

on the Capital Cost of providing water, sewerage and roads for this type of private development will come to about £900 and the rents receivable by the Council from the new sites served by these special facilities will be about £500. Moreover for a number of years after building, the new houses will be assessed to reduced rates. However, the productivity from rates and ground rents eventually can be expected to meet the greater part of the annual costs arising. It should also be mentioned that owing to the grave difficulty in finding contractors for Municipal housing the needs of families accommodated in the new dwellings could not have been otherwise met. The Council also has felt that it is very desirable to encourage in every way possible, people to provide their own dwellings.

EXPENDITURE

The Council's services were, it is felt, very satisfactorily maintained during the past year and all members of the Council's staff gave diligent service. It is only fitting that special mention should be made of the manner in which the accounts and other data required for the Estimates were prepared and set forward by the Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack, and the contribution which has been made by Miss Kavanagh in setting out all the material.

Once more I would like to pay tribute and convey my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Council for the assistance and guidance given by them during the past year.

Yours sincerely,

M. Flannery

COUNTY MANAGER

Ordinary Road Works (Wages: £1023 Materials: £80)	1103	
Special Works - Tar Spraying etc.	100	
Road Fund Grant - Resurfacing	990	
Retiring Allowances	190	
Salaries	180	
Loan Charges:		
1953 - Marrough Road in course of construction	110	
1964 - New Road - Dunbur Estate	220	
	£3,968	3968

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	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>SANITARY SERVICES</u>		
Salaries	219	✓
Salaries - Water Inspection	872	✓
Retiring Allowances	145	✓
Water Supply - Repairs to Old Reservoir	-	
Water Supply - Maintenance of Town Supply	552	✓
Water Supply - Maintenance of Regional Supply	400	✓
Sewerage (Wages: £106, Materials: £40)	146	✓
Public Conveniences	70	✓
Scavenging (Wages: £1200, Running Expenses £150)	1350	✓
Burial Ground (Demand of Joint Burial Board)	436	✓
Public Lighting (Lighting Contract £556 Provision for New Lights £40)	596	✓
Water Safety: Contribution to Irish Red Cross Society	10	✓
<u>Loan Charges:</u>		
1937 - Waterworks Improvement	5	✓
1898 - 3½% Stock, Dividends, Sinking Fund, etc.	-	
1922 - 5% (3½%) Stock, Dividends, Sinking Fund, etc.	-	
1948 - Extension of Sewer (Dunbur Road)	115	✓
1950 - Extension of Water Supply (Dunbur Road)	135	✓
1951 - New Watermain at North Quay	41	✓
1956 - Public Convenience at Town Hall	60	✓
1958 - Regional Water Supply	2400	✓
1960 - Regional Water Supply (suppl.)	100	✓
1959 - Link Watermain at Dunbur Road	265	✓
1961 - Purchase of Mechanical Scavenging Equipment	192	✓
1962 - Water Supply Improvements	286	✓
1963 - Extension of Sewer at Dunbur Road	225	✓
1964 - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	583	✓
1964 - Extension of Sewer at Dunbur	105	✓
	£9,308	9308



GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES

Town Hall Expenses (Heating, Lighting, etc)

HOUSING

Maintenance and Repair

Salaries

Rent Collector's Poundage

Retiring Allowances

Printing, Stationery, Advertising

Insurances

Rates on Council Houses

Housing Letting Grant

Loan Charges:

1932 - 10 Houses Scheme

1934 - 28 Houses Scheme

1937 - 28 & 10 Houses Scheme

1937 - 120 Houses Scheme

1938 - 120 Houses Scheme

1940 - 120 Houses Scheme

1940 - 34 Houses Scheme

1940 - 34 Houses Scheme

1947 - 80 Houses Scheme

1948 - 80 Houses Scheme

1957 - 2 Houses, Castle St.

1898 - 3¼% Stock, Dividends, Sinking Fund etc.

1963 - 4 Houses Scheme (Castle Park)

Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts

Loan Charges:

1934 Loan

1948 Loan

1949 Loan

1950 Loan

1956 Loan

1962 Loan

1963 Loan

1964 Loan

Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
£	£
5	✓
1000	✓
180	✓
552	✓
80	✓
45	✓
140	✓
3142	✓
40	✓
184	✓
640	✓
29	✓
2469	✓
152	✓
103	✓
920	✓
84	✓
65	✓
2620	✓
183	✓
-	✓
522	✓
12	✓
72	✓
240	✓
480	✓
563	✓
380	✓
700	✓
687	✓
687	✓
£16,959	16959
40	✓
60	✓
115	✓
172	✓
185	✓
290	✓
128	✓
£7,791	7796



GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES

Town Hall Expenses (Heating, Lighting, etc)  
 Demolition of Ruinous Buildings  
 Acquisition of Derelict Sites  
 Corporate Estate Maintenance (Wages: £198  
 Materials: £26)  
 Tree Planting  
 Foreshore Maintenance  
 Access to Seafront  
 Fairs, Markets, Weighbridges  
 Band Performances  
 Milk and Dairies  
 Tourist Development  
 School Meals: Cost of Food  
 Administration  
 Allotments  
 Salaries  
 Rate Collector's Poundage  
 Retiring Allowances  
 Rent Collector's Poundage (Corp. Estate)  
 Audit Fee  
 Election Expenses  
 Legal Expenses  
 Printing, Stationery, Advertising  
 Rents on Council's Property  
 Rates on Council's Property  
 Insurance on Council's Property  
 Public and E.L. Insurances  
 Office Expenses  
 Discount on Rates  
 Refunded and Irrecoverable Rates  
 Cheap Fuel Scheme  
 Treasurer's Interest  
 Rent of Pound  
 Miscellaneous  
Loan Charges:  
 1946 - New Footbridge  
 1956 - Foreshore Protection Works  
 1960 - Foreshore Protection Works  
 1961 - Foreshore Protection Works  
 1963 - Foreshore Protection Works  
 1962 - Town Hall Repairs

Estimated by Manager	£	Adopted by Council	£
	80	✓	
	5	✓	7796
	10	✓	
	224	✓	
	-		
	-		
	50	✓	
	5	✓	
	45	✓	
	1	✓	
	-		5
	430	✓	20.001
	180	✓	
	320	✓	51.156
	1957	✓	
	700	✓	
	93	✓	
	187	✓	
	46	✓	
	-		
	120	✓	
	140	✓	
	12	✓	
	334	✓	
	20	✓	
	200	✓	
	60	✓	
	75	✓	
	158	✓	
	1300	✓	
	10	✓	
	39	✓	
	40	✓	
	60	✓	
	115	✓	
	172	✓	
	185	✓	
	290	✓	
	128	✓	
	£7,791		7796



RECEIPTS

ROADS

Employment Schemes Grant  
 Road Fund Grant  
County Council Services

Main Roads

Public Assistance

Mental Hospital

Health (County)

General Purposes (County)

Fire Brigade

Library

Separate Charges

TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES

HOUSING

State Grant - Subsidy under 1932 Act (under 1945 Scheme)  
 State Grant - New Houses (60 Houses Scheme)  
 State Subsidy - 2 Houses, Castle Street  
 State Subsidy - 4 Houses, Castle Street  
 Subsidy to Interest Rates  
 Rents inclusive of Rates  
 State Recoupment of Housing Letting Grant  
 Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Grants  
 Repayment of Installments (Old Loans)  
 Repayment of Installments (New Loans)

GENERAL URBAN SERVICES

State Grants  
 County Council of Rates  
 School Rates  
 Recoupment of losses on Allotments  
 Cheap Fuel Scheme

Other Receipts

Cheap Fuel Scheme (Recipients Contributions and recoupment by County Council)  
 Corporate Estate Rents  
 Licences and Fees  
 Refund of fees by Officers  
 Refund by Co. Co. of half rent of Pound  
 Contribution by Harbour Authority to Harbour  
 Loan Charges  
 Letting of Town Hall  
 Miscellaneous

TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES

Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
£ 1000	£
7791 990	7796
1812 065	2065
314	
2119 730	
6648 16	
609 955	
571 42	
571 156	
73 135	
1059 1	
£20,996 63	20,001
£51,151 592	51,156
2244	
344	
100	
278	
280	
8089	
26	
64	
3506	
£15,271	15,271
80	
215	
310	
750	
538	
1997	
3	
19	
450	
10	
10	
£21,382	4382
£26,310	26,310



R E C E I P T S

	Estimated by Manager £	Adopted by Council £
<u>ROADS</u>		
Employment Schemes Grant	1000	✓
Road Fund Grant	990	✓
Estate Duty Grant	75	✓
	£2,065	2065
<u>SANITARY SERVICES</u>		
Water Rents	730	✓
State Subsidy to Loan Charges - Watermain, North Quay	16	✓
Do. Regional Water Supply	955	✓
Do. Regional Water Supply (Suppl.)	42	✓
Do. New Watermain Dunbur Road	156	✓
Do. Water Supply Improvements	135	✓
Do. Extension of Sewer at Dunbur Rd.	135	✓
Do. Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	350	✓
Do. Extension of Sewer at Dunbur	63	✓
Receipts from Public Conveniences	10	✓
	£2,592	2592
<u>HOUSING</u>		
State Grant - Subsidy under 1932 Act (pre- 1948 Scheme)	2244	✓
State Grant - New Houses (60 Houses Scheme)	344	✓
State Subsidy - 2 Houses, Castle St.	100	✓
State Subsidy - 4 Houses, Castle Park	278	✓
Subsidy to Interest Rates	280	✓
Rents inclusive of Rates	8089	✓
State Recoupment of Housing Letting Grant	26	✓
<u>Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts</u>		
Repayment of Instalments (Old Loans)	64	✓
Repayment of Instalments (New Loans)	3846	✓
	£15,271	15271
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES</u>		
<u>State Grants:</u>		
Bounty in lieu of Rates	80	✓
School Meals	215	✓
Recoupment of losses on Allotments	310	✓
Cheap Fuel Scheme	750	✓
<u>Other Receipts</u>		
Cheap Fuel Scheme (Recipients Contributions and recoupment by County Council)	538	✓
Corporate Estate Rents	1997	✓
Licences and Fees	3	✓
Refund of fees by Officers	-	
Refund by Co. Co. of half rent of Pound	19	✓
Contribution by Harbour Authority to Harbour Loan Charges	450	✓
Letting of Town Hall	10	✓
Miscellaneous	10	✓
	£4,382	4382
<b>TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES</b>	<b>£24,310</b>	<b>24310</b>



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1964/65

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

	Gross Expenditure	Receipts	Net Expenditure
Roads	£3968 ✓	£2065 ✓	£1903 ✓
Sanitary Services	£9308 ✓	£2592 ✓	£6716 ✓
Housing	£16959 ✓	£15271 ✓	£1688 ✓
General Urban Purposes	21001 £20996 ✓	£4382 ✓	£16614 ✓
	£51,231b	£24,310 ✓	£26,921b
Deduct Credit			3318 £630
Total Requirements to be met by Rate Levy			23608 ✓ £26,291
Municipal Rate of 1d. in £. produces			£44. 14. 3.
Rate in £. to meet total requirements of <del>£26,291</del> <sup>23608</sup> would be <del>49/-</del> <sup>44/-</sup> in £.			

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Total Valuation as per Valuation List			£11,992. 3. 0. ✓
<u>Buildings:</u>	£10,937. 4. 0. ✓		
Less: Remissions under Housing Acts	£805. 4. 0. ✓		£10,132. 0. 0. ✓
<u>Land:</u>	£801. 4. 0. ✓		
Less: Occupied by Council for Allotments and other purposes	£39. 16. 0.		
2/5th Reduction as per Local Government Act 1946 (2/5th of £761. 8. 0.)	£304. 11. 2. ✓		£456. 16. 10. ✓
<u>Land used as Railways</u>	£50. 5. 0. ✓		
Less: 2/5th Reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946	£20. 2. 0. ✓		£30. 3. 0. ✓
Railways Rated in full			£11. 0. 0. ✓
<u>Half Rents</u>	£182. 0. 0.		
Less: Half reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946	£91. 0. 0. ✓		£91. 0. 0. ✓
<u>Telegraphs</u>			£1. 10. 0. ✓
<u>Yards</u>			£9. 0. 0. ✓
Total Valuation for Rating Purposes			£10,731. 9. 10. ✓
<u>Rate of 1d. in £. produces</u>			£44. 14. 3. ✓



## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## M I N U T E S

ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING

HELD ON 24TH MARCH, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors J. Kane, J. Lalor, T. Conroy, J. Kelly, W. Hopkins & J. Everett, T.D.

In attendance: The County Manager, Mr. M. Flannery, Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., and Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

Also present was Mr. J. Samson Mwanza.

Opening the meeting the Chairman said he would like to express the Council's sympathy to Mr. Mwanza on the recent and untimely death of his youngest daughter. The message was passed in silence all present standing. Mr. Mwanza thanked the Chairman and member for their kind expression of sympathy.

Councillor Conroy raised the question of the absent Councillors and remarked that Councillor Hudson had not been present at a meeting of the Council since the Election and that Councillor Haughton had not been present for over 12 months. It was explained that in the case of Councillor Hudson his absence through illness was a sufficient excuse. In the case of Councillor Haughton it was pointed out by Councillor Everett that members had asked him not to resign and that they would be satisfied if he could attend meetings whenever possible. It was finally decided that the Town Clerk should examine the position and report thereon to the next meeting.

The Chairman dealing with the Estimates remarked on the substantial increase before the meeting, most of which was outside their control. He asked the members for their opinions. Councillor Everett referred to pending changes in the method of raising local authorities' revenue. He mentioned in particular the possibility of additional state assistance towards the cost of Health and Mental Hospital Services. He suggested adjourning the meeting and the submission of a resolution to the Minister for Local Government. Councillor Kane said that like Councillor Everett he had read the Taoiseach's statement and thought that pending receipt of new assistance the Council might be able to shelve some of the increased burden. He remarked also on the reduction made by the County Council at their Estimates Meeting and these reductions did not appear to be reflected in the Demand on the Urban Council.

The County Manager in reply to members, confirmed that the Council did have a small credit balance which he described as a working balance. He drew the attention of members to the time when the Council was heavily in overdraft and had to go on a deputation to the Minister for Local Government to get special facilities in this regard. He pointed out that the working balance enabled the Council to carry on their services until such time as the rates began coming in which was usually July or August.

Councillor Kane mentioned the scheme for the provision of building sites on Dunbur and indicated that he felt that these should be provided at no cost to the rate payers. He was in favour of a site fine to help meet some part of the cost and he suggested £50 as being a reasonable figure.

On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was decided as had been done in previous years to examine the items in the Tables one by one. This was done and the only alteration made was to insert £5 under the heading of Tourist Development. This sum would be payable to the Regional Tourist Group comprising the counties of Meath, Louth, Dublin, Kildare and Wicklow. The Council decided to leave in the provision of £40 for new public lights and to consider at their next meeting what lights should be provided with the aid of this money.

In the examination of the County Council Demand under the heading of Separate Charges the Manager told Councillor Conroy that the sum of



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£332 in respect of a harbour loan guarantee for Arklow Harbour was chargeable as a County at large charge. The amount to be met by Wicklow Urban Council would be very small and would be in the regional of £1. Councillor Conroy protested in principle against the imposition of such a charge no matter how small. Reference was also made to the charge for Fire Brigade in sum of £571 and Councillor Conroy mentioned that the Wicklow Fire Brigade was mainly engaged in fires outside the Urban area. He thought the charge levied on the Urban most unreasonable having regard to this fact. The Manager told the meeting that the cost in wages alone last year for the Wicklow Fire Brigade amounted to £701 and if a fire tender had also to be provided the loan charges would amount to further few hundred pounds. He felt that the Council were getting the service of a fire brigade at a much lower cost than if they had to provide the service directly themselves.

