

COMAIRLE BAILECEANNAIR CILLE MANNAÍN  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Wicklow

Oct. 27

Minutes of special meeting held on Friday the 20th October, 1967.

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, presiding; Councillors L. Turner, E. Kavanagh, F. Conway and Mrs. P. McNamara.

Apologies were received from Councillors P. Doyle, J. Kane and J. Everett, T.D.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk.

An apology was received from Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

The Chairman stated that the meeting had been called to take a decision on the acquisition of 27 acres of land at Knockrobin for the purpose of a public refuse dump. He further stated that the property would be sold by public auction on the following Wednesday, 25th October, 1967.

The County Manager pointed out that the Council had been looking for a suitable site for a refuse dump for a number of years. The present dump at the Glen Strand was now full and from the time it was opened there had been objections from residents in the area and from the Golf Club. He went on to say that other sites had been examined but had been rejected as unsuitable. Negotiations had failed for the only other suitable site at Rathnew.

Dealing with the proposed new site the Manager stated that it was ideally situated, it was in a remote area and there were no dwellings in the immediate vicinity. He pointed out that it was now up to the Council to decide whether to acquire the property in question.

In Committee:

At this stage the Council decided that the remainder of the meeting be held in committee and the press representative was asked to leave. The Chairman stated that a full press statement would be issued at a later stage.

The Town Surveyor's report on the property was read to the meeting. Arising from the report it was suggested that the figure of £150 for putting the laneway in order was very low. Councillor Turner asked if the Town Surveyor's estimate of £2,250 as the value of the land was high in relation to the average cost of land in the area. The Manager stated that he would put the value of the 10½ acres of arable land at approximately £1,050, based on a 13 year purchase at £10 per Irish acre. He pointed out that the Council might be faced with a capital expenditure of £2,000 for the land and £500 for the roadway. Total annual loan charges would come to £420. He suggested that the County Council might agree to use the dump and the cost could be shared on the basis of the population to be served.

The question of the future use of the present dump at the Glen was then discussed and the Chairman suggested that the Wicklow Golf Club

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might be interested in leasing the site.

The meeting decided that Mr. J. H. McCarroll, the Council's Law Agent, be authorised to represent the Council at the public auction and that he be authorised to bid to a figure of £2,000 with the proviso that the property not be lost for the sake of £100.

It was also decided that if the property were acquired that it only be used for the purpose of the disposal of domestic refuse and that there be a clear understanding that all other types of dumping be excluded.

The meeting then concluded.

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*T. A. Delahunty*



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3rd November, 1967.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN & EACH MEMBER OF  
THE WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 7th November, 1967, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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T. BRODERICK.

TOWN CLERK.

AGENDA

- (1) Confirmation of minutes of October, 1967, monthly meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Confirmation of minutes of special meeting held on the 20th October, 1967. (Copy herewith)
- (3) Resolution from Ennis Urban District Council re payment of Disability Benefit.
- (4) Resolution from Limerick Corporation re Housing Subsidy.
- (5) Shamrock Fertilizers premises - letter from Harbour Commissioners.
- (6) Planning Applications.
- (7) New Refuse Dump.
- (8) Housing List No. 22 (copy herewith)
- (9) Development Plan - passing of necessary Resolution for the making of the Development Plan for the Urban District.
- (10) John Owens, Dunbur Road - Consent to sale of dwellinghouse.
- (11) Dunbur Park - Disposal of site number 55.
- (12) Ballynerrin Housing Scheme - Clerk of Works Monthly Report.
- (13) Celmac Ltd., The Murrrough - Application to exercise option on adjoining piece of land.

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- (14) Lease of site on Murrrough to James Larkin (1966) Ltd.
- (15) Supply of Tractor - opening of Tenders.
- (16) Town Surveyor's Report.
- (17) Sealing of Documents.
- (18) Any other business (at discretion of Chairman).

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Minutes of monthly meeting held on the 7th November, 1967.

**PRESENT:** Mr. T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, presiding. Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy, Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs E. Kavanagh, P. Doyle, J. Everett, L. Turner, F. Conway and J. Kane.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk, Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting the Chairman presented each member and official present with a framed photograph of the Council and Officials. The members and officials thanked the Chairman for his magnificent gesture.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING:**

The minutes of the October monthly meeting held on the 3rd October, 1967, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING:**

The minutes of the special meeting held on the 20th October, 1967, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

**RESOLUTION FROM ENNIS URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:**

The meeting decided to support a Resolution submitted by Ennis Urban District Council calling on the Minister for Social Welfare "to abolish the three waiting days concerned in the payment of disability benefit, thus relieving workers of the hardship imposed under the present circumstances whereby payment is withheld for the first three days of illness or incapacity".

**RESOLUTION FROM LIMERICK CORPORATION:**

The meeting decided to support the following Resolution submitted by Limerick City Council.

"That the Limerick City Council, concerned at the cost of providing houses for its citizens and at the present unrealistic subsidy based on a cost figure of £1,650 per house, calls on the Government to bring the figure into line with present-day cost of housing".

**SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS PREMISES AT NORTH QUAY:**

The Town Clerk read to the meeting a letter received from the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners expressing concern at the present situation as regards the factory premises owned by Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd. at North Quay and which has been closed since March, 1966. The letter stated that even though firm offers had been made to establish factories and make use of the sheds and offices little success was being achieved when approaches were made to the Shamrock Fertilizers' Directors. The Town Clerk alluded to a meeting which he had with Mr. Richardson of

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Shamrock during the month of October when Mr. Richardson pointed out that his Directors were doing everything possible to attract industry to make use of the sheds. Mr. Richardson had stated that a firm interested in the manufacture of fire extinguishing equipment were about to take over the offices and laboratory and portion of the "Bag Store". A firm involved in the manufacture of fish meal had negotiated with Shamrock for the lease of the old "Granulating Shed" but due to the poor condition of this shed and the amount of money involved in putting it in reasonable condition the firm had moved the project to the Boyne Valley. Councillor Kane suggested that as there was a covenant in the lease which states that the premises be used as a factory or business premises the Council should initiate proceedings for the recovery of the site. The County Manager said that it would be inadvisable to take this step as at present two bodies, viz. The Wicklow Urban District Council and Messrs Shamrock Fertilizers, were seeking for suitable lessees and if the premises were recovered this task would fall entirely on the Council.

On the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting agreed that the Harbour Commissioners should be informed that the Council are satisfied that Messrs Shamrock were doing their best to dispose of the sheds.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

**Alterations and additions to Grand Hotel:**

The meeting agreed to grant the necessary permission on condition that one smoke-stop door be provided on both the first and second floor on the corridors between the two staircases.

**Erection of back kitchen at 17 Glenview Road: Denis Byrne:**

The meeting agreed to grant the necessary permission there being no objection to the development in the Town Surveyor's report.

**William Clarke (Builder) Ltd: Extension to premises at Abbey Street.**

The Report of the Town Surveyor stated that the first floor would have to follow the same building line as the ground floor. The Council suggested that this condition be waived if the Town Surveyor were satisfied that it was essential that the development take place strictly according to the plan submitted and that the resulting overhang shown on the plan would have adequate support.

**Michael Eamon Herbst (Cattle) Ltd: Lairage at South Quay:**

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had received copies of fresh plans from Mr. Herbst. He also read to the meeting a letter from Mr. Herbst which suggested that the residue from the lairage would make little or no difference to the problem of polluting the river.

