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ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES

1978

December

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee

At a Meeting held on 5th December, 1978. Present: Councillors S.B.H. Fletcher (Chairman), E.H. Adcock, C.J. Appleyard, S.W. Barnard, K.J. Bowen, W.H. Budge, B.A. Crick, R.D. Foster, Mrs. M. Garlick, Mrs. E.M. Hart, A.J. Harvey, D.A. Ives, Miss B.G.J. Lovett, E.V. Maton, Mrs. J.M. Murison, J.A. Sheaf, C. Stephenson, A.L. Tate and B. Taylor.

Apologies: Councillor F.B.G. Jopson.

MINUTES

720. <u>Resolved</u> that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th October, 1978 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

REVIEW OF CHARGES

(Councillor R.D. Foster disclosed a pecuniary interest in the charges relating to Playgroups but at the invitation of the Committee remained in the meeting taking no part in the voting or discussion thereon).

721. The Director of Finance submitted the appended schedule of new recommended charges which as a general rule showed an increase of 10%.

RECOMMENDED That the schedule of charges and recommendations as appended to the Agenda be adopted for the year commencing 1st April,1979, subject to the following amendments:-

- (a) Rounding up or down of the odd pence to the nearest 5p or 10p as the case may be.
- (b) Deletion of increase for pre-school playgroups.
- (c) Cloakroom charge at Mill Hall be increased to 10p.
- (d) Football/rugby charges for exclusive use (manned) be £110.00 and alternative use (manned) be £55.50.
- (e) No increase in present charge for Rayleigh and District Junior League and special junior pitches. Charges to remain £22.00 and £6.05 respectively.
- (f) A charge of 45 pence be made for the hire of squash rackets.
- (g) Spectator charge for Sports Centres be waived for children under 5 years of age accompanied by an adult. (708)
 CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT (Minute 565(4)/78)
- 722. Members were reminded that the Performance Review Sub-Committee when considering the maintenance of Public Open Spaces, Gardens and Recreation Areas recommended that detailed consideration be given to Children's playground equipment.

The Director of Technical Services reported on a circular letter from the Department of the Environment referring to the need for improved safety in children's playgrounds and giving initial guidance on steps to be taken to improve safety. The Department were in process of preparing comprehensive guidance for local authorities in the light of the provisions of B.S.5696. 776

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That in the provision and maintenance of playground equipment every action is taken to ensure that risk to children using the equipment is reduced as far as practicable. (875)

Recreation and Amenities Committee

NEW CAPITAL SCHEMES 1979/80 (Minutes 349/78 and 675/78)

723. The Director of Finance reported that Minute 349/78 had indicated that by approving Phase 2 of the Clements Hall Sports Centre it was unlikely that there would be any other new Capital Programme Schemes in 1979/80.

Minute 675/78 of the Policy and Resources Committee had subsequently indicated that provision should be made in the 1979/80 District Rate for £50,000 of new capital schemes to be met from Revenue.

The Committee then gave consideration to schemes which it was thought should be included in next year's programme.

<u>Resolved</u> that recognising that there is only £50,000 available for allocation to all Committees, the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to allocate £20,000 to this Committee as its fair share to fund the proposed extension to King George's Playing Field Pavilion (estimated at £10,000) and the balance to be utilised on any other scheme to be decided by this Committee. (708)

SPORTING FACILITIES - SUB AQUA

724. The Director of Technical Services reported that he had received a copy of a memorandum to the Eastern Sports Council on Sub Aqua in the Eastern Region. The memorandum pointed out that the best coasts for diving were those to the West of the British Isles - Devon and Cornwall, Wales, Scotland and Ireland. In the Channel and around East Anglia the visibility dropped and conditions were generally less suitable. Divers in the region often had to travel considerable distances in order to find favourable conditions. Suitable inland sites were scarce. The basic requirements of the training programme of the sport could be accommodated within indoor swimming pools.

It was suggested that within Eastern Region there should be one Regional site plus six sub-regional; a site at Whittlesey, near Peterborough be considered as the Regional site and that Grange Waters be the site for the sub-region in which this District was situated. Local facilities should be based on swimming pools; to provide training and enable the introduction of schoolchildren to the sport through the National Snorkelling Club.

There was a sub aqua club within the District which was affiliated to the Governing Body for amateur underwater swimming activities.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the implications of the memorandum be included within the consideration to be given to Sporting Facilities within the District. (252)

SPORTING FACILITIES WITHIN THE DISTRICT (Minutes 272 & 527/78)

725. The Director of Technical Services submitted a report listing the views of the Rochford Sports Council on sporting and recreational facilities.

<u>Resolved</u> (1) that consideration of the report be deferred until the next meeting so that the Park Sports Centre Manager (Mr.R.McLintock) can be in attendance.

(2) that the Sports Centre Manager attend any future meetings of the Committee when Sports Centres and associated activities are under consideration. (252)

Recreation and Amenities Committee

CONTRACT PROGRESS REPORT

726. The Committee noted the report of the Director of Technical Services as follows:-

Contract No. 709:	Construction of Swimming Pool, Clements Hall, Hawkwell.
Contractor:	Walter Holme & Son Ltd., Beach Road, Litherland, Liverpool.
Contract Figure:	€647,323.00.
Payments to Date:	£289,112.55
Contract Commenced:	31st March, 1978.
Contract Period:	18 Months.
Commente:	Up to programme. Approx. 47% complete. (6771)

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

727. <u>Resolved</u> that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be now excluded from the meeting for the reason that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest, the business about to be discussed being the subject of a confidential report. <u>MILL HALL, RAYLEICH</u>

<u>Male Cloakroom - Appointment of Attendant</u>

728. In view of certain events concerning the security of articles left in the men's cloakroom the Director of Administration recommended the immediate appointment of a cloakroom attendant during the Winter months. He pointed out that the additional cost, estimated at £560 per annum, would in all probability be met from the revenue from the increase in cloakroom charges from 5p to 10p already approved by the Committee.

RECOMMENDED That the establishment of the Directorate of Administration be increased immediately by the appointment of a male cloakroom attendant at Mill Hall between September and April of each year; and that the increased charge be implemented from the time of the appointment. (6734)

(Note: The Chairman of the Council, in consultation with the Chairman of the Policy and Resources and Recreation and Amenities Committees, gave authority for the immediate implementation of this recommendation in accordance with Standing Order No.18).

INCREASED STAFF FOR CERTAIN FUNCTIONS (Minute 457/78)

729. In accordance with the instructions of the Performance Review Sub-Committee for a report on additional self-financing staff to facilitate service particularly at the bar during large functions, the Director of Administration recommended that where a function was likely to be attended by over 300 persons and the organisers so requested the

Recreation and Amenities Committee

Halls Manage be authorised to engage additional staff and charge a fee of £9.00 for each additional staff so engaged.

RECOMMENDED (1) That for functions with an attendance in excess of $\overline{300}$ the Halls Manager be authorised to engage additional staff if he considers it justifiable but that no extra charge be made to the organisers.

(2) that if necessary the charges at Mill Hall be increased to provide for any additional cost arising from (1) above. (6734)

Chairman: Aris and ____dake: 30.1.79.

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMUTTER

REVIEW OF CHARGES

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FOR 1979/80

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3. No increase was made in Playschool Group charges last year.,

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-	Charges exempt from V.A.T.						
	Rent - per rod per year 0.4.P (Nominal charge for 25 rod plot)	d plot)		0.30	Special	1.10.79	0.40
•	PUBLIC HALLS	Time Covered	<u></u>				
	Castle Hall, Rayleigh		N				
		br.		3.30	IO	1.4.79	3.65
	я	Per hr. or part thereof		1.65			1.80
	Monday to Thursday 7.00 pm - 11.00 pm P	To 10.00 pm To 11.00 pm Pr. hr. thereafter		5.50 5.50 5.00			6.90 2.75 5.50
ı	Saturday 9.00 am - 7.00 pm - 73	First 3 hrs. Pr. Hr. thereafter		7.45 2.50			8.20 2.75
	۲	To 10.00 pm To 11.00 pm Pr. Hr. thereafter		8.70 3.75 6.75	Special		9.55 4.10 7.00
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Ø	Use of Kitchen - Tea/Kitchen facilities	ities	4	0.85	Special		1•00
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	Mill Hall, Rayleigh		н					
	Charges exempt from V.A.T.							
	Scale 'A' Main Hall only	Time Covered						
	Mondays to Saturdays - Mornings and afternoons	To 6.00 pm						
	Meetings	Min. 7 hrs.		13.20 3.50	IO	1.4.79	14.50 3.85	
	Functions other than meetings			17.00			18.70 4.95	
	Mondays to Thursdays - Evenings							
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56	Functions other than meetings	7.00 pm - 11.00 pm Additional brs.	- <u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	14•80 5•20			16.30 5.70	
	Friday Evenings			-				
	Meetings	7.00 pm - 11.00 pm Additional hrs.		17.60 4.40			19.35 4.85	
	Functions other than meetings	7.00 pm - 11.00 pm Additional hrs.	<u>-</u>	39.60 5.00			43.55 5.50	
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for the use of the Small Hall on the ground floor for mestings he increased by 20% to produce a more realistic charge. After discussion with the Ealls Manager is is recommended that the charge ,

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Recommended increase of 20% for the use of the Dressing Rooms in line with the Small Hall above. o,

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- It is recommended that the charge for the use of the expensive team making equipment be increased to £1.00. The Halls Manager reports that this equipment is still regularly used and requires some supervision by his staff. , --i
- The charges for Cat Walk, Kithhen Fauiltries and Stage are recommended after discussions with the Halls Manager. **പ്**
- 3. An increase of 2p is recommended in the Closkroom Change.

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Administration on each occasion. The system has worked well and it is recommended that it continues for a further year. Generally increases of between 5% - 10% were agreed with hirers but each case is dealy with strictly on its merit and taking into account the facilities The Charges for the use of the Rochford Social Centre have been fixed by the Director of Finance after consultation with the Director of and times of use. ÷

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Bochford Bowling Club receive a 10% reduction rending provision of toilet facilities.

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- It is recommended that the cricket charges at Canewdon be reduced by 25% until such time as full facilities are provided. r-i

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- No increase is proposed for the sessonal use of cricket nets in order to encourage use of the facility. ณ์
- No increase is proposed in the charges made at Rochford Reservo r. ň

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- Manned football pitches are provided by the Council at the undermentioned Playing Fields:-Ĥ 795
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- All Rayleigh Playing Fields Ashingdon Playing Field Great Wakering Playing Field Clements Hall Playing Field, Hawkwell.
 - All other Foothall Pitches are unmanned.

under 16 years of age except on Sunday mornings when there is a big demand for pitches. A reduction of 50% in fees is allowed for youth teams with players

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Teams outside the Council's area pay double fees.

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It is recommended that the Rayleigh Ladies Hockey Club be allowed a reduction of £7 to compensate for the late start to their season. Ŀ,

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The Sweyne Swimming Pool will not be operational next season. ณ้

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-	Alternate use of 1 pitch on Saturday Afternoons or Sunday mornings - Rayleigh - Rochford		33.55 25.70			37.00 28.50	
	Casual Lettings including Pavilion		5.10			6.00	<u></u>
	PAVILION HIRING - including Changing Rooms on manned grounds - Tue for Table Tennis		2.20			2.50	· ·
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	Block Bookings for Clubs (per hour)		0.45	10		0.50	
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Sports Ceptres be discontinued from 1st April 1979. This recommendation the unexpired period of season ticket holders. A Spectators charge of Services and Sport Centre Managers who, are experiencing considerable income is to be recovered by an additional charge being added to the The loss of hourly rates for individual sports. A credit will be arranged for is made as a result of discussions with the Director of Technical It is recommended that the practice of charging Entrance Fees at administrative difficulties in collecting these fees. 10% is also to be introduced.

- Recommended increase of 10% plus adjustment re Entrance Fees (See Note 1 above)
- Recommended that in future the effective date for the annual review of Sports Centre charges be lst April and be brought into line with other recreational activities of the Council.

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Hirs of equipment charges will be reviewed throughout the year to take account of increased replacement costs and agreed by the Director of Finance. Ļ.

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See Notes 1,2 and 3 against Park Sports Centre.

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ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Health & Highways Committee

At a Meeting held on 7th December 1978. Present: Councillors L.K. Cope (Chairman). S.W. Barnard, Mrs. D.M. Boothby. Mrs. L.M.A. Campbell-Daley, B.A. Crick, A.J. Harvey, A.J. Humby, Miss B.G.J. Lovett, J.E. Nokes, P.G. Philpot, S.H. Silva and B. Taylor.

<u>Apologies</u>: Councillors C.J. Appleyard, Mrs. F.E. Clayton, S.B.H. Fletcher, D.A. Ives and A.L. Tate.

Visiting: Councillors R.H. Boyd and D.R. Fowler.

MINUTES

730. <u>Resolved</u> that the Minutes of the Meeting of 26th October 1978 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

REVIEW OF CHARGES

731. The Director of Finance reported that he had carried out the annual Review of Charges affecting this Committee for the financial year commencing 1st April 1979 and submitted a schedule of recommended charges a copy of which is appended to these Minutes, showing a general increase of 10%.

<u>Resolved</u> that the Director of Technical Services report to a later meeting on the condition of Hockley Public Conveniences and upon Trade Refuse Collection.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the increased charges set out in the Schedule to be agreed and imposed with effect from 1st April 1979. (708)

CONTROL OF POLLUTION ACT 1974 - SECTION 58 - TURRET FARM, HIGH ROAD, HOCKLEY.

732. The Director of Health and Housing reported that a petition signed by 115 residents had been received complaining of noise arising from use of six motor cycles on these premises on Sunday, 12th November. The complaints had been investigated and an undertaking had been given by the owner to restrict the use to limited periods of $1-\frac{1}{2}$ hours for one motor cycle used by his 8 y-ar old son and to fit a silencer to that machine. Evidence was however put forward by members that a material change of use could have taken place since the motor cycling activities were thought to be a commercial enterprise. The Director of Administration drew attention to the need for clear proof to be established before prosecution under Section 58 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 could be undertaken, and also pointed out that action to secure cessation of any alleged muisance would probably be more quickly achieved by this legislation than by enforcement procedure under the Planning Acts.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That the Director of Health & Housing keep the premises under surveillance and report further if and when action becomes necessary.

