12. ITEMS RECEIVED

The Committee **received** the following reports:

12.1 Avon River Wetland Birdlife Monitoring The First Five Years: 1993/94 – 1998/99

RR 9430

The Water Services Manager reported on the results of birdlife surveys carried out on the Avon River between 1993 and 1999 as a means of measuring habitat enhancement.

The report noted that there had been a definite increase in bird numbers and a significant native enrichment of the Avon River's bird fauna between the 1993/94 and 1998/99 surveys and concluded that bird numbers and species richness had increased at least partly in response to habitat enhancement and to the improved feeding, roosting and nesting opportunities arising from this.

12.2 Six Monthly Monitoring Reports

The Committee **received** the monitoring report for the Parks Unit for the six months ended 31 December 1998.