

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Monthly Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 8th April, 1947.

PRESENT:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. Ledwidge, French, Dempsey, McKeown, Little
E. E. Byrne, Stuart, Sayers and Temple.

Also present:- County Manager, Town Clerk and Surveyor and Accountant.

346 The Minutes of Meeting of 11th March, 1947; adjourned Meeting of 25th March, 1947, and of the Estimates Meeting of 31/3/1947. READ AND SIGNED.

347 The Manager's Orders as circulated to the Members of the Council were discussed.

348 The Report of the Local Government Auditor on his Audit of the Accounts of Bray U.D.C. for the year ended 31st March, 1946, and of Extraordinary Audit of the Accounts of the Collector of Rates and Water Accounts, as circulated to the Members of the Council. Adjourned to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

MATTERS REFERRED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER TO THE COUNCIL FOR RECOMMENDATION

349 Letter of 11th March, 1947, from Mr. O'Malley, 1 Marie Villas, Convent Avenue, Bray, applying for permission to use site on Bray Head for proposed Open Air Skating Rink and Coffee Lounge and offering the sum of £50 for the season. Read. The Council recommended the Manager not to grant the Licence sought.

350 Correspondence with Messrs. Kelly and O'Grady, Architects, relative to proposed Games Pavilion at Venetian Cafe, Bray; and Report from Surveyor in connection therewith. Read. Further consideration adjourned to next Statutory Meeting.

351 Letter dated 28th March, 1947, from E.S.B. stating that they had arranged for the extension of the time for extinguishing Public Lighting by 30 minutes and delay in the lighting up time by a similar period. Noted. Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 15th April, 1947, at 7-30p.m.

THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY 15th APRIL, 1947, at 7-30 o'clock p.m.

PRESENT:- Clr. H. J. Byrne: (in chair)
Clrs. Dempsey, McKeown, Stuart, Little, E. E. Byrne,
Sayers and Sean Dunne.

352A Resolutions of sympathy were passed with the relatives of Rev. J. Geraghty, C.C., H. Hollingsworth, H. Lynch, Mrs. Hayes and Miss Green.

352 Statement from County Manager giving estimate of All-In-Costs and charges in connection with the proposed new Housing Scheme of 79 Houses.

Committee comprising Councillors Little, E. Byrne, D. Sayers and the Chairman was appointed to see the Manager to investigate the list of persons in condemned houses and report back to the Council. This Committee to meet on Monday 21st April, 1947, at 8 p.m. and to report to Meeting of the Council on Tuesday 22nd April, 1947, at 8 p.m..

353 Letter dated 9th April, 1947, Ref. No. L.24255/46 from Minister for Local Government stating that as the cost of works for reconstructing Meath and Sidmonton Roads in concrete is approximately £7,000 and that allowing for a Grant of £1500 and Local Contribution of £300 the net amount of Loan required would be approximately £5,300. The Loan Form previously submitted was returned for the necessary amendment. When being re-submitted it should be accompanied by a resolution of the Council authorising the borrowing of the increased amount.

Proposed by:- Clr. M. Dempsey: Seconded by:- Clr. McKeown:

"That we the Bray U.D.C. having heard letter from the Minister for Local Government, dated 9th April, 1947, No. L. 24255/46, stating that as the amount of the work of reconstruction of concrete roads at Sidmonton and Meath Roads will be £7,000 and suggesting that the application for Loan should be amended from £3,300 to £5,300 it is hereby authorised that the amount of the Loan should be increased to £5,300 which with Grant and Contribution will make up the total cost of £7,100."

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

The Loan Application Form was amended accordingly.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 22nd April, 1947, at 8-0 p.m..

THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, BRAY, ON TUESDAY 22nd APRIL, 1947, AT 8 p.m.

PRESENT:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. Ledwidge, Temple Sayers, Little, McKeown,
Dempsey, and French.

ALSO PRESENT:- County Manager, Town Clerk and Accountant.

354 The following report was submitted from the Committee appointed to confer with the County Manager relative to tenants and rents of the new houses:-

"Having gone through the list of families living in insanitary and condemned houses it was found that there would be 16 cases eligible for subsidy at higher rate of 66 and two-thirds of loan charges on £350 capital cost. The average subsidy available for entire 79 houses would be £4-18-7 per house. This would leave £36-2-3 per annum to be met from rent and a possible contribution from rates. It was decided to recommend to the Council that a contribution equal to about 3 pence in £ per annum might be made from the rate fund. This would leave the net

rent at 11/5d per week and total rent inclusive of rates would be 15/6d per week."

Clr. Sayers Proposed and Clr. Little Seconded:-

"That the Report of the Committee be adopted."

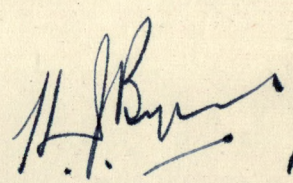
Clr. Dempsey moved and Clr. McKeown seconded the following amendment:-

"That the amount to be included in Rates be reduced to 2d in the 3"

There voted "For" Councillor Dempsey and Clr. McKeown - 2

"Against" Clrs. Ledwidge, French, Little, Temple Sayers and H. J. Byrne (6)

The Chairman declared the amendment defeated and the original resolution was then put and carried on same division.


13/5/47
CHAIRMAN

DATE

13/5/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 13th May, 1947:-

PRESENT:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, Ledwidge, Dempsey, McKeown,
Little, E. Byrne, J. Temple and D. Sayers.

Also present - County Manager, Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

357 The Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 8th April, 1947, Adjourned Meeting of 22nd April, 1947, and Special Meeting of 2nd May, 1947, were read and signed.

358 The County Manager's Orders as circulated were discussed.

359 Report of Local Government Auditor, as circulated, on his audit of the Accounts of Bray U.D.C., adjourned from Meeting of 8th April, 1947. Order:- Adjourned to Tuesday 27th May, 1947, at 7-30 p.m.

360 Schedule of uncollected Rates in respect of year ended 31st March, 1947, adjourned to Tuesday 20th May, 1947, at 8 p.m.

361 Application from Mr. W. H. Cavey for site for Garage in the yard of Maternity and Child Welfare Centre. Order:- refer back to Maternity and Child Welfare Committee.

361A A deputation was received from the residents of Adelaide Villas, Dargle Road, Bray, in connection with the flooding of the area. After hearing the views expressed by the deputation the matter was discussed by the Members of the Council. The Engineer gave his views and suggestions for avoiding a recurrence of the trouble, most of which was caused by excessive rainfall, and the Manager explained the legal opinion which he had received in the matter.

362 Application from Mr. G. Bond for permission to erect Amusements Pavilion at Strand Road. Adjourned from Meeting of the Council of 8th April, 1947. Order:- The Council unanimously approved of the action of the Manager in refusing permission for this structure.

363 Application from Mr. J. J. Cullen for sale or lease of plot at Rathmore Terrace, the property of the Council. Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting in order to give Members of the Council an opportunity of inspecting the site.

363A Letter from Hon. Sec. Bray Ratepayers Association, detailing matters requiring attention which were discussed at a Meeting of their Association on 1st May, 1947. Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

364 Recommendation of the Local Government Auditor in his Report in connection with the Audit of the Accounts for years ended 31/3/1944 and 31/3/1945, that, in view of the cost of repairs to the Weighing Machine at the Fair Green, the question of abandoning the renting of the tolls and disposal of the Weighing Machine should be considered. Order:- The Council recommend the Manager to discontinue the renting of the tolls but to retain the Weighing Machine for the present.

365 Application from Very Rev. A. Moriarty, P.P. for the use of the Central Bandstand and portion of the Esplanade in connection with the Eucharistic Procession to be held on 8th June, 1947. Order:- The Council recommend the Manager to grant the use of the Bandstand.

366 Letter dated 26th April, 1947, from Hon. Sec. Bray Cove Swimming Club, relative to essential repairs necessary to the Swimming Pools. Adjourned from Special Meeting of the Council held on 2nd May, 1947. Councillor D. Sayers proposed, and Councillor J. French, seconded,

"That we authorise the County Manager to expend the sum of £235 for essential repairs to Bray Cove Swimming Pools, as set out in letter dated 26/4/47 from Hon. Sec. Bray Cove Swimming Club. This sum to be a final contribution from the funds of Bray U.D.C. apart from amount required to liquidate existing loans in connection with the Pools."

