

MINUTES of the MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 13th OCTOBER 1994 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. B E Read, Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. W G East
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. V Openshaw
Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. Mrs G M Prior

Prayers were read by Reverend Mercer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' M A Crosby, Sheila East and R Simmonds.

259 DECLARATION OF INTEREST A non-pecuniary interest in the Sports Pavilion was declared by Councillors' P S Crow and B E Read.

Councillor Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest in the Sports Pavilion.

260 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th July 1994 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor W G East entered the Committee Room.

261 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK Members had received a Report of a Meeting which had been held at the Civic Centre, Dartford on 21st. September.

After discussion it was,

RESOLVED

That a meeting be arranged with representatives from Union Rail, Kent County Council and Dartford Borough Council

A letter to be sent to the Borough Council advising that Members were appalled at their treatment of Parish Councils regarding the Channel Tunnel Rail Link.

An amount was to be included in the estimates for 1995/96 to cover the cost of Petitioning, should it become necessary.

262 KENT RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised that a letter had been received from KCC informing of a meeting of the Action Group which had been arranged for Wednesday, 19th October at County Hall. Members serving on that Committee had received copies of the letter from KCC. NOTED

263 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised of an invitation which had been received to attend the Annual Meeting of KRCC which was to be held at County Hall on Friday, 21st October. NOTED

264 KCC SUPERANNUATION FUND A letter had been received from Kent County Council advising that the Superannuation Annual Meeting was to be held in County Hall on 14th October 1994. NOTED

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Committee held on 1st September 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

274 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor P S Crow,

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 22nd September 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

275 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor B E Read,

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 27th September 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

276 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were reminded of the Civic Service which was to be held at SS Peter and Paul Church on Sunday, 16th October.

Councillor Read advised that his Charity Dance held at the Sports Pavilion the previous week had been very successful.

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

- DA/94/00520/REM Submission of details of decked car parks pursuant to conditions 1 5 & 16 (in part) of planning permission DA/88/0336/OUT for the erection of a regional shopping centre.
- DA/94/00507/REM Submission of details of service area car parks and routes pursuant to conditions 1 5 & 16 (in part) of planning permission DA/88/0336/OUT for the erection of a regional shopping centre.
- DA/94/00504/REM Submission of details of foodstore pursuant to conditions 1 5 & 16 (in part) of planning permission DA/88/0336/OUT for the erection of a regional shopping centre.
- DA/94/00520/REM Submission of details of the lakeside promenade pursuant to conditions 1 3 (ii) 4 5 & 13a (v vi) (in part) of planning permission DA/88/0336/OUT for the erection of a regional shopping centre.

The Clerk was asked to advise Members of applications for Bluewater which related to the road network.

- DA/94/00539/FUL Erection of a first floor rear extension.
56-58 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS Members object to this application due to the

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increase it would generate in traffic and the additional parking would impede site lines at a hazardous junction.

A site meeting was requested before this application was determined.

Members were advised that the following decision notices had been received from the Borough Council granting permission for development:-

DA/94/0432 37 Kemsley Close, Greenhithe;

DA/93/0003/A Land at Vellely View, Greenhithe; and

DA?94/0331 R D R Automotive off Craylands Lane, Swanscombe.

A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council informing that a Local Public Enquiry was to be held on Tuesday, 8th November commencing at 10am at the Civic Centre to look into objections made on the proposed modifications to the Bean Triangle. NOTED

278 QUESTIONS A question was raised regarding a storage contained which was sited in Mounts Road and the Clerk was asked to make enquiries of Dartford Borough Council.

The Chairman was asked if the Council were aware that a generator was being used to provide lights for football training sessions by a local team. The Clerk was asked to reiterate previous comments and point out that the use of pitches could be withdrawn if this team did not comply with this request.

A question was raised regarding a sale that had recently been held at the Leisure Centre.



TOWN MAYOR

MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION, LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 3rd NOVEMBER 1994 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. P S Crow, Chairman Cllr. T V Dixon
 Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. V Openshaw
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. R Simmonds

279 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st September 1994 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith and A M Barham.

280 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the sports pavilion.

281 SECURITY UNIT Members were advised that, following a further break-in, the security unit had been moved and was now sited in the car park of Swanscombe Park.

Councillor Read entered the Committee Room.

282 FOOTBALL AND CRICKET MEETINGS Members had been provided with reports of the meetings which had been held with the Cricket and Football Clubs and it was agreed that a meeting would be arranged with the Football Clubs in the New Year.

Councillor Openshaw entered the Committee Room.

283 CHANGING ROOMS - SPORTS PAVILION Members were provided with a report regarding the changing rooms and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be discussed at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee and meanwhile the Association of Sports Clubs be asked to allow the football teams to use the fourth changing room.

284 BOWLS PAVILION Members were advised of quotes which had been received to repair/replace the roof of the pavilion and it was agreed that additional quotes should be obtained and this item be considered at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee also an amount to be included in the estimates for 1995/96.

285 SECURITY LIGHTING - KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members were supplied with a copy of the quote to replace the damaged lights and it was agreed that this item be included for discussion at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

286 PLAYGROUND SURFACING This item was deferred for consideration at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

287 PLAY AREA - SWANSCOMBE PARK The Park's Foreman was asked to arrange for the gate of the play area to be repaired and attend

to the area which was always muddy. Signs were to be replaced advising that no dogs were allowed in the play area.

288 REVIEW OF LEISURE CENTRE FEES Members were provided with a copy of fees for use of facilities at the Leisure Centre and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That no junior admission fees be levied (with immediate effect) and no increases be made for 1995 but the charges made for Aerobics, Step Aerobics, Karate and Kindersports be reviewed in 6 months.

289 WATER TANK Members were provided with a copy of the quote which had been obtained to reline the water tank in the Leisure Centre which had been repaired. NOTED

290 COACHING COURSE Members were reminded that they had agreed to re-consider payment for the coaching course for S Matthews to gain the qualification needed to accept patients under the Healthlink Scheme. After consideration it was agreed that this decision would be left to the discretion of the Chairman and the Clerk, once the half-yearly figures had been discussed.

291 STOCKTAKE REPORT Members were provided with copies of the previous 3 stocktake reports. NOTED

292 SENIOR LEISURE OFFICER Members were advised that Miss Julie Scott had been appointed as Senior Leisure Officer and she would take up her position on Monday, 28th November.

293 BAR ASSISTANT A letter of resignation had been received from Mrs Hanby and Members were advised that this position had been advertised.

294 CLEANING MACHINE Members were informed that the cleaning machine had again broken down and it was proving difficult to obtain the spares and permission was requested to purchase a new machine in the sum of £780 plus VAT. After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this machine be purchased for use in the Leisure Centre.

295 EVENT AT LEISURE CENTRE Questions were asked about a Sale which had recently taken place at the Leisure Centre. Several complaints had been received about this event and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That Council facilities would not be hired out for this type of activity in the future.

296 HALLOWE'EN EVENT Members were informed that this event had proved to be a success and a number of people had said how much they had enjoyed the evening.

297 GERMAN THEME NIGHT Discussion took place regarding the lack of support generated for this event and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That complimentary tickets for the New Year Event be offered to the eight people who had attended the Theme Night.

298 CHRISTMAS HOURS - SWANSCOMBE PARK After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That Swanscombe Park be closed at the normal time on Friday, 23rd December and Staff have the Statutory Bank Holidays off on 26th and 27th December 1994 and 2nd January 1995.

Members were to advise of their availability to open and close the park gates on 25th, 26th and 27th December and 1st and 2nd January 1995.

299 TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Administration Staff be given half a day for Christmas shopping and have the Statutory Holidays off for Christmas and the New Year.

300 LEISURE CENTRE AND BAR After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre and Bar be opened on Christmas Eve from 9am to 3pm after which, with the exception of the New Year Event, the Centre and Bar would be closed to the public until Wednesday, 4th January 1995. With the exception of the Statutory Bank Holidays, staff would work their normal hours and carry out the regular annual maintenance and clearing up after the New Year event.

301 ANNUAL ESTIMATES Members were asked to consider items for inclusion in the estimates for 1995/96 and the following items were to be considered:

£2,500 towards replacing the roof of the bowls pavilion;
The car park in Swanscombe Park to be tarmaced; and
An amount to be included towards designing and providing changing rooms for the pitches which were to be provided at Craylands Lane.

302 RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES A copy of the charges for 1994/95 had been circulated and Members were asked to consider charges for 1995/96. After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That with the exception of bowls, tennis and allotment water fees, the charges remain as for 1994/95.

Tennis and bowls to be amended to £1 and water fees for allotment holders to be increased to £1 per plot.

Fees for both Bowling Clubs to be increased in line with the annual rate of inflation on November 1st.

SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES 1995/96

BOWLING GREENS

No. 1 £1253.00
Occasional £ 1.00 .50p Concessionary Rate

CRICKET

Seasonal £400.00 Storage - £25.00
Occasional £ 28.00

TENNIS

£1.00 Per person per hour .50p Concessionary Rate

5 A SIDE FOOTBALL

£ 10.00 Per hour

FOOTBALL

Swanscombe - Season £200.00 Per season including facilities for training
Swanscombe - Occasional £ 20.00
Knockhall - Season £200.00 Per season including facilities for training
Knockhall - Occasional £ 20.00

ALLOTMENTS

£5.30 per 10 rod + £1 if water supplied

HIRE OF PARKS

£23.00 (Local Organisations)
£60.00 Per day - Commercial Use
£350.00 Week (7 Days)

COMMUNITY HALLS

GROVE HALL

Meetings £3.15 per hour Regular Organisations
£4.40 per hour Casual Bookings

Social Events £6.30 per hour Monday - Friday
£7.10 per hour Weekends

CHURCH ROAD HALL

Meetings £4.60 per hour Regular Organisations
£5.80 per hour Casual Bookings

Social Events £7.80 per hour Monday - Friday
£8.40 per hour Weekends

Commercial and profit making bookings for both halls to be charged at double the rate for casual bookings.

Use of Photo-Copier (for local Organisations only)

A4 Size 10p per side
B4 Size 15p per side
A3 Size 20p per side

50% Reduction for Unemployed, Senior Citizens (over 60 years of age) and person in full time education - for certain recreational facilities only.

Where applicable V.A.T has been included.

303 CENTENARY SERVICE Members were reminded of the Centenary Service which was to be held in Canterbury Cathedral and Members wishing to be considered were asked to advise the Clerk.

304 CENTENARY DANCE Members were asked to advise the Town Clerk if they would be attending the Dance on November 26th.

Members were asked if they would agree to provide complimentary tickets for the Town Mayor and Mayoress of Swanley Council but the vote went against this proposal and only 6 complimentary tickets were to be provided.

305 DOGS AND RECREATION Details had been received from the National Playing Fields Association of a one day conference which was to be held on Tuesday, 15th November at the Cavendish Conference Centre. NOTED

306 MANOR ROAD Members were informed of the reply which had been received from the Borough Council regarding the problem of water flooding the road. After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a reply be sent advising that the land at Manor Road School was owned by the Diocese of Rochester and suggesting that they should be informed of the problems. Also inform that a planning application had been received for this area and urgent attention was needed for this problem.

307 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members had been provided with a copy of the Parish News which had been received from KAPC. NOTED

308 ENERGY CONSERVATION BILL Members were provided with copies of the correspondence received from the Association for the Conservation of Energy. NOTED

309 CRAYLANDS GORGE Members were advised of the letter which had been received from Groundwork Trust informing that there was no further information on the bridge survey. A copy of a letter from the Borough Council to Groundwork Trust was also enclosed explaining the position with regard to rubbish dumping from Ingress Gardens.

310 HIRE OF GROVE HALL Members were informed of a letter which had been received from the Ancient Order Of Foresters requesting that they be allowed to return to the Grove Hall for their monthly meeting. After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That, as alternative arrangements had not been possible, the Clerk offer use of the Church Road Hall at the rate which applied to hire of the Grove Hall.

