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MINUTE BOOK

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 4TH JANUARY, 1943.

The January Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor William Cleary, Chairman, presiding;
 " T. J. Birthistle,
 " Ed. McDonagh,
 " J. E. McElheron,
 " T. J. Weadick.

Minutes of previous Meetings were unanimously adopted.

Read letter 7th December, 1942, addressed to the County Manager from J. J. Robinson, Architect, to Sisters of Mercy, Convent of Mercy, Arklow, and referred by the County Manager to the Council, for their views thereon. The letter suggested that the cost of a proposed wall which the Convent proposed erecting should be borne by the Local Authority, as the necessity for it would not have arisen but for the Housing Scheme.

It was unanimously decided that the Council had no responsibility in the matter.

Read letter 10th December, 1942, from Chairman, Irish Tourist Board, in reply to the Council's letter requesting particulars of the Board's proposals in relation to development of Council's North Beach property, pointing out the difficulties in the matter, and stating that as soon as possible the Board would inform the Council as to what their decided Scheme envisaged.

The following Resolution, forwarded by Tullamore U.D.C., was unanimously approved on the proposition of Cllr. Cleary, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle:-

"That, in the opinion of the Tullamore Urban District Council, legislation should be enacted without delay to compel Ground landlords to sell their interests to leaseholders at a fair purchase price."

Read letter 23rd December, 1942, from Co. Manager, fixing 19th March, 1943, as the date for the holding of Estimates Meeting.
 Order - Agreed.

Read letter G.1028/11/42 - 15th Decr. 1942, from Dept. L.G. and P.H., authorising temporary overdraft - £800 - on Revenue Account for period ended 31st December, 1942.

The following Orders were made:-

- (1) Town Surveyor, when reconstructing Charter School - Pottery road in concrete, to lay concrete pipes to take water from Golf links side of road to the dock.
- (2) Town Surveyor to have overhanging hedges along Urban roadways trimmed back, and to have potholes on roads and other defects attended to.
- (3) Parade Ground to be cleaned up generally.
- (4) Excavated material from roads in course of reconstruction to be spread along right-of-way from Togher to Brook Gardens.
- (5) Town Surveyor to examine complaint of Cllr. McElheron regarding flooding caused convenient to Fogarty's cottages, South Quay, through dumping by the Council staff in the vicinity.
- (6) Town Clerk to request E.S.B. to have lamp at Condren's corner, Bridge Street, relighted in lieu of ornamental lamp at Bridge.

*Adopted P.M.C. Council
 Feb 1st 1943*

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY, 1943.

The February Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor P. McCarthy, Vice-Chairman, presiding;
" E. McDonagh,
" J.E. McElheron,
" J. J. Kavanagh,
" T.J. Birthistle,
" T.J. Weadick,
" J.T. Keogh.

Minutes of previous Monthly Meeting were unanimously adopted.

The Register of County Manager's Orders was laid before the Meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed in respectful silence, all members standing:-

RESOLVED - "That we, the Arklow Urban District Council, record our deepest sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Hugo Flynn, T.D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance, in their sad bereavement."

Read letter 20th January, 1943, from Mr. P.B. Brennan, addressed to the County Manager, proposing to purchase on behalf of a local Company approximately twelve acres of the Council's North Beach property, for use as a Sports Arena.

Read County Manager's Minute No. 223 in reference thereto.

Read Report of Town Surveyor to the County Manager, dated 29th January, 1943, relative to his inspection of the property proposed to be rented or purchased.

Following discussion of the matter, the Chairman ruled that a Notice of Motion should be handed in in the matter.

The following Notice was handed in by Cllr. T.J. Birthistle:-

"That the question regarding the disposal by sale of portion of the Council's North Beach property to the Company interested, be dealt with at a Special Meeting of the Council to be attended by the County Manager on Friday next, 5th inst., at 7 p.m."

It was unanimously decided that the following matters also be placed on the Agenda for consideration at Special Meeting 5th Feby.:-

1. "To inquire into alleged delays of the Town Surveyor in the carrying out of Housing repairs and in dealing generally with Orders made by the Council."
2. "Responsibility for the employment and discharge of workmen on Grant Schemes and other Works."
3. "Proposed alteration in date for holding of statutory Monthly Meetings."

The following Orders were made:-

1. Town Clerk to draw up a Schedule of Orders and directions given given Town Surveyor since the present Council took office, in order to facilitate inquiry into alleged delays of that official.
2. Town Clerk to inform County Manager that the Council are concerned at the number of insanitary houses occupied by Old Age Pensioners proposed to be dealt with by him, for the purpose of tenanting houses in 124 Houses Scheme, and to point out to him that the Council, at September Monthly Meeting, had requested him to avoid interfering with such persons.
3. Town Clerk to bring to the notice of the County Manager the loss sustained by W. Kealy, Mellowe's Avenue, through flooding of plot of ground in which he had potatoes pitted, and to point out to Manager that this flooding was caused through the dumping by the Council's Staff of road excavated material at Mellowe's Ave.

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Read letter 1st January, 1943, from Chairman, Irish Tourist Board, addressed to the County Manager, in reference to the Council's North Beach property, stating that he hoped to be able to submit to the Department of Industry and Commerce a Scheme involving the purchase of the ground from the Council, and the starting as soon as possible of some portion of its development.

Order - Board to be acquainted of the local Company's proposed purchase of portion of the property, and to request them, if they are interested, to make a definite proposal before Friday next, 5th inst.

Read letter 31st December, 1942, from Thos. Thornbury and Co. (Eire) Ltd., 124 Houses Contractors, addressed to County Manager, drawing attention to the delays in the making of payments of foot of the Contract.

Read copy letter 20th October, 1942, written Contractor by direction of the County Manager in regard to the rate of progress of work on the Scheme.

Read letter 17th December, 1942, from Town Surveyor to the County Manager, in reference to the purchase of materials in connection with 124 Houses Scheme.

Order - Town Clerk to ascertain if, under the terms of the Contract, the Contractors would be entitled to be paid for materials at prices obtaining following the date for completion of the work - 18th inst.

The Town Clerk was directed to bring the following matters to the attention of the Town Surveyor:-

1. Flooding convenient to McGowan's Hall.
2. Flooding at Council's property abutting new road (Seaview Ave.).
A recommendation to Town Surveyor that this flooding be rectified by cutting channel at end of road.
3. Knocker to be provided for house No; 75 Rory O'Connor Place.

A Deputation from local carters was admitted to the Meeting in reference to authority of foreman Larkin to discharge two carters from employment on Road Relief Scheme Works, and also to refuse employment to an Old Age Pensioner.

Order - Town Surveyor and foreman Larkin to be requested to attend the Council's Special Meeting Friday, 5th inst., in connection with the matter.

R. McCarty

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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 5TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1943.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on Friday, 5th February, 1943, at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor Liam O'Cleirigh, Chairman, presiding;
" T.J. Weadick,
" J.T. Keogh,
" T.J. Birthistle,
" J.E. McElheron,
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. J. Kavanagh.
County Manager P. T. Healy;
Town Surveyor J.P. Caffrey.

It was proposed by Cllr. J.J. Kavanagh, seconded by Cllr. J.T. Keogh:- "That twelve acres of our North Beach property be sold to the local Company interested at £100."

Cllr. Kavanagh subsequently withdrew the proposition with the consent of the Meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh:-

"That this Council is of opinion that twelve acres of their North Beach property should be leased for a period of 99 years, at £20 per annum, to the local Company interested, and that the following proviso be inserted in the Lease - "That in the event of the Company being dissolved, or the business as set out in the Company's letter 20th January, 1943, being at any time discontinued, the property shall revert to the Arklow Urban District Council; that no goods or articles be retained within the property."

It was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh, seconded by Cllr. Keogh:- "That the Resolution moved by Cllr. O'Cleirigh be amended by the insertion of the figure £10 per annum instead of £20 per annum."

Cllr. McElheron moved a further amendment to the effect that a decision be postponed in order to afford an opportunity to the Clergy and local residents of expressing their views in the matter of a proposed Greyhound Racing Track for Arklow.

Cllr. Weadick stated that the property had been acquired by the Council as a public amenity, and should not be sold, as it had been the intention to reserve it as an open space.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that he had received intimation from the Chairman of the Irish Tourist Board to the effect that the disposal of any portion of the property to the local Company would interfere with their interest in the purchase from the Council of the entire holding and its future development.

The Chairman ruled Cllr. McElheron's amendment out of order.

Cllr. Kavanagh's amendment was first put to the Meeting, and declared lost by six votes against to two for.

Cllr. O'Cleirigh's Resolution was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman, viz., For - Cllrs. O'Cleirigh, Keogh, McDonagh, and Kavanagh: Against - Cllrs. Weadick, Birthistle, McElheron, and McCarthy.

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The following matters, directed by previous Meeting to be placed on the Agenda, were ruled by the Chairman as functions of the County Manager, and same were referred to him:

- a) "Inquire into the alleged delays of the Town Surveyor in the carrying out of Housing Repairs, and in dealing generally with Orders made by the Council."
- b) "Responsibility for discharge and employment of workmen on Grant Schemes and other Works."

No proposal having been received for the alteration in date or holding statutory Monthly Meeting, the Chairman ruled that no change be made.

It was unanimously agreed, in view of the fuel oil shortage, to recommend the County Manager to have the public water supply cut off between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. as from 12th inst.

Read letter 4th February, 1943, from Town Surveyor, stating that it was now time for the Council to name the streets in the new Housing Scheme, in order that the Contractors might be in a position to number the doors of the houses.

Order - To be placed on the Agenda for March Monthly Meeting.

Order - County Manager to consider the question of compensating M. Kealy for loss of potatoes through flooding at Kellow's Avenue.

The Town Clerk was authorised to apply for sanction to overdraft accommodation.

J. M. Kealy

1/3/43

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 1ST MARCH, 1943.

The March Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.
Present:- Councillor P. McCarthy, Vice-Chairman, presiding;
E. McDonagh,
J.E. McElheron,
T.J. Birthistle,
J.T. Keogh,
T.P. Kavanagh,
T.J. Weadick.

Minutes of Meetings 1st and 5th February, 1943 were unanimously adopted.

Read letter 4th February, 1943, from Town Surveyor, requesting Council to name the Streets in the new Housing Scheme, so that the Contractors might be in a position to number the doors of the houses.
It was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and passed unanimously, "That the Streets in the new housing Scheme at Abbeylands be and are hereby named Connolly Street (to commemorate the name of James Connolly) and Griffith Street (to commemorate the name of Arthur Griffith), respectively."

Read following letters in reference to proposed leasing by the Council of portion of the North Beach property:-
(a) Letter L.3949/43 - 16th Feb.1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H.
(b) Letter 15th Feb.1943, from Countess of Wicklow Memorial Hospital, Arklow; protesting at the proposal to erect a stadium for dog-racing on the lands:
(c) Letter 22nd Feb.1943, from the Earl of Wicklow, forwarding a Memorial signed by residents of Ferrybank, protesting against the leasing of the property as a Sports Ground, and expressing his private opinion that the legality of the method by which the Resolution authorising the lease, was obtained, was open to question:
(d) Letter 27th Feb.1943, from the local G.A.A. Club, supporting proposed leasing of the property at North Beach.
It was unanimously decided to defer consideration of the matter to a Special Meeting to be convened on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday of next week, to enable County Manager to be present.

Read letter 1st March, 1943, from Wm. H. Bury offering to lease a portion of the North Beach property as a building site.
Order - Consideration postponed to Special Meeting.

Read letters 4th Feb.1943 from Town Surveyor and 8th and 12th Feb.1943, from Thornbury and Co., in reference to request for an extension of time for completion of 124 Houses Contract.
Order - Consideration postponed to Special Meeting.

Read letter 18th Feb.1943, from Co. M.O.H. to Co. Manager, in reference to the desirability of establishing a Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic in Arklow.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McCarthy, and passed unanimously, "That provision to made in the Estimates 1943/4, for a contribution towards the cost of a Maternity and Child Welfare Clinic, the establishment of which we consider to be of great necessity, and further, we desire to express our opinion that, while the Clinic is a step in the right direction, it does not satisfy our full requirements, and we direct the Town Clerk to take the matter up with the appropriate authority of having a Maternity Hospital or Home established in the town.

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W.C.

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Read letter 2nd February, 1943, from I.T.A. re inclusion in Estimates 1943/4, of a contribution for Tourist purposes.

It was proposed by Cllr. Keogh, seconded by Cllr. McCarthy, and passed unanimously, "That provision be made in the Annual Estimates, 1943/4, for a contribution to the I.T.A. of £20, being an increase of £10 on last year."

Order - Town Clerk to make provision in the Estimates, 1943/4, for cost of rebuilding wall at St. Patrick's Terrace - £22.

Read letter 3rd February, 1943, from Dundalk Urban District Council forwarding copies of Resolutions as follows, adopted by that Council:-
Resolution 1. - "That, in the Cinema halls throughout this country foreign-made pictures that show scenes of: Crime, Gangsterdom, Sex-indecencies, Schtreepachas, Divorce-Court scandals etc. are doing untold harm to Irish children.

We call upon the Government to provide a Censorship and proper supervision over all Pictures and Picture-Houses to which children are admitted, until such time as we have a national film industry of our own.

We ask for the co-operation of the newly-elected Urban Councils of Saorstát Eireann in this vital and urgent matter of - Clean Pictures for Irish children."

Resolution 2 - "That the Dundalk Urban District Council request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to amend existing legislation concerning the housing of the Working Classes, particularly the provisions governing payment of the full 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ % subsidy, so that many people at present debarred from this relief, though in dire need of it, may be brought within its scope; that the restrictions on letting of houses generally may be relaxed so as to enable the public authority to let houses to any genuinely deserving cases; that the law be amended so that families unavoidably occupying rooms in Council houses of which they are not tenants may be eligible for subsidised houses; that in view of the urgent need of many of these people, such amending legislation be immediate; and that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Association of Municipal Authorities and all municipal Authorities in Eire."

On the proposition of Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Keogh, the foregoing Resolutions were unanimously approved.

Read letter 22nd Feb. 1943, from Gaelic League, forwarding Resolution for adoption in reference to protest at the appointment by the National University of a person not having a competent knowledge of Irish, to the Professorship of Education.

The letter was marked "Read."

Read letter 1st March, 1943, from Mrs. Margaret Murray, 17 Toolo's Open, complaining of flooding adjacent to her house, and stating she was withholding Rates until something had been done in the matter.

Order - Referred to the County Manager.

Order

W.C.

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Order -

Town Clerk to inform 124 Houses Contractors that representations have been made to the Council by local tradesmen unable to secure work on the scheme, while tradesmen from outside the Urban Area have been employed, and to draw their attention to the conditions of Contract, which require them to employ local labour as far as possible.

The following Orders were made:-

1. Town Clerk to inform the Co. Manager that the Council await his decision on the application made by the local Trade Union Secretary for increased rates of wages for Urban Council road workers, including carters.
2. Provision to be made in the Estimates 1943/4 for the payment of wages to Office Carretaker at the rate of 10/- per week (increase of £11 per year), and also to convey a recommendation from the U.D.C. to the Co. Council to increase her wages as Carretaker of the Courthouse.
3. Town Surveyor to be requested to have Orders already made in reference to the following given effect to:-
 - (a) Action to remedy flooding portion of North Beach property rear of Ferrybank houses.
 - (b) Spreading of gravel at Worsboro' Tee.

Adopted

5/4/43

W. O'Connell

ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING HELD ON 19TH MARCH, 1943.

The Annual Estimates Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor Liam O'Cleirigh, Chairman, presiding;
 P. McCarthy,
 E. McDonagh,
 T.J. Birthistle,
 J. E. McElheron,
 T.J. Weadick;
 County Manager P. T. Healy;
 Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Read Notice of the Making of an Estimate of Expenses published in "Wicklow People."

Read County Manager's Report on the Estimates for the services of the financial year ending 31st March, 1944.

Submitted detailed explanatory Statement of the figures in Form E2.

It was unanimously decided to make the following deductions from the estimated Town Rate expenditure:-

Repair of Urban Roads - £50.
 Improvement of Urban Roads £200. (E.S.V. Contribution, This Contribution to be borne from Harbour Roads Fund).

Housing Repairs £134.

Office Repairs £20.

Giving a total of £404, or 1/2d. in the £.

The Rate requested by the County Manager for Town Rate purposes, 15/9d, was thereby to be reduced to 14/5d.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. E. McDonagh, and passed unanimously,

RESOLVED - "That we hereby adopt the amended Estimate of Expenses, viz. Town Rate:- total Expenditure £13065. 7. 5, and Receipts, including Credit Balance, £8116. 0. 0., giving a Deficit of £4949. 7. 5.
 Poor Rate:- Without Amendment, total Expenditure £4664. 11. 3."

It was proposed by Cllr. Liam O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. T.J. Weadick, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby determine, in accordance with the Estimate already adopted, a Rate of 14/5d. for Town Rate Purposes, and 11/9d. for Poor Rate Purposes, as specified in the Estimate of Expenses for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1944."

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the Local Govt. Auditor in his Report of the Audit of Accounts for the two years ended 31st March, 1942, had drawn attention to the fact that Section 9 of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928, had not been complied with by the Council.

Order - County Manager to explain to the Department the difficulty of tenants in meeting increased rents through the enforcement of the Statute referred to.

Order - Town Clerk to place the matter of the Law Adviser's Terms of Appointment on Agenda for a future Meeting, so that the Council's views may be given to the County Manager thereon.

Order - List setting out Fire Brigade personnel, both A.R.P. and Permanent, to be displayed in the U.D.C. Boardroom.

*Adopted
5/4/43
McCormick*

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1943.

The April Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor Liam O'Cleirigh, Chairman, presiding;
" T.J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy,
" J.E. McElheron,
" T.J. Weadick.

Read the following letters in reference to proposed leasing by the Council of portion of their North Beach property:-

- (a) Letter L.3949/43 - 16th Feby., 1943, from Dept. of L.G. and P.H. setting out position in the matter:
- (b) Letter 15th Feby., 1943, from Countess of Wicklow Memorial Hospital protesting at the proposal to lease the ground for the erection of a Stadium for dog-racing:
- (c) Letter 22nd Feby., 1943, from the Earl of Wicklow forwarding memorial signed by the residents of Ferrybank protesting at the proposal to lease the property, and expressing his private opinion as to the legality of the Resolution authorising the leasing:
- (d) Letter 2nd April, 1943, from the Earl of Wicklow in further reference to the matter:
- (e) Letter 27th Feby., 1943, from local G.A.A. Club supporting proposed leasing of the property.

The Chairman ruled that no discussion should take place in view of the fact that the Council had decided the issue by Resolution on 5th February last.

The Chairman handed in the following Notices of Motion, viz.

1. "That I or someone for me will move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council that the Resolution in reference to the leasing of 12 acres of the North Beach property, passed at Meeting 5th February, 1943, be rescinded."

2. "That I or someone for me will move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council, following the rescision of the Resolution re the leasing of 12 acres of North Beach property, that the said twelve acres be sold to the Company concerned at a price to be fixed by the Urban Council."

Read letter 1st March, 1943, from W.H. Bury, offering to lease piece of ground at Council's North Beach property.

On the motion of Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, it was unanimously resolved that no portion of the Council's property at North Beach be leased or sold for the purposes of private building.

Read letters 4th Feby., 1943, from Town Surveyor, and 8th and 12th Feby., 1943, from Thornbury and Co. in reference to request for an extension of time for completion of 124 houses Contract.

It was proposed by Cllr. T.J. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, "that we hereby recommend the County Manager to grant Messrs. Thornbury and Co. (Eire) Ltd. an extension of time for the completion of the Contract for the erection of 124 Houses and incidental work, dated 16th August, 1941, viz. four and a half months from 16th February, 1943." - "Passed."

Read letter H.745/3/43 - 15th March, 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. inquiring how the difference between the estimated final all-in cost of the 124 Houses Scheme and the amount of the Loan already sanctioned for the purpose, is proposed to be met.

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It was proposed by Cllr. Liam O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. T.J. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED: "That we hereby decide to raise a Supplemental Housing Loan to defray the cost of the 124 Houses Scheme not provided for in original Loan of £47,236. 0. 0., and we hereby instruct the Town Clerk to prepare an Estimate of the money required to be raised through such loan."

Read Town Clerk's Memorandum in regard to the proposed revision of Law Agent's terms of Appointment.

It was proposed by Cllr. T.J. Woodick, seconded by Cllr. T.J. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:-

Resolved:- "That we hereby recommend to the County Manager the adoption of the Town Clerk's Memorandum submitted to us in regard to the new Terms of Appointment for our Law Agent."

Read letter G.1758/3/43 - 30th March, 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. sanctioning temporary Overdraft on Revenue Account.

Read letter G.1758/3/43 - 30th March, 1943, in further reference to Overdraft, requesting submission of certain particulars.

Order - Clerk to apply for necessary overdraft for month pf April.

Read application dated 5th Feby., 1943, (referred to the Council by the County Manager for recommendation thereon) from residents Wicklow Road, requesting the extension of watermain.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:- "That we are of opinion that development in Wicklow Road area is retarded in consequence of the absence of a public water supply, and we hereby recommend to our Manager the advisability of granting the request of the residents in that area."

Read letter 30th March, 1943, from Public Health Section, Wicklow Co. Council, in regard to suggested Local Assistance Committee for the Arklow Urban area, stating that the Co. Manager would agree to make the books available at the Courthouse on certain days for the inspection of an Assistance Committee consisting of two resident Co. Councillors and one other person.

It was unanimously decided that Co. Councillors O'Cleirigh and McCarthy, together with Urban Councillor McDonagh, form the Committee.

Read Circular Letter No. 57/1943 - 19th Feby., 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H., encouraging the extension of Allotments Schemes this Season. "Noted."

Read letter 27th March, 1943, from Association of Municipal Authorities, requesting payment of subscription - £3. 3. 0., and setting out Department Regulations in regard to expenses of members attending Meetings of Executive Committee.

Order - Subscription to be paid.

Read letter from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. in regard to appointment of Nominee to attend General Meeting of the Company.

It was unanimously decided that the Town Clerk attend Annual Meeting of the Company on behalf of the Council.

On the proposition of Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, the recommendations of the Tourist Development Committee of 5th April, 1943, were unanimously adopted.