Councillor Kane suggested that the following amendments could be made in the Estimates:-

- (1) A site fine of £50 to be imposed in respect of building sites at Dunbur and that the Council estimate to collect £500 on 10 sites in the coming year.
- (2) That provision for maintenance of the Town Water Supply be reduced by £89.
- (3) That the Council in expectation of the acid plant being re-opened within 6 months provide for increased water rents in sum of £536.

The above alterations would effect a reduction of 2/1d. in the Estimates.

After some further discussion it was unanimously decided on the proposal of Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Hopkins that the Estimates Meeting stand adjourned to Tuesday, 7th April (the date of the April Monthly Meeting) pending submissions to the Minister for Local Government calling for additional assistance towards the finances of local authorities, particularly in respect of Health and Mental Hospital Services.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

*J.A. [Signature]*

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.  
3rd April, 1964.

To: The Chairman and Each Member of the  
Wicklow Urban District Council

A Chara,

The Adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday, 7th April, 1964, at 7.30 p.m.

At the conclusion of the Estimates Meeting the Monthly Meeting of the Council will be held.

You are requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. Cusack  
Town Clerk

A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 3rd March, 1964 and Annual Estimates Meeting held on 24th March, 1964 (copies herewith)
2. Level Crossing on Murrough - to determine period of opening for 1964 Season. *30/- per wk.*
3. Parking at The Mall - Correspondence with Garda Superintendent.
4. Correspondence with E.S.B. re overhead lines in harbour area and replacement of steel poles at Whitegates.
5. Public Lighting - To determine the provision of additional public lights.
6. Foreshore Protection Works - (a) Report of Town Surveyor on recent storm damage north of Promenade (b) Correspondence with Wicklow County Council.
7. Dunbur Housing Estate - (a) To consider report and estimate of Town Surveyor for provision of roadway and footpaths (b) Authorise raising of loan of £3,500 to finance the work (c) Applications for building sites.
8. S.D.A. Acts - Applications for loans from Mr. John Conway and Mr. Aiden O'Rourke.
9. Town Planning Applications.
10. Sealing of Documents - (a) Memorial in connection with sales under Tenant Purchase Scheme  
(b) Assignment of Lease - Conway to Smith.  
(c) Mortgages - N. Lawlor and M. Carey.
11. Monthly Report of Town Surveyor (copy herewith).
12. Any Other Business at discretion of Chairman.



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILMINUTESADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING AND  
MONTHLY MEETINGHELD ON 7TH APRIL, 1964.

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors T. Conroy, J. Lalor, J. Kane and J. Everett, T.D.

In attendance: Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack, and Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, B.E.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from the County Manager.

Opening the meeting the Chairman remarked that it was a very sad occasion for the Council due to the sudden and untimely death of their colleague, Councillor James Kelly. He said that the late Councillor Kelly was a straight and honourable man who never deviated from doing what he considered to be right and never shirked the duties of his office. He was proud to have served on the Council with him and they would all miss his friendly and cheery manner. To Mrs. Kelly and family he wished to convey the deepest and sincerest sympathy of the Council.

Councillor Everett, seconding, mourned the occasion of having to pass a vote of sympathy on the death of a fellow Councillor. The motion was supported by Councillors Conroy, Lalor and Kane and the Town Clerk on behalf of the County Manager, the staff and on his own behalf associated himself therewith.

The motion was passed in silence, all present standing.

The Chairman said he wished to propose a vote of sympathy with the widow and family of the late Capt. R. F. Conway, Harbour Master and Secretary. The motion was unanimously adopted and passed in silence all present standing.

The Chairman, with the consent of the members, then adjourned the Estimates Meeting and the Monthly Meeting to Friday, 10th April, 1964 as a mark of respect to the member of the late Councillor Kelly.

*T. A. Delahunt*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,

Wicklow.

8th April, 1964.

To:  
The Chairman and Each Member of the  
Wicklow Urban District Council

A Chara,

The Adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Friday, 10th April, 1964, at 7.30 p.m.

At the conclusion of the Estimates Meeting the business of the Adjourned Monthly Meeting will be taken.

You are requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. Cusack

Town Clerk



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

M I N U T E S

ADJOURNED ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING

HELD ON 10TH APRIL, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors J. Kane, J. Lalor, T. Conroy, W. Hopkins and J. Everett, T.D.

In attendance: The County Manager, Mr. M. Flannery, Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., and Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Estimates Meeting held on 24th March, 1964, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

The Town Clerk read the following letter from the Department of Local Government in reply to the Council's resolution:-

6th April, 1964.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to your letter of the 25th March regarding discussions at the Estimates Meeting of your Council and to state that the Government are fully alive to the desirability of a thorough examination of the system of local finance and taxation and are, at present, awaiting the results of the various enquiries which are being made in the matter.

A Select Committee of Dail Eireann is considering the cost of the Health Services and the question of whether any alternative arrangements might be made. The Economic Research Institute is also conducting an enquiry into local finance - it has published two papers on the subject and is at present engaged in a further stage of the enquiry. In addition, various aspects of the local taxation system are under review in the Department of Local Government and in the other Departments concerned. However, as was pointed out by An Taoiseach in a recent speech, it will be some considerable time before any changes which are generally agreed upon can be designed, legislated for and brought into operation.

As regards State assistance towards the cost of the Health Services, this is a matter for the Minister for Health. However, an extract from the Dail Debates of 20th June, 1962, which is enclosed sets out the position in this matter.

Mise, le meas,

Councillor Everett referred to a similar statement made by An Taoiseach that week and proposed that the Association of Municipal Authorities be asked to press the matter with the Minister so as to ensure that Urban areas will get the same rate relief as County areas.

He referred to the Council's credit balance in sum of £5,700 at 31st March, 1963 and suggested that a sum of £2,700 of this balance be used to reduce the rate and this would still leave £3,000 in reserve. The County Manager pointed out that due to loss in water rents and items of approved overexpenditure during the year the balance at 31st March, 1964 would be down to approximately £4,700 and of this sum £630 had been allowed in the Estimates for the coming year.

After some discussion it was decided to effect a reduction of 5/- in the amount demanded by taking the sum of £2,787 out of reserves. It was proposed by Councillor Everett, seconded by Councillor Hopkins and resolved "That having considered the Estimates proposed and submitted to us for consideration we hereby adopt the Estimates of Expenditure and Receipts for the financial year ending 31st March, 1964, as set out in Tables A, B, and C thereof and we determine the rate set out in Column 8 of Table C of the Estimates adopted by us, viz: Municipal Rate of 44/- in the £. to be levied for the several purposes specified in the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1965."

The meeting then concluded.

*J. R. O'Byrne*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

M I N U T E S

ADJOURNED MONTHLY MEETING

HELD ON 10TH APRIL, 1964.

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors J. Kane, J. Lalor, T. Conroy, W. Hopkins and J. Everett, T.D.

In attendance: The County Manager, Mr. M. Flannery, Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., and Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the monthly meeting held on 3rd March, 1964 and of monthly meeting held on 7th April, 1964, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

DISQUALIFICATION OF COUNCILLORS: A letter was read from the Council's Law Agent confirming that neither Councillors Haughton or Hudson were disqualified from holding office, the former on account of his illness and the second because he was excused from attending by the Council. A letter was read from Councillor Haughton explaining that due to pressure of business he had been unable to attend meetings of the Council over the past 12 months but that he hoped to resume attendance at the May meeting. Both letters were noted.

LEVEL CROSSING ON THE MURROUGH: It was decided that the period of opening would be from Saturday, 16th May until the end of September.

The Town Clerk informed the members that the removal of furze bushes on the Murrough was in progress.

