

Pavilion at People's Park.

It has been submitted to the Council that Dressing accommodation at the People's Park, Lower Dargle Road, is very necessary for the football teams which use the Playing Pitch, and the Council agreed to give the matter further consideration when examining the Annual Estimates. The cost is estimated by the Surveyor at £250 and this sum is included in the Estimates.

Band Performances

Last year the Council decided, after the adoption of the Estimates, to allocate a further sum of £50 for Band Performances. The Amusements Committee recently asked that the rate for this purpose be increased to 3d in the £. The same sum as allowed last year (£150) is shown in the Estimates.

School Meals.

The decision to withdraw State subsidies from bread and butter used in the School Meals provided by Local Authorities has resulted in an increase in £186 in the amount required from Rates for this service.

Printing, Stationery and Advertising.

Owing to recent increases in the charges for Printing, Stationery and Advertising this item shows an increase of £75 (£550 for 1951/52; £475 in 1950/51).

Civil Defence

The Council was instructed some time ago by the Department of Defence to undertake the preparation of a Civil Defence Scheme under the Aid Raid Precautions Act, and in the first instance, to arrange for the appointment of a Civil Defence Officer who would undergo a special Course of Training. The sum of £200 is intended to cover the Council's share of the cost ^{for} part of a year only; it is expected that 60% of the outlay will be recouped by the State. Next year, however, the expenditure on Civil Defence may show a marked increase, as special stores, equipment, etc. will have to be obtained.

When the former Scheme was in operation due provision was not made for the Council's contribution from Rates towards its cost. Fortunately, however, the increases in prices of materials and ~~storage~~ ^{charge} of supplies in 1946 to 1947 enabled the Council to dispose advantageously of ambulances, stocks of equipment etc. and thereby to liquidate a very large debit balance which had accumulated on the Account for the Service. The efficiency of the Service was also impaired by the lack of an Officer with complete responsibility for ~~the Service.~~ ^{it}

Harbour Store

The Town Surveyor has recommended repairs to this Store at a cost of £200.

Provision of New Stores.

Since the filling of the vacant position of Storekeeper efforts have been made to improve the keeping of Council's Stores and the storage accommodation. There is a lack, however, of sufficient storage facilities at the Town Hall and it is suggested that further storage accommodation might be found by constructing an addition to the new Fire Station which the County Council is arranging to erect on the site known as "The Pound" adjacent to the Town Hall. It should be mentioned that it is essential to retain this plot for a Fire ~~Storage~~ ^{Station}, Stores Building, and for storage in the open of materials for Housing Schemes, Water Supplies, etc., ~~and~~ consequently it is inadvisable to let any part of it to any outside organisation.

County Council Demand.

As already mentioned the County Council Demand shows an increase of £3,122 equivalent to 1/4d in the Rate levy. The Demand compares as follows with that for the present year :-

	<u>1951/1952</u>	<u>1950/1951</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease.</u>
	£	£	£
Main Roads :	5,411	3,154	2,257 (inc.)
Public Assistance :	12,604	12,432	172 (inc.)
Mental Hospitals :	6,261	5,715	546 (inc.)
Health Services :	1,430	1,767	337 (dec.)
General Purposes (Co.)	3,414	2,930	484 (inc.)
	<u>29,120</u>	<u>25,998</u>	<u>3,122 (inc.)</u>

It will be noted that the major increases occur under the headings of Main Roads and Mental Hospitals. Owing to the increases in costs of materials and wages the County Council had to make additional provision for Main Roads and the Demand from Grangegorman Mental Hospital again showed an increase.

Unemployment Assistance Acts Levy

This is the product of a special rate of 9d in the £ which the Council is required to raise under the Unemployment Asst. Acts, 1933 and 1940. The money is paid to the Department of Social Welfare. The levy which is based on the gross valuation, excluding Council houses and a few minor items, shows an increase of £60. Incidentally, the fact that this charge and the County Council Demand are based on gross valuations, rather than valuations actually assessed to Rates, is a further proof of fallacy of the argument (and many more could be adduced) that the addition of new dwellings (which are only rated in part for the first seven years) is of unqualified benefit to an Urban community.

Comparison of Rates.

Reference already has been made to the comparative stability of the rate levy in the past 10 years. Prior to 1947 the Council levied two Rates, viz. a Poor Rate to meet the cost of the County Council Demand and the Unemployment Assistance Acts Assessment, and a Town Rate to meet the cost of Urban Services.

In the years 1937 to 1938; 1938 to 1939 and 1941 to 1942 the Town Rate was 14/- in the £. In the present year (1950/51) the expenditure on Municipal (Urban) Services for which provision was made in the Annual Estimates represented a rate of 14/- in the £. In the period between 1937/38 and 1950/51 prices of all commodities ~~have~~ increased to a marked extent and reference already has been made to the effect of wages and salary increases.

Moreover, in the past six years the Council has liquidated a substantial debit balance accrued in previous years and has been able to administer the Council's Services in the past three years without resort to Overdraft accommodation. It would probably be true to say that a Rate of 14/- in the £ in 1937/38 would represent between 30/- and 40/- in present day monetary values. It is to be regretted that, when the Town Rate was relatively high Schemes of progressive Works such as the relaying of Watermains and Reconstruction of Roads were not undertaken and that they have to be carried out nowadays at much higher cost and under difficult supply conditions.

Once again I desire to express sincere appreciation of the co-operation and assistance which has been received from the successive Chairmen of the Council and the Members in the past year. Local administration is each year making an increased demand on the time and ability of elected representatives as is evident from the ~~increase in~~ ^{increasing} number of problems on which decisions have to be taken and the number of Meetings to be attended. The satisfactory service given by all members of the Council's staff, both indoor and outdoor, must also be mentioned. The preparation of the Estimates and the review of your services was much facilitated by the thorough manner in which the Town Clerk (Mr. Fennell) kept the necessary records and supplied all relevant information, and valuable assistance was also given by the Acting Town Surveyor and Staff Officer.

Yours faithfully,

M. Flannery,

Wicklow County Manager.

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ESTIMATES OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR
ENDING 31st MARCH, 1952

EXPENDITURE

	Estimated by Manager.	Adopted by Council.
	£	£
<u>URBAN ROADS</u>		
<u>Ordinary Road Works</u>		
Urban Roads Maintenance - Wages	813	
do. - Materials	200	
Tar Spraying - Galtrim Park, Strand Rd. etc.	1,340	
Special Grant Works (Council's Contribution)	300	
Salaries (Surveyor and Overseer part)	305	
Salaries (Storekeeper one-half)	198	
Clothing (Workmen)	20	
Superannuation - Former Overseer & Surveyor (one-fourth)	98	
<u>LOAN CHARGES</u>		
1947 Meath & Sidmonton Roads Reconstruction (C.P.W.)	672	
1949 Meath & Sidmonton Roads Reconstruction (C.P.W.)	210	
1948 Florence Road Reconstruction (C.P.W.)	509	
1951 Church Road Reconstruction (half-year)	91	
1951 Herbert Road Reconstruction (half-year)	238	
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	4,994	
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	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>SANITARY SERVICES</u>		
Sewers - Wages	560	
do. - Materials	120	
do. - cleaning Strand Road sewer	200	
do. - Superannuation (workmen)	41	
Cleaning Cockbrook	70	
Waterworks - salaries	725	
- wages	742	
- clothing - workmen	20	
- materials	50	
- Superannuation (Doyle & Lee)	374	
- Dublin Corporation for bulk supply @ 3.55d	4,500	
- Purchase of Water Meters	50	
Scavenging - Domestic Refuse Collection - wages	887	
- Wages (Street cleaning)	1,800	
- clothing - workmen	20	
- carting	20	
- tools etc.	50	
- Superannuation - workmen	397	
- fuel, maintenance etc. Refuse Vehicle	288	
Municipal Baths - Maintenance and repairs to Platform	100	
Public Lighting	1,560	
Salaries - (Surveyor & Overseer part)	305	
Superannuation - Surveyor & Overseer	98	
Salaries - Storekeeper - part	198	
Dumping Site - provision of	75	
Other Sanitary Expenses	20	
Public Lavatory at Courthouse (half cost)	125	
Repairs to Lavatories at Strand Road	150	
do. Boat House	75	
<u>LOAN CHARGES</u>		
1928 Sewers (C.P.W.)	254	
1929 Sewers (C.P.W.)	77	
1939 Public Health - General (C.P.W.)	143	
1947 Watermains - Herbert & Vevay Roads (C.P.W.)	110	
1947 Sewers & Watermains - Meath & Sidmonton Roads (C.P.W.)	268	
1950 Miscellaneous 4" Watermains (C.P.W.) purchase (half-year)	170	
1951 Watermain - Quinsboro' Road (Treas.) half-year	54	
1950 Refuse Collection Vehicle	424	
1950 laying of watermains - Church Road. etc. (half-year)	146	
1951 Purchase of additional Watermains (half-year)	75	
	£15,431	