Adopted
3/5/43
O'Cleirigh

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 3rd MAY, 1943.

The May Monthly Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor Liam O'Cleirigh, Chairman, presiding;
" T. P. Kavanagh,
" E. McDonagh,
" T.J. Birthistle,
" J.E. McElheron,
" T.J. Weadick,
" J.J. Kavanagh.
Town Surveyor, J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of previous Monthly Meeting were unanimously adopted.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, and passed in respectful silence:-

"That we, the Arklow Urban District Council, extend to our colleague, Councillor McCarthy, and our Rent Collector, Mrs. Esther Cullen, our deepest sympathy in their recent bereavement."

The Chairman ruled the Notices of Motion, handed in at previous Monthly Meeting, out of order, on the grounds that the Resolution on the Books in regard to the leasing of portion of the Council's North Beach property was only by way of advice to the Manager in the discharge of his Executive Functions.

The Chairman also ruled that the decision to lease the lands to the local Company was contrary to Statute, and therefore had no effect. The Council had statutory powers to sell land, but not to lease, and the Council had advised the Manager by Resolution on 5th February last to lease.

The Town Clerk stated that, in view of the Chairman's ruling, and of the Council's intention to tender further advice to the Manager in the matter, it would be necessary to be first satisfied that they had no purpose to which they could devote the twelve acres of land in question.

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. J.J. Kavanagh, and passed by four votes for to three against, viz. For - Cllrs. L.O'Cleirigh, T.P. Kavanagh, E. McDonagh, and J.J. Kavanagh; Against - Cllrs. T.J. Birthistle, J. McElheron, and T.J. Weadick:-

RESOLVED - "That we, the Arklow Urban District Council, are satisfied that we have no purpose to which we can devote 12 acres of our North Beach property proposed to be purchased or leased by a local Company, and, accordingly, we hereby decide to advise the Wicklow Co. Manager to sell the said 12 acres to the Company concerned at a price to be fixed by the Council."

Before the Motion was put to the Meeting, Cllr. Weadick objected to Cllr. J.J. Kavanagh voting thereon, on the grounds of his having a pecuniary interest in the matter.

The Chairman ruled that there was no evidence in support of Cllr. Weadick's objection, and ruled the objection out of order.

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. T.P. Kavanagh, "That we recommend the Wicklow Co. Manager to fix the sale price of 12 acres of our North Beach property at £250."

Cllr. Birthistle moved, and Cllr. McElheron seconded, an amendment to the effect that the figure £500 be substituted for the figure £250.

The amendment being put, was declared lost by 4 votes to 3, and the original Resolution carried by 4 votes for to 3 against.

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It was proposed by Cllr. O'Clairigh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:

RESOLVED - "That, in accordance with powers conferred upon the Urban Council under the Town and Regional Planning Acts, 1934 to 1939, we hereby decide that no private building (i.e. dwellinghouse or shop) be erected on any portion of our North Beach property, including that portion now proposed to be sold to a local Company."

It was unanimously decided that the Town Clerk make representations to Great Southern Railways for extra rail facilities to and from Arklow, which have now become necessary in consequence of discontinuance of 'bus services.

Adopted
4-6-43
J. Birthistle

ANNUAL RATES MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 7TH DAY OF MAY,
1943.

A Special Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. O'Cleirigh, Chairman, presiding:
" T. P. Kavanagh,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Weadick,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy.

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously,

RESOLVED - "That we hereby allow and make the following Rates as assessed in the Rate Book now laid before us, 1943/44:-

Town Rate: Fourteen Shillings and Five Pence in the Pound, with an additional rate of One Shilling and Sixpence in the Pound on premises supplied with water for domestic purposes.
Poor Rate: Eleven Shillings and Nine Pence in the Pound,"

The Clerk submitted Schedule of Uncollected Rates already dealt with by the County Manager.

The decisions of the County Manager thereon were unanimously approved.

Read Annual Report on Rates Collection, showing 94.03% of Town Rate Warrant collected as against 89.01% last financial year; and 93.36% of Poor Rate Warrant as against 87.95 in 1941/42. Marked "Very Satisfactory."

Read Annual Report on Rent Collection. Marked "Very Satisfactory."

Order - County Manager to be requested to ensure that houses at Gussett Lane, the subject of Demolition Orders, are demolished.

*Adopted 4-6-43
T. J. Birthistle*

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 7th JUNE, 1943.

The June Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Birthistle, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Weadick,
" E. McDonagh.
Town Surveyor, J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 3rd and 7th May, 1943, were unanimously adopted.

Read letter A.10932/43 - 2nd June, 1943, from Dept. L.G. & P.H. notifying appointment of Mr. C. Fi Dowling, L.G. Auditor, to audit Accounts for the period ended 31st March, 1943. -- "Noted."

Read notification 5th June, 1943, from L.G. Auditor Dowling of his intention to open the Audit of Accounts on 16th inst. at 11 a.m. "Noted."

Read letter G.1758/4/43 - 4th May, 1943, sanctioning Overdraft on Revenue Account up to 31st May.

Order - Sanction to Overdraft necessary for June to be applied for.

Read letter R.M./201/W. - 5th June, 1943, from Dept. L.G. & P.H. sanctioning Order of County Manager in regard to the granting of Emergency Bonus to Road Ganger, Scavenger, and Carters, as from 26th February, 1943. -- "Noted."

Read letter and Resolution forwarded by Dungarvan U.D.C. in regard to butter rationing, for adoption. -- Marked "Read."

Read letter 4th June, 1943, from Town Surveyor addressed to Co. Manager, in regard to "The Ditch", the right-of-way over which it is proposed to discontinue.

Order - U.D.C. have no objection in the matter.

Read Circ.H.85/1943 - 3rd June, 1943, from Dept. of L.G. & P.H. in regard to Housing Needs and submission of Schemes for approval.

Order - Town Clerk and Town Surveyor to submit a joint Report on the following lines:-

1. Location of proposed sites (a) Better-class houses: (b) Slum Clearance houses: (c) Houses required to relieve overcrowding of sanitary houses.
2. Statistics of Housing requirements under Headings referred to in 1.

Read letter 7th June, 1943, from Secretary, Marian Arts Swimming Club, Arklow, requesting erection of Diving platform or Springboard on one of the beaches for the use of public.

Order - Co. Manager to draft a Scheme for the construction of Swimming Baths on the U.D.C.'s North Beach property. We suggest meantime that he authorise the provision of a Raft to facilitate swimmers at North Beach.

Read letter L.3949/7/43 - 19th May, 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. to County Manager in regard to proposed disposal of portion of North Beach property, pointing out that it would appear essential that full consideration be given to the development of the entire site for the purpose for which it was acquired, before it could be

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J. Weadick 7/43

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established definitely that any portion was not required for such purpose, and that it would be desirable that the I.T.B., who, it was understood, were interested in the development of the ditc, should be consulted as to their proposals before any final decision was reached.

Read letter 20th May, 1943, from Co. Manager to the Chairman of the I.T.B., setting out the position in regard to the matter of certain works expected by the I.T.B. to be carried out on the property and requesting to be informed whether or not it was proposed to proceed with their proposals.

Read letter 18th May, 1943, from Earl of Wicklow in regard to the matter.

Read Co. Manager's reply letter 20th May, 1943.

Read letter 28th May, 1943, from I.T.B. in reply to Co. Manager's letter 20th May, 1943, stating that they will have to satisfy themselves, before they could undertake the development of the area, that they would eventually secure a sufficient return to enable them to repay with interest the money invested in the Scheme. No satisfactory conclusion had yet been reached on that question. The provision of public health services and of reasonable amenities for the general public was neither the duty nor the responsibility of the Board. Arklow benefited from expenditure of holidaymakers, but could not hope to maintain its popularity under the primitive conditions which at present prevail in the North Beach area. No Scheme of development could be considered for Arklow if they could not rely on the Local Authority to provide the public services essential

Read Co. Manager's reply letter 5th June, 1943, stating that the conditions imposed by the Board were so oppressive financially that there seemed little use of pursuing the correspondence further, as the Rates of the town were at present exceedingly heavy and it was not possible to allow them to be increased.

Read letter 21st May, 1943, from McCready and Son, 91 Merrion Square, Dublin, Solicitors for the Earl of Wicklow, inquiring if the Council would sell the land to the local Hospital Committee.

Read Co. Manager's reply letter 24th May, 1943.

Read letter 2/6/43 from Hospitals Commission drawing attention to the undesirability of establishing a dog-racing track in proximity to the Hospital.

It was unanimously decided to defer consideration of Dept. L.G.'s letter L.3949/7/43 - 19th May, 1943, to July Monthly Meeting, for attendance of members who had voted in favour of the Resolution to dispose of the property. The Council take objection to the passage in I.T.B.'s letter 28th May, 1943, which describes the conditions at North Beach as primitive. U.D.C. endorse Co. Manager's reply letter 5th June, 1943, to I.T.B.

J. McCready
5/7/43

STATUTORY ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 28th JUNE, 1943.

The Statutory Annual Meeting of the Council was held in the U.D.C. Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 4 p.m.

Present:- Councillor Liam O'Cleirigh, outgoing Chairman, presiding;
Councillor T. J. Weadick,
" P. McCarthy,
" J. McElheron,
" T. P. Kavanagh,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. T. Keogh,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" James J. Kavanagh.

Before commencement of business, Councillor McElheron questioned the legality of the Meeting, on the grounds that three days clear notice had not been given.

The presiding Chairman ruled that the notice was in order, and that there was no grounds for an objection, particularly when all the members of the Council were present.

It was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. T.P. Kavanagh that Cllr. L. O'Cleirigh be elected Chairman of the Council for ensuing year.

It was proposed by Cllr. T. J. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, that Cllr. J.T. Keogh be elected Chairman of the Council for ensuing year.

Cllr. Keogh declined to allow his name stand for election, and the motion was withdrawn with the permission of the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. Kehoe, seconded by Cllr. McCarthy, that Cllr. T. J. Weadick be elected Chairman of the Council for ensuing year.

The voting on the two candidates before the Meeting was as follows:-

For Cllr. O'Cleirigh - Councillors O'Cleirigh, T.P. Kavanagh, E. McDonagh, and J. J. Kavanagh. (Four).

For Cllr. Weadick - Councillors Weadick, P. McCarthy, J. McElheron, J.T. Keogh, and T.J. Birthistle. (Five).

Councillor Weadick was declared elected to the Chair.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, that Cllr. T.T. Keogh be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

There being only one Candidate, Councillor Keogh was declared elected.

It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Weadick, and passed unanimously:- Resolved - "That Councillors Keogh and Birthistle be elected as the Council's representatives of the Co. Vocational Education Committee for the ensuing year."

It was proposed by Cllr. Keogh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:- Resolved - "That the following be elected on Tourist Development Committee for ensuing year, viz.:- the entire membership of the Council, together with Mrs. K. Brennan, Miss J. Callanan, Mr. F. O'Rafferty, Mr. P. Jordan, Mr. M.H. O'Byrne, Mr. J.W. Barrett, Mr. John Roche, and Mr. Scamus O'Brien."

J. Weadick
28/6/43

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1943.

The August Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.
Present:- Councillor T.J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
 " T. J. Birthistle,
 " J.E. McElheron.

Minutes of previous Meeting were unanimously adopted.

Read letter 9th July, 1943, addressed to County Manager from Chairman, Irish Tourist Board, setting out particulars of portions of the North Beach property in which the Board were interested, etc. The Clerk referred the Meeting to the County Manager's Minute No. 611 in the matter.

Order - The I.T.B. to be asked to supply the following information in order to assist the Council in their consideration of the matter:- (a) Details of the Board's proposed development, e.g. class of structures to be erected on lands, and whether it is intended to rent, sell or lease the buildings provided.
(b) Is portion of the property to be used as a Holiday Camp.
(c) Minimum amenities (sanitary conveniences, sewerage and water supply, road construction and repair) and a schedule setting out estimated cost thereof, required to be provided by the Urban Council.

Read Auditor's Report No.A.12157/43 - 22nd/6/43, on Audit of Accounts 1942/3. Marked "Satisfactory."

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously, Resolved:- "That we protest against the proposal to enforce Section 9 of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928, as we are of opinion its enforcement will have a deleterious affect on the present improved state of the rent collection."

Read letters 15th June, and 15th July, 1943, from Messrs. A.B. Brennan, Ltd., forwarding plans and certain details in regard to their proposed new dance hall (The "Mayfair") at Upper Main Street.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously, Resolved:-

"That we approve of the erection of a Dance Hall on the lines suggested by Messrs. Brennan at Upper Main Street, subject to the requirements of the Town Surveyor in regard to structure, means of escape in case of fire, and sanitary accommodation being complied with."

Read letters 21st June and 26th July, 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. sanctioning Overdraft accommodation.

Order - Town Clerk to apply for sanction to overdraft accommodation required during month of August.

Read letter 5th June, 1943, from Kerry County Council forwarding Resolution in regard to Political prisoners, for adoption. Marked "Read."

Read letter 22nd June, 1943, from 124 Houses Contractor re difficulty in securing timber in consequence of local Strike. "Noted."

Read letter 9th August, 1943, from Mrs. Margaret Murray, South Quay, requesting Council to take measures to drain area in vicinity of her house.

Order - The Council respectfully request the Manager to give effect to their Order in this regard made at last Monthly Meeting.

Order

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Order - The Manager and Town Surveyor be requested ^{to attend} next Meeting of the Council for the purpose of giving particulars of the action taken in regard to certain recommendations of the U.D.C., since the Manager assumed office.

Read letter 24th July, 1943, from Secretary, Association of Municipal Authorities, notifying holding of Annual Conference in Woxford on 14th, 15th and 16th September next, and requesting submission of Motions for the Conference.

It was unanimously decided to request the U.D.C's. Representatives to move the following Resolutions:-

- (1) "That Section 9 of the Rates on Small Dwellings Act, 1928, be repealed, as it is unreasonable to expect Council tenants ~~to~~ ^{to be} affected by the rise or fall of Rates. *should.*
- (2) "That State contribution to Annual Loan Charges on Houses built under 1931-2 Acts be based on the actual all-in cost per house, and be not limited as at present to an all-in cost not exceeding £350 per house."
- (3) "That legislation be introduced qualifying houses built for the purpose of relieving overcrowding, for subsidy at the same rate (two-thirds) as that for houses built for the rehousing of persons from insanitary dwellings."

- Orders:-
- (1) Town Surveyor be requested to deal immediately with defective sewerage at Gussett Lane.
 - (2) Manager to draft Scheme for remedying condition of affairs at Abbey Graveyard.
 - (3) Old ruins of house No. 12 Meadow's Lane to be fully demolished and site cleared in accordance with requirements of Housing Acts.

Handwritten signature and date: 10/9/43

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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 10th SEPTEMBER, 1943.

A Special Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- P. T. Healy, Wicklow County Manager;
Councillor T.J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
J. E. McElheron;
T. J. Birthistle;
P. McCarthy;
E. McDonagh.

In the absence of Mr. P.J. Gregory Bannon, Town Clerk, on holidays, Mr. P. McCrudden acted as Secretary to the Meeting.

The County Manager informed the Meeting of a proposal to instal an electric pumping plant at the Arklow Waterworks, to replace the existing fuel oil-driven plant, for which it was now difficult to procure fuel oil.

The Manager read a Report setting out in detail the effect of the proposal on the Council's finances.

The Chairman, Councillor Weadick, handed in the following Notice of Motion:-

"I hereby give notice that I or someone for me, shall move at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held on 4th October, 1943, that the Minister for Local Government and Public Health be asked to accord His sanction to a loan of £500, or such lesser sum as the County Manager may find himself able to do the necessary work with, the loan to be obtained from the Council's Treasurer, the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., Arklow Branch - repayment of this loan to be spread over a period of ten or fifteen years, at the present recognised rate of interest allowed to Local Authorities, namely $\frac{3}{4}\%$ under the Irish Banks Rate, rising and falling *therewith* with a minimum of 4%. The said £500 (or such lesser sum as may be deemed by Wicklow County Manager to be sufficient for the purpose) to be expended on installing such electric engines, necessary fittings, etc. at the Waterworks as will ensure at all times a sufficient quantity of water for the normal population of the town of Arklow, approximately 5,000, and in addition for the 3,000 to 5,000 Summer visitors, who avail of the attractions of Arklow for their holidays: the Acting Medical Officer of Health having certified that the existing condition of the water supply under which no water is available to the inhabitants between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. in each 24 hours (owing to the Department of Supplies finding themselves unable to issue coupons for the purchase of a sufficient quantity of fuel oil to operate the existing two engines so as to give a full 24 hours supply of water each day) has created a condition of things which may lead to outbreaks of epidemics, and which is certainly detrimental to the normal health of the thousands of people above referred to."

Read letter 19th August, 1943, from Irish Tourist Board, in regard to proposed Development Scheme on Council's North Beach property, setting out schedule of works which they required to be carried out as a preliminary to the development of the area.

Order - The Works referred to in this letter to be included in schedule of Post-War Emergency Planning Schemes already submitted to L.G.D.

J.P.H.
Order

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Order - Recommendations to County Manager:-

- (1) Notices to be erected on Council's North Beach property warning persons of the danger of old buildings collapsing, and informing them that, in approaching or passing through these buildings they do so at their own risk.
- (2) Town Clerk to ascertain the possibilities of the Council renting the building known as the Kynoch Laboratory situated on their North Beach property, meanwhile the Town Surveyor to take appropriate measures to protect this property from damage.
- (3) Mr. Condren, owner of field at junction of Abbey and Back Streets, to be requested to prevent the recurrence of a nuisance at his field by erecting a warning notice against dumping.
- (4) Town Surveyor to examine the possibilities of opening a general dumping ground on the swampy end of Council's North Beach property.
- (5) S.S.O. to investigate alleged dumping of slaughterhouse offal at "The Green."
- (6) Town Clerk to list Council's recommendations to County Manager during past year, and indicate action taken.
- (7) Town Clerk to set out particulars of house repairs scheme in operation, indicating the manner in which repairs are carried out and the scheme of priority in regard to time and type of repair work.
- (8) Rent Collectors to make periodical reports on the state of Council houses in regard to repair, cleanliness etc.
- (9) County Manager to consider scheme for the provision of electric light in old Council houses not already supplied, the cost thereof to be borne by the tenants over a period of years.

G/Weadock
4/10/43

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 4th OCTOBER, 1943.

The October Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present: Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh.

In accordance with Notice of Motion handed in at September Monthly Meeting, the following Resolution was unanimously carried on the proposition of Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle; "That we hereby request the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to the raising of a Loan of £500, or such lesser sum as the County Manager may find himself able to do the necessary work with, the loan to be obtained from the Council's Treasurer, the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., Arklow Branch, repayment of this loan to be spread over a period of ten or fifteen years at the present recognised rate of interest allowed to Local Authorities, namely half per-cent under Irish Bank Rate, rising and falling therewith, with a minimum of four per-cent, the said £500 (or such lesser sum as may be deemed by the Wicklow County Manager to be sufficient for the purpose) to be expended on installing such electric engines, necessary fittings, etc., at the waterworks as will ensure at all times a sufficient quantity of water for the normal population of the town of Arklow, approximately 5,000, and in addition for the 3,000 to 5,000 Summer visitors who avail of the attractions of Arklow for their holidays; the Acting Medical Officer of Health having certified that the existing condition of the water supply, under which no water is available to the inhabitants between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. in each 24 hours (owing to the Department of Supplies finding themselves unable to issue coupons for the purchase of a sufficient quantity of fuel oil to operate the existing two engines so as to give a full 24 hours' supply of water each day) has created a condition of things which may lead to outbreaks of epidemics and which is certainly detrimental to the normal health of the thousands of people above referred to."

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously, "That the Minister for Local Government be requested to permit the Council to overdraw on their Capital Account for the purposes of meeting expenditure of 124 Houses Scheme, pending the raising of supplemental loan from Office of Public Works."

It was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle and passed unanimously:-

"That we hereby request the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to authorise the required temporary overdraft on Revenue Account to meet current expenses, pending collection of Rates."

Read letter 31st August, 1943, from Skibbereen U.D.C. forwarding Resolution in regard to County Management Act, for adoption.

It was unanimously agreed that, while the Council were of opinion that the County Management Act had the defects complained of in the Resolution, the Arklow U.D.C. had not experienced in practice the defects referred to, and accordingly it was decided to postpone consideration of the matter to enable members draft a Resolution on the lines acceptable to the Council.

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J. McElheron
21/10/43

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On the proposition of Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, the following Resolution forwarded by Dublin Corporation was unanimously adopted:-

"That, having regard to the changed political status of this Country, we request the Government to have the monument to the late English Queen Victoria removed from its site in front of the Parliament House and to have a fitting memorial to Lord Edward Fitzgerald erected in its stead in front of his family home."

Read letter 13th August, 1943, from County Manager in regard to schedule of post-war Emergency Planning Schemes already recommended by the Council, inquiring if the Council desired to add additional works thereto.

It was unanimously decided to add the following works to the schedule:

1. Demolition of buildings on Council's property at North Quay - £5,000:
2. New Bridge on North Quay 600.
3. Men's and Women's lavatories on North beach property - 1,600.
4. Public lavatories in town 800.
5. Shelters, seats, etc., North Beach property ... 1,000.
6. 3" water main to end of North Quay 400.
7. Swimming Pool at North Beach 6,000.

The following works to be estimated by the Town Surveyor:-
Concrete road fronting St. Michael's Tce. (East) and connecting with St. Michael's Tce. (West):

- New concrete road at Worsboro' Terrace:
- New concrete road covering ground travelled over at present by persons travelling from Tole's Open to South Quay.
- New concrete road from Ticknock to Northern extremity of proposed new road on Council's North beach property.
- Continuation of Connolly Street in concrete to foot of Navy Bridge.
- Resurfacing of Navy Bridge.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously:-

"That we hereby recommend to the County Manager the reduction of the rents of all Urban Council dwellings by an amount equivalent to the increase in rents recently brought into effect through the application of Section 9 of the Rates on Small Dwellings Act, 1928."