Councillor Temple proposed, and Councillor Lodwidge seconded,

"That the sum of £140 be expended between the Bray Cove Swimming Club and the Bray Swimming Club in the proportion of £100 to Bray Cove Swimming Club and £40 to the Bray Swimming Club, to enable both Clubs to open these places for the season. The balance of money required for repairs to be found by both Clubs."

There voted "for" - Cllrs. Temple, E. Byrne, Little, Stuart, McKeown, Dempsey, Lodwidge and H. J. Byrne - 8

" " "against" Cllrs. Sayers and French - 2

The amendment was declared carried by 8 votes to 2 and on being put as the substantive motion was carried by the same division.

366A Representations from Mr. Ted Young relative to repairs to roof of South Bandstand and requesting permission to enclose the structure. Order:- Council recommend the Manager to have the roof repaired and to allow the enclosure as suggested.

367 The Form of Scheme, as prescribed in Memo. of 18th March, 1941, in connection with the erection of proposed 79 new houses was submitted and the Seal of the Council affixed thereto.

368 Copy of Resolution from Ennis U.D.C. relative to amendment of S.D. Acq. Acts was read.

369 Copy of Resolution from Listowel U.D.C. suggesting assignment of all able-bodied unemployed to Food and Fuel production. READ

370 A copy of a Resolution from Granard Town Commissioners advocating equal pay for men and women workers for equal work. READ

371 Copy of Resolution from Tralee U.D.C. calling on the Government to introduce amending legislation relative to payment of gratuities to Officers of Vocational Education Committees. READ

372 Notices of Motion were handed in by Cllr. E. Byrne:-

(1) "That we, the Bray Urban District Council, conscious of the grave and inconvenient state of the Vevay Water Supply, do hereby take whatever steps may be necessary to bring about an improvement in the supply service, and so fulfil our obligation to the people in this area."

(2) "That we, the Bray Urban District Council, do hereby ask Cllr. Foran Eircann to receive a deputation from this Council in order that the many grievances encountered by weekly and monthly ticket holders may be alleviated."

Signed:

Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date:

10/6/47

An adjourned Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 20th May, 1947, at 8 p.m..

Present:- Cllr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Cllrs. Dempsey, McKeown, E. J. Little,
Temple, E. Byrne and Sayers.

Officials:- County Manager and Acting Town Clerk.

373 Schedule of uncollected rates for year ended 31st March, 1947. Order:- discussed in detail and recommendations made to the County Manager as per notes made on the Schedule.

Signed:

Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date:

10/6/47

An adjourned Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 27th May, 1947, at 7-30 P.M..

Present: Cllr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Cllrs. Lodwidge, McKeown, French, Dempsey,
Stuart, McGarry, Little, Sayers,
E. Byrne, Temple and Dunne.

Officials: County Manager and Acting Town Clerk.

374 Report of Local Government Auditor as circulated on his audit of the Accounts of the Council. Adjourned from Statutory Meetings of 8th April, 1947, and 13th May, 1947.

Clr. E. J. Little proposed, and
Clr. D. Sayers seconded:-

"That we, the Members of the Bray Urban District Council view with concern and dissatisfaction the several matters of censure expressed by the Auditor in his Report; we expect and have every reason to believe that the several matters referred to by the Auditor in his Report, and the views of the Council expressed at the adjourned Meeting held on the 27th May, 1947, will receive the full attention of the County Manager, and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister."

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 375 Memorial from Hoteliers, and Guest House Managements, as conveyed by Councillor E. J. Little, Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting.
- 376 Letter dated 24th May, 1947, from Hon. Sec. Bray Cove Swimming Club relative to repairs required to the Swimming Pools. Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting.
- 377 Proposed by Clr. Ledlge
Seconded by Clr. French:-

"That application be made to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to extension of Overdraft accommodation in the Revenue Account of £8000 and in the A.R.P. Account of £600 to the 20th October, 1947."

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Signed: Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: 18/6/47

A Special Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 3rd June, 1947, pursuant to the following Resolution:-

"Bray.

30th May, 1947.

"Acting Town Clerk,
Town Hall, Bray.

Please convene a Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council to be held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 3rd June, 1947, in the Town Hall, Bray, for the following purposes:-

(1) To consider the question of increases in wages of the employees of the Council as forwarded to the Minister for Local Government, with special reference to his reply of 29th May, 1947.

(2) To consider the Order of the County Manager relative to the closing of the Balcony in The Picture House, Quinsboro' Road, Bray.

Signed: J. Temple,
H. J. Byrne
G. H. G. Stuart
L. McKeown
M. Dempsey. "

Present: Clr. J. Temple (in chair)
Clrs. L. McKeown, E. J. Little, M. Dempsey,
E. Byrne, G. H. G. Stuart and H. J.
Byrne.

Officials: Acting Town Clerk.

378 The requisition and Notice convening the Meeting were read. Letter dated 3rd June, 1947, from the County Manager regretting inability to attend owing to his attendance at Statutory Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council, and setting out the position with regard to the closing of the Balcony of the Picture House, Quinsboro' Road, Bray, READ.

The Meeting adjourned to Friday 6th June, 1947, at 8-30 p.m. for the attendance of the County Manager and Town Surveyor.

Signed: Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: 18/6/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 10th June, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, Stuart, Little, Temple, E. E. Byrne, Sayers, McKeown and Dempsey.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

383 Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 13th May, 1947, of adjourned Meeting of 20th May, 1947; Special Meeting of 3rd June, 1947, and adjourned Special Meeting of 6th June, 1947, were read and signed.

384 The Manager's Orders, as circulated, were discussed.

385 Pursuant to Notice, Clr. E. E. Byrne proposed, and Clr. J. Temple seconded:-

"That we, the Bray Urban District Council, conscious of the grave and inconvenient state of the Vevay Water Supply, do hereby take steps necessary to bring about an improvement in the supply service and so fulfil our obligations to the people in this area."

Passed unanimously.

386 Pursuant to Notice, Clr. E. E. Byrne proposed and Clr. J. Temple seconded:-

"That we, the Bray Urban District Council do hereby ask Comas Iompair Eireann to receive a deputation from the Council in order that the many grievances encountered by weekly and monthly ticket holders may be alleviated."

Passed unanimously.

A deputation consisting of the Chairman and Clrs. E. E. Byrne and E. J. Little was appointed in connection with the matter.

387 Letter from Hon. Sec. Bray Ratepayers Association, (undated) detailing matters discussed at the Meeting of their Assoc. on 1/6/1947. (1) Requesting inclusion in Abstract of A/cs. particulars of Council's Staff, employees, and their remuneration. (2) Recommending that a contribution of about 3d in the £1 per annum be made towards relief of rents in connection with Housing Schemes. (3) Recommending that work on reconstruction of roads in concrete be expedited as much as possible. (4) Drawing attention to road sweepings being left on the roads for several days before being removed. The proposals were discussed and Clr. E. J. Little handed in a Notice of Motion for next Statutory Meeting relative to newspaper publication of the Auditor's Report.

388 Letter dated 28/3/1947 from Sec. Dept. Local Govt. requesting payment of apportioned charge of £38-4-4d in accordance with Section 12 of the Presidential and Local Elections Act, 1945. This notification was not received in time to allow of provision being made in the Estimates of Rates for the year ending 31st March, 1948. Clr. L. J. McKeown proposed and Clr. French seconded:-

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"That we authorise the County Manager to expend the sum of £38-4-4d being the apportioned amount due by the Council in accordance with Section 12 of the Presidential and Local Elections Act, 1945 - vide letter dated 28th March, 1947, F.7073/47, from Sec., Department of Local Government."

Passed unanimously.

389 Correspondence was submitted relative to lease or sale of plot of ground at Rathmore Terrace to Mr. J. J. Cullen, including letter dated 19th May, 1947, from Mr. Cullen withdrawing his application for the plot in question.