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>HOUSING</u>		
<u>Housing of the Working Classes</u>		
Maintenance and Repairs	1,200	
Salaries - Surveyor & Overseer - part	305	
do.	470	
Superannuation - Overseer & Surveyor (one-fourth)	98	
Rent Collectors' Commission	900	
Rates on Council Houses	5,184	
Insurance	300	
Clearing of Derelict Sites	10	
Grant under Section 19 of the Housing Act., 1948	40	

LOAN CHARGES

1912 Dargan Street etc. (C.P.W.)	303		
1931 Little Bray Scheme (Royal Liver)	1,194		
1933 Little Bray Scheme (Royal Liver)	912		
1935 Wolfe Tone Square & Kilmantin Park (C.P.W.)	6,185		
1936 do. do.	1,086		
1937 Little Bray Housing Development (C.P.W.)	543		
1939 do. do.	121		
1949 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Conversion Stock	1,904		
1947 Dublin Road etc. 91 Houses Scheme (C.P.W.)	2,491		
1949 do. do.	541		
1950 do. do.	287		
1951 do. do. (half-year)	34		
1949 Pollard's Terrace Acquisition	80		
1949 Greenpark Terrace, Vevay Road & Dargle Road - 18 Houses Scheme (C.P.W.) (Direct Labour)	519		
1951 do. do. do. do. (half-year)	30		
1950 Fairgreen Terrace, St. Peter's Tce. etc. 29 Houses Scheme (C.P.W.) (Direct Labour)	839		
1950 Boghall - 22 Houses Scheme - Acquisition of Land (Treas.)	111		
1950 Boghall - 22 Houses Scheme - Development (half-year) (C.P.W.)	127		
1950 Boghall - 22 Houses Scheme - Erection (half-year) (C.P.W.)	318		
1951 Old Connaught Scheme - Acquisition of Land	240		
1951 Old Connaught Scheme - Erection of 25 Houses (part charge)	412		
1951 Acquisition of Dock Terrace (half-year)	78		

Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

Loan Charges

1935 C. Public Works Loan	538
1936 C. Public Works Loan	1,066
1949 C. Public Works Loan	1,442
1950 C. Public Works Loan	1,442
1951 C. Public Works Loan	960

32,310

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES</u>		
Town Hall Expenses - lighting & heating	400	
Town Hall - Repairs (Valleys and gutters etc.)	425	
Tourist Development	100	
Town & Regional Planning	5	
Public Library salaries (Librarian and Assistant)	613	
do. salaries (additional Assistant)	192	
do. wages	52	
do. Books, binding etc.	650	
do. Loan Charges (half-year)	270	
do. Heating and lighting	52	
do. Furniture and fittings	61	
Vocational Education - Demand	1,541	
Vocational Education - Superannuation	52	
Public Parks and Esplanade - Wages	1,114	
do. - clothing of workmen	20	
do. Materials	120	
do. - Pavilion at People's Park	250	
Sodding of Esplanade	50	
Painting Railings (Strand Road)	250	
Tree Planting	50	
Bandstand - new storage hut	100	
Kiosks - repairs	120	
Repairs to Wall at Bray Head Park	100	
Repairs to Plantation Fences	25	
Repairs to Seats	70	
Repairs to Sea Wall	480	
Repairs to Boat Slip	15	
Car Park - Tar Spraying	180	
Markets and Weighbridge - salary of Weighmaster	312	
do. - Repairs	10	
do. - Rent	15	
Band Performances	150	
Milk and Dairies Acts	10	
School Meals - cost of food	972	
do. - Cost of administration	205	
Allotments - administration	30	
Allotments - Cost of Land and Seeds	80	
Salaries	1,894	
do. - Surveyor & Overseer - part	305	
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	11,360	
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	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES (continued)</u>	<u>Forward</u>	11,360
Rate Collector's Commission		650
Superannuation - Town Clerk		519
do. - Poor Rate Collector		237
do. - Former Surveyor & Overseer - part		98
do. - Medical Officer for Health		36
Legal Expenses		350
Audit Expenses		50
Printing, Stationery and Advertising		550
Office Expenses - Postage & Telephones		150
Preparation of Rate Books etc.		50
Rent - Rates and Taxes		208
Insurances (Fire, E.L., P.L. and F.G.)		369
Discount on Rates		90
Refunded and Irrecoverable Rates		300
Fuel Scheme - cost of turf etc.		1,333
Fuel Scheme - administration (printing etc.)		40
Bank Interest		50
Miscellaneous		100
Civil Defence		200
<u>HARBOUR CHARGES</u>		
Superannuation of Harbour Master		197
Wages - (crane man)		331
Materials		25
Lighting and power for crane		10
Repairs to Harbour Bridge		100
Repairs to Crane		25
Repairs to Harbour Store		200
<u>LOAN CHARGES - GENERAL PURPOSES</u>		
1932 Vocational Education (C.P.W.)		228
1943 Sea Wall Restoration (C.P.W.)		320
1947 Sea Wall Restoration (C.P.W.)		20
1947 Car Park (C.P.W.)		249
1949 Harbour Dredging		104
1950 Town Hall alterations and repairs		172
Esplanade improvements (half-year) Treas.		360
New Stores (half-year) Treas.		105
<u>COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES</u>		
Main Roads		5,411
Public Assistance		12,604
Mental Hospitals		6,261
Health Services		1,430
General Purposes (County)		3,414
Separate Charges		--
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE LEVY</u>		
£43,237 P.L.V. @ 9d in £1 (1933 & 1940 U.A. ACTS)		1,621
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		49,927
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R E C E I P T S

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>ROADS</u>		
State Grant - Estate Duty Grant	75	
Miscellaneous	20	
	95	
<u>SANITARY SERVICES</u>		
School Meals - State Grant	486	
Sewer Connections	100	
Water connections	250	
Water Rents	600	
Sanitary Conveniences Esplanade	65	
Sewer Rents (Dublin Road)	16	
	1,517	
<u>HOUSING</u>		
<u>Housing of the Working Classes</u>		
Housing Subsidy - Little Bray Scheme	910	
Housing Subsidy - Wolfe Tone Square and Kilmantin Park	3,710	
Housing Subsidy - Dublin Road, Castle St. etc.	418	
Housing Subsidy - 29 Houses Scheme	118	
Housing Grant - 1908 Act (no.)	30	
Housing Grant - 1948 Act (Sect. 19)	27	
Rents (inc. of Rates.)	13,920	
Purchase Annuities	3,275	
<u>Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.</u>		
Repayment by borrowers (old Loans)	1,460	
Repayment by borrowers (new Loans)	3,844	
	£27,712	
	£27,712	