It was unanimously decided to draw the County Manager's attention to the following matters:-

1. Putting into effect earlier this Season of Allotments Scheme.
2. Dumping of filth by residents of St. Patrick's Tce. on adjoining lands, due to Council's Roads Staff not carrying out their work.
3. Defect in 124 Houses Scheme, viz. gardens levels of houses abutting Station wall likely to cause flooding if suitable drainage measures are not taken.
4. Objectionable arrangement at present in operation for dumping of refuse at South Quay.
5. Necessity for making of cutting at rear of houses abutting Council's North Beach property in order to prevent flooding.
6. Due regard to be paid to the laying of sewers prior to laying of roads in concrete.
7. The Council are not satisfied that workmen engaged on Housing repairs scheme are, or have been, giving a fair return in work for wages, and we desire an Inquiry into the method of supervision by the Town Surveyor.

G. W. O'Connell
8/11/43

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8. That the Council request to be furnished with particulars of expenditure on each house repaired during the present financial year.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to the County Manager to instal an extra light in each of the 124 new houses, bringing the number of lights per house up to five.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the inclusion in the new sewerage scheme of a sewer from Gussett Lane to Hudson's Square.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to examine the possibility of having sewerage and water laid on to St. Patrick's Terrace houses, and also to restore the public light in the vicinity.

J. Beane
8/11/43

ADJOURNED NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING - 8th NOVEMBER, 1943.

The Adjourned November Monthly Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
 " J. E. McElheron,
 " T. J. Birthistle.

Minutes of October Monthly Meeting were unanimously adopted.

The following Resolution forwarded by Longford U.D.C. was unanimously adopted, on the proposition of Councillor Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron:-

"That we strongly protest against the recent action of the Electricity Supply Board imposing an increased charge of 10% on consumers of electric current."

Read letter 30th September, 1943, from County Manager, subjoining extract from letter 23rd September, 1943, in regard to Emergency Schemes submitted.

Submitted revised schedule of Emergency Employment Schemes recommended by the Council, totalling £54,344.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED:- "That the Town Surveyor prepare a map showing thereon the Emergency Schemes marked in a particular colour, and also the existing road development of the Urban Area."

It was unanimously decided that the following Works be added to the List now submitted:-

- (a) Worsboro' Terrace road (Scheme No. 12) to be continued in concrete to join road proposed to be constructed under Scheme 8, and also to pass in proximity to proposed Swimming Pool (Scheme 20).
- (b) Road to be constructed in concrete along Northern boundary of Council's property, and joining with proposed new road at Scheme (8).
- (c) Existing roads - Coolgreaney Road, Cemetery-Emoclew road, to be laid in concrete.
- (d) Concrete Sea Road from County Road junction at Ferrybank to Urban Boundary at Webb's River.
- (e) Scheme No. 14 to be carried out in concrete instead of tarmac, and concrete to be grooved to prevent slippery surface.
- (f) Provision to be made for the continuation of watermain along proposed road referred to in Schemes Nos. 2 and 8.
- (g) Footpaths to be provided to all roads referred to in Schedule.
- (h) Property rear of Main Street graveyard to be acquired under Dorelict Sites Act and laid out as a Public Park.

Read Circular H.115/43 - 6th October, 1943, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. re Allotments (1944) Season.

"Noted."

Read Statement of Revised All-in cost of 124 Houses Scheme, viz. total - £60,399, and suggesting the necessity for a Supplemental Loan of £13,163.

It was proposed by Cllr. T.J. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. J. E. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED:- That, having considered Statement from the Town Clerk on the revised all-in cost of 124 Houses Scheme, we hereby authorise the raising of a Supplemental Loan £13,163, or such lesser sum as may suffice, from the Commissioners of Public Works to be repayable at the current rate of Interest - 4%, over a period of 35 years."

J. Weadick
 6/12/43

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Submitted Statement from County Manager showing economic rent per house for each of the 124 new houses as 8/6d. (Inclusive of Rates.), with a request for a recommendation as to the rent ^{to Council} ~~they~~ would like fixed.

It was unanimously decided, on the suggestion of Cllr. McElheron, to defer consideration of the matter to a Special Meeting on Friday next, 12th inst., at 7 p.m., at which the County Manager should be asked to be present.

Read letter 6th November, 1943, from Town Surveyor in regard to system at present in operation for the carrying out of Housing Repairs.

Submitted Town Surveyor's Returns of expenditure incurred on each house repaired during the present financial year.

Order - Surveyor to give details of the work carried out in each house.

Order - Town Surveyor to ascertain through the appropriate channel houses not already supplied with electric current, and to inquire if these tenants would be prepared to meet the cost of electric light installation by deferred payments.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Cllr. McElheron:-

"That I or someone for me will move at the next Monthly Meeting to have the road at present identified as Chapel Lane, St. Mary's Terrace, Marlboro' Terrace, named "St. Mary's Road."

Order - County Manager to inquire into subletting of No. 39 Rory O'Connor Place.

Order - Coping stones lying in river at South Quay to be disposed of, as they are at present collecting sewage matter.

Order - Continuance of dumping at river end of Upper Condren's Lane to be prohibited.

Order - County Manager to investigate the possibility of opening a dumping-ground on Council's property convenient to the wooden bridge at "gut", North Quay, and desirability of prohibiting further dumping at South Quay.

Order - Meeting of Tourist Development Committee to be called on same date as December Monthly Meeting.

Y. Weacock
6/12/43

SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 12TH NOVEMBER, 1943.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. E. McElheron,
" J. T. Keogh,
" P. McCarthy,
" T. J. Birthistle.
Town Surveyor, J. P. Caffrey, B.E.
County Manager Healy.

The Chairman stated that the Meeting had been called to deal with the adjourned business from Monthly Meeting, viz., recommendation to County Manager as to the rent to be fixed for each of the 124 houses nearing completion.

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the economic rent, which was based on estimated all-in cost of the Scheme, of £60,399, would be 8/6d. per week inclusive of rates, and that each reduction of 1/- in that rent would throw a burthen of approximately 1/- in the Pound on the Ratepayers.

Following discussion of the matter, it was unanimously decided to defer further the recommendation to the Manager in order to enable the Town Clerk to call upon the Dept. of Local Government to discuss the matter with them.

It was also suggested that the Clerk should put the following queries to the Department:-

1. Is there any Regulation which would prevent the letting of the houses to persons other than those from slum dwellings?
2. Could any further financial assistance be secured from Central Funds (say, extension of £350 limit for Subsidy purposes), as the high building cost would otherwise throw a burthen upon the Ratepayers.

It was unanimously decided to recommend to the Manager the desirability of satisfying himself through the Town Surveyor that the quality of the wiring being installed in the 124 houses was up to the standard specified in Contract entered into by Messrs. J. Tighe and Sons, and also that the wire would satisfy the requirements of the E.S.B. and would not have to be replaced when better quality wire would be obtainable.

Order - Town Clerk to inquire from the two members of the local Home Assistance Advisory Committee who did not attend a recent meeting if it was their intention to continue to act thereon.

T. J. Weadick
6/12/43

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 6TH DECEMBER, 1943.

The December Monthly Meeting was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, Presiding;
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy.

The following members of the of the Council's Tourist Development Committee were in attendance:-

Mrs. K. Brennan,
Mr. J. W. Barrett,
Mr. James O'Brien.

Minutes of Meetings 8th and 12th November, 1943, were adopted.

Business of Tourist Development Committee.

The Town Clerk informed the Committee of the negotiations at present in progress with the Irish Tourist Board in regard to the development of North Beach property.

Submitted copy of Town Clerk's letter 26th November, 1943, to Irish Tourist Board in regard to their request for the carrying out of certain Works preparatory to the Board undertaking any development on the property.

Read reply letter 2nd inst. from the Irish Tourist Board and submitted map in reference to the Works which the Board require carried out.

It was unanimously decided to request the County Manager not to take any step in regard to the sale of the Council's North Beach property until he first received the views of the Urban Council on any proposal the Irish Tourist Board might make. It was also agreed that the Irish Tourist Board had not yet furnished sufficient details to justify the carrying out of the Works to which their letter 19th August last referred.

The submission of the Works to Department for approval on the lines suggested by the County Manager, was approved.

It was suggested that the Town Clerk write Managers of all the schools in the Urban Area asking that the schoolchildren be requested to have some respect for the U.D.C. property, and in particular the ornamental trees planted along streets and sidewalks.

It was proposed by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Barrett, and passed unanimously:- **RESOLVED** - "That we recommend the County Manager to replace the three trees which were recently destroyed at the Main Street cemetery."

It was recommended that gates be erected at the Main Street cemetery to prevent sheep or horses trespassing there on Fair Days.

On the suggestion of Mr. Seamus O'Brien it was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to have the Pottery - Sea Road cleared of sand at the sea end and if possible to have this important road concreted.

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Council Meeting Business.

The recommendations of the Council's Tourist Development Committee 6/12/43 were unanimously adopted.

In accordance with Notice given, it was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:-
RESOLVED - "That the road at present identified as Chapel Lane, St. Mary's Terrace, and Marlboro' Terrace, be named 'St. Mary's Road!'"

The Clerk was directed to draw the County Manager's attention to the recommendation made him at Meeting 12th November, 1943, in regard to 124 Houses Wiring Contract and to report on his findings in regard thereto.

Order - County Manager to supply a Statement to January Monthly Meeting setting out particulars of the money voted by the Council for housing repairs at their Estimates Meeting and amount spent on repairs to date.

Attention of County Manager to be drawn to the desirability of attending to the following matters:-

- (1) Coping stones lying in Avoca River -- These are collecting sewage matter and their removal from the river bed is desirable.
- (2) Dumping of refuse etc. at South Quay by U.D.C. road scavenging staff -- The Council considers this undesirable and requests that an alternative dumping ground be opened at rear of St. Michael's Terrace (where caravan encampment is situated) or on U.D.C. North Beach property convenient to North Quay wooden bridge.

With regard to the postponed recommendation to County Manager on the subject of 124 houses rent ---

Read copy of letter addressed to County Manager 17th Novr. 1943, from Town Clerk on his (Town Clerk's) visit to Department of Local Government and Public Health.

Submitted amended final statement of 124 Houses all-in cost dated 6th December, 1943, viz:- £60,728, and amended statement showing economic rent (including Rates) of each house at 8/8¹/₂d. per week.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed, Cllr. Birthistle dissenting:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby recommend the County Manager to fix a weekly rent of 5/- (inclusive of rates) for each of the 124 Houses tenanted by persons rehoused from slum dwellings, with a request that, in the event of this recommendation proving unacceptable to him, he will, before fixing a rent, favour the Council by referring it back for further consideration by them."

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:- RESOLVED, "That the revised figure of £13,492 be inserted in place of £13,163 appearing in Resolution re Supplemental Loan for 124 Houses, adopted at November Monthly Meeting.

The decision of the County Manager to allow Town Clerk fees at the rate of 10/- per house was unanimously approved, the Clerk to mention this fact when seeking the Minister's sanction thereto.

The Town Clerk, by request of the Co. Manager, informed the Meeting of the difficulties in the way of continuing this Winter the School Meals Scheme, viz. failure to secure a School Meals depot in lieu of Abbey Hall and intimation from Very Revd. M. Canon Behan, P.P., that he could not permit serving of meals in Coolgrosey Road School.

Order - Clerk to approach proprietors of Marlboro' Hall for accommodation, and if unsuccessful in this, meals to be served in I.T. & G.W. Union Hall at Cain Street; also approach Mr. Keogh for accommodation at his unused garage at Wexford Road.

J. Headrick
3/1/44

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 3rd JANUARY; 1944.

The January Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor J. T. Keogh, Vice-Chairman, presiding and subsequently Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman.
Councillors P. McCarthy, T. J. Birthistle, and J. E. McElheron.

Minutes of December, 1943, Monthly Meeting were adopted.

The County Manager was authorised to temporarily overdraw, subject to Department's sanction, Revenue Account by £1,000, pending further progress in Rates Collection.

Read letter 3rd January, 1944, from Town Surveyor re Dock Road Grant Works, stating it was necessary to move six E.S.B. poles at a cost of £30. It might be necessary to close down the Works for a short time as there was a likelihood that the E.S.B. would not be able to start their work until February.

Order - Expenditure of £30 approved. E.S.B. to be asked to delay the work as little as possible.

Read letter 3rd January, 1944, from Town Surveyor re Abbeylands Housing Scheme, stating that the work was now completed and the houses might be taken over. A small amount of fencing remained to be done, but the result of the Inquiry into the closing of the "Ditch" would have to be awaited. The Clerk of Works had finished on 1st inst. and the temporary Caretaker started on his work as directed by the County Manager. The E.S.B. would not start to service the houses until about 1st February. The new street leading from Connolly Street towards "The Ditch" should be named by the Council. Marked "Read."

Read letter 3rd January, 1944, from Town Surveyor, re Electric Wiring Contract, stating the Contract called for wire with two coverings of vulcanised rubber with cab type sheeting, but when the Contractor came to do the work the only wire he had available was War Emergency" wire. The E.S.B. said this was suitable and would not require renewal He (Surveyor) considered it would be unfair to deduct anything from the Contract price as price of wire had greatly increased

Order - Co. Manager to seek the Law Agent's advice on the legal position, in view of the fact that the terms of the Contract entered into have not been carried out, and as it would appear the Co. Manager did not authorise any variation in the terms of this Contract. The Council desire to be informed of their legal remedy in the event of the Contractor not agreeing to an allowance for using the inferior wire in the work.

Read letter 3rd January, 1944, from Town Surveyor re Housing Repairs, setting out particulars in regard to repairs carried out.

The Town Clerk submitted figures, requested by the Council, showing a total expenditure to date of £254 out of amount of £268 allowed for in the estimates for the financial year 1943/44.

Order - The matter of repairs to be placed on the Agenda of next Monthly Meeting, meanwhile the Town Surveyor to give his attention to the following repairs urgently required:-

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House No. 16 Pearse Terrace - Ceiling collapsed,
 House No. 19 Pearse Terrace - House in very bad state of repair
 Generally, despite the fact that repair work is being continually
 carried out to the gable, which suffers from dampness. A new door
 without either a knocker or letterbox was recently erected. This
 should be attended to at once. It is suggested that the house in its
 present condition is not fit for habitation.
 House No. 19 St. Patrick's Terrace - Repairs to this house were
 insufficiently carried out - an inoperative lock was affixed to
 the hall-door, and a pane of glass put in window which had been cut
 too small and defect had been remedied by affixing a strip of wood
 to join with sash.

Read letter 11th December, 1943, from Rev. W. Carroll, Rector,
 stating that the Select Vestry of his Church would be unable to
 accede to the U.D.C.'s request for use of Marlboro' Hall as a
 School Meals depot.

Read copy letter 3rd December, 1943, addressed to Very Rev.
 Canon Bough requesting permission to the serving of the School Meals
 at Coolgreaney Road School.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that the Canon declined to
 grant the request.

Order - Town Clerk to write Mrs. Louis Kinsella, who has
 suitable accommodation, and inquire if she would be prepared to
 undertake the supplying of hot milk and a bun to the children from
 the Coolgreaney Road school. Failing her agreeing Clerk to write
 either Mrs. Lucy Kavenagh or Mrs. Annie O'Reilly in the matter.
 Same arrangements as obtaining last year with Mrs. M. Cullen of
 Harbour Road and Sisters of Mercy to be continued.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Cllr. P.
 McCarthy:- "That I, or someone for me, will move at the next
 Monthly Meeting of the Council that provision be made in the next
 Annual Estimate of Expenses for the serving, in suitable Meal Depots
 to be erected by the Urban Council, of a hot meal consisting of
 soup, meat and potatoes to all children attending school in the
 Arklow Urban Area."

The Clerk informed the Meeting that the County Manager had
 referred back their recommendation in regard to rent of 124 new
 houses for reconsideration, as he has of opinion that the adoption
 of a rent of 5/- inclusive of Rates would place an undue burden upon
 the Ratepayers. The rent suggested would have to secure the
 approval of the Minister, as this was a condition precedent to the
 payment of Subsidy under the 1932 Act, and it was unlikely the
 Minister would allow the fixing of a rent which would fall short
 of the economic figure by 3/8 per week.

Order - Council decline to alter their recommendation to
 Manager in this matter, and desire to inform him that in making
 this recommendation they carefully considered all aspects of the
 question.

It was proposed by Cllr. Keogh, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle,
 and passed unanimously:-

Resolved - "That we, the Arklow Urban District Council,
 desire to register our protest at the proposal of the Government
 to confer a monopoly of Passenger and Goods traffic upon the
 Railways of this country, as we believe that such a measure would
 be an undue interference with private enterprise, which is the
 mainspring of efficiency and success in every field of activity.

That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to all Local
 Authorities in Eire and our local Dail Representatives."

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The County Manager was recommended to draw the attention of the appropriate officials to the following matters:-

- (1) Condition of Urban Roads generally and in particular portion of Yellow Land road passing Emoclew and New Cemetery.
- (2) Desirability of advertising Seeds contract for Allotments Scheme early this Season so that Contractors can make early arrangements to acquire seeds needed.

The terms of the following Resolution forwarded by Dundalk Urban Council were approved:-

"(1) That we, the members of the Dundalk Urban District Council, call on the Government to take the necessary steps to increase immediately, by at least 50%, the existing rates of Old Age Pensions, Widows' and Orphans' Pensions, Blind Pensions, National Health Insurance Benefits, Unemployment Benefits, Unemployment Allowances, Army Dependents, and,

(2) That we, the members of the Dundalk Urban District Council, call for the immediate abolition of the Means Test, as at present applicable to applicants for Old Age Pensions, Widows' and Orphans' Pensions and Blind Pensions."

The Clerk road Department's letter 485/1943 - 3rd June, 1943, re Housing Survey, and stated that the Manager had taken measures to assess the Housing needs of the Urban Area, and a Report in the matter would be submitted to the Council in due course.

advised J. J. O'Connell
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MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1944.

The February Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T.J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T.J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" L. O'Cleary,
" P. McCarthy.
Town Surveyor J.P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of January Monthly Meeting were unanimously adopted.

The County Manager was authorised to temporarily overdraw Revenue Account by £1,000 pending further progress in Rates Collection and receipt of Grants due from Department.

Read letter G.747/44 - 12th January, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. sanctioning Overdraft of £1,000 of Revenue Account to 31st idem. "Noted."

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleary, and passed unanimously:-

Resolved:- "That we authorise the County Manager, subject to the Minister's sanction, to temporarily Overdraw our Consolidated Capital Account up to the amount of £13,000 to meet accounts due in connection with 124 Houses Scheme, pending the issue by the Board of Works of the Supplemental Loan of £13,492 applied for."

Read Circular 10/44 - 27th January, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. in regard to operation of the County Management Act, 1940.

Order - Department to be asked for copies of this important Circular for circulation to each member of the Council.

Following discussion of Notice of Motion of the subject of School Meals handed in by Cllr. McCarthy at January Monthly Meeting, the following amended Resolution was unanimously adopted on the proposition of Cllr. P. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. L. O'Cleary:-

"That consideration be given at the next Annual Estimates Meeting to the desirability of providing a hot meal instead of the present meal for children attending school in the Urban Area."

Read County Manager's Order No. 878, fixing rent of 124 New Houses at 5/- per week (inclusive).

Order - Noted with approval.

Following the Town Clerk informing the Meeting that he understood, from an interview he had had with the Department, that sanction would not be accorded to the fixing of an inclusive weekly rent of 5/- for 124 houses scheme, it was ordered that a Special Meeting be convened when official intimation had been received in the matter.

Following discussion on the 124 Houses electric wiring Contract, the Clerk read copy of letter 4th February, 1944, addressed to Contractor Tighe by direction of the Manager.

The County Manager was recommended not to delay in having electric light installed in Council cottages not already supplied with electricity.

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The attention of the County Manager was directed to the urgent necessity of fencing old Abbey Graveyard.

Read letter 21st January from Town Surveyor re Town Planning Order - Town Clerk to discuss the matter with Town Planning Adviser, Mr. M. C'Dwyer, B.E., when next in Dublin, and to call a Special Meeting subsequently to go into the matter. Town Surveyor to be present at this meeting to note the Council's requirements in regard to drafting of a Town Plan.

By request of the Council, the Town Clerk informed the Meeting of the present position in regard to the proposed closing of the Right-of-way known as "The Ditch."

Read copy letter 3rd February, 1944, addressed to Town Surveyor by Town Clerk in regard to U696 Road Works.

Order - County Manager authorised to spend £150 from Harbour Roads Fund to turn concrete road in direction of draw-bridge.

The terms of the following Resolution forwarded by Letterkenny U.D.C. were approved:-

"That we, the Letterkenny Urban District Council, view with alarm the introduction of any legislation which may, in the Post-War period, have the effect of restricting the use of privately-owned commercial motor vehicles, private motor cars or hackney vehicles, and that we demand an assurance from the Government that no such interference with the fundamental rights of the individual is contemplated."

Read letter 6th January, 1944, from Salthill Citizens' Organisation forwarding for adoption Resolution re Intoxicating Liquor Laws in holiday resorts.

Order - Marked "Read"

Read letter 11th December, 1943, from Vocational C.E.O's. Association re Vocational Education Bill, 1943.

Order - Marked "Read"

Read letter 27th November, 1943, from Association of Municipal Authorities forwarding paper on "Civism."

Order - Marked "Read."

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to have the back entrance to men's public sanitary convenience walled in and electric light installed in the convenience.

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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A Special Housing Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor J.T. Keogh, Vice-Chairman, presiding; and subsequently Councillor T.J. Wendick, Chairman;

Councillor J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy,
" L. O'Clairigh,
" Ed. McDonagh.

Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.,
County Manager Healy.

Read Letter H.1730/44 - 8th Feb. 1944, from Dept. of Local Government and Public Health, re rent proposed to be charged for 124 houses scheme, pointing out that the County Manager's Order fixing an inclusive rent of 5/- per week would involve an annual loss of £1,200 or 3/8d. in the £., and that the matter should be reconsidered by him.

The County Manager pointed out to the Meeting that his Order was based on the Council's recommendation to him and that the communication from Department contained in substance what he had already explained to the Council.

Following a lengthy discussion on the subject, it was proposed by Councillor McCarthy, seconded by Councillor McElheron and passed by five votes to two (Councillors. Keogh and Birthistle dissenting) :-

RESOLVED - "That, having carefully considered the letter H.1730/44 - 8th inst., from Department of Local Government and Public Health, and a second request from the County Manager to reconsider our recommendation to him to fix 5/- (inclusive) as the weekly rent of the 124 new houses, we hereby re-affirm this recommendation with a full knowledge of the implications thereof as explained to us by the Manager at this and previous meetings of the Council. We are pleased the Manager has sought our advice in this matter and trust he will be guided thereby."

