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size of this contract the employment of a full-time Clerk of Works would be justified. It was agreed that the tender of Messrs. Kelly & Sons be accepted subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and that an advertisement be issued seeking applicants for the post as Clerk of Works and that the Council could decide when applications had been received as to whether a Clerk of Works should be engaged.

#### HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT GLEN FIELD

The meeting was informed that Messrs. Western Enterprises had written stating that while they were prepared to finance building costs in connection with the proposed private housing development that the Broker's and Loan Societies with whom they had been in touch were not prepared to give mortgage facilities at the present time and that unless the local authority could guarantee mortgages the proposed scheme would have to be shelved for the time being. It was agreed that Messrs. C.G. Cooney who had also expressed interest in this site be written to and informed that the Council would be prepared to consider any proposals which they might wish to make.

#### SELECTION OF TENANTS - 14 HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN.

The meeting was informed that, as decided by the Council, the first fourteen applicants listed on the Housing List had been written to and asked if they were interested in accepting the tenancy of one of the fourteen new houses in course of erection at Ballynerrin. As a result of this inquiry the undermentioned persons had indicated that they were willing to accept one of the new houses.

Michael J. Humby, Lavender Cottage, Summerhill,  
M.J. Mulvihill, Hillside Cottage,  
Anthony Doyle, New Street,  
Joseph McCarthy, 2 Strand Street,  
Joseph L. O'Flaherty, Hillside House,  
Thomas Shortall, Hillside Cottages,  
Kevin Byrne, 6 Strand Street,  
Paul J. Synnott, 1 St. Patrick's Avenue,  
Michael Fitzpatrick, Hillside House,  
John Quinn, 9 Fitzwilliam Road,  
Martin Ronan, 49 Glenview Road,  
James Kavanagh, 27 Glenview Road.

Of the other persons on the Housing List, James Newsome, 8 Strand Street, who was now first on the Housing List had indicated that he was interested in obtaining the tenancy of a house but felt that he would prefer if possible to obtain a house to which a lower rent would be applicable than that which would apply to the new houses. In the case of Michael Smullen who was now number eight on the Housing List the meeting was informed that he was not prepared to accept the tenancy of a new house but that he also would be interested in obtaining the tenancy of a house with a lower rent than that applicable to the Ballynerrin scheme.

The meeting was informed that three existing tenants of houses had indicated that they were interested in obtaining transfers to one of the new houses. Those interested in transfers were;

- 1) Thomas Rayburn, 26 St. Laurence's Park, Milk Salesman, six children in family, two suffering from asthma,
- 2) Thomas Corkish, 38 Glenview Road, Stoker, Wicklow Gas Works, Family income £16 7s. 6d. weekly, ten children,
- 3) Seamus Dunne, 22 Glenview Road, unemployed, Income £6 4s. 6d., one son employed - £9 5s. 0d. weekly, six children,

It was decided that transfers be arranged as follows;

Thomas Rayburn to be offered the tenancy of one of the new houses at Ballynerrin and James Newsome to be offered the tenancy of house at 26 St. Laurence's Park, now occupied by Thomas Rayburn.

Thomas Corkish to be offered the tenancy of one of the new houses at Ballynerrin and Michael Smullen to be offered the tenancy of house at

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38, Glenview Road, at present occupied by Thomas Corkish.

The Council also conducted a draw for the houses which resulted as follows;

House No.	Occupier.
1	M. Ronan,
2	T. Shortall,
3	M.J. Humby,
4	J. Quinn,
5	J. Kavanagh,
6	K. Byrne,
7	P. Synnott,
8	M. Fitzpatrick,
9	J.L. O'Flaherty,
10	T. Corkish,
11	J. McCarthy,
12	T. Rayburn,
13	A. Doyle,
14	M.G. Mulvihill.

#### MAKING OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN - REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE.

The meeting was informed that the Sub-committee appointed by the Council to report on the making of the Draft Development Plan had met on Friday, 3rd March. Present were the Chairman, Mr. T.A. Delahunt, and Councillors E. Kavanagh and J. Kane. Councillor Mrs. McEnroy was unable to attend but forwarded suggestions for consideration. In attendance were Mr. N.D. Farrell, Town Surveyor, Mr. R.L. Farrell, B.A.I., former Town Surveyor, and Mr. S. Desmond, Acting Town Clerk.

The committee members considered in detail the Provisional Plan which had already been prepared and they considered that it was satisfactory in the main but they put forward suggestions for consideration by the Council which might be summarised as follows;

1) Under the provision relating to Traffic the committee suggested that the following points were worthy of consideration:-

- (a) As a long-term objective the possibility of routing traffic out of the town by way of Church to the Whitegates might be investigated,
- (b) The question of having the road properly marked with white lines in the area near the Grand Hotel (Abbey Street, Marlton Road) might be examined and this matter brought to the attention of the County Council,
- (c) The question of the provision of parking space for cars at Bachelor's Walk by realigning the road there might be considered,
- (d) The possibility of using the site where the Old Technical School now stands as a car park for the future might be considered.

#### 2) Amenities

The question of providing a suitable Children's Park or Playground in the Ballynerrin area was also recommended for consideration.

#### 3) Services

Committee recommended that the question of providing for dumping possibly by obtaining access to the sea at a suitable point near Wicklow Head should be considered for inclusion in the Plan.

Apart from the above matters the Plan was considered generally satisfactory but the members also felt that some more information regarding the historical background of Wicklow might be included in Part A of the Plan, for example, reference to such landmarks as the Black Steps



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and Paidin's Rock might usefully be included.

The Council considered the Committee's Report and it was the opinion of the Council that it might not be wise to incorporate in the Plan a provision regarding the routing of traffic by way of Church Hill. The Council also recommended that the attention of the County Engineer be brought to the need for improving the Mall which was a cause of traffic congestion in the town and that the Town Surveyor might examine the question of arranging for one-way traffic at the upper and lower levels of the Mall. The Council agreed with the other recommendations of the Sub-committee and recommended that the Town Surveyor might draft a Plan for the development of Bachelor's Walk and that the development of this area be kept in mind as it might be possible to carry it out as part of E.S.V. Scheme work.

#### APPLICATION FOR NEW LEASE - B. RICE.

The meeting was informed that an application had been received from Mr. Brendan Rice, 2 High Street, Wicklow, for a new lease in respect of 2 High Street and that in this case it had been found that a lease to Mrs. Mary Rice for a term of 75 years from the 29th September, 1930, was prepared by Mr. John McGrath, Solicitor, at a yearly rent of 7s. 2d. but that the lease apparently had never been executed or signed by Mrs. Rice.

A letter was handed in at the meeting which had been addressed to Mrs. Rice by Mr. McGrath from which it appeared that the full costs of preparation of the lease had not been paid. The Council were agreeable that Mr. Rice be given a lease on the same terms as those shown in the lease prepared for his mother, Mrs. Rice, provided the Council's solicitor was satisfied that he was the legal successor to the late Mrs. Rice.

#### APPLICATION FOR LEASE - PREMISES AT COLLEY ROW - RICHARD DAVIS.

The Council considered the application of Mr. Richard Davis for lease of plot at Colley Row and the meeting was informed that Mr. R.L. Farrell, former Town Surveyor, had inspected the site and reported that the building thereon could only be used as a garage or workshop but not as a dwellinghouse but that the size of the plot in question was 1.3 perches with a frontage of 68 feet and a depth of 78 feet and that it would be sufficient to allow for the erection of two semi-detached houses if access could be obtained to the sewer running at the back of the houses in Glenside Road as there is no public sewer in Glenside Road. Mr. Farrell also reported that were the existing building to be demolished it would be necessary to plaster the gable end of the adjoining house which would have lost its protection from the weather. The Council agreed that Council's Law Agent be written to on the matter and informed that the Council felt that the possibility of using this plot as a Housing site at some future date should be borne in mind and that he be asked if a tenancy could be prepared with Mr. Davis under which the Council could recover the site if it were required for such a purpose.

#### APPLICATION FROM MESSRS. VEHA LIMITED FOR CONSENT TO SUBLEASE PLOT TO ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD.

The meeting was informed that application had been received from Messrs. Veba Limited for consent to sub-lease to the E.S.B. a plot of ground at their premises at the Murrrough on the site which was leased to Messrs. Veba by the Council. It was indicated that the plot was required by the E.S.B. as a site for a Sub-station and that the E.S.B. would also require a right-of-way to the site through the property now leased to Messrs. Veba Limited. It was agreed that the Council's Law Agent be written to and informed that the Council were of opinion that Messrs. Veba Limited should be requested to relinquish to the Council the plot required by the E.S.B. and that the Council might then make lease direct to E.S.B. in respect of the land required and that the Law Agent be asked to advise if this could be arranged.

#### TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The report of the Town Surveyor for the month of February was noted.

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#### TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME.

The Council gave consideration and approval to the following applications to avail of the Tenant Purchase Scheme.

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>CASH PRICE £</u>	<u>ANNUAL P.A.</u>	<u>REPAYMENT PERIOD</u>
Mrs. M. Hodgkinson, 11, Castle PK.	910	£47.2.2.	35 years
Maurice O'Brien, 11, St. Laurence's Park.	910	£47.2.2.	35 years
Mrs. E. O'Reilly, 2, Castle Park.	910	£47.2.2.	35 years
S.D. Conroy, 23, Kilmantin Road.	249	£24.7.11.	15 years
L. Kavanagh, 23, St. Laurence's Rd.	249	£24.7.11.	15 years
E. O'Brien, 22, Kilmantin Road.	249	£24.7.11.	15 years
B. Jacob, 1, Castlefield.	283	£28.13.3.	15 years
Mrs. B. O'Toole, 3, St. Laurence's Road.	249	£24.7.11.	15 years
G. O'Brien, 3, St. Dominick's Road.	176	£24.3.11.	10 years

An application from James Jameson, 6 Kilmantin Road, was also considered. The members were informed that in this case the applicant was a son of the deceased tenant and that he was married and resided in the house. The Council agreed that Mr. Jameson should be allowed to have the tenancy transferred to him and that there would be no objection to his application to purchase.

The meeting was informed that it had been confirmed that Mr. P. Malone had been appointed the tenancy of house at 7 Castle Street in June, 1952. It was agreed that he should be allowed to avail of the Purchase Scheme. The meeting was informed that application had been received from the following persons who are single, Edward O'Brien, Kilmantin Road and Jane Hanlon, 3 Glenview Road, and that these applicants did not appear to have been appointed tenants. It was agreed to defer these cases. It was also mentioned that the Rent Collector might be asked to check cases where tenants had died and persons occupying the houses had not arranged to take out tenancies.

#### OTHER BUSINESS.

#### COASTAL EROSION.

The meeting was informed that a telephone message had been received from Mr. Scanlon, Private Secretary to Mr. Gibbons, T.D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance indicating that Mr. Gibbons would be prepared to meet a deputation from the Council but that he was not yet in a position to indicate on what date he could do so as he was at the moment completely involved with Dail Eireann business. It was agreed that as soon as a date had been fixed that a deputation consisting of three members of the Council together with the Manager and Engineer would wait on Mr. Gibbons to discuss the problem of Coastal Erosion. It was also indicated that the County Secretary should be asked to indicate if it was possible to give any indication of the amount of the contribution which might be expected from Wicklow Urban District Council towards the cost of preparation and execution of a scheme for Coastal Protection at Wicklow.

#### DIFFERENTIAL RENT SCHEME.

The meeting was informed that the position with regard to the Differential Rent Scheme was that about 50% of the tenants had completed and returned the Assessment Forms but that a letter had been received from the Secretary of the Tenant's Association indicating that the Association were objecting to the completion of the forms and that pending advice from their solicitor they had instructed their members not to complete the forms.

Councillor E. Kavanagh asked if the case of Mr. Wm. Dickenson could



be investigated as he was in poor circumstances and finding difficulty in paying rent.

LETTER FROM MR. H. COPELAND, SEAVIEW ROAD.

Councillor E. Kavanagh referred to a letter which Mr. H. Copeland had written regarding the approaches to his dwelling at Seaview Road in which he asked if the roadside path could be improved. It was agreed that Town Surveyor should examine position.

VACANCY ON COUNCIL

Mr. J. Everett, T.D., gave notice of his intention to propose a motion at the next meeting declaring the seat on the Council formerly held by the late Mr. T. Conroy to be vacant.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS.

On the proposal of Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle, it was resolved that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents.

LEASE AND MORTGAGE:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
James Doyle,	23, St. Laurence's Park
William Hunter,	26, St. Laurence's Road
Edward O'Neill,	10, St. Bride's Road
Patrick Kavanagh,	2, St. Laurence's Road
Christopher Jameson,	10, Castle Park
Peter Byrne,	16, St. Laurence's Park
Patrick Clarke,	17, St. Laurence's Park
Kathleen Fitzgerald,	40, Castle Street
Josephine Doran,	47, Glenview Road
James Clarke,	8, Monkton Row
John Murphy,	8, Castle Park
Martin Hunter,	7, Glenview Road
William Dickenson, (Junior)	16, St. Laurence's Road
Patrick Byrne,	27, St. Laurence's Park
Richard Murphy,	5, St. Bride's Road
Edward Coffey,	1, Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road
Bridie Colohan,	21, St. Laurence's Road
Michael Egan,	19, Glenview Road
Joseph Doran,	10, St. Laurence's Road
Mrs. Bridget Jameson,	5, St. Kevin's Terrace
William Dickenson,	18, St. Dominick's Road
Moses Kelly,	31, Glenview Road
Charles Byrne,	21, Castle Street
Thomas Murray,	8, St. Laurence's Park
John Flynn,	3, Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road
Thomas Bouchier,	10, St. Laurence's Park
Elizabeth Foley,	3, St. Kevin's Terrace
Albert White,	18, Glenview Road
Denis Byrne,	17, Glenview Road
James Fitzgerald,	4, St. Dominick's Road
Charles Byrne,	3, Castle Avenue
Edward Kelly,	19, St. Laurence's Road

LEASES:

Michael Byrne,	18, Kilmantin Road
Richard Wall,	13, Kilmantin Road
Seamus Dunne,	22, Glenview Road
Patrick Roche,	5, Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road
James Quinn,	3, Castle Street
William Vickers,	1, Kilmantin Road
James Hanlon,	2, Kilmantin Road
John Doyle,	2, Castlefield
James Phillips,	14, Kilmantin Road
James Wynne,	19, Kilmantin Road
Philip Malone,	7, Castle Street
Thomas Byrne,	9, Kilmantin Road

Mrs. Elizabeth Vickers,  
Patrick O'Rourke,  
William Byrne,  
Annie Donnelly,  
Annie O'Neill,  
John Jameson,

25, St. Laurence's Road  
21, Kilmantin Road  
4, Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road  
7, Urban Villas  
16, Kilmantin Road  
6, The Murrrough.

The Meeting concluded at 10.10 p.m.

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*J. A. Delahunt*

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.

22nd March, 1967.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

re: ESTIMATES MEETING

Dear Councillor,

The Estimates Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, 31st March, 1967. You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

S. DESMOND,

ACTING TOWN CLERK.



Comairle Baileánnamán Cille Mannáin  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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29th March, 1967.

TO/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Dear Councillor,

In order that the Council's present financial position may be fully understood when decisions are being taken in relation to the Estimates for the coming year, it is felt advisable to give some further details in relation to Credit Balances and the reductions made in the Estimates through the application of Credits in recent years.

At 31st March, 1964, the Credit Balances of the Council, according to the audited Statement of Accounts for the year 1963/4 was £5,317 10s.1d. When determining the Rates for 1964/5 a Credit of £3,318 was brought in for the purpose of reducing the Rate levy. This would have left about £2,000 at the end of the year 1964/5 as a Credit Balance but there were increases in cost during the course of that year and in fact the Credit Balance, as shown in the audited Statement of Accounts at 31st March, 1965, was £1,643 17s.0d.

When the Rates for 1965/6 were being determined the Council brought two separate Credits into account for the purpose of reducing the Rate levy. An amount of £720 was brought in from the Council's Credit Balances, but in addition Credit was taken to the extent of £2,482 for an additional State Contribution to the cost of the Health Services. The Council felt that local Rates were being asked to meet too great a proportion of the cost of the Health Services and consequently they asked for additional State Assistance towards the cost of Health, but in the year 1965/6 no further State Assistance was received by local authorities towards the cost of the Health Services. It will be seen that the total amount by which the Rate levy was reduced through applying a Credit of £720 from the existing Credit Balance and the expected additional State Contribution to the cost of Health of £2,482 came in all to £3,202. This amount of £3,202 was about twice as much as any actual Credits which were available to the Council in their Revenue Account.