The Chairman stated that the matter had been going on since June of this year and that the Council should give the application support as that owing to the present absence of a lairage Mr. Herbst's cattle trade was being seriously hampered. The Town Clerk pointed out that the Chief Medical Officer had objected to the proposals on the grounds that the drainage from the lairage direct to the river could not be allowed and recommended that the drainage be subject to tank treatment before discharge to the river. The Town Clerk also referred to the objections from residents in the area.

Councillor Kane suggested, and the meeting agreed, that Mr. Herbst and the objectors to his proposed lairage be brought together in an effort to iron out any difficulties.

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NEW REFUSE DUMP:

The Chairman outlined the proceedings at the public auction held on the 25th October, 1967, of the 16½ acres of slob-land and 10½ acres of arable land at Knockrobin. He noted that at the auction proper there was only one bid of £1,000 for the property but subsequently at an informal auction the property was sold to a Mr. O'Rourke for £2,375. The Chairman then stated that he had met Mr. O'Rourke privately and asked him if it were possible to come to an agreement regarding the possibility of the Council purchasing a part of the site for use as a public refuse dump and Mr. O'Rourke was favourably inclined to this idea at the time.

The County Manager informed the meeting that, accompanied by Mr. Brangan, the County Secretary, he visited Mr. O'Rourke and they had a long discussion on the matter. He stated that Mr. O'Rourke had bought the marsh lands so that the wild life in which the place abounded could be preserved. The Manager went on to say that at this meeting Mr. O'Rourke was favourable towards selling the 10½ acres of arable land but that he would expect the same price as he had paid for the entire area, i.e. £2,375. Since that meeting, however, Mr. O'Rourke had written to the Manager stating that he had had objections from persons in the vicinity to the siting of a dump in that locality.

Deputy Everett suggested that the land, including the slob-land, be acquired by a Compulsory Purchase Order. The County Manager stated that acquiring by Compulsory Purchase Orders involved lengthy legal proceedings, that the costs were always given against the Local Authority and that the price would have to be settled by arbitration. The Manager was of opinion that an acquisition by this means would involve an expenditure in the region of £4,000. He also felt that the Council, due to objections from bodies like An Taisce, would not succeed with a Compulsory Purchase Order.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Councillor Mrs. McEnroy had made another application to Mr. Merrigan for the "Brickworks" site in Rathnew. Councillor Mrs. McEnroy stated that she had not met with any success but felt that Merrigan should be written to officially and asked to receive a deputation consisting of the County Manager and the Chairman and that a firm offer be made for the site.

The Town Surveyor stated that he had inspected a site at Rathnew owned by Mrs. Giffney and felt that it would make an ideal refuse dump.

The meeting decided that a decision regarding the Knockrobin site be adjourned until the next meeting and that in the meantime efforts be made to acquire the "Brickworks" site or the Giffney site.

HOUSING LIST:

Housing List No. 22, operative from the 1st November, 1967, was approved by the Meeting subject to confirmation from the Chief Medical Officer that the premises at present occupied by Mr. Thomas Porter (No. 6 on the list) were in fact too small for his family.

The meeting recommended that as John Dunne (No. 1 on the list) had refused a Council house on four occasions, due to the fact that his wife suffered from Angina, that in the event of a further refusal he be relegated to the bottom of the list.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

Following a question raised by Councillor Mrs. McNamara in committee, the meeting agreed that Leitrim Place be reclassified as a residential area. The County Manager stated that this could be brought before the Council as soon as was required after the Plan was made.

On the proposal of Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Turner the following Resolution was passed:

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"It is noted that no representations have been received in relation to the Development Plan prepared in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963. We hereby approve of the Development Plan now submitted."

CONSENT TO SALE OF DWELLING-HOUSE:

The Council agreed to the sale of premises owned by Mr. J. J. Owens at Dunbur Road, the premises being subject to a mortgage of £1,600 held by the Urban District Council. The Purchaser is a Mr. Patrick Joseph O'Toole who has undertaken to discharge to the Council the sum due under the mortgage.

DISPOSAL OF SITE NO. 55 DUNBUR PARK:

The Town Surveyor informed the meeting that site No. 55 Dunbur Park was not suitable for building on as it would be impossible to retain the existing building line with the erection of any new building. He suggested that the site be offered to the owner of the adjoining premises Mr. John Fox.

The County Manager pointed out that this proposal would result in the loss of a site for building purposes and would also be a loss in revenue to the Council. On the Manager's suggestion the meeting agreed that a report be requested from the Consultant Architect.

CLERK OF WORKS' REPORT:

The members expressed dissatisfaction at the report, copies of which had been circulated in advance. It was felt that the report should be more specific and the Town Clerk was instructed to ensure that all future reports would be more detailed.

OPTION BY CELMAC LTD. ON LAND AT THE MURROUGH:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Celmac Ltd. had written intimating that they intend to exercise their option on the piece of land adjoining their factory premises at the Murrough. On the recommendation of the County Manager the meeting instructed the Town Clerk to write to Messrs Celmac informing them that the Council had no objections to their exercising their option but before granting the option would like to have details of the proposed extension.

LEASE OF SITE ON MURROUGH TO JAMES LARKIN (1966) LTD:

Councillor Conway informed the meeting that the submission of plans for the proposed factory by James Larkin on the Murrough was being held up due to the fact that Messrs Larkin had not received from the Council adequate details in connection with the site. The Town Surveyor was asked to draw up a map of the site and that this be forwarded to Messrs Larkin without delay.

SUPPLY OF TRACTOR - OPENING OF TENDERS:

A total of five tenders for the supply of a tractor was opened at the meeting. The Town Surveyor was requested to submit a report and recommendation for the next meeting of the Council.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The Town Surveyor reported that most of the repairs on the list submitted to the Council in July had been carried out. He also stated that due to the using up of the estimate allocation of £670 no further major repairs could be carried out.

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WASHING OF "THE DOCTOR'S STEPS":

Councillor Turner drew attention to the condition of the steps leading from the Main Street to the South Quay and suggested that they should be washed periodically. The Town Surveyor agreed to look into the matter.

E.S.V. SCHEMES 1967/68:

The Town Surveyor informed the meeting that he hoped to get the 1967/68 E.S.V. Schemes under way before the end of the month.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:

The Council were unanimous in their praise of the work of the Rev. Pettigrew and his Beautification Committee for their magnificent endeavours to beautify the town and particular attention was drawn to the erection of the waterfall at Marlton.

PLAYING FIELD FOR TECHNICAL SCHOOL AND DE LA SALLE SCHOOL:

The Town Clerk read to the meeting a letter signed by the Headmaster of the Technical School and the De La Salle School requesting the Urban District Council to provide a playing pitch for both schools. The meeting considered the request and the Town Clerk was asked to write to both Headmasters pointing out that the Council had not got a suitable field available at present but that they would give the request every consideration.

The meeting concluded at 10.30 p.m.

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1st December, 1967.

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

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The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 5th December, 1967 at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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T. BRODERICK,

TOWN CLERK.