J. Wendick
6/3/44

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 6th MARCH, 1944.

The March Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" J. J. Kavanagh,
" J. T. Keogh,
" P. McCarthy,
" L. O'Cleirigh,
" E. McDonagh.

Minutes of Meetings 7th and 18th February, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

Overdraft of £2,500 on Revenue Account for period ending 31st March, 1944, was approved, and Clerk was directed to seek sanction of Minister thereto.

It was proposed by Cllr. J.J. Kavanagh, seconded by Cllr. L. O'Cleirigh and passed by 6 votes to 2 (Cllrs. Birthistle and Keogh dissenting):-

RESOLVED: - "That we protest at the delay of the Department of Local Government in ruling on the decision of the County Manager fixing an inclusive rent of 5/- per week for 124 new houses and desire to call their attention to the loss to the rates occasioned thereby."

Prior to the putting of the Resolution to the Meeting, the Clerk stated that the Minister was awaiting information from him (Clerk) as to the means of the prospective tenants before giving his decision.

Read County Manager's Order No. 970 fixing 6/- (inclusive) as the weekly rent of 20 "porched" houses in 124 houses scheme.

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, and passed, Cllr. Birthistle dissenting:-

RESOLVED - "That we protest at the County Manager's decision varying the recommendation of the Urban Council from 5/- to 6/- per week in the case of the "porched" houses in our 124 houses scheme."

Read copy letter 18th February, 1944, addressed to 124 houses contractors, informing them of the state of their Account.

Order - County Manager's action in enforcing Penalty Clause of Contract commended.

It was unanimously decided to name street in 124 Houses Scheme, leading on to "Ditch", "Collins Street" to commemorate the name of the late General Michael Collins.

Read letter 20th February, 1944, from Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance, Ltd. re appointment of nominee to attend and vote at General Meeting of the Company.

Order - Town Clerk appointed as Urban Council's nominee.

It was unanimously decided to request the County Manager to fix, if possible, 18th inst. as the date of the Annual Estimates Meeting, as that date would facilitate attendance of all members of the Council.

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It was decided to convene a meeting to name a date for official opening of the houses following receipt of the Minister's approval to the weekly rent.

It was unanimously decided that representations be made to Department of Posts and Telegraphs for an all-night telephonic service in the town.

The following recommendations were unanimously agreed upon:-

1. That no means test be applied in deciding eligibility of School children to participate in School Meals Scheme.
2. That the School Managers be approached with a view to their allowing School-children (not participating in School Meals Scheme) home for one hour at mid-day so that they could join their parents at dinner, and thus conserve fuel by obviating the necessity for preparation of a second dinner after school hours.
3. We consider that it is impossible for the Home Assistance Officer, attending Arklow for short periods each week, to make adequate investigation into the various claims for Home Assistance, and we suggest that the County Manager attend a Meeting of the Urban Council to consider the matter. We are of opinion that it would be helpful if this meeting were provided with the following:-
 - (a) Particulars of amount of money distributed during the present financial year.
 - (b) The amount refunded by persons temporarily assisted.
 - (c) Detailed Application Forms of those at present in receipt of assistance.
 - (d) Statement of period during which each person has been in receipt of assistance, and, if able-bodied, efforts made to obtain employment for such person.
4. We recommend that there be no further delay in providing sewerage and water supply service for St. Patrick's Terrace, and also electric light for such houses not already equipped therewith.
5. That, during the present Emergency, no property in the Urban Area be re-valued, except in the case of structural alterations thereto: we desire to record our disapproval of the recent revision of valuations which were carried out without the knowledge or request of the Urban Council, as we consider that their local knowledge should be availed of in such cases.

The Town Clerk explained the extent of the Council's powers and lack of powers in regard to these recommendations.

J. Heavison
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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING HELD ON 31ST MARCH, 1944.

The Annual Estimates Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" Jas. J. Kavanagh,
" J. T. Keogh,
" P. McCarthy.
County Manager P. T. Healy.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Read Notice of the Making of an Estimate of Expenses published in "Wicklow People."

Read County Manager's Report on the Estimates for the services of the financial year ending 31st March, 1945.

Submitted detailed explanatory Statement of the figures in Form E2.

It was unanimously decided to reduce local contribution to Grant Works by £50, to £150.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, that, in view of the absence of voluntary assistance and local co-operation generally in the working of the School Meals Scheme, the Scheme be withdrawn in the financial year 1944/5.

The Resolution was carried by four votes to two:-
viz., For - Cllrs. Birthistle, McElheron, Keogh and the Chairman;
Against - Cllrs. Kavanagh and McCarthy.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. Keogh, and passed, Cllr. McCarthy dissenting:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby adopt the amended Estimate of Expenses, viz. Town Rate:- total expenditure £15399. 6. 9, and Receipts, including Credit Balance, £9957. 13. 8, giving a deficit of £5441. 13. 1:

Poor Rate:- Without amendment, total expenditure £4868. 16. 4, and receipts £822. 7. 6, giving a deficit of £4046. 8. 10."

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. Keogh, and passed, Cllr. McCarthy dissenting:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby determine, in accordance with the Estimate already adopted, a Rate of 15/4d. for Town Rate Purposes, and 9/11d. for Poor Rate Purposes, as specified in the Estimate of Expenses for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1945."

The County Manager informed the Meeting of the amounts spent under the various headings during the financial year 1943/4, and the amounts allowed in the estimate for the year.

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It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Keogh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "In compliance with the provisions of Section 25 of the County Management Act, 1940, we hereby consent to, and approve and confirm the expenditure of money, or the incurring of liability in excess of the expenditure for any particular purpose specified in the Estimate approved and adopted for the service of the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1944, and we are satisfied that such expenditure, or the incurring of such liability was due to matters not within the control of the County Manager."

It was proposed Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED:- "That we record our appreciation of the valued services of the County Manager and the Town Clerk and extend to them our congratulations on the very able and efficient manner in which the Annual Estimates have been presented."

Adopted 3/4/44
J. W. Beadick

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 3rd APRIL, 1944.

The April Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillors T. J. Wepdick, Chairman, presiding;
 J. T. Keogh,
 P. McCarthy,
 J. E. McElheron.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 6th and 31st March, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

Read letter 21st March, 1944, from County Manager re Emergency Schemes and Post-Emergency Planning, forwarding letter H.1944-18th March, 1944, re necessity for adoption of Town Plan.

The Town Surveyor explained to the Meeting the necessity of implementing the Town Planning Resolution already adopted by the Council, in view of the extensive development works proposed to be carried out.

It was unanimously decided to postpone consideration of the matter to enable the Town Clerk consult the Council's Town Planning Adviser.

It was unanimously decided that the question dealing with Derelict Sites be placed on the Agenda of the May Monthly Meeting.

T. J. Wepdick
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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 14th APRIL, 1944.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arlow, on the above date at 7.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering letter from Department of Local Government and Public Health in connection with letting of Council's 124 new houses at Abbeylands.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Woodick, Chairman, presiding,
 " T. J. Birthistle,
 " P. McCarthy,
 " J. T. Keogh,
 " E. McDonagh,
 " J. E. McElheron;
 Manager P. T. Healy;
 Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Read letter H.1730/5/1944 - 5th April, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. relative to the letting of 124 new houses at Abbeylands, stating that the Minister did not consider that lesser weekly rents than 5/- for 104 and 6/- for 20, exclusive of Rates, should be fixed for the houses, and pointing out the heavy annual charge on the Rates through the letting of the houses at the rents proposed by the Council; also requesting the observations of the County Manager and County J.C.M. in regard to certain matters referred to therein.

The County Manager informed the Meeting of the implications in the Department's letter, particularly in the second paragraph thereof, and also his responsibilities as Manager in regard to the fixing of rents.

Following discussion, it was proposed by Councillor J.T. Keogh, seconded by Councillor T. J. Woodick, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That a Deputation consisting of the Chairman, Councillors McCarthy, Birthistle, McElheron, and Keogh (to be accompanied by the Town Clerk) be appointed to wait on the Principal Officer of the Housing Section of the Department, to discuss the fixing of an equitable rent for the Council's 124 new houses at Abbeylands."

 J. Woodick
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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL RATES MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 21st DAY OF APRIL,
1944.

A Special Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council
was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above
date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. J. Kavanagh,
" Edward McDonagh.

It was proposed by Councillor J. T. Keogh, seconded by
Councillor J. E. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby allow and make the following
Rates as assessed in the Rate Book now laid
before us, 1944/45:

Town Rate - Fifteen Shillings and Four Pence
in the Pound, with an additional Rate of One
Shilling and Six Pence in the Pound on premises
supplied with water for domestic purposes:

Poor Rate - Nine Shillings and Eleven Pence
in the Pound."

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J. T. Keogh
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MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 1st MAY, 1944.

The May Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present: Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" E. McDonagh;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 3rd, 14th and 21st April, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

Read letter H.1730/6/44 - 22nd April, 1944, from Dept. of Local Government and Public Health relative to Deputation in connection with the rents of 124 new houses, requesting observations of the County Manager and County M.O.H. sought in penultimate sentence of their letter 5th April, 1944.

Read copy letter 28th April, 1944, from County Manager to Department in reply to Department's letter 5th April, 1944.

Read copy of County Manager's Report to Department on conditions attaching to fifteen single person family insanitary houses referred to in Department's letter H.1730/5/44 - 5th April, 1944.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron and passed unanimously:-

Resolved:- That we protest at the delay of the Department of Local Government and Public Health in arranging a date for receiving of Deputation appointed to discuss the matter of the rents to be fixed for our 124 new houses, and we dissociate ourselves from responsibility in regard to the loss of revenue through the houses remaining untenanted."

Read letter 26th April, 1944, from Town Surveyor reporting on his Survey of housing needs of the Urban Area.

Marked "Read."

Read letter H.1944 - 18th March, 1944, from Department of Local Government and Public Health re Emergency and Post-War Planning, consideration of which had been postponed from April Monthly Meeting.

It was unanimously decided to convene a Special Town Planning Meeting on 17th May, 1944, at 7.30 p.m. for the purposes of discussing the question of a Town Plan for the Urban Area, and also deciding as to whether a recommendation should be made to retain the services of the present Town Planning Advisor, Mr. N. O'Dwyer, B.E.

Read Report of County Manager on Rates Collection 1943-44, showing Town Rate Collection of 93.355% of Warrant, and Poor Rate Collection of 92.644% of Warrant.

Marked "Very Satisfactory".

The Clerk reported the non-attendance of Cllr. T.P. Kavanagh for more than six months consecutively.

Order - Town Clerk to request submission of an explanation before next Monthly Meeting.

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MONTHLY MEETING -- 1st MAY, 1944.

The Meeting approved of a temporary Overdraft on Revenue Account of £600.

The following recommendations were made to the County Manager:-

1. Materials of damaged Laboratory at Kynoch's Site to be sold.
2. County Council concrete Parade Ground as it is at present in a very unsightly condition.
3. Measures to be taken to prevent destruction of trees at Seaview Avenue and burning of furze bushes at North Beach lands.
4. Town Surveyor report on derelict sites in town, giving list and recommendation as to measures which should be adopted to rid area of these eyesores.
5. Town Clerk to investigate complaints of alleged damage to Nos. 5, 6 and 7 Hudson's Square.

J. Seadick
5/6/44

SPECIAL TOWN PLANNING MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, 17th MAY, 1944.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on the above date at 7.30 p.m. to deal with Town Planning.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh;
" P. McCarthy;
" J. E. McElheron;
" T. P. Kavanagh;
" L. O'Cleirigh.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Before the business of the Meeting was proceeded with, the Chairman sought an explanation from Councillor Kavanagh for his non-attendance at Meetings for more than six months consecutively.

The Town Clerk read copy letter 3rd May, 1944, addressed to Councillor Kavanagh in the matter, stating that if a member of a Council was absent from Meetings for more than six months consecutively, except in the case of illness, or for some reason approved by the Council, his office would, on the expiration of those months, become vacant.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that, out of courtesy, Councillor Kavanagh had received Notice of the present meeting, but could not take part in its proceedings.

Following a verbal explanation to the Meeting by Councillor Kavanagh for his absence, it was proposed by Councillor J. T. Keogh, and seconded by Councillor L. O'Cleirigh: "That we accept and approve of the reasons given by Councillor T. P. Kavanagh for his non-attendance at Meetings for more than six months consecutively."

The Motion was declared lost by three votes against, to two for, viz. For:- Councillors Keogh and O'Cleirigh:
Against:- Councillors McCarthy, McElheron and the Chairman.

It was proposed by Councillor McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Weadick, and passed unanimously:-

"That it be recorded in the Minutes of this Meeting that Councillor T. P. Kavanagh had absented himself from eleven Monthly Meetings consecutively."

Councillor McElheron handin in the following Notice of Motion:- "That I or someone for me will move at next Meeting of the Council that Mr. J. P. Caffrey, B.E., and Mr. N.O'Dwyer, B.E., be appointed to act jointly in the preparation of a Town Plan for Arklow."

Submitted copy of Town Surveyor's Report 10th May, 1944, on Town Planning, which had been circulated to members of the Council.

It was unanimously decided to adjourn consideration of the Report to next Meeting of the Council.

J. Weadick
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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 5th JUNE, 1944.

The June Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" P. McCarthy,
" J. T. Keogh.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 1st and 17th May, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

Read copy letters 3rd May and 1st June, 1944, addressed to Councillor T. P. Kavanagh in regard to his disqualification as member of the Urban Council, in consequence of his failure to attend Meetings for more than six months consecutively.

Read letter 3rd June, 1944, from Councillor Kavanagh stating that he had been continuously away from home on business requiring his personal attention.

It was proposed by Councillor McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and passed unanimously;

RESOLVED: "That, having received Councillor T. P. Kavanagh's written explanation for his non-attendance at Meetings for more than six months consecutively, we are of the considered opinion that it is unsatisfactory and should not be approved by the Council, and we hereby declare his seat vacant, the said seat to be filled after due notice at our next Meeting after the expiration of one month from this date, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit."

It was unanimously decided to fix Wednesday, 28th June, 1944, at 7.30 p.m. for the holding of Annual Meeting for the election of Chairman etc.

In pursuance of Notice given, the following Motion was moved by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, and unanimously adopted:-

RESOLVED: "That Messrs. J. P. Caffrey, B.E., and N. O'Dwyer, B.E., be appointed to act jointly in the preparation of a Town Plan for Arklow.

Read Report 1st June, 1944, from Town Surveyor, advising on the selection of sites for Housing, and setting forth estimated expenditure for carrying out preliminary work in connection with the erection of eighty houses.

The following sites were approved in the order set out hereunder:-

1. Land opened up by continuation of Collin's Street to Bridge Street; the selection of this site necessitating the demolition of houses Nos. 32 and 33 Main Street, and the erection of two buildings in lieu thereof for the owners on newly constructed road.
2. The land opened up by continuation of road from Rory O'Connor Place to the Golf Links via St. Michael's Terrace.

J. Weadick
3/7/44

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It was unanimously decided, on the suggestion of the Town Surveyor to defer consideration of any Report on Derelict Sites until persons had been rehoused at 124 Houses Scheme.

Read letter 11th May, 1944, from Public Assistance Section, Wicklow County Council, stating that the County Manager welcomed the assistance of the Urban Council in reviewing the lists of names of persons obtaining Home Assistance in the area.

Order - Town Clerk to make arrangements to have the Home Assistance Books and Records available for periodical inspection and recommendation by the Urban Council.

Read letter RU/211/1 - 11th May, 1944, re Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote, 1944/5, notifying Grant £1030 subject to a local contribution of £70.

It was unanimously decided to recommend County Manager to expend the money being made available on completion in concrete of Harbour Roads.

It was unanimously decided to recommend County Manager to take the necessary steps towards declaring laneway connecting Upper Main Street from Navvy Bridge to St. Mary's Road, to be a public road, and also to acquire from Railway Company the necessary land on embankment to widen and improve this road.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that, on the instructions on the County Manager, he had called on the Principal Officer of the Housing Section of the Department to discuss the question of securing sanction to the rents fixed for the new houses, and had learned that the Department were still reluctant to approve of the rents suggested, in view of the excessive annual charge that the Rates would be called upon to meet. The County Manager had asked him (Clerk) to acquaint the Council further of the implications in the second paragraph of the Department's letter H.1730/5/1944 - 5th April last. The County Manager desired it to be explained (1) the unreasonableness of expecting the Ratepayers to meet a further annual charge on the Rates of 3⁶/₁₀d. in the Pound to defray cost of 124 new houses: (2) the undesirable effect that the placing of this burden would have on the solution of the slum clearance problem in Arklow, viz. Ratepayers would be unable to meet further demands for Housing that would be necessary: (3) the discouragement to further development in Arklow, viz. public amenity Works, private building, tourist development, in consequence of high Rates.

Order - It was unanimously decided to await a communication from the Department in the matter, in view of the fact that all the information sought by them had been supplied.

It was unanimously decided to authorise County Manager to overdraw temporarily the Council's Revenue Fund by £2,800.

It was decided to advertise for a male and female caretaker for public convenience for three months commencing 15th June to 15th September, 1944, at a recommended weekly wage of £1 each.

The County Manager was recommended to have the convenience repainted.

J. W. Seddon
3/7/44

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 3rd JULY, 1944.

The July Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 5th and 28th June, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

Submitted Financial Statement showing Debit Balance on Revenue Account of £2274. 19. 6, and estimated payments during present month of £1,000.

It was unanimously decided to authorise the County Manager to overdraw temporarily on Revenue Account to a sum not exceeding £3,000, subject to Departmental sanction.

Read letter H.1730/9/1944 - 30th June, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. sanctioning the following rents for 124 houses scheme:-
20 porched houses @ 4/3d. per week exclusive of Rates:
104 houses @ 3/6d. " " " " "
The rents to be subject to the provisions of the Rates on Small Dwellings Act, 1928.

It was unanimously decided that the Very Revd. M. Canon Behan, P.P., be asked to bless the houses on Friday, 7th inst. at 4 p.m.

The following Resolution forwarded by Bray U.D.C. under date 15th June, 1944, was unanimously approved, on the proposition of Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron:-

"That we, the Bray Urban District Council, view with great concern and alarm the state of affairs which imposes on all house-holders in Eire the necessity of reducing their electric light consumption by four-fifths, and we call upon the Electricity Supply Board to reduce the fixed charge in the same proportion, and that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister for Industry and Commerce, the Electricity Supply Board, and to all local Authorities in Eire."

It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. Weadick, and passed unanimously, Resolved:-

"That we hereby request the County Manager to again bring to the notice of the Department of Supplies the present undesirable condition of affairs obtaining in Arklow in consequence of the necessity for rationing the public water supply, and to request a substantial increase in the fuel oil and lubricating oil ration, so as to allow of a more lengthy period daily of water services than at present. County Manager to point out that, in addition to an increased water supply being required at this time of year to cater for tourists, there is an additional supply required for the 124 new houses, now opened by the Council."

With regard to the Manager's Order No. 1141, the Clerk was directed to have particulars of the charges for Fire Brigade services notified by advertisement in the "Wicklow People" and also to look into the question as to whether the owner or tenant of a house was liable for these charges.

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The following recommendations were made:-

1. Request Department to expedite sanction to Scheme providing for laying of intercepting sewer on south side of Avoca river. Pending carrying out of this Scheme, cutting to be made and renewed periodically in river bed to deflect water at low tide on to dry ground to clear collected sewage.
2. Instruct Town Surveyor to investigate damage done to quay wall through children removing stones therefrom.
3. Instruct appropriate official to investigate cause of fly pest at rear of Fogarty's houses, South Quay, as it is feared it may be due to an escape of sewage.

It was unanimously decided that the question of filling vacant seat of Council to be placed on the Agenda for next Monthly Meeting.

J. W. Keenan
9/8/44

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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 9th AUGUST, 1944.

The August Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" P. McCarthy:
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 3rd July, 1944, and 2nd August, 1944, were adopted.

Read letter 8th August, 1944, from Private Secretary to the Minister for Supplies, acknowledging receipt of Resolution re supplies of firewood, and stating inquiries were being made in the matter.

Marked "Approved."

The Clerk informed the Meeting that of the eight non-Urban Council members of the Council's Tourist Committee, only one (Mrs. K. Brennan) had written accepting re-election on the Committee. It was unanimously decided that re-elected members be again written to in the matter.

Notice was given of intention to consider at next Meeting of the Council the election of Messrs. J. Callanan and G. O'Toole to membership of the Committee.

Read letter 15th June, 1944, from C.E.O., County Vocational Education Committee, reporting on attendances at his Meetings of the Urban Council's representatives.

Marked "Noted."

Read letter S.11404/44 - 31st July, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. in regard to appointment of Town Planning Consultant, stating that Department was not formally notified of Mr. O'Dwyer's appointment.

Read copy letter 14th June, 1944, addressed to Department by instruction of County Manager in regard to proposed appointment of Messrs. J. P. Caffrey and N. O'Dwyer to act jointly in the preparation of a Town Plan.

Order - Now that the position in regard to standing of Mr. O'Dwyer, Town Planning Consultant, has been ascertained, we recommend the County Manager to proceed without delay to give effect to the Council's recommendation to appoint Messrs. O'Dwyer and Caffrey to act jointly in the preparation of a Town Plan, as we consider delay in preparation of the latter might entail loss of Grants in carrying out of Post-war Planning Schemes.

Read letter L.13264/44 - 25th July, 1944, from Dept. L.G. and P.H., re inquiry as to delay in sanctioning proposal to lay an intercepting sewer, stating that a certain report was awaited from Consulting Engineer.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that the County Manager had instructed the Consulting Engineer to attend to the matter. This had been done, and Manager expected early sanction to the proposal.

Resolution submitted by Galway Borough Council re Loan Indebtedness of Local Authorities, was unanimously approved.

Resolution submitted by Thurles Urban Council in regard to raising of limit of £350 provided for in Housing (Loan Charges) Contribution Regulations, 1938, and lowering of rates in interest on Housing Loans was unanimously approved.

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Resolution submitted by Carlow County Council re necessity for Government control of the creation and issue of credit, was unanimously approved.