(2) That the Director of Administration investigate the planning position relating to the use of these premises for motor cycle training and report to the Development Services Committee on 19th December. (13285)

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HOME AND WATER SAFETY PANEL

733. <u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That the appended report of the meeting on 15th November 1978 be adopted.

(2) That the Director of Health and Housing be authorised to purchase forthwith a radiation tester for microwave ovens at an estimated cost of $\pounds 100.$ (935)

LIFE BELT, SOUTH FAMBRIDGE FORESHORE

734. At the request of a member consideration was given to the condition of this lifebelt, the Director of Administration reporting that the Council had powers under Section 234 of the Public Health Act 1936 to provide and maintain life saving equipment. The lifebelt at South Fambridge had been provided and maintained by the former Rochford Rural District Council but normally the Council was responsible for provision and maintenance of equipment on land within its ownership. The Crouch Harbour Authority's jurisdiction terminated at high water mark, the Anglian Water Authority were responsible for maintenance of banks, and footpaths were maintained by this Council as agents for the Essex County Council.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the Director of Technical Services be authorised to provide and thereafter maintain a lifebelt at South Fambridge foreshore and to report to a future meeting of Recreation and Amenities Committee on provision of life saving equipment elsewhere in the District. (686/PF1152).

NORTH EAST THAMES REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY - DRAFT REGIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN 1978, 88

735. The Director of Administration reported that the Council's comments upon the proposals contained in this document had been invited, and a summary had been circulated to Members.

Resolved that the report be noted. (929)

NEW CAPITAL SCHEMES 1979/80 (Minutes 349 and 675/78)

736. The Director of Finance reported that provision was to be made in the 1979/80 District Rate for £50.000 worth of new capital schemes to be met from Revente. Consideration was given to four schemes for inclusion in this category.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That priority be given in the 1979/80 Capital Works Programme to the scheme for refurbishing the public toilets at Crown Hill, Rayleigh, it being noted that the Recreation and Amenities Committee had agreed to recommend inclusion of a similar scheme for King George's Playing Fields and thus adequate provision would be made for public toilets in Rayleigh Town Centre. (708).

DOWNHALL ROAD/DOWNHALL CLOSE RAYLETGH - SIGHT LINES (Minute 636/78)

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. The Director of Administration reported upon a Magistrates Court Hearing at which the Chairman of the Council had appeared as a witness, concerning an accident involving a collision between a car and motor cycle at the Downhall Close/Downhall Road junction. Suppom the evidence submitted it was apparent that the sight line

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of drivers emerging from Downhall Close was inadequate being impaired by a hedge outside the property 310 Downhall Road. The case had highlighted the difficulties and dangers inherent in using these highways. It was noted that a deputation had already been appointed to meet the Esser County Council to discuss the need for the suggested improvements. The Chairman reported and the Committee noted that the overgrown hedge had now been trimmed back and the County Council had widened the white lines in Downhall Road. (4680).

ROAD SAFETY AGENCY FUNCTIONS (Minutes 546 and 630/78)

738. The Director of Administration reported that following a report by the County Surveyor to the Traffic and Road Safety Sub-Committee the County Highways Committee had adopted their recommendations that in the event of this Council deciding to relinquish its Road Safety Agency any notification of termination would be accepted. He also submitted a detailed report of the County Council's consideration leading to this decision.

RECOMMENDED That the County Council be told once more of the belief of this Authority that an Agency for Road Safety is impracticable, unworkable and against the best interests of road users, ratepayers and staff and that Rochford District Council, whilst wishing to remain involved with and assist all Road Safety Work, does not wish to operate the agency. (227)

A. 130 CHEIMSFORD ROAD - JUNCTION WITH RAWREITH LANE/CHURCH ROAD

739. The Director of Technical Services reported that the County Council were considering a proposal to install traffic signals at this junction because of the difficulty experienced by traffic during peak hours and he reminded Members that the Council had already pressed for improvement to this junction through the T.P.P. consultation procedure. The County Council felt that introduction of traffic signals might encourage traffic travelling to Wickford to use Church Road as an alternative route, and in view of complaints on the volume of traffic using it as a through road were considering provision of bollards to form a physical barrier across Church Road, immediately east of the village school. Local residents were being consulted and Members gave detailed consideration to the proposals in the light of the following relevant factors:-

(a) The first phase of the A.130 Battlesbridge By-Pass Scheme did not start until a point well north of the Rawreth Lane junction.

(b) The difficulty experienced by traffic negotiating the junction at peak hours.

(c) The efforts of the Council over many years to secure improvement to the junction.

(d) Traffic signals would improve cross-junction flows and if incorporating a pedestrian phase, would also provide improved safety for pedestrians crossing the A.130. Rawreth Village was bisected by the A.130 and there was considerable movement across the highway particularly to the school and Church.

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(e) The bollards across Church Road would, it was thought, be extremely detrimental to the village community and since the major complaint concerned compercial vehicles, the imposition of a weight restriction with exception for access, similar to that in Beeches Road might be a better solution.

RECOMMENDED (1) That the County Council be informed that the District Council is pleased to see that consideration is being given to a junction improvement but would like to consider in more detail the various alternatives for the junction improvement, rather than simply the installation of traffic signals.

(2) That the Council do not support the provision of bollards in Church Road but would rather see commercial traffic controlled by other means, including a possible weight restriction.(45)

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS - ASHINGDON ROAD/DALYS ROAD/ROCHE AVENUE JUNCTION. ROCHFORD

740。 The Director of Administration reported on the efforts of Rochford Parish Council since 1974, to se ure improvements in traffic conditions at this junction, by re-siting the bus stop and bus-shelter and provision of a lay-by or the provision of a mini roundabout. Following mmerous meetings, the County Council indicated that although general improvements to Ashingdon Road were not planned for the early future this section might be dealt with as a separate issue in view of the heavy traffic it carried. They had now informed the Parish Council that the improvements to Ashingdon Read and this junction were in abeyance pending assessment of the results of the current experiments. Being concerned that the traffic problem at this junction had worsened in the past four y-are, particularly at peak hours and accidents had increased, the Parish Council had requested County Councillor H.F. Ellis to press the County Council to take urgent action to secure the necessary improvements at this junction. The Chairman withdrew his letter, copies of which had been circulated inadvertantly to the Committee, and reported that a letter had been received from Lesney's which would result in further discussions being undertaken with the Company relating to the traffic problems at the junction with Ashingdon Road. A further report would be given to a future meeting.

Resolved that this Council fully support the representations of the Rochford Parish Council on this matter. (512)

PROVISION OF NEW BUS SERVICE, LITTLE WHEATLEYS, RAYLEIGH

The Director of Administration reported that the Essex County Council 741. Public Transportation Department, in conjunction with the local bus operators, were considering the provision of a new bus service to serve the Little Wheatieys Development and the new development intended by this Council, and before taking any action had sought the Council's views. Since the area is being developed in phases, both interim and ultimate routes had been considered and, initially, buses will proceed via A129, Little Wheatleys Chase and Bardfield Way to turn in the vicinity of the boundary of the Wimpey development and then return via the Al29, over the same route reversed. Ultimately, buses would proceed to and from A129 either clockwise or anticlockwise, or perhaps in both directions, via Hatfield Road, the extension of Bardfield Way, Bardfield Way and Little Wheatleys Chase. The service would connect with the railway station and the High Street Rayleigh and, although no final decision had yet been taken upon this aspect, 8 40 could well be that the route would be a totally circular one and

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not part of a long distance through route.

All the roads involved had been designed at the standard necessary to accommodate bus traffic.

The provision of this new service would be particularly advantageous in this rapidly expanding area where many new houses are being constructed and would probably be used as a shopping service during the off-peak periods. It could also help relieve the pressure on the main through-route buses serving the London Road area during the peak times and some of the car congestion at the railway station.

Three letters of objection to the proposal were reported to the Committee, the main concern of each of the correspondents being road safety.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the County Council be informed of this Council's strong support for the proposed new service. (901/3).

CONTRACT 747 - SUPPLY OF BLACK PLASTIC REFUSE SACKS

742. The Director of Administration reported that tenders for the supply of these sacks had been received in the following sums:-

Banmere Polythene Limited	£48,125.00
Richard H. Lee & Company	£52,000.00
Reed Medway Sacks	€52,750.00
Brentsac Enterprises Limited	£54,600.00
Kenmere Flexographic	256,250.00

The lowest tender was the existing contractor and the Director of Technical Services was satisfied with the new samples supplied.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the lowest tender submitted by Harmere Polythene Limited in the sum of £48,125.00 for the supply of 2.5 million high density black plastic refuse sacks be accepted subject to contract. (4524).

CONTRACT 748 - HULLBRIDGE SURFACE WATER SEPARATION SCHEME, WINDERMERE AVENUE, HULLBRIDGE

743. <u>Resolved</u> that consideration of this matter be deferred until Members of the Public and representatives of the Press had been excluded from the meeting (16754).

CONTRACT PROGRESS REPORT

744. The Committer noted the report of the Director of Technical Services on Contracts 695, 637 and 748.

CROC'S, 19 HIGH STREET. RAYLEIGH - PARKING PROBLEMS

745. At the request of a member the Committee considered complaints arising from the operation of these premises concerning disturbance and annoyance caused to residents in the vicinity by persons parking in and driving away from Bull Lane and the Car Park at the Council Offices. The Directors of Administration and Health

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and Housing reminded Members of the problems experienced in dealing with these premises, both from the planning aspect and the Music and Dancing Licensing Regulations. Whilst the complaints of disturbance were a matter for police action, it was appreciated that they might be alleviated by steps the Council could take in placing restrictions on the use of the premises and upon parking areas. A report was to be made to the Development Services Committee on the planning aspect and the problems would be looked at again when renewal of the Music and Dancing Licence was considered.

<u>Resolved</u> that the Officers investigate the possibility of restricting the use of the Council Offices and Market Car Farks by other than authorised persons and report to a later meeting on the action required. (5782)

DRAINAGE DITCH AT RAYLEIGH DOWNS ROAD/GLENWOOD AVENUE, EASTWOOD (Minute 428/78)

746. The Director of Administration reported that following discussions with Southend Borough Council upon the question of improvement works to this ditch to relieve flooding problems, that authority had made preliminary investigation from which it appeared likely that the works needed would be beyond the limited amount of work which could be expected to be carried out by a riparian owner. The Southend Borough Council were prepared at their own expense to carry out a full investigation into the problem. If this revealed the need for a new drainage scheme they would have to seek an Order from the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food in accordance with the Land Drainage Act 1976 authorising them to carry out works on land outside their District. They would also require this Council to enter into an agreement with them under Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972 permitting one local authority to discharge the functions of another authority.

RECOMMENDED That this Council are prepared in principle to enter into agency arrangements with the Southend Borough Council for the carrying out of works to the watercourse between Glenwood Avenue and the Rayleigh Downs Road subject to no cost whatsoever being borne by this Council and to the technical details of the necessary works being approved by the Director of Technical Services prior to their being undertaken. (235).

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

747. <u>Resolved</u> that in accordance with Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be now excluded from the meeting for the reason that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest, the business about to be discussed being the subject of a confidential report.

CONTRACT 748 - HULLBRIDGE SURFACE WATER SEPARATION SCHEME - WINDERMERE AVENUE, HULLBRIDGE.

. The Director of Administration reported that tenders for this Contract had been received in the following sums:-

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J.J. Hegarty & Sons Limited £29,601.15 G.B. Construction Limited £30,907.87 George Heilard (Mayplan Services)£40,056.71

The Director of Technical Services verbally reported on the technical details of the scheme and its costing.

RECOMMENDED That the lowest tender submitted by J.J. Hegerty and Sons Limited in the sum of £29,601.15 be accepted subject to Contract, a satisfactory financial report and the approval of the Anglian Water Authority. (16754).

SUBPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

749. During consideration of the foregoing item, it was,

<u>Resolved</u> that Standing Order 18 bs suspended to permit transaction of the remaining business.

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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SCHEDULE UP CHARGES

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The Council's Car Parks at The Approach, Rayleigh and Back Lane, Rochford at Rayleigh. The charges at these two Car Parks have remained unchanged for the last two years and it is recommended that the increase this year should be limited to 5% only. Dally charges however to remain charged by British Railways who have a waiting list for their Car Park are still not popular although the charges are much lower than those The present British Railways Car Parking charges are as follows:unchanged in the hope that it encourages use.

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Quarterly	10.00	
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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HOME AND WATER SAFETY PANEL HELD IN THE SOCIAL HALL CIVIC CENTRE, ROCHFORD AT 2.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, .3TH NOVEMBER 1978

Present: Counciller A.J. Humby Councillor Mrs M. Garlick Mr G. Golding (Asst. Divisional Officer, E.C.C. Fire Brigade) Miss M. Hastings-Ison (Royal Life Saving Society) Mr R.W. Holsgrove (North Thames Gas) Mrs M.T. Madden (Hullbridge Parish Council) Mr F. Parkin (Station Officer, H.M. Coastguard) Mrs J. Wilson (Pre-School Playgroups Association) Mrs S. Wilson (St John Ambulance) Councillor C. Stephenson (Rochford District Old Peoples' Welfare Committee)

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Resolved unanimously that Councillor A.J. Humby be appointed Chairman of the Panel.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

These were received on behalf of Councillor L.K. Cope, Mrs M. Cox, Mr A.L. Brooker, Mrs H.M. Graham, Mr C. Kilby, Mr H.D.R. Matthews and Mr D. Tyler.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 10th May 1978 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4. GLITTER LAMPS

The Director of Health and Heasing reported on the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection's safety recommendations and proposals for restricting the import of these lamps. Arising out of the discussion, Assistant Divisional Officer Golding commented on a further hazard if these lamps were stood on top of television sets resulting in increased emission of toxic vapour. He also reminded the Panel of the dangerous practice of placing objects of any kind on television sets. The Fire Brigade had found examples of television screens being shielded from glare by placing a large hood of paper or cardboard on the set. This could result in the ventilation grills at the rear of the set being obstructed thus increasing the risk of a serious first

5. HOME ACCIDENT REPORT

The Panel noted with interest the data obtained during the first 12 months of the Home Accident Surveillance System. Additional statistics were circulated at the meeting detailing Home Accidents in the County of Essex including patients admitted to hospitals within the Southend Health District. This was the first time that local statistics had been forthcoming from the Area Health Authority and although it had to be borne in mind that certain accidents and injuries not directly connected with home safety might be included by the computer it was evident that particularly in the age groups 0 - 4 years and over 65 years the local statistics showed similar trends to the national figures. The Essex Health Authority have undertaken to supply these statistics each year in future.