	Estimated by Manager.	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES</u>		
<u>State Grants</u>		
Bounty in lieu of Rates	350	
Allotments	40	
Fuel Scheme	903	
Loan Charges on Vocational School	114	
Grant in Aid of Harbour	500	
Fair Green Letting	10	
Markets and Town Hall Lettings	50	
Dividend on Shelter Fund	10	
Site No. 2 (Central Bandstand)	10	
Site No. 3 (Putting Green)	150	
Site No. 4 (Concert Parties)	25	
Chair Licence	70	
Kiosks (Bray Head and Strand Road)	15	
Kiosks - Esplanade	450	
Weighing Machines	60	
Fuel Scheme - payments by recipients and recoupment from County Council	470	
Harbour Tolls	5	
Harbour Rents	40	
Public Library - registration fees etc.	200	
Miscellaneous	150	

Total Receipts	3,622	

FRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL ESTIMATES - 1951/52

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

	Gross Expenditure	Receipts	Net Expenditure
	£	£	£
Roads	4,994	95	4,899
Sanitary Services	15,431	1,517	13,914
Housing Services	32,310	27,712	4,598
General Urban Purposes	49,927	3,622	46,305
	<hr/> £102,662 <hr/>	<hr/> £32,946 <hr/>	<hr/> £69,716 <hr/>

The net requirements of the Council to be met from Rate Levy, therefore, are £69,716.

Municipal Rate of 1d in the £1 produces £189 9s 0d. Rate in the £1 to meet the net expenditure of £69,716 is 30s 8d.

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BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Statutory Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 12th April, 1949, at 7.50.p.m.

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (Chairman) Councillors E.E.Byrne, J. French, G.D.Syle, E.J.Little, P.Ledwidge, L. J. McKeown, P.McLoughlin, G.H.G.Stuart, D.Sayers, J. Temple, P. Kelly.

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

208. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on the 24th February, 1949; adjourned Meeting of 28th Feb., Statutory Meeting of 8th March; Adjourned Meeting 15th March; Special Meeting of 18th March; Special Meeting of the 29th March; which had been circulated were read and signed.

209. Housing Allocations.

Councillor Ledwidge referred to Item No. 106 in the Minutes of 28th February regarding Housing Allocations and intimated that he proposed to hand in a Notice of Motion to have the Minute rescinded.

210. Housing Allocations

Clr. Temple referred to Item 204 in the Minutes of 29th March, regarding the allocation of a house at 5 Wolfe Tone Sq. South to Mrs. Kavanagh, 26 Wolfe Tone Sq., East. He stated that he was unaware that the matter had been considered by the Council. Although he was in fact in favour of the allocation of the house to Mrs. Kavanagh he represented that the Minute was not an accurate record of the decision of the Council in the matter of the Housing allocations.

211. Votes of Sympathy

The Chairman on behalf of the Council tendered a Vote of Sympathy to the relatives of the late Terence Byrne, 7 St. Kevin's Square, a former employ ee of the Council.

212. Inauguration of Republic of Ireland.

It was proposed by Clr. E.Byrne, seconded by Clr. Temple, and resolved,

"That the National Flag be flown from Civic Buildings on Easter Sunday and following days to celebrate the inauguration of the Republic of Ireland at 12.1a.m. on Easter Monday, 18th April, 1949"

Clrs Ledwidge, J. French, L. J. McKeown & P. Kelly dissociated themselves from the Resolution and represented that until the 32 Counties of Ireland were free and constituted the Republic of Ireland, there should not be any celebration of the inauguration of the Republic in respect of the 26 Counties. *E.J. Little*

213. Cardinal Mindszenty

It was unanimously agreed that the following letters should be entered on the Minutes:-

Archbishop's House,
Dublin N.E.3.

9th April, 1947.

(1)

Dear Mr. Fennell,

I have pleasure in enclosing a letter which I received to-day, from the Holy See.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

John C. McQuaid,

Archbishop of Dublin,
etc., etc.,

E. J. Fennell, Esq.,
The Town Clerk,
Bray.
Co. Wicklow.

(2)

SEGRETERIA DI STATO
DI SUA SANTITÀ

Dal Vaticano, li March 31, 1949

Dear Mr. Fennell,

At the gracious bidding of the Holy Father, I am to acknowledge receipt of the devoted message of sympathy and solidarity which you sent to Him, through His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin, in the name of Bray Urban District Council on the occasion of the imprisonment and condemnation of His Eminence Cardinal Mindszenty.

The paternal heart of His Holiness, weighed down beneath the burden of this great sorrow, has derived comfort and consolation from the many expressions of prayerful sympathy and support extended to him by His beloved Irish children.

The Pontiff, therefore, bids me assure you of His cordial thankfulness, and, as a token of His appreciation, He invokes upon you and upon the members of the Council copious blessings from Almighty God.

With sentiments of high esteem and regard, I remain,

Yours sincerely

J. B. Montini.

Subst.

Mr. E. J. Fennell,
Town Clerk,
Bray Urban District Council
Town Hall,
Bray, Co. Wicklow.

214. Managers Orders

The County Manager's Orders (Nos 6361 to 6391) as circulated were discussed.

215. Amendment of County Management Act

It was proposed by Clr. Little and seconded by Clr. H. Byrne,

"That the Council approves the statement of Clr. Sayers (made at the Meeting of Labour Party representatives with the Minister for Local Government on Tuesday 1st March, on the discussion of the Ministerial proposed drastic amendment of the County Management Acts) that the Acts contained many good features of administration and with harmonious co-operation between Manager and Council should prove a success and the Council urges against hasty amendment of measures of recent enactment without further trial."

Following discussion in which all the members of the Council took part the following amendment was moved by Clr. P. Ledwidge, seconded by L. J. McKeown:-

"It is the opinion of this Council that the County Management Act contained many good features of administration, and with harmonious co-operation between Managers and Councils should prove a success, and consequently the Council urges the Minister not to introduce amendment without further trial."

The amendment was put and a division taken when there voted for the Amendment 9. There voted against the Amendment 3.

The following voted for the Amendment viz., Clr. H. Byrne, J. French, P. Ledwidge, E. J. Little, L. J. McKeown, D. Sayers, P. Kelly, G. H. G. Stuart and P. McLoughlin. The following voted against, viz., Clrs. E. Byrne, J. Temple and G. Doyle.

The Amendment having been declared carried, it was put as a substantive Motion and carried with the same division.

216. Drainage at River Dargle

It was agreed to defer the following Notice of Motion which appeared on the Agenda Paper in the name of Clr. Temple until the County Council Drainage Scheme has been prepared, viz., The Notice of Motion is as follows:-

"That in view of the Minister for Local Government's statement that drains will be opened on rivers to prevent flooding, that a Grant should be sought to alter the bed of the River Dargle to prevent further flooding in Bray. The ex-Town Surveyor has already submitted a report on this matter."

217. Holding of Council Meetings in Public

Upon the request of the Council Clr. McLoughlin withdrew the following Notice of Motion which appeared in his name on the Agenda Paper viz.,

"That as from this date no business of the Council, (financial or otherwise) be dealt with in Committee, save and except where recommendations for the advance of Loans or Grants to private individuals under the various Housing Schemes are being considered, or (2) where very special business is to be considered and then only on the majority vote of the Councillors present. That all Council business be discussed openly and fully reported so that the Ratepayers of the Township may be given an opportunity of knowing what is being done on their behalf."

217(contd) The Chairman stressed the fact that it had always been the practice to hold Meetings in Public unless matters of a purely personal character i.e. Small Dwelling Loan Application were under discussion.

