideration, and after a lengthy debate it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Estimates be approved and a Town Council Rate of 7p in the pound be levied for the year 1985/86.

Councillor Boggis requested that his vote against this motion be recorded.

325. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

326. CHURCH ROAD HALL. Members discussed the final arrangements for the completion of the Church Road Hall and the provision and payment of a Caretaker and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Recreation and Amenities Committee Chairman decide the date for the opening of the Church Road Hall.

b) That the Caretaker of the Church Road Hall be paid at the same scale as the Caretaker of the Grove Hall.

327. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. Reference Minute No. 313, Members were informed of the Legal Advice given by the Solicitor regarding the Lease with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs and after lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Town Council seek Counsel's Opinion on the Lease with the

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Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs.

b) That certain matters be clarified with the Solicitor, and a request be made for him to prepare a new Lease for Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

c) That a Report be submitted to the Auditors informing of the Town Council's actions regarding this matter.

Chairman.

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



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MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 24TH JANUARY 1985 at ~~11.15~~ p.m.

9.00 *MP.*

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

328. ANNUAL TOWN RATE 1985/86.Moved by Councillor Porter and seconded by Councillor Caller,

RESOLVED.

That Minute No. 324 of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 24th January 1985, in respect of the Town Rate be approved, and the Town Rate of 7p in the pound be levied for the year 1985/86.

Town Mayor



INCOME FOR DECEMBER 1984

Parks Dept.	Costs for damages	8.00
Administration	Use of Copier	4.65
Community Halls	Grove Hall	129.75
	Church Road Hall	5.00
		134.75
Squash	Hire Fees	438.31
	Registration fee	1.00
		439.31
Building Societies	Interest	152.68
		£739.39

ACCOUNTS PAID - DECEMBER 1984

Wages	W/e 6.12.84 (including £30 Town Mayor's allowance)	617.00
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 6.12.84	69.96
Inland Revenue	Tax & national insurance	1,073.16
Wages	W/e 13.12.84 (£17.57 stamps)	828.07
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 13.12.84	69.66
* Seeboard Northfleet	Street light repairs & account	189.69
Press	Cards (Town Mayor's allowance)	73.60
Wicksteed Leisure	Playground equipment	1791.33
	Spare parts for repairs	971.32
		2,762.65
T Parker & Son	Parks machinery - service	215.57
# Colyer Bros Church Road	Community Halls & Park	1,428.53
Garage	Petrol account - Parks	30.70
Seeboard	Conversion to all-night lighting	1,489.19
Wages	W/e 20 & 27.12.84 (£20 Town Mayor's allowance)	977.02
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 20 & 27.12.84	139.62
Securicor	January account	48.73
A E Frost	Materials car park & Grove Hall	58.09
Seeboard	Direct debit	699.87
		£10,771.11
* A/c Knockhall Sports Field		54.59
Street light repairs		117.47
VAT		17.63
		189.69
# Church Road Hall - sink unit etc.		1,035.00
Grove Hall - meter cupboard		78.20
Park - repair to water pipes		129.00
VAT		186.33
		1,428.53

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Miss M.J Lawrie
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs I M Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. Mrs G.E. Hall	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G. Baker and P.S. Crow.

329. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th December 1984 and the Special Meeting held on 24th January 1985 were confirmed and signed.

330. STANDING ORDER NO. 23. Reference Minute No. 292 it was,

RESOLVED.

That the suspension of Standing Order No. 23 be withdrawn.

331. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Porter,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 10th January 1985 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

332. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Melvin,

RESOLVED.

a) That in Minute 316 the word 'adjourned' be altered to 'postponed'.

b) That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 24th January 1985 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

Councillor Miss Lawrie here entered the Meeting.

333. TOWN MAYOR'S RECEPTION. The Town Mayor informed Members that her Reception would be held on Saturday, 16th March 1985 at Greenhithe

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Community Centre. - NOTED.

334. K.A.P.C. DARTFORD AREA COMMITTEE. Councillor Porter reported on the Dartford Area Committee Meeting of the Kent Association of Parish Councils held at Darenth on Tuesday, 5th February 1985, and informed that a few of the main subjects discussed were the School Transport Working Party, the Police Advisory Committee and various Street Lighting problems. - NOTED.

335. FOOTBALL. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the North Kent Sunday League requesting the Town Council to consider extending the Football Season and permitting weekday games, to enable games to be played which have had to be cancelled due to the recent lengthy spell of bad weather conditions.

RESOLVED.

That the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee liaise with the Parks Foreman on a week-to-week basis to consider the best ways of accommodating Football Clubs who have had fixtures cancelled due to inclement weather.

336. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The Clerk submitted the following Town Planning Application for Members' consideration:-

DA/85/0017

Submission of details of working and restoration pursuant to conditions 3,4 & 5 of the Minister of Housing & Local Government's decision of 14.8.52 for the excavation of chalk, and conditions 2 & 3 of planning permission TH/4/68/35 in respect of deeper diggings thereof at Eastern and Western Quarries, Watling Street, Dartford - Blue Circle Industries PLC.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council are opposed to any proposals for deeper digging for the excavation of chalk at Blue Circle Industries Eastern and Western Quarries.

DA/85/0058

Application for deletion of Condition (1) of planning permission ref. no. DA/83/0030 being occupancy condition relating to the continued use of land and buildings for the repair, maintenance and ancillary spraying of motor vehicles at rear of 37 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. D. Weller.

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OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval

DA/85/0044

Change of use of ground floor from retail shop to office use at 59 High Street, Swanscombe - Wickens & O'Toole Estate Agents.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections but would request you note the inadequacy of the rear entrance for parking etc. and request insulation be provided between this property and the neighbouring residential property.

DA/83/341

Notification of proposals to amend the plans to exclude Phase 1 of the original proposals and re-number the old Phases 2,3 and 4 to become 1, 2 and 3 for the flue dust disposal at Swanscombe Marsh by Blue Circle Industries.