In the year 1965/6 the expenditure of the Council exceeded the provision made in the Estimates and at the end of the year i.e. 31st March, 1966, the Council's Revenue Account was in Debit to the extent of £2,931 3s.0d. In the present financial year 1966/7 expenditure has again exceeded the provision made in the Estimates. This was incurred in particular under the heading of Housing Repairs and Scavenging Services and in addition it was necessary to meet the cost of Remuneration increases which were allowed as from 1st June, 1966, and which were only determined some months after the Estimates had been adopted. Moreover Credit taken from additional Rent Receipts to be derived from the Revision of Rents has not been realised. At present it is not possible to give with anything approaching exactness an estimate of the Debit Balance which will exist at 31st March, 1967, but it is expected that it will lie somewhere between £4,000 and £4,500. It is hoped that this additional information will serve to indicate the trend of the Balances in the Council's Revenue Account in the past few years.

Yours sincerely,

M. FLANNERY,

COUNTY MANAGER



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

23rd March, 1967.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Dear Councillor,

With regard to the Statement of the Estimates I would be obliged if you would please note the following. On the first page of the Statement appear the sentences "When determining the Rates for the years 1965/66 and 1966/67 large credits were taken into account. For the year 1965/66 the amount brought in as a credit was £720 and for the year 1966/67 the total amount so used was £3,202." In fact these should read "In determining the Rates for the years 1964/65 and 1965/66 large credits were taken into account. For 1964/65 the amount brought in as a credit was £3,318 and for the year 1965/66 the amount so used was £720.

I regret any inconvenience caused by this inadvertent error.

Yours faithfully,

S. DESMOND,

ACTING TOWN CLERK.



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.

22nd March, 1967.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ESTIMATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING ON 31st MARCH, 1968

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Details are given in the attached tables of the estimated Expenditure and Receipts for the financial year 1967/68. These Estimates will be considered at the Estimates Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, 31st March, 1967.

In the Estimates provision is being made for a total expenditure of £76,716 and after deducting Receipts, which are expected to reach £40,132, the net requirements which will have to be met from the Rate Levy would be £36,584 but in addition provision is being made for the liquidation of a Debit Balance on the Council's Revenue Account. The amount included for this purpose is £1,000 so that the total sum to be found from the Rate Levy would be £37,584. This would require a Rate of 64/2d. in the £. In the present year the Rate struck by the Council was 59/11d. so it will be seen that an additional Rate of 4/3d. is being sought.

The Expenditure and Receipts under the four main headings which are used for accounting purposes, for the coming year 1967/68, together with the corresponding figures for the current year are set out below - (the figures for the current year being shown in parenthesis).

<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>GROSS EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>NET EXPENDITURE</u>
<u>ROADS</u>	£5,769 (£5,534)	£2,833 (£2,775)	£2,936 (£2,759)
<u>SANITARY SERVICES</u>	£10,901 (£10,102)	£3,357 (£3,250)	£7,544 (£6,852)
<u>HOUSING</u>	£31,782 (£25,898)	£29,595 (£25,103)	£2,187 (£885)
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES</u>	£28,264 (£27,191)	£4,347 (£4,575)	£23,917 (£22,616)

When determining the Rates for the years 1965/66 and 1966/67 large credits were taken into account. For the year 1965/66 the amount brought in as a credit was £720 and for the year 1966/67 the total amount so used was £3,202. As a result of rising costs and unforeseen expenditure together with the complete exhaustion of credits the Council has had a debit balance at the end of March, 1966. At that time the Debit Balance in the Current Account was £2,931; at the end of the current financial year it is expected to be about £3,500. It is necessary to make provision for the liquidation of this Debit Balance and accordingly the sum of £1,000 is being included in the Estimates for such a purpose. Last year the amount allowed by the Council for this purpose was £537.

The additional Rate of 4/3d. which is now being sought could briefly be summarised under the following headings:-

Additional Provision Included for Debit Balance .	
(last year £537 was allowed) for 1967/68 £1,000	
is included . . . . .	10d.



Rise in County Council Demand	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1s. 2d.
Wages increases - Tenth Round Applied as from 1st June, 1966	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7½d.
Housing Repairs - Additional Provision based on experience in 1966/67	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8d.
Loan Charges for new Foreshore Protection Works	...							2½d.
Scavenging Service - Purchase of New Tractor (3½d. Loan Charge and Additional Running Expenses 1d.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4½d.
New Dumping Ground	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2½d.
Local Elections	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2d.
Public Sanitary Conveniences at Harbour (Part Loan Charge)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.
Housing Development at Dunbur Estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5d.
Overdraft Interest	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1d.

The foregoing items reach a total of 4/10d. but they are offset to some extent by some increases in Receipts and some improvement in the rate productivity derived from new valuations. Some of these items are such as will not be susceptible to pruning when the Estimates are under consideration. For example, the Council is already committed to remuneration increases and here it should be mentioned that the Estimates only include provision for the coming year. In the present year the increases were allowed with effect from 1st June, 1966 and the cost of them for the nine months ended 31st March, 1967 is not shown separately in the Estimates for 1967/68. The cost, however, will have affected the volume of the Debit Balance at the end of the current year. The Council's financial position also is effected by the fact that when the Rate for 1966/67 was being determined credit was taken for additional rent receipts which were not subsequently realised. It was agreed by the Council at that time that the rents of existing Council houses should be reviewed and that Differential Rents which would be related to household incomes should be applied. In the event, however difficulty has been experienced in the endeavour to apply Differential Renting and as was reported at a recent meeting of the Council some tenants have refused to supply the required details of income. In addition they have been disputing the authority of the Council to seek such information for the purpose of assessing revised rents.

In recent months the Council has been arranging to sell Council houses to occupying tenants under a special Tenant Purchase Scheme. Whenever the new purchase annuities are brought into effect it can be expected that they will bring an income somewhat above existing rentals but here it must be borne in mind that when purchase annuities become effective State Housing Subsidies will be adjusted.

#### R O A D S:

##### EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES GRANT.

A similiar amount to that allowed for the present year, viz. £1,485 is again included but the Council at present receives a State Grant of £1,350 subject to a local contribution of £185. With the sum so derived from the State Grant and Council contribution special road works with a high labour content are carried out in mid-Winter. In the present year the monies which became available were used for laying footpaths in Church Street, Seaview Road, Castle Avenue and Bachelor's Walk.



ORDINARY ROAD WORKS.

The amount included here is £1,207; the sum allowed for the present year was £1,103. The rise in cost is due to the effect of wage's increase. With this outlay of £1,207 the Council will carry out ordinary maintenance and repair work and it should be mentioned that it is essential that this type of maintenance be provided for if the Council is to receive Grants from the Road Fund.

SPECIAL WORKS - TAR SPRAYING, ETC.

The amount included under this heading is £100 which is the same as that allowed for 1966/67. This is a comparatively small sum and is usually used for minor tar spraying jobs or for the repair of damage caused by heavy rains and floods.

ROAD FUND GRANT.

In recent years the Council have been receiving a Grant of £1,089 from the Road Fund and such a sum is again included. In the present year the Council is using the Road Fund Grant for the purpose of improving Old Dunbur Lane which will give alternative access to the Council's housing estate at Dunbur.

NEW ROAD WORKS - DUNBUR ESTATE.

For some years past the Council have been constructing roads to serve the new housing estate at Dunbur on which people are erecting their own houses with the aid of loans from the Council. The loans raised in 1964 and 1965 will again involve gross charges of £562 and £640 by way of repayments. To construct additional lengths of road to serve further new houses in this estate it will be necessary to raise another loan of £6,000. Such a loan, repayable in twenty-five years with interest at  $7\frac{3}{4}$  per cent, will entail a yearly loan charge of £546. In the Estimates provision for a half year which would require £273 is being made. Towards this loan charge it is expected that a State Subsidy of one-third or £91 would be received and this sum is shown under the heading of "Roads Receipts". Up to the present the Council has spent by way of capital out-lay £14,100 on roads in this Estate and the further out-lay of £6,000 for which provision now is being made, will bring the total for roads to £20,100.

SANITARY SERVICES.

The total cost of Sanitary Services for the coming year is estimated at £10,901 and after taking into account Receipts of £3,357 the net cost would be £7,544. In the current year the net requirement was £6,852. Because of increased wages and other expenditure such as the running costs of the Scavenging Vehicle and the hire of a tractor for part of the year the provision made for the current was not found adequate.

WATER SUPPLY.

For the maintenance of the Marlton Supply the provision included is £602. This is £50 more than was allowed for 1966/67 and is due to the necessity for providing Tenth Round Wage increases. As a contribution towards the maintenance of the Regional Scheme a payment to the County Council of £400 is again included. This nowadays represents about 25 per cent of the cost of maintaining the Regional Scheme which at most times supplies by far the greater part of the water required for the needs of the town.