218. Appreciation of Council's Expression of Sympathy.

The following letters of appreciation of Council's sympathy were noted, viz., Letter from Relatives of Mrs. Jordan, 1 Sidmonton Avenue; letter from family of Mrs. Wood, Quinsboro' Road; letter from Secretary, Earl of Meath.

219. Alteration of Name of Back Street

The Town Clerk informed the Council that nine of the thirteen Ratepayers of Back Street, St. Colmcille's Tce., had expressed their desire that the name of Back St., should be altered.

It was proposed by Clr. Stuart, seconded by Clr. Little, and resolved:-

"That the thoroughfare, known as Back Street should be renamed".

The Motion was put and a division taken when there appeared For the Motion - 6 Against the Motion 6

The following voted for the Motion, viz., Clr. H.Byrne, J.French, E.J.Little, L.J.McKeown P.McLoughlin, and G.H.G.Stuart.

The following voted against the Motion viz., Clr.E.Byrne G.Doyle, P.Ledwidge, D.Sayers, J.Temple, and P.Kelly.

Upon the casting vote of the Chairman the Motion was declared carried.

It was moved by Clr. E.J.Little and seconded by Clr. Stuart:-

"That the thoroughfare be renamed "St. Colmcille Road".

The following Amendment was proposed by Clr. French and seconded by Clr. P.Ledwidge

"That the thoroughfare be renamed "Emmet Road".

The following Amendment was proposed by Clr. H.Byrne, and seconded by Clr. Sayers:-

"That the thoroughfare be renamed "Thomas Road".

The amendment to name the thoroughfare as "Thomas Road" was put and a division taken. There voted for this Amendment 2. There voted against the amendment 10. The amendment was accordingly declared lost.

Thereupon the Amendment to rename the thoroughfare as "Emmet Road" was put and a division taken. The following voted for the Amendment(7) viz., Clr. E.Byrne, G.Doyle, J.French, P.Ledwidge, D.Sayers, P.Kelly and J.Temple. There voted against the amendment (5) viz., Clr. H.Byrne, E.J.Little, L.J.McKeown, P.McLoughlin and G.H.G.Stuart. The Amendment having been declared carried was put as a substantive Motion and carried with the same division.

220. Audit of Accounts of Council.

Submitted Report of Mr. R.M.Barragry, Local Government Auditor, upon his audit of the Accounts of the Urban Council, for the financial year ended 31st March, 1948.

The County Manager in reply to Clr. McLoughlin stated that the amount outstanding in respect of excess Water Charges was attributable to the fact that the sums referred to in the Auditor's Report represented a debt to the Council in respect of water to be used for building purposes which was recorded in the Accounts immediately upon the issue of approval Notices under the Building Byelaws. The sum would not be payable until work had commenced but were shown as being due in the Accounts, notwithstanding the fact that frequently the works in respect of which the charge was made might not be proceeded with. The amounts are recoverable when the various works have commenced.

The Town Clerk in reply to Clr. Ledwidge intimated that the typist to whom the Stocktaker has supplied the manuscript of Stocktaking made in May, 1948, had been admitted to a Sanatorium. Arrangements, he stated, were being made to have another Stocktaker appointed.

The Chairman stated that tributes were due to the Officials of the Council as it appears from the Report of the Auditor that considerable improvement had been effected in the financial position of the Council during the period under review by the Auditor.

221. Comhdhail Naisiunta na Gaedhilge

Submitted Resolution from Fermoy Urban District Council regarding the restoration of the Grant in respect of the advancement of the aims of Comhdhail Naisiunta na Gaedhilge. ORDER:- Adopted.

222. Housing Rents

Submitted Resolution from the Birr U.D.C.regarding increase of rents in respect of houses erected by Local Authorities.

ORDER:- Noted.

223. Amusement Site on Esplanade

Submitted letter from Messrs Hoey & Denning Solicitors requesting the Council to approve of an extension of the Licence granted to Mr. G.Hunt for permission to use a site at the Esplanade for amusement purposes during the years 1951 - 1955.

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, seconded by Clr. Doyle and Resolved.

"That Mr. Gordon Hunt be granted a Licence to use a site on the Esplanade for Amusement purposes for a further period of five years from 1951 at an annual Rent of £2,150, and that he shall contribute a sum of 75% towards the cost of the erection of a suitable wall or railing between the amusement site and the Strand Road.

Councillor Stuart dissented.

224. Repairs to Council's Houses

The following Tenders were received in response to public advertisement for repairs to Council's Houses for twelve months from 1st May, 1949, viz.,

Messrs James Byrne, & Sons Bray, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % below Schedule Prices.
Thomas Flynn, Esq., Galway, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % above Schedule Prices.
T. Whelan, Esq., Bray, 55% above Schedule Prices.

It was decided to accept the Tender of Messrs James Byrne & Sons for the execution of repairs to Council Houses during the twelve months commencing 1st May, 1949.

225 Public Library

It was agreed to close the Public Library for a period of six weeks commencing 25th April, during the period that repairs, etc., are being executed.

Signed:-

H. Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date:-

10/5/49

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Adjourned Statutory Meeting held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 19th April, 1949 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (Chairman) Cllrs. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle, E. J. Little, P. Ledwidge, L. J. McKeown, P. McLoughlin, P. Kelly, David Sayers, J. Temple,

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

226. Religious Services on Esplanade

Submitted letter from Rev. W. Fullerton, The Manse, Sutton, Dublin requesting permission to hold Religious Services on the Esplanade during the coming Season.

It was proposed by Cllr. McKeown and seconded by Cllr. Ledwidge.

"That permission be refused"

The Motion was put and a division taken when there voted for the Motion - 7 viz., Cllrs. McKeown, P. Ledwidge, J. Temple, G. Doyle, P. McLoughlin, J. French, and P. Kelly. There voted against the Motion - 4 viz., Cllrs. H. Byrne, E. Byrne, E. J. Little, and D. Sayers.

The Motion was accordingly declared carried. X

227. Proposed acquisition of land at Boghall-

Submitted letter dated, 29th March, 1949, from Meath Estate intimating that the Earl of Meath is prepared to sell 4 acres of land at Boghall for the sum of £388 per acre for the erection of better class houses and/or for the leasing to Public Utility Societies and private persons who propose to erect houses for their own occupation.

Following discussion it was decided to appoint a Deputation to interview the Earl of Meath with a view to Agreement being reached regarding the purchase price of the land and to discuss other matters in connection with the proposed acquisition thereof. The following members were appointed to constitute the Deputation:- Cllrs. H. Byrne, E. J. Little, G. Doyle and P. Ledwidge. The Deputation would have authority to negotiate with the Earl of Meath regarding the amount to be paid by the Council for the purchase of the land.

228. Erection of Houses on Derelict Sites

Submitted lay-out Plans in respect of the eighteen houses being erected by the Wicklow County Council's Direct Labour Organisation. The Plans as submitted were approved and the Council directed that they be forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval.

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Date:- 10/5/49

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,
Bray.....195...

re:.....

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I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of.....

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and in reply to state that the matter is receiving my attention.

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D. F. McCARTHY, Town Clerk.

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229. (Contd) Following discussion during which it was stressed that the Council had been endeavouring to acquire the land at Palermo since July 1948, it was proposed by Clr. Temple seconded by Clr. Kelly and resolved:-

"That we, the Bray Urban District Council, having failed to purchase by agreement from the owner viz., Cassell family, an area of land at "Palermo" measuring approximately 23 acres for the purpose of the erection of houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts now direct that the necessary action to be taken to have the land acquired compulsorily."

230. Extension of Urban Boundary

Submitted letter from the Secretary, Department of Local Government intimating that the area of land proposed to be incorporated within the Urban Area, should follow a natural and readily identifiable line of demarcation and that the proposed addition appears to be an arbitrary one only.