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

DA/94/00557 Retention of a wall mounted satellite dish.
Greenhithe Service Station, London Road,
Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/94/0558/FUL Erection of a single storey rear extension.
33-37 High Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Objections providing no objections are made by
neighbours.

DA/94/0559/OUT Demolition of existing school buildings and
redevelopment of site for residential purposes.
Manor Road CP School, Manor Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS Members Object to this application as they do not
wish to see this building demolished as it forms
part of the local heritage and is of historical
interest.

There are already problems on this site caused by
water which also affects the surrounding area.

If this site has to be developed, Members feel the
buildings should be retained and form part of the
development.

There would be no improvement to the community
infrastructure.

This development would put additional pressure on
the educational facilities and Members of the
Borough Council are asked to take an overall view
of the educational needs of this area in light of
the proposed developments for Swanscombe and
Greenhithe.

Members of the Town Council ask that a site
meeting be arranged before this application is
determined.

DA/94/00582/FUL Alterations to front elevation in connection with
deletion of condition (2) of planning permission
Ref DA/88/0298 for use of garage as a habitable
room.
7 boley Way, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/94/00594/FUL Erection of 4 no. 4 bed houses, 27 no. 3 bed
houses, 5 no. 1 bed, 13 no. 2 bed and 7 no. 3 bed
flats together with associated parking, garaging,
access roads and a riverside walk.
Land North of the High Street, adj. Bendigo Wharf,
Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Members object due to height of proposed

buildings and size of development.

Members were advised of 2 applications which had been received regarding Blue Water - DA/94/00545/REM and DA/94/00546/REM and the Clerk was asked to include these for consideration at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Members were informed that a letter had been received from the Borough Council advising that the application (DA/90/0447/OUT) had now been withdrawn.

The following decision notices had been received from the Borough Council granting permission for development:-

DA/94/00500/FUL 36 Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe;

DA/94/00480/FUL 94 Ames Road, Swanscombe.

Planning permission had been refused for the following application:-

DA/91/0030/A Haslington Nursing Home, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

312 ANY OTHER BUSINESS Members were of the opinion that no further development should be allowed in this area until arrangements had been made for a school to be built.

A question was raised regarding the educational requirements with reference to the proposed development at Craylands Lane and Members were advised that this decision had been deferred.

A question was raised regarding the lack of crossing patrols in Swanscombe Street for school children and the Clerk was asked to contact the Education Department.



Chairman

MINUTES of the MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 10th NOVEMBER 1994 at 8pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. B E Read, Town Mayor Cllr. P S Crow
 Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. Sheila East
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. W G East

Councillor T V Dixon was also in attendance.

313 SUBSTITUTES It was,

RESOLVED

That Councillor Dixon should attend the Meeting as Substitute for Councillor A C Ash-Smith.

Councillor P S Crow entered the Committee Room followed by Councillors' Sheila East and W G East.

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

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting.

315 STAFFING Members were provided with details of the cost of living rise which had been accepted alongwith the increase in the Inner Fringe Allowance and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That these increases be accepted and backdated accordingly.

316 RECREATION SUPERVISOR Members were provided with copies of a letter which had previously been discussed and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk act according to instructions.

It was also agreed that both Supervisors be given an Honorarium of £100 in recognition of the work they had carried out in the previous months during the period of staff shortage.

317 ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK Members were advised that Mrs Murphy had requested permission to join the Superannuation Scheme. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That Mrs Murphy should be allowed to join the KCC Superannuation Scheme.

318 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS Members were advised that the Medical Officer for Environmental Health had now resigned and that alternative arrangements would need to be made for medical screening of future employees.

319 CHRISTMAS BONUS After consideration, it was
RECOMMENDED

That a £20 Marks and Spencers voucher be purchased for every member of staff as a Christmas bonus.

320 CENTENARY DANCE Councillor Crow advised Members that, in his opinion, the Centenary Dance should be cancelled and a Family Disco and Firework Display be arranged for the Easter week-end.

After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Centenary Dance be cancelled and that a Family Disco be held at the Leisure Centre on Saturday, 15th April 1995 with a firework display at the Heritage Park.

This item was to be included on the agenda of the Finance and General Purposes Committee for a Committee to be appointed to put forward proposals for this event.

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Town Mayor

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE and GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE
on THURSDAY, 24TH NOVEMBER 1994 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman
Cllr. R D Bartlett
Cllr. L G Caller
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs G M Prior

321 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd September 1994 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor L G Caller entered the Committee Room.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, Sheila East, W G East and R Simmonds.

322 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillors M A Crosby and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

323 BLUEWATER Mr Underhill and Miss Wright of the Borough Council's Planning Department were introduced to Members of the Committee and they proceeded to explain the proposals for Bluewater.

The original application had been submitted in 1986 and, following the application being called in by the Secretary of State and a Public Inquiry, outline approval had been agreed in 1990.

The master plan had been dealt with last November and a number of revisions, including the elimination of the retail warehousing, had been dealt with during the last year.

The principles had not changed for the highway network and Miss Wright explained that Members of the Town Council would be asked for their opinion on a good transport link to Bluewater for this area.

This Council were in favour of a good transport link for residents wishing to travel to Bluewater. One suggestion which was put forward was for a bus to travel from Gravesend via Swanscombe and Greenhithe to Bluewater and then continue to Dartford and return on the same route.

The employment of local people was mentioned and Mr Underhill advised that Lendlease were conscious of the employment needs of the area and were supportive of this idea.

Councillor Read then thanked Mr Underhill and Miss Wright for attending and the Meeting continued.

324 INCOME FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1994 The Income for August and September amounting to £17,002.02 was received as set out in the annexed list.

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325 ACCOUNTS PAID AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1994 The Town Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £49,284.84 had been paid during August and September.

326 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were asked to approve the following accounts for payment:-

Dartford Borough Council £1,313.12;
Dartford Borough Council £17.96;
N A G M £25;
Jubilee Building Services £265;
George Gregory Steels £986.65; and
Dartford Borough Council £720.

RECOMMENDED

That these accounts be paid.

327 CHANGING ROOMS - SPORTS PAVILION This item was referred from the Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee and it was agreed that a meeting between the Working Party and representatives of the Sports Association be arranged.

328 SHOWERS - LEISURE CENTRE Members were advised of the problems being experienced with the water running cold for the gents showers.

Quotes had been obtained to install a new thermostat in the sum of £430 or install a new shower in the sum of £1,097. A complete unit could be installed with controls in the boiler room which would cost in excess of £2,000. After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a new thermostat be installed in the sum of £430.

329 KNOCKHALL ROAD SPORTS GROUND - SECURITY LIGHTING This item was referred from the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee and after discussion it was agreed to monitor the situation over the next 3 months.

330 ROOF OF BOWLS PAVILION This item was referred from the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee Meeting. After considering the quotes which had been supplied it was agreed that a specification should be obtained for a Tender document to be drawn up for work to be carried out in the spring.

331 CHURCH ROAD HALL Members were advised of the problems with the floor of the hall (which was lifting) and that bookings had temporarily been transferred to Grove Hall. A quote had been obtained to repair or replace the floor of the hall and the kitchen.

This item was to be included for consideration at the Meeting of the Town Council after further information had been obtained.

332 PLAYGROUND SAFETY SURFACING Members were advised of a quote which had been obtained to replace the existing surfacing in 3 playgrounds with wet-pour surfacing.

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The Park's Foreman was to be instructed to provide a report detailing areas most in need of resurfacing for consideration at the Meeting of the Town Council.

Councillor Mrs G M Prior left the Committee Room.

333 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1995/96 Members were asked to consider items for possible inclusion in the estimates for 1995/96 and the following were suggested:

£1,000 to subsidize holidays in Eastbourne for the elderly and people in need from this area;

Roof of Bowls Pavilion;

Changing Rooms at Sports Pavilion;

Showers at Leisure Centre;

Floor of Church Road Hall; and

Safety surfacing for children's playgrounds.

334 WAITING RESTRICTIONS - SWANSCOMBE STREET Members were advised of a letter which had been circulated to residents of Swanscombe Street from Kent Highways regarding the Consolidation Order which was made in 1992. NOTED

335 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW Members were advised that a Report of the Final Recommendations on the Future Local Government of Kent had been received and was available in the office. NOTED

336 THAMES GATEWAY The Clerk advised that a copy of the Thames Gateway Planning Framework Consultation Draft had been obtained from Dartford Borough Council.

Members were provided with copies of correspondence received from the Kent Rural Community Council advising that comments should be made to the Department of the Environment by 30th November 1994.

After consideration it was agreed that a letter be sent informing that this Council had not had sufficient time to consider this Report and asking for the date for replies to be extended.

337 SECURITY CONTAINER - MOUNTS ROAD Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing that they were unable to find out who owned the container. NOTED

338 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised that notification had been received for the following transfers of the Justice' Licences:

Shashi Kumar and Santosh Kumari in respect of the premises at 56-58 Swanscombe Street; and

Shirley Elizabeth Payne and Terence Raymond Jackson in respect of The Sun Public House, 16 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

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339 CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC ORDER BILL Members were provided with a copy of the letter which the Borough Council had sent to the Association of District Councils. NOTED

340 GROVE IRISH DANCERS Members were advised of a letter which which had been received from Mrs E Day thanking the Town Council for the donation. NOTED

341 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY Members were advised of a letter received from the Leisure Centre, seeking financial assistance towards the Childrens Christmas Party. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the sum of £160 be donated to assist with the cost of the party and to keep the price of the tickets at £2.50 - as in previous years.

342 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Members had received a copy of the letter from the Association seeking financial assistance and after discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the the Association be advised that Members would like to have a meeting in the New Year and arrangements would be made accordingly.

343 N A L C Members were informed that the November edition of the Local Council Review had been received and was available in the office. NOTED

344 SUTTON AT HONE and HAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL Members were advised of a letter received inviting the Chairman, Members and Clerk to a Service of Celebration for the Centenary Year at St Johns Church, Sutton at Hone on Sunday 4th December 1994 at 3pm. Following the short service carols were to be sung around the Christmas tree outside of the Parish Room. NOTED

Councillor Dixon declared a Non-Pecuniary interest in the following item.

345 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION Members were advised of a letter received from the Association requesting that the budget for the water supply for 1994/95 be rolled over to 1995/96 plus any amounts which were to be included for 1995/96.

This request was made due to possible future developments.

346 GARAGE AREA REAR OF KEARY ROAD Members were advised of a letter sent by Dart Homes to residents of Keary Road regarding lockable barriers being erected at the entrance to the track leading to the rear access of Keary Road.

Following a discussion it was agreed that Councillor Crow would arrange to visit the site with Mr Edie of the Borough Council.

347 MUNICIPAL MUTAL INSURANCE Members were advised of a letter received from MMI informing of the Scheme of Arrangements for the second six months period of the Scheme, ending 30th September '94.

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Enclosed with the letter was the Annual Report and Company and Group Accounts for 1993. NOTED

348 RETHMANN DIRECT FORCE LTD Members were advised of a letter received announcing a change of name as from 14th September 1994. NOTED

349 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised of a letter received from KTNC seeking financial assistance towards the cost of their Rail Link Appeal. NOTED

350 HALF-YEARLY FIGURES Members had received copies of the half-yearly figures at the Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee Meeting held on 3rd November '94.

351 CENTENARY Members were advised of the Recommendation made by the Executive Committee to cancel the Centenary Dance and arrange for a Family Disco and a Firework Display to be held on the Saturday of the Easter Weekend in 1995.

A Working Party was to be nominated to put forward proposals for this event and after consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Working Party be comprised of Councillors' Sheila East, W G East and B E Read.

352 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK A copy of the letter received from the Assistant Chief Executive of Dartford Borough Council was circulated to Members regarding the timescale in relation to the Bill and the dates for Petitioning.