Whilst an amount of £150 is included in respect of water and sewerage connections it must be pointed out that this is offset by a similiar amount under Receipts.

PUBLIC SANITARY CONVENIENCES.

The amount included for maintenance is £125; in the present year



the sum allowed was £118. Under the heading of Loan Charges, however, £100 is included as a new item and is intended to meet part of the loan charges which would result from the erection of new public sanitary conveniences at the Harbour. The estimated capital cost is £1,500 and the loan charge for a normal year would be about £200 if a fifteen year loan could be arranged. As such a structure, however, would also serve the requirements of the Harbour Authority it is suggested that it would be reasonable to ask them to meet one half of the loan charges and consequently the loan charge shown in the Estimates is £100. It could be hoped that a State Subsidy of one half of the cost to the Council would be receivable and consequently a receipt of £50 is included in the Estimates.

#### BURIAL BOARD DEMAND.

The demand of the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board at £470 shows an increase of £9 over the present year.

#### PUBLIC LIGHTING.

The provision made for Public Lighting is £788 as compared with £751 allowed for the present year. The increase of £37 is due to an increase in the cost of E.S.B. charges for lighting.

#### NEW DUMPING GROUND.

Complaints continue to be received as to the unsuitability of the present Dumping Ground. Apart from the complaints as to the unsuitability of the site it seems that its capacity will shortly be exhausted and consequently it will be necessary to find a new site. Difficulty is being experienced in the finding of a suitable new site but it is felt that some provision should be made in the Estimates for the fencing, etc. of such a site when found and providing access to it. For this purpose a sum of £100 has been included.

#### SCAVENGING SERVICES.

In the present year the tractor used for the Scavenging Service broke down on a number of occasions and it was necessary to hire a replacement. It has been submitted by the Town Surveyor that the present machine could not be expected to give satisfactory service in the future and that the Council should arrange to purchase a new tractor. If a new tractor could be acquired at a cost of £700 then a five year loan would involve in the coming year a repayment of £170 and this sum has been included under Loan Charges.

The wages for the coming year in respect of the Scavenging Service will be £1,320 as compared with £1,200 which was allowed for the present year. The rise in wage costs is due to the effect of the Tenth Round Increase. For running expenses (i.e. fuel and servicing of tractor) £200 is included which compares with £156 allowed for the present year. The allowance under this heading for the present year has been found to be quite inadequate and in fact the running expenses, including the hire of a tractor for fairly lengthy periods, will come to over £600. Even if a new tractor be bought at an early date it is felt that the provision for fuel and maintenance should not be less than about £200.

#### NEW WATER AND SEWERAGE FOR DUNBUR HOUSING ESTATE.

Mention already has been made of the capital out-lay on the construction of new roads to serve the housing estate at Dunbur. In addition it will also be necessary to provide water and sewerage for the new sites. The cost of the latter is estimated at £2,000 and the loan charge for a half year would be £170. If a State Subsidy of one-third be received this would come to £57 and such a sum is shown under the heading of "Sanitary Services Receipts".



H O U S I N G.

The total outlay on housing is estimated at £31,782 and Receipts are taken as reaching £29,595 leaving the net requirement from Rates at £2,187.

HOUSING REPAIRS.

In submitting the Estimates last year an amount of £1,100 was shown for repairs in determining the Rates. However, the provision for repairs was reduced to £820 which is a reduction of £280. During the course of the year the provision allowed was found to be far short of requirements and it was necessary to ask for special approval to additional expenditure. By the end of the present year the outlay on repairs will reach £1,330, that is it will be £510 more than the sum allowed when the Rate for the year was being determined. In the Estimates now submitted for consideration the amount shown for repairs is £1,200 which would be £380 more than that allowed for the current year. Having regard to the experience in the present year it could be doubted if £1,200 would be adequate but it is hoped that with the advent of Tenant Purchase and the transfer of ownership of some of the Council houses to the tenants the expenditure on repairs might show a falling off in 1967/68.

RENT COLLECTION AND INSURANCES.

The cost of rent collection shows a rise of £40 due to the effect of the Tenth Round Increase in remuneration and insurances are up by £20 as provision is to be made for fire insurance on new houses.

RENT RECEIPTS.

Mention already has been made of the decision last year to take credit for a receipt of an additional £450 from Rent Receipts. In the event this additional sum has not been realised and furthermore the Receipts from Rents have been affected by the fact that new houses were not available for letting at as early a date as had been contemplated when preparing the Estimates for the year. In the Estimates now submitted there is also a risk that Rent Receipts may not reach the total shown as new houses may not be available for occupation at the date now taken into account. It is hoped that the fourteen houses now being completed at Ballynerrin should be ready for occupation by 1st May, 1967, and consequently Receipts from these are based on lettings for eleven months. Again it is hoped that the twenty-two new houses at Ballynerrin would be completed before the last quarter of the coming financial year and credit has been taken for a Rental Income from them for three months in 1967/68.

LOANS UNDER SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACTS.

Up to the present date the total number of loans made to persons erecting their own houses comes to 76 and it is hoped that further loans of this type can be advanced during the coming year. Consequently provision has been made in the Estimates for the loan charges on a sum of £40,000 which it would be hoped to raise from the Commissioners of Public Works. The loan charges under this heading, however, are altogether offset by receipts derived from repayments by the borrowers and no charge to the Rates is involved but it should be mentioned that whilst the making of loans of this type does not involve a charge to the Rates a substantial subsidy is being given by the Council towards providing housing at Dunbur through the construction of roads and the laying of sewers and watermains to serve the new houses. Reference already has been made to the cost of these items under the headings of "Roads" and "Sanitary Services".

G E N E R A L U R B A N P U R P O S E S.

Under this heading comes the Expenditure for many services including Foreshore Maintenance, Cheap Fuel Scheme, Allotments, School Meals, Corporate Estate Maintenance, Insurance on Council property,



Printing, Stationery, etc., but by far the largest item is the County Council Demand.

The total Expenditure is estimated at £28,264; the Receipts are estimated to come to £4,347 leaving the net requirement £23,917. Of the total outlay under General Urban Purposes the County Council Demand accounts for £19,359.

#### ELECTION EXPENSES.

As it is expected that local elections will be held next June £90 has been included to cover the cost of them.

#### FORESHORE PROTECTION WORKS.

The Council has been seeking to have further protection works at the Seafront carried out and has asked the County Council and the Commissioners of Public Works to prepare a Scheme. Whilst at present the estimated cost of such a Scheme is not available it is felt desirable, however, to make some provision in the Estimates for the contribution which the Council would have to make. Whilst it would be expected that the greater part of the cost of such a Scheme would be borne by a State Grant and by the County Council a contribution would, it seems, also be required from the Urban Council and to meet the loan charge on the capital cost of such a contribution a sum of £100 has been included in the Estimates.

#### OVERDRAFT INTEREST.

As mentioned earlier in this report the Council will find that there will be a rather large Debit Balance on the Revenue Account at the end of the present year and consequently it will be necessary to resort to temporary borrowing for the purpose of meeting the cost of services over the greater part of the year. To meet the cost of Overdraft Interest a sum of £90 is being included.

#### AUDIT FEE.

The fee now payable for Annual Audit is £70; formerly it had been £46.

#### PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.

It is necessary to complete a Development Plan in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, and to meet the cost, which can be expected to arise from this obligation, the provision included is £100. It should be mentioned that the sum shown in the Estimates for 1966/67 was disallowed but notwithstanding this decision expenses in connection with the preparation of a Development Plan had to be incurred during the course of the year.

#### SALARIES AND RATE COLLECTION.

The provision for salaries shows a rise of £79 and that for Rate Collection £52. This is due to the effect of the Tenth Round Increase.

#### RATES AND INSURANCES.

The provision for insurances shows an increase of £32 and for Rates on Council property a rise of £68.

#### CORPORATE ESTATE RECEIPTS.

The income from Corporate Estate Rentals is taken to reach £2,540. In the present year the Estimate was £2,418.

#### DERELICT SITES.

For the acquisition and improvement of derelict sites £200 is shown in the Estimates but this is offset by a Receipt of £100 which could be expected to be realised from a State Grant. The net expenditure to be



met from Rates consequently is £100.

COUNTY COUNCIL DEMAND.

The Demand of the County Council at £19,359, shows an increase of £695 - in the present year it was £18,664. As mentioned earlier the increase in the Demand would represent a Rate of 1/2d. in the £. The County Council Demand is always affected by balances brought in from previous years, i.e. the amount sought under a particular heading will be influenced by the trend of expenditure under that heading in the current year. The item mainly responsible for the increase in the County Council Demand in the coming year would be Main Roads; it has been necessary to make provision in the County Council Estimates for the effect on Main Road Costs of the Tenth Round Wage Increase.