At this stage in reply to a query from a member, the Chairman said he understood that Messrs Robert McArd & Co. were opening trial holes on The Murrough for the purpose of investigating for foundations. He said that no definite word had yet been received regarding the erection of the new factory but correspondence regarding the lease was progressing satisfactorily. The Town Clerk mentioned that Messrs McArd sought the consent of the Council to assign their interest in the lease of the site on The Murrough to Celmac Ltd, a new Company which is in process of incorporation and which would be a subsidiary of McArd's and would operate the business in Ireland. The Council unanimously agreed to consent to the assignment subject to the Law Agent being satisfied.

PARKING ON THE MALL: A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, in reply to the Council query regarding the parking problem on The Mall near the new Post Office. He confirmed that 20 minute parking arrangements could be brought into operation and suggested for the consideration of the Council the operation of a one-way traffic system using the Upper and Lower Mall. He further confirmed that he would have the matter of parking on footpaths attended to. The suggestions of the Superintendent were discussed by the Council and members were favourably inclined towards the idea of one-way traffic. Finally it was decided that the Superintendent be asked to meet Councillors Kane and Hopkins and the Town Surveyor to discuss the matter further.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH E.S.B.: A letter was read from the E.S.B. indicating that they were looking into the matter of having the overhead lines in the harbour area placed underground. The letter confirmed that the wood poles provided at Whitegates were of a temporary nature and would be replaced by steel masts as soon as road widening operations by the County Council were completed.

PUBLIC LIGHTING: The question of the provision of additional public lights was adjourned to the next meeting.

Councillor Conroy asked if some pressure could be brought to bear on the County Council to provide a light at the entrance to the District Hospital. It was decided to make this request and to also request the County Council to re-surface the approach to the mortuary.



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**FORESHORE PROTECTION WORKS:** The report of the Town Surveyor re recent damage caused to the foreshore, copies of which had been circulated, was noted. It was further noted that the Council's request for the initiation of schemes of protection works will come before the County Council at their meeting on Monday next.

**DUNBUR HOUSING ESTATE:** (1) New Roadway: It was reported to the Council that the cost of providing new roadways and footpaths part in tarmacadam and part in concrete to serve the building sites already provided with water and sewerage would cost £3,500, and that provision for a half years loan charges to meet the capital cost had been made in the Estimates. The question of doing some of the work now with the aid of a loan and the balance with the aid of the E.S.V. grant was considered. The County Manager also suggested that it might be possible to obtain a 25 year loan from the Office of Public Works and if so, the Council might be in a position to provide all the roadways in concrete. He pointed out that by obtaining a long term loan it might be possible to keep the loan charges at the same annual figure though meeting higher capital outlay. It was finally decided to enquire as to the possibility of obtaining a 25 year loan. Councillor Conroy proposed that tenders be invited for the carrying out of this work and this was agreed to.

(2) Applications for Sites: Messrs A. O'Rourke and P. O'Rourke were granted leases of the sites selected by them for a term of 75 years from 25th March, 1964, at an annual rent of £10.

**BUILDING SITES AT ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE:** The Town Clerk reported that of the 7 building sites at St. Patrick's Avenue leased to Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd., two only had been built upon and he understood that there were no proposals by the firm to build on the remaining sites. Shamrock Fertilizers would be prepared to surrender the remaining sites to the Council if these sites were required for private building. The Town Clerk said that applications from Mr. J. Wilkinson and J. Porter had been received for these sites. The Council unanimously agreed to accept a surrender of the sites from Shamrock as they were required and agreed to lease the first 2 sites to Messrs Wilkinson and Porter for a term of 75 years from 25th March, 1964, at an annual rent of £7. 10. 0. each.

**S.D.A. ACTS:** Applications were submitted from Messrs J. Conway and A. O'Rourke for loans of £1,800 to finance the erections of houses at Dunbur. The Council unanimously recommended them as suitable applicants for loans of £1,800.

Councillor Conroy referred to an application made by Mr. F. Conway for a loan under the S.D.A. Acts in respect of a dwellinghouse he proposes building at Dunbur. He was told that an enquiry in this respect has been received but that as Mr. Conway had already obtained a loan in respect of a dwellinghouse which he recently sold, he would not be eligible under the terms of the Council's Scheme for a further loan. After some discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor to refer the matter to the Council's Law Agent for his advice.

**TOWN PLANNING ACTS:** There being no objection from the Town Surveyor, the Council unanimously recommended that permission under the Town & Regional Planning Acts be granted in the following cases:-

- (1) Mr. J. Conway - Erection of dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road.
- (2) Mr. A. O'Rourke - erection of bungalow on Dunbur Housing Estate.
- (3) Wicklow Golf Club - Extension to Club House at Dunbur
- (4) Mr. R. Woodroffe - Erection of Garage at Bollarney.

**SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:** It was proposed by Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor and resolved:-

(a) "That the Seal of the Council be affixed to Endorsement on Lease and Counterpart dated 6th September, 1961, wherein the Council consent to the assignment by Francis Conway to William Edward Smith of all the premises at Dunbur Road, Wicklow, comprised in such lease."

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(b) "That the Seal of the Council be and is hereby affixed to following Deed of Mortgage in respect of loans of £1,800 under the S.D.A. Acts:-  
Michael Carey, Friars' Hill, to Wicklow U.D.C.  
Nicholas Lawlor, Friars' Hill to Wicklow U.D.C."

(c) "That the Seal of the Council be and is hereby affixed to Memorials wherein the Council, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government demise to the undermentioned tenants the dwellings of which they are at present tenant, for a term of 99 years from 29th September, 1963 at an annual rent of £1. 0. 0:-

Mrs. Veronica Kavanagh, 5, Castlefield.  
Mrs. Mary Canavan, 4, Dunbur Tee.  
Mrs. Ellen Moody, Castle St.  
Mr. Wm. Murphy, 7, St. Laurence's Road.  
Mrs. Margaret O'Reilly, 5, Kilmantin Road."

**MONTHLY REPORT OF TOWN SURVEYOR:** The monthly report of the Town Surveyor, copies of which had been circulated, was noted.

**LEASE OF SITE ON MURROUGH FOR F.C.A. HEADQUARTERS:** The Town Clerk reported that in April, 1961, the Council had agreed to lease to the Minister for Defence a small site on The Murrough for the purpose of providing thereon headquarters for the local F.C.A., the lease to be for a term of 75 years from 25th March, 1961, at an annual rent of £15. He said that on that morning he had met representatives of the Department of Defence who confirmed that they were now in a position to proceed with the lease and were anxious to start on the erection of the proposed building immediately. The meeting felt that due to the lapse of time in taking up the lease and the fact that sites on The Murrough had got more valuable meanwhile that the terms of the lease should be revised as follows:- Term of 75 years from 25th March, 1964, at an annual rent of £25.

**OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:** It was proposed by Councillor Kane, seconded by Councillor Lalor and agreed - "That we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation in sum of £3,000 for the period to 31st July, 1964"

**HOUSING MAINTENANCE:** On the proposal of Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor, it was agreed that no repairs to Council houses be carried out until the Council has an opportunity of examining the list of repairs that are necessary and approving the work to be carried out.

The meeting concluded at 9.15 p.m.

*J. A. O'Rourke*



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.  
1st May, 1964.

To:  
The Chairman and Each Member of the  
Wicklow Urban District Council

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday, 5th May, 1964, at 7.30 p.m. You are requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. Cusack  
Town Clerk

A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Adjourned Estimates Meeting and Adjourned Monthly Meeting held on 10th April, 1964 (copies herewith).
2. Resolution from Kilkenny Corporation re Revival of Irish Language.
3. Urban Roads Improvement Grant 1964/65 - to determine work to be carried out with aid of Grant of £990.
4. Public Lighting - to determine provision of additional Public Lights.
5. Coastal Erosion - Correspondence with Wicklow County Council.
6. Housing List - Consideration and adoption of Housing List No. 15 at 1st April, 1964 (copy herewith).
7. Dunbur Housing Estate - Provision of Roads and Footpaths.
8. S.D.A. Acts - Applications for loans of £1,800 from Messrs J. Wilkinson, J. Porter and P. O'Rourke.
9. Town Planning Applications.
10. Correspondence from Wicklow & District Men's Association.
11. Fix date of Annual Rates Meeting.
12. Monthly Report of Town Surveyor (copy herewith).
13. Schedule of Uncollected Rates at 31st March, 1964.
14. Any Other Business at discretion of Chairman.