Noted.

390 Application from Mr. W. H. Cavey, Royal Hotel, Bray, for site for garage in the yard of the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre, and letter from Secretary, M. & C.W. Committee, suggesting that the proposed user of the yard would not be in the best interest of the M. & C.W. Centre and that it would be unwise to allow the site to be used for the purpose suggested.
Order:- The Council recommend the Manager not to grant the concession sought.

391 Plan submitted of Messrs. Doyle, Main Street, Bray, for erection of a garage on site owned by the Council at St. Kevin's Terrace, Bray, and draft Lease prepared by Mr. J. M. Magee, Solicitor, in connection with the matter.
Order:- Draft Lease referred back to the Manager for insertion of negative clauses dealing with noisome or offensive trades or businesses.

392 Letter dated 14th May, 1947, from Sec. Dept. of Local Govt. (Ref. No. H. 89/47) urging greater speed in the execution of Housing Schemes and pointing out that assistance from the Transition Development Fund could be available for a limited period only.

Read and Noted.

393 Letter dated 13th May, 1947, from Chief. Supt. Garda Siochana, Bray, recommending restoration of road signs and white lines on the roads and drawing attention to the dangerous corners in the Urban District.
Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting. In the meantime, inquiry to be made from the Garda Authorities as to the result of conference held between the Garda Authorities and members of the Urban District Council.

394 Memorial from Hoteliers, Guest House owners, etc. suggesting various improvements on the Esplanade, Bray Head Park, etc.
Order:- Refer to next Estimates Meeting.

Clr. Little handed in Notice of Motion requesting the Tourist Board to schedule Bray as an area to which part 4 of the Tourist Act applies and to enforce compulsory registration of all Guest Houses, etc.

395 Letter dated 3rd June, 1947, from Messrs. Hooy and Denning, notifying intention of Mr. Gordon Hunt, Manager of Hunt's Amusements, Limited, to erect two further amusement devices on the Amusement Park at Bray, known as (1) The Ghost Train covering an area of approximately 60' x 40' constructed of wood and canvas and approximately 14' high. (2) "The Whip" covering an area of approximately 70' x 40' uncovered, and for the erection of a low wall along the entire length of the Amusement Park bordering the roadway.

Order:- Council recommend the Manager to grant permission to Mr. Hunt to erect low wall provided no embarrassment be caused to the Council by so doing, and to grant permission to Mr. Hunt to erect "The Ghost Train" and the amusement device known as "The Whip" if not objectionable. Mr. Hunt to be requested to fix silencers on the motor cycles used in the "Globe of Death."

381 Order dated 27th May, 1947, of the County Manager, relative to closing of the Balcony of The Picture House, Quinsboro' Road, and copy of Order dated 28th May, 1947, served on the Proprietor and Manager of the premises. The Surveyor gave details of an interview he had with the Proprietor of The Picture House who had agreed to have the Balcony closed until a satisfactory Emergency Exit had been provided.

Order:- Considered satisfactory.

381A Clr. Temple drew attention to the condition of No. 22 Wolfe Tone Square, West.

381B The date of the Annual Meeting of the Council was fixed for Tuesday 24th June, 1947.

ooo-----ooo Signed: *Ch. Temple*
CHAIRMAN

Date: 8/7/47

The Annual Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council was held on Tuesday 24th June, 1947, at 7-30 p.m. in the Town Hall, Bray.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, McGarry, Dempsey, McKeown, Little, Sayers, Temple, E. E. Byrne, Stuart

Officials:- Co. Manager and Acting Town Clerk.

382 The Notice convening the Meeting was read.
383 Clr. M. Dempsey proposed and Clr. L. McKeown seconded:-

"That Clr. H. J. Byrne be elected Chairman of the Council for one year or until his successor be appointed."

Clr. French proposed and Clr. McGarry seconded:-

"That Clr. Pp Ledwidge be elected Chairman of the Council for one year or until his successor be appointed."

There voted for Clr. H. J. Byrne - Clrs. E. Byrne, J. Temple, E. J. Little, G. H. G. Stuart, L. McKeown and H. Dempsey - 6

There voted for Clr. Pp Ledwidge - Clrs. D. Sayers, H. McGarry and J. French - 3.

Mr. E. J. Byrne was declared elected and signed the Statutory Declaration of Office.

384 Clr. E. E. Byrne proposed and Clr. H. J. Byrne seconded:-

"That Clr. J. Temple be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for one year or until his successor be appointed."

There being no other nomination for the position, Clr. Temple was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman of the Council.

The Statutory Declaration was signed by Clr. Temple.

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Signed: *Ch. Temple*

Date: 8/7/47

A Special Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 24th June, 1947, at 7-30 p.m., for the purpose of making a Municipal Rate for the year ending 31st March, 1948.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, McGarry, Dempsey, McKeown, Little, Sayers, Temple, E. E. Byrne and Stuart.

Officials:- County Manager and Acting Town Clerk.

385 The Requisition and Notice convening the Meeting was read.

385A Clr. H. J. Byrne proposed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Joseph Shearwin, Chief of the Housing Department of the Dublin Corporation. The resolution was passed in silence all the Members standing.

386 Clr. G. H. G. Stuart proposed and Clr. French seconded:-

"That we, the Bray Urban District Council, hereby make a Municipal Rate of One Pound, Six Shillings and Eight Pence in the Pound for the service of the year ending 31st March, 1948. The said Rate to be collected in two half-yearly moieties, that is to say, the First Moiety and Arrears on and after the 24th day of June, 1947, and the Second Moiety on and after 1st day of October, 1947, and that the Rate Book be sealed and signed accordingly."

Passed unanimously.

387 Proposed by Clr. Dempsey and seconded by Clr. McKeown:-

"That the Warrant as now submitted for the collection of Municipal Rate for year ending 31st March, 1948, be sealed and signed by the County Manager and handed to Mr. D. J. Bateman for collection."

Passed unanimously.

388 Clr. Temple referred to the letter of 20th June, 1947, from Secretary, Dept. of Local Govt. conveying the Minister's sanction of £3-16s-0d per week, as from 1st January, 1947, to labourers and unskilled workers, and to the fact that the Council had unanimously agreed to the decision arrived at in conference with the Co. Manager and Members of the Council recommending a rate of £3-18-6d per week, which sum had been provided in the Estimates for the current year. The Council

requested the County Manager to communicate the views expressed by the Council to the Dept. and to press for a review of the Minister's decision in this matter.

389 Letter dated 19th June, 1947, from Secretary, Department of Posts and Telegraphs suggesting that the hour of commencement of evening postal deliveries in Bray be altered to 5 p.m. from 7 p.m. thereby reducing the hours of daily attendance of postmen by two hours, and pointing out other advantages which would accrue from the proposed revision of hours.

Order:- The Council unanimously recommend the adoption of the earlier hour of postal deliveries.

Signed: John Temple
CHAIRMAN.

Date 8/7/47.

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 8th July, 1947.

Present:- Clr. J. Temple (in chair)
Clrs. Little, McKeown, Stuart, McGarry,
French, Dempsey, E. Byrne.

Official Present:- Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

390 The Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 10th June, 1947, of the Annual Meeting of 29th June, 1947, and Special Meeting of 24th June, 1947, relating to making of Municipal Rate, were read and signed.

391 Manager's Order Book. Order:- Deferred until the Orders are circulated to the Members of the Council.

392 Pursuant to Notice of Motion, Clr. E. J. Little proposed:-

"That the Council call upon the Tourist Board to make application to the Minister for Industry and Commerce to enforce compulsory registration of all Guest Houses, Camping Sites, Cafes, Cinemas and all premises in which games or entertainments are provided for the public by making an Order declaring Bray Urban District an Area to which Part 4 of the Tourist Traffic Act applies."

Order:- there being no seconder the resolution was withdrawn.

393 The following Resolution submitted by Councillor E. J. Little, by way of Notice of Motion, at Meeting of the Council on 10th June, 1947, was withdrawn:-

"That the Town Clerk do apply to the Minister for Local Government and Public Health directing the Council to cause the Auditor's Report to be published in the "Wicklow People" as provided for in Article 36(2) of the Statutory Rules and Orders Public Bodies Order, 1946."