The Estimates which are now submitted for your consideration would, as already indicated, require for the coming year an additional Rate of 4/3d. and it is submitted again that provision would definitely have to be made for such part of it as is represented by remuneration increases, the County Council Demand and the requirement to liquidate the existing Debit Balance. Again if the Scavenging Service is to be maintained to a satisfactory standard a new tractor would be required and due provision would have to be made for maintenance and running expenses. The Rate which the Estimates contemplate would moreover be substantially lower than that which is being sought for the majority of the Urban Areas in the country and indeed, it would be below the level of that which was struck by all but a very small number of urban authorities for the present year.

All the members of the Council staff have carried out their duties in a competent manner during the year. Mr. Cusack, Town Clerk, left some time ago to take up an appointment which led to advancement for him in public life and for the present the duties of Town Clerk have been discharged by Mr. Desmond who has given much help in the preparation of these Estimates. Mr. R. L. Farrell who was Temporary Town Surveyor has been replaced by Mr. N. D. Farrell who having regard to his previous experience could be expected to ensure that the engineering services of the Council will be maintained to a good standard, if the necessary funds be available. Whilst all the members of the Council staff, both those engaged in outdoor services such as Roads, Scavenging and Water Supply and the indoor whether occupied with clerical and other duties such as Rate and Rent Collection have discharged their duties in a very satisfactory manner, it is felt that some special mention should be made of Miss Kilcoyne and Mr. P. Henry, Town Sergeant, because of their experience and diligence at all times.

I would like to take this opportunity of conveying to the Chairman of the Council an expression of sincere appreciation for the kindness and consideration he has shown at all times to the staff of the Council and mention should, it is felt, also be made of the dedicated interest he has shown in all phases of civic life. To the members of the Council thanks are also conveyed for the help and guidance which they have given at all times in the endeavour to meet mutual public obligations which tend to become more pressing every year.

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M. FLANNERY,

COUNTY MANAGER.



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ESTIMATES OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1967/68

EXPENDITURE

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>URBAN ROADS:</u>		
Special Grant Works - Employment Schemes	1,485	
Ordinary Road Works (Wages - £1,127; Materials - £80)	1,207	
Special Works - tar spraying, etc.	100	
Road Fund Grant - resurfacing	1,089	
Retiring Allowances	197	
Salaries	216	
<u>LOAN CHARGES.</u>		
1964 - Roads & Footpaths - Dunbur Estate	562	
1965 - Roads & Footpaths - Dunbur Estate	640	
1967 - Roads & Footpaths - Dunbur Estate	273 (-162)	<del>124</del> 131
	£5,769	



	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>SANITARY SERVICES:</u>		
Salaries	255	
Salaries - Water Inspection	924	
Retiring Allowances	153	
Water Supply - Maintenance of Town Supply	602	
Water Supply - Maintenance of Regional Supply	400	
Water and Sewer Connections	150	
Sewerage (Wages - £120; Materials - £40)	160	
Public Sanitary Conveniences	125	
Scavenging (Wages - £1,320; Running Expenses - £200)	1,520	
Burial Ground (Demand of Joint Burial Board)	470	
Public Lighting (Lighting Contract £748 Provision for New Lights £40)	788	
Water Safety Contribution to Irish Red Cross Society	10	
Provision of New Dumping Ground	100	
<u>LOAN CHARGES:</u>		
1948 - Extension of Sewer (Dunbur Road)	106	
1950 - Extension of Water Supply (Dunbur Road)	122	
1951 - New Watermain at North Quay	36	
1958 - Regional Water Supply	2,160	
1960 - Regional Water Supply (suppl.)	100	
1959 - Link Watermain at Dunbur Road	260	
1962 - Water Supply Improvements	286	
1963 - Extension of Sewer at Dunbur Road	245	
1964 - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	553	
1965 - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	360	
1967 - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	170	
1965 - New Watermain - The Murrough	576	
1967 - Purchase of Mechanical Scavenging Equipment	170	
1967 - Public Sanitary Convenience at Harbour	100	
	<b>£10,901</b>	



H O U S I N G:

Maintenance and Repair

Salaries

Rent Collector's Poundage

Retiring Allowances

Printing, Stationery, Advertising

Insurances

Rates on Council Houses

LOAN CHARGES.

1932 - 10 Houses Scheme

1934 - 28 Houses Scheme

1937 - 28 and 10 Houses Schemes

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 Street

1964 - 4 Houses Scheme - Castle Park

1965 - 10 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin

1966 - 14 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin

1967 - 22 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin

LOANS FOR PRIVATE HOUSES - LOAN CHARGES.

1934 Loan

1948 Loan of £5,000

1949 Loan of £10,000

1950 Loan of £10,000

1956 Loan of £5,000

1962 Loan of £10,000

1963 Loan of £10,000

1964 Loan of £20,000

1965 Loan of £40,000

1965 Loan of £2,000

1966 Loan of £20,000

1967 Loan of £40,000

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
Maintenance and Repair	1,200	760.
Salaries	217	
Rent Collector's Poundage	615	
Retiring Allowances	80	
Printing, Stationery, Advertising	60	
Insurances	200	
Rates on Council Houses	5,060	
1932 - 10 Houses Scheme	184	
1934 - 28 Houses Scheme	640	
1937 - 28 and 10 Houses Schemes	29	
1937 - 120 Houses Scheme	2,444	
1938 - 120 Houses Scheme	152	
1940 - 120 Houses Scheme	103	
1940 - 34 Houses Scheme	884	
1940 - 34 Houses Scheme	84	
1947 - 80 Houses Scheme	65	
1948 - 80 Houses Scheme	2,620	
1957 - 2 Houses - Castle Street	183	
1964 - 4 Houses Scheme - Castle Park	572	
1965 - 10 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin	1,736	
1966 - 14 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin	2,618	
1967 - 22 Houses Scheme - Ballynerrin	1,188	
1934 Loan	72	
1948 Loan of £5,000	240	
1949 Loan of £10,000	480	
1950 Loan of £10,000	563	
1956 Loan of £5,000	380	
1962 Loan of £10,000	700	
1963 Loan of £10,000	687	
1964 Loan of £20,000	1,379	
1965 Loan of £40,000	2,940	
1965 Loan of £2,000	204	
1966 Loan of £20,000	1,538	
1967 Loan of £40,000	1,665	
	£31,782	



	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES:</u>		
Town Hall Expenses (Heating, Lighting, etc.)	105	
Acquisition of Derelict Sites	200	
Corporate Estate Maintenance (Wages £218 Materials £26)	244	
Local Government (Planning and Development Act)	100	
Seafront Maintenance	100	
Fairs, Markets, Weighbridges	5	
Band Performances	45	
Milk and Dairies	1	
Tourist Development	35	
School Meals - Cost of Food	280	
School Meals - Cost of Administration	180	
Allotments	60	
Salaries	2,420	
Rate Collector's Poundage	887	
Retiring Allowances	93	
Rent Collector's Poundage (Corp. Estate)	195	
Audit Fee	70	
Election Expenses	90	
Legal Expenses	145	
Printing, Stationery, Advertising	180	
Rents on Council's Property	12	
Rates on Council's Property	480	
Insurance on Council's Property	30	
Public and E.L. Insurances	260	
Office Expenses	95	
Discount on Rates	88	
Refunded and Irrecoverable Rates	158	
Cheap Fuel Scheme	1,300	
Overdraft Interest	90	
Rent of Pound	39	
Miscellaneous	40	
<u>LOAN CHARGES.</u>		
1946 - New Footbridge	60	
1956 - Foreshore Protection Works	115	
1961 - Foreshore Protection Works	185	
1963 - Foreshore Protection Works	290	
1967 - Foreshore Protection Works	100	50.
1962 - Town Hall Repairs	128	
	<b>£8,905</b>	



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COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES.

