NOTES on the PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME held on MONDAY, 25th NOVEMBER, 2002 in the Town Hall, Swanage at 7 o'clock p.m.

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, 15 members of the public attended the Meeting.

Councillor Miller (Town Mayor) welcomed those present, and invited questions from the audience.

MRS. M. DIGHT referred to the flooding that had recently occurred in Court Road and the adverse affect it was having on "Orlando's" business. She enquired what steps were being taken to remedy the situation and to prevent a similar occurrence in the future. She was informed by the OPERATIONS MANAGER that the stream and culvert in the area had become blocked, and that the matter had been referred to Purbeck District Council, as the responsible authority.

MR. C. BRIGHT enquired whether the approval of the Town Council was required for the siting of a collection receptacle for charity goods in the area adjacent to the recycling facilities in Victoria Avenue Car Park. He was informed by the TOWN CLERK that approval was necessary as the container was sited on Council-owned land. MR. BRIGHT then drew attention to the recent conversion of a general charity shop into a book shop, and expressed concern at the effect this may have on other traders in the town, bearing in mind the concessions afforded to business premises with charity status.

MR. J. HOLLYWOOD requested an update on the provision of facilities at King George's Field. The <u>TOWN CLERK</u> gave a brief summary of progress to date, stating that the proposals from the Pavilion Working Group had yet to be confirmed. The Kingston Football Club would be notified of the position in due course.

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