6. EAST ANGLIA HOME SAFETY COUNCIL

The Director of Health and Housing reported on the meeting of the Council held on 27th September 1978 at Lowestoft. Information was given to the Panel on the item "Immersion heater fires in airing cupboards", in particular, the comments of the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection. Assistant Divisional Officer Golding said that his -rperience of fires in airing cupboards had convinced him that the caps of immersion heaters are only liable to combustion in extreme circumstances and the problem was due to occupiers enclosing the whole of the immersion heater within the hot water tank insulation thus causing overheating. Mr Golding advised the Panel that there was absolutely no need to lag the immersion heater cap since very little heat would be lost through this small gap in the tank insulation.

7. ACTIVITIES

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(a) <u>Fireworks</u>

The Director of Health and Housing reported on the publicity measures taken by his Department to publicise the firework safety message throughout the district prior to November 5th. The Fire Officer reported that to his knowledge no serious incidents had occurred in this area. The Panel discussed organised firework displays and it was felt that certain organisers were not aware of the guidance note available. It was also recommended that any organiser of a firework display should contact the Fire Brigade for advice.

A Member informed the Panel of her experience with fireworks from a well known manufacturer and purchased locally for use at an organised display where it was found that almost a third of the fireworks would not ignite. Members felt that some retailers might keep unsold fireworks from year to year and it was suggested that the complaint should be brought to the attention of Essex County Council Consumer Protection Department.

(b) Home Safety Education Conference

The Director of Health and Housing drew members' attention to the proposal to hold a Home Safety Education Conference on the 15th March 1979 at Runnymede Hall, Thundersley. A similar conference was held in 1975 with great success and this conference, which would deal in the main with safety for the elderly and the young, was being organised jointly with Castle Point Home Safety Committee.

(c) <u>Water Safety</u>

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The Director of Health and Housing reported on RoSPA's proposals for their "Be Water Safe" campaign for 1979.

He hoped to commence a survey of all aspects of water safety in the Rochford district during 1979 which would deal with safety and rescue on the River Crouch, swimming instruction in schools and the location of open water which could present dangers to young children. It was hoped to invite comments from many interested individuals and organisations. The Chairman felt that more could be done in the water safety sphere in this district and expressed his pleasure that this survey was to be carried out next year.

(2)

A Member raised the question of speed limits for motorboats on the River Crouch at Hullbridge and the difficulties of taking action against the "cowboys" who cause damage to other boats and are seriously erroding the banks of the river with their wash. The Chairman advised that the Crouch Harbour Authority were preparing bye-laws on this subject although it was admitted that enforcement speed limits would be a difficult task.

8. EXPLODING BATTERIES

The Director of Health and Housing reported on an advice leaflet issued by the Essex Police on a possible danger of explosion when using jump leads and booster batteries to start a car. The Panel agreed that further information was wanted on this subject and it was recommended that the Director of Health and Housing write to major manufacturers of car batteries for their comments.

9. REVIEW OF HOME AND WATER SAFETY LITERATURE

The Department's current stock of leafless and posters were on display and members were invited to inspect them at the end of the meeting.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Microwave Ovens

Following the "World in Action" broadcast on 21st August 1978 concerning the possible adverse effects of radiation from microwave ovens, particularly injury to the eyes, the Panel were advised on the degrees of hazard and the Director of Health and Housing reported that provision had been made in the next year's estimates to purchase a radiation tester to enable his Environmental Health Officers to test these appliances.

North Thames Gas Research Laboratory

The Chairman reported that he had attended a visit to Watson House, Fulham, the main testing laboratory for the North Thames Gas Board and had found it extremely useful and interesting. Mr Holsgrove of North Thames Gas said that he would be happy if members of this Panel could find time to come to Watson House and it was agreed that a visit should be organised for the Spring of 1979.

Training of pool attendants in life-saving

Miss Hastings-Ison enquired when the Council's new swimming pool was to be opened and offered training facilities by the Royal Life Saving Society for newly appointed pool attendants. She said that the R.L.S.S. were currently running a training scheme for attendants for Castle Point District Council. Her offer was accepted with thanks and the availability of this scheme would be notified to the Director of Technical Services.

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance and Personnel Committee

At a Meeting held on 12th December 1978 Present : Councillors T. Fawell (Chairman), Mrs. D.M. B. othby, K.J. Bowen, R.H. Boyd, W.H. Budge, J.H. Carter, R.D. Foster, D.R. Fowler, A.J. Harvey, R.H. Holman, A.J. Humby, D.A. Ives, E.V. Maton, D.R. Mears, Mrs. J.M. Murison, J.E. Nokes. J.A. Sheaf, S.H. Silva, A.L. Tate and D.C. Wood.

Apologias : Councillor Mrs. E.M. Heath

Visiting : Councillor Miss. B.G.J. Lovett

MINUTES

750. <u>Resolved</u> that the Minutes of the Meeting of 31st October be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

- 751, <u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the appended report be received and the action of the Director of Finance in paying the accounts detailed in para 1 be confirmed.
- 752. HOUSE PURCHASE ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING CORPORATION GUARANTEE ACT 1978

The Director of Finance reported details of a Government scheme to provide special financial help for first-time home buyers who could qualify for an interest free loan of $\pounds600.00$ for five years and for a cash bonus up to a maximum of $\pounds110.00$ by A) saving for at least two years with a recognized Savings Institution, B) keeping at least $\pounds300.00$ in the account for the 12 months preceding the loan application and C) having savings of at least $\pounds600.00$ at that time. There were other conditions all of which were spelt out fully in a leaflet available at the office. The Chairman of the Committee, Councillor T. Fawell, had exercised his powers under Standing Order 31 to authorise the registration of the Council for the purposes of the Act and the report was made in satisfaction of that Standing Order. (612)

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1979/80

753. The Director of Finance reported

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That subscriptions for 1979/80 be paid to the following bodies

Royal Institute of Public Administration - Corporate Membership. Town and Country Planning Association. National Housing and Town Planning Council. Housing Centre Trust. Eastern Authorities Orchestral Association. - £100 Council for the Protection of Rural England. Commons, Open Spaces and Footpaths Preservation Society. Association of Sea and Airport Health Authorities. Finance and Personnel Committee

Association of District Council Treasurers. Association of District Councils. Association of District Councils - Essex County Branch. Freight Transport Association. Essex Naturalists Trust. National Playing Fields Association. Advisory Committee on Oil Pollution of the Sea. Essex and Hertfordshire Provincial Councils. Federation of Industrial Development Associations. Eastern Arts Association - £50. (847)

GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS 1979/80 (Minute 839/77)

754. The Director of Finance submitted a schedule showing grants paid in 1978/79 and requested for 1979/80.

RECOMMENDED(1) That grants be paid as recommended in column 9 of the appended schedule.

(2) That it be noted that the Rayleigh Old Peoples Voluntary Welfare Committee, did not qualify for further assistance this year because they had been left a bequest in 1978. (211)

CROSSRUADS CARE ATTENDANCE SCHEME TRUST

755. The Director of Finance reported with details of how the scheme worked and was funded.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That further consideration of a request for financial assistance be deferred until it is known what financial allocations to the charity are to be made by the County Council and the Area Health Authority. (211)

CONCESSIONARY BUS FARES - CHARGES FOR PASSES (Minute 836/77)

756. The Director of Finance reported that an anticipated 10% increase in the cost of passes from 1st January 1979 could be absorbed in current estimates.

RECOMMENDED That the charge per concessionary bus fare pass remain at £3.00 for the year commencing 1st April 1979 and provision be made in the 1979/80 estimates for £52.700. (4486)

CHARGES FOR FACILITIES

757. The Director of Finance reported that fees for local land charges and the register of electors were fixed by statute.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the following charges be adopted with effect from lat April 1979.

Copies of planning consent	£1.75
Copies of Council Minutes	£10.00 per annum
EPL Redemption fee	£6.00
HPL Second enquiry fee	£6₀00
Concessionary Bus Passes	£3.00 (708)

PROPOSED JUBILEE GARDEN RAYLEIGH (Minute 647/78)

758. The Director of Technical Services reported that the Fair Committee did not find the alternative sites acceptable and with regret had decided not to proceed with the venture. However, the Fair Committee had asked if a commemorative plaque could be placed to record the celebration of the Silver Jubilee in Rayleigh.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That authority be given for a plaque to be placed within the Mill Hall complex subject to the design and siting first being agreed with the Director of Administration. (6179)

VEHICLES

759. The Director of Technical Services reported that refuse freighter Fleet Number 101 needed £2,000 worth of chassis and hopper repairs but that Fleet Numbers 107 and 110, although due for replacement, still had some useful life. Number 104 was also scheduled for replacement in 1979/80.

RECOMMENDED (1) That 2 Dennis Bulkmaster 70 Refuse Collection vehicles be purchased to replace Fleet Numbers 101 and 104.

(2) That Fleet Numbers 107 and 110 be not replaced at this time.

(3) That, S.0.4.7 (1) being applicable, tenders be not invited but the fixed price quotation by Hestair Dennis of $\pounds 25,000$ per vehicle be accepted.

NOTE :

The Chairman of the Council subsequently exercised his powers under S.O. 18 to authorise the immediate despatch of a Letter of Intent to Purchase in order to obtain the advantage of the fixed price quotation valid only until 31st December 1978. (226)

PLANT

760. The Director of Technical Services reported that additional and replacement plant was needed if maintenance of recreation and amenity land was to continue to improve.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That Fleet Number 826-30 cwt. roller, and Fleet Numbers 834 and 835-trailers, be disposed of.

(2) That the following plant be purchased and included in the Renewal Fund Schedules.

One Sisis Integrated Contravator/Lospred - £2,600 One 2.25 ton powered tandem roller - £3,700 One low loading hydraulic trailer for transport of the powered tandem roller - £2,400 (226)

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CONTRACT PROGRESS REPORT

761. The Committee noted the report of the Director of Technical Services on Contracts 706, 730 and 730a. (647)

STAFF CANTEEN - ROCHFORD

762. The Director of Administration reported that £3000 was provided in the estimates for the extension of the staff canteen at Rochford, which would have the desirable spin-off of providing a proper rest room facility.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That approval be given to the proposed extension of the Staff canteen, Rochford at an estimated cost of £3,000 and authority given for tenders to be sought for the immediate execution of these works. (89)

COUNCIL LOTTERY

763. The Director of Finance reported that the Lottery Panel met on 29th November and said that lottery number 7 showed a profit of £1122.63, that the total profit was approximately £8,000 and that there was £650 in unclaimed prizes.

The use of an outside promoter of lotteries had been investigated but present lotteries as run by the Council itself were well supported and appreciated.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the present system of lotteries be continued with draws on the following dates :-

7th April	1 2	Rayleigh High Street
9th May	•	Rayleigh Market
9th June	-	Rochford. (7132)

STAFF VACANCIES

764. The Chief Executive reported on vacancies that, with unanimous consent of the Management Team, had been or were to be filled. (PF)

HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK ETC. ACT 1974 APPOINTMENT OF SAFETY PANELS

765. The Chief Executive reported that regulations under the above Act required the Local Authority to set up safety panels to consult with the appointed safety representatives of the outside staff and officers.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That the title of Joint Works Committee be amended to "Joint Works and Safety Panel" and that the terms of reference of the former committee be extended to include all matters relating to the Health and Safety at Work Etc., Act 1974.

(2) That the title of the Joint Staff Committee be amended to "Joint Staff and Safety Panel" and that the terms of reference of the former Committee be extended to include all matters relating to the Health and Safety at Work Etc. Act 1974.

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(3) That where the safety representative is not already a member if the panel then such officer be authorised to attend meetings for the purposes of discussion under the Health and Safety at W rk Etc. Act. (7785)

JOINT STAFF COMMITTEE

Meeting Held on 8th November 1978

766. <u>RECOMMENDED</u> That the appended report be received.

Meeting Held on 6th December 1978

767. The Chief Executive reported that the draft Minutes had not yet been agreed by both sides of the Joint Staff Committee and would be reported formally to a future meeting. (4545)

DISMISSAL OF POST-HOLDERS HM3 AND HM9 (Manute 692/78)

768. The Chief Executive reported that the Appeals Panel met at Rochford on 29th November and heard the appeal of Post holder EM3 against his dismissal. After most careful consideration the Panel found that the action of the Director of Technical Services in dismissing this employee was justified and worthy of support. The appeal was therefore rejected and the dismissal upheld. (PF)

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

769. <u>Rescived</u> that. in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public B dies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be now excluded from the meeting for the reason that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest, the business about to be discussed being the subject of confidential reports.

CONCESSIONARY BUS FARES (Mirute 689/78)

770. The Committee considered the motion of Councillor Budge referred by Council and a report by the Director of Finance. Great sympathy was expressed for the problems of the handicapped but it had to be acknowledged that the District Council did not have the resources or expertise to administer what was strictly a welfare function.