OBSERVATIONS

That the Town Council hopes that any future tipping at this location will be carried out with less dust and and nuisance for the local environment.

DA/82/617

Applicaton for variation of hours of working as specified by condition (viii) of planning permission DA/82/617 - Reclamation of land at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe by Blue Circle Industries PLC.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council are totally opposed to any variations on the hours of working on this site, as it is most detrimental to nearby residential properties.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Department of the Environment who notify that the appeal by Mr. M. Fisher against Dartford Borough Council's refusal to grant planning permission (DA/83/0349/A) for the erection of a two storey extension and porch at 68 Milton Road, Swanscombe has been dismissed. - NOTED.

337. GROVE CAR PARK - FLOODLIGHT. Members complained that the cover on the Floodlight at the Grove Car Park has once again been smashed and after discussion it was,

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RESOLVED.

That the Clerk request Seeboard to provide a wire mesh covering for the Floodlight in the Grove Car Park for greater protection of the light.

338. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED.

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

339. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION. The Clerk informed of a request, via Solicitors, for the Town Council to pay costs incurred by the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs, as a direct result of the Town Council's actions at Swanscombe Pavilion on 30th March 1984. After discussion it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council agree to pay the Sports Association costs, as outlined, with a request for a full and substantial statement of how the requested amount was determined.

340. SWANSCOMBE SPORTS PAVILION - LEASE. Members discussed the current situation regarding the Lease with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs and it was,

RESOLVED.

That a Special Meeting be held on Tuesday, 19th February 1985 with present Town Council Members, former Councillors who were Members of the Town Council from 1980 to 1982, the Town Clerk, the Assistant Town Clerk and the Town Council's Auditor being invited to attend, to discuss the draughting and signing of the Lease with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs in 1981/82.

Town Mayor



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. G. Baker  
Cllr. L.G. Caller  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. H.E. Porter

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.G. Melvin and B.E. Read.

341. GROVE HALL. Reference Minute No. 240, Members were informed of a letter from Municipal Mutual Insurance replying to the Town Council's request for information concerning Fire Precautions at the Grove Hall.  
- NOTED.

342. COMMUNITY HALLS. The Clerk requested consideration be given to the rates of pay for weekend working at the Town Council's Community Halls.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk inform the two Community Hall Caretakers of the Executive Committee's proposals for a weekly rate of pay, and report back.

343. MANUAL STAFF. The Clerk informed Members of the Town Council's Manual Staff's pay claim for 1985/86 and after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council await the results of the N.U.P.E. pay negotiations before determining the Manual Staff's 1985/86 pay award.

344. OFFICE STAFF. The Clerk requested confirmation of the following pay scales, to be implemented from 1st April 1985.

Town Clerk	- Spinal Point 33
Assistant Town Clerk	- Spinal Point 14
Receptionist	- Spinal Point 8

RECOMMENDED:

That the Office Staff salaries be agreed as outlined to take effect from 1st April 1985.



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345. TOWN CLERK. Members discussed the Town Clerk's proposal to return to work, from Maternity Leave, on 25th February 1985.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Clerk's return to work be postponed for four weeks from 25th February 1985, due to current investigations into matters queried by the Auditor.

346. MILEAGE ALLOWANCE. Members discussed the Mileage Allowance paid to the Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Mileage Allowance paid to the Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk not exceed the rate for a 1200 - 1450cc car.

Chairman



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MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. D.P. Francis	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Nalford	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.S. Crow, Mrs. M.C. Hagger and D.S. Hagger.

347. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January 1985 were confirmed and signed.

348. PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT. The Park Foreman reported that, in Swanscombe Park, the Playground Equipment and the rear of the Bowls Pavilion have now been painted, and enquiries have indicated that a rubra rosa bush would be the most suitable for planting around the seating area in the centre of the Park.

At Broomfield Road Sports Ground it is necessary for posts to be purchased to erect Notices requesting people to refrain from taking their dogs on to the Sports Ground. It was further reported that the flooring tiles in the Sports Pavilion are now in a dangerous condition and the roof is leaking.

The Parks Foreman informed members of the recurring problems being experienced with the parking of tankers on the Grove Car Park and also with vandalism and break-ins occurring at the Changing Rooms at Knockhall Playing Field.

Councillor Miss M.J. Lawrie here entered the Meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That the bushes be planted around the seating area, as advised.
- b) That enquiries be made regarding the possibility of taking out an injunction against the owner of the tankers illegally parked on the Grove Car Park.
- c) That the Sports Association be contacted with a request for repairs to be effected to the Sports Pavilion roof and floor.
- d) That posts be purchased for the purpose of erecting warning Notices concerning dogs on Broomfield Road Sports Ground.

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- e) That enquiries be made regarding the costs of the repair work etc. which is required at Knockhall Changing Rooms.

349. TOILET BLOCK - SWANSCOMBE PARK. The Clerk reported that the Staff Toilets in Swanscombe Park are in urgent need of repair and renovation works.

RECOMMENDED:

That the necessary work on the Staff Toilet Block in Swanscombe Park commence, as outlined, as soon as possible.

350. SWANSCOMBE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION. The Clerk reported a request from the Allotments Association for a Joint Meeting with Council Representatives to be arranged.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Clerk arrange a meeting for Friday 1st or Monday 4th March 1985 at 7.30 p.m. at Manor House.

351. CHURCH ROAD HALL. The Clerk reported that the furniture and crockery has now been received at the Church Road Hall and it will be re-opened on Friday, 22nd February 1985. The Clerk also requested her thanks be recorded for the great deal of help received from Mrs. Crosby, the Grove Hall Caretaker, with the final cleaning arrangements etc. for the Church Road Hall.

The Chairman then adjourned the Meeting at 8.30 p.m. to allow Dr. Duff and Mr. Holms of the Nature Conservancy Council to talk to Members about the current situation at Swanscombe Skull Site, and plans for the future of the site, especially the 50th anniversary celebrations planned for June 1985.

After which the Chairman thanked Dr. Duff and Mr. Holms for a very interesting discussion and the Meeting resumed at 9.40 p.m.

352. RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES. Members discussed the Recreational Facility Charges for 1985/86 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Recreational Facility Charges for 1985/86 be agreed as set out in the annexed list.

353. AFC FOOTBALL CLUB. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from AFC Football Club complaining about the use of the pitch, which they hire for the Season, by a team who requested use of one of the Town Council's pitches.

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RECOMMENDED:

That AFC Football Club be advised that the seasonal hire charge does not give exclusive use of the Town Council's Football Pitches, and that the Town Council may allow other teams the occasional use of a pitch, if requested.

354. SWANSCOMBE BOWLS CLUB. Reference Minute No. 307, Swanscombe Bowls Club requested a date and venue be agreed for the requested meeting.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Bowls Club be informed that Thursday, 28th February 1985 at 7.30 p.m. at Manor House is suitable for the proposed meeting.

355. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE CRICKET CLUB. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Swanscombe and Greenhithe Cricket Club requesting information regarding the proposed hire charges for the Cricket Pitch for the coming season, and informing that their President, Ian Borland, will be celebrating his 50th year with the Cricket Club this year.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Cricket Club be informed of the proposed hire charge for the Cricket Pitch for the 1985 season, subject to confirmation of Council, and the Town Council's congratulations and best wishes be conveyed to Mr. Ian Borland for a very happy 50th anniversary year.

356. K.A.P.C. The Clerk reported that the K.A.P.C. have notified that the Fifth Assembly for Larger Local Councils will be held at the Barbican Centre on Wednesday, 27th November 1985. - NOTED.

Councillor Read declared an interest in the following item.

357. SWANSCOMBE PARK - FETES. The Clerk reported requests from the SS Peter and Paul Church and the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Residents Association for permission to use Swanscombe Park for the purpose of a Fete on Monday, 26th August 1985 and Sunday, 30th June 1985, respectively.

RECOMMENDED:

That permission be granted for the use of Swanscombe Park as requested, subject to the usual hiring conditions.

358. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

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DA/85/0065

Erection of a sewage pumping station at APCM Swanscombe Works, Manor Way, Swanscombe - R.T. Nathan (Principal Engineer).

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections

DA/85/0066

Installation of new shopfront at 27 Church Road, Swanscombe - Mr. V. Kumar.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Approval


DA/85/0023

Installation of a gas pipeline on land between Pit No. 1, London Road, Stone and Swanscombe Works, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections.

Chairman





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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY 1985 at 8.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillors Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman, K.G. Boggis, L.G. Caller M.A. Crosby, D.S. Hagger, N. Halford, J.B. Harvey, P.G. Melvin, H.E. Porter and B.E. Read.

359. ASSISTANT FOREMAN/GREENKEEPER - PARKS DEPARTMENT. Members considered the Applications received for the position of Assistant Foreman/Greenkeeper in the Town Council's Parks Department and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the vacant position of Assistant Foreman/Greenkeeper be re-advertised.

360. TOWN CLERK. Reference Minute No. 345 after discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That further legal advice be sought on this matter from the Town Council's Solicitor and the Dartford Borough Council.

Councillor Crosby declared an interest in the following item and left the Meeting.

361. COMMUNITY HALLS. The Clerk requested clarification on certain matters relating to the wages for the Caretakers of the Town Council's two Community Halls.

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Clerk contact the Grove Hall Caretaker to clarify the amount of payment requested for the additional weekend working.

b) That the Church Road Hall Caretaker be paid at the same scale as the Grove Hall Caretaker.

Chairman



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 7TH MARCH 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. D.S. Hagger
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Miss M.J. Lawrie
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. Mrs G.E. Hall	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. Mrs. M.C. Hagger	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.S. Crow and Mrs. R.L.F. Povey.

The Meeting proper commenced at 8.30 p.m. as Mr. Peter Morgan of Dartford Borough Council talked to Members from 7.30 p.m. about his work as Project Officer for the North Kent Urban Fringe Project.

362. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th January 1985 were confirmed and signed.

363. INCOME FOR MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1985. The Income for the months of January and February 1985, amounting to £27,891.13p was received, as set out in the annexed list.

364. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £17,971.95p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

365. OFFICE STAFF - PAY AWARD. The Clerk reported that the 1984 Pay Award has been confirmed in January and has now been implemented as from 14th February 1985 with back pay paid from 1st July 1984. - NOTED.

366. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE II CONVERSION. The Clerk reported that Phase II of the Town Council's Street Lighting Conversion Programme is due to commence on Thursday, 28th February 1985. - NOTED.

367. STREET LIGHTING - PHASE I. Members expressed grave concern regarding the fact that various connection works and the all-night lighting conversion works, which the Town Council had paid Seeboard for some time ago, had not yet been carried out.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council write to the South East Electricity Consultative Council regarding this matter.

368. REPAIRS TO STREET LIGHTS. The Clerk reported that the Street

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Light at the end of Eynsford Road and Street Light 1 in Austen Close, Greenhithe both require new lanterns.

RECOMMENDED:

That quotations be obtained for the replacement lanterns.

369. FINANCIAL REGULATIONS. Members discussed new Financial Regulations which have been compiled for the Town Council. After discussion of minor alterations it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Financial Regulations be accepted and take effect as from 1st April 1985.

370. N A L C - DIRECT INFORMATION SERVICE. The Clerk reported that the subscription for the Direct Information Service is now due and has been increased to £39 per annum.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Direct Information Service subscription be renewed.

371. MANOR HOUSE LEASE. Members discussed correspondence between the Dartford Borough Council and the Town Council's Solicitors regarding the Draft Lease for Office Accommodation at Manor House and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council agree to the amendments to the Lease and the Solicitors be advised to contact the Borough Council regarding the finalisation of the Lease.