394 Correspondence was submitted to the Council, Co. Wick, by the Surveyor, Superintendent, Garda Siochana, and Mr. W. H. Cavey, Royal Hotel, relative to additional amount of parking space near the Court House by the suggested removal of the Obelisk and the provision of a low concrete boundary wall. The Surveyor to the Council estimated the cost of removing the obelisk, its re-erection in the People's Park and the provision of a low boundary wall in concrete, and levelling of the space to the boundary of the Main Road, to be £80.

Clr. Little proposed, and Clr. McKeown seconded:-

"That we recommend the removal of the Obelisk outside the Court House in the course of levelling the space for extension of the Car Park, but we oppose its re-erection. The cost to be provided for in the Estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1949."

There voted "for" Clrs. Stuart, McGarry, McKeown, Little and French: : : : 5
" " "against" Clrs. Sayers, Dempsey, E. Byrne, and Temple : : : : 4
The resolution was declared carried.

- 395 Letter dated 4th July, 1947, from Clr. Little relative to discharge of offal into Dargle River and reports of Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector in connection therewith. Order:- Defer to next Meeting for final Report of Engineer and Sanitary Inspector in connection with the matter.
- 396 Letter dated 4th July, 1947, from Clr. E. J. Little relative to silting up of the engine of the pump at Bray Cove Swimming Pools on 3rd July, 1947, and to a recurrence of the trouble on Wednesday 4th July, 1947, and Report from the Surveyor stating that he started this pump and had it working satisfactorily on Saturday 28th June, 1947. He stated that apparently some difficulty had been found in priming the pump probably due to a pebble being caught under the foot valve. He had arranged for a man to go down to deal with the matter. Order:- Surveyor to put the pump in working order and report considered satisfactory.
- 397 Letter dated 30th June, 1947, from Messrs. T. D. Scraggs & Sons, applying for permission to erect Booking Office opposite the Municipal Baths for the purpose of booking Motor Coach Tours through The Garden of Ireland. Order:- Recommend that permission be granted at a rent of £5 for the season.
- 398 Correspondence with Garda Siochana relative to Traffic Bye-Laws and erection of warning signs and white lines on the road ways in the Urban Area, including letter dated 30th June, 1947, from Superintendent, Garda Siochana, Bray, stating he had been advised that the Bye-Laws had been submitted to the Minister in accordance with Section 8 of the Road Traffic Act, 1933. Order:- Read. Await publication of the Bye-Laws.
- 399 Correspondence with Secretary, Department of Local Government, relating to increases in wages of Council's employees, including letter of 27th June, 1947, from the Secretary, Dept. of Local Govt. stating that the Rate of 76/- per week sanctioned in the Department's letter of 20th June, 1947, was based on the rate paid by other employers in the Town. Order:- Read. The Council dissatisfied as to the attitude of the Minister, and another communication to be addressed to the Minister asking him to receive the deputation already appointed in connection with this matter.
- 400 Letter dated 30th June, 1947, from Mr. K. J. Brangan, County Secretary, enclosing copy of Order made by the County Manager appointing him as Deputy County Manager during the absence of the Manager on leave. Noted.
- 401 Letter dated 26th June, 1947, from Mrs. E. Gunning, asking if Council would sell or rent small piece of ground on Quinsboro' Road, the former site of Car Stand, near Railway Gates, for the purpose of erecting a lock-up shop, and copy of letter from Acting Clerk to the Council, stating that the Co. Manager considers the plot unsuitable for a lock-up shop and, therefore, regrets permission could not be given for the erection of this building. Order:- Action of Manager approved.
- 402 Application from Mr. J. P. Tyrrell, on behalf of Mr. Joseph Murphy, asking if Council would consider the sale of a vacant plot of ground at the rear of Dargle Tavern for the purpose of enclosing it as a yard, and Reports from Surveyor giving the measurements of the plot and stating that it would not be suitable for the erection of Council houses. Order:- adjourned for a further report from the Engineer as to title.

- 402A Councillor McKeown referred to the condition of the wall at Crow Bank, Herbert Road, and the necessity for having repairs carried out. Order:- Engineer to have the matter attended to at once.
- 403 Letter dated 7th July, 1947, from Mr. D. Stewart, Traffic Manager, Coras Iompair Eireann, referring to deputation from Members of the Council, relative to improvement in 'bus and rail services between Dublin and Bray, and setting out list of additional 'bus and rail facilities which have been provided. Read.

Signed Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: 12/8/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 12th August, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, Ledwidge, Temple,
Dempsey, E. Byrne, McKeown,
and Sayers.

Officials:- County Manager, Surveyor and Acting
Town Clerk

- 404 Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 8th July, 1947, were read and signed.
- 405 Letter dated 11th August, 1947, from Clr. E. J. Little apologising for non-attendance as he would be away on holidays. Read.
- 405 Manager's Orders as circulated were discussed at length.
- The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 19th August, 1947, at 7-30 p.m.

Date: 9/9/47

H. J. Byrne
C H A I R M A N

An adjourned Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 19th August, 1947.

Present:- Clr. J. Temple (in chair)
Clrs. E. Byrne, Dempsey, McKeown
and Sayers.

Officials:- County Manager, Surveyor and Acting
Town Clerk.

- 406 Letter dated 31st July, 1947, from Finance Solicitor, Commissioners of Public Works, enclosing Draft Deed of Mortgage in connection with proposed Loan of £5,300, portion of cost of expenditure on reconstruction of Meath and Sidmonton Roads for approval; Form of Undertaking for completion by the Council in connection with the repayment of the Loan, and Receivable Order for £2-14s-6d Legal Expenses.
Order:- Draft Deed of Mortgage approved and Form of Undertaking sealed and signed.
- 407 Letter dated 28th July, 1947, from Secretary, Department of Local Government, stating that no objection would be raised to the proposal of the County Manager to have the work on construction of Car Park carried out by Direct Labour, in accordance with the amended Plans submitted.
Order:- Plans and sanction of Minister for Local Government approved.

- 408 Letter dated 30th July, 1947, from Messrs. J. H. McCarroll, Solicitors, enclosing form of Agreement which they suggested should be entered into in connection with the letting of Bray Cove Swimming Pools.
Order:- Read. Deputation from Bray Cove Swimming Club to be requested to attend at next Meeting of the Council. Consideration of Agreement postponed.

- 409 Report prepared by the County Manager on Contract with Messrs. H. C. McNally & Co., for erection of railings and seat-backs at the Sea Wall, stating that the Council would have to provide from the Rates Fund the sum of £184-4s-8d in respect of the balance of Contract due to the Contractors.

Clr. Sayers proposed,
Clr. E. Byrne seconded:-

"That we authorise the County Manager to expend the sum of £184-4s-8d being amount of excess expenditure on Sea Wall Railings Contract made up as follows:-

Total amount due to Contractor, Messrs.	
H. C. McNally & Co., :	: £1677-18-1d
Recouped by Comms. of Public Works :	: £1493-13-5d
	<u>£ 184- 4-8d</u>

Passed Unanimously"

- 410 Letter dated 8th August, 1947, from Mr. John Duffy, Vevay Road, Bray, requesting permission of the Council to the erection of 2 houses in Vevay on the plot leased from the Council.
Order:- Permission granted subject to approval of Plans.
- 411 Letter dated 14th July, 1947, from Mr. J. P. Tyrrell, Solicitor, applying on behalf of Mr. J. Lawler of 1 Marine Terrace, Bray, for the purchase or lease of the plot of ground on Bray Head formerly occupied by Mrs. Doyle, on which he intends to erect a structure for the sale of Ice Creams and Teas.
Order:- Request Mr. Tyrrell to furnish further particulars as to type of structure his client intends to erect.
- 412 Revised salary scale for office of permanent Librarian and financial provision therefor.
Order:- Adjourned to next Statutory Meeting.
- 413 Circular letter dated 26th July, 1947, from Secretary, Association of Municipal Authorities, enclosing Resolutions adopted at the last Annual Conference.
Order:- Copies to be supplied to the Members of the Council.
- 414 Correspondence in connection with the discharge of offal into Dargle River Sewer, postponed from last Statutory Meeting of the Council, including letter from Clr. E. J. Little and Reports from Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector in connection with the matter.
Order:- County Manager to write to the Butchers and to request their co-operation to prevent further use of sewers for the purpose of getting rid of offal.