Following a discussion it was decided to request the Minister for Local Government to receive a Deputation consisting of Clrs. H. Byrne, P. Ledwidge, D. Sayers and J. Temple to impress upon him the urgency of the matter of the extension of the boundary to include the lands at Palermo.

It was agreed to direct the Town Surveyor to submit to the Council at its next Statutory Meeting a report indicating the area (in addition to the lands at "Palermo") which it is proposed to have incorporated within the Urban area.

231. Wall at Strand Road

Submitted letter from Mr. Carr of Strand Road, requesting permission to erect a wall round his premises.

ORDER:- Permission granted.

232. Sewer Connection - Dublin Road

Submitted application from Mr. Lally requesting permission to connect his premises at Dublin Road to Council's sewer.

ORDER:- Permission granted in view of the fact that Plans for the development of the land had been approved for some time.

The County Manager stated that Council's Solicitors had prepared a Form of Agreement regarding the connection to Council's sewers of a number of houses outside the Urban area and that a sewer Rent calculated at the rate of 1s 6d in the £1, based on the Poor Law Valuation of the premises, would be payable to the Council.

233. Lattice Cottage, Strand Road.

Submitted letter from Mrs. M. Murphy, requesting an extension for a further year of a Licence to use as a shop, premises at the corner of Putland and Strand Roads.

ORDER:- Permission granted for a further year.

234. Kitchenette at 74 Wolfe Tone Sq., North

Submitted Plans by Mr. T. Whelan for erection of a Kitchenette at rear of No. 74 Wolfe Tone Square, North.

ORDER:- Permission granted.

35. Housing Progress

Arising out of questions raised by members of the Council regarding fencing, lighting, etc., and the progress of the 86 houses Scheme it was decided to request Mr. E.M. Murphy, to attend the next Meeting

36. Erection of Stores at Kaye's Hotel

Consideration of Plans submitted for the proposed erection of Stores at the rear of Kaye's Hotel, Novara Road, was adjourned to the Next Statutory Meeting.

37. Use of Turf in Councils Offices

Submitted letter from the National Turf Producer's Association requesting the Council to use Turf in Civic Buildings with a view to providing employment in the country.

It was proposed by Clr. Ledwidge and seconded by Clr. Sayers and resolved:-

"That Turf be used in the Council's Buildings".

Clrs. H. Byrne and J. Temple dissented.

38. Proposed Cafe 8 Marine Terrace.

Consideration of Plans submitted for proposed erection of a Cafe at No. 8 Marine Tce., was deferred pending the submission of a detailed Specification in relation to the proposed structure.

39. Proposed Structure rear 7 Rathmore Tce.,

Submitted Plan for the proposed erection of a Scullery at the rear of No. 7 Rathmore Tce., for Messrs Cullen & Son.

ORDER:- Permission refused. Request submission of properly prepared Plans.

Applications for Advances under Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

Submitted Appeal from Mr. Francis Carr against decision of Council refusing application for a Loan under the Acts for the purchase of a house at Newcourt Road.

It was agreed to adhere to previous decision refusing Advance under the Acts.

Applications from the following persons were refused.

Name	Address	In respect of Premises
T.H. Fowler,	Mayfield, Newcourt Road.	Vevay Road.
R. Britton,	81 Main St., Bray.	81 Main St.,
R. Arnold.	40 Main St., Bray.	80 Main St.,

An application from Mr. J. J. A. Hogan, Moyleen, Putland Road, Bray, in respect of a house proposed to be purchased by him at New Road off Newcourt Road was deferred.

Solus Teoranta Employees

Members of the Deputation appointed to interview the Directors of Solus Teoranta regarding the dismissal of a number of employees of the Company informed the Council that they had not received a definite undertaking that the dismissed employees would be re-employed.

241(contd) It was agreed to request the Minister for Industry & Commerce to receive a Deputation regarding the re-employment of the dismissed employees - as that which interviewed the Directors of Solus Teoranta, with the addition of Councillor French.

Signed: H. Byrne
CHAIRMAN

Date: 10/5/49

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

A Further Adjourned Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, Bray,
on Tuesday 26th April, 1949, at 7-30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors P. Kelly, P. McLoughlin, D. Sayers, G. H. G. Stuart,
L. J. McKeown, G. Doyle, E. J. O Beagain, P. Ledwidge
and J. Temple.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk, Town Surveyor and Mr. E. M. Murphy, B.E..

(242) Votes of Sympathy

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, tendered sympathy to the relatives of the late Mr. Hand, Mrs. Cooney, Mr. Worrall and Mr. Loughlin, Kilcoole.

(243) Superannuation of Council Employees

Councillor Sayers requested the permission of the Council to intimate that he had not received an invitation to attend the function in the Town Hall on the 16th April, 1949, in connection with the retirement of some of the Council's employees.

Accordingly, he would like an opportunity to pay a tribute to the employees concerned and to wish them happiness in their retirement.

(244) Housing Scheme

At the request of the Council Mr. E. M. Murphy, B.E. attended the Meeting in connection with the progress of the Council's Housing Scheme at the various sites.

Dublin Road Site:- Mr. Murphy informed the Council that he would make arrangements to have the briars in the garden of No. 43 St. Peter's Road removed immediately. Following discussion it was agreed that rubble which had been deposited on the roadway at this site would be removed immediately. It was agreed to erect a wall along Old Connaught Avenue - the necessary Plan to be submitted by Mr. Murphy at the next Statutory Meeting.

Dwyer Park:- Mr. Murphy informed the Council that the roadway at Dwyer Park would be cleared as soon as the site was ready to be handed over to the Council by the Contractor. It was agreed to request Mr. Murphy to submit a Report indicating improvements at the site known as Dunne's Yard where two houses are ready for demolition.

Hudson's Terrace:- It was agreed to request Mr. Murphy to submit a Report indicating his proposals in connection with a lane giving access to the site from Florence Road. He was also requested to submit his views upon the erection of a division fence between St. Andrew's School and the Housing Site.

Vevay Road Site:- Mr. Murphy was requested to submit a Plan indicating particulars of the proposed access road to the Housing Scheme at this Site, together with an estimate of the cost of fencing at the rear of the houses.

(245) Tenancy of No. 5 St. Patrick's Square, and No. 10 Captain's Avenue

Submitted letter on behalf of Mrs. Moloney, tenant of No. 10 Captain's Avenue, requesting the Council to allow her to occupy the premises pending the provision of alternative accommodation.

It was agreed not to proceed with the Notice to Quit served on Miss Flanagan in respect of breach by her of the Tenancy Agreement in connection with the sub-letting of the premises.

Councillor P. Ledwidge represented that as the Council had made a decision at a previous Meeting to allocate the premises 5 St. Patrick's Square to Mr. John Murray, rear 8 Prince of Wales Terrace, the matter of the allocation of the premises could not be discussed at this stage until the previous decision had been rescinded. Thereupon Clr. Sayers moved that :-

"Notice is hereby given that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Statutory Meeting of the Council that the decision of the Council regarding the letting of No. 5 St. Patrick's Square be rescinded."

(246) Admission of children to Cinemas

Submitted letter from the Manager, Royal Cinema, Bray, requesting the Council to amend the Cinema Regulations so as to permit children on holidays in Bray to attend Cinema performances after the prescribed hours as set out in the Regulations attaching to the Licence.

Order:- Letter read.

(247) Naming of Houses at Vevay Road

Submitted letter from Mr. T. Whelan, Building Contractor, Bray, requesting the Council to permit him to name the houses being erected by him at Vevay Road as "Putland Villas".

Order:- Houses to be numbered on Vevay Road.

(248) Harbour - Sewage disposal

Petition from residents adjoining the Harbour requesting the Council to effect improvements in the sewage disposal at the Harbour.