Members were also advised that a copy of the non-technical summary to an Environmental Statement had been received alongwith a copy of Volumes 11 and 1V of the plans, Ordnance Maps and Volume 11 of the Book of Reference and all were available in the office.

A route brochure, map of the route and a card illustrating links with other parts of the country had also been received from Union Rail.

It was agreed that the Meeting which the Town Clerk had been arranging with Union Rail, Dartford Borough Council and Kent County Council should be held at the Leisure Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe at 7.30pm on Monday, 5th December '94.

353 RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised of a letter which had been received from KCC informing of a Meeting of the Kent Rail Action Group which was to be held on 15th December - Members of the Rail Link Group had received copies of this letter. Also enclosed with this letter was a copy of the draft Petition Stance and Issues of KCC.

A copy of the letter received from KCC dated 21st November had also been circulated to Members of the Rail Link Group advising of meetings which were to be held at County Hall on 13th and 14th December. The Town Council were invited to send a representative

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to the session to be held at 9.30 - 10.30am on Tuesday, 13th December and Councillor Bartlett volunteered to attend.

354 LOCAL ELECTIONS It was proposed by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor P S Crow that, due to Local Elections being held on 4th May 1995, the Annual General Meeting of the Town Council be held on Thursday, 18th May 1995.

RECOMMENDED

That this proposal be accepted.

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

DA/94/00623/TDA Application to amend as to whether prior approval is required for a one public payphone.

Opposite 74 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No observations.

DA/94/00506/REM Submission of details of perimeter roads and 16 (in part) of planning permission for the erection of regional shopping centre.

Blue Water Western Quarry Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Members of the Town Council were of the opinion that the junction at London Road/Cobham Terrace would not be adequate to deal with the traffic which would be generated.

DA/94/00546/REM Submission of details of landscaping pursuant to planning permission for the erection of a regional shopping centre.

Blue Water Western Quarry Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No observations.

DA/94/00545/REM Submission of details of off-site highways pursuant to planning permission for the erection of a regional shopping centre.

Blue Water Western Quarry Bean Road Greenhithe.

No observations.

CHAIRMAN

Income August 1994

Parks	Football	734.00	
	5 a side	21.28	
	Tennis	10.55	
	Bowls	42.43	
	Fun Fair	297.87	1106.13
Administration	Copier	.51	
	Reimbursement		
	Legal fees	275.00	
	VAT Refund	1448.97	1724.48
Community Halls	Grove Hall	128.82	
	Church Rd Hall	46.00	174.82
Allotments	Rents		3.72
Leisure Centre	Income		3050.22
Centre Bar	Income	2030.13	
	Food	91.91	
	Gaming Machines	207.92	2329.96
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			£8389.33
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Income September 1994

Parks	Football	50.00	
	Tennis	1.88	
	Bowls	34.99	86.87
Administration	Copier	1.88	1.88
Community Halls	Grove Hall	191.30	
	Church Rd Hall	13.80	205.10
Leisure centre	Income		3582.17
Centre Bar	Income	4017.86	
	Food	390.81	
	Gaming Machine	328.00	4736.67
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			£8612.69
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ACCOUNTS PAID FOR AUGUST 1994

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Video		69.00
Rental & Licence of Gaming Mch.		90.50
Telephone Accounts	330.79	574.27
Parks Equipment	15.33	
Hygiene Service	5.24	
Copier	23.76	
Annual Maintenance - Fax/A.Phone	76.37	
Stationary	5.26	
Wages Week 19	546.64	38.11
Inland Revenue	1638.24	1093.33
Business Rates	219.00	581.00
Car Hire fee's	16.00	
Stationary	65.68	
Maintenance		223.25
Stocktake		82.25
Vehicle - Repair & Fuel	75.65	
Gas Account		2020.83
Electric Account		765.68
Street Lighting - Maintenance	37.86	
Parks- Equipment (Ins & repairs)	769.01	
Heritage Park - KRCC Project	118.28	
Water Tank Repair		102.23
Bar - Repair Cooling Equipment		20.00
Parks - Security Unit	1204.38	
Bar - Supplies		1020.43
Cleaning Materials		157.54
Street Lighting - Charge	38.22	
Car Hire Fee's	12.50	
Park - Skip Hire	141.00	
Security Service	32.18	64.36
Bar Supplies		431.34
Equipent- Stationary - Supplies	31.37	73.15
Parks - Mobile Phone	17.50	
Salaries - Month 5	2624.96	3831.90
Wages Week 21	697.51	123.31
Advertising		116.33
Park - Supplies	11.39	
Bar Supplies		181.04
Cleaning Materials		78.79
Security Maintenance		76.38
Copier	24.68	
Bar Supplies		253.71
Wages		280.00
Yoga Coach		45.00
Uniforms		25.98
Rental & Licence - Gaming Mch.		181.00
Wages Week 20	593.64	10.00
Materials		10.79
Grand Total	£21993.94	£12621.50

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ACCOUNTS PAID SEPTEMBER 1994

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Window Cleaner - Church Rd. Hall	31.50	
Service - Boilers - Halls	83.26	
Parks - Summer Entertainment	250.00	
Heritage Park (KROCC Project)	77.10	
Annual Inspection - Fire Equip.	149.22	
Stocktake		70.00
Insurance - Rent		2616.65
Audit Fee	819.68	
Car Hire Fee's	20.00	
Parks - Fuel	19.74	
Bar - Lease Equipment		51.28
Bar Supplies		213.11
Rental - Snack Machines		357.74
Wages Week 22	608.94	10.00
Bar Supplies		41.67
Stationary	21.50	
Park - Supplies	95.18	
Equipment Service		167.79
Electric Account	17.50	589.30
Street Lighting	37.84	
Business Rates	219.00	581.00
Inland Revenue	1695.25	1277.18
Rent - Taunton Rd.	25.00	
Stocktake		50.00
Wages Week 23	502.77	52.30
Wages Week 24	632.47	24.11
Rent - Allotments	25.00	
Comm. Halls - Window Repairs	173.90	
Course Fee		98.00
Park - Fuel	55.00	
Equipment Repairs		42.30
Park - Fence height increased	1039.88	
Park - Skip Hire	70.50	
Park - Equipment	79.10	
Purchase of computer	1419.40	
Car Hire Fee's	19.00	
Bar Supplies		365.01
Advertising		262.01
Admin. Stationary	64.39	
Materials - Stationary - Supplies	97.80	
Street Lighting	38.22	
Street Lighting Maintenance	37.84	
Cleaning Materials		80.78
Cleaning Materials		44.31
Stocktake		50.00
Park - Removal of Roundabout	28.20	
Licence Fees		8.00
Park - Removal of Tree	180.00	
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C/fwd.	£8634.18	£7052.54

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	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
B/fwd.	£1039.88	£7052.54
Security Service	32.17	64.37
Insurance	270.52	
Bar Supplies		1062.73
Wages Week 25	572.72	58.57
Salaries	2600.82	4485.29
Park - Mobile Phone	20.44	
Wages Week 26	535.12	28.29
Copier	19.31	
Rents - Heritage Pk & Allotments	89.01	
Centenary Mugs	322.54	
Wages		140.00
Insurance Rent	1.00	
Advertising - Halls	94.00	
Bar Supplies		185.47
Electric Account	141.80	
Internal Audit	70.00	
Telephone Rental		150.99
Bar Supplies		180.85
Wages		95.67
Bar Gaming Machines		271.50
Yoga Coach		75.00
Window Cleaner		36.00
Grand Total £27,29 0.90	<u>£13,403.63</u>	<u>£13,887.27</u>

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE and GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY 15th DECEMBER 1994 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr. B E Read, Town Mayor Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. Sheila East
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. W G East
Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. C D Holt

Prayers were read by Reverend Tim Mercer.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' P S Crow, Mrs G M Prior and R Simmonds.

356 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

Councillor C D Holt declared a pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

357 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th October 1994 were confirmed and signed.

358 SENIOR CITIZEN'S CLUB Members were advised of a letter received from the Senior Citizens Club informing of their arrangement to have shared use of the ambulance used by the Old People's Welfare Committee, on a trial basis for one month.

A payment would be required for use of the ambulance and it was hoped that financial assistance would be available towards this expenditure. NOTED

359 DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL CALENDER 1995 Members were advised that a copy of the Dartford Borough Council calendar for 1995 had been received, reflecting aspects of life in the Borough. NOTED

360 PUBLIC TRANSPORT FOR KENT Members were advised of the Journal received from Kent County Council entitled Public Transport for Kent - a vision for the next twenty years.

Also received from KCC was the November edition of Grass Routes which was available in the office.

NOTED

361 UNION RAIL Members had been supplied with a report of the meeting held on Monday, 5th December with representatives of the Borough Council and Union Rail.

Councillors Sheila East and W G East entered the Committee Room.

It was agreed that an item would be included on the Agenda for the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee for this to be discussed.

Members also received copies of the layout of Ebbsfleet Station and were advised of the the timing of the Hybrid Bill through Parliament and that the Town Council would need to advertise 10 days prior to making any decision on Petitioning the Bill.

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Members were also informed that Union Rail were holding an Information Centre at the Pavilion on Wednesday 21st December, from 2pm to 8pm.

Councillor Bartlett had attended a Meeting at County Hall on Tuesday 6th December and advised Members that various Parish Councils had been represented and were going to petition the Bill.

362 CHURCH ROAD HALL Councillor Bartlett advised Members that he had checked an area of ground, although he had difficulty in doing the soil test, he found no ground water logged.

The Assistant Town Clerk advised that the leak outside the Library had apparently been repaired today and Thames Water Contractors would be carrying out the water test within the next few weeks.

It was agreed that this item be deferred for discussion at the R L & A Meeting on 5th January 1995.

363 PLAYGROUND SAFETY SURFACING Members received a report outlining the requirements at Broomfield Road, Swanscombe Park and Knockhall and it was agreed that this item be deferred to the R L & A Meeting on 5th January 1995.

364 RECREATION, LEISURE and AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor T V Dixon and seconded by Councillor R D Bartlett.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee held on 3rd November 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

365 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor L G Caller and seconded by Councillor R D Bartlett.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 10th November 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

366 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 24th November 1994 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

367 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were invited to join the Town Mayor, Councillor Bryan Read, for refreshments after the meeting.

Members were advised of the decline in health of the mother of Councillor Mrs Prior and of Councillor Simmonds and they were thought of at this time of year.

Councillor Read advised Members that he was attending a Carol Service at St Mary's Church, Gravesend, on Friday 16th December, at 6pm in aid of the Lions Hospice.

368 DATES OF MEETINGS It was agreed that Councillor Read plus a representative from each party on the Council should meet with the Greenhithe Community Association on Thursday, 12th January at a venue to be arranged.

The Sports Pavilion Working Party was to meet with representatives from the Association of Sports Clubs on Monday, 16th January at the Sports Pavilion at 8pm.

Arrangements were to be made with Councillor Crow for a meeting with the football clubs in January.

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

DA/94/00673/REM Submission of landscaping details pursuant to condition (7) of planning permission DA/91/0030 for the erection of a 2 storey side extension, single storey rear extension and a fire escape staircase.
Haslington Residential Nursing Home, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/00478/FUL Revised plans for single storey ground floor extension only. 63B Ames Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS Members wish to reiterate their previous comments:-
Lack of amenity space;
Insufficient parking space; and
Out of keeping with area and neighbouring properties.

The following decision notices had been received from the Borough Council granting permission for development:-

DA/94/00469/FUL Land at Stanley Road, Swanscombe.

DA/94/00623/TDA Land opposite 74 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

Planning permission has been refused for the following applications:-

DA/94/0394 11 High Street, Greenhithe.

DA/94/00539/FUL 56-58 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

A letter had been received from the Borough Council advising that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State against the Council's decision to refuse permission for the development at 66 Milton Road, Swanscombe (DA/94/0419).

Town Mayor

B E Read

MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION, LEISURE and AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 1995 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr. P S Crow, Chairman Cllr. Sheila East
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
 Cllr. Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read

370 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd November 1994 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, D J Cowell, W East and V Openshaw.

