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The other side of the tracks

The area administered by Crosby Council consists of Seaforth, Waterloo and Blundellsands together with Hightown.

The majority group on the council — the Tories — have a policy whereby all industrial development is confined to the Seaforth end of the borough, which is in the main people peopled by poor and uninfluential people. Similarly, when the council carries out any council house building, it is done well away from the areas where the Tory councillors live.

Recently there were floods of crocodile tears when Peter Walker, Minister for the Environment, decided that the councils should not build on a site in Seaforth, adjacent to the new container dock; as it may possibly be required by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Company for industrial development. But at exactly the same time land owned by the council in the "more select" end of the borough (i.e. Blundellsands, where the Tory leader and seven other Tory aldermen and councillors live) is being sold to ensure it does NOT become a site for council houses.

This paranoid attitude in the past has never been expressed publicly or in print, although we can credit one alderman with the question "How would you like

council houses in your back garden?"

The message is spelt out quite clearly if you live in the Seaforth end of the borough. You can have gigantic container docks and all their attendant heavy goods traffic and trunk roads, grain mills belting out dust day and night, and gigantic lorry parks on your doorstep.

But if you live in Blundellsands then the council will work like mad to save you from the ghastly fate of council houses anywhere near you.

Yours sincerely,
M.Kelly, 26 East Street,
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Don't stoop to conquer

I do enjoy the items which you have the courage to print, not like a money-capitalist paper, namely the Liverpool Echo. But I have one criticism, which seems prevalent today, e.g. one strip cartoon I saw in the magazine called Oz to me was offensive. The criticism I have is your strip called The Continuing Story of God, and one or two jokes.

I have four young children. If my children saw the paper, being of tender years, the only thing which would attract them would be the strip cartoon. Your paper is too good to have to stoop to the gutter type of wit.

I remain yours in unity,
Mr J H Stamper
Chairman, Clint Road
Residents' Assoc, 18 Canova
Street, Liverpool 7.

Kirkby Project 72

Hopes for Project 72 — next year's summer playscheme for Kirkby youngsters were given a boost at a general purposes meeting of Kirkby council.

A number of councillors spoke in favour of the scheme which recruits help from students throughout the country, and gave next year's project their support.

This must have been an encouraging sign for the organisers of the project who were upset about the amount of damage they were being held responsible for during Project 71, and the bad reputation they were gaining as a result.

The head teachers of the four schools concerned sent a report on the project to the Kirkby education officer. They expressed their initial enthusiasm, but also their disappointment at the amount of damage that had resulted.

Mr Neavesey, Kirkby Education Officer suggested to the council in his report that any such schemes in the future should come under council control.

Project 71 were presented with a bill of £2,500 for damage caused due to their negligence.

Father Bill Maxwell, one of the organisers, claimed that some of the damage was done when they were out of the building and some to areas to which they had no access.

Project 71 was insured by the same company that insures Lancashire Education.

So there was unlikely to be any investigation made by the insurance company to determine who was responsible as it would simply mean a re-shuffling of bills.

Father Maxwell said they will continue to dispute their liability and will attempt to have their costs reduced.

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Goodbye Realmdeal — Hello Standfield!

Realmdeal Investments, Liverpool's biggest slum landlords, have changed their name. They are now calling themselves **STANDFIELD PROPERTIES**.

The sudden name-change is calculated to shake off Realmdeal's reputation for alarming old people, exploiting loopholes in the Rent Act, and offering badly-converted flat-lets, money and gifts to get people to move out of their homes.

Standfield Properties are run by James Standfield Wade, who also runs Grant Improvements (Liverpool) Ltd, and Hibernian Properties.

Realmdeal, in fact, have never been owned by Mr Wade. They are technically a subsidiary of London and County Securities — the money lenders and property speculators.

But London and County did appoint Wade a director of Realmdeal in February this year. He resigned a month later.

Wade and Maurice Fooks. an-

other Realmdeal director, are two of the men behind Hibernian Properties, which has worked alongside Realmdeal.

In 1969 Realmdeal bought 7,000 Liverpool properties for around £¾ million.

In 1970 Hibernian bought everything Realmdeal owned, except the company name. They borrowed money to buy the properties from the very people who owned them — London and County Securities. London and County also allowed them to continue using the name Realmdeal.

Answering an enquiry about Realmdeal, Mr Norman Noye, and London and County director and one-time Realmdeal director, said: "Since about June 1970 Realmdeal has been a shell, or dormant, company. It has not been doing any business."

Some dormant company!
Once Hibernian had taken over

Jeremy Thorpe, Leader of the Liberal Party, is a director of London and County Securities — a firm of money-lenders and property speculators who own Realmdeal, the slum landlords.

Thorpe joined London and County in May this year, and is now claiming that he knew nothing of Realmdeal's activities when he joined the board — a lesson for politicians who give the prestige of their name to money lenders and property speculators in return for a bit of pin money.

Thorpe is also a director of Capital Securities, George Hensher Ltd, Indeco Morrison (Zambia) and Redifusion (SW) Ltd.

the properties, Realmdeal acting as agent went into business with a flurry of letters to tenants: offering houses for sale, freeholds for exorbitant rates, flatlets to old people giving up controlled tenancies, 'premiums' to tenants who would get out, threats to take to court leaseholders who didn't do repairs, letters saying 'noisy' and 'temperamental' students would be moving in as neighbours to the old people.

When the tenants move out, the properties are either let on special terms to students, using a loophole in the Rent Act to make around £30,000 a year on 60 flatlets, — or Grant Improvements Ltd move in to rake off a juicy profit from the maximum 75% government grant.

No wonder Standfield advertise regularly in the Echo (the only local paper to ignore the Realmdeal story) — and offer to buy controlled or regulated tenancies. They are specialists at getting tenants out, and getting high profits in.

Standfield, Realmdeal or Hibernian tenants who want to fight the property men out to manipulate them should contact the Free Press.

Abortion clinic

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The story of Lynwood Nursing Home reveals the men and the business methods behind many private abortion clinics.

One of the main backers of Lynwood was Dr Parviz Feridian, who indirectly owns the majority shares in Langham Street Clinic, London, which is one of the wealthiest in Britain. Lynwood was opened earlier this year amid controversy and publicity. But until now, the real owners of the clinic were not revealed.

The home was registered with the local authority in the name of two doctors — Dr Ivor Quest and Dr Peter Knight.

But the legal owners of the clinic are a company called Limebrook Ltd, which has had an eventful history since it was set up two years ago to speculate in land.

Within the short period of 17 months the directorships changed hands three times.

Eventually on March 31 Mr Parviz Amiri Bigvand, who now lives in the luxury flats at Cromptions Court, Cromptions Lane, Allerton, became director, and Mr Vitus Nduba, of 17a Cuthberts Road,

London NW6 its secretary.

Mr Bigvand, who often wears dark glasses, is the real manager at Lynwood, handles the business side and takes responsibility for asking for £150 fees.

But the major finance for Lynwood was put up by Parviz Holdings, which was (and probably still is) owned by Dr Parviz Feridian. Parviz Holdings granted £100,000 to Limebrook on 16 April 1971.

Parviz Holdings are also the main shareholders in the Langham Street Clinic, which has an estimated income of £1½ million a year.

So eager was the clinic to gain more business that it sent letters to West German doctors advertising abortions — advertising is not allowed for doctors.

Dr Feridian was ordered to be struck off, but won his appeal to the Privy Council.

However there are signs that all is not rosy at Lynwood Home.

Recently, Dr Ivor Quest resigned, and another mortgage was put up by Northern Commercial Trust, Pall Mall Court, Kings Street, Manchester.



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