Read letter 12th June, 1944, from County Manager re Council's request to be given an opportunity of advising Home Assistance Officer in administration of Home Assistance, stating that he welcomed their co-operation in the matter, and stating that the H.A.O.'s Application and Report Book would be made available to a Committee of the Council.

Order - Committee to consist of entire Council. Town Clerk to call Meeting when Home Assistance Books are made available by H.A.O.

Read letter 3rd July, 1944, from County Manager in regard to delay in calling Meetings of Old Age Pensions Committee, setting out position in the matter.

Marked "Noted."

Read letter 8th July, 1944, from Secretary, Association of Municipal Authorities, notifying holding of annual Conference on 12th and 13th September next.

Order - Town Clerk to notify Delegates.

Official/ The following recommendations were made the County Manager:-

1. Appropriate to examine desirability of erecting shelters and diving-board at North Beach, as these amenities are essential in a town which benefits so largely from Tourist traffic.
2. County Manager to rescind his Order No. 1119, and appoint a male and female caretaker for public convenience for the period ending 30th September, as Road Overseer could not be expected to prevent destruction at present being done to convenience. Road Overseer to be allowed to continue to avail of slot takings as remuneration for general daily cleaning.
3. That Jas. Murray's application for permission to erect stable on the plot convenient to No. 30 Connolly Street, be granted.
4. That Report of inspection of Slaughterhouses carried out by Town Surveyor, S.S.O., and Vet. Inspector be made available to Council at next Monthly Meeting.
5. D.L. Staff to cut thistles and clean up Sea Road.
6. That street name-plates be erected where required.
7. That a "Post-no-Bills" sign be erected by the Co. Council at 19-Arches bridge wall.
8. Tenants of Liam Mellowe's Avenue be reprimanded for whitewashing gate-piers and window-sills, and that they be requested to have wash removed.
9. Lock to be provided for Yellow Lane allotments field gate.
10. E.S.B. to be requested to have electric light laid on to new Council cottages without delay.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously:- Resolved:- "That U.D.C. carters be paid Arklow Urban rate of wages, viz. 16/2d. per day."

The following Orders were made:-

1. Postal Authorities to be requested to provide pillar-boxes at Abbey Street and Ferrybank.
2. Representatives on Vocational Education Committee to press for additional engineering equipment at Technical School.
3. Erection of sheds and railings by tenants of Council's 124 new houses to be prohibited.

J. Heald
4/9/44

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 1944.

The September Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
P. McCarthy,
J. E. McElheron;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meeting 9th August, 1944, were adopted.

The Acting Clerk (Mr. P. McCrudden) read letter H.1729/10/44 - 26th August, 1944, from Dept. of L.G. and P.H. sanctioning raising from Local Loans Fund of Supplemental loan of £13,430 for completion of 124 Houses Schema. "Noted."

Read letter 28th August, 1944, from Law Department, Office of Public Works, forwarding Draft of the Mortgage Deed in connection with loan of £13,430 for approval.
The Draft Deed was unanimously approved.

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be and is hereby affixed to the Form of Undertaking in regard to punctual repayment required by the Commissioners of Public Works in respect of the loan of £13,430 from the Local Loans Fund."

Authorisation was given for the necessary Overdraft accommodation on Revenue Account for month of September.

Read Reports from Superintendent, Garda Síochána, Wicklow, dated 10th, 12th, and 21st August respectively re alleged breaches of Towns Improvement Act through singing and shouting on the public streets at Arklow.

After discussion it was decided to recommend to the County Manager that no action be taken in these cases, as the holiday season is now drawing to a close.

Read letter S.1180/2137 - S.1180/2057 - 17th August, 1944, from Dept. of Supplies, referring to the fuel position in Arklow Area, and stating an application for Fuel Merchant's Licence had been received from Mrs. Janie Ward, 4 Abbey Terrace, and from Mrs. Geo. Redmond, 38 Wexford Road. The Minister requested the views of the Council in the matter.

Read letter D.864/306 - 22nd August, 1944, from Dept. of Supplies (Office of the Minister) acknowledging receipt of Council's Resolution of 9th August, requesting that the unrestricted sale of brushwood and tree tops to the poorer residents of the town be allowed, stating that it was not practicable to alter the terms of the Emergency Powers Order in question.

Read letters from Deputies Everett and Brennan forwarding copies of the above letter from Dept. Supplies.

Order - Clerk to reply to Dept. of Supplies, pointing out that the brushwood referred to is of no use commercially to Fuel Merchants, who cannot handle it economically, and that the Council desire that this brushwood be made available to poorer residents of the town for their own use, and not for sale by them. Clerk in his reply to stress the fact that the brushwood will eventually have to be burned on the site by the wood-owners in order to clear a way for timber-felling.

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Read Report 1/9/44 from S.S.O. re complaints from residents in Main Street of offensive smell from fish exposed for sale in open boxes on the street.

Report
Order - S.S.O. to furnish a further/following investigation of complaints referred to.

Read letter 10/8/44 from P.H. Section, Wicklow Co. Council, with further reference to Urban Council's request that arrangements be made for inspection by them of Home Assistance Lists, suggesting that the Urban Council name a date and hour for the proposed inspection.

Order - Clerk to communicate with County Council suggesting meeting the Co. Council officials for the purpose at the U.D.C. Offices on the first Wednesday, or, alternatively, the first Friday of October, at 7.30 p.m.

Read letter 23rd August, 1944, from Wicklow County Manager forwarding copy letter 19th idem from Mrs. K. Brennan regarding amenities in the Urban Area.

Order - Matter of tree planting in the town referred to Town Clerk and Town Surveyor.

The following recommendations to County Manager was made:-
Name-plates be provided for streets of Council Housing Schemes where necessary.

It was decided to convene a meeting of the U.D.C. Tourist Development Committee for 2nd October, 1944, at 7 p.m.

Messrs. J. Callanan and Geo. O'Toole were unanimously appointed members of the Committee.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the terms of County Manager's Orders on recommendations made by the Council be conveyed to the Meeting next following the Meeting at which recommendations are made."

J. W. ...
2/10/44

ARLLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 2nd OCTOBER, 1944.

The October Monthly Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh,
" P. McCarthy,
" J. E. McElheron,
" Ed. McDonagh.

Minutes of September Monthly Meeting were adopted.

Read letter from Town Surveyor notifying inability to be present in consequence of illness. "Noted."

Read letter 12th Sept. 1944, from Town Surveyor addressed to County Manager re Mrs. K. Brennan's letter on the subject of town improvements and setting out estimate for the carrying out of certain improvement Works.

In pursuance of Notice given, Councillor McCarthy moved, and Councillor Keogh seconded, and it was passed by four votes to one (Cllr. McElheron dissenting only to the inclusion of £12,700 for construction of promenade):-

RESOLVED - "That a loan of £35,000 be raised from the Local Loans Fund, repayable by annuity over a period of 35 years for the purpose of defraying the cost of the following Works, the carrying out of which is in our opinion essential to improve the town as a Tourist Resort:-

	£.
Demolition of buildings at North Beach ...	1,000
Lavatories at North Beach ...	1,600
Shelters, etc. at North Beach ...	1,000
Water Main to North Beach ...	400
Sewers from North Beach ...	1,500
Swimming Pool at North Beach ...	6,000
Road from end of Seaview Ave. to North Quay ...	5,580
Road from end of Seaview Ave. to Kynoch Hill ...	5,220
Promenade from Bridge to Coomie Lane ...	12,700..

Prior to the putting of the Motion, the Town Clerk read Report 29th Sept. 1944, from the County Manager on the effect upon the Council's finances of raising Loan.

Read letter 26th Sept. 1944, from Law Agent, Commissioners of Public Works, forwarding engrossed Deed of Mortgage for execution in connection with loan of £13,430.

Read Mortgage Deed referred to.

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McCarthy, RESOLVED:- That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £13,430, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890-1931."

T. J. Weadick

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Read correspondence from the following notifying acceptance of membership of Council's Tourist Committee:-

Mrs. K. Brennan, Miss J. Callanan, Messrs. P. Jordan, J. W. Barrott, John Callanan, M. M. O'Byrne and Geo. O'Toole.

It was unanimously decided to convene a Meeting of the Committee for Monday, 9th inst., at 8 p.m. for the purpose of general discussion on matters of tourist interest.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to restore public lamp at Mavvy Bridge end of Rory O'Connor Place, and also to examine the desirability of increasing the scavenging staff in view of increased work on roads.

J. W. O'Connell
6/11/44

SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 4th OCTOBER, 1944.

A Special Committee Meeting of the Council to deal with the matter of Public Assistance in Arklow Area was held on above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor P. McCarthy, presiding;
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle;
Mr. Thomas Byrne, Principal Officer,
Public Assistance Section,
Wicklow County Council;
Mrs. B. Healy, H.A.O.

Mr. Byrne read particulars from Home Assistance Application and Report Book.

A number of revisions in Home Assistance allowances suggested by the Committee were noted by Mr. Byrne for consideration by the County Manager.

J. Healy
6/11/44

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY,
9th OCTOBER, 1944.

A Meeting of the Urban Council's Tourist Development Committee was held on the above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" J. McElheron;
Mrs. K. Brennan;
Mr. J. W. Barrett,
Mr. P. Jordan;
Mr. G.A. O'Toole;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.;
Town Clerk P. J. Gregory Bannon.

Cllr. McElheron conveyed apologies from Mr. M.H. O'Byrne and Cllr. Birthistle for non-attendance, and the Town Clerk conveyed apologies for non-attendance from Miss J. Callanan and Mr. John Callanan.

Read copy of Resolution re proposal to raise loan of £35,000 to defray cost of carrying out local Development Works, adopted at October Monthly Meeting of the Council.

Read letter 29th Sept. 1944, from Co. Manager in the matter. On the proposition of Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Jordan, the proposal of the Council to raise the loan referred to was unanimously approved.

It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Mrs. K. Brennan, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That this Committee is of opinion that, from a Tourist point of view, the co-ordination of the work of the various Clubs in the town is both necessary and desirable, and towards that end we invite all local Clubs to appoint representatives on the Council's Tourist Committee, particularly for the purpose of collaborating in the drawing up of a Schedule of local events to take place during the Tourist Season in Arklow."

It was unanimously decided to recommend the Co. Manager to expend the £10 made available in 1944/5 Estimates on tree planting.

It was proposed by Mrs. Brennan, seconded by Mr. O'Toole, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the attention of the teachers in the local Schools be drawn to the widespread ill-treatment of public property in the town by both young and old, and to ask for their assistance in inculcating a civic spirit in the present school-going children."

It was proposed by Mr. J. W. Barrett, seconded by Mr. G.A. O'Toole, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the Council ascertain from the Co. Council the cause of the delay in the completion of the Arklow-Brittias road between Sallymount turn and Ardinary, which matter was first taken up by this Council as far back as 1926 on representations made by the late Mr. Healy, Kenilworth Park, Dublin."

It was unanimously decided to fix next Meeting of the Committee for Wednesday following the November Monthly Meeting of the Urban Council.

adopted J. Weadick
6/11/44

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 6th NOVEMBER, 1944.

The November Monthly Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy,
" L. O'Cleirigh,
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 2nd and 4th October were unanimously adopted.

The Report of Tourist Committee Meeting 9th October, 1944 was unanimously adopted.

It was unanimously decided to permit County Manager to temporarily overdraw on Revenue Account to an amount not exceeding £3,000 during the period ending 30th November, 1944.

On the proposition of Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, it was unanimously decided to defer sine die filling of vacant Seat on the Council.

Read letter 26th September, 1944, from Arklow Pottery Ltd. inquiring if the Urban Council and County Manager had any objection to their encroaching by building on to public roadway at South of Pottery Works, and agreeing to contribute towards the cost of an alternative roadway.

Read copy reply letter 3rd October, 1944, to Pottery Company.

Read Report 29th September, 1944, by Town Surveyor to County Manager setting out cost of new road at £800.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to approve the Pottery proposal, subject to their agreeing to contribute £300 towards the cost of the new road, and dump sufficient waste material from Pottery to form foundation for roadway. County Manager to ascertain if Department would make a Grant available to assist Pottery contribution in constructing new road.

Read letter 17th October, 1944, from Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor, to County Manager re proposal to lease or purchase property at North Beach for industrial sites.

Read copy reply 19th October, 1944, from County Manager.

Mr. McDowell, Solicitor, attended and explained that he had not permission from his clients to disclose at this stage the extent and nature of the proposed industries to be established, but he could assure the Council that their establishment would provide employment and assist the Port of Arklow by increased revenue.

It was unanimously decided to approve in principle of Mr. McDowell's clients' proposals in view of his assurances that they would mean provision of local employment and assist the Port of Arklow. Mr. McDowell to arrange with his clients to meet Town Surveyor on the property for the purpose of indicating their requirements, following which a Meeting to be convened for the purpose of going more fully into the matter, and discussing the desirability of the type or types of industry to be established.

Read letter 29th October, 1944, from John Kehoe, 33 Rory O'Connor Place, Arklow, applying for permission to erect a kiosk at North Beach, and also offering to rent old Kynoch laboratory for business purposes.

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Order - Consideration deferred to enable Mr. Kehoe supply more exact details of his proposals and requirements.

Read letter 30th October, 1944, from Henry Fleckney, Hon. Secretary, St. Colmcille's Pipe Band, Arklow, requesting the erection of a Band Stand at the new public park, and that consideration also be given to the erection of a further stand at North Beach.

Order - Clerk to explain that no provision has been made in Estimates 1944-45 under this heading and that consideration of the matter has had to be deferred in consequence.

Read letter 11th October, 1944, from E.S.B. explaining cause of delay in laying on electric supply to 124 new houses at Abbeylands.

Order - E.S.B. to be requested to have public lighting at 124 new houses Scheme put into operation without delay. County Manager to be asked to have following public lights restored:-

- (1) Light at end of Navvy Bridge (near Rory O'Connor Place):
- (2) Light at fountain opposite St. Patrick's Terrace (and one at end of Beresford Terrace extinguished):
- (3) Lamp at Kynochgate (near path):
- (4) Lamp at Hall's Lane (end of Ditch):
- (5) Lamp in Meadow's Lane.

Read letter 13th Oct. 1944 from Mr. D.H. O'Leary, Solr., outlining proposals of his client, Mr. Wm. Hall, for rednering his houses at Meadow's Lane sanitary and habitable.

Read Report 20th Oct. 1944 from Town Surveyor to County Manager recommending acceptance of proposal referred to therein as No. 2.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That inasmuch as the Urban Council was not consulted by the Manager when the question of the insanitary state of Mr. Hall's houses was first considered, we see no reason why we should now be asked for our opinion thereon. We accordingly refer the matter back to the Manager with the comment that it would appear that the moneyed property owners are the only persons whose property, whether dangerous to health or otherwise, is protected by the Law, as the poorer classes in this case had not resources to take their grievances to Court."

Read letter 4/11/44 from Town Surveyor requesting the Urban Council to make an allowance to members of Fire Brigade taking part in Fire-Fighting and Rescue competitions at Wicklow on 26th inst. for refreshments.

Order - Co. Manager recommended to make the necessary provision. Read 30/9/44 from Dept. Supplies in response to representations of the U.D.C., notifying arrangements made for the disposal by sale of brushwood in the Arklow Urban area.

Order - Local Dail Deputies to be thanked for their assistance in this matter.

Read copy letter 10/10/44 addressed to Dept. of Local Govt. and Public Health re proposal to raise loan of £35,000 for purpose of carrying out local Development Works.

J. McEneaney
4/12/44

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8th NOVEMBER, 1944.

A Meeting of the Council's Tourist Committee was held in the U.D.C. Boardroom on above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, in the Chair,
Councillor J. E. McElheron,
Mrs. K. Brennan,
Mr. H.H. O'Byrne,
Mr. J. Murray (Arklow C.C. Tennis Club):
Mr. P. Kinsella (Arklow G.A.A. Club):
Mr. Wm. O'Neill do.
Mr. E. Murphy (Cumann Gaodhéalach):

Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.:

Town Clerk P. J. Gregory Bannon.

Letters regretting inability to be present were received from Cllr. P. McCarthy, Mr. J. W. Barrett, and Mr. P. Jordan, and Mr. J. Callanan.

The Town Clerk informed the Committee that the recommendations made at their meeting 9th Oct. 1944 were adopted by the Urban Council.

Read letter 8/11/44 from Larian Arts Society (Arklow Branch) re invitation to representatives to attend meeting of Committee, stating that, as the Tourist Industry did not come within the scope of the Society's aims and objects, they regretted they were unable to accept the invitation.

The Town Clerk informed the Committee that the Co. Manager had adopted the Committee's recommendation to expend £10 on tree planting and the Town Surveyor was being instructed to procure suitable trees.

It was suggested by the meeting that portion of the £10 referred to be devoted to pruning existing trees and removing weeds etc., which hampered their growth.

On the suggestion of Mrs. Brennan it was unanimously decided to examine the desirability of equipping the grass plots at new Council houses sites as Children's playgrounds (erection of swings, seats etc.) and where necessary to have part of these plots concreted for the purpose.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the Co. Manager to ensure that in future housing Schemes no grass margins be left between the footpaths and roadways.

On the suggestion of Cllr. McElheron it was unanimously decided to examine at a future meeting the desirability of establishing a "Tourist Complaints Bureau" in Arklow during the Summer season so that visitors could draw attention to their grievances etc., as this would have a deterring effect on overcharging and careless treatment of tourists.

On the suggestion of Mrs. Brennan it was unanimously decided to examine at a future date the desirability of formulating a Scheme for awarding prizes to the tenants of houses having the best kept front gardens (houses the valuation of which did not exceed £4) as this would stimulate a desire to beautify the town.

It was unanimously decided that the following be added to the list of those already invited to attend meetings of the Committee:- Representatives from the Organisation known as the "Arklow Tourist Committee", Camoguidheacht Club, Tinahask Recreation Club, Feis Committee and Band Committees.

Next Meeting of the Committee was fixed for Wednesday, 6th December, 1944.

J. P. Caffrey
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J. W.
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MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 4th DECEMBER, 1944.

The December Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the U.D.C. Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" E. McDonagh,
" P. McCarthy;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

The Minutes of November Monthly Meeting were unanimously adopted.

Report of Tourist Development Committee 8th November, 1944, was unanimously adopted.

It was unanimously decided to permit County Manager (subject to Department's sanction) overdraw temporarily on Revenue Account to an amount not exceeding £2,000.

Read letter 18th November, 1944, from Wicklow County Council forwarding extract from Minutes of their Meeting 13th idem regarding the necessity for imposing restrictions in Cinematograph licences on admission of children to performances and asking the Urban Council to appoint representatives to attend a Conference to discuss the matter.

Read letter 5th December, 1944, from Councillor J.J. Kavanagh apologising for inability to be present at Meeting and setting forth his views on admission of juveniles to cinemas.

The correspondence from the County Council was marked "Read" - "No action to be taken by the Council in this matter".

Cllr. McElheron raised the point that this matter as it appeared on the Agenda sent to members did not give sufficient detail to enable them know the nature and extent of the matter to be discussed.

The Chairman ruled that this item as it appeared on the Agenda was a fair synopsis of the matter to be discussed.

Read letter 14th November, 1944, from Westmeath Co. Council forwarding copy of a Resolution in regard to the necessity for raising the School Leaving age and teaching through the medium of Irish.
Marked "Read."

Read letter 4th December, 1944, from Town Surveyor reporting on extent of property in which Mr. McDowell's clients (Mr. J. and Dr. C. McNicholl) were interested for the purpose of establishing industries..

Mr. McDowell, Solicitor, and his clients came before the Meeting and explained in brief outline their requirements at the North Beach (2 acres approximately and certain buildings).

It was unanimously decided to convene a Special Meeting for Friday, 8th inst., at 7 p.m. for the purpose of discussing as to whether this property be sold or rented to Messrs. McNicholl, and other matters incidental thereto; Town Clerk meanwhile to write Mr. McDowell for alternative offers for purchase and renting of the property: County Manager to be asked to be present at Meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the Town Clerk request an explanation from the Department for delay in replying to letter 10th October last re proposed Loan of £35,000 for the purpose of defraying cost of local development works at North Beach."

J.P.
8/1/45
Read

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Read letter 4th December, 1944, from Mrs. S.A. Byrne, Springfield House, re necessity for public lamp at Coolgreaney Road. It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we request the County Manager to have the entire public lighting system restored to operation without delay, subject to the E.S.B. not making any charge for the portion of the financial year during which the relighted lamps remained unlighted. We further approve of any expenditure on public lighting which may exceed that provided for in the Estimate of Expenses 1944/45 in consequence of this decision."

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to continue this year same all-night lighting arrangements for Christmas Eve, Christmas Night, New Year's Eve and New Year's Night, as obtained heretofore.

The Town Clerk was directed to examine the reason for delay in having public lighting provided at U.D.C.'s' new housing scheme, as it had been alleged no request had been made to the E.S.B. for lights.

The County Manager was requested not to delay in having bacteriological examinations made of local milk supply and herds tested by the Veterinary Inspector with a view to elimination of diseased animals, as in the opinion of the Council failure by Local Authorities to have these measures taken is the cause of prevalence of T.B.

Read letter 4th December, 1944, from Mrs. M. Kavanagh, 80 Lower Main Street, Arklow, drawing attention to dump of rubbish accumulated in front of her house at Meadow's Lane through demolition of adjoining insanitary houses.

Order - Town Clerk to give instructions to have mud cleared away.

Read letter 4th December, 1944, from Miss Annie O'Neill, 3 Martin's Lane, Arklow, re flooding at laneway.

Order - Referred to Town Surveyor.

Cllr. McElheron raised the question of inadequate notice of Meeting 6th inst. given to new members of Tourist Committee.

The Town Clerk stated that these new members were recommended for appointment in the Tourist Committee's Report of 8th November, 1944, which had only been adopted at this night's Meeting of the Council.

J. Meadick
8/1/45

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
6th DECEMBER, 1944.