Main Roads  
Public Assistance  
Health (County)  
General Purposes (County)  
Fire Brigade  
Library  
Seperate Charges

Estimated by Manager		Adopted by Council
£	£	£
	B/F 8,905	
3,006		
821		
11,709		
1,450		
682		
81		
1,610	19,359	
-	£28,264	
<u>TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES</u>	£76,716	

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R E C E I P T S

	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>R O A D S:</u>		
Employment Schemes Grant	1,350	
Road Fund Grant	1,089	
Estate Duty Grant	90	
State Subsidy - Roads and Paths - Dunbur Estate	213	
State Subsidy - Roads and Paths - Dunbur Estate	91	
	£2,833	
<u>S A N I T A R Y S E R V I C E S:</u>		
Water Rents	930	
State Subsidy to Loan Charges - Watermain, North Quay	16	
State Subsidy - Regional Water Supply	860	
State Subsidy - Regional Water Supply (Suppl.)	42	
State Subsidy - New Watermain Dunbur Rd.	156	
State Subsidy - Water Supply Improvements	135	
State Subsidy - Extension of Sewer at Dunbur Road	155	
State Subsidy - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	330	
State Subsidy - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	120	
State Subsidy - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur	57	
State Subsidy - New Watermain the Murrrough	346	
State Subsidy - Public Sanitary Conven- iences at Harbour	50	
Receipts from Public Conveniences	10	
Water and Sewer Connections	150	
	£3,357	



	Estimated by Manager	Adopted by Council
	£	£
<u>H O U S I N G:</u>		
State Grant - Subsidy under 1932 Act (pre-1948 Scheme)	2,164	
State Grant - New Houses (60 Houses Scheme)	326	
State Subsidy - 2 houses Castle Street	100	
State Subsidy - 4 Houses Castle Park	278	
State Subsidy - 10 Houses Ballynerrin	799	
State Subsidy - 14 Houses Ballynerrin	1,172	
State Subsidy - 22 Houses Ballynerrin	554	
Subsidy to Interest Rates - (1948-1950 Schemes)	280	
Rents, inclusive of Rates	12,560	
<u>HOUSING (LOANS FOR PRIVATE HOUSES).</u>		
Repayment of Instalments (Old Loans)	64	
Repayment of Instalments (New Loans)	11,298	
	£29,595	
<u>G E N E R A L L U R B A N P U R P O S E S</u>		
<u>STATE GRANTS.</u>		
Bounty in lieu to Rates	177	
School Meals	140	
Recoupment of losses on Allotments	60	
Cheap Fuel Scheme	750	
Derelict Sites	100	
<u>OTHER RECEIPTS.</u>		
Cheap Fuel Scheme (Recipients Contri- butions and recoupment by County Council)	538	
Corporate Estate Rents	2,540	
Licences and Fees	3	
Refund by County Council of Half Rent of Pound	19	
Letting of Town Hall	10	
Miscellaneous	10	
	£4,347	
<u>TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES</u>	£40,132	



WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1967/68

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

	Gross Expenditure	Receipts	Net Expenditure
	£	£	£
<u>ROADS:</u>	5,769	2,833	2,936
<u>SANITARY SERVICES:</u>	10,901	3,357	7,544
<u>HOUSING:</u>	31,782	29,595	2,187
<u>GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES:</u>	28,264	4,347	23,917
	<u>£76,716</u>	<u>£40,132</u>	<u>£36,584</u>

Add Provision for Liquidation of Debit Balance ... .. <sup>adopted. 800</sup> £1,000 }  
 Total Requirements to be met by Rate Levy ... .. £37,584  
 Municipal Rate of 1d. in £ produces ... .. £48 16. 3  
 Rate of £ to meet total requirements of £37,584 would be 64/2d. in £.

ESTIMATES 1967/68

Total aValuation as per Valuation List		£14,123 13 0.
<u>BUILDINGS</u> ... ..	£13,068 14 0	
LESS: Remissions under Housing Acts	£1,939 4 4	£11,129 9 8
<u>LAND</u> ... ..	£773 9 0	
LESS: Occupied by Council for Allotments, Building Sites, Open Spaces, etc.	£46 17 0	
Two-fifth Reduction as Per Local Government Act, 1946 (two-fifth of £726 12s. 0d.)	£290 12 10	£433 19 2
<u>LAND USED AS RAILWAYS</u> ... ..	£52 5 0	
LESS: Two-fifth Reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946	£20 18 0	£31 7 0
<u>RAILWAYS RATED IN FULL</u> ... ..	£217 0 0	
LESS: Half Reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946	£108 10 0	£108 10 0
<u>YARDS:</u> ... ..		£10 10 0
<u>TELEGRAPHS:</u> ... ..		£1 5 0
<u>TOTAL VALUATION FOR RATING PURPOSES</u>		<u>£11,715 0 10</u>

RATE OF 1d. IN £ PRODUCES - £48 16s. 3d.





Comhairle Bailteanneara Cille Mannáin  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Halla an Daire,  
Town Hall,

Oct. 27

Cill Mannáin  
Wicklow

Minutes of Annual Estimates Meeting held on the 31st March, 1967.

PRESENT; Mr. T.A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding; Councillors J. Kane, E. Kavanagh, Mrs. McEnroy, G.P. Haughton and P. Doyle.

IN ATTENDANCE; Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. S. Desmond, Acting Town Clerk and Mr. N.D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

Following the usual practice it was agreed that the Estimates as presented by the County Manager be examined in detail. Following on this detailed examination the following amendments were made;

	£	
<u>ROADS</u>		(d)
Loan Charges, 1967 - Roads and Footpaths, Dunbur Estate, reduced by:- (See Note 1).	142	(3d.)
<u>HOUSING</u>		
Maintenance and Repair reduced by:- (See Note 2).	440	(9d.)
<u>GENERAL PURPOSES</u>		
1967 Foreshore Protection Works (Loan Charges) reduced by:- (See Note 3).	50	(1d.)
<u>DEBIT BALANCES</u>		
Provision for liquidation of Debit Balance reduced by:- (See Note 4).	200	(4d.)
	<u>£832</u>	<u>(1s.5d.)</u>

NOTE 1 - DEVELOPMENT AT DUNBUR.

A long discussion took place on the question of reducing the burden on ratepayers in providing for developments at the Dunbur Estate and members noted that the total Loan Charges provided for under the heading of Roads for this purpose was £1,475 and that Loan Charges amounting to £1,083 were payable under the heading of Sanitary Services towards the provision of water supply and sewerage facilities to the Dunbur Estate.

It was first suggested that the Council might consider disposing



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outright of about four sites but it was pointed out to the members that this would not reduce the Loan Charges to any appreciable extent. It was mentioned that the Council should endeavour not to increase the price of sites so as to put them beyond the reach of young married couples. The members agreed with this, but felt that it would not be fair to place the whole burden of further development on the ratepayers, as the Council were already heavily subsidising the existing development at Dunbur. It was suggested that a site fine of £100 might be fixed and that, where possible, the Council would advance this amount to applicants seeking Loans from the Council. Under this arrangement, borrowers would not be required to provide a site fine as a lump sum from their own resources but would, in effect, obtain a Loan from the Council to enable them to pay the site fine. It was also suggested that applicants who were in a position to do so might pay the fine directly to the Council by way of cash payment. It was submitted, however, that there might be difficulty in finding people to avail of the sites under these terms.

On the proposal of Councillor Haughton, seconded by Councillor Kane, it was agreed that as respects future development at Dunbur that a site fine of £100 would be payable with provision for the Council to advance this amount to applicants in appropriate cases by way of Loan and that there be no change in the amount of the Ground Rent payable.

In view of the new terms decided upon for the disposal of sites it was agreed to reduce the amount provided in the Estimates for "Loan Charges - Roads and Footpaths, Dunbur Estate" to £142 or the equivalent of 3d. in the pound in the Rate.

#### NOTE 2 - HOUSING REPAIRS.

A discussion took place on the amount estimated for Housing Repairs (£1,200). It was indicated to the members that during the year 1966/7 an amount of £820 had been provided under the Estimates which was a reduction of £280 on the amount estimated by the County Manager. It was also indicated to the members that during the year 1965/7 total outlay on repairs would be approximately £1,330 or £510 more than the sum provided in the Estimates. The members were informed that approximately one hundred and forty applicants who had applied to avail of the Purchase Scheme had been approved by the Council and members felt that in view of this the amount provided for Repairs might be reduced. The County Manager indicated that he felt that if any substantial reduction was made in the amount provided that the reduced sum would prove inadequate for the purpose of maintaining the houses properly. Following further discussion it was agreed to reduce the amount provided for Housing Maintenance and Repair from £1,200 to £760, a reduction of £440 or the equivalent of 9d. in the pound in the Rate.

#### NOTE 3 - FORESHORE PROTECTION WORKS.

It was indicated to the members that a sum of £100 had been provided for under the heading of Foreshore Protection Works, as under the Foreshore Protection Act there was provision for an arrangement whereby the Urban Council would contribute towards the cost of Foreshore Protection Works, the County Council now being the promoting body for the purpose of such works. The question of Foreshore Protection Works was discussed by the members and it was mentioned that it had not yet been possible to obtain any firm figures as to the amount of the Contribution which might be required in the case of Wicklow Urban District Council. It was therefore agreed that the amount provided in the Estimates (£100) towards Foreshore Protection Works in the coming year should be reduced to £50, the equivalent of a reduction of 1d. in the pound in the Rate.