LEASE OF SITE ON MURROUGH TO DEP. OF DEFENCE  
VETERAN CAR PARK - USE OF MURROUGH  
PARKING AT THE MALL

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILM I N U T E SMONTHLY MEETING

HELD ON 5TH MAY, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors T. Conroy, J. Lalor, and J Kane.

In attendance: The County Manager, Mr. M. Flannery and Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

Apologies were received from the Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Adjourned Estimates Meeting and Adjourned Monthly Meeting, held on 10th April, 1964, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting the Chairman said that he had good news about the new factory on The Murrrough. The negotiations and arrangements had now reached an advanced stage and some of the main people concerned would be coming to Wicklow the following afternoon at 4.30 and would like to meet members of the Council. He understood that an announcement about the proposed factory would be made in the public press the following Saturday. Members expressed their satisfaction at the good news and conveyed their appreciation to the Chairman for his efforts in securing the factory for the town. It was agreed that the members would assemble at the Town Hall at 4.30 on Wednesday to meet the directors of the new Company.

RESOLUTION FROM KILKENNY CORPORATION: The meeting then considered a resolution from Kilkenny Corporation calling on the Government to implement a positive policy which would extend the use of the national language in all spheres of Irish life. The resolution was submitted in Irish and spoken to by the County Manager in Irish. The remainder of the discussion took place in English. Considerable discussion then took place regarding the resolution, the County Manager drawing the members' attention to the fact that the adoption of the resolution could ultimately lead to all Council business being carried out through the medium of Irish. The members, whilst supporting the resolution, did not feel that that position would ever be reached or that Irish would be extensively used in the commercial life of the country. The resolution was passed un-animously.

URBAN ROADS IMPROVEMENT GRANT: The meeting noted that the grant for the present year would once again be £990 and noted that the Town Surveyor had recommended the completion of Greenhill Road in tarmacadam and also the re-surfacing of Church Hill in tarmacadam. It was decided to refer the matter to the next meeting to enable the Councillors to examine the roads in the Urban area and to also get a report from the Town Surveyor on the condition of various roads.

PUBLIC LIGHTING: The Council noted that the sum of £40 had been provided in the Estimates for the current year to cover the cost of providing additional public lights. It was decided that the following lamps be provided:-

- (1) Leitrim Place at Mr. Fallon's premises.
- (2) Friars' Hill opposite entrance to new houses on Kane's field.
- (3) Fitzwilliam Road opposite Willis' premises.

These 3 lights would be provided free of charge by the E.S.B., the only cost would be the annual lighting charge of £5. 15. 6. each. It was further decided to obtain a price for the fitting of a wall bracket at the rear of the Town Hall and the balance of the money to be held over to meet the cost of providing new lights on the Dunbur Housing Estate.

The Town Clerk read a letter from the E.S.B. indicating that the capital cost involved in placing wires underground in the Bond Street/North Quay area would be £330. On the suggestion of the Chairman it was agreed to defer the matter in view of negotiations taking place between Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd. and the E.S.B.



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**COASTAL EROSION:** It was noted from a letter of the 17th April, 1964, from the Secretary, Wicklow County Council, that the Council had passed a resolution directing the County Engineer to prepare the required report under Section 2 of the Coast Protection Act, 1962, on the nature and probable causes of the encroachment of the sea, extent of damage, works desirable and estimated cost of such works in respect of the beach immediately north of the Promenade and extending to the Urban boundary and in respect of the area between the new Pier and the Packet Pier. Noted. The Council further noted a letter from Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd. to the Wicklow County Council requesting that the firm be reimbursed for the expenditure they incurred in carrying out urgent protection works in the harbour area.

**HOUSING LIST NO. 15:** The Council then considered Housing List No. 15 at the 1st April, 1964, copies of which had been circulated. The List was adopted. Councillor Kane referred to the urgent necessity of building further houses. It was pointed out that the Council had approved the lay-out plan for Ballynerrin but as yet had made no decision on the number of houses they should seek to erect there. The Town Clerk mentioned that some years ago the number of vacancies in the Council's existing stock of houses ran to 8 per year and this was sufficient to deal with the Housing List. No vacancies were occurring at present, the last one being 18 months ago. It was unanimously decided to press the Department for sanction to the erection of 10 houses on the site at Ballynerrin.

**DUNBUR HOUSING ESTATE:** The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Vickers had indicated that he was not proceeding with the erection of his bungalow and had surrendered the site. The Council approved Mr. A. O'Rourke being transferred to Site No. 29 formerly held by Mr. Vickers. The Council agreed to lease Site No. 18 to Mr. J. Millane for a term of 75 years from 25th March, 1964, at an annual rent of £10.

The Town Clerk mentioned that at the last meeting it had been decided to enquire from the Department of Local Government as to the possibility of obtaining a loan of £6,000 from the Local Loans Fund, repayable over 25 years for the purpose of providing the roadways and footpaths in concrete at the Dunbur Housing Estate. It was further decided that tenders be invited for this work. The Town Clerk said that the previous day an Inspector from the Department had been in town and had inspected the sites. The development now in hand appeared quite in order but it seemed likely that the Department would request that some open space be set aside in the next stage of the development. He understood unofficially that the 25 year loan would be made available.

The Town Clerk said that he had had many complaints from individuals erecting houses on the Estate. The lack of roadways was a severe handicap and created problems for the builders in getting in supplies of blocks and other materials. The Town Clerk said, in reply to members, that based on past experience that it would be at least 5 months before roadways could be provided by contract but if the work was undertaken by direct labour a temporary roadway could be provided almost immediately. After considering the matter, the Council confirmed that the work should be undertaken by contract and agreed that their Consultant Architect, Mr. P. O'Brien, be authorised to prepare detailed plans and specifications and that tenders be invited as soon as the proposals were sanctioned by the Department of Local Government. The Town Clerk mentioned that originally it had been planned to do part of the work at a cost of £3,500 which would involve loan charges of £440 over a 15 year period, but by undertaking the entire work at a cost of £6,000 the loan charges over a 25 year period would only be £466 per annum.

It was proposed by Councillor Lalor, seconded by Councillor Conroy and agreed - "That we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, the raising of a loan of £6,000 from the Local Loans Fund repayable on the annuity system over 25 years at 6% interest, for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the provision of concrete roadways and footpaths on the Dunbur Housing Estate.

Councillor Conroy referred to flooding at Furlong's house and it was agreed that the Town Surveyor should investigate the position. Councillor

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Conroy also referred to 3 poles in front of this house one of which was a high tension pole and it was agreed that the E.S.B. be requested to have it moved.

**S.D.A. ACTS:** The Council unanimously recommended Messrs J. Wilkinson, J. Porter and P. O'Rourke as suitable applicants for loans of £1,800 under the S.D.A. Acts. In regard to the application of Mr. F. Conway for a second loan a letter was read from the Law Agent indicating that neither the Acts nor the Council's Scheme prohibited the making of a second loan. The Town Clerk pointed out that the Department of Local Government had to be consulted on the matter also as they made the money for these loans available to the Council. It was decided to defer the matter pending hearing from the Department.

**TOWN PLANNING ACTS:** There being no objection from the Town Surveyor, the Council unanimously recommended that permission be granted under the Town & Regional Planning Acts in the following instances:-

- (1) Bungalow at St. Patrick's Avenue for Messrs J. Wilkinson and J. Porter.
- (2) Bungalow at Dunbur Housing Estate for Mr. P. O'Rourke.

