



BOROUGH OF THAMESDOWN

Organisers of functions to which the Mayor has been invited are requested to complete this form and return it **AT LEAST TWO WEEKS** before the function to:-

The Mayor's Secretary
Civic Offices
Euclid Street,
Swindon, SN1 2JH

DETAILS OF FUNCTION

Day of the week Monday Date 11.12.95.

Description of the function Celebration of a new special exhibition marking the 40th anniversary of Row in Swindon

Name of group or organization

Address at which the function is to be held Swindon Museum and Art Gallery, Bath Road, Swindon.

Name of person presiding Robert Dickinson and, if applicable, official position in the Organisation Principal Museum Curator

Is the Mayoress invited to accompany the Mayor? Yes

Please state type of clothing to be worn by-

The Mayor

- (a) Dinner Jacket
(b) Lounge Suit

The Mayoress

- (a) Short Cocktail Dress
(b) Long Cocktail Dress
(c) Day Dress

*delete as appropriate

Time the Mayor should arrive 6.00 pm

Approximate time of conclusion of the function 7.00 pm

Please state where the official car may park

At front of Museum

If the function involves luncheon or dinner or if refreshments are to be provided will appropriate arrangements be made for the Mayor's Attendants?

THE MAYOR'S PARTICIPATION

1. Speeches

- (a) If the Mayor is requested to speak on any subject, or to propose or respond to a toast, please give details of the subject matter

A few words to open the exhibition, dealing with the history of River over the last 40 years (Suggested speech enclosed)

- (b) Please advise the name of anyone the Mayor is required to mention in his address and any other relevant information.

2. If the Mayor is required to participate in the event in any other way, please advise how he is required to be involved.

Councillor Montant to make a short speech on River in the local economy and the Mayor to be followed by Chris Woodcock, Finance and Business Strategy Director, on behalf of River. Robert Dickinson will introduce and coordinate.

3. Please list below the names and official position of all V.I.P.S. or, if the function is a luncheon or dinner, the names of the top table guests who have been invited to this function.

P.T.O.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

4. It is helpful to the Mayor to have background information regarding the Organisation and the purpose of the function. If literature is available, please supply a copy. If not, please enter brief details below:-

This exhibition has been put together by the
Korcor team, working with Museum staff. The
displays include parts of classic boxing gloves,
photos of the factory, ~~and~~ etc. The first pair
was cut at the Pressed Steel Factory in February
1955 and production started in December that year

Name of Honorary Secretary or Organiser

Address

Tel. No. (day time)

Date

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Date received

Attendant

Chain/Badge

Transport

Mayor's Details Sent

Actioned by

NOTES FOR THE MAYORS LUNCH

LOVEY REVIEW 11.00Z

Tonight we are celebrating 60 years of Rover's presence in Swindon.

Attracting the Rover Steel Company to the town in 1955 was one of the most farsighted things which David Manning John, who was then Tom Clark, achieved for Swindon for it enabled the great manufacturing tradition to continue.

Just as Swindon had been famous for producing its Castles, Stars and Kings for the Great Western Railway, over the last 60 years it has been equally renowned for products ranging from the Standard Vanguard Estate to the TR7 from the Mini to the Metro. They set the style of the decade from the 1950s to the 1990s.

We can see in this display many of the parts, the tools and the machines which created these vehicles and photos of the Swindon people who made them. Among these are four of my predecessors as Mayor. The fact that they and many other councillors have continued their work with in the company with their service to the Council emphasises Rover's role within the community.

It gives me great pleasure tonight to be at this reception and to formally open this exhibition celebrating Rover's first 60 years here. I look forward to the next 60 and the next 60 after that.