On being put to the vote the motion was declared lost. (4486)

STAFF INDOOR

771 Various proposals were put for establishment changes but the Committee was not disprated to deal with the subject piecemeal and the view was expressed that Council had followed such a strict policy for the last four years that perhaps the time had come for a complete review of the establishment.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That the Management Team report on the whole establishment to a meeting of Chairmen of Committees.

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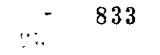
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(2) That the report of the Chairmen be made to a Special Meeting of this Committee to be held before the date of the next ordinary meeting. (PF)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

772. During discussion of the preceding item, it was,

<u>Resolved</u> that Standing Order 1.8 be suspended to allow transaction of the remaining business.



Report of the Director of Finance

to the Finance and Personnel Committee on 12th December, 1978

Accounts Paid

Accounts amounting to £2,917,009.60 were paid during October 1978. The Committee's confirmation of payment is requested.

'. Capital and Revenue Estimates 1978/79

(a) Supplementary Estimates already approved:

Committee	Revenue Approved	Full Year £	Capital Approved	
Finance & Personnel	14,140	5,900	17,500	
Recreation & Amenities	1,290	-	7,800	
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	<u>15,430</u>	5,900	25,300	

(c) Expenditure Control

To review the Capital Expenditure to date compared with the planned expenditure for the year.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME 1978/79

Committee FINANCE & PERSONNEL	Estimate 1978/79 £	Estimate to 29th Oct 78	Actual to 29th Oct 78 £	Comparison Actual to H to 29 _£ Oct.	stimates
 1) Depot 2) House Purchase Loans 3) Loans to Outside Bodies 4) Delayed Schemes 	8,900 210,000 7,500	8,900 122,500 	14,452 112,207 5,140	5,552+ 10,293- 5,140+	162 92 -
	226,400	131,400	131,799	399+	
HEALTH & HIGHWAYS 1)- Car Parks 2) Comotories	3,600 2,500	3,600 2,500	3,213 3,646	387- 1,146+	89 146
	6,100	6,100	6,859	759+	
HOUSING	·			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	··· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
 Rochford Designed Southend Designed Private Developments Improvements & Repairs Land Municipalisation Housing Assn. Loans Improvement Grants Delayed Schemes 	336,500 666,000 65,000 196,000 570,000 350,000 55,000	200,000 268,000 55,550 181,750 - 123,000 32,083	189,458 276,528 68,989 139,279 - 130,575 11,445 11,899	10,542- 8,528+ 13,439+ 42,471- 7,575+ 20,638- 11,899+	95 103 124 77 - 106 36
:	2,238,500	860,383	828,173	32,210-	

Committee RECREATION & AMENITIES	Estimate 1978/79 £	Estimate to 29th Oct 78 £	Actual to 29th Oct 78 £	Comparison o Actual to Es to 29 Oct. 1 £	timates
1) Recn.Grounds & Open Spaces	2,500	400	72	328-	18
2) Sports Halls & Swimming Pool	421,000	230,000	216,384	13,616-	94
3) Delayed Schemes	-	-	11,746	11,746+	
	423,500	230 ,4 00	228,202	2,198-	
	2,894,500	1,228,283	1,195,033	33,250-	

3. Loans Pool Transactions

a) General

The Bank of England minimum lending rate increased by $2\frac{1}{2}$ from 10% to $12\frac{1}{2}$ %, on 9th November 1978 and had an immediate effect on the short term borrowing rates.

In anticipation of this increase part of the P.W.L.B. quota was taken up on 31st October 1978 which has resulted in very little short term borrowing being required.

b) Analysis of loans held in the Loans Pool as at 29th November 1978

	£	%	Average rate of Interest %
Mortgages - P.W.L.B.	6,888,705	41.40	9,15
- Others Bonds - Negotiable	340,892 1,500,000	2.05 9.01	6,08 1 1, 30
- Mortgage	4,350,000	26.14	10.98
- Local	1,189,100	7.14	10.61
Stock ~	3,000,000	18.02	12.50
Temporary			
Less Surplus Funds	17,268,697 625,000(Cr)	103.76 3.76(Cr)	10.42 11.88
1	16,643,697	100.00	10.37

4 INSURANCE

a) Claims

To report the claims made, settled and outstanding. There have been 7 claims made since the last report and 5 claims settled.

Risk	Total No.	Sett	led	Outstanding	
	<u>of Claims</u>	<u>Claims</u>	Amount	<u>Claims</u>	
Motor Vehicle	l	_	-)		
Third Party	5	l	£420)		
Fire	1	_	-)	90	
Others		4	£205.39)		

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d) Rate Rebates granted to-date.

	No Rebates <u>lst Half Year</u>	No Rebatea <u>2nd Half Year</u>	Amount <u>Granted</u>	Average <u>Rebate</u>
			£	£
Owner Occupiers	3081	3018	210,083.87	34。45
Private Tenants	187	111	8,766.11	29.42

e) Rating(Disabled Persons) Act 1978

The Director of Finance reports that this Act amends the law relating to relief from rates in respect of premises used by disabled persons and invalids and will come into force 1st April 1979.

ection 1 provides rebates for hereditaments with special facilities for disabled _ersons i.e., garage or carport, additional bathroom or toilet, additional room for treatment, dwellings specially built or any other facility for the need of the disabled.

Allowances will for the following be based on rateable values. Garage £25, Carport £15, land used for parking £5, additional room £30, additional bathroom £20 additional toilet £10. Sufficient floor space for use of wheelchair £30 other facilities will be assessed by the Valuation Officer.

Section 2 provides rebates for institutions for the disabled occupied by local suthorities or other bodies which are used for the following purposes:-

Provision of residential accommodation, facilities for the training and provision of facilities and welfare services for disabled persons.

All ratepayers will receive details of these new provisions with their rate demands. In addition all voluntary organisations caring for the aged and disabled will be asked to acquaint their members with the procedures necessary for the relief to be obtained.

f) Electricity Discount Scheme 1979

At the last Meeting, the Director of Finance gave a verbal report on the above scheme, and promised Members details of the Council's scheme.

In September 1978 the Council was advised by the Department of Energy that the Minister of State for Energy had announced that the Government had decided to repeat last winters scheme to help people in receipt of Supplementary Benefit nd Family Income Supplement, and also of his intention to extend the scheme to those in receipt of Rate or Rent Rebate or Rent Allowance.

All those receiving rate or rent rebate or rent allowance at 30th September 78 plus those becoming entitled to rebate during the second half of the financial year (ending March 1979) will be eligible to receive the identification document and participate in the Electricity Discount Scheme.

In mid December a letter will be sent to all recipients, explaining their entitlement and what they have to do to claim it, together with a numbered gecurity certificate, the certificate to be signed and presented with the District Council's identifying letter, to the Post Office together with their Electricity Bill as proof of entitlement. A discount voucher will then be issued by the Post Office.

The Director of Finance reports that all necessary steps have been taken to ensure that these procedures will run smoothly.

b) Accidents to Council Vehicles.

To report the accidents involving Council Vehicles which have been notified to the Insurance Company since the last report.

Date of Accident	Vehicle	Estimate Amount of Demage	Remarks
27.9.78	KEV 188 N	T/P Only €39.42	Council vehicle cau slight damage to p_{I} car.

5. <u>Income 1978/79</u>

To report the income received to 31st October 1978 over the main heads.

Туре	Total Income to 31.10.78	Income 1.10.78 to 31.10.78	Previously Reported Income 1.4.78 to 30.9.78
	£	€	£
General	408,444.25	219,715.75	188,728.50
Rates	4,700,680.67	599,542,21	4,101,138.46
House Purchase Loans	483,460,10	36,621.39	446,838.71
Housing Rents	826,850.60	125,987.87	700,862.73
Government Grants	3,117,647.55	422,368.55	2,695,279.00
Invested Loans Repai	.d:		
- Principal	2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00
- Interest	4,687.83	-	4,687.83
Loans	12,766,498.00	1,528,563.97	11,237,934.93
	24,308,269.00	2,932,799.74	21,375,469.26

6. RATING AND VALUATION

a) Rateable Value

The rateable value of the District is now £9,392,493 an increase of £163,935 over that reported to the last Meeting.

b) Court

To report the number of Summonses etc., for recovery of the general rate and Anglian Water Authority charges.

Sum	ber of monses ued to Date	Number of Distress Warrants issued	Number of Distress Warrants to Bailiff	Number of Applicati for Committal <u>Outstanding</u>
	420	319	141	6
c)	Collection	of general rate and	Anglian Water Authorit	y charges

	<u>1978–79</u> €	<u>1977~78</u> £
Collected to 31st October	4,700,680.67	4,230,015.54

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otal number of Accounts = 788

rears as at 30.9.78	£4,749.00	78 cases
31.10.77	€5,017.14	75 cases

otes re cases itemised on September 1978 but now deleted.

131C - Paid off arrears 27.10.78 '029Q - Less than 2 months arrears '212H - Insurance only 2643A - Less than 2 months arrears '726E - 1 month in arrears

SSISTED CAR PURCHASE LOAN SCHEME

· accordance with Minute 200/74 the following Car Purchase Loans have been -pproved since the last Committee Meeting and are reported for information.

ame	Designation	<u>Amount</u> £
L. K.W. Richardson	Clerk of Works	1,550.00
L. F.G. Spence	Rating Assistant	1,500.00
L. P.S. Colbear	Senior Rating Officer	1,500.00
L. R.A. Rowson	Director Technical Services	2,200.44

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7. HOUSE PURCHASE LEANS

a) Loans Approved 1978/79

	Ictal		Appr	5v=d	Pr-Visisly Reported		
	<u>1.4.78 t</u>	<u>. 32.11.78</u>	<u>18.1.78</u>	18.11.78 to 30.11.78		1.4.78 to 17.10.78	
	No.	Amoun ⁺	No. Amcun*		No.	Amount	
		£	ge versid and	£	·	£	
Scheme 1	19	C AMP, 156	5	27:375	16	139,681	
Improvementa	<u>27</u>	<u>47,829</u>	_8_	7.476	<u>19</u>	<u>40.353</u>	
	46	214-885	11	34,851	35	180,034	
Lending Allocation $1978/79 =$		Council		€∠l	0 00 ,0		
	- Building S Support Sc			£60	c ,000		

The Council has been allocated £250,000 with the Britannia and £350,000 with the Abbey National Building Societies and detailed below is a summary of the cases which have been referred.

SUMMARY OF BUILDING SOCIETY SCHEME

	<u>Britannia</u>	Abbey National
No. cf Submissions since 1.4.78	34	36
No. of Cases grant ad Offers	1.8	12
Total amount of Offers/Completions	189°020	122,768
No. of cases de lined or withdrawn	7	11
No. of cases to conclude	<u> </u>	13

HPL ARREARS LIST 31ST OCTOBER

	Sut-Total	<u>Total</u>		thly <u>talmanta</u>	Remarks
6 Monthe and under 7 HPL2457	<u>] Casa</u> 539.28	539.28		82.81	Warrant suspended pending sale.
5 Months and <u>under 6</u> HPL1147 HPL2561	<u>2 Ceses</u> 216.13 725.83	9496		36.29 123.19	Redemption imminent Redemption imminent
3 Months and <u>Under 4</u> HPL2461	<u>1 Сназ</u> 244.06	244.06		79.27	Since Paid
2 Months and <u>Under 3</u> HPL1621 HPL2040	<u>6 Casee</u> 89.12 82.64			38。51 36。07	Proceedings pending P/Order granted 25/11/78 to pay extra £20.00 p.m.
HPI:2200 HPI:2321 HPI:2324 HPI:2534	115.20 149.91 128.68 242.07	8:7.62		38°55 70°03 51°42 85°59	Proceedings pending Proceedings pending Proceedings pending Paying £7. p.w. extra.
l Month and <u>Under 2</u> <u>Under 1 Month</u>	25 Cases <u>1</u> 21 Cases	1,423.06 <u>363.48</u>			
TOTAL	56 Cases	4.319.46	-	839	

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Appendix 1	10	REMARKS		Secretary's Honoravium & Expenses		See Min. 555/78. 78/79 Grant from	Lottery proceeds See separate repo ^{rt} 78/79 Grant for atteniance at Essex Gamea.		Festival of Sport	
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-	2	BODY	Advice Bureau - Eayle - Rochf Old People's Vol. Wel	Rayleigh & Rochford Community Services Co-ordinating Ctte. Rayleigh Silver Band Mayday Mobile Association Porthford Old Peorla's Welfare Otter-	lty Grants aters Centre	Contingencies Contingencies Foc-H Rayleigh. Eastern Sports Council Community Council of Essex Cedar Centre	Crossroads Care Attendant Scheme New Rayleigh Choral Society Rochford District Sports Council	War Veteran Assoclation National Trust - Euterprise Neptune	GUARANTEES Rochford District Sports Council Southend & District Table Tennis League	NOTE: £5,300 allocation comprises £4,300 original (Min 839/77) plus £1,000 lottery proceeds to Ced 555/78)
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JOINT STAFF COMMITTEE

At a meeting held on Wednesday 8th November in the Council Chamber, Rayleigh. <u>Present</u>: <u>Council Side</u> - Councillors A.J. Harvey T. Fawell and E.V. Maton <u>Staff Side</u> - Messrs. C. and D. Gould, O. Scoging and Mrs. R. Jackson. Chief Executive in attendance.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor A.J. Harvey be elected Chairman of the Joint Staff Committee for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Mr. O. Scoging be elected Vice-Chairman of the Joint Staff Committee for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

3. FLEXITIME

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The Committee considered the report for the introduction of flexitime submitted by the staff side, copies of which had been circulated to all Members. The staff side confirmed that their brief extended to discussing a system of flexitime with Management and that they were not committed absolutely to any particular system. The staff side had hoped that the comments of the Management Team would be available, but as subsequently seen in the discussion points it was obvious that similar points would have been put forward by them.

