

On the down side, it was most regrettable that the pub had finally been closed and sold off. This was a loss to the village and now it would be necessary to keep a close eye on the fortunes of the village shop. It is very much a case of "use it or loose it".

Vigilance is also necessary over the working of the tip to ensure that trade waste does not creep on.

On the subject of the local government review it has been agreed that this council follows the recommendation of the County Council while stressing that it is against any amalgamation with other town/parish councils and that the parish council's role must be clearly defined as an integral part of any future local government structure, with a greater degree of consultation embodied therein. In closing his report, the Chairman wished to express his thanks to all the councillors for their support during the year and wished to make special mention of the invaluable assistance, advice and friendship he had received from the Clerk, Mr D Wilson.

d. The Clerk gave the financial report (at Annex A) and advised the meeting that the accounts were to be audited by the District Auditor on Monday 9 May '94.

5. DEMOCRATIC PERIOD

Mr Johnson. Walditch, made comment on the lack of street lighting in Walditch. It was pointed out that in a referendum held some time ago, by popular demand, no street lighting was required in the village.

A period of discussion took place on the progress of the nature reserve.

There being no further business for discussion the meeting was closed at 8.35.p.m

Date.....10.4.95..... Chairman