- 415 Application from Irish Tourist Board for use of Room in the Library in connection with the proposed registration of Boarding Houses in Bray.
Order:- refer to Library Committee for their decision.
- 416 Correspondence with Messrs. J. H. McCarroll & Co., Solicitors, and Mr. J. M. Magee, Solicitor, relative to letting of Fair Green and Stables to Mr. T. Roberts. The original Agreement to Mr. T. Roberts was for 1 year only and was not determined at the end of that period. Messrs. McCarroll were of opinion that once the Agreement had lapsed it became a yearly tenancy and that in order to determine this tenancy it would be necessary to serve a six months notice to quit at the end of the first or other year of the tenancy. They were further of the opinion that the grazing letting could be determined immediately on demand.
Order:- action of Manager approved.
- 417 Correspondence in connection with proceedings for recovery of the premises No. 10 Wolfe Tone Square Middle, in the occupation of Miss A. Skelton, and 56, Wolfe Tone Square, North in the occupation of Mrs. Davies, including letters from Mr. J. M. Magee, dated 9th July, 1947, and 20th August, 1947, stating that proceedings in the High Court had been unsuccessful in these cases. A full Report of the High Court proceedings had been requested from Mr. J. M. Magee, but had not yet been supplied.
Order:- Await further Report from County Manager as to Court proceedings.
- 418 Clr. L. J. McKeown proposed
Clr. E. Byrne seconded:-

"That, as the Minister for Local Government has fixed the sum of £50 as the fee payable by the Council in respect of Audit fees for the year ended 31st March, 1946, and, as the amount provided in the Estimates of Rates for year ended 31st March, 1948, is the sum of £30 we authorise the County Manager to expend the additional sum of £20 required." Passed Unanimously.
- 419 Correspondence with Messrs. Stokes & Quirke, London, relative to proposed sale of the Morris Estate comprising about 90 acres at Bray Head. Noted.
- 420 Letter dated 5th July, 1947, from Secretary, Dept. of Local Government, forwarding copy of Auditor's Report and certified copy of Abstract of the Accounts of Bray Vocational Education Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1947; Read and Noted.
- 421 Letter dated 8th July, 1947, from Secretary, Department of Local Government forwarding certificate of Costs of Minister in connection with the Local Inquiry held in April, 1945. Certificate of Taxation of Mr. J. P. Tyrrell's Costs taxed at £485-8s-9d in the same matter.
Order:- recommended for payment.
- 422 Letter dated 10th July, 1947, from Town Clerk, Sligo, forwarding copy Resolution suggesting increase in pensions of ex-National School Teachers. Read.

- 423 Letter dated 7th July, 1947, from Secretary, Department of Local Government, enclosing copy of detailed Report from their Engineering Inspector relative to the bed condition of roads under the control of the Bray Urban District Council.

Order:- Defer to next Meeting of the Council.

- 424 Application from Mr. A. Boud for permission to erect a further extension to his existing building at Bray Head, in accordance with Plans and Specification already submitted.

ORDER:- Council agrees to Mr. Boud's request subject to Plans being approved.

Henry Byrne
C H A I R M A N

DATE: 9/9/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 9th September, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. Temple, Dunne, Dempsey, McKeown
and Sayers.

Officials Present:- County Manager, Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

- 425 The Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of 12th August, 1947, and of adjourned Meeting of 19th August, 1947, were read and signed.
- 426 The Manager's Orders as circulated to the Members of the Council were discussed.
- 427 Draft Agreement prepared by Messrs. J. H. McCarroll & Co., Solicitors, between the Bray Urban District Council and The Bray Cove Swimming Club was submitted. A deputation consisting of Messrs. J. P. Groome, M. Mortell, Comdt. Flood and M. J. Maher, Honorary Secretary of the Club, attended before the Council and expressed their views in connection with urgent work required at the Pools and the terms of the suggested Agreement. Further consideration of the matter was adjourned to the Meeting on Tuesday 16th September, 1947.
- 428 Letter dated 4th September, 1947, from Mr. J. P. Tyrrell, Solicitor, relative to application of Mr. J. Lawlor for the purchase or lease of a plot of ground on Bray Head, formerly occupied by Mrs. Doyle, and enclosing rough sketch of the building which his client proposes to erect on the plot. Order:- Site to be advertised in February, 1948, and the letting to be a seasonal one only.
- 429 Revision of salary scale for office of permanent Librarian and financial provision therefor, adjourned from last Statutory Meeting of the Council. Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.
- 430 Circular from Honorary Secretary, Association of Municipal Authorities, forwarding details of Ministers' replies to the resolutions adopted at last Annual Conference of the Municipal Authorities Association. Noted.
- 431 Correspondence in connection with discharge of offal into Dargle River Sewer, including Reports of the Surveyor to the Council and Sanitary Inspector, and copy of Circular letter forwarded to proprietors of Slaughter Yards in the District. Order:- Adjourned to Meeting of the Council on 16th Sept., 1947.

- 432 Report of Proceedings for recovery of possession of No. 10, Wolfe Tone Square, Middle, from Anne and Michael Skelton, and of 56 Wolfe Tone Square, North, from Mrs. Annie Davies. Unsuccessful proceedings had been taken in the High Court in these cases, and the Manager had requested Mr. J. M. Magee, Solicitor, on several occasions to obtain a Report from Counsel as to the grounds on which the actions were dismissed, but, so far, had not received this Report. No. 10, Wolfe Tone Square, Middle had now been let to Miss Anne Skelton, and No. 56 Wolfe Tone Sq., North, to Mrs. Annie Davies, and the Agreements in each case provided for payment of arrears of rent due. Order:- Adjourn for future consideration when Report from Counsel is received. Settlements in each case were noted and considered satisfactory.

- 433 Letter from Secretary, Department of Local Government, drawing attention to the very bad condition of the roads in the Urban District and enclosing detailed Report from one of the Department's Engineers in connection therewith. Order:- Adjourn to Meeting of Council on Tuesday 16th September, 1947.

- 434 Letter dated 29th August, 1947, from Secretary, Department of Education, stating that representations had been made by the Community of Loreto Convent that the proposed acquisition of ground at Loreto Convent School, in connection with the extension of the Council's Housing Scheme, would adversely affect the School and that having obtained a considered Report from the Local Inspector of National Schools the Department is of opinion that the acquisition by the Council of portion of the School site would be detrimental to the interests of the School. Order:- Adjourn to Meeting of the Council to be held on 16th September, 1947.

- 435 Letter dated 2nd September, 1947, from Finance Solicitor, Commissioners of Public Works, enclosing engrossed Deed of Mortgage, etc. in connection with Loan of £5,500 in connection with reconstruction of Meath and Sidmonton Roads.

Proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne,
Seconded by Clr. D. Sayers:-

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security was given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Five Thousand ~~Three~~ Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government Act, 1946."

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne:
Seconded by Clr. D. Sayers:-

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, the total amount of the sum mentioned by this Council but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require, IT IS RESOLVED that the requisition for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for the time being, countersigned by the Clerk to the Council, And that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of the said Commissioners and that all such advances shall be lodged to OUR Account in the Bray Branch of the Hibernian Bank."

Passed unanimously.

The Deed was sealed and signed by the Chairman, two Members of the Council, and the Acting Town Clerk.