The points put forward and likely to be the subject of discussion together with comment are generally as follows :--

(a)	Key Personnel	w.	These could not participate in the scheme since their presence is required in various situations during the hours the offices are open to the public. The selection of who key personnel actually are is a Management function.
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- (b) Participation in the Some will not wish to participate in the flexitime arrangement and difficulties can be foreseen here.
- (c) Supervision If key personnel work standard hours and subsidiary staff do not, then difficulties are to be expected about allocation and supervision of work in sections,
- (d) Overtime Overtime will be specifically approved in advance and cannot arise automatically from the routine operation of flexitime.
- (e) Service to Public Does the service to public improve or deteriorate? If it remains the same, is it at increased cost.
- (f) Cost It would be a question for Council to decide that the increased overheads arising from longer office hours were worthwhile.

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- (g)Equipment would need to be purchased Method of Operation and Council would almost certainly insist on a clocking in and security card system. These Officers going to to sites would have to clock on first. (h) Pilot Scheme If acceptable, suggestion that a pilot scheme should be operated prior to purchase of any equipment. (i) Inflexibility Whilst system is called 'flexitime' could it ever be dispensed with once
- (j) Office Opening Hours Is it necessarily assumed that if theoretic available working hours are increased, then office opening hours would do likewise.

It was agreed that these points, and any other arising during subsequent discussions within the local NALGO Branch, should be put again to the meeting as arranged in the next Minute.

4. NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting should be held in Rochford at 7.30 p.m. on 6th December.

5. ESSENTIAL USER CAR ALLOWANCES

The Staff Side expressed concern that the recent consideration of essential user car allowances by the Finance and Personnel Committee had taken place without prior consultation. It was stressed by the Council Side that as it was part of a package covering recent tax legislation, it seemed wise to get a Council decision first, and then consult. This consultation would certainly take place after the Council's decision, since an essential user car allowance is a condition of employment, and cannot be unilaterally removed by the Employer without giving rise to a right of appeal.

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ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Performance Review Sub-Committee

At a Meeting held on Thursday 14th December: Present: Councillors D.R. Fowler (Chairman), K.J. Bowen, W.H. Budge, Mrs. L.M.A. Campbell-Daley, J.H. Carter, A.J. Harvey, D.A. Ives, Mrs. J.M. Murison, J.E. Nokes, C. Stephenson and A.L. Tate.

MINUTES

773. <u>Resolved</u> that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th November 1978 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CAPITAL PROGRAMME

774. The Sub-Committee received and noted the report of the Director of Finance.

DEPARTMENTAL INSPECTIONS (Minute 564/78)

775. The Chairman reported on the biennial inspections of the Departments of Finance and Health and Housing that were carried out on Friday 10th November 1978 when the following members were present:-

Councillors D.R. Fowler (Chairman), W.H. Budge, Mrs. L.M.A. Campbell-Daley, J.H. Carter, Mrs. J.M. Murison and J.H. Nokes.

Councillors Harvey, Ives and Stephenson tendered their apologies.

The Sub-Committee expressed themselves satisfied with the high standard of the Departments and with the co-operation which they had received from all members of the staff (1600).

FOOD SAFETY CONTROL

776. The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Director of Health and Housing which was circulated with the Agenda.

In presenting his report the Director gave illustrated examples of educational material used by his staff in the lecturing of food handlers, particularly the young and inexperienced. Swab samples used in bacteriological control were also produced for members information.

In reply to a question the Director of Health and Housing stated that he was generally satisfied with the level of service which he was able to provide for food safety control within the staff resources available.

The Sub-Committee expressed their satisfaction at the level of service provided and particularly with regard to the emphasis which was placed on outside education of food handlers.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF DIRECTORS

777. <u>Resolved</u> (1) that the annual review of the Directors of Administration and Finance be held on Wednesday 31st January 1979 commencing at 7.30 p.m. with the Director of Administration.

(2) that the annual review of the Directors of Health and Housing and Technical Services be held on Thursday 1st February 1979, commencing at 7.30 p.m. with the Director of Health and Housing

(3) that each of the Directors prepare a written self appraisal for distribution to the Sub-Committee prior to the reviews.

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Development Services Committee

At a Meeting held 19th December 1978. Present: Councillors R.D.Foster (Chairman), C.J.Appleyard, S.W.Barnard, Mrs. D.M.Boothby, K.J.Bowen, R.H.Boyd, W.H.Budge, Mrs. L.M.A.Campbell-Daley, J.H.Carter, L.K.Cope, B.A.Crick, S.B.H.Fletcher, D.R.Fowler, Mrs. E.M.Hart, A.J.Harvey, Mrs. E.M.Heath, R.H.Holman, A.J.Humby, D.A.Ives, Mrs. J.M.Jones, F.B.G. Jopson, Miss B.G.J.Lovett, E.V.Maton, Mrs. J.M.Murison, J.E.Nokes, P.G.Philpot, J.A.Sheaf, S.H.Silva, A.L.Tate and B.Taylor.

<u>Apologies</u>: Councillors E.H.Adcock, Miss J.R.Browning, Mrs. F.E.Clayton, T.Fawell, Mrs. M.Garlick, D.R.Mears and D.C.Wood.

MINUTES

778.<u>Resolved</u> that the Minutes of the meeting of 28th November be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

CONSERVATION PANEL

779. Resolved that the appended report of the meeting held on 13th December be endorsed and referred to the Finance and Personnel Committee. (529 and 1761).

RELAXATION OF BUILDING REGULATIONS

780. The Director of Technical Services reported applications which he considered reasonable and to which consultees did not object.

<u>Resolved</u> that, in accordance with Section 6 of the Public Health Act 1961, the requirements of Building Regulations be relaxed in respect of the applications listed below which applications also be approved under the Building Regulations.

Application B.R.No.	Property	B.Rs.to be relaxed		
14018	4 Tonbridge Road, Hockley	E5 & E7		
14163	107 High Road, Rayleigh	K.3(i) (BR.14018 & 14163)		

ROC/228/73/1 & 2 - HAWKWELL EAST WORKING PARTY (Minute 697/78)

781. The Committee received the appended report.

<u>Resolved</u> (1) that ROC/228/73/1, details of road layout, be approved subject to the conditions in para. 10 of the Schedule appended to the Minutes dated 7th November 1978.

(2) that ROC/228/73/2, details of road layout, 16 semi and 25 detached houses, be approved subject to the conditions in para. 11 of the Schedule appended to the Minutes dated 7th November 1978 and to additional condition 5:-

Prior to the commencement of any development, the siting of plant, machinery and building materials shall be agreed with the local planning authority.

(3) that the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to consider the possible use of C.L.A powers to assist the development by the acquisition of Saucer Field.

Development Services Committee

(4) that all major applications for development in the area bounded by Ashingdon Road, Clifton Road, Rectory Road and East of Lincoln Road be referred first to the Hawkwell East Working Party who shall make recommendations to the appropriate Committee.

(5) That a further meeting of the Working Party be held to discuss the timetables for the Anglian Water Authority surface water improvements and County Council highway improvements both in Ashingdon Road, the construction of the School, shopping provision, acquisition of the land fronting Golden Cross garage, if necessary by Compulsory Purchase Order and the siting of the proposed telephone exchange. (ROC/228/73/1 & 2)

NORTH SHOEBURY - PROPOSALS FOR A NEW DISTRICT SHOPPING CENTRE

782. The Committee received a full report by the Director of Technical Services on draft proposals for a development document and planning application RD/SOS/1015/78/0 for a new shopping centre at North Shoebury Road, Shoeburyness.

<u>Resolved</u> that the County Council and the Southend Borough Council be informed that:-

(i) In preparing the detailed layout for the area covered by the North Shoebury Local Plan, it is considered that provision should be made to secure a satisfactory transition between the developed areas and the adjoining open countryside by means of landscaping and the appropriate siting of local and incidental open spaces and amenity areas.

(ii) This Council is anxious that new shopping development should complement and not undermine the viability of existing shopping centres, and whilst due respect is held for the conclusions of the Southend Shopping Study, it is considered that overall guidance is required at the structure level in view of the number of new shopping developments taking place and proposed in and around South East Essex. Comments to this effect were made to the Essex County Council on the Draft Structure Plan, and it is hoped that a decision on application No. RD/SOS/1015/78/0 could be deferred until such guidance is available in accordance with Structure Plan Note 2/78 in the amended version of the Structure Plan to be submitted to the Secretary of State. (F.P.25A)

ESSEX COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORT PLAN 1979/80

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783. The Committee considered the previously circulated report of the Director of Technical Services and a summary of the comments of the Ashingdon and Hawkwell Parish Councils.

Resolved that the County Council be informed that :--

(i) Whilst the contents of the consultation document on the first Public Transport Plan are noted, this Council has no further comments to make on public transport matters at the present time, but would again wish to draw attention to the comments made in respect of T.P.P.5.

(ii) The Council would not support the channelling of Parish Council comments on Public Transport plans through the District Council in future. (11835)

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

784. The Director of Technical Services submitted a list of application decided under delegation and a schedule for consideration.

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Development Servi es Committee

<u>Resolved</u> that decisions be made in accordance with the recommendations appearing in the schedule appended to these Minutes subject to the following:-

Para 8 - BOC/1063/78

The item was withdrawn as being within the delegated powers of the Director of Technical Services.

Para 10 - A/ROC/15/78

The item be deferred for further discussions with the applicants.

Para 14 - ROC/999/78

Condition 2 be amended to read"Within one month from the date of this permission the park shall be surfaced as may be agreed in writing with the local planning authority".

Para 16 - ROC/1078/78

The Director of Administration be authorised to take all necessary steps, including the service of Notices and action in the Courts, to secure the remedying of the breaches of planning control now reported.

Para 19 - A/ROC/12/78

The Director of Administration be authorised to take all necessary steps, including the service of Notices and action in the Courts, to secure the remedying of the breaches of planning control now reported.

Para 21 - ROC/884/78

The Director of Technical Services reported that, since preparation of the schedule, further information had come to hand showing that the authorized use for light industrial purposes had intensified over the last two years and that the use was now for general industrial purposes and thus in breach of planning control.

1. The application be refused for the following reason:-

"The development proposed would consolidate an existing contravening general industrial use to the detriment of the amenities of the occupiers of residential properties adjoining "he site by reason of noise, sawdust, smoke and general disturbance."

2. The Director of Administration be authorised to take all necessary steps, including the service of Notices and action in the Courts, to secure the remedying of the breaches of planning control now reported.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

785.During consideration of paragraph 21 of the Schedule, it was,

<u>Resolved</u> that Standing Order 1.8 be suspended to allow transaction of the remaining business,

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EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

786. Resolved that, in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies

Development Services Committee

(Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be now excluded from the meeting for the reason that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest, the business about to be discussed being the subject of confidential reports.

TURRET FARM, HIGH ROAD, HOCKLEY - MOTORCYCLE NOISE (Minute 732/78)

787. The Director of Administration reported fully on the history of complaints and explained nuances of planning law as affecting the problems being experienced by neighbours. There were possible courses of action open to the Council under planning legislation but it was thought that an action for nuisance might be the most expeditious way for aggrieved residents to obtain relief.

In any event, the landowner had given assurances promising time restrictions which would go some way toward bringing the noise to within tolerable limits.

<u>Resolved</u> (1) that the Director of Administration write to the organiser of the petition telling him of the legal position.

(2) that further investigation be made into allegations of unauthorised earth moving on the land and the Chairman of the Committee be empowered to authorise any Enforcement Action necessary to remedy any breaches of planning control. (13285)

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ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report of the Conservation Panel

At a Meeting held on 13th December 1978, <u>Present</u>: Convil is R D.F.ster (Chairman), K.J.Bowen, D.R.Fowler, Mrs. E.M.Hart, Miss B.G.J Lovett, D.R. Mears, A.L. Tate and D.C.Wood.

Apologies: Councillors Mrs. E.M. Heath, D.A. Ives and J.A. Sheaf

CONSERVATION WITHIN THE DISTRICT - PRIORITIES AND PROGRAMMING (Minute 682/78)

The Panel considered the report of the Director of Finance, prepared jointly with the Directors of Administration and Technical Services upon the effects of the Council's decision to include in the estimates the sum of £50,000 per annum for the five year period 1979/80 to 1983/84 for a rolling programme for conservation works.

The report identified the three following areas of activity:-

- (a) The Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme
- (b) Historic Buildings Act 1962 Grants
- (c) Other specific projects.

It was noted with pleasure that the Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme had been progressing satisfactorily for the last three years and that preliminary discussions had indicated that an increase in the Council's contribution for 1979/80 to £4,000 would be matched by similar increases in the contributions of the Easer County Council and the Civic Trust. This would represent an increase of 100% over the present annual allocation.

In relation to Historic Building Act Grants, the allocation of £500 in past years had been meagre, due to financial restraints, and the Panel were concerned to increase this sum substantially to take account of the clear intention of Members to tackle positively the problem of derelict or illrepaired Listed Buildings as well as other buildings of Architectural or Historic Interest. It was agreed that a formal District-wide Scheme similar to the Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme was required.

Discussions had taken place with the County Council from which it was apparent that a sum of at least of £5,000 could be allocated by the County Council for this purpose for the forthcoming financial year.

Consideration was then given to the application of the balance of conservation monies remaining after funding the "Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme" and the proposed new "Historic Building Act Grants Scheme". Members were concerned to ensure that the maximum possible flexibility should be retained in the allocation of this balance to enable the Council to react quickly and positively should circumstances demand this. The Panel considered a detailed list of buildings of architectural and historic value in the District which they agreed should be used as a guide when considering applications for grant but found difficulty in singling out at this stage any particular building or buildings. without the benefit of a detailed report and survey, since circumstances could change very radically and there would be a need for the Panel to reassess its priorities to a ohanging situation.

The need to give greater publicity to the Conservation Funds available was recognised, as was the desirability of assisting applications which far one

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reason or another fell outside the scope of the two schemes. It was also noted that funds from other sources might be available to assist conservation activity in appropriate cases.

Concern was expressed by Members at the changes of use which often took place in conserved buildings and whilst it was appreciated that these matters were largely governed by planning legislation, the Panel were firmly of the opinion that where Council had control of the premises, then priority of use should be given to shopping and residential units, especially in Rochford Town Centre.