#### NOTE 4 - DEBIT BALANCE ON CURRENT ACCOUNT.

It was indicated to the members that Council's Debit Balance at the end of March, 1967, was expected to be in the region of £4,000 to £4,500 and members were also informed that over a number of years the Council's position with regard to the Balance in the Revenue Account had been altered in as much as at the year ending 31st March, 1964, the Council had a Credit Balance of £3,317, but that in determining the Rate for 1964/5 a Credit of £3,318 had been brought in for the purpose of reducing

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the Rate levy and again when the Rate for 1965/6 was being determined an amount of £720 had been brought in from the Council's Credit Balance and in addition, Credit was taken to the extent of £2,482 for an additional State Contribution to the cost of Health Services which additional contribution did not materialize. Following further discussion it was agreed that the amount estimated by the Manager as a provision for the liquidation of the Debit Balance (£1,000) should be reduced to £800, a reduction of £200 or the equivalent of 4d. in the pound in the Rate.

It was indicated to the meeting that, in the coming quarter to the 30th June, 1967, it might be necessary to seek Overdraft Accommodation in sum of £9,500 as against the existing Overdraft Accommodation which had been sanctioned in sum of £6,000. On the proposal of Councillor Haughton, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, approval was given, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, to the provision of temporary Overdraft Accommodation not exceeding £9,500 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ended 30th June, 1967.

#### NOTE 5 - SCAVENGING SERVICE AND SITE FOR DUMP.

Arising out of the discussion on the Estimates the question of the Council's Scavenging Service was discussed and it was noted that a sum of £170 had been provided under Sanitary Services Loan Charges towards the purchase of new Scavenging equipment and it was agreed that the question of the most suitable type of equipment should be examined by the Town Surveyor. The question of providing a site for the new dumping ground was also discussed and Mr. N.D. Farrell, Town Surveyor, pointed out that the present dump at Dunbur Road was almost full and that there had been suggestions for alternative sites at Rathnew and on the cliffs at Wicklow Head. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor should examine the matter of obtaining alternative accommodation for the dump and that he might report on the matter to the Council at the May meeting.

#### SCHEME FOR DIFFERENTIAL RENTS

The question of the Differential Rent Scheme was also discussed and it was indicated to the meeting that difficulty had been experienced in commencing it as correspondence had been received from the Tenants' Association indicating that they were seeking legal advice as to whether they were obliged to complete returns giving particulars of family income. It was agreed that a further circular be issued to tenants and that those who did not supply income details would have Rents assessed on income as estimated.

The following resolution was adopted;

Proposed by Councillor Haughton;

Seconded by Councillor Kane.

Resolved; "That having considered the Estimates proposed and submitted to us for consideration, we hereby adopt the Estimate of Expenditure and Receipts for the financial year ended 31st March, 1968, 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 62s.9d. in the pound to be levied for the several purposes specified in the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1968".

The meeting concluded at 10.25 p.m.

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*J. P. DeLaunay*





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Oct. 27

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Dear Sirs,

The Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday, 4th April, 1967 at 7.30 p.m. You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

S. DESMOND,

ACTING TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 7th March, 1967. (copy herewith).
  - 2) Access to Seafont - determine period of opening of level crossing for 1967 season.
  - 3) Housing sites at Dunbur Estate (Provisional allocation of sites).
  - 4) Application for Loan - Erection of house at Dunbur Estate - applicant M. Earls.
  - 5) Application for Loan from Local Loans Fund (Proposed Housing Scheme at Ballynerrin).
  - 6) Applications to avail of the Tenant Purchase Scheme.
  - 7) Declaration of vacancy on Urban Council.
  - 8) Application for site at Murrough (L. Burman).
  - 9) Selection of Tenants - Urban Council Houses.
  - 10) Report on discussion with Messrs. C.G. Cooney Limited (Proposed development at Glen Field).
  - 11) Planning applications.
  - 12) Town Surveyor's Report.
  - 13) Sealing of Documents.
  - 14) Any other business at discretion of Chairman.
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Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on the 4th April, 1967.

PRESENT; Mr. T.A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding; Councillors Mrs. McEnroy, J. Kane, Wm. Hopkins, E. Kavanagh, J. Everett, T.D. and P. Doyle.

IN ATTENDANCE; Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. N.D. Farrell, Town Surveyor and Mr. S. Desmond, Acting Town Clerk.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Meeting held on the 7th March, 1967, and copies of which had been circulated, were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

ACCESS TO SEAFONT.

It was agreed that the gates at the Level Crossing should be opened for the coming season as and from Saturday, 13th May, 1967.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AT THE MURROUGH.

The question of the right-of-way at The Murrough was raised by Councillors Kavanagh and Kane and it was agreed that information should be obtained from the County Council as to the position concerning the right-of-way.

It was mentioned that the County Council might be contacted with regard to the position re access to Kilpoole Strand.

HOUSING SITES AT DUNBUR ESTATE.

It was agreed that all those who had applied for housing sites at Dunbur should be informed of the Council's decision at the Estimates Meeting that a site fine of £100 will be payable and also that it might be possible in some cases to arrange that this sum will be advanced by way of loan from the Council.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN - M. EARLS.

The Council was informed that Mr. Michael Earls who proposes to erect a bungalow on Site Number 50, Dunbur Estate, had applied to the Council for a loan in sum of £1,200 towards the erection of the bungalow. It was recommended that Mr. Earls' application for a loan in sum of £1,200 be approved.

APPLICATION FOR LOAN FROM LOCAL LOANS FUND.

Proposed by Councillor Kane,  
Seconded by Councillor Doyle,

Resolved; "That we hereby authorise, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, the raising of a Loan of £51,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works, repayable over a term of fifty years with interest at the rate of 7½%, for the purpose of erecting a scheme of Twenty-two houses at Ballynerrin".





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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 7th FEBRUARY, 1967

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy, P. Doyle, J. Everett, T.D., J. Kane, E. Kavanagh and W. Hopkins.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. R. L. Farrell, Town Surveyor and Mr. S. Desmond, Acting Town Clerk.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

Mr. T. Delahunt, Chairman, proposed a Vote of Sympathy with Mrs. J. H. McCarroll and Mr. McCarroll on the death of Mrs. Murphy, mother of Mrs. J. H. McCarroll. The Chairman referred to the high regard in which the late Mrs. Murphy had been held and on behalf of the Council he extended sympathy to Mrs. McCarroll and to Mr. McCarroll, the Council's Law Agent on their bereavement. Councillor Everett, T.D., stated that he would wish to second the motion and stated that the late Mrs. Murphy had been one of the town's most respected citizens. The vote was passed in silence all present standing.

ILLENSS OF COUNCILLOR CONROY.

Councillor Everett referred to the fact that Councillor T. Conroy one of their colleagues on the Council was unable to be present owing to illness and indicated that he felt that the Council would wish to convey their best wishes to him for a speedy return to health. The members unanimously associated themselves with the wishes expressed by Councillor Everett that Councillor Conroy would soon be restored to health and able to resume the active interest he had taken in the Council's affairs.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 3rd January, 1967, and copies of which have been circulated were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Special Meeting held on 24th January, 1967 and copies of which have been circulated were adopted and signed by the Chairman.

OPENING OF TENDERS - TWENTY-TWO HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN.

Five tenders which had been received in respect of the erection of twenty-two houses at Ballynerrin were opened in the presence of the Council. Tenders received were as follows:-

Irish Excavation Co. Ltd., 3, Fitzwilliam Sq., Dublin	...	£47,465	0	0
C. Kelly & Sons, Bohernamona, Thurles, Co. Tipperary	...	£49,560	17	6
C. Byrne & Sons, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow	...	£50,479	0	0
Michael McNulty, Ashford, Co. Wicklow	...	£52,796	0	0
Western Enterprises Limited, Seafield Road, Clontarf	...	£54,138	10	0

It was agreed to refer the tenders to the Council's Architect and it was also mentioned that the Council's Architect should be requested to give serious consideration to the question of adequate supervision of the work when building commenced so as to ensure that work of a proper standard was carried out at all stages of the Scheme. It was agreed that



Mr. Farroll, Town Surveyor, should discuss this question with the Architect as members felt that it would be advisable if the Council's Surveyor as well as the Architect could keep in contact with the work when progress commenced.

