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## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting (Monthly) held on May 4th 1948

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Letting of Murrough to G. A. A. Read letter from Council's Solicitor regarding the proposal to lease portion of the Murrough to the G.A.A. for use as a playing pitch. Also read letter from Town Sergaent re suitability of field at Phistler's Hill as G. A. A. Football Field. After discussion the Council decided not to grant a lease of portion of the Murrough to the G. A. A. Regarding the proposed erection of a paling around the playing pitch on the Murrough, the Council recommended that the work be carried out provided that the expenditure did not exceed the sum provided in the estimates.

Housing Scheme The Town Clerk stated that as a result of the conference held on Saturday May Ist. 1948, between the members of the Council and the minister for Posts and Telegraphs, -at which conference ld Mr. Scott, Engineering Inspector from the Department of Local Government and the County anager were also in attendance-it had been provisionally decided not to proceed with the building of the eighty houses for which tenders had been received. It had been decided however, subject to the sanction of the minister for Local Government that eight of the houses proposed to be erected under the original scheme viz- 4 houses at Monkton Now, 2 houses at Castle St Middle, and 2 houses at Eastle St. West- should be built by direct labour. In addition it was intended to erect the following houses:-

6 houses on the Murrough, 4 or 6 houses in Strand St. The members present at the conference however, had stressed the point that the scheme was merely deferred, but that it was hoped ble that eventually the full number of houses would be erected. ing In this connection Mr Scott had stated that if grants were made available for development purposes the cost per house would be considerably reduced.

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The Manager informed the meeting that as stated at the conference held on Mey Ist 1948, the actual building cost, as shown in Mr Downey's tender was considered excessive. The building cost per square foot in respect of the 34 houses at Ballynerrin was £I-I4-5; the building cost per square foot in respect of the 26 houses at-Goopers Field (I8), Gastle St Middle (2), Castle St. West (2) and Monkton Row (4)- was £I-I2-2. These figures did not compare favourably with current building costs, the average building cost per square foot at present

varying from 28/- to 30/-approximately.

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the Department to make available grants for the purposes of
development works in respect of the sites at Coopers Field and
Ballynerrin.

of fees due to wantity Surveyor and Engineer at a later meeting of the Council.

Read letter dated 30/4/48 from Messrs Sheane Bros & Co., stating that steps had already been taken by them to have improvements carried out to their premises at Main St., Wicklow.

Site on Sea-Front for Variety Show. in question and suggested that

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Read letter dated 28/4/48 from Mr. J. Hastings, Selly Park, Birmingham, inquiring as to the availability of a site on the Sea Front for a Punch and Judy Show during the Surmer months. The Council directed that Mr Hastings be informed that the requisite facilities could be provided. The rent to be charged would be AI-0-0 per month.

Building Licence
Read Circ. No H. 27/48 from Department of Local Government
requesting the assistance of Local Authorities in enabling the
Minister for Industry and Commerce to check whether building
operations authorised by licences under the Emergency Powers
(358) Order 1945, are in due course carried out.
Order Noted.

Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts
Read letter dated 26/4/48 from Department of Local Government,
(ref. 4 6684/2/48) acknowledging receipt of the Council' letter
of 21st April 1948, relative to the market value of houses eligible
for advances under the Small Dwelling Acquisition Acts, and stating
that the contents therof had been duly noted.

Renewal of Lease N.R. B. Maskins

On the proposition of Gouncillor Wm Clarke, seconded by Gouncillor L. Sutton, the Council's Seal was affixed to the lease- Wicklow U.D.C. to N.R.B. Haskins- of the premises at Main St., Wicklow, for a term of 75 years from 25/3/1949, at an annual rent of £4-0-6.

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#### Loan under Small Dwellings Acts

The Form of Undertaking - Wicklow U. D. C. to Commissioners of Public Works- in respect of Loan of £5000 under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts was duly sealed with the Council's Seal and signed by the Chairman.

## Town Planning Acts- House for Mr A. Finlayson

Plens received from Mr A. Finlayson, Main St, in respect of two semi-detached houses at Dunbur Road, Wicklow were submitted to the Council. The Council directed that the Town Planning Consultant be requested to include in his report a Clause to the effect that permission under the Town Planning Act should be granted only if Mr. Finlayson were prepared to have the houses connected with the new Main Sewer for which tenders had been invited.