The following recommendations were adopted unanimously by the Panel as representing their requirements and priorities in accordance with Minute 682/78.

<u>RECOMMENDED</u> (1) That the Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme be continued for a further three years with a minimum allocation of £4,000 during the financial year 1979/80.

(2) That Council institute a scheme similar to the Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme to make available Grants under the Historic Buildings Act 1962 based on the attached priority list, with a minimum allocation of £10,000 during the financial year 1979/80 and a further minimum commitment of £10,000 per annum for the next four financial years.

(3) That publicity be given to the schemes mentioned in (1) and (2) above.

(4) That allocation of the balance of conservation monies remaining after funding of the Rochford Conservation Grant Scheme and the Historic Buildings Act Scheme be determined with reference to the attached priority list.

(5) That the Essex County Council be advised of this Council's decisions and requested to allocate similar sums in their 1979/80 estimates.

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Development Services Committee 19th December 1978 Report of the Hawkwell East Working Party.

At a Meeting held 24th November 1978. Present: Councillors A.J.Harvey (Chairman), B.A. Crick, T.Fawell, R.D.Foster, D.A.Ives, E.V.Maton and J.A. Sheaf.

ROC/228/73/1 and 2

The Road Pattern: The Director of Technical Services amplified his written report saying that when the outline application had been under consideration, the Local Planning Authority had been concerned that the Ashingdon Road should not become overloaded at any one point so it had insisted on a Section 52 Agreement that either Rectory Avenue or Lascelles Gardens should be made up before development commenced. Condition No.3 of that outline consent required that the spine road to the West of the site should be connected before more than 40% of the 400 properties were occupied.

In the event, both Lascelles Gardens and Rectory Road had been made up but access could not yet be obtained direct to Ashingdon Road because the Developers did not own Saucer Field.

The Working Party wished to condition the detailed consent for phase I so as to oblige the construction of the East /West access onto Ashingdon Road before construction of any properties but the Director of Administration advised that such a condition would likely be discharged as unreasonable.

Shopping Provision: The Director of Technical Services referred to a shopping survey by the Local Plans Section which concluded that there might be potential for three shop units in the general area but said the Developers were not willing and could not be obliged to provide them under the outline consent already granted. Reference was made to the outstanding consents for two shops opposite the Victory Inn. The Rochford Parish Council had an idea for a "one-way-system" for the shops at Oxford Road and it was said that they had support from the County Council. The Working Party thought that if the grass area outside the garage at Golden Cross was made into a car park these three proposals together would, to a limited extent, help shopping without providing additional new shops.

<u>Design and Layout</u>: The Panel was generally satisfied with the design of individual properties and the overall density of some 11 to the acre but foresaw problems if more than two properties shared a private drive.

<u>Meeting held llth December</u>. <u>Present</u>: Councillor D.A.Ives (Chairman), B.A.Crick, T. Fawell, R.D. Foster, E.V. Maton and J.A.Sheaf.

Apology Councillor A.J.Harvey.

The Director of Administration advised on the interpretation of Conditions 3 and 6 of the outline consent about which questions had been asked at the previous meeting. In correspondence with the builder's solicitors he had argued that the conditions could be interpreted as meaning that no more than a percentage of the properties could be occupied before the connection of the estate road to Ashingdon Road. However, it was fair to say that a different interpretation was possible and the builders were likely to argue that all 360 properties could be served by the spice road only and occupied without any breach of planning conditions.

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The Working Party then met Messre. Colbourn & Silverton representing the builders - C.S.Wiggins & Sons Ltd.

The builders explained that they wished to make the Ashingdon Road link as soon as possible but, despite negotiations over many years, the land was still outside their control. If they could not acquire the land their development would stop short of Saucer Field. The builders contended that the only access they were legally obliged to provide was to the spine road and, since this road had been constructed, there was no highway reason why they should not complete the development. They had, in good faith. incurred great infrastructure costs on both roads and surface water drainage and must now recoup some of that expense. Under the agreement for land purchase they were obliged to construct as much of the spine road as lay on land in their control and to do so as soon as they had the necessary permissions from the Highway Authority.

The developers explained that the only really firm proposals were those for Phase 1. The sketches for the rest of the site were indicative only and were most useful in showing what they were <u>not</u> going to build - no flats, terraces or blocks of garages. As was normal practice there would be discussions on the details of the remaining phases and the expressed wishes of the Working Party concerning shared drives etc., would be borne in mind.

The Working Party was impressed by the co-operative attitude of the developers but required further satisfaction on the genuine problems being and likely to be experienced by residents particularly in Lascelles Gardens and they pressed the builders on these points. Messrs. Wiggins then agreed to instruct all drivers over whom they had control to use Rectory Road/Rectory Avenue and, subject to planning permission, signs would be erected to direct traffic that way.

The Working Party then sought and obtained a further assurance that land at the junction of Lascelles Gardens and Rectory Avenue would not be used as a compound or for a concrete batching plant. These would be sited to the east of Phase 1 although there would be a small compound and workers welfare facilities on land at the rear of the property they were now constructing i.e., at the mid-point of Lascelles Gardens.

The builders confirmed that the footpath at the North side of Lascelles Gardens would be put in as soon as the public utility companies had laid their services, and that the foul sewer there would be provided as soon as Building Regulation consent was issued and they agreed that the two private houses on the North side would be allowed to connect to it.

RECOMMENDED (1) That ROC/228/73/1, details of road layout, be approved subject to the cond_t_ons in para. 10 of the Schedule appended to the Mimutes dated 7th November 1978.

(2) That ROC/228/73/2, details of road layout, 16 semi and 25 detached houses, be approved subject to the conditions in para. 11 of the Schedule appended to the Minutes dated 7th November 1978 and to additional condition 5:-

Prior to the commencement of any development, the siting of plant, machinery and building materials shall be agreed with the local planning authority.

(3) That the Policy and Resources Committee be requested to consider the possible use of C.L.A powers to assist the development by the acquisition of Saucer Field.

85.1 (1)(.' (4) That all major applications for development in the area bounded by Ashingdon Road, Clifton Road, Rectory Road and East of Lincoln Road

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be referred first to the Hawkwell East Working Party with shall make recommendations to the appropriate Committee

(*) That a further maeting of the Working Party be held to discuss the timetatles for the Anglian Water Authority surface water improvements and Occuty Council highway improvements both in Ashingdon Road, the construction of the Sobool, shopping provision, acquisition of the land fronting Sories garage, if necessary ty Compulsory Purchase Order and the siting of the proposed telephone exchange.

SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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19th December,1978.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

1. ROC/1086/78 RAYLEIGH

Erect pair semi-detached chalets. 63 Louis Drive, Rayleigh. Mr. Egan, c/o Mr. R. Curd, 16 Cedar Hall Gardens, Thundersley, Benfleet.

Frontage of Plot: 17.15m (57ft.) Depth of Plot: 64.617m (212ft.) Floor Area: 107.3 sq.m (1155 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

- 1. Std. Cond. 3. Commence in 5 years.
- 2. The dormers shall be clad externally with either hanging tiles to match the main roof or dark stained shiplap boarding.
- 3. Std. Cond.12A. Garage to be incidental to enjoyment of dwelling.
- 4. Std. Cond. 35. A brick wall to be erected to front boundary.
- 5. Std. Cond. 30. Access and crossings laid out to sketch attached.
- 2. ROC/971/78 ROCHFORD

Add extension to an existing workshop. Aviation Way, Rochford. I.P.E. Limited, c/o Mr. D. Clark, A.R.I.B.A., 19 Station Road, Thorpe Bay. Southend-on-Sea.

Frontage of Plot: - Depth of Plot: -Floor Area: 370 sq.m (4000 sq.ft.).

- D.T.S. Grant Permission subject to:-
- 1. Std. Cond. 3. Commence in 5 years.
- 2. No goods or materials shall be stored or deposited on the open areas of the site.
- 3. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the submitted plan including the layout of the car parking areas to provide not less than 46 parking spaces to serve the extended premises.

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ROC/1052/78 HULLBRIDGE

Change of use from Dentist's surgery to Bank accommodation and add extension. 130 Ferry Road, Hullbridge. Barclays Bank Limited, c/o Ayshford & Sansome,F/ARIBA. 112 The Broadway, Thorpe Bay.

Frontage of Plot: - Depth of Plot: -Floor Area of extension: 14 sq.m (150 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

4. ROC/1120/78 RAYLEIGH

Change use of an existing Betting Shop to retail sales. 219 London Road, Rayleigh. Crystal Glazing (Basildon) Limited, 221 London Road, Rayleigh.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

5. ROC/1137/78 ROCHFORD

Change use of existing warehouse to general industrial use. No. 32 Purdeys Way, Purdeys Industrial Estate, Rochford. Mr. A.M. Mountney, c/o The Rose Construction Company Limited, 2 Purdeys Way, Purdeys Industrial Estate, Rochford.

Frontage of Plot: 15.2m (50ft.) Depth of Plot: 44.8m (147ft.) Floor Area: 524.5 sq.m (5646 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

- 2. Prior to the occupation of the premises the car parking areas and the service and turning areas shall be completed in accordance with the details approved in the planning application ROC/272/75 dated 2nd July, 1975.
- 3. There shall be no storage of goods or materials on the open areas of the site.
- 4. Ten car parking spaces shall be kept available to serve the occupiers of the building, as shown on Drawing No. RC/212-07.

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6. ROC/766/78 HAWKWELL

Erect pair semi-detached houses Site of 55 Alexandra Road, Ashingdon. John Mark Developments, c/o Laurence E. Brown & Co., 185 London Road, Southend-on-Sea.

Frontage of Plot: 15.4m (50ft.61ns.) Depth of Plot: 46m (150ft.) Floor Area: 97.5 sq.m (1049 sq.ft.) Density: 12d.p.a.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 3. ~ Commence in 5 years.

- 2. Std. Cond. 5. A scheme of tree and/or shrub planting to be approved.
- 3. Std. Cond. 8. Submit materials schedule.
- 4. Std. Cond.12A. Garage to be incidental to enjoyment of dwelling.
- 5. Std. Cond. 14. 1.8 metres (6 feet) high fencing to be erected.
- 6. Std. Cond. 30. Access and crossings laid out to sketch attached.

7. ROC/22/77 RAYLEIGH

Erect detached house and garage. (Details). Site adjoining "The Rest", Eastwood Rise, Rayleigh. Mr. K. Bowers, c/o Laurence E. Brown & Co., 185 London Road, Southend on Sea.

Frontage of Plot: 21.33m (70ft.) Depth of Plot: 44.00m (144ft.4ins.) Floor Area: 175 sq.m (1883 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 4. - Hedgerows to be retained.

- 2. Std. Cond. 5. A scheme of tree and/or shrub planting to be approved.
- 3. Std. Cond.12B. Garage to be incidental to enjoyment of dwelling.
- 4. Std. Cond. 14. 1.8 metres (6 feet) high fencing to be erected.
- 5. Std. Cond. 35. A brick wall to be erected to front boundary.

NOTE: This application seeks approval to details following the grant of permission on appeal in August, 1977.

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S. ROC/1063/78 RAYLEIGH

Outline application to erect two detached houses and garages. Site adjoining "Wayside" Hillside Road, Eastwood. M/s D. Childs & R. Kemp, c/o Laurence E. Brown & Co., 185 London Road, Southend on Sea.

D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reasons -

- 1. The site is outside the areas allocated for residential development in the County Development Plan and, furthermore, it forms part of the approved Extended Green Belt. The Written Statement accompanying the County Development Plan indicates that in order to achieve the purposes of the Extended Green Belt, it is essential to retain and protect the existing rural character of the area so allocated and that new buildings and uses will only be permitted outside existing settlements in the most exceptional circumstances and when essential for agricultural or allied purposes.
- 2. The proposal if permitted would result in an undesirable intrusion of new residential development in the more open and rural scene adjoining the built up frontage of Eastwood Rise in an important part of the Extended Green Belt which serves a vital function in maintaining a break of predominantly open countryside between the urban areas of Rayleigh and Eastwood. Furthermore the proposal would create a precedent for further development and a series of piecemeal departures from the approved County Development Plan which could prejudice the proper planning of the area. The local planning authority consider that any departures from the provisions of the Development Plan should only follow a comprehensive study of the area.

F. ROC/959/78 RAYLEIGH

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Erect 2 x 2/3 bedroom detached bungalows. Site of No. 20 Deepdene Avenue, Rayleigh. Marlyn Properties Limited, c/o Mr. K.G. Hakes, A.R.I.C.S., Metropolitan House, 41 Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea.

Frontage of Plot: 20.19m (66ft.5ins.) Depth of Plot: 38m (125ft.) Floor Area: 81 sq.m (880 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

- 1. Std. Cond. 3. Commence in 5 years.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3, Schedule 1, Class 1 of the Town and Country Planning General Development Order, 1977, the proposed dwellings shall not be enlarged without the prior approval of the local planning authority.
- 3. The development shall be carried out strictly in accordance with the plans accompanying the application with regard to surface water drainage.

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- 4. The dwelling on plot 2 shall be located in the position indicated in blue on drawing no. CW-2390-78 dated 21st November,1978 returned herewith.
- 5. Std. Cond. 8. Submit materials schedule.
- 6. Std. Cond. 14. 1.8 metres (6 feet) high fencing to be erected.
- 7_{\circ} Std. Cond. 35. A brick wall to be erected to front boundary.

NOTE Originally the proposal included pitched roof garages attached to the bungalows. These abutted the flank boundaries and extended beyond the line of the rear walls of the adjoining dwellings. The adjacent residents were notified and both expressed concern about the impact the garages would have on their outlook and amenties. The occupier of No.24 Deepdene Avenue also expressed concern about surface water drainage arrangements.

Since these representations were received the applicants have deleted the garages from the application and to safeguard the situation in the future I have included a condition in my recommendation stipulating that the dwellings may not be enlarged without the prior approval of the local planning authority. Surface water from the buildings is planned to be taken to a surface water sewer in Deepdene Avenue which should alleviate any problem of surface water run-off from the site onto adjoining land.