371 LATE COUNCILLOR R SIMMONDS Councillor Crow spoke of the sad loss of Councillor Simmonds and, in respect, a minutes silence was held. It was

RECOMMENDED

That, as a mark of respect, no-one would be co-opted on to the Council at this time and the position held by Councillor Simmonds would remain unfilled until the elections were held in May 1995.

Councillor R D Bartlett entered the Committee Room.

Councillor Mrs Prior felt unwell and left the Meeting.

372 VALLEY VIEW Members had received a copy of the letter sent to CADA Homes by Eric Davis of Dartford Borough Council alongwith a copy of their reply. Copies of correspondence with David Simms of Saxon Homes, relating to this site, were also enclosed.

The Park's Foreman outlined a number of items needing attention which had been noted at the site meeting he had attended with the Town Clerk and Eric Davis.

After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to CADA Homes advising of the items needing attention and explain that this Council were not prepared to accept the site until these had been dealt with and the commuted sum agreed. The Clerk was also asked to advise that Members were unhappy to learn that the wet pour safety surface, which had been requested, had been replaced with tiles.

373 GANG MOWING Members were asked to consider the contract for gangmowing for the 1995/96 season and were informed that an increase of 3% would apply.

After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the contract with KCC be renewed.

374 PARKS EQUIPMENT The Park's Foreman requested permission to

purchase a new set of slitters for the Sisis Spiker. It was

RECOMMENDED

That these be obtained.

375 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillors P S C row and B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the sports pavilion.

376 STOCKTAKE REPORT Members were provided with copies of the previous 3 stocktake reports. NOTED

377 BAR PRICES Members were advised of the action which had been taken by the Chairman to increase bar prices, to take account of the metric measures which had now been introduced. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the action taken by the Chairman be endorsed.

378 MALE SHOWERS Members were advised that the mens showers in the Leisure Centre were not in use and quotes were currently being obtained to re-tile the walls.

This item was deferred for consideration at the Meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

379 BAR ASSISTANT Members were advised that Mrs Houckham had been appointed as Bar Assistant and would take up her position on Sunday, 15th January.

380 NEW YEARS EVE DISCO Members were advised that 250 tickets had been sold and, as in previous years, an extremely good time was had by all who attended.

381 PLAYGROUND SAFETY SURFACING Members had been provided with a report on the condition of safety surfacing in the play areas alongwith quotes for the areas in need of attention. NOTED

382 CHURCH ROAD HALL Members were advised that Thames water had inspected the hall and that no pipes were leaking.

The Clerk was asked to see if the Building Control Officer at Dartford Borough Council would be allowed to give advice on the problems at the Church Road Hall and the item was to be deferred until further information was available.

383 CIRCUS Members were advised of an application to site a circus at Swanscombe Park and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the circus be invited to visit Swanscombe Park week commencing 3rd April 1995.

384 CRAYLANDS LANE DEVELOPMENT Members had been advised of a meeting to be held at the Leisure Centre on Thursday, 2nd February at 8pm with representatives of Blue Circle to

discuss the proposed development and Craylands Gorge.

385 K A P C Members had received Issue no 215 of the Parish News. NOTED

386 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of a reply received from the S & G Association of Sports Clubs regarding the changing rooms.

A meeting of the Sports Pavilion Working Party had been arranged for Thursday 12th January.

Members were also advised of a letter received today from the Solicitor regarding the Lease and the Clerk was asked to reply.

387 SECURITY PATROL Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council and it was agreed that the situation be monitored and considered in July.

388 TRAFFIC CALMING Members received a copy of a letter from Kent County Council regarding a Seminar to be held on 19th January. NOTED

389 THAMES GATEWAY Members were asked for their comments on the draft consultation document, which had been circulated at a previous meeting, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise of Members concern about the reference to a mixed development with no mention being made to localised zones and therefore this area could be developed without any provision being allowed for leisure.

It was also felt that green wedges should be included from the green belt area to the River Thames.

390 K R C C Members were advised of an invitation to attend the quarterly meeting at County Hall, Maidstone on 27th January.

391 SOUTH THAMES DEVELOPMENT ROUTE Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council advising that The Lamb Public House, at Greenhithe was due to be demolished on 17th January. NOTED

392 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK Members were asked to consider the need to Petition against the Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill and were advised of the open meeting which had been held at the Leisure Centre on 5th January. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk prepare a Petition and include the following:

The South Thames Development Route to be constructed prior to the construction of the Rail Link or Ebbsfleet Station;

Traffic calming measures to be provided alongwith off street parking and measures taken to prevent Southfleet Road being used as a short cut for traffic;

Leisure facilities to be provided to compensate for those lost in the Ebbsfleet Valley and Swanscombe Marshes with financial backing to maintain such areas;

Swanscombe and Greenhithe Stations to remain and be maintained;

Existing footpaths upgraded and new ones to be constructed to allow public access to the River Thames;

Wildlife and plantation to be safeguarded in the conservation area of Ebbsfleet Valley;

Existing open spaces to be upgraded, for example, the site of the former Swanscombe High School;

Spoil from the construction site was not to be deposited on Swanscombe Marshes but removed, preferably by river transport; and

The frontage of the River Thames to be protected for the enjoyment of local residents.

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

DA/94/00703 Erection of a single storey front extension.
19 Riverview Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Members objected to this application as it was out of character with the surrounding area.

DA/94/00711 Erection of a 4 storey side extension and a conversion of property to form 4 self contained flats with associated car parking and vehicular access.
6 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Although making No Observations to this application, Members wished to draw attention to the fact that most of the properties in this road had now been converted to flats - increasing the problem of parking.

DA/94/00721 Erection of a first floor rear extension.
56/58 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Objections but Members ask that notice be taken of comments made by neighbours.

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

DA/94/00620/TPO - Swanscombe Park, Swanscombe;

DA/94/00558/FUL - 33/37 High Street, Swanscombe;

DA/94/00557/FUL - Greenhithe Service Station, Greenhithe.

Planning permission had been refused for the following applications:-

DA/94/00582/FUL - 7 Boleyn Way, Swanscombe.

DA/94/0322 - Land rear of 16-26 Cobham Terrace.

Members were advised of a letter received from the Borough Council advising that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State against their decision to refuse permission for development at 11 High Street, Greenhithe - DA/93/0515.

A question was raised regarding planning permission being granted for Manor Road School site and Councillor Crow explained that Dartford Borough Council had refused a site meeting due to the fact that only one member of the Borough Council had voted in favour of such a meeting.

394 ANY OTHER BUSINESS Councillor Dixon was concerned at the lack of gritting of the roads during the period of bad weather, and the Clerk was asked to write of this concern to KCC.



Chairman.

MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 26th JANUARY 1995 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. B E Read - Town Mayor Cllr. Sheila East
 Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. W G East
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. C D Holt
 Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
 Cllr. T V Dixon

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor V Openshaw.

395 PETITION - CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK BILL Members were advised of the Recommendation made by Members at the Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee (Minute 392) on Wednesday, 11th January 1995.

A copy of the Petition had been circulated to Members and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Petition to oppose the Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill be accepted under Section 239 of the 1974 Local Government Act and be delivered to the House of Commons by the Town Clerk.

The fare and reasonable expenses of the Clerk and her escort to be paid by the Town Council.

396 SEALING OF PETITION It was,

RESOLVED

That the Town Mayor and the Town Clerk sign the Petition and seal it with the Seal of the Town Council.

B E Read

Town Mayor

MINUTES of the MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 26th JANUARY 1995 at 7.45pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. Sheila East
Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. W G East
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. C D Holt
Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. Mrs G M Prior
Cllr. T V Dixon

397 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th November 1994 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Openshaw.

398 DECLARATION OF INTEREST A pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion was declared by Councillor Holt and a non-pecuniary interest in the same item was declared by Councillor Read.

399 INCOME FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 1994 The Income for October and November amounting to £23,103.53 was received as set out in the annexed list.

400 ACCOUNTS PAID OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 1994 The Town Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £46,241.55 had been paid during October and November.

401 LATE COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS Members were advised of a letter received from Mrs Simmonds thanking Members for the floral tribute and their support on the day of the funeral. NOTED

402 TRAFFIC CALMING Reference Minute 388, Members were informed that a letter had been received from KCC advising that it had been necessary to postpone the Seminar and it would now be held on 16th February at 6.30pm at the Clocktower Pavilion, Swanley. NOTED

403 REVALUATION OF NON DOMESTIC PROPERTY Members were advised of a letter which had been received from the Valuation Office informing that all non domestic property was revalued for rating purposes every five years and the next revaluation would come into effect on 1st April 1995.

Correspondence had been received advising that the valuation figure for the Leisure Centre and the Grove Hall had not changed but had been reduced to £185 for Knockhall Changing Rooms. NOTED

404 CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS Members had received a Report of the Meeting of the Centenary Working Party which had been held at the Leisure Centre on Monday, 16th January 1995.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a firework display be held at Broomfield Road Sports Ground on 1st April and a Family Disco be arranged for 31st March at the Leisure Centre.

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Arrangements were to be made for another Meeting of the Working Party to be held.

405 VIREMENTS Members were advised that an underspend of £8,000 had been identified in the 1994/95 budget and it was proposed that the following work be undertaken:

- Roof of Bowls Pavilion;
- Division of changing room at Sports Pavilion;
- V E Day Celebrations;
- Problem of leak in gutter at Church Road Hall;
- Upgrade Grove Hall.

The roundabout at Knockhall Road Play Area was to be replaced with a Roll-the-Barrel which had been included in the probable figures supplied in the estimates for 1995/96.

Councillor Bartlett left the Meeting.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the proposal be accepted and Tenders be prepared for the work needed on the roof of the Bowls Pavilion.

406 MANOR ROAD Reference Minute 306 - Members were advised of the reply received from the Borough Council, informing that the Planning Officer had been notified of the current problems.

A French drain was currently being constructed by the Kent Education Authority and the area had been noted for special attention in the event that the temperature dropped to freezing point.

The letter was noted and the Clerk was asked to advise the Borough Council of problems as they occurred.

407 FOOTPATH NORTH OF GREENHITHE STATION Reference Minute 270 - Members were advised of the reply received from KCC informing that Members' opinions had been noted and the request had been referred to the Area Manager for consideration. NOTED

408 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL The Winter edition of Oast to Coast had been received alongwith the information leaflet from DIAL Kent and an application form for the Village Appraisals Information Day, which was to be held on 18th February, at Harrietsham Community Centre.

Members were advised that Brenchley Memorial Hall were holding a Village Day on 8th May to commemorate the end of the war in Europe and wished to hear from Villages holding similar events.

Members had received a copy of the letter from KRCC seeking a donation to assist with the deficit in their expenditure for 1994/95.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a donation of £20 be made under Section 137 of the 1974 Local Government Act.

409 ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL A letter had been received from the Trust Appeal Office seeking financial assistance with the work needing to be done in the Crypt. NOTED

410 KENT TREE WARDEN SCHEME Members had received a copy of the letter from the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers who were seeking financial assistance in support of their Tree Warden Scheme. NOTED

411 BUS SHELTERS A letter had been received from the Kentish Bus and Coach Company, confirming there were no plans to move the bus stops where new shelters were to be installed and thanking Members of the Council for their positive approach in relation to the provision of these facilities. NOTED

412 NATIONAL LOTTERY Members were advised of a letter received from KCC inviting comments and ideas for use of the potential funding from the lottery.

It was agreed that Members should be provided with a copy of the letter and any suggestions should be given to the Town Clerk.

413 APPLICATION FOR JUSTICES' LICENCE A Notice of Application had been received advising that Jaswant Singh Tihar and Surjit Kaur Tihar of 127 Milton Road, Swanscombe were to apply for a Justice's Licence to sell intoxicating liquors at the abovementioned premises. NOTED

414 SWANLEY COURT HOTEL Members were provided with details of the offer from Swanley Council for elderly residents wishing to use the Swanley Court Hotel for a holiday in 1995.