372 HOPE ROAD, SWANSCOMBE. The Clerk reported that the Borough Planning Officer has now received legal advice regarding the activities in Hope Road, Swanscombe. After discussion of points raised by the Planning Officer it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the residents of Hope Road be advised that the Town Council have explored every avenue in an attempt to alleviate the problems of nuisance etc. in Hope Road.

b) That the Fire Officer be requested to pass on a report of a recent fire in the Hope Road area to the Borough Environmental Health Officer, for his information.

373 KENT ASSOCIATION OF YOUTH CLUBS. The Clerk reported a request from the Kent Association of Youth Clubs for a donation to help with

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their increasing costs.

RECOMMENDED:

That a donation of £50 be made to the Kent Association of Youth Clubs, as per Section 137, Local Government Act 1972.

374 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR 1985. The Clerk reported a request for sponsorship from members of Dartford Youth Service for a Relay Run from Dartford to Hanau in Germany to raise funds for the Ethiopian Appeal and Children in Need Appeal. - NOTED.

375 WAITING RESTRICTIONS - SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE. The Clerk reported that the Borough Engineer has informed that the new road markings and traffic signs will be installed over the next three to six weeks. A period of grace will be practiced to allow drivers to become accustomed to the new regulations after which the Police will deal with any infringements of the restrictions.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Gravesend Police requesting strict enforcement of the new traffic regulations.

376 MANOR HOUSE - SECURITY. The Clerk reported that the Borough Secretary has informed that he has accepted a tender for security lighting at Manor House which is £90 more than estimated and he hopes the Town Council feel that their share of the expenditure is still worthwhile. - ~~NOTED.~~ AGREED.

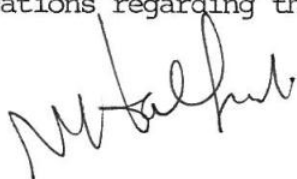
377 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. Kent County Council submitted details required by condition (ii) of Planning Application DA/83/336 for Gas Collection System at Bamber Quarry, Swanscombe for DRG Bamber Disposals.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections

The Clerk reported that a Site Meeting will be held at Botany Marsh, Swanscombe on Thursday, 14th March 1985 at 4 p.m. in connection with the applications regarding the tipping of flue dust.- NOTED.

Chairman



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Minutes of a Meeting of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House,  
Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 12TH MARCH 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. J.B. Harvey  
Cllr. P.G. Melvin  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

Apology for absence was received from Councillor L.G. Caller.

378 CARETAKER - CHURCH ROAD HALL. The Clerk reported receipt a of a number of applications for the position of Caretaker at the Church Road Hall. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Mayor and Committee Chairmen meet after the Meeting to consider the applications and appoint a Caretaker.

379 ASSISTANT FOREMAN/GREENKEEPER. Members agreed that the further consideration of applications for the Assistant Foreman/Greenkeeper position be deferred until after the advertisement, which was delayed in printing, has appeared in the local press.

380 TOWN CLERK. Reference Minute 360, Members discussed the current situation and requested clarification on certain matters and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

a) That the Clerk make enquiries of the Town Council's Solicitors regarding certain questions raised regarding the Lease for Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

b) That the Clerk seek legal advice from the National Association of Local Councils on certain matters, as requested by Members.

Chairman



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RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES 1985/86

BOWLING GREENS

No 1 £450 + VAT = £517.50

No 2 £190 + VAT = £218.50

Occasional 50p (including VAT)

CRICKET

Seasonal £185 + VAT = £212.75

Occasional £10 + VAT = £11.50

TENNIS

50p per hour per person.

FOOTBALL

Swanscombe

Season £85 + VAT = £97.75

Occasional £6.50 + VAT = £7.48

Knockhall

Season £70 + VAT = £80.50

Occasional £5 + VAT = £5.75

SQUASH

Mon - Fri before 5pm  
and  
Sat & Sun £1.20 per half hour

Mon - Fri after 5pm £1.50 per half hour

ALLOTMENTS

£3 per 10 rod + 50p if water supplied.

HALLS

GROVE HALL

Meetings £2 per hour Regular Organisation Bookings

£2.50 per hour Casual Organisation Bookings

Social Events Mon - Fri £3.50 per hour

Weekends £4 per hour

CHURCH ROAD HALL

Meetings £3.00 per hour Regular Organisation Bookings

£3.50 per hour Casual Organisation Bookings

Social Events Mon - Fri £4.50 per hour

Weekends £5.00 per hour

INCOME FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1985.

Parks Dept.	Storage	25.00	
	Football	83.43	
	Costs for damage	14.50	122.93
Coomunity Halls	Grove Hall	222.00	
	Church Road Hall	146.50	368.50
Squash	Hire Fees	891.01	
	Registration Fees	4.00	895.01
Allotments	Rent		2.00
Deposit A/c	Interest		1,240.29
Precept	January		22,505.00
Building Society	Interest		457.69
Inland Revenue	VAT Repayment		2,299.71
			£27,891.13
			£27,891.13

ACCOUNTS PAID

Wages	W/e 3.1.85 (Petrol £8.73)	498.19
Petty Cash	Agendas, stationery, coffee & tree	20.00
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 3.1.85	69.66
Wages	W/e 10.1.85	537.07
Mrs Stevens	Tax refund W/e 10.1.85	11.70
K A P C	Fee - Clerk's Course	7.50
Church Road Garage	Petrol A/c - December 1984	29.70
British Telecom	A/c's. Admin 220.74	
	Park 32.76	253.50
Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance	1,349.10
Blue Circle Ind.	Allotment Rent	25.00
Fishers	Stationery	52.57
T Parker & Sons	Maintenance of Park's machinery	781.50
Soc. Local Coun. Clerks	Subscription - 1985	22.00
Seeboard	St. Lighting 18.48	
	A/c Bowls Pav. 9.06	
	" Mess Room - Park 71.25	
	" Grove Hall 9.64	108.43
A E Frost	Renovation - Church Road Hall	3,187.97
B M L Copiers	December - copies	24.00
Seeboard	Street Lighting - connections	260.00
Wages	W/e 17.1.85	479.62
Schroder	Direct Debit - January	186.30
Wages	W/e 24.1.85	480.22
A E Frost	Materials - Park & Community Halls	99.90
	carried forward	8,483.93