**WICKLOW & DISTRICT MEN'S ASSOCIATION:** A letter was read from this Association requesting the Council to do something regarding the heavy flow of rain water on St. Manntan's Road and St. Laurence's Road going towards St. Patrick's Road. Referred to the Town Surveyor.

**DATE OF ANNUAL RATES MEETING:** It was decided that the meeting be held on Tuesday, 26th May, at 7.30 p.m.

**REPORT OF TOWN SURVEYOR:** The report of the Town Surveyor, copies of which had been circulated, was noted.

**SCHEDULE OF UNCOLLECTED RATES:** The County Manager submitted the Schedule of Uncollected Rates at the 31st March, 1964. He mentioned that the rates collected amounted to 96.05% of the Warrant and the arrears at the end of the year were £768. The Schedule was examined in detail by the members and the position regarding the Orange Hall in particular was noted. The meeting accepted the Manager's suggestion to investigate the possibility of acquiring this premises under the Derelict Sites Act. It was also agreed to acquire 2 derelict sites at Marlton Road.

**HOUSING RENTS:** The Town Clerk informed the meeting that out of a total warrant of £7,890 for Housing Rents, a sum of £7,832 had been collected. This represented a 99.26% collection and also the highest ever in the history of the Council. The arrears at the end of the year were only £58. Members expressed satisfaction and complimented the Collector and the tenants.

**LEASE OF SITE ON MURROUGH TO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE:** A letter was read from the Department of Defence appealing against the Council's decision to increase the rent of a site on the Murrough from £15 to £25. They pointed out that on this site a permanent 5 room building would be erected for use by the F.C.A. and indicated that they would accept a rent of £20 per annum. The meeting decided to adhere to the rent of £25 and to point out to the Department the growing importance and value of sites on The Murrough for industrial use.

**VETERAN CAR RUN:** The meeting granted the application of the Leinster Motor Club for the use of the Murrough on Saturday, 13th June in connection with the Annual Veteran and Vintage Car Rally.

**PARKING AT THE MALL:** It was decided that representatives of the Council with the Town Surveyor should meet the Garda Superintendent on Friday, 8th May at 7.30 p.m.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Councillor Conroy referred to the blockage of the roadway at Castle Park caused by sand and gravel being deposited by the Contractor erecting the 4 houses. It was decided to take the matter up with the Contractor.

The meeting concluded at 10 p.m.

*L.A. Delahy*



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILANNUAL RATES MEETING

HELD ON 26TH MAY, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors T. Conroy and J. Lalor.

In attendance: The Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

Apologies were received from the County Manager and Town Surveyor.

MAKING OF RATE FOR 1964/65: It was proposed by Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor and resolved:-

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council make the following rate and assessments upon all occupiers and owners of land and hereditaments situate in the Urban District of Wicklow, liable thereto, and in accordance with the Rate Book so prepared and this day submitted to us, viz: Municipal Rate for the services of the year ended 31st March, 1965, of 528 pence (Five Hundred and Twenty Eight Pence).

Urban Roads	42.5 pence
Sanitary Services	105.5 "
Housing	15.4 "
General Urban Purposes	69.2 "
County Council Services	295.4 "

and that the Seal of the Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement and Certificate of the Municipal Rate contained in the Rate Book for the year 1964/65 and that the necessary notice be published forthwith."

RATE COLLECTOR'S WARRANT: It was proposed by Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor and resolved:-

"That the Seal of the Council be affixed to Warrant in respect of 1964/65 to be issued to the Rate Collector of the Wicklow Urban District Council."

TOWN PLANNING ACTS: The Town Clerk submitted plans and specification from Robert McArd & Co. Ltd. in respect of new factory proposed to be erected on The Murrrough, Wicklow, for their subsidiary Company, Celmac Ltd. There being no objection from the Town Surveyor, the Council unanimously recommended that permission under the Town & Regional Planning Acts be granted.

The meeting then concluded.

*J.A. Delahunty*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow,  
29th May, 1964.

To/ The Chairman and Each Member of the  
Wicklow Urban District Council

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The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday, 2nd June, 1964, at 7.30 p.m. You are requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. Cusack  
Town Clerk

A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 5th May and Special Meeting held on the 26th May, 1964 (copies herewith).
2. Resolution from Youghal U.D.C. re Civil Liability Act, 1961.
3. Eastern Region Tourist Organisation - Correspondence re setting up of Organisation, nomination of Director, contributions, etc.
4. Letting of vacant Council House at No. 7, St. Patrick's Avenue.
5. Association of Municipal Authorities - (1) Notification of date and place of 1964 Annual Conference. (2) Payment of annual contribution. (3) Approve delegates to Annual Conference. (4) Motions for Conference.
6. Public Lighting - Application from Wicklow Chamber of Commerce for provision of Pilot Lights.
7. Salaries Revision - Application for payment of revised salary scales for Town Clerk and Clerk Typist.
8. Parking at The Mall - Report of Sub-Committee.
9. Road Improvement Grant 1964/65 - To consider works to be undertaken with aid of Grant of £990.
10. Abstract of Accounts for year ending 31st March, 1964.
11. Fix date for Annual Meeting of Council.
12. Derelict Sites Act, 1961 - To consider report of Medical Officer and Town Surveyor on two sites at Marlton Road.
13. Orange Lodge Premises at Bridge Street - Letter from Chief State Solicitor re acquisition of the property.
14. Dunbur Housing Estate - Report on progress in preparation of Contract Documents for provision of roads and footpaths.
15. S.D.A. Acts - Loan applications from Messrs F. Conway, D. Griffin and J. Millane.  
*Housing Loans - New Regulations*
16. Town Planning Applications.
17. Premises at Dunbur Road - Application for consent to assignment of lease - Repts. T.E.B. Beatty to Patrick Harbourne.



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18. Fill vacancy on Wicklow Harbour Board. ? Vac. on CC
19. Plot at rear of St. Patrick's Avenue - Application from tenants for garden extensions.
20. Monthly Report of Town Surveyor.
21. Any Other Business at discretion of Chairman.

Loss of Mill Yards.

## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## MINUTES

## MONTHLY MEETING

HELD ON 2ND JUNE, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors J. Lalor, T. Conroy, W. Hopkins, J. Kane and J. Everett, T.D.

In attendance: The Town Surveyor, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, B.E., and Town Clerk, Mr. M. J. Cusack.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from the County Manager.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: Arising out of the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 5th May, copies of which had been circulated, Councillor Conroy pointed out that in relation to the Housing List the decision of the Council had been to leave it in abeyance and it was not adopted as indicated in the minutes. Noted. The Minutes were then confirmed and signed by the Chairman. The minutes of the Special Meeting held on 26th May, 1964, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the Minutes of the May Monthly Meeting, Councillor Everett referred to the appointment of an Architect to prepare the plans and specification for road building on the Dunbur Housing Estate which work he maintained should have been done by an Engineer. He wished to have the appointment rescinded. It was explained to the Councillor the reason for making the appointment and in view of the amount of work already done on the project by the Architect the meeting decided to let the matter rest. Councillor Everett indicated that he reserved the right to raise the matter in the Dail.

RESOLUTION FROM YOUGHAL U.D.C.: The Council unanimously adopted a resolution from Youghal U.D.C. calling on the Government not to bring into operation Section 60 of the Civil Liability Act, 1961.

EASTERN REGION TOURIST ORGANISATION: The Town Clerk read correspondence confirming the formation of the Eastern Regional Tourist Organisation Ltd., a general meeting of which would be held in Dun Laoghaire on 16th June. This Organisation covers the Counties of Louth, Meath, Kildare, Dublin and Wicklow and local authorities in these counties subscribing to the Organisation are entitled to be represented at the General Meeting. Wicklow U.D.C. together with 6 other Urban Councils would be entitled to nominate a Director. The meeting agreed to contribute the sum of £5 which had been provided in the Estimates for this purpose. On the proposal of Councillor Conroy seconded by Councillor Lalor, the Chairman, Mr. T. A. Delahunt was nominated to represent the Council at the General Meeting on the 16th June and was also nominated for election as a Director.