Road Spenings
In reply to the Chairman the Manager stated that whenever permission is granted to a person to break up footway or roadway maintained by the Gouncil and make excavations in same for any particular purpose, it is necessary for such person to complete a Form of Undertaking and Indemnity. In this way the Council would be indemnified and kept indemnified against any actions, claims, or demands that might be brought against them arising out of any injury to person or property as a result of such openings or reinstatement of footway or roadway. The minimum charge in respect of such Road openings was 10/6.

Trespass
In reply to Councillor Hudson the Town Clerk stated that he had visited the Glen Field, at present occupied by Mr. Matthew Manning as a tenant of the Council, and had inspected the fencing which recently had been erected by the Council. Councillor Hudson stated that he also had visited the field in question and suggested that a further stretch of the Boundary should be fenced by the Council. After discussion the Town Clerk stated that he would refer the matter to the overseer.

## Building Site at Dunbur Road- Mr Philip Doyle.

Councillor Sutton inquired from the Manager if Mr. Philip Doyle - who holds as a yearly tenant, the field at Dunbur Road, portion of which field had now been leased to Mr. J. Toner- would be entitled to a reduction in his annual rent as a result of ceding portion of the field to Mr Toner for building purposes. The Manager pointed out that Mr Doyle had sold his interest in that particular plot to Mr. Toner.

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## Naming of New Road

It was proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson, seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:-

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby give the name New Park Road to the Road leading from St. Laurence Road to Fitzwilliam Road."

## Resolution from Listowel

Read copy of the following resolution passed by the Listowel Urban District Council:-

Proposed by Councillor T. J. O'Connell;
Seconded by Councillor D. J. Moloney; and resolved:"That we strongly urge the Government to find ways and means financially or otherwise to come to the relief of the Urban Districts. Otherwise we fell it our duty to inform the Government that is this much proded relief is not given Urban Council ment that if this much needed relief is not given, Urban Counils can no longer carry on. We direct that a copy of this resolution be sent to all Urban Councils in Ireland and to the Minister for Local Government." The Council unanimously decided to adopt the resolution.

## Execution of Mortgage

It was proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson; Seconded by Councillor C. W. Hudson;
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Application for Loan under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts-Mr. F. Finlayson

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The Chairman referred to the decision made by the Council at their meeting held on 6th April 1948, excluding semi-detached dwellings from the Council's Scheme under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, unless both houses in a block were covered by separate loans. The Council decided to adhere to their original decision and directed that Mr Finlayson be informed accordingly.

In reply to the Chairman, the County Manager stated that the difficulty in operating a scheme under the Small wellings Acts, because of the limiting figure of £1750 current Market Value applying to houses which may be erected with the assistance of Loans under the Acts, had been brought to the notice of the Department. A copy of the Council's resolution urging that instead of limiting Loans to houses with a Market Value of £1750, Loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts should be made available for houses which do not exceed I250 square feet in superficial floor-area, regardless of current market value, had also been forwarded to the Department. In this latter connection it had been pointed out that the maximum loan to be made available to a borrower could be limited to a certain percentage of £1750 so that, in cases where the current market value of the house would exceed £1750, the amount to be advanced would not exceed the Statutory limit at present imposed by the Acts. After discussion the Council agreed with the suggestion of the Manager that the Surveyor should submit certificates and the Council could then decide regarding the making of loans and the amount to be lent.

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be prepared to make the order requested.
The Town Clerk pointed out that the map referred to in the letter showed portions of land belonging to Messrs J. Carr and M.J. Healy as having been acquired, and that consequently it was necessary that the requisite area of their land should be acquired by the Convent Authorities. The Manager stated that he would obtain the advice of Council's Solicitor concerning the powers of the Council regarding the acquisitin of land for Road purposes. The Town Clerk was instructed to convey the contents of the Department's letter Kito the Dominican Convent, and also to the Convent's Solicitor and Architect.

## Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948- Part 3

Read the following Notice of Motion handed in by Councillor C. W. Hudson at the monthly meeting of the Council held on 6th April P.1948: not 1 further recommended that a rent of £1000 per month

"That I, or someone on my behalf will move the following resolution at the meeting of the Council to be held on June Ist 1948. That we the Wicklow Urban Pistrict Council hereby agree to (I) Adopt part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act 1948 as on and from Ist October 1948, and (2) we hereby declare that

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It was proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson, seconded by Councillor J. O'Connor, and resolved :-

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby adopt part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act 1948 as on and from Ist October 1948, and we hereby declare that the number of persons to be at any one time in the employment of the Council as permanent servants be limited to eight."

The Town Clerk stated that Mr R. Jenkinson who had left the employment of the Council in January 1947 would not be entitled to benefit under the Act.

## Housing Scheme

Read letter dated 26th May I948, from Town Surveyor, stating that work had already commenced in connection with the building of eight houses by direct labour. The letter stated that permits had been applied for, quantities of materials for tenders had been prepared, and arrangements were being made to alter, divert or change the County programme, so as to release staff for the purpose of the Council's Housing Scheme. The Surveyor recommended that application should be made for an overdraft of £5000.

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#### Export of Horses

Read letter dated I4/5/48 from the National Equine Defence League requesting the Council to do everything in their power to end the traffic in cheap horses which was resulting in the mass slaughter of horses on the Continent as soon as they arrive there from this Country.

Order - "Read".

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### Kiosk on Murrough

Read letter dated 29th May I948 from Ace Candies, South Quay, Wicklow applying for permission to erect temporary Kiosk on the Murrough for the purpose of retailing sweets during the Summer period.

After discussion the Council recommended that permission be granted subject to submission of plan etc for approval by the Town Surveyor. The Council further recommended that a rent of £1}0-0 per month be charged in respect of the period June to September.

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The Chairman referred to the desirability of having a Speed Limit fixed in respect of vehicular traffic through the Town. After discussion it was proposed by Councillor C. W. Hudson, seconded by Councillor L. Sutton, and

"That we hereby request the Commissioner for the Garda Siochanna, the Minister for Justice and the Minister for Bocal Government to arrange for a speed limit of I5 miles per hour for all vehicular traffic within the Urban District of Wicklow, as we consider that serious accidents may occur unless such speed limit be put into operation, especially during the Summer period, when Tourist Traffic results in congestion on the Main thoroughfares in the Town which are interspersed with junctions and contain a number of bottlenecks."

The Council also recommended that arrangements should be made to have only one-way traffic through New treet. The Manager stated that he would request the Solicitor to advise if such an arrangement could be effected without having to introduce special Bye-Laws.

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the Minister for Justice and the Minister for Bocal Government
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traffic within the Urban District of Wicklow, as we consider that
serious accidents may occur unless such speed limit be put into
operation, especially during the Summer period, when Tourist
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Town which are interspersed with junctions and contain a number
of bottlenecks."

The Council also recommended that arrangements should be made to have only one-way traffic through New treet. The Manager obsted that he would request the Solicitor to advise if such an arrangement could be effected without having to introduce special Sye-Laws.

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The Chairman referred to previous correspondence with C. I. E.

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#### Roads etc

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The Chairman stated that when he had been informed of the his scision taken by the County Council at its meeting held on June 14th., 948, he had requested the Town Clerk to call a special meeting of he Urban Council for the purpose of discussing and taking appropriate ction concerning the proposed siting of the General and Fever Hospital or the County of Wicklow, at Charvie Lane Rathnew. The Chairman tressed the significance of the proposal of the County Council, and tated that he considered the matter to be of vital importance to he townspeople of Wicklow. A lengthy discussion in which each member f the Council present at the meeting took part then ensued.

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After further discussion it was proposed by Councillor W. Clarke, seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:- 108 48 800h

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council strongly protest against the proposal to site the General and County Fever nospitals at Charvie Lane, Rathnew, and hereby endorse and adopt the resolutions of protest passed by the Wicklow and District Chamber of Commerce, the Wicklow Town Fianna Fail Cumann, the Wicklow Regatta Committee and the Wicklow Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers.