Order:- Adjourn consideration of the matter pending a Report from the Town Surveyor.

(249) Mobile Canteen

The Council refused to grant permission to Mr. Michael A. Ryan, 78 Prussia Street, Dublin, to operate a Mobile Canteen on the Esplanade during the coming season.

(250) Proposed closing of the Mill Race.

It was agreed to indicate to the Electricity Supply Board that the Council is not in favour of the closing of the Mill Race.

(251) Public Library.

It was proposed by Clr. E. O. Beagain
seconded by Clr. H. J. Byrne,
and resolved:-

"That the establishment and maintenance of Public Libraries, being a necessary part of Irish Education, they should be charged upon the Annual Estimate of the amount required to defray the expenses of the Office of the Minister for Education."

That the like relief be claimed for the local Rating Authority in respect of them as provided for in relation to any of the subheads on the Annual Vote".

Proposed Tourist Tax

It was proposed by Clr. E. O. Beagain
seconded by Clr. H. J. Byrne
and resolved :-

"That we recommend that the Minister for Local Government be requested to include in Amending Legislation the provision empowering the Urban Council, being responsible for the amenities of a tourist resort, to authorise a levy of one shilling, as a small poll tax, on bills of visitors making a stay at Hotels and Boarding Houses in the Urban District during the months of April to October of each year."

It was agreed to transmit copies of both the foregoing Resolutions to the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Education respectively.

(252) Appointment of Water Inspector

Mr. Patrick Doyle, 3 St. Kevin's Square, Bray, was appointed Water Inspector at the minimum scale of £300 by £10 to £350 per annum, in accordance with the provisions and regulations regarding the Office, prescribed by the Minister for Local Government.

(253) Bray Cove Swimming Club Accounts

Submitted Report of the Accountant upon his audit of the Accounts of Bray Cove Swimming Club, in respect of the season 1948.

The Accountant certified that the excess of income over expenditure for the season amounted to £12 13s 7d and that the vouchers submitted to him were examined and found in order.

Order:- Accounts of Bray Cove Swimming Club admirably presented and considered satisfactory.

Accounts of Bray Swimming Club had not been submitted to the Accountant for audit.

It was agreed that no work could be carried out at the Municipal Baths until the Accounts for the past season had been submitted.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Clr. D. Sayers regarding contribution by the Council to work at Bray Cove Swimming Pools:-

"That I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Statutory Meeting of the Council that the resolution of the Council deciding that no further outlay be incurred by the Council on the maintenance of the Swimming Pools at Bray Cove be rescinded."

(254) Town Hall Repairs

It was proposed by Clr. D. Sayers
seconded by Clr. G. H. G. Stuart
and resolved:-

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government we hereby authorise the borrowing from the Council's Treasurers of the sum of £1,250, repayable in a period of 10 years, for the purpose of defraying the cost of alterations and renovations to the Town Hall, as set out in Estimate submitted by the Town Surveyor."

(255) Bray Traffic (Parking and Waiting) Bye-Laws.

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government requesting the Council to indicate the amendments which it is proposed to have effected to the Bray Traffic (Parking and Waiting) Bye-Laws.

Order:- Information requested by the Department in their letter of the 4th April, 1949, to be supplied.

(256) Control of Advertising.

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government intimating that the Council's recommendations regarding the control of advertising were receiving attention.

Order:- Noted.

(257) Fire Brigade Services

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government recommending that the personnel of the Fire Brigade should be increased from 8 to 12, viz. 1 Station Officer, a Sub-Officer and 10 firemen, and also recommending that the maximum rates of remuneration in respect of part-time Fire Brigade personnel, as outlined in Circular G.386/48 of the 24th May, 1948, should be applied in respect of the Council's Fire Brigade.

Order:- Noted.

It was agreed to accept the Tender of Messrs. Archer of Dublin for brush painting the Fire Brigade Tender for the sum of £34.

(258) Restoration of People's Park

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government intimating that recoupment of the cost of levelling, etc. portion of the People's Park, formerly used for cultivation of allotments could not be made by the Department under the Acquisition of Land (Allotments) Act, 1934. The Council at its Meeting on the 31st March, 1949, approved of the acceptance of the Tender of Mr. A. Doran of Enniskerry, in the sum of £40 (which was the lowest tender received) for the restoration of the People's Park. In view of the terms of the letter from the Department of Local Government it was agreed to authorise an excess expenditure of £40 over and above that provided in the Estimates in respect of the year 1949/50.

(259) Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

Further consideration of an application from Mr. John J. A. Hogan, Moyleen, Putland Road, Bray, for an advance under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts, to enable him erect a house on the New Road, off Newcourt Road.

Order:- Mr. Hogan's application is hereby granted, subject to the engagement by him of a qualified Architect to be approved by the County Manager.

Signed: H. Byrne
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 10/5/49

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Statutory Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday the 10th May, 1949,
at 7-30 p.m.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (In chair)
Councillors E. O. Beagain, E. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle,
P. Kelly, P. McLoughlin, L. J. McKeown, D. Sayers,
G. H. G. Stuart, J. Temple.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk, Town Surveyor and Mr. E. M. Murphy.

(260) Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of Statutory Meeting of 12th April, 1949, Adjourned Statutory Meeting of 19th April, 1949, and further Adjourned Meeting of the 26th April, 1949, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman, after item No. 212 of the Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the 12th April, 1949, had been amended by the addition of the name of Clr. E. O. Beagain as having dissociated himself from the resolution of the Council regarding the inauguration of the Republic of Ireland.

(261) Votes of Sympathy

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, tendered sympathy to the relatives of the late Mr. T. J. Murphy, Minister for Local Government, and paid a tribute to his untiring efforts in the amelioration of housing conditions throughout the country.

(262) Protest against introduction in the British Parliament of the Ireland Bill.

It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne
seconded by Clr. L. J. McKeown,
and resolved:-

"That we, the Members of the Urban District Council protest against the action of the British Government in introducing the Ireland Bill in the House of Commons."

(263) Religious Services on the Esplanade.

Clr. L. J. McKeown informed the Council that he had received letters from certain persons criticising his statements regarding the holding of Religious Services on the Esplanade. He stated that he strongly resented such action.

(264) Housing Scheme.

St. Peter's Road. Mr. E. M. Murphy, B.E., submitted a Plan indicating his proposals regarding the erection of a wall along Old Connaught Avenue at the rear of the Housing Scheme. The total cost of the erection of the wall is estimated at £130. The plan provides for a "cut-off" at the junction of Dublin Road and Old Connaught Avenue. It was agreed to authorise an expenditure of approximately £130 for the erection of a wall. It was also agreed to permit the tenants of two of the houses in the centre of one of a blocks of houses to make a back entrance to their houses.

Housing Schemes (continued)

Dwyer Park. Mr. Murphy submitted a Plan for the erection of two houses at Dunne's Yard, adjacent to the existing Housing Scheme. He indicated that the completion of the roadway and footpaths on the site would cost £220 approximately.

It was agreed that two additional houses be erected on this site in accordance with the Plan submitted, and that the footpath and roadway be completed at an estimated cost of £220.

Mr. Murphy was directed to report upon the wall around the premises of Messrs. Thomas Heiton, Fuel Merchants. Members of the Council represented that the wall might constitute a danger to existing property.

Hudson's Terrace. It was decided to obtain the opinion of the Council's Solicitors regarding the right-of-way to the back of the Housing site at Hudson's Terrace. Mr. Murphy was requested to ascertain the cost of erecting a wall between the School and the Housing Site.

Vevay Road. Mr. E. M. Murphy submitted a Plan indicating a proposed access road at the Vevay Road Housing Site. The estimated cost of the construction of the road, etc. is £120. It was agreed to authorise the expenditure of this sum for the purpose.

(265) Manager's Orders.