LETTING OF 7, ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE: The Town Clerk submitted three applications received for the vacant non-subsidised house at No. 7, St. Patrick's Avenue. It was noted that 2 of the applicants, Thomas Earls and Francis Newsome were on the Council's Housing List and that their existing accommodation was regarded as unsatisfactory. It was also noted that the third applicant, John Mitchell, was a single man who would be married shortly. The Town Clerk pointed out that the County Manager on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer was in favour of rehousing Thomas Earls. Having considered the matter at some length the Council unanimously recommended, on the proposal of Councillor Hopkins seconded by Councillor Lalor, that Mr. John Mitchell be granted the tenancy of the house and that the other 2 applicants who are on the Housing List be given priority in the allocation of the 4 new houses at Castle Park.

ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES: The Council noted that the Annual Conference would be held in Bundoran from 22nd to 24th September inclusive and they unanimously appointed Councillor J. Kane and Mr. M. J. Cusack, Town Clerk, to be their delegates to the Conference. It was further agreed to make a membership subscription of £5. The Town Clerk was asked to draft motions for submission to the Annual Conference, various suggestions which could be covered by motions being put forward by members.



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**PUBLIC LIGHTING:** The meeting considered an application from the Wicklow Chamber of Commerce for the provision of a number of pilot lights in the town principally one on Main St. facing Morton's Lane. It was decided to get quotations from the E.S.B.

**SALARIES:** The Town Clerk submitted an application from the I.L.G.O.U. for the implementation of revised salary scales for the Town Clerk and Clerk Typist as a result of negotiations under the Local Authorities Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme as follows:-

Town Clerk - £865 x £37½ - £1,165  
Clerk Typist - £340 x £20 - £480 x £30 - £600

The revised salaries would be operative from 1st October, 1963, and would be subject to the 12% National Wages Agreement as from 1st February, 1964.

The meeting was informed that a revised salary scale for the Rate Collector had not yet been determined as this was a matter of discussion between the County Managers and the Rate Collector's Union. Councillor Conroy, supported by Councillor Everett protested about the delay by the County Manager in undertaking the negotiations with the I.T.&G.W.U. who represented the Rate Collectors. On Councillor Conroy's proposal seconded by Councillor Lalor it was unanimously agreed that the County Manager be urged to deal with this matter immediately. On the proposal of Councillor Lalor seconded by Councillor Conroy the meeting unanimously agreed to the implementation of the revised salary scales for the Town Clerk and Clerk Typist and approved the necessary overexpenditure in the current year.

**PARKING AT THE MALL:** Councillor Conroy reported that together with Councillor Lalor he had met with the Garda Superintendent and the local Sergeant for the purpose of examining the parking problem at The Mall. The meeting noted that it was the opinion of the Superintendent that no action should be taken at the moment.

**ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** After considering the recommendation of the Town Surveyor and discussing the matter at some length it was decided that the grant in sum of £990 be expended in providing new tarmacadam surfaces as follows:-

- (1) Remainder of High St. from Dispensary to Fitzwilliam Road.
- (2) Remainder of Castle Street.
- (3) Church Hill as far as the balance of the money will allow.

Councillor Conroy complained about the delay in re-instating the footpaths and channel along the Main St. opened by the E.S.B. for cable laying and the Town Surveyor promised that he would arrange for the County Council to carry out the work immediately on behalf of the E.S.B. The Town Surveyor also undertook to look into Councillor Everett's request to rectify the right-of-way from Castlefield through Ned Kavanagh's field to the Cliff Walk.

**ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS:** The Abstract of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1964, was submitted and noted.

**DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING:** It was decided to hold the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, 30th June, 1964, at 7.30 p.m.

**DERELICT SITES:** The Council considered the reports of the County Medical Officer and Town Surveyor confirming that 2 sites at Marlton Road owned by Mrs. R. Murphy and Mr. G. James came within the definition of the Derelict Sites Act. It was decided to leave the matter in abeyance for the present pending submission of a report on all derelict sites in the Urban area.

**ORANGE LODGE:** A letter was submitted from the Chief State Solicitor indicating that the Minister for Finance was making application to the High Court to have the Orange Lodge Premises at Bridge St., Wicklow, transferred to him under the State Property Act, 1954. It was noted that in view of the Minister's interest in the premises there was no point in the Council proceeding under the Derelict Sites Act.

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**DUNBUR HOUSING ESTATE:** It was unanimously agreed to grant a lease of Site No. 31 to Mr. Donal Griffin for a term of 75 years from 25th March, 1964 at an annual rent of £10.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the Consultant Architect expected to have the plans and specification for the concrete roadway and footpaths completed during the week when they would be submitted to the Department of Local Government for sanction. On receipt of sanction advertisements inviting tenders would be published immediately.

**HOUSING (LOAN & GRANTS) ACT, 1962:** The Town Clerk submitted Circular letter from the Department of Local Government dealing with the Housing Authority (Loans for Acquisition and Construction of Houses) Regulations 1964 which had been made by the Minister under Section 11 of the Housing (Loan and Grants Act), 1962. An Order has been made by the Minister appointing 1st June, 1964 as the date upon which Section 11 of the Act will come into operation and the Regulations will accordingly replace the S.D.A. Acts with effect from that date. The letter points out that under Article 3 the maximum advance that may be made in respect of a house is £2,250 replacing the previous limit of £2,000 advised in August 1962. Noted.

The Council also approved the recommendation of the Town Surveyor for the payment of loans in 4 instalments.

Regarding the application of Mr. F. Conway for a loan of £1,400 for the construction of a dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, the Town Clerk pointed out that the Council's Solicitor had advised that the Council's Scheme does not prohibit the making of a second loan and that upon examination of the S.D.A. Acts he can see no legal objection to a second loan being granted. A letter was submitted from the Department of Local Government stating that the question of the making of a second advance under the S.D.A. Acts to an applicant who had repaid an advance previously obtained in respect of another house is entirely a matter for decision by the housing authority on its own responsibility. The Town Clerk mentioned that it was the opinion of the County Manager that the Council had discharged their obligation to Mr. Conway but that he was prepared to have regard to the wishes of the Council in the matter. The Council unanimously recommended that Mr. Conway be granted a second loan and recommended him as a suitable applicant for a loan of £1,400.

The Council also recommended Mr. D. Griffin and Mr. J. Millane as suitable applicants for loan of £2,000 and £1,800 respectively.

**TOWN PLANNING ACTS:** There being no objection by the Town Surveyor, the Council unanimously recommended that permission under the Town & Regional Planning Acts be granted in the following cases:-

- (1) John Millane - erection of bungalow on Site No. 18 at Dunbur
- (2) Donal Griffin - Erection of dwellinghouse on Site No. 31 at Dunbur
- (3) Mr. J. Sugrue - Erection of bungalow on Site No. 6 at Dunbur

**ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE - PREMISES AT DUNBUR ROAD:** The Council unanimously recommended that the consent of the Council be granted to the Assignment of premises at Dunbur Road held under lease of 24th March, 1939 by the reps. of Lt. Col. T.E.B. Beatty to Mr. Patrick Harbourne. Councillor Conroy queried the amount of land attached to the bungalow and thought that in addition to the amount granted under the lease of 1939 some other land had been acquired at a later date. It was agreed that the Town Clerk investigate the position.

**VACANCY ON HARBOUR BOARD:** The names of Councillors J. Kane and J. Lalor were submitted and it was decided to draw the names from a hat. The name of Councillor J. Lalor was drawn by the Press representative and he was unanimously appointed to fill the vacancy on the Wicklow Harbour Board.