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- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of November 1967 Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- 2) Proposed lairage at South Quay - representations from Mr. Herbst.
- 3) Fowl Market - fixing of date.
- 4) Eastern Regional Tourism Organisation Limited:-
  - (a) nomination of representative to attend the Organisation's Annual General Meeting.
  - (b) Nomination of candidate for election of Directors.
- 5) New Refuse Dump.
- 6) Proposed lairage at South Quay - deputation from objectors.
- 7) Transfer of Tenancy : Jubilee Nursing Association to Nurse Mary Kieran.
- 8) Interchange of Tenancies : Ronan and O'Brien.
- 9) Letting of Council houses - Scheme of Priorities.
- 10) Planning Applications.
- 11) Shamrock Fertilizers - letting of portion of premises at North Quay.
- 12) Purchase of new tractor - recommendation of Town Surveyor.
- 13) Wages - claim from Irish Transport and General Workers' Union re Operative Date of Tenth Round Wage Increase.

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- 14) Salaries - removal of ceiling and adjustment of retrospective date of Tenth Round Wage Increase for local authority officers.
  - 15) Clerk of Works' Report.
  - 16) Assignment of Lease - Hynes to Pratt - premises at 11, Strand St.
  - 17) Yards at South Quay - Demise to Frans Buitelaar (England) Limited.
  - 18) Town Surveyor's Report.
  - 19) Sealing of documents.
  - 20) Any other Business (at discretion of Chairman).
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PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy, Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs E. Kavanagh, P. Doyle, F. Conway, L. Turner, J. Kane.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk, Mr. N. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting the Chairman on behalf of the Council expressed good wishes to Councillor James Everett, T.D. for a speedy recovery to health following his recent illness. All the members present joined in the good wishes.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER MEETING:

The minutes of the November monthly meeting held on the 7th November, 1967, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman. Arising from the minutes Councillor Kane asked for the up-to-date position on the planning application of Michael Eamonn Herbst (Cattle) Ltd. in respect of a lairage on the South Quay. The Chairman referred to a meeting which took place in the Town Hall on the 15th November between Mr. Herbst and the objectors to his proposed lairage. He stated that the meeting ended in deadlock as neither side were prepared to give way. He further stated that Mr. Herbst would make an oral statement to the meeting and that later on a deputation from the objectors would put their case to the Council. The Manager stated that the application from Mr. Herbst was not valid as he had not declared his interest in the site, this being a statutory requirement under the Planning Act.

PROPOSED LAIRAGE AT SOUTH QUAY - REPRESENTATIONS FROM MR. HERBST:

Mr. Herbst thanked the Council for their invitation to address the meeting. He stated that he had bought the existing inspection yards on the South Quay from Messrs Buitelaar Ltd. but owing to the stringent regulations of the Department of Agriculture he was unable to store cattle in these yards to await shipment. He said that his business involved the export of cattle to the Continent and to England and this was not possible without the lairage. He said that he was prepared to spend £50,000 in England, Ireland and on the Continent in order to capture some of the cattle export market for Wicklow. Mr. Herbst stated that he hoped to have two boats shipping about 600 cattle out from Wicklow port every week and this would result in increased business both for the port and for the town. He stated that the objectors were incorrect in concluding that rats would be attracted to the lairage as food would not be stored there. Replying to a suggestion by Councillor Kane that a second story be added to the inspection yard Mr. Herbst stated that this would be very elaborate and the cost would be too high. Councillor Kavanagh suggested that the lairage could be built on the rocks opposite the inspection yard but Mr. Herbst was of the opinion that this would be costlier than his present proposal. The Town Surveyor suggested that the rock area be developed as an inspection yard and a roof erected over the present inspection yard and this could then be used as a lairage. The County Manager said that the Town Surveyor should meet Mr. Herbst and this last suggestion be further

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discussed.

Mr. Herbst again thanked the meeting for giving him the opportunity to put his case. He then left the meeting.

FOWL MARKET - FIXING OF DATE:

The meeting decided that the annual Christmas fowl market be held on Tuesday the 19th December, 1967.

EASTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION LIMITED:

The meeting nominated Councillor J. Kane to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Eastern Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd. to be held in Dun-Laoghaire on Friday the 8th December, 1967. Councillor Kane was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Councillor Kavanagh.

NEW REFUSE DUMP:

The Town Clerk read to the meeting a letter received from Mr. James Merrigan, owner of the "Brickworks" site in Rathnew. In his letter Mr. Merrigan stated that he was not disposed to selling the site. The Town Surveyor reported that he had nothing further to add to his statement at the last meeting of the Council regarding a seven acre field at Rathnew owned by a Mrs. Murray. He stated that the site had not yet been sold to Mr. Giffney and until this had been done negotiations could not be opened with Giffney.

Councillor Turner stated that he had been offered a site situated one and a half miles from the town. He said that the site consisted of a hole approximately half an acre in size which would be suitable for dumping for the next five to six years.

Councillor Kane suggested that the necessary machinery should be set in motion for the compulsory purchase of the site at Knockrobin. Councillor Turner felt that this action should be left in abeyance as he hoped to have negotiations completed within a month for the site which had been offered to him.

The meeting agreed that the Town Surveyor should examine the site and report on its suitability to the next meeting of the Council.

PROPOSED LAIRAGE AT SOUTH QUAY - DEPUTATION FROM OBJECTORS:

The deputation consisted of three of the nine objectors to the proposed lairage, viz. Mr. H. Jordan, Mr. William Tracey and Miss L. Ponder. Mr. Jordan speaking on behalf of the deputation reiterated the written objections already submitted by himself, Mr. William Cleary, Mr. Edward Murphy and Miss L. Ponder. He stated that the erection of a lairage in this location would detract from the value of the houses on The Mall. He suggested that the absence of a lairage did not interfere with the export of cattle from the port and stated that a total of approximately 42,000 animals had been exported through the port in the years 1965/66 and 1966/67.

Mr. Jordan on behalf of the deputation thanked the Chairman and members for giving them the opportunity of stating their case. The deputation then withdrew.

TRANSFER OF TENANCY FROM JUBILEE NURSES ASSOCIATION TO NURSE MARY KIERAN:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had received an application from Nurse Mary Kieran to be appointed tenant of No. 2 St. Laurence's Park. He stated that the present tenants were the Jubilee Nurses Association and that this body was now defunct and Nurse Kieran had been appointed to the post of Public Health Nurse with district nursing duties with the Wicklow County Council with effect from the 1st November, 1967, with responsibilities for the town of Wicklow. He also

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informed the meeting that the Chief Medical Officer strongly recommended that Nurse Kieran be appointed tenant of the Urban Council house which she now occupied and that there were precedents for such a course in as much as that the County Council previously allocated Council houses to the Jubilee Nurses.

The Council paid tribute to Nurse Kieran on her wonderful work during her service with the Jubilee Nursing Association and on behalf of the people of the town the Council extended its gratitude to Nurse Kieran. The meeting recommended to the Manager that Nurse Kieran be appointed tenant of No. 2 St. Laurence's Park.

The Manager stated that he would have to look into the matter further and that he would take the recommendation of the Council into consideration when making his decision.

INTERCHANGE OF TENANCIES - RONAN AND O'BRIEN:

The Town Clerk stated that he had received applications from Mrs. Mary O'Brien, 5 Glenview Road and Mr. J. Ronan, 27 Glenview Road, requesting the approval of the Council to interchange their tenancies. Taking into consideration the fact that both tenants were agreeable to exchange houses the Council agreed to the interchange of tenancies.