	brought forward	8,483.93
Sunlock Blinds	Church Road Hall - blinds	195.85
R D R	Tyres - Van	73.60
Thames Water	A/c's Park	183.07
	" Spts. Ground	39.69
	" Social halls	39.69
		262.45
Southern Water	A/c's Park	213.10
	" Sports	
	ground	52.19
	" Social halls	52.18
		317.47
Barclays Bank	Interest & commission charges	38.18
Wages	W/e 31.1.85	519.20
S & G Assoc.	40% Squash takings	1,703.92
British Gas	Grove Hall	108.90
B M L Copiers	January account	23.40
Seeboard	Direct Debit - January	831.02
Wages	W/e 7.2.85	499.92
Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance	780.36
Securicor	February Account	48.73
Wages	W/e 14.2.85	738.27
Kentish Times	Advertisement - Greenkeeper	56.70
Gopak Ltd	Church Road Hall - tables	436.93
Courtship	Squash Courts - floor	322.00
Wages	W/e 21.2.85	523.57
Petty Cash	Stationery, agendas & Community Halls	17.83
Wages	W/e 28.2.85	513.07
A E Frost	Park - supplies	2.58
T Parker & Sons	Parks - indeline	51.61
Church Road Garage	Petrol A/c - January	28.25
Securicor	March A/c	48.73
Hollisters	Squash Courts - lights	67.63
British Gas	A/c - Church Road Hall	78.33
Crown Suppliers	Community Halls - crockery	163.28
Mr Howard	50% Booking fee returned for Church Road Hall	4.50
M M I	Additional premiums - buildings	196.22
Seeboard	Direct Debit - February	831.02
K C C	Community Halls - crockery	4.50
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		£17,971.95
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SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 21ST MARCH 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor	
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. P.S. Crow	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K.G. Boggis, D.S. Hagger, Mrs. M.C. Hagger, J.B. Harvey and Miss M.J. Lawrie.

383. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th February 1985 were confirmed and signed.

384. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 12th February 1985 were confirmed and the recommendations adopted.

385. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Porter,

RESOLVED.

a) That the charge for Hire of No. 1 Bowling Green be altered to £450 plus VAT for the 1985/86 year. (Reference Minute No. 352).

b) That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 21st February 1985 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

Councillor Mrs. Hall entered the Meeting.

386. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 28th February 1985 were confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

387. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Baker,

RESOLVED.

a) That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March 1985 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

b) That Members thanks be conveyed to the Office Staff for all their hard work in resolving problems encountered with Phases I and II of the



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Street Lighting Conversion Programme.

388. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Executive Committee held on 12th March and 19th March 1985 were confirmed and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

389. TOWN MAYOR'S RECEPTION. The Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs. Povey, thanked everyone who had attended her Reception on Saturday, 16th March 1985 and made it a most successful and enjoyable occasion. Councillor Crosby thanked the Town Mayor for providing all who had attended her Reception with a thoroughly entertaining and enjoyable evening.

390. COUNCILLOR CROW. Councillor Crow apologised to the Council for his lack of attendance at meetings during the past months, and stated that this was due to a serious illness leading to a recent bereavement in his family. He thanked Members and Staff for their condolences on the sad occasion, and he thanked Councillor Read for all his support.

391. BAKERS HOLE - LIAISON COMMITTEE. Councillor Porter reported on the recent meeting of the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee and informed that among the subjects discussed were the problems caused by wind blown litter, controlling the birds around the site and difficulties with flooding in Stanhope Road.

392. STANDING ORDERS. Members received copies of the proposed new Standing Orders and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the proposed new Standing Orders be discussed fully at the next meeting of the Town Council.

393. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/85/0119

Erection of a part single storey/part two storey rear extension at 8 Sweyne Road, Swanscombe - Mr. E.W. Cuff.

OBSERVATIONS

No objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

DA/85/0122

Formation of extension to existing car park on land at rear of Dougal Bros(Transport) Ltd., Craylands Lane, Swanscombe.

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OBSERVATIONS

No objections providing no increase in number of vehicles using the premises.

DA/85/0121

Change of use of property from Doctor's Surgery to Guest House with ancillary parking provision at Ivy Bower, London Road, Greenhithe - Mr. & Mrs. P. Rose.

OBSERVATIONS

No objections providing the Doctor's Surgery remains in the same location.

DA/83/0336/A

Submission of details of landfill gas extraction and disposal system pursuant to Condition (ii) of planning permission ref. No. DA/83/0336 for continuation of tipping without complying with Condition (ii) imposed on planning permission DA/75/742 at Bamber Quarry, East of High Street, Swanscombe - D.R.G. Bamber Disposals.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council is totally opposed to any relaxation of Condition (ii) of Application DA/75/742 and would request the Officers of the Dartford Borough Council to carry out a thorough investigation into this application.

DA/85/0129/OUT

Erection of a detached house at A.D. Thomas Builders Yard, Castle Road, Swanscombe - Mr. A.D. Thomas.

OBSERVATIONS

No objections providing no objections from neighbouring properties.

The Clerk submitted a letter from Kent County Council which had been received with drawings from Blue Circle Industries requesting permission to amend landscaping details in pursuance of condition (iv) of permission DA/82/617 for Bakers Hole, Swanscombe.

RESOLVED.

a) That Kent County Council be informed that the Town Council have deferred making any observations on this matter as they feel that Blue

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Circle Industries should have informed the Liaison Committee of this matter at a recently held meeting.

b) That Blue Circle Industries be requested to arrange a meeting with the Liaison Committee to discuss this matter.

Members were informed that a site meeting had recently been held at Johnsons Works with regard to proposals to build a number of houses there. It was felt that, as this could affect Riverview Road and Station Road, Greenhithe, residents should have been notified of the meeting and this Council should also have received notification.

RESOLVED.