**PLOT AT REAR OF ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE:** The Council unanimously accepted the recommendation of the Town Surveyor that the tenants of St. Patrick's Avenue be permitted to extend their gardens into the plot at the rear of their houses provided that all the tenants were agreeable to do so and that they accept responsibility for fencing.



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MONTHLY REPORT OF TOWN SURVEYOR: The monthly report of the Town Surveyor, copies of which had been circulated was noted. Councillor Conroy raised the matter of the condition of The Murrrough as a result of the removal of furze bushes and the Town Surveyor undertook to obtain the services of a grader to carry out further levelling. Regarding the outer Murrrough members pressed that something be done to provide a passage-way where the sea had eroded to the boundary wall. Reference was made to the surplus stones in the Quarry which were being disposed of to the County Council. It was pointed out by the Town Clerk that negotiations were in progress with the County Council regarding a price for the surplus stones but that nothing definite had yet been decided on. The Council recommended that on the strength of the sale of these stones the sum of £100 be expended to fill the hole on the Promenade and provide a passage-way across.

OTHER BUSINESS: Councillor Everett referred to the delay in dealing with a Housing Reconstruction Loan for Miss B. Kavanagh and was told by the Town Clerk that until the Government Grant had been notified the Council were not in a position to assess the amount of loan from the U.D.C. which she would be eligible for. Councillor Everett protested at this condition in the Council's Scheme and felt that it should be possible as in the case of S.D.A. Loans to determine the value of the reconstruction without having recourse to the Department. He proposed that the position be clarified with the Department of Local Government.

The Chairman asked the Town Surveyor to have the pedestrian crossing outside the Convent Schools re-painted during the school holidays. He also asked him to expediate the provision of the hand-railing on St. Patrick's Road.

VACANCY ON COUNCIL: Arising out of a letter from Wicklow Erskine Childers Fianna Fail Cummann, it was proposed by Councillor Lalor, seconded by the Chairman and unanimously resolved "That a vacancy be declared on the Council due to the death of Councillor J. Kelly". It was proposed by Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor and agreed "That at the July meeting the Council move to fill the vacancy on the Council created by the death of Councillor J. Kelly."

YARD AT SOUTH QUAY: An application was read from Messrs Haughton & Bowler Solicitors, on behalf of Mrs. S. Rutledge for consent to a sub-lease of a yard at South Quay held by her under lease from the Council. The sub-letting would be for a period of 5 years from 1st June at a weekly rent of £1. to Patrick Rice, Carpenter, High St. The applicant also asked for a waiver of the covenant against the use of the premises other than as a slaughter house and yard to enable the tenant to use the premises for the purpose of carpentry, boat building and allied trades. The Town Clerk pointed out that Mrs. Rutledge owed rates on the yard at 31st March but that since then she was making weekly payments. The Council unanimously agreed to consent to the sub-letting and to waive the covenant regarding the use of the premises. It was further agreed to ask for a copy of the letting Agreement.

DISTRICT HOSPITAL: The meeting noted a letter from the County Council indicating that arrangements were being made to re-surface the approach to the mortuary and pointing out that a light had been provided in October last. The meeting expressed dissatisfaction with the lighting arrangements and decided to press the County Council further on this matter.

DISPENSARY PREMISES: Councillor Conroy referred to the condition of the dispensary premises in the town and it was agreed to protest to the Co. Council on this matter pointing out that it appeared that Wicklow town is being treated most unfairly in the matter of dispensary accommodation, compared with the remainder of the county.

REMUNERATION OF TOWN SERGEANT AND TRACTOR DRIVER: Having heard a report from the Town Clerk, the Council unanimously recommended that differentials paid to the Town Sergeant and Tractor Driver be given the benefit of the 12% increase and be revised to £2. 2. 0. (increase of 4/6d) and £1. 2. 6. (increase of 2/6d.) per week respectively as from 14th January, 1964.

The meeting concluded at 10.15 p.m.

*J. Kane  
7 July 64*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

HELD ON 23RD JUNE, 1964.

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors T. Conroy, J. Lalor and J. Kane.

In attendance: Miss M. Kavanagh, Acting Town Clerk.

Apologies were received from the County Manager.

Opening the meeting, the Chairman said that it was with deep regret that we learned of the death, after a prolonged illness, of our friend and colleague, Councillor C. W. Hudson. He was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him and created great respect in his public and commercial life. He never spared himself in serving his town and county on many public bodies and his death is a sad blow to all. The Chairman proposed that the profound sympathy of the Council be extended to his wife and relatives.

The other members present associated themselves with the vote of sympathy and also paid tribute to Councillor Hudson's memory. The vote was passed unanimously all present standing.

The Acting Town Clerk on behalf of the County Manager and staff also expressed sympathy at Councillor Hudson's death.

The meeting then adjourned as a mark of respect.

*J. Kane  
7 July 64*



## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

## M I N U T E S

## ANNUAL MEETING

HELD ON 30TH JUNE, 1964

Present: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Presiding, Councillors T. Conroy, J. Lalor and J. Kane.

In attendance: Mr. M. J. Cusack, Town Clerk.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: It was proposed by Councillor Kane, seconded by Councillor Lalor and supported by Councillor Conroy and unanimously resolved:- "That Councillor T. A. Delahunt, be re-elected as Chairman for the ensuing year."

The Chairman extended his thanks to the members for his re-election and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN: It was proposed by Councillor Lalor, seconded by Councillor Delahunt and unanimously resolved:- "That Councillor J. Kane be re-elected as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year".

Councillor Kane thanked the members for his re-election and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE RATHDRUM & WICKLOW JOINT BURIAL BOARD

It was proposed by Councillor Conroy, seconded by Councillor Lalor and resolved that the following members of the Council be appointed as representatives on the Rathdrum & Wicklow Joint Burial Board:-

Councillors W. Hopkins, T. Conroy, G. Haughton, T. A. Delahunt, J. Lalor and J. Kane."

NOMINATED MEMBERS FOR AFFIXING OF COUNCIL'S SEAL: It was proposed by Councillor Lalor, seconded by Councillor Conroy and resolved:- "That the Chairman, Councillor T. A. Delahunt and the Vice-Chairman, Councillor J. Kane, be appointed representatives to witness the affixing of the Council's Seal."

The meeting then concluded.

*J. Kane  
with July 64*

## WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,

Wicklow.

3rd July, 1964.

To/ The Chairman and Each Member of the  
Wicklow Urban District Council

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday, 7th July, 1964, at 7.30 p.m. You are requested to attend.

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M. J. Cusack,  
Town Clerk

## A G E N D A

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 3rd June, 1964, Special Meeting held on 23rd June, 1964, and Annual Meeting held on 30th June, 1964 (copies herewith).
2. Resolution from Ballinasloe U.D.C. re Relief from Rates on Agricultural Land in Urban Areas.
3. Closing of Roads for Kart Racing - Application from Wicklow Regatta Committee.
4. Public Lighting - Quotation for provision of Pilot Lights.
5. Motions for submission to Annual Conference of Association of Municipal Authorities (draft motions circulated herewith).
6. Resignation of Miss M. Kavanagh, Clerk Typist.
7. Retirement of Town Surveyor.
8. Filling of vacancy on Council.
9. Report on house at Castle Street (Tenant: D. Cleary).
10. Tenant Purchase Scheme - Applications to purchase.
11. Dunbar Housing Estate (a) To consider report and recommendation of Consultant Architect on tenders received for Construction of Roads and Paths. (b) Site Applications.
12. Application for Building Sites at St. Patrick's Avenue.
13. Housing Loans - Application for loans from John Mitchell and A. O'Neill.
14. Town Planning Applications.
15. Sealing of Documents - (a) Lease and Option Agreement - Sites on Murrrough to Gelmac Ltd. (b) Renewal of Lease - Premises at The Mall to H. Jordan.
16. Monthly Report of Town Surveyor (copy herewith).
17. Any Other Business at discretion of Chairman.