The adjoining residents have been informed accordingly.

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Erect a non-illuminated advertising sign-board. Limehouse Nursery, The Drive, Eastwood Road, Rayleigh. Cramphorn Garden Centres Limited, c/o Gordon H. Parker Development Consultants Limited, 19 Athelstan Road, Colchester.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission.

NOTE: The proposed sign comprises a single board 2.43m (8ft.) x 1.2m(4ft.) mounted on .914m (3ft.) high posts written on both sides in .25m (10in.) high green lettering on a white background.

The proposed wording is "Cramphorn Garden Centres".

This will replace the larger temporary unauthorised sign which has been erected at the junction of The Drive and Eastwood Road.

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11. ROC/1059/78 GT.W

GT.WAKERING

Erect two portable stables. Rear of 130 Shoebury Road, Great Wakering Mr. G. Collins, 6 Connaught Gardens, Shoeburyness,

Frontage of Plot: 60m (197ft.) Depth of Plot: 33m (108ft 3ins.) Floor Area: 24.5 sq.m (264 sq.ft.).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

- 1. The building as erected on site together with the adjoining land shall be used to provide accomodation for one horse only, the remainder of the building shall be used for ancillary purposes i.e. tack room and hay store.
- 2. This permission shall enure for the benefit of the applicant and his immediate family and shall not be used for any other purpose whatsoever, including a riding school.
- 3. The existing fencing and gates at the entrance of the site shall be reduced to a height of 1.2m (4ft.) within three months from the date of this permission.
- 4. Std. Cond. 4. Hedgerows to be retained.
- 5. The existing row of dead elm trees on the frontage of the site shall be topped and interplanted with a quickthorn hedge within three months from the date of this permission. The hedge shall be protected by a temporary fence until it has become established.

NOTE: The building as erected is a considerable improvement on that formerly constructed on the site, its siting is less obtrusive, and it is located at the furthermost point from the adjoining residents in Shoebury Road. The applicant has agreed to carry out the additional work required in Conditions Nos. 3 and 5.

12. ROC/804/78 RAYLEIGH

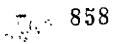
Erect a range of dog breeding kennels. "Poplars", Rayleigh Downs Road, Rayleigh. M/S Brent Lee, c/o Laurence E. Brown & Co., 185 London Road, Southend-on-Sea.

Frontage of Plot to A127: 128m (420ft.) Depth of Plot: 68.5m (225ft.) Floor Area: -

D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reasons:-

1. The proposal would have an adverse effect on the adjoining local residents by virtue of noise and general disturbance associated with a use of this type.

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- 2. The proposed development is likely to generate additional vehicular turning movements which could have an adverse effect on the free flow and safety of traffic on the trunk road.
- 3. Rayleigh Downs Road is considered to be inadequate by width and condition to cater for traffic likely to arise from the use proposed.

NOTE. This site was the subject of appeals against an Enforcement Notice relating to a material change of use of the land to a landscape contractors business and the refusal of planning permission to erect an agricultural building for storage and maintenance of machinery. The Secretary of State accepted the Inspector s recommendation and upheld the Enforcement Notice and dismissed the appeals in a decision letter dated 23rd May, 1978.

The present proposal seeks to use the site for the breeding of 30 dogs and boarding of 10. The owner would occupy "The Poplars" and one employee would be accommodated in an existing annexe. The open areas of the site would be kept as open gardens and existing trees retained. The applicants state that all business would be conducted through a licensed pet shop in Westcliff and the collection and delivery of animals would take place via this shop.

The adjoining occupiers have been consulted and objections received from the following:-

Mr. P.E. Wieland - "Whitegates" Rayleigh Downs Road.

(i) Noise and an insanitary atmosphere would be introduced into the neighbourhood.

(ii) That the siting would have an adverse effect on the Extended Green Belt.

Mr. & Mrs. N.A. Grove - "Little Firs" Rayleigh Downs Road.

(i) Excessive and unreasonable disturbance would be caused.

(ii) The proposal would be detrimental to the purposes of the Extended Green Belt.

Mr. H.D. Catchpole - "Ingleneuk" Rayleigh Downs Road. and Mr. & Mrs. Gooden - "The Spinney" Rayleigh Downs Road. - (Joint Letter)

(i) Both object to the creation of a possible noise nuisance.

The proximity of this site to the dwellings in Rayleigh Downs Road, Eastwood Old Road and Glenwood Avenue would mean that disturbance would inevitably be caused to a large number of the adjoining residents.

The Regional Controller (Roads and Transportation) has directed that permission be refused on highway grounds as stated in reason number two. Whilst it is accepted that an alternative use will need to be found for the site the proposed use is considered to be inappropriate for the reasons stated above.

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13.ROC/775/78 RAYLEIGH

Extend the existing car park. Our Lady of Ransome Church, London Hill Rayleigh. Our Lady of Ransome Church, c/o Mr H.F Pooley, 10 St. Marys Road, Benfleet.

Site Area approximately: 13.5m +45ft;) x 37m (121ft 4ins /.

D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reason -

The proposed surfacing of the site to form a car park, and the impervious nature of the soil, would inevitably lead to an increase in the surface water run-off from the site to the adjoining residential properties in Link Road, thereby causing a detrimental iffect on the amenities at present enjoyed. The only method of drainage acceptable to the local planning authority is therefore a direct connection to a surface water sewerage system.

NOTE: This application seeks to surface an area at present grassed and used as an overspill car park. The neighbours adjoining the site have been consulted and the following comments received:-

J.M. RUTEN, 60 London Hill.

(i) Loss of privacy would occur - suggests six feet high enclosure to surround the site.
(ii) Soakaways be sited away from his property.

D.J. BLACK, 17 Link Road.

(1) Landscaping is required.

(ii) Strict control is required over storm water - suggests the use of a high kerb as well as piping to a surface water drain.
(iii) Requests a three feet wide strip to be left around the site, together with a six feet enclosure and planting of conifers around the perimeter to lessen problems from noise.

A. COOK, 19 Link Road.

(i) Proposed soakaway for drainage would be insufficient.
(ii) Requires a wall to protect his property from noise and pollution.
(iii) Objects to the use of the land as a car park, as it would add noise and pollution to his property.

J.E. LEGGITT, 28 Link Road.

Suggests if approval is given, the following should be included:(1) Proper landscaping and screening.
(11) Proper drainage, not a scakaway.
(11) Control in its usage, i.e. in line with church activities.

A. MOORE, 32 Link Road.

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Objects to the proposal on the grounds of disturbance, drainage problems and possible use of the car park by church-going shoppers.

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This application seeks to provide for adequate car parking within its curtilage for a development whose provision has proved to be well below that required. The car park as constructed has helped to eliminate on-street parking and therefore improve highway safety.

15.ROC/1102/78 HULLBRIDGE

Erect 5 Loose Boxes for cattle and calf rearing. "La Vallee Farm", Wadham Park Avenue, Hockley. Mr. B. Wilson, c/o 2 Wadham Park Farm Cottage, Church Road, Hockley.

Frontage of Plot: - Depth of Plot: -Site Area: 3.307 h.a. (8.173 acres).

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

2. Std. Cond. 4. - Hedgerows to be retained.

NOTE: The applicant has recently acquired this land on which there is already an existing battery house containing 1500 chickens and a piggery under construction. The applicant currently has cows and calves and 100 chickens on other land in the district which he intends to transfer to this site. He only works part-time on his existing holding but intends to work full-time on this new site once he can get it established.

Although described as loose boxes the proposal comprises a single building 18.00m (60ft.) x 3.6m (12ft.) constructed in rendered blockwork with a corrugated asbestos roof. The site is well screened by existing hedgerows and the building will not be visible from Wadham Park Avenue or Lower Road.

A letter has been received from the National Farmers Union supporting the proposal.

16 ROC/1078/78 HOCKLEY

Outline application to layout the land for riding school purpose and to erect an indoor riding school, administration annexe and low rise stable buildings. "The Cottage" The Rose Garden, Aldermans Hill, Hockley. Mr. T. Harrold, "The Cottage", The Rose Garden, Aldermans Hill, Hockley.

Frontage of Plot: - Depth of Plot: -Site Area: 4.45 h.a. (11 acres).

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D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reasons:-

- 1. The site is considered to be unsatisfactorily located and of inadequate size for the proposed use. If allowed the proposal would have a detrimental effect on the site and on Hockley Woods, to the south of the application site, which is protected by Tree Preservation Order No. 14/49 and which is proposed as a site of Special Scientific Interest by the Nature Conservancy Council for its flora and ornithological importance. Furthermore the site lies within the Extended Green Belt and has been designated as part of the Roach Valley Nature Conservation Zone by Rochford District Council, where its values for nature conservation, its archaeological and historic features will be safeguarded.
- 2. The limited extent of the site would involve the exercising of horses outside the curtilage of the site where no bridleway or open country exists within a distance of more than one mile. The existing horse-riding provision in Hockley Woods is already seriously over-used and causes severe damage, expecially in winter and spring. This would therefore involve the use of the highway for horse-riding purposes to the detriment of highway safety.
- 3. The proposed access would tend to prejudice the safety and free flow of traffic on this heavily used highway in that interference would inevitably be caused by slow moving horses and horse-boxes entering and leaving the site and waiting on the highway at this dangerous part of the B.1013 road close to the crest of a hill and a bend in the highway.
- 4. The proposed covered riding centre would adversely affect the amenities at present enjoyed by the adjoining residents by virtue of its height, size, position and likely hours of operation.
- 5. The proposed development would adversely affect the adjoining residents by virtue of noise, smell and general disturbance associated with a use of this type.

NOTE. Members will recall that an application for 27 stables was refused planning permission on this site on 24th May, 1978 for four reasons, Application No. ROC/129/78.

This application now seeks a more intensive use of the site than that formerly proposed and includes a covered riding school as well as ancillary stables.

Whilst the applicant states that he is willing to limit the hours of operation of the riding school and to contain riding to within the site this would be extremely difficult to enforce against should permission be granted. Furthermore if allowed the proposal would involve the virtual loss of part of Hockley Woods which is proposed as a Jumping Practise Area.

(An outline application has also been submitted separately for 15 stables on the site. Application No. ROC/805/78).

Objections to the proposal have been received from the following local residents for reasons as stated in the previous refusal.

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Mr. & Mrs. R. Acketts - 19 Aldermans Hil	1.
Mr. J. & V.J. Bishop - 21 Aldermans Hil	l 。
Mr. M.J. Bailey - 23 Aldermans Hil	1.
Mr. S.A. Regan - 25 Aldermans Hil	1.
Miss S. Lennon - 27 Aldermans Hil	1.
Mrs. R.B. Goodman - 37 Aldermans Hil	1.
Mrs. A. Oates - "The Cottage" Bu	llwood Approach.
Mrs. G. Cockram - "Woodside" Bully	ood Approach.
Mr. P.M. Mahon - "Caprice" Bullwo	od Approach.
Mr. A.F. Payne - "Treetops" Bully	ood Approach.
Mr. C. Mackintosh - 1 Hillside Road.	

Objections have once again been received from the Nature Conservancy Council and the South Essex Natural History Society who both recommend that permission be refused.

The Ramblers Association state that they have no objection to the proposal provided that the applicant adheres to his "statement of proposed management" as set out in a letter accompanying the application.

No objections are raised to the proposal by the County Surveyor subject to the compliance with certain conditions.

A possible Public Health nuisance has been reported following complaints from adjoining residents regarding existing unauthorised stables close to the northern boundary of the site. These comprise 3 stables formed from a conversion and extension of an existing store building and the erection of an additional 5 stables on the site of an old pigs sty. Should this recommendation be agreed it is requested that enforcement action be taken to terminate this use and to remove the unauthorised stables.

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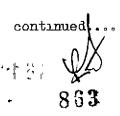
Erect 15 stables. 33A Aldermans Hill, Hockley. Mr. T. Harrold, c/o Bedford Flanagan Associates, 97 Malford Grove, London, E.18.

Frontage of Plot: - Depth of Plot: -Site Area: 1.82 h.a. (4.5 acres).

D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reasons:-

1. The site is considered to be unsatisfactorily located and of inadequate size for the proposed use. If allowed the proposal would have a detrimental effect on the site and on Hockley Woods, to the south of the application site, which is protected by Tree Preservation Order No. 14/49 and which is proposed as a site of Special Scientific Interest by the Nature Conservancy Council for its flora and ornithological importance. Furthermore the site lies within the Extended Green Belt and has been designated as part of the Roach Valley Nature Conservation Zone by Rochford District Council, where its values for nature conservation, its archaeological and historic features will be safeguarded.

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- 2. The limited extent of the site would involve the exercising of horses outside the curtilage of the site where no bridleway or open country exists within a distance of more than one mile. The existing horse-riding provision in Hockley Woods is already seriously over-used and causes severe damage, expecially in winter and spring. This would therefore involve the use of the highway for horse-riding purposes to the detriment of highway safety.
- 3. The proposed access would tend to prejudice the safety and free flow of traffic on this heavily used highway in that interference would inevitably be caused by slow moving horses and horse-boxes entering and leaving the site and waiting on the highway at this dangerous part of the B.1013 road close to the crest of a hill and a bend in " the highway.
- 4. The proposals would adversely affect the adjoining residential occupiers by virtue of noise and general disturbance associated with a use of this type.

NOTE: This application is related to Application No. ROC/1078/78 on the schedule.

No material difference exists between this application and Application No. ROC/129/78 for 27 stables which was refused on 24th May, 1978 for four reasons. Objections to this application have been received from nine of the adjoining house-holders in Aldermans Hill and Bullwood Approach. The Essex Naturalists Trust also objects to this application for the same reasons as that previously stated against ROC/129/78.

18,R0C/992/78 ROCHFORD

Add extension to an existing car repair workshop. 76 West Street, Warrens Garage, Rochford. C & F Warrens Garage Limited, c/o Mr. J.H. Williams, Estate House, 377 Rayleigh Road, Eastwood, Leigh-on-Sea.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 1. - Reserved matters to be approved.