The December Monthly Meeting of the Council's Tourist Development Committee was held in the U.D.C. Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" T. J. Birthistle,
J. E. McElheron,
E. McDonagh,

Mrs. K. Brennan,
Miss. E. A. Treacy, (Camoguidheacht Club),
Messrs. P. Fortune, (Brass & Reed Band Commte.),
A. McCarthy do.
J. Wolohan (Avoca Parochial Commte., Templarainey Br.)
J. McCarthy do.
J. Callanan,
D. J. Kavanagh (Arklow Tourist Commte.),
M. O'h-Iceadha (Feis Commte.),
John Murray (C.C. Tennis Club),
W. E. Briggs, (Tinahask Recreation Club),
E. E. Earl do.
J. W. Barrett,
J. O'Hanlon (Arklow Golf Club),
M. H. O'Byrne,
Wm. O'Neill (G.A.A. Club),
N. Tancred (Cumann Gaedealach).
Town Clerk P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Mr. P. B. Brennan (Wicklow Harriers Hunt) wrote regretting inability to attend.

Minutes of November Monthly Meeting of the Committee were read and adopted.

Following consideration of Mr. J. Callanan's proposal to organise a Carnival at North Beach next Summer, it was unanimously decided to defer a decision so as to enable him assemble all the relevant facts regarding its organisation.

Mrs. Brennan questioned as to whether all the Traders were in favour of such a proposal and mentioned that it might not be possible to secure the necessary local voluntary assistance in running the Carnival as the various people would be engaged at that time of year looking after the running of their own concerns.

Mr. J. McCarthy and Mr. J. O'Hanlon drew attention to the various features of such a proposal which would require to be examined.

It was proposed by Councillor Birthistle, seconded by Councillor McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That this Committee take measures to co-ordinate the activities of the various Clubs and Associations in the town for organising a Carnival period from 1st July to 15th August, and towards that end that the Committee be acquainted by the Clubs of the dates suggested by them for the holding of their respective functions so as to ensure that events would not clash."

It was unanimously decided to request the Irish Tourist Association to establish an Information Bureau at Arklow during the Summer months to facilitate visitors in securing accommodation etc.

J/W 8/1/45

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A lengthy discussion took place in regard to the interest of the Irish Tourist Board in the Council's North Beach property, Councillor McElheron explaining while it was the intention of the Council as far as possible to develop the North Beach from the resources they might be able to draw upon, they were not giving any definite answer to the Board as that body did not disclose to the Urban Council the precise nature of the work they proposed to carry out there.

Councillor Birthistle added that he was of opinion the general body of the townspeople were not in favour of the establishment there of a tourist camp which, he understood, the Board had in contemplation, as no advantage would accrue to the town from such a proposal.

Mr. Earl expressed the opinion that the attraction of Arklow to visitors at present was that the place had not become commercialised like other tourist resorts.

Mr. O'h-Iceadha stated that the Feis Committee, with which he was closely associated, received complaints from some people that the date of their annual Feis was unsuitable. He would be prepared to support a move to have this date altered, and for that purpose, he would like to have it so arranged that it would not clash with the fixtures of any Clubs or Organisations in the town. In the matter of development, he would like to move that the Council proceed to have shelters erected on the North Beach.

Mr. D. J. Kavanagh seconded Mr. O'h-Iceadha's proposal, which was unanimously adopted.

The Secretary read an extract from Minutes of previous Meeting setting forth proposed development to be carried out at North Beach and referring to the raising of a loan of £35,000.

Councillor McElheron explained they were still awaiting sanction to these proposals.

The Chairman explained that this Committee of the Council was formed with a view to giving advice on matters appertaining to tourist development generally and recommendations of the Committee were submitted in the form of a Report to each Monthly Meeting of the Council for adoption.

The Secretary explained that in the matter of a decision to run a Carnival or anything of a speculative nature, it would be necessary to form a sub-committee of the Tourist Committee, as the Council could not be placed in the position of guarantors for any deficit which might arise in the running of such undertakings.

It was unanimously decided to alter date of future Monthly Meeting to the Wednesday prior to the Urban Council Meetings instead of the Wednesday following.

J. W. ...
adopted
8/1/45

SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 8th DECEMBER, 1944.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m. for the purpose of discussing and of making a recommendation to the County Manager on a proposal to sell or rent portion of the Council's North Beach property to Messrs. McNicholl, Avoca, for industrial purposes.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" L. O'Cleirigh,
" P. McCarthy,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" J. E. McElheron,
" E. McDonagh.
County Manager P. T. Healy, Esq.

Town Clerk read Minutes of Monthly Meeting 4th December, 1944, directing holding of Special Meeting to deal with the matter.

Read letter 8th December, 1944, from Mr. McDowell, Solicitor, acknowledging receipt of Town Clerk's letter 6th idem and regretting that owing to short notice given, he was unable to communicate with his clients, Messrs. McNicholl, re offers for purchase or renting of property.

Read letter 4th December, 1944, from Town Surveyor reporting on extent of property in which Messrs. McNicholl were interested for the purpose of establishing industries.

The County Manager outlined the history of the North Beach property - the events which led up to its purchase and the purposes for which it was acquired (development by construction of roads, playgrounds, etc.), the interest of the Irish Tourist Board therein and a previous proposal of the U.D.C. to dispose of portion of it for use as a greyhound track - He also referred to Section 202 of the Public Health Act, 1878, which governed the selling or leasing of land and advised as to the considerations which should weigh with the meeting in deciding as to whether portion of the property should be sold or leased to Messrs. McNicholl.

It was proposed by Councillor T. J. Birthistle, seconded by Councillor L. O'Cleirigh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That having at this Meeting upon Notice given considered an offer (without a sum stated) from Messrs. McNicholl, Avoca, for the purchase or renting by them of portion of our property at the North Quay, we hereby recommend our Manager (having first decided that we have no purpose to which we could devote the said property) to lease the property to them for the sum of £15 (Fifteen Pounds) per annum; the lease to have a Clause inserted in it giving the Urban Council a reversionary interest in the property in the event of Messrs. McNicholl not continuing to use the land and buildings for the purposes for which they acquired them. The property to which this Resolution refers is that defined in the Town Surveyor's letter dated 4th December, 1944, including the two buildings in respect of which an option to purchase was sought."

J.P. 8/1/45

REPORT OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 3rd JANUARY, 1945.

The January Monthly Meeting of the Council's Tourist Committee was held on above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Wadick, Chairman, presiding;

" J. E. McLlheron;

Miss E. Treacy (Camoguidheacht Club),

Messrs. W.E. Briggs,

T.E. Earl (Tinahask Recreation Club);

J. Kenny, (Feis Committee);

J. Wolohan;

J. McCarthy (Avoca Parish Commte);

Wm. O'Neill, (G.A.A. Club);

P. Fortune;

R. McCarthy (Brass & Reed Band Commte);

N. Tancred (Cumann Gaedealach);

P. Lee (St. Colmcille's Pipe Band Commte.);

J. Callanan;

L. H. O'Byrne;

Town Clerk P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Minutes of December Meeting were adopted.

Mr. J. Murray, Mr. P. Jordan, and Councillor P. McCarthy wrote regretting inability to be present.

Letter was received from Arklow Branch, Gaelic League, regretting that the Branch would be unable to accept membership of the Committee as its aims were outside those of the Gaelic League.

Letter 27th December, 1944, was received from Very Revd. J. Bryan, P.P., Avoca, intimating that it was proposed to hold a Carnival in his Parish during the period 28th July to 12th August, 1945, and asking to have that period reserved for his Parochial Committee. Order - "Agreed."

By request it was unanimously agreed to reserve the first Saturday and Sunday of July, 1945, for Connradh na Gaediligh.

It was intimated that the Tinahask Recreation Club proposed arranging Tennis tournaments and Whist Drives on dates alternating between 2nd and 16th July.

It was unanimously decided that the Secretary forward to the various Clubs Forms for completion, setting out dates for their various functions.

Following discussion on the desirability of holding a Bands competition during Carnival week, it was unanimously decided to adjourn decision to enable the two local Band Committees to go into the matter jointly and draw up proposals for subsequent discussion.

The desirability of providing a local pitch for football and outdoor amusements was discussed at length, and it unanimously agreed to instruct the Secretary to write Mr. T. Condon inquiring if he would be prepared to rent his field at Abbeylands to local Clubs from time to time.

The Secretary was directed to write the old Arklow Tourist Committee for funds which they at present hold in trust for local development purposes.

The U.D.C. was recommended to make provision in their Estimates 1945/6 for erection of shelters and diving-board at North Beach.

The Council was also requested to investigate piles at North Beach which were a danger to bathers.

T. J. Wadick
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8/1/45

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 8th JANUARY, 1945.

The January Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
L. O'Cleirigh,
P. McCarthy,
T. J. Birthistle,
J. J. McElheron.
Town Surveyor - J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 4th and 8th December, 1944, were unanimously adopted.

The Reports of the Tourist Development Committee of 6th December, 1944, and 3rd January, 1945, were adopted.

Read letter 2nd January, 1945, from Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor for Messrs. McNicholl, referring to Resolution adopted by the Council at their Meeting 8th December last in regard to leasing of North Beach property, stating that his clients were not prepared to accept a Lease with restrictive covenants, but would be more anxious to purchase.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, "That Standing Orders be and are hereby suspended to permit of a Motion rescinding the Resolution referred to by Mr. McDowell, and adopting a fresh Resolution conveying a decision of the present Meeting in the matter."

On being put to the Meeting the Resolution was declared lost, on the grounds that three-fourths of the members present and voting were not in favour, viz. For - Councillors McCarthy, O'Cleirigh, and Birthistle; Against - Councillors Weadick and McElheron.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Councillor Weadick:- "That I or someone for me will move at a specially convened Meeting of the Urban Council to be held on Friday, 12th January, 1945, at 7 p.m., that the Resolution dealing with the leasing of North Quay property for industrial purposes adopted at Meeting 8th December, 1944, be and is hereby rescinded."

Read letter 19th December, 1944, from Wicklow Co. Council, requesting the views of the Urban Council on the advisability of setting up Committees under Section 11 of the Public Assistance Act, 1939, in the towns of Arklow, Bray, and Wicklow, in connection with the administration of Home Assistance in these areas.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the Co. Council to establish a local Committee in each of the areas referred to, consisting of the members of the Urban Council.

Read letter 13th Decr. 1944, from Co. M.O.H. in regard to U.D.C.'s recommendation for having local milk supplies tested bacteriologically, and diseased cows eliminated, setting forth procedure and expense involved.

It was unanimously decided to defer final consideration of the matter to Special Meeting proposed to be held on 12th inst.

Read letters 15th Decr. 1944, from D.S.B. on the subject of public lighting.

Read letter 22nd Novr. 1944, from Arklow Pottery, Ltd. stating that it was proposed to leave the matter of proposed extension of their premises on to public roadway in abeyance for the present.

Read Circular from Llan - dlowe's Memorial Comtee.

It was unanimously decided to authorise County Manager overdraw on Council's Revenue Account to an amount not exceeding £2,000.

J. Weadick
5/2/45

SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 12th JANUARY, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. J. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" E. McDonagh,
" P. McCarthy,
" L. O'Cleirigh.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.
County Manager - P. T. Healy, Esq.

Pursuant to Notice given at Meeting 8th January, 1945, it was proposed by Councillor T. J. Weadick, seconded by Councillor P. McCarthy, and passed unanimously, Resolved:-

"That the Resolution dealing with the leasing of North Quay property for industrial purposes, adopted at Meeting 8th December, 1944, be and is hereby rescinded."

The County Manager read letter 5th January, 1945, from Chairman, Irish Tourist Board, conveying his observations in regard to the proposal of the Council to lease portion of the North Beach property as an industrial site, adding that his Board would not be disposed to consider a development scheme there if it were decided to have portion of the area reserved for one or more industrial sites.

It was proposed by Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. O'Cleirigh, and passed unanimously, Resolved:-

"That we, the Arklow Urban District Council, having examined carefully the proposals in the letters from the Irish Tourist Board dated the 19th August, 1943, and 5th January, 1945, respectively, and being faced with the opportunity of establishing almost immediately a new factory on the Council's North Beach property adjacent to the North Quay, so much needed to reduce unemployment in the town - would very earnestly urge the Chairman of the Irish Tourist Board to attend a specially convened meeting of this Board to be held on Friday evening, the 19th January inst. at 7 p.m., in order that in the course of discussions at that meeting the possibilities of protecting the very best interests of the workers and residents in the town by the establishment of a factory may be examined, while at the same time co-operating to the fullest possible extent with the Irish Tourist Board in developing the town and district from the Tourist point of view.

The Chairman of the Board is at the same time asked to be so good as to come to the meeting prepared to afford to the Council at least an outline of his Board's proposals for the development of the North Beach property."

The Clerk was directed to furnish the Chairman of the Tourist Board and Messrs. McNicholls' Solicitor with copies of the foregoing Resolution.

J. Weadick
5/2/45

SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 19th JANUARY, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. J. Kavanagh,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" P. McCarthy.
Town Surveyor - J. P. Caffrey, B.E.
County Manager - P. T. Healy, Esq.

The County Manager read letter 16th January, 1945, from Chairman, Irish Tourist Board, in reference to Council's Resolution passed at Meeting 12th inst., stating that he regretted it would not be possible for him to attend meeting. He would be unable to comply with Council's request for an outline of his Board's proposals for the development of the North Beach property. He suggested that the question of location for a new industry might be left to the Council's Town Planning Consultant.

The County Manager referred the Council to the historical background which he had already given them in regard to the North Beach property, and also explained the position in regard to Town Planning, including that of Town Planning Consultant. He also drew attention to the statutory requirements in regard to the disposal by sale or leasing of property which the Council had acquired.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Birthistle, "That we decide to lease to Messrs. McNicholl, Avoca, the sites at our North Beach property - about two acres - as outlined in the Town Surveyor's letter of 4th December, 1944, required by them for the establishment of a factory, at an annual rent of £15, the lease to be for a period of 999 years' duration."

Cllr. J.J. Kavanagh proposed, and Cllr. Keogh seconded, the following amendment:- "That we decide to sell to Messrs. McNicholl, Avoca, the sites at our North Quay property as outlined in the Town Surveyor's letter of 4th December last, required by them for the establishment of a factory, for a sum of £400, or, alternatively, that the property sought be leased at a rent of £15 per year for a period of 999 years with the inclusion in the Lease of the reversionary clause that the sites revert to the Council in the event of Messrs. McNicholl failing to continue to use the property for the purpose for which it is proposed to lease it."

Cllr. Kavanagh's amendment, on being put to the Meeting, was declared lost by three votes for to four against, viz. For - Cllrs. Kavanagh, Keogh and McElheron; Against - Cllrs. Weadick, Birthistle, McCarthy and McDonagh.

Cllr. McCarthy's Resolution was then put and declared carried by four votes for to three against., viz. For - Cllrs. McCarthy, Weadick, Birthistle and McDonagh; Against - Cllrs. Kavanagh, Keogh and McElheron.

It was unanimously decided that the Clerk write Mr. J. Peters, District Representative of the "Wicklow People", expressing disappointment at the failure of his newspaper to send a reporter to the Council's Special Meetings 12th and 19th inst., and expressing the hope that suitable arrangements will be made for the attendance in future of the paper's representative at Special Meetings.

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It was proposed by Councillor J. T. Keogh, seconded by Councillor Edward McDonagh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby recommend the County Manager to accede to the application of Mr. P. McCrudden to be allowed to transfer for reasons of convenience, and nearness to his work, from his present residence, 51 Liam Mellowe's Avenue to the vacant house No. 42 Connolly Street."

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REPORT OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 31st JANUARY, 1945.

The Monthly Meeting of the Council's Tourist Development Committee was held on the above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor P. McCarthy, presiding; Councillor J.E. McElheron; Mrs. K. Brennan, Miss E. Treacy; Messrs. M.O'h-iceadha, J. Callanan, G.A. O'Toole, P. Fortune, A. McCarthy, J. McCarthy, Wm. O'Neill, N. Tancred, P. Kinsella, M. H. O'Byrne, P. J. Gregory Bannon.

Minutes of Meeting 3rd January, 1945, were confirmed.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Messrs. W.E. Briggs, T.E. Earl, J.W. Barrett, H. Fleckney, and Miss J. Callanan.

The Secretary explained to the Meeting that the Orders made at previous meeting had not yet been carried out by him, due to his absence through illness.

The following recommendations were made to the Urban Council:-

1. Approach Postal authorities to have an all-night telephone service provided in the town.
2. Local Fire Brigade officer's residence to be connected by 'phone.
3. Representations to be made to the C.I.E. Company with a view to securing, when conditions permit, 'Bus services on the following routes:-
 - (a) Carlow-Arklow;
 - (b) Wicklow-Arklow;
 - (c) Fuller service on Dublin-Arklow route.

It was unanimously decided to invite Mr. D'Arcy, Publicity Manager, I.T.A., to attend next Meeting of the Committee with a view to discussing with him the possibility of his Association undertaking the issue, in time for next Season, of an Arklow Guide Folder containing fuller information than the present one, or, alternatively, the Committee itself issuing a Guide setting forth list of hotels, guest-houses, etc. and local events.

At the unanimous request of the Meeting, Mr. M. O'h-Iceadha undertook to write a short historical note on Arklow for inclusion in the proposed new Folder.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to procure Estimates of cost from the Town Surveyor for the erection of proposed Diving-board, Shelters, on both North and South beaches.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the Council to erect a Band-stand on the round-about at East end of Seaview Avenue.

The County Manager was recommended to take measures to have the road leading on the South beach at Pottory repaired, and also to have derelict iron shelter on South Beach repaired.

Messrs. J. Kenny, W. O'Neill, and P. Kinsella, were appointed to carry out an inspection and report to next Meeting of the Committee on fields within a mile radius of the town which would be suitable as Sports Grounds.

It was unanimously decided to appoint Mr. Jack Tyrrell a member of the Tourist Committee.

By direction of the Chairman, the following communications from the Irish Tourist Board in regard to proposed leasing of portion of the North Beach as a factory site, were read:- 5th Jan. 1945, 31st Jan. 1945; also Town Surveyor's letter 4th Decr. 1944.

It was proposed by Mr. G.A. O'Toole, seconded by Mr. P. Fortune, and passed by ten votes for to three against, viz. For - Councillors McCarthy and McElheron; Mrs. Brennan, Miss Treacy, Messrs. O'Toole, Fortune, A. McCarthy, J. McCarthy, O'Neill, and Tancred; Against - Messrs. Callanan, Kinsella, and O'Byrne.

RESOLVED - "That this Committee is of opinion that the establishment of the proposed factory at North Quay is not inconsistent with the development of North Beach for tourist purposes."

J. McElheron
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MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 5th FEBRUARY, 1945.

The February Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
 " P. McCarthy,
 " E. McDonagh,
 " T. J. Birthistle,
 " J. E. McElheron,
 " Liam O'Cleirigh;
 Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 8th, 12th, and 19th January, 1945, were unanimously adopted.

Report of Tourist Development Committee Meeting 31st January, 1945, was unanimously adopted, subject to the deletion of the location mentioned for bandstand.

It was unanimously decided to permit the Co. Manager overdraw during the month of February to the extent of £2,500 on Revenue Acct.

Submitted copy of Co. Manager's Order No. 1444 re leasing of property at North beach to Messrs. McNicholl, Avoca.

Marked "Noted" - Co. Manager to keep Council informed of subsequent progress in this matter.

Read, by direction of the Co. Manager, copy of letter 30th January, 1945, addressed to the Town Surveyor in regard to over-expenditure on annual Estimate of Expenses, 1944/5.

It was proposed Cllr. Weadick, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That in accordance with the requirements of Section 25 of the County Management Act, 1940, we hereby approve of our Manager expending monies (as set out hereunder) in excess of that provided for in the Annual Estimate of Expenses, 1944/5, and consent to these overexpenditures being provided for in the Estimates 1945/6. We are satisfied of the necessity for exceeding the approved Estimate:-

	Allowed.	Expended.
Maintenance and Repair of Sewers ...	£10.	£10.
Housing Repairs (Wages & Materials) ..	£464.	£743."

Order - Co. Manager in future to seek the approval of the Council prior and not subsequent to exceeding approved Annual Estimate of Expenses.

On the recommendation of the Co. Manager (Order 1445) it was unanimously decided to hold a Proposals Meeting three weeks prior to next Annual Estimates Meeting, at which the advisability of suggested Works could be discussed, together with the financial capacity of the District to undertake them.

It was unanimously agreed that the Town Surveyor submit alternative estimates for sewage disposal from St. Patrick's Terrace by pumping into present Town Mains and piping to Webb's River.

Read letter 2nd February, 1945, from Co. Engineer, enquiring if the Chairman of the Council would be kind enough to present the awards consisting of perpetual challenge cup and medals to the Arklow Rescue Service team, at a Meeting of the Council.

It was unanimously agreed to comply with the Co. Engineer's request at next Monthly Meeting.

Read letter 5th February, 1945, from John Tyrrell and Sons, South Quay, Arklow, drawing attention to the embarrassment to their business of the proposal to leave road at present undergoing improvement convenient to their Works, uncompleted until next year.

It was unanimously decided to authorise the County Manager to complete road concreting work up to Tyrrell's Shipyard, and to defray the additional cost from U.D.C's. Harbour Roads Fund.

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MONTHLY MEETING ---- 5th FEBRUARY, 1945.

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The Clerk informed the Meeting of an intended application from Mr. McDowell, Solicitor, on behalf of Brook Potteries, Ltd., for permission under the Town Planning Act to establish a Factory at Hempenstall's field in the Townland of Knockenrahan Lower.

Order - To be placed on the Agenda for next Monthly Meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor P. McCarthy, seconded by Councillor L. O'Clairigh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That having regard to the present acute shortage of fuel supplies in Arklow, with its consequent ill-effects upon industrial and domestic consumers, we call upon the Minister for Supplies to take suitable measures immediately towards relieving the position."

Read letter 4th February, 1945, from Mrs. Holt, 40 Wexford Road, enquiring if the Council were prepared to meet cost of damage - £10 - caused to her household and effects through flooding at Wexford Road.

Read letter 4th February, 1945, from Mrs. Julia McBride in similar terms.

Order - Town Clerk to enquire from legal Adviser if the Council are under a legal obligation to indemnify persons for loss or damage caused by flooding, should the latter prove to have been due to neglect of sewers etc. on the part of the U.D.C.

It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager permit Mr. Jack Tyrrell renting his house, 55 Ferrybank (the subject, together with adjoining house, of a Repair Order) to Miss C. Murphy for use as a sub-Post Office, on the latter undertaking that it will not be used for residential purposes.