- 436 Letter dated 2nd September, 1947, from Manager, National Car Parks (Eire) Limited, relative to Car Park at Northern end of Esplanade, asking to be excused from laying out the Park. They would, however, like to operate next season when the Park had been constructed and requested to be informed as to when this matter could be further discussed.
Order:- Re-submit when Car Park is completed.
- 437 Specification and Form of Tender submitted by the Surveyor to the Council for the laying of tarmacadam paths at Wolfe Tone Square.
Order:- Recommend the Manager to have the work carried out by Contract.
- 438 Letter dated 3rd September, 1947, from Director, Irish Commercial Union Tourist Bureau regarding establishment of Bureaux and organised tours. Road.
- 439 Letter dated 23rd August, 1947, from Managing Editor of "Saturday Newsletter" relative to publication of his paper.
Road.
- 440 Letter dated 25th August, 1947, from Town Clerk, Wexford, enclosing copy of a Resolution regarding provision of Grants for houses which could be made fit for human habitation at a reasonable expense.
Order:- Road.
- 441 Copy of a Resolution from Tralee Urban District Council calling on the Government to introduce legislation to eliminate the means test in connection with Old Age Pensions.
Order:- Adopted unanimously.
- 442 Copy of a Resolution from Enniscorthy Urban District Council urging the Government to withdraw the Timber Fuel Restrictions.
Order. Road.
- 443 Representations were made by Members of the Council, on behalf of Ted Young, relative to repairs to South Bandstand and the granting of a lease of the Bandstand for a number of years.
Order:- Adjourn to next Statutory Meeting.
- 444 Letter dated 5th September, 1947, from Honorary Secretary, Bray Amateurs Committee, requesting permission for Horse Jumping Competition and Gymkhana on Esplanade on Sunday 21st September, 1947, and for permission to close the space from South side of the Bandstand to Municipal Baths.
- Proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne:
Seconded by Clr. J. Temple:-
- "That we recommend the Manager to grant permission conditional on the Show being limited to Ponies with juvenile riders."
- Passed.. Councillor McKeown dissenting.
- 445 Report dated 5th Sept. 1947, from Surveyor to the Council, stating that the materials for repairs to the Harbour Crane, including repairs to the Cab, would cost £100.
Order:- Recommend to the Manager that work on the housing over the machinery be carried out at a cost of approximately £50.

H. J. Byrne
Chairman
14/10/1947

An adjourned Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 16th September, 1947,

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, E. E. Byrne, Dempsey and McKeown.

Officials Present:- County Manager, Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

- 446 A deputation consisting of Messrs. M. J. Maher, Honorary Secretary, Bray Cove Swimming Club, and J. P. Groome, attended on behalf of the Bray Cove Swimming Club and the draft Agreement and the question of urgent essential expenditure in connection with the Pools were discussed.

Clr. J. French proposed
Clr. M. Dempsey seconded

"That we authorise the County Manager to expend the sum of £155 on repairs to the terracing and the apron of the wall at Bray Cove Swimming Pools described as item No. 1 and 2 in the Surveyor's Report of 10th September, 1947."

There voted "for" Clrs. Dempsey, E. Byrne, French,
H. J. Byrne : : : 4

"against" Clrs. McKeown and Temple : : : 2

The Resolution was declared carried.

- 447 Correspondence in connection with the discharge of offal into Dargle River Sewer.
Order:- Deferred for Report from Engineer.
- 448 Letter from Secretary, Department of Local Government, adjourned from Statutory Meeting of 9th instant, relative to bad condition of roads in the Urban District, enclosing copy of their Engineer's Report, dated 18th August, 1948, from the Town Surveyor, giving details of pothole filling which had been carried out on these roads.
Order:- Read.
- 449 Letter from Secretary, Department of Education, adjourned from Meeting of 9th September, 1947, re acquisition of portion of ground at Loreto Convent School for additional accommodation for Vevay Road Housing Site.
Order:- Further consideration adjourned to next Statutory Meeting.
- 450 Manager's Orders as circulated to Members of the Council were discussed at length.
- 451 Letter dated 18th September, 1947, from Honorary Secretary, Bray and District Canine Society, requesting use of Esplanade on Saturday 14th August, 1948, for Annual Championship Dog Show.
Order:- Recommended that permission be granted by the Manager. The Canine Society to see that no obstruction is caused to occupiers of the Council's Kiosks.

- 452 Votes of condolence were passed unanimously with the family of the late Patrick Keogh (former Caretaker of Bray Technical School) and to Mr. Daniel Pluck, Council employee, on the death of his wife.

- 453 Votes of congratulation were unanimously passed with Mr. Philip Rooney on the success of the film adaptation of his Book "Capt. Boycott", and to Mr. Jerome Buckley on winning the One-Arm Golf Championship at Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Links.

- 453A The following notice of motion was handed in by Clr. John Temple:-

"Please note that I will move at the next Meeting of this Council that the sum of £400 be allowed to complete the margins at Wolfe Tone Square."

SIGNED:

Henry Byrne
C H A I R M A N.

Date:

16/10/1947

A Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 7th October, 1947, at 8 p.m., pursuant to the following Resolution:-

"To Acting Town Clerk,
Town Hall, Bray.

Bray.

3rd October, 1947.

"Please convene a Special Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council to be held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 7th October, 1947, at 8 p.m. for the purpose of making an appeal to Comas Iompair Eireann and the Executive of the Irish Transport and General Workers Union to take the necessary steps to bring about an end to the present transport strike."

Signed: H. J. Byrne,
G. H. G. Stuart,
M. Dempsey,
L. McKeown,
J. Temple. "

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. French, Temple, E. E. Byrne, Dempsey,
Stuart.

Officials:- Acting Town Clerk.

- 454 The Requisition and Notice convening the Meeting were read.
- 455 Letter dated 6th October, 1947, from Councillor Sean Dunne regretting absence to attend the Meeting and stating that he would like to go on record in support of any move which could be made to bring about a satisfactory conclusion of the present Transport crisis.

Proposed by Cllr. H. J. Byrne:
Seconded by Cllr. G. H. G. Stuart:-

"That we, the Members of Bray Urban District Council, view with apprehension and alarm the present general unrest in the country culminating in the existing series of strikes: we believe that the cause can be traced to the failure of the Government to make any effort to control the ever increasing cost of living, and we unanimously urge the Government to make an immediate attempt to relate generally the cost of living to the wages at present paid to wage earners."

Passed unanimously.

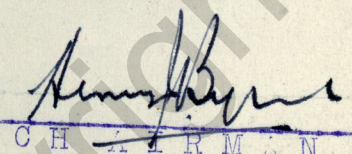
455 Councillor J. Temple proposed
Councillor E. E. Byrne seconded:-

"That we authorise the County Manager to expend the additional sum of £60 in connection with the provision of tarmacadam paths at Wolfe Tone Sq., arrived at as follows:-

Amount of tender submitted by Roads Improvement Company, Ltd.:	:	:	£460
Amount allowed in Estimate of Rates for year 1947/1948	:	:	£400
Extra over amount in Estimates	:	:	£ 60

Passed unanimously.

456 Memorandum from County Manager relative to lease or sale of plot of ground at Rathmore Terrace to Mr. John Cullen in connection with a house which he proposed to erect, and request of Mr. William O'Brien, Builder, asking the Council to allow the temporary use of adjacent plot for the purpose of accommodating building materials, etc. during the construction of the house.
Order:- Submit to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

Signed: 
H. J. BYRNE

Date: 14/10/1947.

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 14th October, 1947.

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors French, Ledwidge, McGarry,
Temple, McKeown, Dempsey,
Little and E. E. Byrne.

Officials present:- County Manager, Town Surveyor and
Acting Town Clerk.

457 The Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 9th September, 1947, adjourned Meeting of 16th September, 1947, and of Special Meeting of 7th October, 1947, were read and signed.

Votes of sympathy to the relatives of the late Mrs. McQuillan, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Berry and Mr. Flood were passed.

458 Manager's Orders as circulated to the Members of the Council were discussed at length.

459 An acknowledgment from Mrs. E. Keogh and family on resolution of sympathy on the death of her husband Mr. Patrick Keogh was read and noted.

460 Letter from Mr. Philip Rooney acknowledging resolution of Council congratulating him on the success of the film adaptation of his book "Captain Boycott" was read and noted.