That a letter be sent to the Borough Council's Planning Officer notifying him of the Town Council's concern regarding this matter.

394. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RESOLVED.

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

395. SPORTS PAVILION LEASE. Reference Minute No.327, Members were informed of the receipt of Counsel's Opinion on the Lease for Swanscombe Sports Pavilion and it was

RESOLVED.

That Members be supplied with a copy of Counsel's Opinion on the Sports Pavilion Lease for the next meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

396. PERSONNEL MATTER. Members confirmation of recent action taken by the Town Council's Executive was requested.

RESOLVED.

That the Executive Committee's action be confirmed and the Executive Committee be given full authority to deal with this matter as necessary.

Town Mayor



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MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. L.G. Caller, Chairman	
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. Mrs. G.E. Hall	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. N. Halford	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S.A. Bacon, P.S. Crow, Miss M.J. Lawrie and Mrs. R.L.F. Povey.

397. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st February 1985 were confirmed and signed.

398. PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT. The Park Foreman reported that the renovation of the Staff Toilets in Swanscombe Park is now complete, and the Tennis Courts have been opened and are being well used. Unfortunately a boy was hit in the eye and badly bruised by a golf ball hit by youngsters playing golf in Swanscombe Park after ignoring requests from the Parks Staff not to do this, as it endangers other users of the Park. It was requested that the provision of litter bins be considered for Swanscombe Park and Greenhithe Foreshore.

RECOMMENDED:

- a) That litter bins be purchased for Swanscombe Park and Greenhithe Foreshore.
- b) That the Town Council's Bye-Laws for Parks and Open Spaces be reviewed at the next meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.
- c) That a letter be sent to the boy injured by the golf ball in Swanscombe Park.

399. BOWLS MEETING. Reference Minute No. 354, Members discussed a Report of the Meeting held with the Swanscombe Bowls Club on 28th February 1985 and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Report be accepted and the recommendations contained therein agreed.

400. ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION. Reference Minute No. 350, a Report of the Joint Meeting held with the Allotments Association on 11th March

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1985 was considered along with a proposed agreement between the Town Council and the Allotments Association.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Report be accepted and the agreement adopted as submitted.

401. CRAYLANDS LANE LEISURE FACILITY. Members discussed the current situation regarding the proposed Craylands Lane Leisure Facility and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council request a meeting with Dartford Borough Council to discuss this matter in greater detail.

402. MINI-ROUNDAABOUT - HIGH STREET/LONDON ROAD. Members discussed the position in relation to the many requests for a pedestrian crossing near to the High Street/London Road, Swanscombe junction and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council continue to press for a crossing at this location and request investigations be made into the possibility of a mini-roundabout being provided at the High Street/London Road junction.

403. KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS. Members were informed of a quotation for £1,366.25 for the repairs which are urgently required at Knockhall Changing Rooms.

RECOMMENDED:

That the quotation be accepted and the work carried out as soon as possible.

404. GROVE HALL. Reference Minute No. 305, the Clerk reported a further request for Mrs. Houlihan to use the Grove Hall for a pre- Play School Group.

RECOMMENDED:

That Mrs. Houlihan be invited to meet the Clerk and two Councillors for an informal discussion on this matter.

405. CHURCH ROAD HALL. The Clerk informed Members that Mrs. J. Latimer has been appointed Caretaker at the Church Road Hall.

406. LEISURE BUS. The Clerk reported a request from Dartford Borough Council to use Swanscombe Park for their Leisure Bus on certain evenings from May onwards.



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RECOMMENDED:

That permission be granted for the use of Swanscombe Park by the Leisure Bus and a request be made for the possible inclusion of a stop at Knockhall Playing Field for the benefit of Greenhithe residents.

407. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES. Reference Minute No. 352 it was requested the following addition be made to this Minute,

RECOMMENDED:

That Senior Citizens, the Unemployed and Dis-abled Persons be allowed a 50% reduction in charges for the Town Council's Recreational Facilities with the exception of the Community Halls.

408. FOOTBALL - BAD BEHAVIOUR. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the North Kent Sunday Football League stating that all Clubs deny any knowledge of bad behaviour, and informing that, if the allegations were as bad as had been made out, then the referees would have taken appropriate action.

RECOMMENDED:

That the North Kent Sunday League be informed that Members of this Council have witnessed the bad behaviour reported to them both prior to, and during Football Matches.

409. GROVE CAR PARK. Reference Minute 348 b), the Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Town Council's Solicitor's advising on action to be taken regarding mis-use of the Grove Car Park.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Police be contacted regarding this matter.

410. COBHAM TERRACE RAILINGS. The Clerk reported that the Contractors have been unable to give a definite date for the commencement of work to erect iron railings at Cobham Terrace Playground due to difficulties in obtaining the required materials from their suppliers. - NOTED.

411. K.A.P.C. The Clerk reported receipt of Issue No. 130 of the Parish News together with Oast to Coast and other enclosures. - NOTED.

412. TRANSFER OF LICENCES. Members were informed of the following Application for Transfer of Licences;-

a) Mr. & Mrs. Mortlock of 4 London Road, Northfleet have applied for Transfer of Licence for the Star Stores, 64-66 High Street, Swanscombe.

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b) R. Patel of 137 Milton Road, Swanscombe has applied for a Transfer of Licence for the Milton Road premises. - NOTED.

413. BLUE CIRCLE INDUSTRIES. The Clerk reported receipt of a Press Release entitled "Farmland Reclamation Plans for Kent Quarries", and the Minutes of the Meeting of the Bakers Hole Liaison Committee held on 13th March 1985 from Blue Circle Industries. - NOTED.

414. DARTFORD AND DISTRICT RIGHTS OF WAY GROUP. Members were informed of the receipt of the Spring/Summer Programme of Events from the Dartford and District Rights of Way Group. - NOTED.

415. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/82/0290/B

Submission of revised details of dormer window pursuant to condition (ii) of planning permission ref. DA/82/0290 for alteration and extension to existing building to form separate dwelling at 1 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. L.G. Lavers.