LETTING OF COUNCIL HOUSES - SCHEME OF PRIORITIES:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that under Section 60 of the Housing Act 1966 the Council were required to make a scheme of priorities before the 31st December, 1967. The suggested scheme for the Urban District Council, copies of which had been circulated, required the sanction of the Minister for Local Government. On the proposal of Councillor Turner, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, the following Resolution was passed:-

"That we hereby make in accordance with the provisions of Section 60 of the Housing Act, 1966, a Scheme determining the priorities to be accorded to categories of persons specified in the Scheme in the letting of dwellings provided by the Council and of which the Council is the owner in accordance with the draft submitted to this Meeting and subject to the addition of the following provision at the commencement of the Scheme:-

"In making the first or any subsequent letting of a dwelling on a tenancy for a month or less period than a month the Council shall have regard to the character, industry, occupation, family circumstances and existing housing conditions of the applicants. Subject to this requirement priority shall be given to applicants in the manner set out hereunder:-"

HOUSING ACT 1966 - PRIORITIES FOR LETTING OF COUNCIL HOUSES

- 1st Priority Families in which there is a person suffering from active Pulmonary Tuberculosis and who are living in over-crowded conditions as defined in Section 63 (a) and (b) of Housing Act, 1966.
- 2nd Priority Families living in unfit dwellings (a) where a Demolition or Closing Order is operative or (b) where a Repair Order is operative and the family has to be re-housed to carry out the repairs. A preference to be given to those families who are in addition over-crowded as defined in Section 63 (a) and (b) of Housing Act, 1966.
- 3rd Priority Families occupying one room with children over 10 years of age.
- 4th Priority Families occupying a dwelling where the number of persons ordinarily sleeping in the dwelling and the number of rooms therein are such that any two of those persons, being persons

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of 10 years of age or more of opposite sexes and not being persons living together as husband and wife must sleep in the same room. (Section 63 (a) of Housing Act, 1966.)

5th Priority Families occupying a dwelling where the number of persons ordinarily sleeping in the dwelling and the number of rooms therein are such that the free air space in any room used as a sleeping apartment for any person is less than 400 cubic feet (the height of the room, if it exceeds eight feet, being taken to be eight feet, for the purpose of calculating free air space). (Section 63 (b) of Housing Act, 1966).

6th Priority Families living in a house let in Multiple Dwellings where the owner undertakes to provide adequate self-contained accommodation for average size families in the event of one or more families in the multiple dwelling being rehoused.

7th Priority Families who lack adequate and suitable accommodation and who are unable to provide such accommodation from their own resources.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

(a) Extension and alterations to existing garage at New Street for Mr. William Murphy:

The Council approved of the application there being no objection to the proposal in the report of the Town Surveyor.

(b) Proposed cattle lairage at South Quay for Michael Lamonn Herbst (Cattle) Ltd:

The County Manager stated that there were two points regarding the application which would have to be clarified before a decision could be given. In order that the application be a valid one Mr. Herbst would have to submit a Declaration of his Interest in the site. This procedure was necessary under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963. The County Manager also stated that the report of the Chief Medical Officer would have to be taken into account and that Mr. Herbst would have to include in his plans a method of draining the effluent of the lairage before discharge into the river.

Councillor Conway spoke in favour of granting the permission and stated that the future of the port would have to be considered and further stated that one of the objectors to the lairage was withdrawing her objection.

Councillor Kane said that the residents in the area had very good grounds for objecting and he felt that a sub-committee should be appointed from the Council to meet Mr. Herbst in order to consider the siting of the lairage in an alternative location. The meeting agreed with this suggestion and the following were appointed to the sub-committee: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Messrs Kavanagh, L. Turner, F. Conway and Mrs. M. McEnroy.

The Town Clerk was instructed to arrange a meeting of the sub-committee with Mr. Herbst and also to seek from him a Declaration of his Interest in the site for his proposed lairage.

SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS LTD. - LETTING OF PREMISES: (In committee)

(a) Messrs Wynton Ltd:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Messrs Shamrock Fert-

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ilizers require the sanction of the Council to a sub-lease of their property at North Quay held under lease from the Council to Messrs Wynton Ltd. This company required approximately 5,500 sq. ft. comprising the office block, laboratory and portion of the adjoining store (referred to as Section B on Messrs Shamrock's property plan) Messrs Wynton Ltd. hoped to establish a production line for the assembly of a special type of fire extinguisher and other ancillary equipment in the field of fire prevention and their initial labour content would be approximately six men.

The Council expressed disappointment at the fact that only six men would be employed at the beginning and on the suggestion of the Chairman the Town Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. D. H. Evans of Kilbaron, Brittas, one of the Directors of the firm inviting him to attend the January meeting of the Council.

(b) Messrs Kentredder Ireland Ltd:

The Town Clerk read to the meeting a letter received from Mr. John L. Cotton, Managing Director of Kentredder (Ireland) Ltd. a firm involved in the rubber extruding business. The letter stated that Messrs Kentredder hoped to establish a rubber extruding factory in Wicklow and had offered Messrs Shamrock Fertilizers 1/- per sq. ft. for the factory area and 2/- per sq. ft. for the office area of portion of their property on the North Quay. The initial labour content of the factory would be in the region of 39.

The Council were unanimous that Messrs Kentredder be induced to set up in Wicklow and the Town Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Cotton that he could expect all possible assistance from the Council.

PURCHASE OF NEW TRACTOR - RECOMMENDATION OF TOWN SURVEYOR:

The Town Surveyor reported that he had examined the tenders which had been opened at the November meeting of the Council for the supply of a tractor for the scavenging service. He recommended to the Council acceptance of the Abbey Service Garage Ltd. tender for the supply of a Ford Super Dexta 3,000 Model. The tender was in the sum of £995 less a trade-in allowance of £225 on the 1961 "International" tractor, Reg. No. CNI 960, the property of the Council. Messrs Abbey Service Ltd. were also allowing one month's free hire on the tractor at present hired by the Council from that firm. The net cost of the tractor to the Council would, therefore, be £770. The Town Clerk was instructed to arrange for a five year loan from the Council's Treasurer in order to finance the purchase of the tractor.

WAGES - CLAIM FROM IRISH TRANSPORT AND GENERAL WORKERS' UNION RE: OPERATIVE DATE OF TENTH ROUND WAGE INCREASE:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application had been received from the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union on behalf of the outdoor staff employed by the Council for the implementation of the tenth round wage increase from the 1st May, 1966, the Council having granted the increase with effect from the 1st June, 1966. The Union was basing its claim on a Labour Court Recommendation which recommended that the operative date for the tenth round wage increase should be the 1st May, 1966, for County Councils and Health Authorities - road and allied workers and non-nursing personnel.

The County Manager pointed out that as the Labour Court Recommendation did not apply to Urban Authorities that inquiries should be made from local traders and local industries in order to ascertain the operative date of the increase in Wicklow town. The Town Clerk was instructed to have this information before the Council for the January meeting.

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Cleaning of Toilets:

The Town Surveyor stated that notwithstanding the fact that the dispute concerning increased payment for the cleaning of the toilets had been settled for some weeks, the toilets were still being cleaned by Mr. P. Henry, the Town Sergeant, and he had not received payment in respect of this work. Councillor Mrs. McEnroy queried why the Council's statement at the Labour Court hearing on the recent claim for 15/- per week increase to the outdoor staff stated that one of the Council's employees was in receipt of extra remuneration in respect of the cleaning of the toilets. The Town Clerk stated that the reason for the non-implementation of the agreement regarding the cleaning of toilets was due in the main to acrimony among the outdoor staff themselves and that the money involved, i.e. £2 per week, would be payable provided that the men agreed as to who was to carry out the work. The County Manager stated that the matter was entirely one for solution by the Town Clerk and by the Town Surveyor and he suggested that the Union representative be written to in order to seek a solution to the disagreement.