461 Notice of Motion from Councillor Temple that an additional sum of £400 be provided by the Council in the current year for the purpose of completing the road margins at Wolfe Tone Square was withdrawn, with the consent of Councillor Temple, after it had been pointed out that the Council already had agreed to allow an additional sum to that provided in the Annual Estimates, for the purpose of having the present Contract with Roads Improvement Limited carried out.

462 Letter of 26th September, 1947, from Department of Health regarding the transfer of certain Schemes and Institutions maintained by Urban Sanitary authorities to the County Council as Health Authority, was read. The County Manager explained that the Council's Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme would, at a later date, be taken over by Wicklow County Council. The letter was noted.

463 Circular letter of 9th October, 1947, from Department of Local Government recommending that arrangements should be made by Local Authorities for the purchase beforehand of Timber required for Housing Schemes was submitted. It was agreed that this recommendation would not apply to the Council since a Contract already had been entered into in respect of Housing Schemes. The letter was noted.

464 Application from Hunts' Amusements Limited requesting permission to allow certain structures to remain on the Esplanade until the opening of the Amusements Season in 1948, was submitted. The Town Surveyor reported that there would be no objection to the application. It was decided to recommend that the Manager give the permission sought.

- 465 Correspondence with Coras Iompair Eireann regarding repairs to the breach in wall at roadway leading to Bray Head was read. It was decided that the Railway Company be asked to contribute to the cost of the necessary repairs.
- 466 Application from Mr. John Cullen for sale or lease of plot of ground at Rathmore Terrace, and an application from Mr. W. O'Brien, Builder, for temporary use of plot during building operations were read. Mr. Cullen in his application stated that the accommodation sought was for the purpose of providing access to the rear of the house which he proposed to build on adjoining plot which he had recently bought. It was decided to recommend to the Manager that plot be leased as requested to Mr. Cullen and that temporary permission be given to Mr. O'Brien to use portion of the Council's property during building operations.

Items Nos. 467, 468 and 469 were adjourned to Meeting of Council to be held on 21st October, 1947.

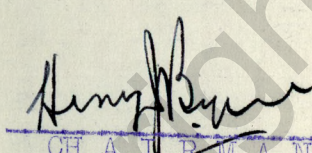
- 470 Report from Mr. Nolan, Acting Secretary to Maternity and Child Welfare Committee, indicating that no Meeting of the Committee had been held since May, 1947, and suggesting alteration in hour and date of future Meetings, was read. The Report was noted. It was decided that no action be taken in the matter in view of the pending transfer of control of Maternity and Child Welfare Scheme from Urban Council to the County Council.

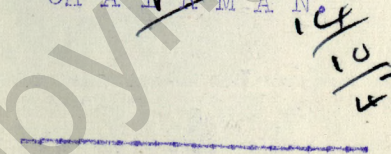
It was decided to adjourn items Nos. 471, 472, 473 and 474 to Meeting of the Council to be held on 21st October, 1947.

- 475 After lengthy discussion on measures which might be taken for the purpose of relieving flooding at Lower Dargle Road, it was proposed by Cllr. P. Ledwidge and seconded by Cllr. J. Temple

"That the services of a Consulting Engineer be obtained in connection with the recurrent flooding at Lower Dargle Road, to advise the Council as to what means he would suggest to alleviate the flooding which has frequently taken place in this area."

Passed unanimously.

Signed: 

Date: 

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

An adjourned Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday 21st October, 1947, at 7-30 p.m..

Present:- Cllr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Cllrs. E. E. Byrne, Ledwidge, French
McGarry, Temple, McKeown and
Little.

Officials Present:- Town Surveyor and Acting Town Clerk.

- 476 Correspondence in connection with the proposed acquisition of a plot of ground from Loreto Convent, Bray, to be used as a site for additional houses at Vevay Road Housing Site was submitted. It was decided to adjourn the matter to the next Statutory Meeting of the Council.
- 477 Correspondence in connection with the River Sewer and Report from the Town Surveyor which had been asked for at adjourned Meeting of the Council on 16th September, 1947, was submitted. It was decided to adjourn the matter to the next Statutory Meeting of the Council and await further Report from the Surveyor.
- 477A Councillor McKeown referred to cuttings made in footpaths by employees of the Post Office. The Town Surveyor stated that he had discussed the question with the County Surveyor for the purpose of having the matter rectified.
- 478 Correspondence in connection with the new Cafe proposed to be erected by Mr. A. G. Boud at Bray Head, including letter from Coras Iompair Eireann enquiring as to the rent the Council proposes to charge, was submitted. The matter was adjourned to the next Statutory Meeting of the Council.
- 479 Letter from Messrs. J. W. Leonards' Pleasure Parks, Limited, enquiring as to the possibility of renting a plot on the Esplanade for Carnivals in Summer, 1948, was read.
Order:- Inform querist that Lease already exists with three years to run. On termination of this Lease the Council will again communicate with them.
- 480 The question of repairs to South Bandstand and request from Mr. Ted. Young to make a letting to him of this Bandstand for a term of years were considered by the Council.
Order:- Inform Mr. Young that this Amusement Site will be advertised in accordance with usual practice at the beginning of the coming year.
- 480A After a discussion in connection with arrangements for repairs to Cove Swimming Pools it was decided to adjourn the matter for a further Report from the Surveyor.
- 481 Letter of 23rd September, 1947, was read from the Honorary Secretary, Bray Amusements Committee, regretting that his Committee had not applied for permission to enclose portion of the Esplanade on Sunday 21st September, 1947. The Committee thanked the Members of the Council and the Manager for facilities granted.
Order:- Noted.

482 The question of revised scale for the office of permanent Librarian and financial provision therefor, which had been adjourned from last Meeting of the Council was considered.
Order:- Adjourned to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

483 The arrangements for the provision of School Meals were discussed and details given of the present meals supplied and the costs involved. It was decided that the Manager be recommended not to enter into Contracts for supplies until the possibility of providing hot meals be investigated.

Signed: _____

Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

21/10/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

A Special joint Meeting of Members of the Council and the School Meals Committee was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 8 p.m. on Thursday 30th October, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. J. French, P. Ledwidge,
E. E. Byrne, J. Temple,
G. E. G. Stuart, L. McKeown
and Rev. Fr. Maguire, C.C.

School Meals
Officials present:- County Manager and Acting Town Clerk.
Information was supplied in connection with the Scheme at present in operation.

The total number of meals supplied in Schools in the year 1946/47 was 78,156. The average number of meals per day was:-

Loreto Convent - - 161
Ravenswell Convent - 89
St. Peter's School - 71
St. Cronan's School 101

Total - 422

The meal consisted of half pint of milk (unheated) with bread and butter or jam. The time for serving the meals in each school varied. The average cost per meal in the year 1946/47 was 2.001 pence. The total cost of the meals in the last three years was:-

1944/45 :	:	£737	14s	1d
1945/46 :	:	£684	14s	10d
1946/47 :	:	£658	12s	2d

One half of the cost of food used in the meals and the cost of preparation is recouped by the State. On an average the net cost to the Rates in recent years had been about 2d in the £1.

The Manager gave details of hot meals provided by Wicklow U.D.C. under their Scheme. In this instance the meals consisted of a stew on three days of the week and cocoa, bread and jam on two days. The cost per meal was 5.3 pence. A Voluntary Committee assisted in the preparation, service, and supervision of the meals.

A quotation had been received from the International Hotel, Bray, through Councillor J. Temple, for providing hot meals (meat and vegetable stew) for 422 children. The price quoted was 9d per meal. It was pointed out that on the basis of this quotation the total cost would be about £3,000 for the year as compared with the present cost which averaged about £690 per year, (taking average of the last 3 years). After lengthy discussion it was decided that a hot meal consisting of sweetened cocoa, with milk and bread and butter or jam should be supplied in all Schools during the month of November, 1947. The School Meals Committee and the Council would again consider the matter after experience had been derived from the supply of this type of meal during that month.

It was decided that Rev. Fr. Traynor, C.C., Clr. J. French and Mrs. Duffy be invited to act as members of the School Meals Committee. The Committee to determine a suitable hour and date for the holding of the Meeting.