OBSERVATIONS

Recommend Refusal

DA/85/0139

Change of use of property from residential to rest home for the elderly at 'Haslington', Bean Road, Greenhithe - Mr. T.J. Lynch.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council objects due to the volume of traffic using this road and the steepness of the access to the property when considering its proposed use.

DA/85/0146

Use of premises for storage of motor vehicles and vehicle auctions at Unit L, Northfleet Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet - Northfleet Vehicle Auctions.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections

416. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:





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That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

417. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. Members were informed of the receipt of letters from the Sports Association requesting clarification of certain matters and requesting a meeting be held with the Town Council to discuss recent problems concerning Swanscombe Sports Pavilion.

RECOMMENDED:

That a meeting be arranged between the Sports Association and the Town Council with legal representatives in attendance.

Chairman

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SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 18TH APRIL 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. Halford, Chairman	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. P.G. Melvin
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.S. Crow, Mrs. G.E. Hall, D.S. Hagger and Mrs. M.C. Hagger.

Members were informed that Councillor Mrs. Hall is in hospital due to a recent accident. It was requested that Members's best wishes for a speedy recovery be sent to Mrs. Hall.

418. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March 1985 were confirmed and signed.

419. INCOME FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1985. The Income for the Month of March 1985, amounting to £787.27p, was received as set out in the annexed list.

420. ACCOUNTS PAID. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £13,125.20p have been paid since the date of the last meeting.

421. STREET LIGHTING. Reference Minute No. 368, Members were informed of the receipt of a quotation from Seeboard for £73.52p to replace the lantern on the light at the end of Eynsford Road, Greenhithe. The Clerk also reported that the only Street Light in Austen Close needs a replacement lantern and also one in Valley View, Greenhithe.

RECOMMENDED:

That the lantern in Eynsford road be replaced and if the costs for replacement of the Austen Close and Valley View lanterns are similar then they also be replaced.

422. COMPLAINTS REGARDING STREET LIGHTING. Reference Minute No. 367, the Clerk reported receipt of letters from the South East Electricity Consultative Council and Seeboard regarding recent complaints made by the Town Council.

RECOMMENDED:

That a letter be sent to Seeboard querying points raised in their letter, and a copy be sent to the South East Electricity Board along

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with the Town Council's thanks for their help with this matter.

423. KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS. The Clerk reported that the annual subscription to the Kent Association of Parish Councils, of £138.95p is now due.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council's membership of the Kent Association of Parish Councils be renewed.

424. SIGNING OF CHEQUES. The Clerk requested confirmation of the addition of the Assistant Town Clerk's signature to the Bank Mandate for the signing of cheques, to comply with the recently introduced Town Council Financial Regulations.

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be confirmed, as requested.

425. LITTER BINS. Members discussed the costs of providing litter bins at Swanscombe Park and Greenhithe Foreshore and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That enquiries be made into the costs of the Park Staff making permanent bases for the housing of litter bins.

426. PARK STAFF. The Clerk informed that Mr. A. Mitchell has commenced employment with the Town Council as Assistant Parks Foreman as from 9th April 1985.

427. MANUAL STAFF - PAY CLAIM. Members discussed the Manual Workers Pay Claim and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be discussed at an Executive Committee Meeting to be held on Thursday, 2nd May 1985 at 7 p.m.

428. BRITISH RAIL TIMETABLE. Members were informed of the receipt of a copy of a summary of changes to the British Rail Timetable which are to be introduced on 13th May 1985. - NOTED.

429. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS. The following Town Planning Applications were submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/85/0121 (revised)

Change of use of property from Doctors Surgery to guest house with

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ancillary parking provisions at 'Ivy Bower', London Road, Greenhithe - Mr & Mrs P. Rose.

OBSERVATIONS

No Objections

Reference Minute No. 393, Members were informed of the receipt of a letter from the Borough Planning Officer apologising for the lack of consultation over the proposed plans for the building of a large number of houses on the site of the former Johnsons Works.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Dartford Borough Council be informed that, whilst the Town Council welcomed this development, it would request careful consideration be given to the impact on the surrounding road network.

The Clerk reported that Kent County Council have granted permission for the tipping of Flue Dust at Swanscombe Marsh. - NOTED.

Notification was also submitted of the Kent County Council's decision to allow the movement of clinker at night at Bakers Hole, Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Town Council protest most strongly that this decision is most detrimental to the residents who live near to Bakers Hole and who are already experiencing nuisance due to the daytime infilling.

DA/85/0009/ADV

Erection of 2 No. 48 sheet advertisement hoardings at 16 London Road, Swanscombe - Carfax Outdoor Advertising Ltd.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council object to this application as it will be environmentally obtrusive.

DA/85/0183/OUT

Erection of a block of 10 no. flats on land at rear of 16-26 Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe - A. Prince.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council request a site meeting be held before determining this application.

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430. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC.

RECOMMENDED:

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted.

431. MRS. S. SAVILL. Members were informed of a recommendation by the Executive Committee to award Mrs. S. Savill an Honorarium for extra work and duties carried out over the past six months.

RECOMMENDED:

That the Honorarium be awarded as recommended.

432. SPORTS PAVILION LEASE. Reference Minute No. 395 Members discussed the contents of the Counsel's Opinion on the Sports Pavilion Lease and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That this matter be considered further after the meeting with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs has been held.