The County Manager's Orders No. 6392 to No. 6431, as circulated, were discussed.

(266) Landlord and Tenant- Rent Restrictions Act.

Submitted letter from Council's Solicitors advising in connection with appeals from persons requesting the Council to compel owners of premises to carry out repairs to the houses occupied by complainants. The County Manager intimated that the Council could issue a Certificate under the Rent Restrictions Act certifying that the premises occupied by the tenants were in an unsatisfactory condition, and such Certificate would be prima facie evidence and would assist the tenants in a claim for reduction of rent.

The Manager also intimated that he was of the opinion that the Council should not become involved in issues of this nature under the Rent Restrictions Act arising between Landlords and tenants.

Order:- County Manager's action approved.

(267) Resolution from Athlone U.D.C.

Submitted Resolution from Athlone Urban District Council in connection with the amendment of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928.

Order:- Adopt.

(268) Petition from residents of Galtrim Park.

Submitted petition from residents of Galtrim Park regarding the condition of the roadway. Messrs. White and Meares, Solicitors, on behalf of the owners of the property on which the road is constructed, intimated that their clients would be prepared to dedicate to public use the roadway known as Galtrim Park and the cul-de-sac abutting thereon. The Manager informed the Council that the cul-de-sac was in a bad state of repair and could not be taken over by the Council until it was put into a proper state of repair. It was agreed to take over the thoroughfare known as Galtrim Park pending the completion of the Deed of Dedication, the Town Surveyor was directed to have some tar patching carried out on the roadway.

(269) "Exclusif" Photographers, Dublin - erection of Kiosk

Submitted letter from "Exclusif" Photographers, Dublin, requesting permission to take photographs on the Esplanade during the years 1950 to 1954 inclusive, and asking for authority to erect a Booking Office on the Esplanade.

It was agreed to grant an option of the Photographic Rights to "Exclusif" Photographers for the five years commencing from the year 1950, at a rent of £115, £125, £130 and £135 in respect of each year of the years of the Licence. Permission was granted for the erection of a temporary structure on the Esplanade for the present year. It was agreed that the Council should erect a Kiosk on the Esplanade and let same to "Exclusif" Photographers at an annual rent representing 8% of the cost of the erection of the Kiosk.

(270) Bray C.I.E. Social Club - Application.

Submitted letter from Bray C.I.E. Social Club requesting permission to erect a Marquee on the Esplanade for dancing.

Order:- Recommend that permission be granted at a nominal rent of £5 for the season. The decision can be reviewed if objections are made by residents in the vicinity.

(271) Bray Head Park Bye-Laws.

It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne
seconded by Clr. J. French
and resolved:-

"That the Bye-laws with respect to the Bray Head Park be amended by the making of the following additions:-

Eye-Law 13(a): A person shall not light any fire in any part of the Park or burn or do any act which might cause any timber, wood, brushwood, gorse, heather, furze, earth, fern, paper, rubbish or other substance to take fire or be burned in any part of the Park.

Eye-Law 13(b): A person shall not carelessly or negligently injure or destroy any timber, wood, brushwood, gorse, heather or furze in any part of the Park."

(272) Revision of Salaries of Officers of the Council.

An expenditure of approximately £270 was authorised to meet the costs arising out of the revision of Officers' salaries, as sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government. An increase not exceeding 7½% has been authorised by the Minister retroactively from the 1st November, 1948.

(273) Pollard's Terrace - Loan of £600.

Submitted Draft Mortgage in connection with Loan of £600 being borrowed from the Treasurer for the purchase of houses at Pollard's Terrace.

Order:- Approved.

(274) Sewage disposal at Harbour.

Petition from residents adjoining the Harbour requesting the Council to effect improvements in the sewage disposal at the Harbour.

Order:- Defer to next Statutory Meeting of the Council.

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Adjourned Statutory Meeting of the Council held on 17th May, 1949.

Present - Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. E. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle, E. O Beagain,
L. J. McKeown, P. McLoughlin, G. H. G. Stuart,
D. Sayers, P. Kelly P. Ledwidge and J. Temple.

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

(281) Votes of Sympathy

Submitted letters from Mrs. Cassell and Mr. J. Cooney thanking the Council for their expression of sympathy in their recent bereavements.

(282) Bray Cove Swimming Club, - Council's contribution.

It was proposed by Clr. D. Sayers,
seconded by Clr. J. French
and resolved:-

"That the resolution of the Council deciding that no further outlay be incurred by the Council on the maintenance of the Swimming Pools at Bray Head be rescinded."

Thereupon it was decided to make an allowance of £100 for the purpose of having repairs carried out to the Pools. In this connection it was directed that the Bray Cove Swimming Club should submit a schedule of works towards the cost of which the £100 will be made available.

(283) Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.

Submitted letter from the I.P.B.M. Insurances, Ltd. forwarding copy of the Company's Report, together with the Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1948.

Order:- Noted.

(284) Cinematograph Act Licence

Letter from the East Coast Cinemas Limited, submitting Certificate from Electrical Units, Limited, intimating that the electric wiring at the Roxy Cinema is in order.

It was agreed to issue a Licence to the East Coast Cinemas, Ltd., under the Cinematograph Act.

Order:- Proprietor of Royal Cinema to be prosecuted if required Certificate of soundness of electric wiring is not submitted before 1st June, 1949.

(285) Application for plot of ground at rear of Castle Street.

Submitted letter from Mr. Gibney, Solicitor, on behalf of Mr. Cullinane, Castle Street, Bray, requesting the Council to sell or lease to his client a plot of ground at the rear of Castle Street which was acquired by the Council Under the Compulsory Purchase Order, 1935.

Order:- Recommend refusal.

(275) Harbour Bridge.

It was decided to restrict the traffic on the Harbour Bridge to vehicles with gross weight not exceeding 3 tons.

(276) Kay's Hotel Novara Road - application for permission to erect Store Rooms

Submitted Plan for proposed erection of Store Rooms at Kay's Hotel, Novara Road.

Order:- Recommend that permission be granted subject to agreement being reached between Mr. Kay and the owner of the adjoining premises.

(277) Structure at Vevay Road for Mr. J. Doyle.

Submitted Plan for the erection of a structure at Vevay Road for Mr. J. Doyle.

Order:- Recommend that permission be granted.

(278) Tenancies of Council's Houses.

Councillor Sayers moved the following Motion:-

"That I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Statutory Meeting of the Council that the decision of the Council regarding the letting of No. 5 St. Patrick's Square be rescinded in order that the letting may receive further consideration."

(279) It was agreed to allocate this house (5, St. Patrick's Square) to Mr. John Murray, 8 rear Prince of Wales Terrace, Bray, Clr. H. J. Byrne dissented.

The Council directed that proceedings be instituted against Mr. Boughton and Mr. Maloney who had taken up tenancy of the premises 5 St. Patrick's Square and 4 Bergin's Lane, respectively.

(280) Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts - J. J. A. Hogan

Upon the request of the Council Mr. J. J. A. Hogan, Moyleen, Putland Road, Bray, applicant for an advance under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts, submitted the name of an Architect, viz. Mr. P. McMehon, 28 Adelaide Road, Dublin, who would supervise, on his behalf, the erection of a house at the New Road, off Newcourt Road, which Mr. Hogan proposes to acquire by means of a Loan under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

Order:- Name submitted by Mr. Hogan acceptable to Council.

Signed H. J. Byrne
CHAIRMAN
DATE 14/6/49

(286) Public Library. Disposal of Chairs, tables, etc.

Recommendation of Library Advisory Committee regarding the disposal of the chairs and tables at the Library.

Order:- Tables and chairs to be retained by the Council.