The meeting agreed that Mr. P. Henry be instructed to continue the cleaning of the toilets until the matter was clarified and that he be paid a sum of £5 immediately in respect of this work.

LOCAL AUTHORITY OFFICERS - REMOVAL OF CEILING AND ADJUSTMENT OF RETROSPECTIVE DATE OF TENTH ROUND WAGE INCREASE:

The Town Clerk stated that following an arbitration hearing concerning a dispute between the Irish Local Government Officials' Union and the County & City Managers' Association, the arbitrator recommended that the ceiling of £1,200 per annum imposed as part of the tenth round wage agreement be removed for all Local Authority Officers and that the retrospective date be brought forward from the 1st June to the 1st May, 1966. He further informed the meeting that the sanction of the Minister for Local Government in addition to the consent of the Council was necessary before the claim could be implemented. The total cost of meeting the claim would be approximately £35.

Councillor Kane objected to the payment of £21 to the former Town Clerk as he felt that an ex employee of the Council should not benefit from retrospective payment.

The meeting agreed that the matter be adjourned until such time as information was received from the local firms and industries regarding the operative date of the tenth round wage increase in the Town and that the claims on behalf of the outdoor staff and officials would then be taken together.

CLERK OF WORKS REPORT:

The meeting expressed concern at the state of the building site in Ballynerrin and some members stated that it was not possible to distinguish between the road and the actual building site. Councillor Kane stated that quite an amount of inconvenience was being caused to residents in the area owing to the filthy condition of the road and site in general. Councillor Turner drew attention to the fact that an open toilet existed on the site and suggested that the Council's Architect be asked to direct the Contractors to provide adequate sanitary facilities.

BALLYNERRIN HOUSING SCHEME - SIGNING OF CONTRACT: (In Committee)

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the contract between the Council and Messrs C. Kelly and Sons, the Contractors for the 22 House Scheme at Ballynerrin, had not yet been signed owing to the fact that Messrs Kelly were unable to produce a 50% Guarantee Bond. He also informed the meeting that work to the value of approximately

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£20,000 had been carried out on the site and that the Council's Architect was not in favour of issuing a certificate until such time as the contract had been completed.

The County Manager pointed out that it was impossible for smaller Contractors to obtain Guarantee Bonds and that this probably applied in the case of Messrs Kelly.

On the suggestion of Councillor Kane the meeting instructed the Town Clerk to write to Messrs Kelly and inform them that the Council would agree to the acceptance of sureties in lieu of an Insurance Bond.

ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE - PREMISES AT 11 STRAND STREET:

The Council agreed to the assignment of the lease held by Mr. Francis Hynes to Mr. Pratt of 110 Barton Road East, Churchtown, Dublin, in respect of premises at 11 Strand Street, Wicklow.

YARD AT SOUTH QUAY - DEMISE TO FRANS BUITELAAR (ENGLAND) LTD:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application had been received from Frans Buitelaar (Ireland) Ltd. for the Council's consent to the demise of their premises, which was now an inspection yard to Frans Buitelaar (England) Ltd. The Council were not in agreement with the giving of permission as they felt that the yards were no longer owned by Messrs Buitelaar but had been purchased some time ago by Michael Eamonn Herbst (Cattle) Ltd. Councillor Conway suggested that if the Council now gave permission that an application would be received from Mr. Herbst for the Council's permission to the sale of the premises to him.

The Town Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. McCarroll the Council's Law Agent seeking clarification on the matter.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The meeting expressed satisfaction with the Town Surveyor's report for the month of November, 1967.

PAINTING OF STREET NAME PLATES:

Councillor Turner suggested that the street name plates in the town be painted and recommended that a painter be employed for a week in order to carry out this work. Subject to sufficient monies being available the meeting agreed that this work be carried out.

WICKLOW G.A.A. BOARD - VICTORY DINNER:

On the suggestion of Councillor Kane it was decided that a telegram be forwarded by the Council to the Chairman of the Wicklow G.A.A. Board expressing the congratulations of the Council on the achievements of the Wicklow G.A.A. teams during the year.

SEASONS GREETINGS:

Before the conclusion of the meeting the Chairman wished the Council and officials the complements of the Holy Season and a happy and prosperous 1968. The members and officials joined in returning the greeting.

The meeting concluded at 11.30.

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*J. A. Delahunty*



**Comhairle Baileárainn Cille Mannáin**

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Balla an Bata,  
Town Hall

Cill Mannáin  
Wicklow

Oct. 27

**Minutes of special meeting held on the 19th December, 1967.**

**PRESENT:** Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy, Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs E. Kavanagh, P. Doyle, F. Conway, L. Turner and J. Kane.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk, Mr. N. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

**VOTE OF SYMPATHY - LATE COUNCILLOR JAMES EVERETT, T.D.:**

Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, addressed the meeting and stated that it had been his sad duty to call this special meeting in order to pass a vote of sympathy to the widow and relatives of Councillor James Everett, T.D. whose death had taken place in a Dublin hospital the day previous. He went on to say that Deputy Everett's death marked the end of an era in Wicklow, an era in which Deputy Everett was associated with the Trade Union movement, the Labour movement and both Local and Central Governments. He alluded to his mature knowledge of the Local Government system and that he had always been willing to give of his time and advice in order to pass on this knowledge to his fellow Councillors.

Councillor Kane also associated himself with the vote of sympathy and stated that he had worked on the Council with Deputy Everett for nearly eight years and even though they had agreed to differ on many occasions nevertheless a working harmony evolved between them. He said that the vast field of knowledge and experience built up by Deputy Everett over the years in the political world could never be replaced.

Councillor Kavanagh in associating himself with the vote of sympathy said that Deputy Everett had been a lifelong friend of his and that he had always found him obliging and helpful. He stated that his terms as Minister in the Coalition Governments brought great honour to both the town and County of Wicklow.

Councillor Doyle stated that he had worked for 20 years with Deputy Everett on the Council and that his passing would leave a loss not alone in the Council but all over the country.

Councillor Conway associated himself with the vote of sympathy and stated that Deputy Everett's spiritual life was an example to all.

Councillor Mrs. McEnroy in associating herself with the vote of sympathy said that the spirit of Deputy Everett would never die.

Councillor Mrs. McNamara stated that the void created by his death would be hard to fill.

Councillor Turner associated himself with the vote of sympathy and said that the workers in Wicklow and elsewhere had lost a great friend who had dedicated his life to serve them.

The Town Clerk speaking on behalf of the staff stated that they wished to be associated with the vote of sympathy to the widow and relatives of Deputy Everett.

The Vote was passed in silence, all present standing.

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*T. A. Delahunt*



Comhairle Baileceannair Cille Mannáin  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Balla an Dáite,  
Town Hall,

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Wicklow

Oct. 27

4th January, 1968.

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

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The Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Monday the 8th January, 1968 at 7.30 p.m. You are kindly requested to attend.

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T. BRODERICK,

TOWN CLERK.