In particular we desire to stress the unsuitability of the Rathnew site from the point of view of water-supply, and would point out that its selection could only be considered if and when the proposed Regional Water-Supply Scheme for the area will have been approved and be ready to be implemented. to office as such

We direct that copies of this resolution together with copies of protests received from other Local Bodies be forwarded to the Minister for Health, and the Wicklow County Council, and that the Minister and the County Council be requested to receive joint deputations from this Council and the Wicklow and District Chamber of Commerce in connection with a matter which we consider to be of vital importance to the town of Wicklow."

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## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON JUNE 25th 1948.

Present- Councillor J. Olohan (Chairman) presiding.

W. Clarke L. Sutton

E. Kane

J. Brennan

R. Haskins J. O'Connor

The County Manager and the Town Surveyor were also in attendance.

Read letter from Councillor C. W. Hudson regretting his inability to attend the meeting.

## Resolution of Sympathy.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Olohan (Chairman) seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:-

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council offer our sincere sympathy to Mrs J. Fitzgerald and Family in their recent bereavement occasioned by the death of the late Mr John Fitzgerald, a former esteemed member of the Council and of the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners."

#### Election of Chairman.

Councillor W. Clarke, in proposing the re-election of Mr. J. Olohan as Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year, paid tribute to the excellent work done by Councillor Olohan during his terms of office, and referred to the spirit of harmony and co-operation which prevailed at Council meetings. Councillor E. Kane seconded the resolution.

Resolved and passed unanimously:-

"That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby appoint Councillor J. Olohan as Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor is lawfully appointed and takes up office as such."

The Chairman thanked the Council for his re-election and signed the Declaration accepting the office of Chairman.

## Election of Vice-Chairman

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kane; seconded by Councillor W. Clarke and resolved:-

"That we the members of the Wicklow Urban District Gouncil hereby appoint Councillor C. W. Hudson as Vice-Chairman of the said Council for the ensuing year, and until his successor is lawfully appointed and takes up office as such."

#### Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board.

The following members of the Council were unanimously reelected members of the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board:-

Messrs J. Olohan; C. W. Hudson; R. Haskins; E. Kane; J. O'Connor; W. Clarke; and L. Sutton:

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## County Library Committee.

The following members were unanimously re-elected members of the County Library Committee:-

J. O'Connor.

The Chairman stated that he understood that only two members of the Council were eligible for election to the Committee. If such were the case, Councillors J. Brennan and J. O'Connor could act as the Council's representatives.

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#### Maintenance of Urban Roads.

Read circular C.L. No RD/20I/I of I2/5/I948 from Department of Local Government requesting that the existing arrangements for the upkeep of roads which are now the responsibility of Urban Councils be reviewed, and suggesting that in order to secure a more satisfactory and uniform standard of upkeep, it may be found necessary to avail of the technical resources of the County Council where these of the Urban District Council are insufficient. In this connection it was pointed out that roads in charge of an Urban Council may, with the authority of the Minister be transferred to the County Council under Section 24 (3) of the Local Government Act I925, which alsorgoverns the chargeability of such roads.

Read letter dated I7/6/48 from Town Surveyor, advising that the Urban District Council continue to maintain the Urban Roads.

The Manager pointed out that the fact of such roads being transferred to the County Council would not mean that the Urban Council would be relieved of the cost of their upkeep and maintenance.

After discussion the Council unanimously recommended that the Urban Council continue to be responsible for the maintenance of the Urban Roads.

#### Loan for Housing.

The Town Clerk stated that it would be necessary to make application for a loan to defray the cost of the erection of eight houses by Direct labour.

It was proposed by Councillor W. Clarke; seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise, subject to the sanction of the Minister, of £II,000, repayable in 50 years from the Local Loans Fund for the purpose of defraying the cost of the erection of eight houses by direct labour."

## Wicklow U.D.C. to Mr. L. Sutton .- Mill Yard.

It was proposed by Councillor W. Clarke; seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:-

"That we hereby affix the Council's Seal to the Agreement dated 16th June 1948, between the Wicklow U.D.C and Mr Houghlin Sutton, letting the yard known as the "Mill Yard" and premises at South Quay, Wicklow, from 1st May 1948 to Mr. Loughlin Sutton at the monthly rent of five shillings (5/-) to be paid by the tenant to the Council on the first day of each month.