The Town Clerk was directed to again press U.S.B. to have public lamp bracket transferred from Beresford Terrace end of St. Patrick's Terrace to opposite end.

Mr. J. Peters came before the Meeting and explained the difficulties which confronted his newspaper in providing for the attendance of a representative at Special Meetings of the Council.

It was unanimously agreed that as far as possible Special Meetings in future be fixed for the hour of 6.30 p.m. to facilitate attendance of the press.

J. McDowell
5/3/45

SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 9th FEBRUARY, 1945.

A Meeting of the Council was held on the above date at 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering an application under the Town Planning Acts from the Brook Pottery, Ltd. for permission to erect a factory on the lands (formerly the property of Mr. Hempenstall) in the townland of Knockenrahan Lower (bounded by Wexford Road and G.S. Railway).

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" L. O'Clairigh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle,
" E. McDonagh,
" P. McCarthy.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.;
County Manager, P. T. Healy, Esq.

Read letter 5th February, 1945, from Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor, acting on behalf of the Directors of the Brook Pottery Ltd., stating that the Company had purchased a field on the Wexford Road, formerly owned by Mr. Hempenstall, on which they propose erecting their factory, and they were anxious to know if the erection of a factory on this site would cut across the Council's plans in any way. Map of the proposed site was submitted.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the Town Planning Consultant, in his draft Town Plan, had reserved the lands the subject of the application for Athletic and Recreation Grounds.

The County Manager read extracts from Department's Circulars No. 114/34 - 14th November, 1934, re Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934, and S.82/39 - 13th July, 1939, re Town and Regional Planning (Amendment) Act, 1939, emphasising that the Planning Authority should be guided by expert advice. He had, on 2nd inst., regularised the appointment of their Town Planning Consultant, Mr. N. O'Dwyer, B.E., and he considered it would be appropriate, before arriving at a decision on the application before the Meeting, to seek his advice thereon.

It was proposed by Councillor T. J. Weadick, seconded by Councillor L. O'Clairigh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we, the Urban District Council of Arklow, hereby grant permission under the provisions of the Town Planning Acts to the erection of a factory by the Brook Pottery, Ltd., on the lands referred to in their letter 5th February, 1945, and accompanying map, subject to the promoters submitting detailed plans for subsequent approval."

Prior to putting the foregoing Resolution to the Meeting, the following representatives of Brook Pottery, Ltd., came before the Meeting:- Messrs. P. McDowell, Solicitor, J. Callanan, and O. Murtagh.

Councillor O'Clairigh questioned the propriety of the County Manager's action on Reports submitted by the the Gardai on breaches of the Towns Improvement Act, 1854, stating that many of the cases taken into Court would have a harmful effect upon Tourist traffic to the town.

Following the reading by the Town Clerk of a number of the Reports upon which the Manager had acted, it was unanimously decided to postpone to a later meeting further discussion on the subject.

J. Weadick
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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on the above date at 7.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering a reply from Department of Supplies regarding the Council's representations in connection with the local fuel supply position.

Present:-Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" J. E. McElheron,
" L. O' Cleirigh.

Read copy letter 7th February, 1945, from Town Clerk to Department of Supplies conveying copy of Resolution adopted at Meeting 5th idem in regard to fuel supply difficulty.

Read letter 19th February, 1945, from Dept. of Supplies in reply thereto, stating that the question of the issue of Permits for felling of trees was a matter for the Forestry Branch, Department of Lands, and that the Minister could not see his way to intervene, as adequate supplies of turf are available to meet the full domestic ration in Arklow as elsewhere.

It was unanimously agreed that copies of the foregoing correspondence be forwarded to the T.D.'s. for the County, with a request that they be so good as to attend at Arklow on Monday or Tuesday of next week for the purpose of going into the question with the local fuel merchants and representatives of industries affected by the fuel shortage; the Clerk in his letter to the T.D.'s. to refer to the hardship arising through lack of fuel for domestic purposes, and the serious unemployment position which may arise unless a solution to the difficulty is found.

It was unanimously decided that the Chairman get in touch with Department by 'phone regarding delay in their according sanction to the proposal of the County Manager leasing North Quay property to Messrs. McNicholl, and also application for sanction to loan of £35,000 for carrying out improvements at North Beach.

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T. Weadick
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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
REPORT OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1945.

The Monthly Meeting of the Council's Tourist Development Committee was held on the above date at 8 p.m.
Present: - Councillor T.J. Weadick (Presiding); Councillors McElheron, McCarthy; Mrs. K. Brennan; Miss E. Treacy; Messrs. J. Callanan, J. Tyrrell, A. McCarthy, W. O'Neill, N. Tancred, P. Lee, P. Kinsella, M. Hickey, P. Lyons, J. Wolohan; P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Apologies were received from the following for inability to be present: - Messrs. Birthistle, P. Brennan, Fortune, Earl, Murphy, Barrett, and Miss J. Callanan.

Minutes of Meeting 31st January, 1945, were confirmed.
Mr. P. J. D'Arcy, of the Irish Tourist Association, came before the Meeting in regard to a proposal that his Association undertake the issue of a larger and improved Folder for Arklow.
Mr. D'Arcy explained that the degree of improvement on the present Folder would depend on the local support for advertising space therein, and up to the present it had not secured the measure of support expected.

It was unanimously agreed that the I.T.A. be asked (through Mr. D'Arcy) to undertake production of the improved Folder, the Committee to assist in securing advertisements from all trading concerns in the town.

The Secretary was instructed to issue Mr. D'Arcy with a letter of introduction to traders, etc., and to express therein the desire of the Committee to have every trading concern in the town represented by an advertisement in the new Folder.

Mr. J. Tyrrell undertook to write a short historical note on the Arklow Shipbuilding industry and Mr. Hickey on general local history.

Mr. D'Arcy undertook to arrange for an Arklow Window Display at the I.T.A. Offices in Dublin and Belfast. He also gave the Committee the opportunity of availing of one of the I.T.A. "Question Time" features to be arranged by his Association (suggested date 8th April next).

It was unanimously decided to convene a Special Meeting of the Committee for Wednesday, 7th March, to consider the matter of arranging an entertainment to take place on the night of "Question Time".

On the proposition of Councillor McElheron, seconded by Mr. M. Hickey, a Vote of Thanks was passed to Mr. D'Arcy for his attendance at the Meeting and the assistance given by him in the matters which came under discussion.

Following a verbal Report from the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the possibility of securing a Playing Pitch near the town, it was unanimously decided that they refer their Report to the local G.A.A. Club with a view to the latter appointing a Deputation to attend Monthly Meeting of the U.D.C. on Monday next to arrange that a pitch be provided on the U.D.C. property at North Beach.

Following reading of correspondence from St. Colmcille's and St. Patrick's Joint Band Competition Committee, Wicklow Hunt Harriers Committee, St. Colmcille's Pipe Band Committee, Avoca Parochial Committee, and Arklow C.C. Tennis Club, the following dates of Fixtures were agreed upon: - Band Competition 22nd July; Gymkhana 15th August; Tug-of-War Contest 12th August; Carnival (Avoca Parochial Committee) 28th July - 12th August; Tennis Tournament 28th and 29th July.

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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 5th MARCH, 1945.

The March Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy;
" Edward McDonagh;
" J. E. McElheron;
" L. O'Clairigh;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.

Minutes of Meetings 5th, 9th and 26th Feb. were unanimously adopted.

Report of Tourist Development Committee Meeting 28th February, 1945, was unanimously adopted.

It was unanimously agreed to permit the County Manager, with the consent of the Minister, overdraw on the Council's Revenue Account during the month of March to the extent of £2,500.

Read letter 15th February, 1945, from Westmeath County Council forwarding copy of a Resolution adopted in regard to Presidential Election.

Marked "Read."

It was unanimously decided to fix Wednesday, 28th March, 1945, for holding Annual Estimates Meeting, and Friday, 9th March for holding Special Proposals Meeting.

Read letter 5th March, 1945, from Town Surveyor replying to Town Clerk's communication 1st idem re overexpenditure on Housing Repairs, Repair of Sewers and Waterworks Maintenance.

It was unanimously agreed to accord approval to the County Manager expending monies (as set out hereunder) in excess of that provided for in the Annual Estimate of Expenses 1944/5:-

	Allowed - Estimate 1944/5.	Now permitted.
Maintenance & Repair of Sewers.	£10.	£124.
Housing Repairs (Wages & Materials)	£464.	£833.
Waterworks Maintenance & Repair ...	£1008.	£1018.

Read letter 2nd February, 1945, addressed to the County Manager from the Department L.G. and P.H. re Council's proposal to raise loan of £35,000 for the purpose of carrying out development works, enquiring if plans had been prepared, or any technical Reports thereon secured.

Read County Manager's reply 9th February, 1945, thereto.
Read letter 28th February, 1945, from Department L.G. and P.H. addressed to the County Manager stating that proposed loan of £35,000 was at present under consideration, and enclosing copy of a letter received from the I.T.B. in connection with a proposal of the Council to grant a lease to Messrs. McNicholl of portion of the North Beach property, pointing out that the proposal had not been submitted to the Department etc. etc.

Read enclosed copy letter under date 17th February, 1945, from Secretary, I.T.B. to Department L.G. and P.H. appealing against the granting of the proposed lease to Messrs. McNicholl.

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The Clerk submitted copy of his letter 9th February, 1945, forwarding copy of the Order proposing to lease portion of the Urban Council's lands to Messrs. McNicholl.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Cleirigh, seconded by Councillor McCarthy, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we protest at the attitude of the Department of Local Government in regard to the proposed leasing of portion of the North Beach property, and in particular their delay in granting sanction to the Manager's Order in the matter. We view with concern the delay caused to the erection of a factory, having regard to the number of unemployed men at present awaiting departure to England, and we authorise the convening of a Special Meeting for Friday next to consider our position in the matter."

Read communications received from Deputies Everett, Cogan, and Brennan re Council's invitation to attend at Arklow for the purpose of going into the question of the local fuel supply difficulty, stating that they would attend on Tuesday, 6th inst. between 2 and 2.30 p.m.

It was unanimously agreed that such members as could be present would meet the Deputies at the U.D.C. offices at the time suggested. The Chairman explained that he would be unable to be present.

A Deputation from the local G.A.A. Club (Messrs. M. Hickey, J. Kenny, M. O'Connor, and W. O'Neill) came before the Meeting in regard to the desirability of the Council placing portion of the North Beach property at the disposal of their Club for development as a football playing pitch.

It was unanimously decided that the Club write the Council enclosing a map of the lands required.

The Chairman, Councillor Weadick, presented the awards consisting of a perpetual challenge cup and medals to the Arklow Rescue Service, viz. Thomas Kennedy, Squad Leader; M. Forde, J. McCrudden, J. McDonald, M. Kennedy, M. Boyle, S. Treacy and T. O'Connor.

Mr. Lyles Rodmond, Fire Brigade Officer, received the cup on behalf of the team.

J. Weadick
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REPORT OF TOURIST COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
7th MARCH, 1945.

A Special Committee Meeting was held on the above date at 8 p.m. for the purpose of arranging an Entertainment for Sunday, 8th April, the date suggested for the I.T.A.'s. Broadcast of "Question Time" from Arklow.

Present:- Councillor P. McCarthy, presiding;
" J. E. McElheron;
Miss E. Treacy;
Mr. J. Tyrrell,
Mr. J. Callanan,
Mr. G. O'Toole,
Mr. J. McCarthy,
Mr. J. O'Hanlon,
Mr. P. B. Brennan,
Mr. P. Lyons,
Mr. P. Kinsella,
Mr. A. McCarthy,
Mr. P. Fortune,
Mr. T.E. Earl,
Mr. J. Kenny,
Mr. W. O'Neill,
Mr. N. Tancred,
Mr. W.E. Briggs,
Mr. J. Wolohan.
Mr. P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Mrs. K. Brennan wrote regretting inability to be present.

The Secretary informed the Meeting that Mr. D'Arcy, I.T.A., had 'phoned stating that the date of the Broadcast had now been changed to Sunday, 29th April.

It was proposed by Mr. P. Fortune, seconded by Mr. P.B. Brennan:- "That this Committee undertake the organising of an Entertainment to take place on the night of the "Question Time" feature Broadcast."

Following intimation from the Secretary to the effect that the terms of the Proposal implied the Committee assuming a function outside the aims for which they were constituted, viz. to advise the U.D.C. on matters relating to the improvement of Arklow as a Tourist Resort as far as such matters came within their province as an Urban Council, Mr. Fortune withdrew his Proposal on the suggestion of the Chairman.

It was unanimously decided to receive applications for consideration at a Special Meeting of the Committee to be held on 14th inst. from the various Clubs and Organisations in the town prepared to undertake the organising of an Entertainment in conjunction with "Question Time", the Secretary to write the following Organisations not represented on the Committee:- St. Vincent de Paul Society, Irish Red Cross Branch, and L.D.F.

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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 9th MARCH, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on the above date at 6.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" L. O'Cleirigh.
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.
County Manager P. T. Healy, Esq.

Read copy of Resolution adopted at Monthly Meeting 5th March, 1945, re Department's delay in granting sanction to the leasing of portion of North Beach property to Messrs. McNicholl.

Read letter 28th February, 1945, from Dept. L.G. and P.H. addressed to County Manager stating that proposed loan of £35,000 was at present under consideration, and enclosing copy of a letter received from the I.T.B. in connection with a proposal of the Council to grant a lease to Messrs. McNicholl of portion of North Beach property as a factory site, pointing out that the proposal had not been submitted to the Department.

Read the enclosed letter from I.T.B. under date 17th February, 1945, addressed to Dept. of L.G. and P.H., appealing as an "aggrieved person" under Section 59 of the Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934, against the leasing of the property for industrial purposes.

Read copy letter 6th March, 1945, addressed by County Manager to Dept. of L.G. and P.H. in reply to theirs of 28th ult.

Read correspondence referred to therein by the County Manager.

Read copy letter 9th February, 1945, addressed by County Manager to Department in reply to their letter 2nd idem, regarding the Council's proposal to raise a loan of £35,000 for the purpose of defraying cost of developmental works at North Beach, etc.

Read letter 29th September, 1944, addressed by the County Manager to the Urban Council regarding their proposal to raise a loan of £35,000 (Letter read at Meeting 2nd October, 1944).

Read letter 2nd February, 1945, addressed to Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor for Messrs. McNicholl, enclosing copy of Manager's Order proposing to lease his clients the property at North Beach.

Read letter 9th March, 1945, addressed by Town Clerk to Mr. McDowell, Solicitor, enquiring if the terms of the Manager's Order were acceptable to his clients.

Read letter 9th March, 1945, in reply thereto, from Mr. McDowell, stating that it would be impossible to consult his clients before holding of Meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Cleirigh, seconded by Councillor McCarthy, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED: "That, in view of the obstructionist tactics adopted by the Irish Tourist Board, as disclosed in their communications with this Council and with the Department of L.G. and P.H., we decide to adopt an attitude of non-co-operation in future with that Body, if such co-operation is to be used to prevent the establishment in Arklow of much-needed industries. We direct that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to both the Irish Tourist Board and the Department of Local Government and Public Health."

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Read letter 17th February, 1945, from Arklow Harbour Commissioners requesting Urban Council to take over maintenance of public lighting on Harbour Roads.

The County Manager informed the Meeting that it was clearly understood by the Commissioners at the time the Urban Council took over control of the roads, that no responsibility for the lighting thereon would be assumed.

The letter was marked "Read."

Read letter 8th March, 1945, from Town Surveyor setting forth estimate of cost for carrying out certain works on beaches.

It was unanimously decided not to proceed with erection of Band-stand in view of cost: Provision to be made in Estimates 1945/6 for floating platform and diving-board at a cost of £50, and two reinforced concrete shelters at the beaches costing £120 each. Shelter at South Beach to be repaired at a cost of £30.

The County Manager took the Meeting through a number of items in his draft Estimate of Expenses, 1945/6, following which it was decided that provision ~~be~~ made for resumption of normal pre-war public lighting arrangements.

Submitted County Council Demand 1945/6, viz. £5492. 5. 1., i.e., increase of £1032. 18. 9 on present financial year.

J. Weadick
Adopted
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - 14th MARCH, 1945.

The first Meeting of the local Committee, consisting of the entire membership of the U.D.C., set up under Section 11 of the Public Assistance Act, 1939, was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
 " J. E. McElheron,
 " E. McDonagh,
 " P. McCarthy:
 Mr. T. Byrne, Principal Officer,
 Public Assistance Section, Co. Council;
 Mr. J. Sutton, Acting S.A.O.;
 Mrs. B. Healy, H.A.O.

Mr. Byrne suggested that decisions of the Committee might be altered by the H.A.O. on her being satisfied that the circumstances of a particular Assistance case had altered since the Committee's decision. In such case the H.A.O. would provide temporary assistance pending the re-submission of the case to a Special Meeting. Temporary Assistance would only operate pending the holding of the latter Meeting.

Mr. Byrne read particulars from Home Assistance Application and Report Book.

Revisions in Home Assistance allowances suggested by the Committee were noted by the S.A.O. for consideration by the County Manager.

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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

SPECIAL MEETING OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14th MARCH, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council's Tourist Development Committee was held on the above date at 8.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron:

Mr. H. Tancred,
E. Murphy,
J. Kenny,
M. E. O'Byrne,
J. O'Hanlon,
J. McCarthy,
P. Fortune,
P. Lee,
P. Lyons,
H. Flockney,
A. McCarthy,
J. Wolohan,
J. Callanan,
M. Hickey,
P. Kinsella,
W. O'Neill;
P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mrs. K. Brennan, Mr. P. B. Brennan, Mr. T. E. Earl, and Mr. J.W. Barrott.

Read copy letter 7th March, 1945, addressed by Secretary to St. Vincent de Paul Society, Arklow Company - L.D.F., and Red Cross Society, inviting applications for organising of "Question Time" and Entertainment to be run in conjunction therewith.

Read letters from Red Cross and St. Vincent de Paul Societies stating that it was not their intention to make application.

Read letter from Arklow Feis Committee applying for permission to take charge of the undertaking, and adding that the proceeds would be devoted to the provision of a Sports Ground in the town.

Read letter from Wicklow District Command, L.D.F., applying for permission to take charge of the undertaking.

It was proposed by Councillor McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Wolohan, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the organising of the "Question Time" feature Broadcast 29th April, 1945, and an accompanying Entertainment, be entrusted to the Arklow Feis Committee."

J. Weadick
Adopted
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ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 28th MARCH, 1945.

The Annual Estimates Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
J. J. Kavanagh,
J. E. McElheron,
T. J. Birthistle,
E. McDonagh,
P. McCarthy,
J. T. Keogh;
Town Surveyor J. P. Caffrey, B.E.;
County Manager, P. T. Healy, Esq.

Read Statutory Notice of Making of Estimate of Expenses published in "Wicklow People."

Read County Manager's Report 15th March, 1945, on the Estimates for the services of the financial year ending 31st March, 1946.

Submitted detailed explanatory statements of the figures returned by the County Manager in Form E2.

It was proposed by Councillor McElheron, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That the amount provided for by the County Manager in the Estimates laid before us for local contribution to E.S.V. Schemes, 1945/6 - £200 - be deleted, and that the necessary local contribution be provided from the U.D.C. Harbour Roads Fund."

It was unanimously agreed that the following items be deleted from the County Manager's Estimate:-

Expenditures on: - Tar-mac. Abbey Street Bridge - £280; Do. Do. Coolgreaney Road - £530; Public Convenience Caretaker - £52; Provision of bathing facilities - £50; repayment on proposed loans for sewerage installation and sewage disposal, St. Patrick's Terrace - £206; Local Election Expenses - £100; Repairs to beach shelter - £30; and repayment on proposed Shelters Loan - £50.

Items estimated by the Manager were reduced by the following amounts:-

Sewers - £20; Demolition of buildings - £20; Burial Grounds Repair Works - £15; Fire Brigade Service - £30; Vaccination - £10; Housing Repairs - £188; legal expenses - £75; irrecoverable and doubtful Rates - £50; Printing, etc. - £20; and Delegates to Municipal Authorities Association - £20.

It was proposed by Councillor T. J. Birthistle, seconded by Councillor J. E. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby adopt the amended Estimate of Expenses, viz.: - Town Rate - total expenditure £15877. 3. 7., and Receipts, including Credit Balance, £9907. 13. 10., giving a deficit of £5969. 9. 9. We also adopt, without amendment, Poor Rate Estimate of Expenses, viz.: - Expenditure, £5566. 9. 1., and Receipts, £830. 2. 10., giving a deficit of £4736. 6. 3."

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It was proposed by Councillor T. J. Birthistle, seconded by Councillor J. E. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-
RESOLVED: - "That we hereby determine, in accordance with the Estimates already adopted, a Rate of 16/7d. in the Pound for Town Rate purposes, and 11/5d. in the Pound for Poor Rate purposes, (as specified in the Estimate of Expenses) in respect of the financial year ending on 31st day of March, 1946."

Before the commencement of business, Town Clerk read letter 26th March, 1945, from Councillor J. E. McElheron suggesting the advisability of Rates Collector being in attendance, and also requesting that particulars relating to the rent of Council cottages and the increase through adoption of Estimate likely to be imposed, together with particulars of expenditure on housing repairs, be made available.

The Rates Collector submitted details of Rates Collection for 1943/4, which had been considered highly satisfactory by the County Manager.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the adoption of the amended Estimate would increase rents of Council cottages by approximately 3d. per week.

The Town Surveyor submitted Record Book kept by him under Article 98, P.B.O.

Read copy letter 14th March, 1945, sent Rent Collectors by direction of County Manager in regard to duties relating to inspection of houses, etc.

It was unanimously decided that all tenants of Council cottages be circularised re the necessity for strict observance of terms of Letting Agreement, and informed that rent collectors had been instructed to carry out periodical inspections.

The following suggestions were made County Manager:-
Instruct D.L. Staff to pay greater attention to scavenging and cleaning of laneways; Town Surveyor to investigate alleged damage caused by Railway Company making opening in walls to facilitate drainage, which passes on to housing site; Investigate possibility of acquiring new lands for provision of allotments in Ferrybank area.

