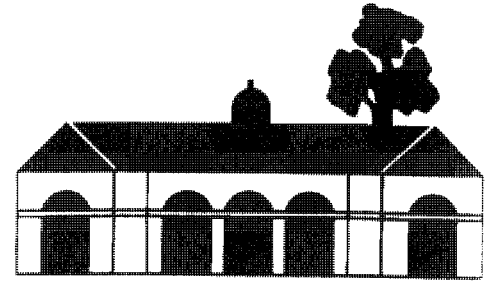


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**The Bexley Civic Society does not oppose the building of the Thames Gateway Bridge in principle, but objects to the lack of planning of transport facilities on the south bank of the river. The Society does not want road traffic across the bridge because of poor road links through Greenwich and Bexley. The Society would welcome a rail and cycle/pedestrian bridge. This would provide the desirable link between east and south-east London, and between Kent and Essex which would provide work and leisure travel for those areas which at the moment are relatively cut off. The existing roads south of the river are mostly narrow and run through residential areas. The building of a new set of roads through Greenwich and Bexley Boroughs would require large-scale property demolition and a blight on housing development for many years. Roads north of the river are already largely in place and there would be little disturbance or demolition. But this is not so the south. We call your attention to these factors and strongly recommend a rail/cycling solution.**

John Mercer (Chairman)