It was agreed that this letter be noted and the Clerk to advise Senior Citizens Clubs of this offer.

415 SOUTH EAST IN BLOOM The Clerk reported that details of the competition for 1995 had been received alongwith information concerning the National Spring Clean and the Winter edition of Litter Matters. NOTED

416 SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £51 and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

417 NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 1995 Members had received a copy of the letter received Dartford Borough Council regarding the participation of Town and Parish Councils in the 1995 event. NOTED

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418 SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL A reply had been received from KCC in response to the request for additional crossing patrols in Swanscombe Street. NOTED

419 SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH A letter had been received seeking financial assistance towards the cost of the repairs needed to the Church and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a donation of £200 be made under Section 137 of the 1974 Local Government Act.

420 MANORBROOKE ELDERLY PERSONS HOME Members had received a copy of the letter from Social Services, seeking their comments on the proposals for the future of Manorbrooke, alongwith the Report made to the Social Services Committee on 18th January. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise that Members wished to see Manorbrooke retained as a KCC residential care establishment with acceptable renovations and with stronger links with The Limes - as option C.

421 UNION RAILWAYS Members were provided with a copy of the Minutes of the Meeting held on December 5th 1994 at the Leisure Centre with representatives of Union Railways and Dartford Borough Council. NOTED

Councillor Mrs Prior left the Committee Room.

422 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE RAILWAY STATIONS Members were advised of a letter which had been sent to Mr Dunn MP informing that, following a review of Station Staffing, the opening hours of the ticket offices at both Stations were to be extended.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Dunn in appreciation of his assistance and asking for his help in getting the hours extended to cover the time when most of the vandalism occurs.

A vote of appreciation was voiced for all the Members who had worked so hard to get Swanscombe Station improved.

423 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS Members were advised that the January edition of the Local Council Review had been received and was available in the office. NOTED

424 V E DAY The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the British Legion regarding the celebrations which were being arranged for 8th May and it was agreed that this item be referred to the Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

425 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK Members had received a copy of the letter regarding the deposit of spoil on Swanscombe Marshes and the proposals to develop this area. NOTED

426 KENT RAIL ACTION GROUP Members were advised that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th December '94 had been received alongwith a copy of the Report to the Special Meeting of KCC on 23rd January at County Hall. NOTED

427 COMMUNITY CARE PLAN 1995/96 - 1997/98 A copy of the Draft Consultative Plan had been received from KCC's Social Services Department seeking Members' views by 15th February.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That a reply be sent advising that Members would like to see Residential and Care Homes in this area retained for the benefit of elderly residents and kept in the Public Sector rather than being privatised.

Councillor Crow advised that he would try to attend the Meeting at Joynes House on 8th February.

428 CIRCUS CAROUSEL A request had been received for the Cicus to visit Swanscombe Park from 7th to 9th July 1995 and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That Circus Carousel be offered Knockhall Sports Ground as a site for their visit.

429 K A P C Members had received a copy of issue no. 216 of the Parish News. NOTED

430 KENT STRUCTURE PLAN Members were advised that a Report of the Examination in Public held between 12th and 29th April 1994 had been received and was available in the office.

431 SHOWERS - LEISURE CENTRE Councillor Crow informed that the men's showers had to be re-tiled as a matter of urgency and he had authorised this work as Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee. It was,

RECOMMENDED

RECOMMENDED

That the action taken by Councillor Crow be endorsed.

432 DRAFT ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1995/96 Members had been provided with a draft copy of the Estimates and explanations were provided by the Chairmen of the Recreation and Finance Committees.

Councillor Crow left the Meeting.

After discussion, a proposal was made for an additional £1,000 to be included for playground equipment and £3,000 for repairs to the Church Road Hall. It was

RECOMMENDED

That this proposal be accepted and the figures be amended to take account of the additional expenditure of £4,000.

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433 PLANNING APPLICATIONS Members were advised that the following Decision Notices had been received, granting permission for development:

DA/94/00673/REM Haslington Residential Home, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

DA/94/00703/FUL 19 Riverview Road, Greenhithe.


Chairman

Income October 1994

Parks	Tennis	2.81	
	Football	70.00	
	Bowls	15.44	
	Sale of Container	300.00	
	KRCC Grant	500.00	
	Contribution from Bowls Club	600.00	1488.25
Administration	Copier	.43	
	Interest	2225.31	2225.74
Community Halls	Grove Hall	264.00	
	Church Road	34.50	
	Sports Pavilion	1305.00	1603.50
Leisure Centre	Income		3572.62
Centre Bar	Income	3401.86	
	Food	272.43	
	Gaming Machines	119.82	3794.11
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			£12,684.22
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Income November 1994

Parks	Football	340.00	340.00
Administration	Copier	2.39	
	VAT Refund	2119.41	2121.80
Community Halls	Grove Hall	451.64	
	Church Road	66.00	517.64
Leisure Centre	Income		3037.58
Centre Bar	Income	3543.82	
	Food	503.36	
	Gaming Machines	355.11	4402.29
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			£10,419.31
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ACCOUNTS PAID FOR OCTOBER 1994

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Wages Week 27	691.84	10.00
Parks-Inspection Contract	176.25	
Parks-Materials	413.65	
Street Lighting Maintenance	37.84	
Copier-Rental	258.37	
Parks-Water A/c Knockhall	55.03	
Parks-Lock Repair	259.60	
Mayor's Acc.(Circus Fee)	153.19	
Wages-Week 28	403.00	28.29
Superannuation	2719.10	889.48
Bar-Vending M/C Rental		141.00
Advertising		163.80
Donation-EllenorFoundation	50.00	
Donation-Grove Irish Dance	50.00	
Park-Fuel	45.65	
Groundwork Trust/Heritage Pk	1057.50	
Bar-Supplies		48.67
Bar-Supplies		307.92
Refuse collection	25.05	244.40
Re-siteing Security Container	152.75	
Business Rate	219.00	581.00
Park-Supplies	312.05	
Bar-Supplies		1367.00
Electric Account		766.58
Park-Equipment Service	84.42	
Skip Hire	70.50	
Inland Revenue	1720.28	1713.77
Wages-week 29	831.14	10.00
Security sevice	32.18	64.36
Cleaning Materials		43.48
Engraving Past Mayors Badges	25.61	
Bar-Supplies		101.13
Bar-Supplies		202.76
Park-Supplies	16.33	
Mobile Phone	20.44	
Wages Week 30	522.19	10.00
Salaries-Month 5	2330.94	3334.58
Copier	29.93	
Stocktake Report		70.00
Street Lighting	38.22	
Internal Audit	70.00	
Wages		140.00
Bar-Gaming Machine Licence		90.50
Vehicle-Tyres	160.00	
Bar-Ice M/C Repair		51.25
Bar-Food		87.47
Re-programme Pay-phone		25.00
Yoga Coach		60.00
Wages		35.52
Rental-Telephone System		111.63
Grand Total £23,731.64	<u>£13,032.05</u>	<u>£10,699.59</u>

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ACCOUNTS PAID NOVEMBER 1994

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Wages Week 31	489.48	43.75
Church Rd Hall-Blinds	389.99	
Maintenace-Light Bulbs		205.17
Park-Materials	449.09	
Equipment		22.68
Bar-Cleaning Materials		17.63
Cleaning Materials		94.15
Advertising		124.32
Park-Bedding Plants	130.00	
Gas Accounts	121.19	
Water Account		316.23
Heritage Park	23.50	
Telephone Account	312.02	197.15
Hygiene Service	5.24	
Stationary	77.78	
Maintenance-Painting		896.00
Park-Equip. Repair/Service	300.57	
Playground Repairs	441.80	
Wages-Week 32	506.75	37.44
Wages-Week 33	781.41	10.00
Bar Supplies		121.13
Park-Equipment Replaced	307.96	
Skip Hire	70.50	
Park-Tool Replacement	104.46	
Internal Audit	70.00	
Halls Furniture/Stationary	213.76	5.87
Gas Account		7.52
Electric Account		734.98
Business Rates	187.00	581.00
Street Lighting/Energy	37.84	
Street Lighting Maintenance	38.22	
Park-Fuel Account	65.02	
Oak tree & Surgery	83.00	
Park-Fuel Account	9.00	
Security Service	32.18	64.36
Inland Revenue	1556.60	1016.09
Bar-Supplies		277.40
Bar-Supplies		331.73
Car Hire	13.00	
Poppy Wreaths	25.00	
Bar-Supplies		1472.67
Bar-Supplies		375.49
Mobile Phone	20.44	
Cleaning Materials		55.80
Maintenance-Light Bulbs & Equip.		110.43
C/fwd	<hr/> 6862.80	<hr/> 7118 .99

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B/Fwd	6862.80	7118.99
Copier	32.22	
Repairs to H/Water System		133.97
Wages		140.00
Wages-Week 34	622.53	37.92
Salaries-Month 8	2904.13	3701.39
Bar-Food		108.76
Repairs-Car Park Lights		76.37
Window Cleaner		36.00
Wages		61.66
Gaming Mch. Rent & Licence		271.50
Yoga Coach		60.00
Hallowe'en Disco & Prizes		130.00
Bar-Repair Glasswasher		211.67
Grand Total £22,509.91	<u>£10,421.68</u>	<u>£12,088.23</u>

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE
TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE,
SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 16th FEBRUARY 1995 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. B E Read, Town Mayor Cllr. L G Caller
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. P S Crow
 Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. T V Dixon

Prayers were read by Reverend T Mercer.

Peter Walicknowski of Lend Lease Global Investments was introduced to Members and he then proceeded to give a presentation on the revised proposals for Bluewater.

Members were advised that the site had been re-assessed and this had been completed in January 1995. Consultation was now taking place, with the final planning application going before the Dartford Borough Council Planning Committee on 14th March 1995.

Major stores had shown an interest, which would give employment for approximately 3,000 people, plus associated employment.

Members were shown slides outlining the history of Lend Lease and contracts they had undertaken in various parts of the world and were advised that work on the site was expected to commence early in 1996 and be completed in 1998.

Councillor R D Bartlett entered the Committee Room.

Councillor Read thanked Peter Walicknowski for a very informative presentation and said that Members welcomed this redesigned development and looked forward to meeting him again, in the meantime he hoped that the planning application would be successful.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' A C Ash-Smith, Mrs D J Ash-Smith, Sheila East, W G East and Mrs G M Prior.

Councillor Read advised Members that Councillor Mrs Prior's Mother had passed away after a long illness and a letter of sympathy had been sent.

434 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillors' B E Read and P S Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

435 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 15th December 1994 and 26th January 1995 were confirmed and signed.

436 NATIONAL LOTTERY Members had received a copy of a letter alongwith an internal newsletter from Kent County Council inviting Members' comments and ideas regarding the funding which would be available from the National Lottery. NOTED

437 BOUNDARY WALL - ST PETER and ST PAUL CHURCH Members were advised of a quote received for repairs needed to the boundary wall and it was,

RESOLVED

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That the Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee have delegated authority to accept the quote within the budget set for 1994/95.

438 VALLEY VIEW PLAYGROUND Members had received a copy of the reply from Cada Homes and after discussion it was,

RESOLVED

That a reply be sent advising that Members were happy to accept items 1, 3, 4, 6 & 8 of his letter but with reference to item 2, the site would not be accepted until the drainage problem had been satisfactorily dealt with.

Reference item 5, the access at the Southern boundary was to be for pedestrians only with no vehicular access.

Members were pleased that boundary fences were to be improved, to prevent dogs gaining access, but also required a fence to be erected to prevent children gaining access to the existing garages to the west of the site.

Members were unhappy that safety tiles had been laid instead of the wet-pour surface, which had previously been agreed, but it was reluctantly agreed that these would be accepted.

The Clerk was to request a reply to the question which had been raised about the provision of a commuted sum.