COASTAL EROSION - LETTER FROM SECRETARY, WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.

The following letter from the Secretary, Wicklow County Council was read:-

Wicklow County Council,  
Kilmantin Hill,  
Wicklow.

24th January, 1967.

S. Desmond, Esq.,  
Acting Town Clerk,  
Wicklow U.D.C.,  
Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.

Re/ PROPOSED COAST PROTECTION SCHEME AT WICKLOW.

A Chara,

Further to my letter of the 11th January, 1967, in relation to yours of the 5th inst., I am to say that the Commissioners of Public Works in letter dated 19th January, 1967, (Ref: F.133/95/1), have informed the Council that it is not possible for them to say at this stage what State Grant would be made available for the Protection Works at "The Murrrough", Wicklow, proposed to be carried out under the Coast Protection Act, 1963. In their letter the Commissioners draw attention to Sections 6 and 7 of The Coast Protection Act.

The County Council, as Promoting Authority, is at this stage required to decide either that a Coast Protection Scheme is not be proceeded with, or that the Commissioners be asked to prepare and execute a Coast Protection Scheme. If the Council pass a Resolution declaring that the Scheme be proceeded with they must at the same time declare that they will make the appropriate contribution towards the eventual costs of the Scheme, if it is carried out, and if when the complete Scheme is submitted for consideration they should decide for any reason not to proceed with it that they will make the appropriate payment towards the costs of the Commissioners in respect of the preparation of the Scheme.

Section 7 of the Act gives details of the matters which must be shown in the Scheme and these include a Statement of the Estimated Cost of the Works and a Statement of the Percentage of the Cost (not exceeding 80%) which the Minister for Finance is prepared to contribute thereto. The Act, accordingly, provides that not until the full Scheme has been prepared by the Commissioners will the amount of the Grant towards the cost be made available.

I am to point out, however, that when the Commissioners submit the final Scheme to the Council the Council will then have a further option to decide whether or not to proceed with the Scheme, and if at that stage it were decided not to proceed with it the Council would be responsible only for payment of one-half of the costs incurred by the Commissioners of Public Works in the preparation of the Scheme.

It would seem sufficient, therefore, if the Urban District Council were to confirm at this stage their agreement to make a contribution towards the costs of the Promoting Authority, i.e., the County Council, of such amount as may be agreed following the determination of the costs involved.

As already indicated, particulars of the amount of the Grant which would be payable towards the costs of the Scheme, if finally approved, will be available when the complete Scheme is submitted to the Co. Council.

K. J. BRANGAN.



The members felt that before deciding on the points referred to in the letter regarding a contribution from the Urban Council that they should be given an opportunity to consider the matter further and they asked that copies of the letter from the County Secretary might be circulated. It was mentioned that prior to the passing of the Coastal Protection Act 1963 the Urban Council had carried out schemes of coastal protection but that now the promoting authority was the County Council. It was the feeling of the members that Wicklow Urban District Council was the body most interested in and affected by the proposed scheme and members felt that in view of this the Minister should be requested to receive a deputation from the Urban Council on the matter of Coastal Protection in Wicklow.

Consideration and approval was given to fourteen applications to avail of the Tenant Purchase Scheme from the following tenants:-

#### AUTHORISING OF EXCESS EXPENDITURE.

The Council was informed that it was estimated that excess expenditure would occur under some headings for the year to 31st March, 1967. The Council was requested to authorise excess expenditure as follows:-

<u>ROADS:</u>	(Maintenance, reinstatement)	£95
<u>SANITARY SERVICES:</u>	(Scavenging Service)	£410
<u>SANITARY SERVICES:</u>	(Extension of watermain to East Pier)	£67
<u>HOUSING:</u>	(Excess expenditure on Repairs)	£510
<u>GENERAL PURPOSES:</u>	(Planning and Development)	£135

It was indicated to the meeting that housing repairs and increased costs on the Scavenging Service were far the largest items concerned and that in the case of Housing Repairs the Council had been informed from time to time that excess expenditure was being incurred. In the case of Scavenging the Council's tractor has given a great deal of trouble and had been broken down for two lengthy periods during the year. Repairs and hire of replacements were responsible mainly for the expense together with the extra expense incurred on the dump due to the fact that it was almost full. In the case of Roads, extra expense on materials had been incurred due to flood damage and in the case of the extension of the main to the East Pier cost of hire of compressor due to extra rock excavation being necessary was the cause of the excess. Under the Planning Act there was a statutory obligation on the Council to prepare a Development Plan and this accounted for the expenditure estimated to occur on Planning and Development. On the proposal of Mr. T. Delahunt Chairman, seconded by Councillor Hopkins the excess expenditure was authorised.

Arising out of the above the possibility of raising a loan for Housing Repairs was mentioned. It was indicated to the meeting that this would not be feasible at present due to the restricted credit facilities. The question of obtaining space for use as a dumping ground was also discussed and the possibility of converting the present dump for use as a car park was mentioned. Several possible sites were mentioned as suitable to replace the present dump which is almost full. Among the places mentioned were the old quarry at Ballyguile and a hollow near the Old Dunbur Road. The Town Surveyor mentioned that a site for dumping into the sea might be found if access could be secured to a suitable point on the cliffs south of the town in the direction of the lighthouse. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor should investigate the possibilities of the places mentioned.

#### ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE COUNCIL.

It was indicated to the Council members that as from 1st March it would no longer be possible to have the services of Mr. Raymond Farrell, B.A.I., as Town Surveyor but that arrangements were being made to have the duties of Town Surveyor carried out by Mr. N. D. Farrell, B.E., as from that date. The Chairman stated that it had come as something of a surprise that they must lose the services of Mr. R. L. Farrell and that



it was a matter of regret for himself and the members as Mr. Farrell had been a most popular and able official. Councillor Everett complimented Mr. Farrell on the excellent work he had done during his term as Town Surveyor and expressed regret that they would lose his services. Councillors Kavanagh and Kane also spoke and the other members associated themselves with the previous speakers in expressing appreciation of the work done by Mr. Farrell during his term of office.

APPLICATIONS TO AVAIL OF THE TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME.

Consideration and approval was given to fourteen applications to avail of the Tenant Purchase Scheme from the following tenants:-

<u>NAME AND ADDRESS</u>	<u>CASH PRICE</u>	<u>ANNUITY P.A.</u>	<u>REPAYMENT PERIOD</u>
Mrs. Helen O'Connor, 22, Laurence's Rd.	£249	£24 7. 11.	15 years
Seamus Dunne, 22, Glenview Rd.	£166	£16 5. 3.	15 years
Michael Wynne, 3, Dunbur Terrace.	£364	£39 7. 10.	14 years
James Carroll, 1, Dunbur Terrace.	£364	£39 7. 10.	14 years
Anthony Quinn, 12, Castle Park.	£910	£47 2. 2.	35 years
James Duffy, 30, Laurence's Pk.	£910	£47 2. 2.	35 years
Thomas Dickenson, 13, Dominick's Rd.	£249	£24 7. 11.	15 years
Margaret Kavanagh, 8, Kilmantin Road.	£249	£24 7. 11.	15 years
William Ronan, 36, Glenview Road.	£166	£16 5. 3.	15 years
John Keogh, 7, Castlefield.	£283	£28 13. 3.	15 years
Kathleen Fitzgerald, 40, Castle Street.	£283	£28 13. 3.	15 years
James Quinn, 3, Castle Street.	£249	£24 7. 11.	15 years
James Hanlon, The Murrough.	£283	£28 13. 3.	15 years
Mrs. A. Donnelly, 7, Urban Villas.	£293	£29 16. 2.	14 years

Arising out of the applications to avail of the Scheme which had been discussed at the Special Meeting of the Council held on 24th January Councillor Doyle referred to the application of Mr. Philip Malone which was one of those not passed at that meeting. Councillor Kavanagh produced a letter dated 8th July, 1952, addressed to Mr. Malone from the then Town Clerk requesting Mr. Malone to call to the Town Hall to sign a Tenancy Agreement and informing him that the cost of stamping the Agreement was 2/6d. and also produced a receipt to cover the cost of having a Tenancy Agreement stamped. It was agreed that Mr. Malone's case should be looked into further in view of this.

PROVISION OF GATES - TEN HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN.

The Council was informed that the tenants of the above houses had been written to and informed that the installation of front gates would involve additional costs on the scheme and asked if they would be willing to pay an additional charge to cover the cost if front gates were provided. A reply had been received from the tenants to the effect that they

It was indicated to the meeting that Messrs J. H. McCarroll & Co.,