A G E N D A

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of December 1967 monthly meeting (copy herewith).
- 2) Confirmation of Minutes of Special Meeting held on the 19th December, 1967. (copy herewith).
- 3) Planning Applications.
- 4) Yards at South Quay - Demise to Frans Buitelaar (England) Limited.
- 5) New Refuse Dump.
- 6) Overdraft Accommodation - approval for quarter ending 31st March, 1968.
- 7) Declaration of vacancy on Urban Council (Memorandum herewith).
- 8) Wage Increase Claim - Waterworks Supervisor.
- 9) Sub-lease by Veba Limited to Electricity Supply Board.
- 10) Sale of premises at Main Street - consent of Council.
- 11) Town Surveyor's Report. (copy herewith).
- 12) Clerk of Works' Report (copy herewith).
- 13) Sealing of Documents.
- 14) Any other Business (at discretion of Chairman).

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Comhairle Baileceannair Cille Mannáin  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Balla an Dáite,  
Town Hall,

Cill Mannáin  
Wicklow

Oct. 27

Minutes of monthly meeting held on the 8th January, 1968.

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding; Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs P. Doyle, L. Turner, E. Kavanagh, J. Kane, F. Conway.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk and Mr. N. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER MEETING:

Councillor Kane stated that he wished to have an error in the minutes of the December meeting corrected. He pointed out that he was credited with stating that inconvenience was being caused to residents in the Ballynerrin area owing to the filthy condition of the road resulting from the building at present being carried out by Messrs C. Kelly & Sons. He said that this statement was made by the Chairman. The minutes were accordingly amended and were then taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

F. J. O'Sullivan, Glenview, Church Hill.

The report of the Town Surveyor indicated that he had no objection to the proposed alterations and extensions to Glenview, Church Hill. The Council accordingly approved of the application.

Michael Eamonn Herbst (Cattle) Ltd. - Lairage at South Quay:

The Town Clerk reported that he had received that evening an application from Michael Eamonn Herbst (Cattle) Ltd. for permission to erect a covered yard for use as a cattle lairage in the premises known as Dowling's Yard on the South Quay. A rough sketch of the proposal had also been submitted and this was examined by the members. The Town Clerk pointed out that planning permission could not be given until such time as a formal application for planning permission was made.

On the proposal of Councillor Doyle and seconded by Councillor Conway the Council agreed in principle with the proposals.

Mr. Herbst's application in respect of a lairage at Clarke's Yard was then discussed. Councillor Turner queried the reasons why the sub-committee of the Council which had been appointed at the December meeting had not met Mr. Herbst. The Chairman pointed out that the Town Clerk had arranged a meeting but as Mr. Herbst was negotiating with C.I.E. for a site at the time he felt that the time was not opportune to meet the sub-committee. The County Manager stated that Mr. Herbst had no interest in the site. He had an option on the site but this did not constitute an interest.

On the suggestion of Councillor Kane the meeting agreed that the sub-committee appointed by the Council at their December meeting should meet Mr. Herbst before the February meeting of the Council.

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YARDS AT SOUTH QUAY -- DEMISE TO FRANS BUITELAAR (ENGLAND) LTD:

This matter had been adjourned from the December meeting of the Council pending the receipt of further information from the Council's Law Agent. The Town Clerk read to the meeting a letter received from Messrs J. H. McCarroll & Co. which stated that the Council could not unreasonably withhold their consent to an assignment of any leasehold premises. The Law Agent advised the Council to grant the consent as otherwise the Court would order them to do so and this would entail the Council in a large amount of costs.

The County Manager pointed out that the lease to Frans Buitelaar (Dublin) Ltd. was undated and unsigned by the Lessee and consequently did not constitute a lease. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Frans Buitelaar Ltd. never operated in Ireland and that this was the reason for the application for an assignment to Frans Buitelaar (England) Ltd. The Town Clerk further informed the meeting that a new lease had been submitted by the Council's Law Agent for execution by the Council.

On the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting agreed that it had no objection to the assignment but that the matter be adjourned to the February meeting of the Council pending clarification of the points raised by the County Manager.

NEW REFUSE LUMP:

The Town Surveyor reported that he had examined a site in the parish of Ashtown and that it would have a maximum capacity for two to three years dumping. Councillor Turner pointed out that it was almost definite that the owner would lease the site and that the rent would be nominal. Councillor Kane pointed out that the Council would have the opportunity during the three years to look around for a more suitable site. Councillor Turner stated that the lease should contain a covenant that the Council level off and reinstate the site when filled. The County Manager suggested that the rent would have to be low if the Council were to provide fencing. On the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting agreed that the Town Surveyor, Councillor Turner and Councillor Kavanagh negotiate with the owner for the lease of the site.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

The Council authorised overdraft accommodation in the sum of £7,000 on their General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 31st March.

On the proposal of Councillor Kavanagh and seconded by Councillor Doyle the following Resolution was passed:

"That we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, the provision of Temporary Overdraft Accommodation not exceeding £7,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 31st March, 1968."

DECLARATION OF VACANCY ON URBAN COUNCIL:

The Chairman referred to the memorandum issued by the Town Clerk pointing out the procedure to be adopted in the filling of the vacancy on the Council caused by the death of Councillor James Everett, T.D. At the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting decided that the matter be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

WAGE INCREASE CLAIM:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application had been received from Mr. J. De Courcy, Waterworks Supervisor, for an increase

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of 3d. per hour in line with the Agreement concluded between the Federation of Builders, Contractors and Allied Employers of Ireland and the Construction Industry Trade Unions affiliated to the Irish Congress of Unions. The Town Clerk referred to an order made by the County Manager applicable to craftsmen and labourers employed by the County Council granting the increase. He further stated that as far as he was aware Mr. De Courcy did not belong to a Union but had always come under such Agreements.

The County Manager stated that there was no proof available that the recent Agreement applied to Mr. De Courcy and on the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting agreed that the matter be adjourned until such proof was forthcoming.

SUB-LEASE BY VEHA LTD. TO THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application was made in March, 1967, by Messrs Veba Ltd. for the consent of the Council to a sub-lease by Messrs Veba to the Electricity Supply Board in connection with the erection by the Board of a transformer. The matter had been discussed by the Council at their meeting held on the 6th March, 1967, and that it had been the decision of the Council that Messrs Veba relinquish to the Council the plot required for the transformer and that the Council could then make a lease to the E.S.B. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that recent correspondence from Messrs Veba stated that this proposal was unacceptable as it was the intention of that firm to take over the transformer from the E.S.B. at a later date. On the proposal of Councillor Kane the meeting agreed that approval be given to a direct sub-lease by Messrs Veba and that the approval be subject to the condition that the sub-lease be submitted to the Council and that the Council be satisfied as to its being in order.

SALE OF PREMISES AT MAIN STREET:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application had been received from Augustus Cullen & Son, Solicitors, for the consent of the Council to the sale of the premises owned by Mrs. Josephine Byrne, Wicklow House, Market Square, to Mr. James Jameson of Ballynerrin, Wicklow. The Chairman suggested that consent be given subject to the condition that the lease on the yards at the rear of the premises be in order. The meeting agreed with this suggestion.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

Arising from the Town Surveyor's report, copies of which had been circulated, the following matters were discussed:-

Purchase of new tractor:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he was still awaiting sanction from the Department of Local Government for the necessary loan in connection with the purchase of the new tractor for the scavenging service. He pointed out that it was costing the Council £15 per week for the hire of a tractor from the Abbey Service Garage Ltd. The meeting agreed that the Department be contacted again in the matter.

Reinstatement of footpath at Bridge Street:

Councillor Kane stated that the E.S.B. were carrying out work at Bridge Street and had made a cutting in the footpath. He suggested that the footpath should be reinstated in full rather than the reinstatement of the cut portion. On the suggestion of the Chairman the meeting decided that the Town Surveyor should see that the footpath was completely reinstated to the Council's satisfaction.