439 JOHN LAWSON CIRCUS Members were advised of a letter received querying the fee charged to site the circus in the park and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk advise that the fees could not be reduced - they had not been increased this year and had been accepted by various other Circus' and Fairs.

440 NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 1995 Reference Minute 417, Members again considered the letter which had been received from the Borough Council and it was agreed that a letter be sent to local organisations inviting them to participate in this event.

441 KENT ASSOCIATION OF TWINNING ORGANISATIONS Members were informed of a letter which had been received, advising that the Annual General Meeting was to be held on 1st April 1995 at Northdown House, Cliftonville. NOTED

442 POLICE AND COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE GROUP Members were advised that the next Public Meeting of the Police and Community Consultative Group was to be held on Wednesday 8th March at the Methodist Hall, Spital Street, Dartford at 7.30pm. NOTED

443 VE AND VJ DAY COMMEMORATIONS Members were advised of a letter received from the Chairman of the K A P C Dartford Area Committee informing of a meeting that had been held to discuss various ideas for the 50th anniversaries. It was agreed that this item be referred to the Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

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444 SOUTH THAMES DEVELOPMENT ROUTE - STAGE 4 Members had received a copy of the letter from Kent County Council advising of a public exhibition of the proposed route for the STDR which was to be held on 17th and 18th February at St Botolph's School, Dover Road, Northfleet. NOTED

445 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK Members were advised of correspondence which had been received from Sherwood & Co., informing of the order of proceedings for the Petitions against the Channel Tunnel Rail Link Bill.

446 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Members were advised of the dates which had been obtained from the Association for a meeting to be held and it was agreed that Councillors' L G Caller, P S Crow and B E Read should meet with representatives of the Association on Thursday, 2nd March at the Leisure Centre at 8pm.

447 STAFFING Members had received a letter advising that the Youth Trainee Student - Paul Eagles, was no longer employed in the Leisure Centre.

448 LEISURE STRATEGY FOR BOROUGH OF DARTFORD Councillor Read advised Members of a letter he had received from Dartford Borough Council and it was agreed that this item be dealt with by the Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

448 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1995/96 Members had received copies of the revised estimates for 1995/96 and it was,

RESOLVED

That these Estimates be accepted.

449 COUNCIL TAX 1995/96 It was proposed by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor L G Caller that the Council Tax for Band D properties for 1995/96 be set at £60.01.

RESOLVED

That this proposal be accepted.

450 CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS Members had received a report of the meeting of the Centenary Working Party held on 9th February and it was,

RESOLVED

That the report be accepted and the cost of the Disco and the additional staffing for this event be taken from the Centenary Budget.

451 TRUSTEE/SECRETARY - ALMSHOUSES It was agreed that this item be deferred for consideration at the Annual General Meeting.

452 RECREATION, LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon.

RESOLVED

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That the Minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee held on 11th January 1995 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

453 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and seconded by Councillor P S Crow.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 26th January 1995 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

454 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were asked to advise the Town Clerk if they were able to accept the invitation to the Civic Reception.

Councillor Read advised Members that he was to make a presentation to Swayne County Junior School and to Scotts of Northfleet on behalf of Gravesham Education Partnership on Monday 27th February.

It was agreed that a letter of congratulations be sent to the Head Teacher of Swayne School on attaining this award.

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

DA/95/00030/FUL Section 73 appl. to vary condition 3 of p.p. DA/88/0336/OUT (as amended by DA/92/422, DA/93/371, 372, 373, 375 & DA/94/0178). Variation in respect of altered & updated illustrative drawings & amended wording to condition 3.

Blue Water Western Quarry, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Members welcomed the variations on this application with enthusiasm.

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

DA/93/0544 - Haslington Nursing Home, 27 Bean Road, Greenhithe.

Members were advised of a letter received from the Borough Council advising that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State against their decision to refuse permission for variation/deletion of conditions relating to the approval previously granted in relation to DA/94/0322 - 16-26 Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe.

A letter had been received from the Borough Council alongwith a copy of the Inspector's Decision in respect of the appeal made by Mr Lahar DA/04/0241 - 137 Milton Road, Swanscombe, advising that the appeal had been dismissed.

A letter had been received from the Borough Council informing that the comments made regarding DA/94/00703 had arrived after

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the standard 21 day consultation period and the Council were unable to take these comments on board.

Members were advised of a letter received from the Borough Council advising that revised plans in respect of planning application DA/94/0060 had been received.

A question was raised regarding a rumour which was being circulated concerning plans for a Secondary School to be built in Swanscombe and the Clerk was asked to write to the County Council's Education Department to make enquiries.

Town Mayor

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE
LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE ON THURSDAY,
23RD. FEBRUARY 1995 AT 8PM.

PRESENT: Cllr. B E Read, Town Mayor Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. R D Bartlett

Also in attendance were Councillors M D Chater and T V Dixon and the Senior Leisure Officer, Miss J Scott.

456 SUBSTITUTES Councillor Chater attended as substitute for Councillor A C Ash-Smith and Councillor Dixon attended as substitute for Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith.

Miss Julie Scott was introduced to Members and welcomed to her first meeting.

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

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting.

458 BANK HOLIDAYS After consideration it was,

RESOLVED

That all part-time staff employed by the Town Council should be entitled to payment for eight bank holidays per year, as a proportion of their hours to a full working week.

Arrangements to be made for a Bank of Hours to be held for each person, with surplus hours being taken at the discretion of their Senior Officer.

459 YOUTH TRAINEE STUDENT Members were advised of the current situation regarding staffing of the Leisure Centre and of the revised conditions imposed by Thameside Training relating to transport for trainees working after 11.30pm.

Councillor Bartlett left the Committee Room.

After consideration it was,

RESOLVED

That a Youth Trainee Student be employed through Thameside Training and Miss Scott to select and interview the candidates alongwith a Member of the Town Council.

Miss Scott was asked to advise the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee if the cost of transport was likely to exceed the budget provision for the Leisure Centre, to enable monies to be vired over.

Miss Scott was asked to provide a written report on the feasibility of providing GVNQ Students with work experience at the Leisure Centre.

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460 INSURANCE CLAIM Members were advised that notification had been received from Zurich Municipal informing that the final settlement had been paid, in relation to the claim made by a former employee of the Council.

M. Ash-Smith

Town Mayor

MINUTES of the MEETING of the RECREATION, LEISURE and AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY 9th MARCH 1995 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT; Cllr. P S Crow, Chairman Cllr. M D Chater
 Cllr. A C Ash-Smith Cllr. T V Dixon
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. V Openshaw
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. B E Read

461 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 1995 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor V Openshaw entered the Committee Room.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' A M Barham, R D Bartlett, Sheila East and Mrs G M Prior.

462 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillor B E Read declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion. A pecuniary interest was declared in items relating to Age Concern by Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith and also by Councillor Openshaw for items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

463 VOTE OF THANKS Councillor Crow gave a vote of thanks to all Members of the Council for the support he had received during his term of office as Chairman. He hoped that the growth in the Leisure field would continue under the future Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

A vote of thanks was also given to staff in the Parks, Leisure Centre and Administration Departments for their support and assistance throughout the Chairman's Term of Office.

464 LEAKING WATER PIPE Members were advised of quotes that had been received to replace the lead pipes, which were leaking, in Swanscombe Park.

- a - £1,700 plus VAT
- b - £6,681.20 plus VAT

RECOMMENDED

That quote 'a' be accepted in the sum of £1,700 plus VAT.

465 SECURITY LIGHTING - KNOCKHALL Members were asked to re-consider the need to replace the security lighting at Knockhall Road Sports Field and it was agreed that the Park's Foreman would continue to monitor the situation.

466 PARK STAFF Councillor Crow thanked the Park Staff for maintaining the football pitches in such good condition, despite the extreme weather conditions which had been experienced.

467 STOCKTAKE REPORT Members were provided with a copy of the stocktake report for the 42 days to 15th February 1995. NOTED

468 DECORATING - LEISURE CENTRE Members were advised of 3 quotes which had been received to decorate the inside of the Centre and it was,

RECOMMENDED

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That these quotes be referred to the next Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee for consideration.

469 ANNUAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT Members were advised that the following quotes had been received for the annual contract for air conditioning and heating -

a £1,980 plus Vat. b £1,717 plus VAT

After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That, as the engineer's hourly rate for attending was less, quote 'A' should be accepted.

470 FIRE DOORS Members were advised that the following 3 quotes had been received to carry out work needed on the fire doors -

a £220 b £225 + VAT c £645.80 + VAT

After consideration it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Chairman be given delegated authority to deal with this item.

471 CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS Members were informed of the arrangements which had been made for the firework display and the Centenary Disco and were advised that Marshalls would be needed for the firework event.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Scout Group to see if they would assist with marshalling the area. NOTED

472 PARK BENCH/SEAT Members were asked to consider the possibility of providing a seat in memory of the late Councillor Simmonds.

Members agreed in principle to this suggestion and it was to be discussed in detail at the Meeting of the Town Council.

473 SPORTS PAVILION Members were provided with a report of the meeting held between the Sports Pavilion Working Party and representatives of the Association of Sports Clubs. NOTED

474 MEETING WITH FOOTBALL CLUBS Members were provided with a report of the meeting which had been held with representatives of the football clubs on 8th February.

Councillor Crow said he hoped arrangements would continue to be made for these meetings - to allow problems to be discussed. NOTED

Councillor Caller asked for his apologies to be recorded on the report of the meeting.

475 DOG BYELAWS Members were provided with draft copies of the Dog Byelaws for approval and it was,

RECOMMENDED

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That these be accepted and the draft byelaws be forwarded to the Department of the Environment for approval.

476 ROOF OF BOWLS PAVILION Members were advised that Tenders for the work needed on the roof of the pavilion were due to be returned by Monday, 20th March and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Tenders be opened and one of them be accepted by the Chairman, Councillor Crow, alongwith Councillor Caller and the Town Clerk.

Councillors Mr and Mrs Ash-Smith left the Meeting.

477 MEETING WITH BLUE CIRCLE Members had received a report of the meeting which had been held with representatives of Blue Circle on 2nd February alongwith a copy of the letter from David Simms relating to the Craylands Lane development.

The report and letter were noted and the Clerk was asked to see if the timescale for handover of various facilities could be improved, if this had not already been reviewed.

478 CHURCHYARD WALL Reference Minute 437 - Councillor Crow had accepted part of the quote which had been received, and Members were advised of the work which was to be carried out within the budget for 1994/95. NOTED

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about the trees which were to be replaced in Manor Park, to avoid the wall being damaged.

479 V E DAY CELEBRATIONS Members were provided with a copy of the letter from the British Legion inviting them to join in the V E Parade on 7th May and also a copy of the letter from Councillor Mrs Salway.

Reference Minute 443, after consideration it was agreed that a notice be put in the window of the Leisure Centre informing that the Borough Council would assist with road closures for street parties which were to be arranged locally.

The Clerk was to advise the Borough Council that the Town Council would be holding a street party and would be grateful for bunting if it should be available.

480 PAST MAYOR'S BADGE Members were asked to consider whether a badge should be presented to the Town Mayor each time they serve a Term of Office in that position and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a Past Mayor's Badge should be presented every year - irrespective of whether they had previously served in that Office.

481 CRAYLANDS GORGE Members were provided with a copy of the letter received from Groundwork Trust alongwith their proposals for access to Craylands Gorge. NOTED

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482 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL A letter had been received inviting this Council to contribute to a retirement gift for the Deputy Director and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a donation of £10 be made.

483 GRAVESEND COUNTY COURT - PROPOSED CLOSURE Members were provided with a copy of the letter which had been received from the Lord Chancellor's Department of the South Eastern Circuit, informing of the proposals to close the County Court at Gravesend.

Following a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a reply be sent, advising that Members felt it was important that a County Court should be retained in Gravesend and that Members of the Town Council were unanimously opposed to the proposed closure.