2, Std. Cond. 2. - Commence in 5 years or 2 years.

NOTE: The site of this proposed extension is the existing yard adjoining the hospital boundary on the east side of Union Lane. The proposed building would fill the area of the yard and it would therefore be important to ensure that if any existing boundary walls have to be rebuilt they should be built in the same brickwork and with the same detail. The present garage buildings present a series of untidy asbestos roofs when viewed from the north and these could be successfully screened if the new building has a decent pitched roof covered with asbestos slates or Thrutone asbestos sheeting. The Committee is asked to support these comments to achieve an attractive building adjoining the Conservation Area.

Rochford Parish Council has no objection to the application.

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ROCHFORD

Replace two internally illuminated advertisement signs. Warrens Garage, West Street, Rochford. National Benzole Co.Ltd., c/o Messrs. W.E.Gunn & Partners, 266-272 Kirkdale, Sydenham, London, S.E.26.

D.T.S. - Refuse Permission for the following reasons:-

- 1. The signs are considered to be excessive in size and unduly prominent in the street scene and detract from the appearance of the adjoining Conservation Area.
- The sign at the western end of the forecourt by reason of its size
 and position'is detrimental to the character and setting of the adjoining residential properties.

NOTE: The signs which measure 1.676m (5ft.5%ins.) x 1.555m (5ft.1in.) have already been erected. According to office records the previous signs measured 1.21m (4ft.) x 1.21m (4ft.).

Permission was refused in 1975 (A/ROC/3/75) for two similar signs measuring 1.67m (5ft.6ins.) x 1.55m (5ft.2ins.) for the reasons stated.

The Rochford Parish Council raise no objection to the proposal.

If the Committee refuses permission I recommend the taking of enforcement action for removal.

20 ROC/726/78 RAYLEIGH

Erect 18 houses with garages and "F"& toad. Land on north mide of Warwick Road, Rayleigh. A.W.Hardy & Co.Ltd., c/o R. Michael Welton & Partners, Baryta House, 29 Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea.

 Frontage of Plot:
 Type A 15.24m (50ft.)
 Depth of Plot:
 22.86m (75ft.)

 Type B 13.71m (45ft.)
 22.86m (75ft.)
 22.86m (75ft.)

 Floor Area:
 Type A 125.28 sq.m (1348 sq.ft.)
 75ft.)

 Density:
 10 h.p.a.
 10 h.p.a.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

1. Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

- 2. Std. Cond. 5. A scheme of tree and/or shrub planting to be approved.
- 3. Std. Cond. 8. Submit materials schedule.
- 4. Std. Cond. 10. Details of screening.
- 5. Std. Cond. 18. New estate road to include satisfactory sight splays.
- 6. Std. Cond. 26. Carriageway of proposed estate road to be completed prior to commencement of any residential development and footpaths before dwellings occupied.

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NOTE: This proposal involves all the vacant land between nos.161 and 187 Warwick Road. The scheme shows 18 detached houses. 7 with frontage and access to Warwick Road, the rest served by a short estate road with a Mews Court for 6 units and a Private Drive to 2 houses.

The constraints attendant upon consideration of the layout were the presence of foul and surface water sewers and the requirements of the Anglian Water Authority that they shall not be built over, the presence of Lillyville Crescent on the eastern boundary and the need to ensure that the possibility of a pedestrian access to the school playing field is not lost.

Those sewers from York Road through the site to Clarence Road will not be disturbed. The south to north legs are shown in public highway whilst the east to west runs are initially in the private drive access thence through gardens. Their presence affects the curtilages of two houses whose owners will have to accept the possibility of disturbance should maintenance ever be necessary. The layout has been devised to give minimal disturbance in these two gardens. Foul and surface water sewers from the Lillyville Crescent houses cross the site to join the south/north legs of the public sewers. It is proposed to divert the Lillyville Crescent sewers through the proposed Mews Court to achieve maximum lengths under public highway.

While it may have been the intention to have extended Lillyville Crescent into the site, the juxtaposition of the end of that road and the boundary fences of adjoining houses nos. 187 and 189 Warwick Road make such a scheme impracticable. Additionally Lillyville Crescent is not an adopted highway.

Provision has been made for the new estate road from Warwick Road to abut the boundary of the school playing field, thereby giving the opportunity for a pedestrian access should it be required in the future.

There is no made-up footpath along the frontage of the site to Warwick Road and across the frontages of nos.187 and 189 and I recommend that planning permission be subject to the completion of a legal agreement requiring the Development Company to provide such path and verge. I understand the Company is willing.

Consideration of this scheme has been going on since July and in the interim it has been necessary to revise the layout to take account of physical factors and representations from neighbours.

Initially representations against the scheme were received from:-

(i) Mr. J.E. Mountain - 157 Warwick Road.

He was concerned that the house shown on plot 14 (land to rear of nos.157, 159 and 161 Warwick Road) would affect his view of the fields and woods to the north and that he had been informed that some assurance had been given that the land could not be developed due to the presence of sewers.

(11) Mr. P.A. Hawkes - 159 Warwick Road.

He also objected to the house on plot 14. He says he was assured in 1972 that the land could not be developed since it had severs across it and was intended to be used as an open space. The land is lower than the existing gardens and is subject to flooding during wet periods. A house on the site may put the existing gardens at risk. An additonal 18 houses on the site would aggravate traffic conditions in adjoining roads.

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(iii) Mr. J.D. Charlton - 161 Warwick Road.

Was also concerned about the unit on plot 14 He would lose privacy by being overlooked. His views would be lost and his garden might become waterlogged and he also had been led to believe the land could not be developed.

The layout as finally revised was referred to these objectors early in November, when Mr. Mountain agreed that the revision would be better for him since the unit on plot 14 had been moved eastwards and would not be directly behind his garden. He still argues that 18 units will overcrowd the area. No response has come from Mr. Hawkes but Mr. Charlton reinforces his objection because the house is now sited closer to his boundary and would be a greater intrusion of privacy. He also argues that a poplar tree will be a hazard to the new building.

I agree the revised siting positions the building a metre away from the rear boundary fence of no.161 Warwick Road. Plot 14, however, cannot be left undeveloped and the re-siting involves least impact overall on the existing houses. The siting reflects a typical back to flank situation with about 15.24m (50ft.) between buildings. The flank wall of the new house has one opening at first floor - a shower room window. Plot 14 is the largest in the scheme with a rear garden of some 557.4 sq.m (6000 sq.ft.). Measures necessary to achieve compatibility between trees, shrinkable clay and new buildings will be taken into account when applications are made under the Building Regulations. Suitably designed foundations will have to be considered as will also be the case where buildings are proposed within critical distances of sewers.

The revised layout was also referred to those living in nos.187 and 189 Warwick Road and 8 Lillyville Walk. A response was received from Mr. & Mrs. Wyler of 187 Warwick Road who are concerned (a) to achieve a straightening of their rear boundary fence. (b) provision of a footpath across their site frontage and (c) maintenance of rights of foul drainage, otherwise they are pleased to know the site may be developed because they have been subjected to nuisance from children. Mr. & Mrs. Wyler have had discussions with the Company's architects about matters (a) and (c) and the footpath they want is to be provided as part of the requirements of the proposed legal agreement.

2] ROC/884/78 GT.WAKERING

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Add extension to existing joinery shop with loft over. The Mill, St.Johns Road, Great Wakering. Allgood (Benfleet) Joinery Manufacturers, c/o Mr. R.V.Hudson, MIED., LIAAS., 303 London Road (1st Floor), Hadleigh.

Frontage of Plot. - Depth of Plot: -Floor Area: 68.7 sq.m (740 sq.ft.).

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D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to --

1. Std. Cond. 3. - Commence in 5 years.

2 Std. Cond. 8. - Submit materials schedule.

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- J. No goods, materials, or finished products shall be stored on the open areas of the site.
- 4. The open yard area hatched yellow on the plan returned herewith shall be used solely for the parking of employees, trade, and visitors motor vehicles.

NOTE: Surrounding residents have been notified of the application and representations have been received from the occupiers of the following residential properties:-

6,8,10,12,14,16,22, St. Johns Road. 3,9,11, St. Johns Close. 58,60 Conway Avenue.

All object to the proposals for essentially the same reasons viz.

- (a) Industrial activity within the site will increase.
- (b) Noise nuisance of machinery.
- (c) Hours of operation, which currently includes weekend working.
- (d) Nuisance by smoke, sawdust, shavings.
- (e) Obstruction, inconvenience, and danger through vehicles, particularly large lorries, parking in St. Johns Road and negotiating the site access.
- (f) Inappropriate use in a residential area.

Other comments raised by some of the residents include:-

- (i) Premises are a fire hazard.
- (ii) Addition would be an eyesore and would obscure aspect.
- (iii) Existing buildings not adequately maintained sections of roof have fallen into gardens and no guttering on building backing Conway Avenue.
- (iv) Premises never intended for current use.

Two residents in St. Johns Close suggest that if the joinery shop extension is permitted the rear wall should be constructed in brickwork and finished as a parapet wall to disguise the flat roof. The application has in fact been amended to accord with these suggestions.

The Great Wakering Parish Council object to the proposals on the grounds that the noise would increase and the premises are situated in the centre of a domestic area. Furthermore the access to the premises is already very limited.

The majority of the representations received are comments on the existing premises and use. The premises, however, are quite legitimately occupied and used by the applicants and will of course remain whether the current proposals are implemented or not.

In my opinion the proposals will result in improvements to the appearance and working conditions within the site and would thereby assist in alleviating some of the existing problems being experienced by the surrounding residents.

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Firstly the amount of additional floor area which will be created by the development is only 18,58 sq.m (200 sq.ft.). The proposed joinery shop extension has a floor are of 68.74 sq.m (740 sq.ft.) but existing sections of the joinery shop amounting to 50.2 sq.m (541 sq.ft.) are to be demolished. The applicant states that no increase in staff or machines is proposed, the extension being required to provide adequate space for the existing machines, particularly a sanding machine, and a covered link between the two main buildings for the benefit of staff, materials, and products during inclement weather.

The other objective of the proposals is to provide more satisfactory facilities for the collection of sawdust and shavings and a more convenient method of disposing of such waste. This is planned to be achieved by constructing a pitched roof across the site entrance as an extension to the main joinery shop and the roof void used as a collection receptacle for the sawdust and shavings. A trap door is then proposed in the underside of the new roof to enable collection vehicles to pull in under the roof and directly load the waste materials.

Both the joinery workshop extension and the roof addition would contain and screen the premises more effectively and would assist in reducing any noise nuisance. The proposals would also produce a significant improvement to the width of the open yard area, and as a result would allow it to be used for the parking of motor vehicles. It is not so used at the present time.

Since local residents were notified of the application the proposed joinery shop extension has been reduced in size from 98 sq.m (1055 sq.ft.) to 68.74 sq.m (740 sq.ft.).

22. A/ROC/20/77 RAYLEIGH

Re-site existing internally illuminated pylon sign. Grange Service Station, London Road, Rayleigh. Mobil Oil Co. Limited, Albion House, Littlegate Street, Oxford.

D.T.S. - Grant Permission subject to:-

The maximum illuminance of the sign shall not exceed 1200 cd/m².

NOTE: This sign is already in position.

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DELEGATED PLANNING DECISIONS

I have decided the following planning applications in accordance with the policy of delegations-

- ROC/982/78 Add storm for h at Shangi=La'. London Road, Rawreth, Rayleigh - Mr. Bentley.
- ROC/1030/78 Add extension to form bathroom and lounge at "Hilton", Lower Road, Hockley - Mr. Orford.
- ROC/956/78 Renovate existing cottage and add garage at 67 Victor Gardens, Hawkwell - Mr. J. Floyd.
- ROC/1016/78 Add two storey rear extension at 107 High Road, Rayleigh -Mr. P. O'Flaherty.
- ROC/744/78 Erection of garage, porch and dining room, extension to kitchen and new bay window to lounge at 39 Victoria Road, Rayleigh -Mr. K. Stevens.
- ROC/1042/78 Add carport at 22 Thorpe Road, Hawkwell Mr. C.A.J. Welton.
- ROC/1010/78 Internal alterations and add lounge extension at 4 The Drive, Hullbridge = Mr. F.J. Sutton.
- ROC/1038/78 Add rooms in roof at 105 Burnham Roadm Hullbridge -Mr. D.F. Hystt.
- ROC/912/78 Add kitchen extension with bedroom and sitting room over. Also extension to an existing detached garage at 15 Clayspring Close, Hockley - Mr. K.G. Beresford.
- ROC/708/78 Add kitchen/dimer with bedroom over at 1 Alexandra Road, Great Wakering - Mr. Crowhurst.
- ROC/1106/78 Add a garage at 7 Vaughan Close, Rochford Mr. A.R. Lambourne.
- ROC/1023/78 Add a detached atility room adjacent to "Woodfield", Hyde Wood Lane, Canewion - Mr. J. Morley.
- ROC/1087/78 Add lounge and kitchen extension (ROC/752/78 refers) at 96 Bull Lane, Rayleigh Mr. Lovell.
- ROC/1049/78 Add bedroom in roof space and bow windows to front at 4 Kendal Close, Hullbridge Mr. Foster.
- ROC/1024/78 Add room in roof, kitchen extension and add bay windows at "The Cottage", The Rose Garden, Aldermans Hill, Hockley -Mr. T. Harrold.
- ROC/1037/78 Demolish existing garage and erect garage at Enfield Lodge, 23 Flumberow Averie, Hockley - Mr. P.J. Himfen.



- ROC/1080/78 Add beiroim * rocfspace at 34 Great Eastern Road, Hockley Mr. A. Grait.
- ROC/998/78 Add rooms in roof at 82 Keswick Avenue, Hullbridge -Mr. D. King.
- ROC/1006/78 Add extension to rear, side and a porch at 10 Causton Way, Rayleigh = Mr. A. Brown.