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E.S.V. SCHEMES 1967/68 - BARROW GREEN:

Councillor Kavanagh informed the meeting that the Committee formed to develop the Barrow Green still had an amount of £135 in funds and he suggested that the Council should approach the Trustees of the Committee and endeavour to have this money transferred to the Council. The meeting agreed that Councillor Kavanagh be delegated to approach the Committee and request that they lodge the money to the Council's account.

DUTIES OF TOWN SERGEANT:

Councillor Turner asked the Town Surveyor what were the duties of the Town Sergeant. He stated that a decision had been made at a recent meeting of the Council that the "Doctor's Steps" be cleaned regularly. He stated that this work was not being carried out and that it was pointless for the Council to make recommendations and not have them carried out. The Town Surveyor stated that he had given instructions to the Town Sergeant to have this work carried out but that he would look into the matter.

CLERK OF WORK'S REPORT:

The meeting expressed concern at the work being carried out after normal working hours by Messrs C. Kelly & Sons on the 22 House Scheme at Ballynerrin. It was pointed out that work of an inferior quality could be carried out without proper supervision if this practice were to continue. It was agreed that a report be got from the Architect for the next meeting of the Council.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the Contractors had been paid a sum of £10,125 on foot of a Supplemental Agreement whereby the Council were only obliged to pay 50% of the amount certified by the Architect. He further informed the meeting that this Agreement would remain in force until such time as Messrs Kelly produced the necessary Surety or Guarantee Bond.

DEPUTATION FROM SWIMMING CLUB:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had received an application from the Wicklow Swimming Club requesting the Council to receive a deputation in connection with the building of a new swimming pool in Wicklow. The meeting agreed to receive four members of the club at the next meeting of the Council.

REFUNDS OF RATES:

Councillor Kane asked the position regarding the application for refund of rates by Mr. M. McInerney on his premises at Main Street. The Town Clerk replied that he had asked Mr. McInerney to submit evidence that he had carried out repairs to the premises.

Councillor Conway queried the case of Mr. Andrew Dunne and the Town Clerk replied that he had written to Mr. Dunne to ascertain whether additions, alterations or repairs were carried out to the premises in question and to furnish proof that they were carried out.

PREMISES AT STRAND STREET:

Councillor Mrs. McNamara stated that she had received a complaint from Mrs. Roche of Strand Street that her house was deteriorating owing to the derelict condition of the adjoining house owned by a Mr. Lindsay now deceased. The Town Surveyor stated that he would examine the matter.

TOILET AT EAST PIER:

Councillor Kavanagh asked what the position was regarding the  
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erection of the new toilets by the Harbour Board and the Council at the East Pier. He stated that agreement had been reached some time ago between the two bodies to provide public conveniences at this location. The County Manager pointed out that a sum of £100 was provided in the current years estimates. The Chairman expressed the view that the plans had been approved by the Council and suggested that the work should be got under way as soon as possible.

PARK AT CASTLE GATE:

Councillor Kavanagh drew the Town Surveyor's attention to the concrete slabs on top of the wall at the park at Castle Gate. He stated that these slabs had become loose and he suggested that they be removed altogether and replaced with a concrete cap. The Town Surveyor agreed to examine the matter.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

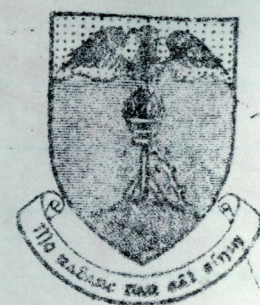
Proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Doyle, and resolved that: "The seal of the Council be and is hereby affixed to the Supplemental Agreement dated the 21st December, 1967, to the contract between the Council and Messrs C. Kelly & Sons for the erection of 22 houses at Ballynerrin."

INDUSTRIAL SITES IN WICKLOW: (In committee)

Councillor Conway raised the matter of industrial sites in Wicklow and suggested that a survey be carried out to ascertain what area was available for industry in the town. The County Manager stated that there was no shortage of industrial sites in and around the town. He stated that a number of industries were interested in the area north of Messrs Gouldings on the Murrough and also the County Council had available 23 acres of industrial land at Rathnew but owing to the current credit restrictions nothing definite had materialised. Councillor Kane suggested that the Council in conjunction with the County Council and the Chamber of Commerce should advertise in an effort to attract industry to the area. It was agreed to have the matter on the agenda for the next meeting of the Council.

The meeting concluded at 9.30 p.m.

J.C. Delahanty



COMAIRLE BAILTECEANNZAR CILLE MANNTÁIN  
WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Wicklow

TEL. 27

2nd February, 1968.

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

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The Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on Tuesday the 6th February, 1968, at 7.30 p.m. You are kindly requested to attend.

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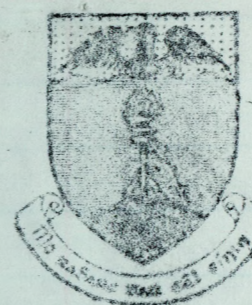
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TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of minutes of January, 1968, monthly meeting. (Copy herewith).
2. Swimming Pool - Deputation from Wicklow Swimming Club.
3. New Refuse Dump.
4. Planning Applications.
5. Industrial sites in Wicklow.
6. Declaration of vacancy on Urban Council.
7. Site for caravan - application from Sinn Fein.
8. Resignation of Town Clerk.
9. Resignation of Town Surveyor.
10. Yards at South Quay - Assignment to Frans Buitelaar (England) Ltd.
11. Wages - Claim from Irish Transport & General Workers' Union.  
Re: Operative date of Tenth Round Wage Increase.
12. Salaries - Removal of ceiling and adjustment of retrospective date of Tenth Round Wage Increase for local authority officers.
13. Town Surveyor's Report.
14. Clerk of Work's Report.
15. Sealing of Documents.
16. Any other business (at discretion of Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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TEL. 27

Minutes of monthly meeting held on the 6th February, 1968.

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunty, Chairman, presiding; Councillors Mrs. McEnroy, Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs P. Doyle, L. Turner, F. Conway, E. Kavanagh, J. Kane.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk, Mr. N. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF JANUARY MEETING:

The minutes of January monthly meeting held on the 8th January, 1968, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman. Arising from the minutes Councillor Kane suggested that the Council would have to insist in future that footpaths be reinstated in full by the E.S.B. He said that some recent reinstatement work carried out by the E.S.B. was deplorable. The Chairman suggested that the matter be left over until they were considering the Town Surveyor's report.

SWIMMING POOL - DEPUTATION FROM WICKLOW SWIMMING CLUB:

Before receiving the Deputation the Chairman gave a brief history of preparatory work carried out some years ago in connection with the provision of a swimming pool for Wicklow. He stated that after inspecting various sites the Council had agreed in 1965 to build a swimming pool at the Black Castle. The type of swimming pool decided on was the Prototype pool drawn up by the Department of Local Government and which would cost approximately £16,000 to erect.

The Council then received a Deputation consisting of four members of the Wicklow Swimming Club. The Chairman welcomed the Deputation and congratulated the Club on the success of their present swimming facilities and their work in teaching the young people of the town to swim.

Mr. Michael Reilly speaking on behalf of the Deputation said that the Swimming Club had in the past couple of years taught approximately 150 children to swim. He stated that the present facilities were inadequate and that a swimming pool was highly desirable in the town. Mr. Reilly gave details of a swimming pool erected by the Longford Development Company in the Urban District of Longford. He stated that the Longford Development Company were the sponsors of the swimming pool and they received contributions from the Urban District Council and the Longford County Council.