484 SPRING CAMPAIGN 1995 A copy of the letter received from Groundwork Trust had been circulated to all Members informing of the events which were to take place between 20th and 31st May.

NOTED

485 GROVE HALL Members were advised of a letter which had been received seeking permission to install a small cupboard in the hall.

Although Members were not opposed to this request, it was delegated to Officers to arrange, if practical.

486 SWANSCOMBE BOWLING CLUB A letter had been received from the Secretary of the Club requesting a meeting be held to discuss the future of the Bowling Club.

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for a meeting to be held, attended by Councillors' L G Caller, P S Crow and B E Read and a report be provided for the next Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

487 OLD PEOPLE'S WELFARE COMMITTEE A request had been received to hire Swanscombe Park on September 3rd for their annual fete. It was,

RECOMMENDED

That this request be approved and the hire fee be waived on this occasion.

488 RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION A request was made for the Association to hire Swanscombe Park on June 25th for their annual fete and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this request be approved and the usual hire fee be applied.

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

DA/95/00067/FUL Application for the removal of condition (13) of planning permission DA/83/658 for the redevelopment of premises. Condition relating to the sole occupancy of unit 1.

Unit 1 Swanscombe Business Centre,
17 London Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/94/0594 Revised drawings relating to the proposed residential development.

The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS Site meeting requested.

DA/95/00105/FUL Erection of a single storey rear extension.

15 Taunton Road, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Objections providing there were no objections raised by neighbours.

A letter had been received from KCC requesting Members' observations on the proposals put forward by Blue Circle to construct two tunnels below Bean Road to further connect Eastern and Western Quarries. No Objections were made against this application.

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

DA/94/00711 - 6 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe.

Planning permission had been refused for the following application:-

DA/94/00478/FUL - 63b Ames Road, Swanscombe.

Members were advised that an appeal had been made to the Secretary of State against the Borough Council's decision to refuse permission for development at 7 Boleyn Way, Swanscombe.

490 NATIONAL LOTTERY FUNDING Reference Minute 436 - it was agreed that a letter should be sent, seeking funding from the lottery to build a new community hall in this area.

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

RESOLVED

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

492 CHURCH ROAD HALL Members were advised of a letter which had been received and it was agreed that this should be referred to the next Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

Members were advised of the costs of a survey being undertaken and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the full structural survey be undertaken in the sum of £350.

Chairman

A.C. Ash Smith

MIMUTES of the MEETING of the FINANCE and GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE
on THURSDAY, 30th MARCH 1995 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr. B E Read - Chairman Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. R D Bartlett Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Mrs G M Prior

493 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on
26th January 1995 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors' Sheila East
and W G East.

494 DECLARATION OF INTEREST A non-pecuniary interest in items
relating to the Sports Pavilion was declared by Councillor Read.

495 INCOME FOR DECEMBER 1994 AND JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1995 The
Income for December, January and February amounting to £136,471.36
was received as set out in the annexed list.

496 ACCOUNTS PAID DECEMBER 1994 AND JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1995
The Town Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £75,428.71
had been paid during November, December and January.

497 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were asked to approve the
account for payment to Dartford Borough Council in the sum of
£2,613.92 and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this account be paid.

498 BRITISH GAS Members were advised that a saving could be
made if accounts to British Gas were to be paid by direct debit,
and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for British Gas to be paid by
direct debit.

499 COUNCIL TAX Members had received a copy of the statement
which had been provided for Dartford Borough Council to include
with the Council Tax demand. NOTED

500 DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF Members had been provided with a copy
of the letter which had been received from the Borough Council's
Director of Finance, regarding the applications which had been made
for discretionary relief for various properties owned by the
Town Council.

This item was noted and the Clerk was asked to write a letter
thanking the Borough Council for their assistance.

501 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Members received a report
of the Meeting which had been held on 2nd March with
representatives of the Association.

This item was noted and was to be discussed after the Elections
had been held in May.

502 BUS SHELTERS Members were advised of a shortfall of approximately £199 in the budget for this project and it was suggested that £200 be virod from the Park's contingency budget for 1994/95.

Members were also advised of the option of having polycarbonate glazing installed at an additional cost of £100 per unit.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED

That £200 be virod from the contingency budget as suggested.

The logo of the Town Council be included, if it was possible, on the framework of the shelter and polycarbonate be used for the glazing.

503 K A P C Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £425 plus £7.95 for the additional copy of the Local Council Review, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

504 THE LATE ROBERT FRANCIS Members were advised of a letter received from Mrs Francis and Family thanking Members for the floral tribute which had been sent from this Council. NOTED

505 BOWLS PAVILION ROOF Members were advised of the Tenders which had been received and, as agreed at the previous Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee, one of these had been accepted in the sum of £2,990 and it had been agreed that work would commence within 3 weeks. NOTED

506 SECONDARY SCHOOL Members received a copy of the reply which had been received from KCC. NOTED

507 VOLUNTEER SCHEME Members had been provided with a copy of the letter which had been received, seeking financial assistance towards the expenses involved with a volunteer project.

It was agreed that this item be noted and the Town Clerk explain that the Council were not in a financial position to assist but wished him every success with the project.

508 KENT COUNTY PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION Members were advised of a letter received seeking a donation towards the Association's campaign - 'Children Playing in Safety'. NOTED

509 SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH Members were advised of letters received from Reverend Tim Mercer and Mrs Hazel thanking Members for the donation and for looking after the Churchyard. NOTED

510 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION Members were advised of an invitation that had been received to attend the Reception and Birthday Luncheon which was being held to celebrate the Association's 70th Anniversary at the Langham Hilton Hotel on

Tuesday, 9th May. NOTED

511 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members received copies of the February edition of Rural News alongwith details of the Best Kept Village Competition and Kent's Best Village Shop Award. Members were also advised of a letter received thanking them for the donation made towards the retirement gift for Ted Hobday. NOTED

512 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised that a letter had been received informing that an application was to be made for the Full Transfer of the Justice' Licence in favour of Eileen Kennington and Carolyn Kennington for the Blue Anchor, 80 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe. NOTED

513 PARISH COUNCIL CONSULTATION EXERCISE Members were provided with a copy of the letter which had been received from Peter Skinner MP and it was agreed that this item be deferred to the first Meeting of the Town Council for newly elected Members to consider. A reply was to be sent advising that this offer would be accepted after the elections had been held.

514 GYPSY POLICY DOCUMENT - CONSULTATION DRAFT Members were provided with a copy of the Consultation Draft of the 1995 Gypsy Policy Document which had been received from KCC. NOTED

515 BOROUGH OF DARTFORD LOCAL PLAN - BEAN TRIANGLE Members were provided with a copy of the letter which had been received from Dartford Borough Council alongwith the formal notice of disposition to adopt the Borough's Local Plan. NOTED

516 CRAYLANDS LANE DEVELOPMENT Members had received a copy of the letter which had been received from David Simms informing that the development at Craylands Lane has been approved, subject to the S106 Agreement and Planning Conditions.

Members were also provided with extracts from the agenda of the Planning Control Sub-Committee's Meeting for 15th March alongwith a copy of the letter from David Simms to Alec Lauder, dated 20th March '95 including details of the S106 Agreement.

It was agreed that a meeting to discuss this further would be arranged towards the end of May.

517 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW Members had been provided with a copy of the letter received from KCC regarding the decision which had recently been made by the Secretary of State, not to accept the recommendation of the Local Government Commission to retain the two tier structure in Kent.

It was agreed that this would be kept under review.

518 CHANNEL TUNNEL RAIL LINK Members were advised that a copy of the Petition lodged by Dartford Borough Council was available in the office.

Details of the proceedings of the Select Committee had been received and were available in the office and Councillor Read had been provided with copies. NOTED

519 WASTE STRATEGY FOR ENGLAND AND WALES Members were advised that a copy of the Consultation Draft document dated January 1995 had been received and was available in the office and comments were to be made to the Department of the Environment by May 1st.
NOTED

520 KENT MINERALS LOCAL PLAN Members were informed that copies of the pre-deposit draft plans for Oil and Gas/Chalk and Clay had been received from KCC and were available in the office. NOTED

521 HM CUSTOMS AND EXCISE - LANDFILL TAX Members were advised of a Landfill Tax: Consultation Paper which had been received from HM Customs and Excise Department. NOTED

522 OAST TO COAST Members were advised that the Spring edition of the KRCC journal had been received and was available in the office. NOTED

523 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised that the annual subscription was now due for renewal in the sum of £28 and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed for 1995/96.

524 LAWSONS CIRCUS Members were advised that 4 complimentary tickets for the forthcoming circus had been received and it was agreed that the Town Mayor, Councillor Read should attend and the remaining tickets were given to Councillor Caller as Leader of the Labour Party.

525 N A L C The Town Clerk advised that issue number 345 of the Direct Information Service had been received and copies had been circulated as requested.

After several requests the issues from 325 to 344 had been received and were available in the office. NOTED

526 COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT Members were advised of a letter which had been received, requesting details of local events where a free standing display could be erected for publicity for the Countryside Project Centre.

It was agreed that a copy of this letter be sent to all local Organisations.

527 COMPLAINT Members were advised of a letter of complaint received from a local resident concerning development issues.

The Clerk was to reply advising that this complaint would be passed to the Borough Council and explain that this Council had always tried to protect the environment when dealing with such items.

The Town Clerk was asked to forward this complaint to the Borough Council with a copy to Stone Parish Council.

528 V E DAY CELEBRATIONS This item had been referred from the

Meeting of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee.

After consideration it was agreed that a street party be arranged for Sunday, 7th May in the access road to the Leisure Centre - covering all age groups - and the Clerk was to send letters to local organisations, requesting a reply by 30th April.

All Leisure Centre Staff were to be rostered to work on that day and the bar was to be opened at lunch time.

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

DA/95/00112 Alterations to front elevation of existing garage to form a habitable room and erection of an attached garage.
33 Kemsley Close, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No objections providing no objections were made by neighbours.

DA/95/00117 Erection of a detached single storey building for use as a clubhouse.
Empire Paper Mills Sports Ground, Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS No objections to this application but Officers were asked to ensure that site lines were adequate in both directions and that access was wide enough to cope with vehicles entering and leaving the site simultaneously.

Members wanted to see a restriction applied for the building to be used solely as a Club House.

Members were provided with a copy of the Inspector's decision which had been made in respect of the appeal reference 94/00419, 66 Milton Road, Swanscombe. NOTED

A question was raised about vehicles parking on pavements in Swanscombe and the Clerk was asked to write to the Borough Council to see what could be done about this problem.

Councillor Crow asked Members if they were aware that Dartford and Gravesham Health Trust had appointed a new Chief Executive - Ms Anne Dean.

It had been brought to the attention of the Chairman of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee that rumours had been circulated that the Council were intending to dispense with full time Park Staff and bring in Contractors.

This had not been an option considered by this Council and it was not an item which was being considered for the future.