(287) Submitted Report from Mr. E. M. Murphy, B.E., recommending that the distance of the building line shown on the draft Town Plan in respect of Dempsey's Field, Newcourt Road, from the centre of the road should be amended to 35'.

Order:- Recommend that the building frontage line be set back 35' from the centre of Newcourt Road in respect of Dempsey's Field development.

(288) Extension of Urban Boundary.

Submitted Report of the County Manager regarding proposed extension of the Urban Boundary.

It was agreed to adopt the proposals Nos. 2 and 4 and to submit same to the Department of Local Government, and that the Minister be requested to receive a deputation from the Council in the matter.

(289) Town Hall - Scale of charges for bookings.

It was proposed by Clr. G. Doyle, seconded by Clr. J. French and resolved:-

"That no increase in respect of the hire of the Town Hall be made to residents within the Urban District, and that the amended charges to non-residents, as indicated by the Town Clerk, be approved."

(290) Application for use of Harbour for Pleasure Trips.

Submitted letter from Mr. T. P. Carroll, 5 Richmond Hill, Rathmines, Dublin, requesting permission to use the Harbour for pleasure trips.

Order:- Request further details from the inquirer.

(291) Bridge at Harbour.

Following a Report from the Town Surveyor, the Council recommended that the services of an Engineer with experience of bridge construction, etc. should be engaged as soon as possible and that, in the meantime, mechanically propelled vehicles be prohibited from using the bridge until further notice.

(292) Structure at 23 Pearse Square.

Submitted Plan for proposed erection of a structure at No. 23 Pearse Square for Mr. Scully.

Order:- Recommend approval.

(293) Bungalow at Newcourt Road.

Submitted Plan by Messrs. O'Neill, Building Contractors, for the erection of a bungalow at Newcourt Road.

Order:- Recommend approval.

(294) Erection of Fowl-house at "Donore" Sidmonton Road.

Plan submitted by Mr. R. J. O'Driscoll, Architect, for proposed erection of a Fowl-house at "Donore" Sidmonton Road, Bray.

Order:- Recommend approval.

(295) Acquisition of land at Boghall.

The County Manager informed the Council that a deputation had interviewed the Earl of Meath regarding the proposal of the Council to acquire land at Boghall for letting to persons desiring to erect houses for their own occupation. He intimated that the Earl of Meath was agreeable to sell the land for the purpose for the sum of £375 per acre which was a reduction of £13 per acre below the original price.

It was proposed by Clr. D. Sayers, seconded by Clr. E. E. Byrne and resolved:-

"That, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, the Council hereby agrees to purchase approximately 5 acres of land at Boghall at a cost of £375 per acre for the purpose of leasing sites to persons and public utility societies proposing to erect houses for their own occupation or for occupation by members of utility societies."

(296) Bray Swimming Club Accounts.

It was decided to adjourn until the next Statutory Meeting the Report of the Accountant upon his audit of the Accounts of Bray Swimming Club for the season 1948.

(297) Record Press, Brighton Terrace, Bray.

Submitted application from the Proprietor, Record Press, Bray, requesting permission to erect a Nissen Hut at the rear of his premises as a temporary measure, pending the erection of a permanent structure.

Order:- Approval of erection of Nissen Hut is hereby granted for a period of 12 months commencing the 1st June, 1949.

In the meantime, the Record Press Limited to be requested to submit Plans in respect of the permanent structure.

(298) Standing Orders.

Submitted Report of the Town Clerk upon the preparation of draft Standing Orders. It was agreed to appoint a Sub-Committee to consider the draft Standing Orders. The following Members were chosen to constitute the Committee, viz. H. J. Byrne, E. O. Beagain, P. Ledwidge, D. Sayers and J. Temple.

(299) Painting of Municipal Baths.

Submitted estimates from the Town Surveyor regarding painting work etc. at the Municipal Baths. It was agreed to authorise an expenditure of £300 approximately for the purpose of painting work, etc. at the Municipal Baths.

(300) Proposed Dwelling-houses, Garages etc. at Vevay.

Submitted Plans and Specification for the erection of four shops, dwelling-houses and garages at the Ardee Estate for Mr. J. Nalty, Dublin.

Order:- Recommend that approval be refused as it is the opinion of the Council that the area is adequately served by existing shops. Permission would be granted for the erection of dwelling-houses.

(301) Erection of Scullery at Raitin, Dargle Road.

Plan submitted for the erection of a scullery at Raitin, Dargle Road, Bray, for Mr. J. Cullen.

Order:- Adjourn for Report of Town Surveyor.

(302) Clonliffe Harriers International Sports Meeting.

Submitted letter from the Honorary Secretary, Clonliffe Harriers, requesting permission to erect Route Signs in the Urban Area in connection with the Marathon Race to be held on June 8th, 1949.

Order:- Permission granted.

(303) Garage at No. 1 Wolfe Tone Square, West.

Submitted Plan for the erection of a Garage at No. 1 Wolfe Tone Square, West, for Mr. Murphy.

Order:- Recommend that permission be granted, subject to the substitution of 6" concrete blocks for 4" concrete blocks in the specification.

(304) Public Lighting at Dwyer Park and Hudson's Terrace.

It was agreed to authorise an expenditure of £81 approx. in connection with the installation of public lighting poles at the housing sites at Hudson's Terrace and Dwyer Park.

It was decided to request the Electricity Supply Board to reduce the Capital Charges in respect of the installation of the lighting.

(305) Additional Houses at Dwyer Park.

The County Manager informed the Council that following inspections of the site at Dwyer Park by himself and Mr. E. M. Murphy, he recommended that five houses be erected adjacent to the existing 14 houses.

The Council directed that five houses should be erected and that Mr. Rooney be requested to proceed with their erection immediately.

The Meeting adjourned until Tuesday the 24th May, 1949, at 7-30 p.m..

Signed

CHAIRMAN

DATE

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BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Further Adjourned Meeting of the Urban District Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday 24th May, 1949, at 7-30 p.m.

Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Clrs. E. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle, L. J. McKeown,
E. O. Beagain, P. Ledwidge, P. Kelly, P. McLoughlin,
D. Sayers, and J. Temple.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk.

(314) Votes of Sympathy.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, tendered a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late John Cassell, Garfield House, Bray.

(315) Repairs to Council's Houses.

Following discussion upon the Contract for repairs to Council's Houses which had been obtained by Mr. James Byrne, since 1st May, 1949, it was agreed to request Mr. Byrne to interview the Town Clerk regarding Plumbing Work in respect of Council's houses. Clr. D. Sayers intimated that Mr. Byrne was under the impression that he would receive work of a plumbing nature under the Contract, but the County Manager stated that such work would be performed by the Council's own workmen.

(316) Standing Orders

Submitted Report of Town Clerk upon draft Standing Orders regulating proceedings at Meetings of the Council.

It was agreed to refer consideration of the Draft Standing Orders to the Sub-Committee specially appointed for that purpose.

(317) Parking at Bray Head.

Submitted petition from a number of proprietors of premises at the Southern end of the esplanade at Bray Head requesting that parking of cars be allowed at the West side of the Strand Road. It was decided to inform petitioners that, in the opinion of the Council cars parked at the point referred to would probably project on to the footpath thereby causing an obstruction to pedestrians, and that consequently permission could not be granted.

(318) Parking at Post Office, Quinsboro' Road.

Letter from Garda Síochána forwarding request from the Dept. of Posts and Telegraphs that parking of cars outside the Post Office at Quinsboro' Road should be prohibited. It was decided to arrange for the painting of white lines at each side of the Post Office Building, together with a "No Parking" Notice on the footpath.

(319) Bungalows, Lower Dargle Road - Mr. William O'Brien.

Submitted Plan for the erection of Bungalows on a site at the Dargle Road, Lower, for Mr. William O'Brien, Building Contractor.

Order:- Plans approved and permission granted.