It was proposed by Councillor McDonagh, seconded by Councillor McCarthy, and passed unanimously:- RESOLVED - "That we hereby recommend the County Manager to accede to the requests of Messrs. Jas. Byrne, 29 Griffith St., and Patk. O'Toole, 8 Liam Mellow's Ave., to be allowed to exchange their respective houses, provided he satisfies himself beforehand that neither of these tenants on the date of the proposed transfer, if sanctioned, owes any money to the Urban District Council."

Read letter 26/3/45 from Irish Tourist Bd. replying to Resolution adopted at Meeting 9th March, 1945, in which the Council referred to the Board's "obstructionist tactics, stating that the Board were prepared to undertake development work in the area if the Council recognises that the whole area should be reserved for that purpose, and if the Council also were prepared to provide the public health services necessary for any form of development, the provision of which was outside the

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scope of the Board. The Board could not give in advance details of developments proposed..

Read letters from Mr. McDowell, Solicitor to Messrs. McNicholl, re proposed leasing of lands at North Quay:- 12th March, 1945, stating his clients were prepared to lease on terms of County Manager's Order: 26th March, 1945, stating that his clients were anxious to have an early decision, otherwise they would have to consider seeking alternative accommodation: 28th March, 1945, requesting a decision within fourteen days, otherwise his clients would not feel bound to undertake to accept a lease in the terms set out in the County Manager's Order.

It was unanimously decided to adjourn consideration of the foregoing correspondence to April Monthly Meeting, which was fixed for Wednesday, 4th April, 1945, at 7 p.m.

Read copy letter 28th March, 1945, addressed by County Manager to Department of Local Government and Public Health regarding the appeal of the Irish Tourist Board against the proposed leasing of land at North Beach for industrial purposes. Marked "Approved, and Manager congratulated on the manner in which he has dealt with this matter."

Read copy letter 26th March, 1945, addressed to Mr. N. O'Dwyer, B.E., Town Planning Consultant, forwarding particulars of applications received under the Town Planning Acts for permission to erect certain buildings in the Urban Area. Marked "Noted."

The Chairman congratulated the County Manager on the able manner in which he had presented the Annual Estimate of Expenses, and expressed the Council's thanks for the valuable assistance given in their deliberations thereon.

The County Manager expressed his indebtedness to the Town Clerk for valuable assistance rendered in this connection.

J. Heald
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Adopted

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 4th APRIL, 1945.

The April Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" T. J. Birthistle.

Minutes of Meetings 5th, 9th, and 28th March, 1945, were unanimously adopted.

Reports of Tourist Committee Meetings 7th and 14th March, 1945, were unanimously adopted.

Report of Public Assistance Committee Meeting 14th March, 1945, was unanimously adopted.

It was proposed by Cllr. P. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. T. J. Weadick, and passed in respectful silence, all members standing:-

RESOLVED - "That we, the Arklow Urban District Council, record our profound sympathy with the widow and family of the late Councillor Edward Byrne, P.C., U.D.C., M.C.C., Bray, whose passing we deeply mourn."

Read letter 26th March, 1945, from Irish Tourist Board, replying to Resolution adopted at Meeting 9th March, 1945, in which the Council referred to the Board's "obstructionist tactics", stating that the Board were still prepared to undertake development work in the North Beach area if the Council recognised that the whole area should be reserved for that purpose, and if the Council also were prepared to provide the public health services necessary for development. The Board could not give in advance details of development proposed.

Order - Clerk to reply to I.T.B. stating that the Council's decision on the matters to which they refer remains unaltered, and that no useful purpose would be served by the Board reiterating what had already been conveyed by them to the Council.

Read letters 12th, 26th, and 28th March, 1945, from Mr. McDowell, Solicitor for Messrs. McNicholl, requesting in the latter letter a decision in regard to leasing of lands at North Quay within fourteen days, otherwise his clients would not be bound to accept a lease in the terms set out in the County Manager's Order.

Read copy letter 27th March, 1945, addressed by the Town Clerk to Mr. McDowell, stating that the present position in the matter was that the County Manager was awaiting the views of the Council's Town Planning Consultant on the proposal for submission to the Department.

Read copy letter 26th March, 1945, addressed to Mr. N. O'Dwyer, Town Planning Consultant, requesting advice on applications for permission to erect buildings in the Urban Area, amongst which was proposed factory of Messrs. McNicholl at North Quay.

Order - Town Clerk to suggest to the County Manager the desirability of his securing an early Report from the Town Planning Consultant.

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Read letter 9th March, 1945, from local G.A.A. Club applying for lease of portion of Council's lands situate at Ferrybank (4½ acres approx.) for the purpose of converting it into a playing pitch.

It was proposed by Councillor P. McCarthy, seconded by Councillor T. J. Birthistle, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That this Council recommend the County Manager to grant the application of the local G.A.A. Club for plot of ground referred to in their letter of 9th March, 1945, at a yearly rent of £10."

Read letter 12th March, 1945, signed by Deputies Everett and Brennan in regard to their recent visit re fuel position in Urban District, stating they had interviewed the Minister for Lands and impressed upon him the urgent need for granting a felling licence to Glenart Company for a much greater number of trees than that already granted, and the Minister promised to inquire into the matter.

Order - Town Clerk to convey to the Deputies the Council's thanks for the assistance they had given in this matter.

Read letter 14th March, 1945, from Buncrana U.D.C., forwarding copy of a Resolution adopted by them, calling for introduction of legislation to compel absentee landlords to sell their interest to leaseholders at a fair purchase price.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McDonagh, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED * "That we approve the terms of the Resolution adopted by Buncrana U.D.C. re necessity for legislation to compel absentee landlords to sell their interest to leaseholders at a fair price."

Submitted detailed statement setting out all-in cost of 124 houses scheme recently completed, viz.:- £60985. 13. 10, and explaining the necessity for raising of short-term loan, £319. 13. 10, to liquidate debit balance on Scheme.

It was proposed by Cllr. Birthistle, seconded by Cllr. Woadick, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That a loan of £320 be raised from our Treasurer, repayable over a period of five years, for the purpose of completing 124 Houses Scheme at Abbeylands."

It was proposed by Cllr. McElheron, seconded by Cllr. McCarthy, and passed unanimously:- Resolved - "That we again request the Co. Manager to have the public lamp at town end of Beresford Tee. transferred to opposite end of Terrace, convenient to public fountain, as this arrangement would meet the wishes of the entire Terrace, as well as providing the necessary light for users of fountain."

It was proposed by Cllr. McDonagh, seconded by Cllr. McElheron, and passed unanimously:- RESOLVED - "That we hereby authorise the Co. Manager to overdraw during the month of April, 1945, on Revenue Account, to an amount not exceeding £2,000."

The following recommendations were made County Manager on Home Assistance Case Papers submitted by Acting S.A.O.:-
 Susan Kelly, 2 St. Brigid's Terrace - weekly allowance of 8/- per wk. recommended during illness of her daughters:
 Lizzie Timmins, 79 Rory O'Connor Place - weekly allowance of 4/- temporarily: A. Ennis, 8/- to be continued until Pension received.

Woadick
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SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 13th APRIL, 1945.

A Special Meeting of the Council was held on the above date at 7 p.m. for the purpose of considering Schedule of Uncollected Rates - 1944/5 - and state of Rates Collection in respect of that year.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
 " J. E. McElheron,
 " E. McDonagh,
 " P. McCarthy.
 County Manager, P. T. Healy, Esq.
 Rates Collector P. Frith.

Town Clerk submitted particulars of Rates Collection, 1944/5, as follows:-

Rate.	Collected. (Inc. Disc.).	Arrears.	Total Warrant.	Per %
Town.	£5632. 4. 2.	£460. 4. 9.	£6092. 8. 11.	92.45.
Poor.	£3677. 15. 9.	£320. 0. 5.	£3997. 16. 2.	91.99.

Following consideration of the Schedule of Uncollected Rates, it was unanimously agreed to advise County Manager to strike off as uncollectable Town Rate - £114. 10. 8; and Poor Rate - ~~£73. 10. 2.~~ and carry forward for collection in 1945/6 Warrant Town Rate - £345. 14. 1; and Poor Rate ~~£226. 10. 3.~~ ²⁴⁰⁻⁴⁻¹¹

It was unanimously decided to recommend to the County Manager the desirability of placing the Council's Law Agent's services at the disposal of the Rate Collector.

The Manager promised to consider the matter, having regard to the terms of the Collector's Appointment, which were different from other Rate Collectors.

It was unanimously decided, on the suggestion of the County Manager, that Rate Collector have the designation "shop" included in Valuation Lists where appropriate.

Read copy letter 12th April, 1945, sent Law Agent re proposed legal proceedings against Mrs. C. Kearon for rent arrears in respect of house No. 20 Griffith Street, and for re-occupying house 20 Hall's Lane, the subject of a Demolition Order.
Marked "County Manager's action approved."

In view of County Manager's Orders in connection with letting of houses having been questioned on previous occasions, the Manager directed that his Order No. 1527 of that day (13th April, 1945) re tenanting of No. 1 Parnell Terrace, be read.

Order - Procedure of Manager approved.

Adopted
S. Healy
7/5/45

ARKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.
REPORT OF TOURIST COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
18th APRIL, 1945.

A Special Committee Meeting was held on the above date at 8 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report from Mr. Hickey on arrangements made by the local Feis Committee for the running of "Question Time" Broadcast, and accompanying entertainment on 29th April.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
Councillor J. E. McElheron;
Mrs. K. Brennan,
Miss E. Treacy;
Messrs. J. Wolohan,
M. Hickey,
W. O'Neill,
E. Murphy,
P. Lyons,
P. Fortune,
N. Tancred.
P. J. Gregory Bannon, Secretary.

Mr. W.E. Briggs wrote regretting inability to be present.

Read copies of correspondence with Mr. Hickey.

Read letter 6th April, 1945, from Mr. Hickey, stating that all arrangements had been made by his Committee for carrying out the undertaking.

Read letter 2nd April, 1945, from Mr. J. Eric Henry, 29 Clare Street, Dublin, Comper for "Question Time", enclosing list of details requiring attention in connection with the Broadcast.

Read copy reply 7th April, 1945, to Mr. Henry.

Mr. Hickey informed the Meeting of the detailed arrangements made for the Broadcast and accompanying entertainment. The arrangements were unanimously approved as being satisfactory.

A proposal of Mrs. K. Brennan that local traders be encouraged to beautify the township by adopting for planting flowers and shrubs public open spaces and "roundabouts" in housing schemes, was unanimously agreed to, and, in order to demonstrate to public-minded persons what could be achieved in this connection, Mr. J. Annesley and herself were given permission to plant "roundabout" at Beach end of Seaview Avenue.

It was unanimously decided that the Secretary get in touch with the "Evening Herald" with a view to ascertaining details regarding a Scheme which they had undertaken in connection with flower garden competition.

The Secretary was directed to inform the Garda Síochána re representations received of card-playing in public park adjoining public conveniences.

The Secretary was instructed to ask Co. Manager to instruct roads staff to have weeds removed in vicinity of Father Murphy monument.

Mr. Wolohan notified that the Avoca Parochial Committee's Bazaar fixed for period 28/7/45 - 12/8/45, would not now take place.

Mr. Fortune asked that the I.T.A. amend Folder-Guide accordingly and hold over printing of new folder to enable Bands Committee ascertain dates in that period for holding of their functions.

Adopted
T. J. Weadick
7/5/45

ARKLOW

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ANNUAL RATES MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY, 20th APRIL, 1945.

The Annual Rates Meeting of the Arklow Urban District Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present:- Councillor T. J. Woodick, Chairman, presiding;
" J. T. Keogh,
" J. J. Kavanagh,
" J. E. McElheron,
" E. McDonagh,
" T. J. Birthistle.

It was proposed by Councillor J. T. Keogh, seconded by Councillor J. E. McElheron, and passed unanimously:-

RESOLVED - "That we hereby allow and make the following Rates as assessed in the Rate Book now laid before us - 1945/6:

Town Rate - Sixteen Shillings and Seven Pence in the Pound, with an additional Rate of One Shilling and Sixpence in the Pound on premises supplied with water for domestic purposes.

Poor Rate - Eleven Shillings and Five Pence in the Pound."

Adopted
J. Woodick
7/5/45

REPORT OF TOURIST COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, 2nd MAY, 1945.

The May Monthly Meeting of the Council's Tourist Committee was held on above date at 8 p.m.

Present:- Councillor J. E. McElheron, presiding;
Mrs. K. Brennan;
Messrs. P. Lyons, E. Murphy, P. Kinsella, J. Tyrrell,
G.A. O'Toole, N. Tancred, W. O'Neill, J. Kenny,
M. Hickey, P. Fortune, M.H. O'Byrne, A. McCarthy,
J. Wolohan;
Secretary, P. J. Gregory Hannon, Esq.

Minutes of previous Meetings were confirmed.

It was unanimously agreed to permit Mrs. Brennan and Mr. Annesley plant roundabouts in housing schemes, and to defer granting of permission of roundabout at Seaview Avenue.

In connection with proposed Flower Garden competition, it was unanimously decided that Secretary call at offices of "Evening Herald" with a view to securing particulars of a similar scheme sponsored by them some years ago. The Secretary was also instructed to draft suitable Entry Forms for those desiring to take part in the competition, and have them distributed by Rent Collectors to tenants of Council cottages.

On the suggestion of Mr. G.A. O'Toole, it was unanimously decided to seek the advice and co-operation of Mr. Dawson, County Horticultural Instructor, in the proposed competition, and also to secure his views on the possibilities of running a Horticultural Show in the Urban Area.

A Sub-Committee consisting of Councillor McElheron, Messrs. Hickey and Tyrrell, and the Secretary, was appointed to examine and approve proposed new I.T.A. Folder (Draft), and Secretary was instructed to request I.T.A. expedite preparation of Draft.

Mrs. Brennan intimated that the firm of A.E. Brennan, Ltd. were agreeable to undertake at their shop "Cigar Box" distribution of Tourist literature etc. and to supply information to callers re Buses and Trains. The Secretary was, accordingly, instructed to inform the I.T.A. in the matter and request a supply of I.T.A. Literature and Time-tables.

It was unanimously decided to insert in new Guide-Folder a reference to the desirability of tourists lodging their complaints at U.D.C. offices for transmission to I.T.B.

It was decided to bring to the notice of the I.T.B. that a number of guest-houses were permitted by that Board to increase their charges for the present season because of their not having disclosed the fact that the rates submitted for approval were an increase of those of last season, while other guest-houses, who had disclosed that the present season's rates would be an increase on those of last year, did not receive approval to the increase.

It was unanimously decided to register the Committee's protest at the delay of the Department of Local Government in according sanction to the plans of the U.D.C. for laying of intercepting sewer along south side of Avoca river.

The County Manager was requested to instruct S.S.O. investigate dumping of rubble near sewer outlet at Coomic Lane.

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P. J. Gregory Hannon

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It was unanimously decided to recommend the County Manager to accede to the U.D.C's. request to take over control and maintenance of public right-of-way connecting 'Bus Stop with St. Mary's Road, as it is at present in an insanitary state.

Read Town Planning Consultant's Report 19th April, 1945, recommending granting of lease of 4½ acres of land at U.D.C. property, North Beach, to local G.A.A. Club for use as playing pitch.

Read Town Planning Consultant's Report on application from Messrs. McNicholl for industrial site on North Beach property, stating that, on the information submitted, he could not recommend approval.

Read letter 19th April, 1945, from Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor for Messrs. McNicholl, intimating with withdrawal of his clients from negotiations for the purchase of the property, in view of delay in matter.

Read copy letter 3rd February, 1945, addressed to Mr. M. Cavanagh, Hon. Secretary, old Arklow Tourist Association, informing him that it was understood that his Committee held in trust funds collected for local development purposes, and enquiring if it would be possible to have the money placed at the U.D.C's. disposal for the purpose of assisting in the provision of local amenities for tourists.

The Secretary informed the Meeting that no reply had yet been received.

adopted
J. O'Leary
7/5/45

MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 7th MAY, 1945.

The May Monthly Meeting of the Council was held in the Boardroom, Courthouse, Arklow, on the above date at 7 p.m.

Present: Councillor T. J. Weadick, Chairman, presiding;
" P. McCarthy,
" E. McDonagh,
" J. E. McElheron.

Minutes of Meetings 4th, 13th and 20th April, 1945, were adopted.

Reports 18th April, and 2nd May, 1945, of Tourist Committee were adopted.

Read letter 19th April, 1945, from Mr. P. McDowell, Solicitor for Messrs. McNicholl, intimating the withdrawal of his clients from the negotiations for the purchase of portion of U.D.C.'s property at North Quay.

Read letter 19th April, 1945, from Mr. N. O'Dwyer, B.E., Town Planning Consultant, reporting on applications received for interim permissions under Town Planning Acts, stating

- (1) Re application from Messrs. McNicholl for permission to erect a factory at North Quay, that on information submitted he could not recommend approval;
- (2) Re application by Brook Pottery Ltd. for permission to erect a Pottery Works at Wexford Road, stating that generally the location is not one in which a Pottery should be allowed, being in a residential area, and every effort should be made to have the proposed Pottery transferred to the area of the existing Pottery Works.
- (3) Re application from Mr. R. T. Kearon, stating that he saw no objection in principle to the proposal, and recommended approval, subject to complete plans being submitted to and approved by the Town Surveyor.
- (4) Re application from Messrs. A.B. Brennan, Ltd., for permission to erect a balcony supported by stanchions, stating that, as this did not meet with the approval of the County Engineer, he could not recommend permission be granted.
- (5) Re application from G.A.A. Club for a lease of 4½ acres at North Beach as a playing pitch, he recommended granting lease subject to certain safeguards.
- (6) Re proposed housing development at Bridge Street, he thought it unwise to go on selecting housing sites piecemeal, and the problem of dealing with the entire housing needs should be settled at one time.
- (7) Re plan for Mr. Keogh's house at Wexford Road - He saw no objection to the plan submitted, provided that a site plan showing an adequate setback from the street frontage is lodged with the Town Surveyor.

Read Manager's Orders Nos. 1536 re Brook Pottery; 1537 re McNicholl proposal, and 1538 re Messrs. Brennan and J. Keogh's proposals, by request of the Meeting.

Read Manager's Order No. 1476 - 23rd February, 1945, granting permission to the Brook Pottery, Ltd. to erect a factory in concurrence with the wishes of the U.D.C.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that, on the direction of the County Manager, the terms of this Order were not communicated to the applicants, as, subsequent to his making it, the appointment of a Town Planner had been approved, and he deemed it necessary to secure his Report on the proposal.

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MONTHLY MEETING -- 7th MAY, 1945.

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It was unanimously decided to request the County Manager to give an early decision on the lines suggested by the Town Planning Consultant on G.A.A. application.

Submitted letters 14th March, 1945, from Messrs. A. B. Brennan Ltd. and 12th March, 1945, from Mr. R. T. Kearon, making applications reported on in Town Planning Consultant's letter.

Town Clerk was instructed to bring to the notice of the County Manager the insanitary state of ditch-right-of-way, and the need for its early extinguishment both on these grounds and in regard to necessity for extra garden space for houses abutting thereon.

The attention of the County Manager was also to be drawn to the urgent necessity of fencing off No. 60 Connolly Street garden to prevent trespass on adjoining gardens from that point. It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. Weadick, and passed unanimously:- Resolved - "That we hereby request the Department of Local Government and Public Health to issue without further delay the findings of local Inquiry held in September, 1943, into proposed extinguishment of Ditch right-of-way."

Prior to putting of Resolution, the Clerk stated that the County Manager desired it to be understood that the delay in this matter was due to the doubtful ownership of the right-of-way, and he was at present negotiating in the matter with the Sisters of Mercy, who were alleged at the Inquiry to own portion of the right-of-way.

It was unanimously decided, on the suggestion of Cllr. McElhoron, to bring to the appropriate authority's notice the apparent inconsistency in closing down schools while at the same time permitting running of children's matinees during the present whooping-cough epidemic.

It was unanimously decided to again represent to the County Manager the desirability of changing public lamp at Beresford Terrace to pole convenient to public fountain.

It was proposed by Cllr. McCarthy, seconded by Cllr. McElhoron and passed unanimously:- Resolved - "That this Council takes exception to the treatment of the E.S.B. in failing to implement their undertaking re provision of public lighting services at 124 new houses scheme, while they are at present tendering for the carrying out of similar work in other areas, and we hereby instruct the Town Clerk to bring to their notice the number of accidents which have occurred as a result of the absence of public lighting."

The County Manager was requested to have coping stones dumped some years ago removed from river bed, as they were collecting sewage matter.

County Manager was requested not to delay in formulating plans for erecting of a public abattoir.

The attention of the S.S.O. was directed to the dumping of slaughterhouse offal and stale eggs at Green, and dumping of insanitary matter at Tinahask Lower (vicinity Charter-school).

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MONTHLY MEETING -- 7th MAY, 1945.

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With regard to the reference in the Tourist Development Committee's Report 2nd inst. re Department's delay in sanctioning connecting sewer scheme, it was decided to ask the County Manager to give this matter his immediate attention.

The County Manager was recommended to secure a Report from the Town Surveyor on alleged dampness to St. Brigid's Terrace houses, caused by shortness of downpipes.

Town Clerk was requested to submit to next Meeting schedule setting out attendances at Meetings of Urban Councillors during present term of office.

Read letter 23rd April, 1945, from Messrs. E.J. Burrow & Co. requesting permission to reproduce Arklow Official Guide.

Order - Matter of Tourist publicity is at present adequately catered for by I.T.A.

It was unanimously decided to bring to notice of County Manager the desirability of his fixing charges for the use of Court House for the holding of local Committee meetings, so that Caretaker could be adequately remunerated for the extra duties entailed.

It was unanimously decided to permit the County Manager to overdraw, subject to Department's sanction, on Revenue Account to an amount not exceeding £400 during month of May, 1945.

The following decisions were arrived at on Home Assistance Case papers submitted by Supt. A.O.:-
Alice Tyrrell - 3/6d. weekly.

Mary Forde - Present allowance, 4/- weekly, to be continued.

In order not to delay decision in the case of Mary Tolan, 19 Back Street, whose Case Paper had not yet been submitted, it was decided to recommend an allowance of 4/- per week.

It was also decided to recommend that Mrs. E. Molloy, 29 Connolly Street, at present in receipt of 15/- weekly cash and 3/- voucher, be allowed an additional 5/- weekly cash to assist her in payment of rent.

J. Weir
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