Chairman

Income December 1994

Parks	Football	634.04	
	Hire of Park	20.43	
	Reimburse - Seat	394.67	1049.14
Administration	Copier	.77	
	Precept	105112.00	
	Interest	3780.32	
	Refund - legal fees	100.00	
	Refund - Christmas cards.	102.08	109095.17
Community Halls	Grove Hall	183.31	
	Church Road	11.50	194.81
Leisure Centre	Income		3144.70
Centre Bar	Income	3140.67	
	Food	395.46	
	Gaming Machines	239.16	<u>3775.29</u>
			<u>£117,259.11</u>

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Income January 1995

Parks	Football	500.00	
	Contribution -		
	Bowling Club	436.22	
	Grant - repairs to		
	Churchyard	614.00	1550.22
Administration	Copier	3.15	
	Interest	430.10	433.25
Community Halls	Grove Hall	381.35	
	Sports Pavilion -		
	Rent	1305.00	1686.35
Street Lighting	Wayleave		.42
Leisure Centre	Income		3680.75
Centre Bar	Income	2262.90	
	Food	395.37	
	Gaming Machines	163.32	2821.59
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			£10,172.58
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Income February 1995

Parks	Football	134.00	
	Insurance claim	2195.55	2329.55
Administration	Copier	1.02	1.02
Community Halls	Grove Hall	58.28	58.28
Leisure Centre	Income	3479.08	3479.08
Centre Bar	Income	2536.15	
	Food	444.10	
	Gaming Machines	191.49	3171.74
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			£9,039.67
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ACCOUNTS PAID FOR DECEMBER 1994

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Wages Week 35	494.03	10.23
Halls-Supplies/Stationary	76.14	
Insurance Rent		1331.08
Subscriptions	25.00	
Heritage & Swan Park-Benches	986.65	
Maintenance		311.38
Music & Dance Licence		720.00
Southern Water-Park/L.C.	82.87	351.38
Uniforms		22.00
Christmas Bonus	160.00	160.00
Stocktake		70.00
Bar licence renewal		12.50
Wages Week 36	552.31	55.64
Inland Revenue	1889.38	1437.18
Electric Account	41.19	917.05
Parks-Equipment	277.49	
Town Mayor's Christmas Cards	119.95	
Maintenance/Hygiene units		351.34
Bar-Rental Snack Machine		357.74
Business Rates	187.00	581.00
Wages Week 37	519.58	19.60
Maintenance		1612.87
Fuel Account & Repairs	154.99	
First Aid Course		94.00
Wages		140.00
Park-Skip Hire	70.50	
Electric Account & St.Lighting	190.95	
Stocktaker		60.00
Park-Equipment Serviced	397.33	
Senior Citizens-Car Hire	12.00	
Christmas trees	21.50	21.50
Salaries-Month 9	2685.07	3805.29
Advertising/Bar Asst.		43.99
Wages Week 39	1332.54	20.92
Bar & Admin Equip./Park-Supplies	39.11	65.68
Bar food & cleaning supplies		48.58
Bar Supplies		66.08
Bar Supplies		171.44
Security Service	32.18	64.36
Bar Supplies		182.03
Bar Supplies		1391.21
Internal Auditor	70.00	
Street Lighting-Maintenance	37.84	
Halls-Repairs & Maint/Park Supplies	62.88	
Bar-Cleaning Supplies/Glasswasher		1040.23
Allotments & Heritage Park-Rent	88.13	
Uniforms		33.00
Administration-Copier	23.18	
Bar Supplies		708.00
Loan-repayment		3137.50
Bar-Food expenses		120.64
Yoga Coach		45.00
Bar-Gaming Mch./Rent & Licence		181.00
Donation-Children's Xmas Party	160.00	
Grand Total	£30,551.23	
	<u>£10,789.79</u>	<u>£19,761.44</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID JANUARY 1995

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Christmas lights	2773.00	
Rental-Photocopier	258.37	
Advertising-C.T.R.L.	68.71	
Floral Tribute	25.00	
Medical Reference	17.20	
Parks-Gangmowing	2995.08	
Wages Week 40	372.32	10.23
B.T-Contract Rental		111.63
Wages Week 41	506.33	37.71
Inland Revenue	1712.80	1348.04
Oven and Food Supplies		79.65
PRS-Licence		719.43
Testing-Portable Appliances	52.34	81.13
Gas Account	63.95	
Street Lighting-Maintenance	37.84	
Wages Week 42	494.03	10.23
Business Rates	187.00	581.00
Grove Hall-Gas Account	130.17	
Street Lighting-Energy Charges	38.22	
Electric Account		840.21
Security Service	32.17	64.37
Grove Hall-Hygiene units	5.24	
Wages		140.00
Bar Misc.Supplies		168.74
Hire of Tower/Maintenance		52.88
Park-Fuel Account	30.01	
Park-Fuel Account	10.00	
Wages Week 43	506.33	104.73
Supplies	99.76	
Copier	32.44	
Park=Repair & Equip.S/v.	416.09	
Stocktake		70.00
Cleaning Materials		63.18
Internal Audit	70.00	
Maintenance-repair water tank		105.75
Salary Month 10	2647.65	3295.90
Yoga Coach		45.00
Bar Food expenses		87.18
Bar-Gaming Machines		135.75
Wages		70.00
New Year Disco		225.00
Grand Total	<u>£22,029.79</u>	<u>£8,447.74</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID FOR FEBRUARY 1995

	<u>Town Council</u>	<u>Leisure Centre</u>
Wages-Week 44	505.53	10.23
Subscription-SLCC	51.00	
Equipment-Scrubber/Dryer		940.00
Bar Supplies		2129.68
Donation-KRCC	20.00	
Donation-St Peter & St Paul Church	200.00	
Maintenance-Plumbing		215.20
Maintenance-Outside Decorating		224.00
Park-Water Account	262.46	
Maintenance		369.29
Equipment		22.29
Food Supplies		57.60
Maintenance-Showers		505.25
Telephone Account	256.33	297.76
Park-Repairs	222.31	
Wages-Week 45	568.13	
Park-Materials	95.18	
Maintenance-Retile Showers		850.00
Maintenance & Stationary	6.11	40.60
Repair-Xmas Lights	47.00	
Floral Tribute	21.00	
Water Account		222.52
Advertising-C.T.R.L.	68.71	
Maintenance-Lift		411.25
Bar Supplies		165.39
Bar Supplies		121.61
Park Supplies	142.66	
Civic Reception-Invitation Cards	14.90	
Weight Training Course		95.00
Supplies		125.34
VAT Payment	118.56	
Senior Citizens-Transport	5.00	
Cleaning Supplies		64.39
Internal Audit	70.00	
Park-Skip Hire	70.50	
Medical Questionnaire	17.20	
Park-Fuel Account	40.00	
Bar- TV Repair		49.60
Inland Revenue	1465.66	1072.55
Bar Supplies		279.49
Security Service	32.20	64.34
Name Badges		8.91
Park-Repairs	363.08	
Food Supplies		32.40
Bar Supplies		52.24
Stationary	6.21	49.27
Street Lighting-Energy	38.22	
Street Lighting-Maintenance	37.84	
Electric Account		1235.73
Bar Supplies		213.90
Wage Week 46	544.74	
Bar Supplies		218.98
Park-Mobile Phone	22.14	
Wages-Week 47	494.01	
Salaries-Month 11	2617.73	3405.44
C/fwd.	<u>£8,424.41</u>	<u>£13,550.25</u>

B/fwd.	£8,424.41	£13,550.25
Copier	26.31	
Grove Hall - Repairs	180.40	
Bar Supplies		51.68
Window Cleaner		20.00
Valentine Disco		180.00
Bar Wages		77.19
Food Expenses		99.59
Rent & Licence Gaming Machine		181.00
Yoga Coach		45.00
Visitors-Refreshments	11.86	
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Grand Total £22,847.69	£8,642.98	£14,204.71
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MINUTES of the MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the LEISURE CENTRE, CRAYLANDS LANE, SWANSCOMBE on THURSDAY, 20th APRIL 1995 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr. B E Read, Town Mayor Cllr. T V Dixon
 Cllr. L G Caller Cllr. Sheila East
 Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. W G East
 Cllr. D J Cowell Cllr. V Openshaw
 Cllr. P S Crow

Members were advised that Reverend Mercer sent his apologies for not attending the Meeting.

Councillor Read explained that the Town Clerk was unable to attend the Meeting as her husband was in hospital for a major operation. It was agreed that a card and basket of fruit be sent to Mr Savill with best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Councillor V Openshaw entered the Committee Room.

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

530 DECLARATION OF INTEREST Councillors' B E Read and P S Crow declared a non-pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

Councillor V Openshaw declared a pecuniary interest in items relating to the Sports Pavilion.

531 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th February 1995 were confirmed and signed.

532 SPORTS PAVILION LEASE Councillor Read advised Members that a letter has been sent to the Solicitors and a reply was expected in the near future. NOTED

533 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW in KENT A letter had been received from KAPC giving an update on the position regarding the review being undertaken for Kent.

534 KAPC - CENTENARY SERVICE Members were advised that the text of the Sermon preached by the Archbishop of Canterbury at the Service of Thanksgiving held at Canterbury Cathedral on 28th January 1995 has been received and was available in the office. NOTED

Councillors' Sheila East and W G East entered the Committee Room.

535 MAY FAIR Members were advised of a letter received from St Peter and St Paul Church requesting permission to erect a Maypole in the corner of Swanscombe Park for the Annual May Fair and it was agreed that a letter be sent granting permission.

RESOLVED

536 PARK BENCH - LATE COUNCILLOR SIMMONDS Members were advised that the Park's Foreman had suggested that a bench be installed

either in Manor Park or in the former putting area in Swanscombe Park.

After consideration it was,

RESOLVED

That a picnic bench suitable for disabled people, be purchased and installed in the former putting area. The Clerk was to obtain the cost of having an inscribed plaque included.

537 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and second by Councillor L G Caller.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 23rd February 1995 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

538 RECREATION, LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon.

RESOLVED

That, with the exception of Minute 479, the Minutes of the Recreation, Leisure and Amenities Committee held on 9th March 1995 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

539 VE DAY CELEBRATIONS Reference Minute 479, due to the lack of response it was agreed that, unless an influx of replies were received by April 30th, this event should be cancelled.

An Executive Committee Meeting was to be arranged if sufficient response was received.

This item was to be included for further consideration after the elections had been held.

540 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor B E Read and second by Councillor P S Crow.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 30th March 1995 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

541 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL Members were advised of a meeting which had recently been held and that no problems were envisaged with the topsoils.

542 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Councillor Read invited Members to join him in the bar after the Meeting as this was the last

meeting before the elections.

Members were advised of a Family Service to give thanks for Peace to be held at St Peter and St Paul Church on Sunday, May 7th at 10.30am which the Town Mayor was to attend.

Councillor Read thanked Members for the support they had given to him and the Council over the last 4 years and he gave his best wishes to those Members who were retiring or were not re-elected.

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

DA/95/00143/FUL Erection of a garden shed.
5a Castle Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Objections providing no objections were received from neighbours.

DA/95/00133/ADV Display of an internally illuminated fascia sign and a double sided projecting box sign.
27 High Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/95/00140/FUL Erection of a Bus Shelter
Bus Stop, Junction London Road/High Street,
Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/95/00129/FUL Installation of a new shop front.
27 High Street, Swanscombe.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

Members were advised that the following Decision Notice had been received from the Borough Council granting permission for development:

DA/95/00105/FUL/ - 15 Taunton Road, Swanscombe.

Members were informed that letters had been received from the Borough Council advising that the following applications had been withdrawn:-

DA/93/0004 - Playground adjacent Homestead, Bean Road, Greenhithe;

DA/92/00234 - 32a Bean Road, Greenhithe;

DA/95/00117 - Empire Paper Mills Sports Ground, rear of
25 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe.

Members were informed that a letter had been received from Kent County Council seeking Members' comments on the following application:-

DA/95/MIN/A Winning and working of minerals, chalk, sands,
 gravel and associated overburden.
 Eastern Quarry, A2 Watling Street, Nr. Dartford.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations, but wish to be kept informed.

544 QUESTIONS A question was raised regarding the Civic
Reception as to why certain organisations and Council staff had
not been invited. Councillor Read apologised for this.

Councillor Caller wished to thank all fellow Councillors for
their work and efforts during the last four years. The good
working relationship within the Council had helped to get items
moved by all working together and extended his best wishes for
the future to all Councillors who were retiring and to those who
were not re-elected.

A question was raised regarding the parking on verges and
pavements in Swanscombe and that Manor Road had not been swept -
the Clerk was asked to investigate

A question was raised regarding works being carried out in the
area by the Borough Council without prior notification to the
Town Council. It was agreed that the Town Clerk was to write to
Susan Free, Chief Executive of Dartford Borough Council requesting
notification of all works that take place within the Swanscombe
and Greenhithe area.

TOWN MAYOR

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