Chairman



INCOME FOR MARCH 1985

Parks Dept.	Cricket	10.87	
	Football	40.22	
	Repayment for Plants	6.00	
	Costs for damages	23.00	80.09
Community Halls	Grove Hall	156.00	
	Church Road	39.00	195.00
Squash	Hire fees	458.18	
	Reg. fees	2.00	460.18
Administration	Use of copier		52.00
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ACCOUNTS PAID

Bentley's Nurseries	Plants	50.00
Wages	W/e 7.3.85	649.53
D B Council	Loan Charges 1982/83 & 1983/84	6,684.34
Inland Revenue	Tax & National Insurance	927.69
Computastore	Superpay disc	23.00
BML Copiers	February A/c	28.24
SEEBOARD	Supervision charges (PUSWA)	102.02
Wages	W/e 14.3.85 (Town Mayor's allowance £81.78)	562.91
Petty Cash (Parks)	Derv, Playground Equipment & papers	20.00
MEP Catering	Buffets (Allowance)	177.80
Petty Cash (Admin)	Sundry items Church Rd Hall	19.68
Wages	W/e 21.3.85 (Postage £16.82)	567.12
NALC	Subscription	39.00
KAYC	Donation	50.00
Church Road Garage	Petrol A/c February	30.57
Geerings	Stationery	39.07
SEEBOARD	A/c Knockhall Sports Ground	120.00
Crown Supplies	Church Road Hall - tables & chairs	896.54
Brindus	Community Halls - cleaning materials	101.80
KCC	Community Halls - Matting	36.40
KCC	Superannuation contributions	11.00
A E Frosts	Materials - playground equipment & bowls pav.	14.98
Blue Circle	Allotment rents	63.66
Baily & Goff	Counsel's opinion - Lease	86.25
Post Office	Toad tax - Van	100.00
Wages	W/e 28.3.85 (Town Mayor's allowance £40)	585.34
Mrs Stevens	Wages W/e 28.3.85	248.81
SEEBOARD	Direct debit	831.02
Reporter	Advertisement	3.68
Greenhithe Comm Ass.	Hall (Town Mayor's All)	31.00
Mr Best	Sherry (Town Mayor's All)	18.75
Mrs Pailes	Cancellation of Hall	5.00
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MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 2ND MAY 1985 at 7 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Chairman  
Cllr. M.A. Crosby  
Cllr. N. Halford  
Cllr. J.B. Harvey  
Cllr. H.E. Porter  
Cllr. B.E. Read

433. MANUAL WORKERS PAY CLAIM. Members discussed the Manual Workers Pay Claim for the 1985/86 year and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Manual Workers be awarded a 6% increase, payable from 1st April 1985, with a review of the situation after further consideration of the 1984/85 Parks Department total pay figures.

434. SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS. Members discussed the date for a meeting with the Swanscombe and Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs and it was,

RECOMMENDED:

That the Sports Association be informed that Friday, 17th May 1985 at 7.30 p.m. at Manor House, Swanscombe would be a suitable date and venue for the proposed meeting.

Chairman





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MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House, Swancombe on THURSDAY, 2ND MAY 1985 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Mrs. R.L.F. Povey, Town Mayor,	
Cllr. S.A. Bacon	Cllr. N. Halford
Cllr. G. Baker	Cllr. J.B. Harvey
Cllr. K.G. Boggis	Cllr. Mrs. I.M. Porter
Cllr. L.G. Caller	Cllr. H.E. Porter
Cllr. M.A. Crosby	Cllr. B.E. Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.S. Crow, Mrs. G.E. Hall and P.G. Melvin.

435. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st March 1985 were confirmed and signed.

436. RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Caller and seconded by Councillor Baker.

RESOLVED.

a) That Minute 398 a) should read that this matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for consideration.

b) That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on 4th April 1985 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

437. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Councillor Halford and seconded by Councillor Bacon,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 18th April 1985 be approved and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

438. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. A verbal report was given on the Executive Committee Meeting held prior to this Meeting and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the Minutes be approved at the next Meeting of the Town Council.

439. TOWN CLERK. The Town Mayor informed Members that the Town Clerk, Mrs. A.D. Stevens, is no longer in the Town Council's employ.

440. K.A.P.C. - DARTFORD AREA COMMITTEE. Councillor Baker reported on

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the meeting of the Dartford Area Committee of the Kent Association of Parish Councils held at Stone on Tuesday, 30th April 1985.

441. BLUE CIRCLE INDUSTRIES Reference Minute No. 393, the Clerk reported receipt of a reply from Blue Circle Industries to the Town Council's letter regarding proposals for Bakers Hole infill area.

RESOLVED.

That Councillor Boggis attend the forthcoming meeting to be held on Wednesday, 8th May 1985 at the site office at Bakers Hole, in place of Councillor Baker who is unable to attend.

Councillors Bacon, Baker and Crosby declared an interest in the following item.

442. TRANSPORT BILL. Members discussed the contents of a letter sent by the Kent Association of Parish Councils to all Kent M.P.'s, regarding the proposed Transport Bill.

RESOLVED.

That the Town Council write to Mr. R.J. Dunn M.P. requesting his support in opposing the de-regulation of the bus service.

443. TRANSFER OF LICENCE. Members were informed that Mr. J.E. Clowthing has applied for full Transfer of Licence for the Railway Hotel, Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe, to be heard at Dartford on Friday, 10th May 1985. - NOTED.

444. LEISURE FACILITY - SWANSCOMBE. Reference Minute No. 401, Members discussed a reply from the Borough Secretary to the Town Council's request for a meeting to discuss the proposed Leisure Facility at Craylands Lane. The Borough Secretary informed that, due to the move to the new Borough Council Offices in July, they are unable to arrange a meeting with the Town Council until after that date.

RESOLVED.

That another letter be sent to Councillor Nothard, Leader of the Borough Council, informing that this Council feel very strongly that a meeting should be held in the near future to discuss this issue which is of great importance to the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area.

445. STANDING ORDERS. Members discussed alterations to the Town Council's Standing Orders and it was,

RESOLVED.

That the adoption of the Standing Orders be placed on the Agenda of the

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Annual General Meeting.

446. TOWN PLANNING APPLICATION. The following Town Planning Application was submitted for Members' consideration:-

DA/85/0206

Erection of a two storey side extension at 60 High Street, Swanscombe - Mr. D. Robinson.

OBSERVATIONS

The Town Council oppose this application as the extension will take away car parking space from an already highly congested area with regard to the parking of cars, as the occupiers of these premises use the proposed site for the extension for the parking of their vehicles at the moment.

Town Mayor *J E Hall* ;

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