Signed: _____

Henry Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

30/10/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Statutory Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 11th November, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. L. J. McKeown, G. H. G. Stuart,
E. J. Little, J. French,
P. Ledwidge, J. Temple and
E. E. Byrne.

Officials present:- County Manager, Town Surveyor and
Acting Town Clerk Mr. R. G. Blake.

Vote of Sympathy

484A The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late Phelim Devitt, Acting Town Clerk, and Councillor Maurice Dempsey. All the Members present joined in the expression of sympathy and paid tributes to the late Mr. Devitt and Mr. Dempsey. Councillor J. Temple stated that he had been asked to convey to the relatives the sympathy of the Council's employees. The Surveyor and the County Manager, on behalf of the staff, also joined in the vote of condolence.

The vote of sympathy was passed in silence all Members standing. It was decided that, as a mark of respect, the Council would adjourn the Meeting to Tuesday 18th November, 1947, at 7-30 p.m..

Signed:

H. J. Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date:

11/11/47

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

An adjourned Meeting of Bray Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Bray, at 7-30 p.m. on Tuesday 18th November, 1947.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. P. Ledwidge, J. French, S. Dunne,
L. J. McKeown, J. Temple, E. E. Byrne,
E. J. Little and G. H. G. Stuart.

Officials Present:- County Manager, Town Surveyor and
Acting Town Clerk.

485 Votes of Sympathy

The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late Mr. William Reilly. The vote was passed in silence all members standing.

485 Housing - acquisition of plot from Loreto Convent
(a)

Correspondence in connection with the proposed acquisition of a plot of ground from Loreto Convent for the purpose of an extension to the Council's Housing Scheme at Vevay Road was submitted. It was indicated by Clr. E. J. Little that he had made special enquiry in connection with this matter and that a favourable reply to the Council's request might now be expected.

486 River Sewer

Report of Town Surveyor and other correspondence in connection with remedial measures being taken in connection with the condition of the river sewer were submitted and it was decided to adjourn the matter to the next Statutory Meeting.

487 Proposed erection of Cafe at Bray Head (Mr. A. G. Boud)

The County Manager read a letter which had been submitted by him to Mr. A. G. Boud in June last regarding the proposal to erect a Cafe on a site at the entrance to Bray Head, and gave details of the provisions of the Lease relating to this site. The plot of ground and premises on it were the subject of a Lease dated 4th February, 1936, from the Council to Mr. Patrick O'Brien, Jun.. The Lease was for a period of 100 years and the yearly rent was £15. By an Agreement dated 16th June, 1938, the Council agreed to the assignment by Mr. O'Brien of his interest in the plot and premises. In accordance with the provisions of the Agreement Mr. Boud was precluded from erecting any structure on the plot unless with the permission of the Council. The Plans of the proposed Cafe were submitted for inspection by the Council. The Cafe would have a frontage of approximately 70'.

It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne and seconded by Clr. E. J. Little:-

"That the Council hereby approve of permission being given to Mr. A. G. Boud to erect premises for trading purposes at Bray Head in accordance with the plans submitted subject to the condition that an additional rent at rate of £50 per annum be paid by Mr. Boud to the Council for this concession."

As an amendment it was proposed by Ckr. P. Lodwidge, seconded by Ckr. G. H. G. Stuart:-

"That a rent of £15 per annum be substituted for the rent of £50 in the original resolution."

On a vote being taken on the amendment the members voted as follows:-

For the amendment:-

Ckrs. P. Lodwidge, G. H. G. Stuart, J. French,
L. J. McKeown, J. Tomplo, S. Dunne and
E. E. Byrne - 7

Against the amendment:-

Ckrs. H. J. Byrne and E. J. Little - 2

The amendment was declared carried by 7 votes "for" to 2 votes "against" and being treated as a substantive motion was declared carried by the same voting. The original motion was accordingly declared passed subject to such amendment, i.e. rent of £15 per annum in lieu of rent of £50 per annum.

487 Resignation of Ckr. S. Dunne
(a)

Ckr. S. Dunne tendered his resignation from membership of the Council which was accepted with regret.

488 Repairs to Bray Cove Swimming Pools

It was indicated to the Council that thus far no tender had been received for the work of repairs to the Swimming Pools at Bray Cove. However, it was understood that Messrs. William Lee & Sons, Arklow, propose to submit a tender for the work.

It was decided to adjourn the matter to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

489 Appointment of Librarian and improvements in Library Service

The County Manager suggested that a revised salary scale of £300 by £10 to £400 per annum might be agreed to by the Council for the position of permanent Librarian and the necessary financial provision be made therefor. Miss Maire Byrne who at present is employed as a Library Assistant in the Dun Laoghaire Public Library had been recommended by the Local Appointments Commission for the position of Librarian. In the present year the salary scales of Library Staffs had been revised by other Local Authorities. This was in pursuance of the policy of revision of rates of remuneration of Officers and Employees of Local Authorities generally. The Manager considered that an appropriate salary scale for the office of Librarian to Bray U.D.C. would be that which was suggested.

After a discussion as to the desirability of making improvements in the Library Service it was decided that the Council would meet as a Committee at the Public Library on Friday 28th November, 1947, at 8 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the questions of book stocks, finances, etc.,

490 Proposed establishment of a Greyhound Racing Track

Letter of 5th November, 1947, from Mr. J. P. Tyrrell, Solicitor, indicating that he was acting on behalf of the Bray Greyhound Racing Association, Limited, who are leasing a field at rere of Sunnybank from Mrs. H. J. Doyle and part of a field at rere of Rockville House from Mr. John Costello, was submitted. He stated that it was proposed to erect a Greyhound Racing Track on this site and presumed there would be no objection to this being done. A letter of 10th November, 1947, from Supt. J. F. Hynes, Garda Siochana, Bray, was submitted. Supt. Hynes suggested that the matter of provision of parking accommodation for the motor vehicles attending the Track should be considered in view of the fact that the road in the vicinity of the site is narrow and is a Trunk Road carrying very heavy bus and general traffic. If a parking place for motor vehicles were provided within the enclosed site the matter of combination of motor and pedestrian traffic over the narrow entrance avenue at the same time might possibly lead to accidents.

Letter of 16th November, 1947, from Rev. P. J. Vaughan, C.C. and Rev. William Breen, C.C. was also submitted. They stated that they strongly objected to the erection of such a Racing Track on the proposed site which is in the centre of the District of the Parish to which they minister. Their objection was based not merely on the undesirability of having such a Track in close proximity to St. Peter's Cemetery and Church, but also on the wider principle that the project would fulfil no need in Bray and would merely provide further facility for gambling. The Parish Priest and the parochial clergy had already made known to the promoters of the Racing Track their objection on this ground. They asked that this letter be placed before the Council.

It was decided to recommend the Manager not to grant the permission sought for the construction of the proposed Greyhound Racing Track.

491 Cleaning of "Cock-brook"

The Surveyor and Manager reported on the measures which had been taken for the purpose of having the "Cock-brook" cleaned. The Reports were considered satisfactory and it was decided that owners of land through which the "Cock-brook" runs be compelled to clean up the bed of the stream.

492 Suggested improvements at Esplanade (Northern end)

Memorial from residents at Fitzwilliam Terrace. They ask that the wall with railings opposite Marine Hotel be extended along the Promenade adjoining the road as far as the Sea Baths, and that the northern portion of the Esplanade be converted into a lawn for the purpose of erecting a Tennis Court on it. The Surveyor in his Report of 30th October, 1947, stated that the extension of the wall and railings in the form it exists opposite the Marine Hotel would be very costly and it would be impossible to obtain railings at present. He had already suggested, some years ago, that the wall should be carried forward to Albert Avenue; it is already arranged for along the Car Park. This wall should be in such a form that the railing can be fitted at a date when they are obtainable and when prices are more reasonable. Re conversion of northern end of Esplanade into a lawn, this was attempted some years ago and failed. It is impossible to protect the grass from the sea; one season is quite enough to kill the grass. Conditions here are altogether different now to what they were 40 years ago when the beach in the neighbourhood was some 9' higher than it is at present.

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