The Council's Seal was duly affixed to the "greement."

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## Tenders for sewer at Dunbur Road. forred to was resolutions

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The Manager pointed out that Mr Killian had not previous experience of Public Works Contracts, but that the contract into which Mr. Killian would have to enter would be a sufficient safeguard for the Council. The Manager also stated that the Surveyor was of opinion that concrete pipes would be satisfactory.

After discussion the Council unanimously recommended that the tender received from Mr. R. T. Killian in the sum of £2167-7-2 be accepted.

It was proposed by Councillor L. Sutton, seconded by Councillor R. Haskins and resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise, subject to the sanction of the Minister, the borrowing of the sum of £2300, from the Local Loans Fund, repayable in 25 years, for the purpose of defraying the cost of laying new sewer at Dunbur Road, Wicklow."

#### Change of Bus Stop etc.

Read letter dated 9/6/48 from C.I.E, stating that the Company would prefer a Bus Stop in the Market Square, but that the Garda Authorities would not agree in the interests of safety, to recommend the Square as a suitable terminal for buses.

The letter pointed out however, that it had been suggested that if certain proposed alterations— with which the Town Surveyor was familiar— were carried out it might be possible to use the Market Square with safety.

Read letter dated I5/6/48 from Fown Surveyor, stating that the proposed alterations of which plans had been prepared, would be of an extensive nature and would entail widening the Mall.

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The Manager pointed out that Mr Millian had not previous experience of Public Works Contracts, but that the contract into which Mr. Killian would have to enter would be a sufficient safeguard for the Council. The Manager also stated that the Surveyor was of opinion that concrete pipes would be satisfactory. After discussion the Council unanimously recommended that the tenfor alloan to defray the come of S-Y-Volsa to must ent in the still . A. A. TM mort bevieser reb secepted.

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## Abstract of Accounts.

The Town Clerk submitted to the meeting the Abstract of Accounts of the Council in respect of the year ended 31/3/48. He stated that the Council was in credit at the end of the Financial Year and that the finances of the Council were now in a satisfactory condition. The Manager referred to the improvements which had been effected in the Rate and Rent collections, and stated that the collectors had given every satisfaction during the year. The Chairman and other members of the Council paid tribute to the good work done by the Manager and officials.

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### Yearly Lettings.

The Manager stated that in connection with yearly lettings he considered it highly desirable that all such lettings should now be terminated. The Solicitor had informed him that the Council could recover possession of these holdings, and could then re-let them on an eleven-menths basis.

## Hospital Site- Protest. samy holds for ladders, and slay to re-

Read letter dated 22nd June 1948 from Secretary of Wicklow Fete Committee forwarding copy of resolution passed by the Committee at its meeting held on 15th June 1948 protesting against the proposal to site the County Hospitals at Charvie Lane, Rathnew.

## Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts.

Read letter dakedx (ref.H. 6684/3/48 Wicklow U.D) from Dept.of Local Government, referring to the Council's letter concerning the Market Value limit in respect of houses qualifying for advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts, and stating that the matter is at present under consideration, subject, however, to the overriding consideration that a position is maintained whereby the funds available for the purpose shall be restricted to that class of borrower who is most in need of housing accommodation within certain minimum standards.

The Manager stated that the Town Surveyor had submitted certificates of valuation in respect of two applications for loans viz- from Messrs L. Sutton and A McGuinness and the Surveyor had valued the houses proposed to be erected at £2300 and £2000 respectively. The Manager pointed out that these applications could not at present be granted under the acts, but that it would appear that the amendment of the Act was being considered. It was decided to forward particulars of these two applications to the Department.

#### Housing (Amendment) Act.

After discussion, regarding the regulations governing the issue of Grants under the Housing (Amendment) Act 1948,-

It was proposed by Councillor W. Clarke, seconded by Councillor E. Kane and resolved:-

"That this Council considers that the floor-area limitation of I250 Square Feet for Hoans for which Grants under the Housing (Amendment) Act I948 may be made is too limited an area, and that such area should be increased to I400 square feet. It is considered that a floor area of I250 square feet is too restricted an area for a house to accommodate a large family, and the Council accordingly requests the Minister to increse the prescribed maximum area to I400 square feet."

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