Councillor Kane stated that a swimming pool would cost in the region of ten to fifteen thousand pounds to build and he asked if the Deputation had any idea how funds could be raised to cover the cost. Councillor Turner suggested that the Swimming Club should contact the other Clubs and Organisations in the town and ascertain if they would contribute.

The Chairman informed the Deputation that the Council were unanimously in favour of the proposal to erect a swimming pool and that the last Council had abandoned the project because they felt that other facilities should also be provided in conjunction with the swimming pool. It was decided that the Longford County Secretary should be contacted and that further information be obtained regarding the Longford swimming pool.

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It was agreed that the Town Clerk should prepare a memo on the steps taken by the last Council to provide a swimming pool and that the plans for the last proposed pool should be returned by the then Town Surveyor, Mr. R. L. Farrell. It was also agreed that the matter be on the agenda for the next meeting of the Council.

REFUSE DUMP:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had received a reply from Mrs. May Murray of Whitehall, Dublin, regarding the leasing by the Council of part of her land at Ballybeg, Rathnew, for use as a refuse dump. He stated that the terms of the proposed lease would be as follows:-

1. Yearly rent to be £50.
2. The Urban District Council to be responsible for the erecting and maintaining of fencing around the site and for the control of vermin and rodents.
3. The laneway from the main road to the lower field to be kept clear of all refuse and right-of-way to be given to Mrs. Murray and her representatives at any time.
4. The Council to be responsible for the laying of top soil to a depth of not less than 9" over the site on the expiration of the lease.
5. The lease to remain in force for ten years.

The County Manager pointed out that as the proposed dump was a considerable distance outside the town the same services could hardly be provided in the town due to the time lost in travelling. Councillor Kane stated that the Council had no alternative but to lease the site and that the extra cost involved would have to be faced up to.

The Council agreed in principle to accept the offer made by Mrs. Murray and it was also agreed that the Wicklow County Council be approached with a view to their using it as a refuse dump for the Rathnew area. It was also decided to consider the question of imposing a charge on firms using the dump for the disposal of industrial waste. The Town Surveyor was asked to have a report available for the next meeting of the Council.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Proposed lairage at South Quay for Michael Mamonn Herbst  
(Cattle) Ltd. (In committee)

The Town Clerk reported on the meeting which had taken place between the sub-committee appointed by the Council at the December meeting and Mr. Herbst. He stated that nothing definite had come from the meeting and that the entire matter was still unchanged.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Herbst was now storing cattle in Dublin and bringing them down by road for export through the port. He stated that an average of three boats per week were now exporting cattle through Wicklow port. He further stated that Mr. Herbst had now purchased Dowling's yard and was negotiating for Fitzpatricks and that a decision in respect of Clarke's yard by the Council was urgently needed. The Chairman also stated that Mr. Herbst was interested in coming to an agreement with Messrs Shamrock Fertilizers for the leasing of the old Granulating Shed on the North Quay. He also stated that the support of the Council would be needed for the negotiations with Messrs Shamrock and the County Manager promised that he would write personally and arrange for a Deputation to be received by Messrs Shamrock.

Councillor Conway proposed that a decision be taken on the planning application in respect of Clarke's yard. Councillor Mrs. McEnroy seconded this proposal. Councillor Kavanagh stated that Clarke's yard

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was too near the centre of the town and that the objections of the residents in the area mitigated against permission being granted. Councillors Turner and McNamara supported the views of Councillor Kavanagh. Councillor Kane said that he was prepared to support Mr. Herbst if he established his lairage and inspection yard on one side of the river. The County Manager stated that if permission was granted the residents in the area would object to the Minister and referred to the Chief Medical Officer's report on the application which stated that a lairage would be a danger to public health due to infestation from rats and vermin and also that pollution of the river would result from the discharge of effluent from the lairage.

The meeting decided that immediate negotiations be opened with Messrs Shamrock Fertilizers for the leasing by Mr. Herbst of the old Granulating shed and that a definite decision be taken in regard to the application for Clarke's yard at the next meeting of the Council.

Thomas J. Wallace:

The meeting approved of the granting of permission to Mr. Thomas J. Wallace to erect a house at Friars Hill there being no objection to the proposed development in the Town Surveyor's report.

James G. Murphy:

The meeting agreed to the granting of permission to Mr. James G. Murphy to erect a bungalow at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, subject to his gaining approval from the E.S.B. and subject to a satisfactory sewerage connection.

Thomas Murphy:

The meeting agreed that permission be granted to Mr. Thomas Murphy to erect a bungalow at Seaview Road, Wicklow, provided that the bungalow be set back to the existing building line and that the sewer be diverted.

DEVELOPMENT OF LANDS AT BALLYNERRIN:

Councillor Turner asked if an application had been received from Mr. Vincent King to connect a proposed main 9" sewer from his lands at Ballynerrin for the purpose of serving a proposed residential housing scheme. The Town Clerk replied that the application had been received on the 1st February and that the Town Surveyor had not time to examine the application before the meeting. The Town Surveyor stated that the lands concerned were outside the Urban Area and he understood that Mr. King had not yet got outline planning permission from the County Council for the proposed development. He further stated that he would have to examine the Council's main sewer on the Rocky Road before giving a recommendation.

The Council agreed to give permission in principle subject to the report of the Town Surveyor.

INDUSTRIAL SITES IN WICKLOW.

Councillor F. Conway suggested that the Urban Council were not going ahead fast enough with the development of industrial sites in Wicklow. He suggested that the Council should give one hour each month to formulating plans for the attraction of industry to the town.

The meeting expressed approval with Councillor Conway's suggestion and undertook both as individuals and a body to take steps to attract new industry to the town and area.

DECLARATION OF VACANCY ON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. McEnroy and seconded by Councillor P. Doyle that the seat on the Urban District Council formerly held by the

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late Councillor James Everett, T.D. be declared vacant. The meeting agreed that the seat would be filled at the March meeting of the Council.

SITE FOR CARAVAN:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that an application had been received from the Sinn Fein Organisation for the permission of the Council to locate a caravan on Kilmantin Hill beside the Court House for the duration of the bye-election campaign in Wicklow. The meeting agreed to grant the necessary permission.

RESIGNATION OF TOWN CLERK:

The County Manager informed the meeting that he had accepted with regret the resignation of Mr. T. Broderick, Town Clerk, to the Wicklow Urban District Council with effect as and from the 26th February, 1968, on which date Mr. Broderick was taking up duty with the North Western Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd.

The Chairman said that he was sure he was speaking on behalf of all the members when he expressed sorrow at Mr. Broderick's departure. On behalf of the Council he wished him all success in his new job.

All the members present joined in endorsing the Chairman's remarks. The Town Clerk thanked the Chairman and members for their good wishes and kind remarks. He said that he regretted leaving Wicklow as he had come to settle down so well among the community. He paid tribute to his staff and commented on their efficiency and hard work.

RESIGNATION OF TOWN SURVEYOR:

The County Manager announced to the meeting that the Town Surveyor Mr. M. Farrell, owing to pressure of work generally with the County Council was unable to find sufficient time to discharge the duties of Town Surveyor and consequently was resigning from that position with effect from the 29th February, 1968.

The Chairman stated that the Council had been very lucky to have such a conscientious engineer with them and he felt it would be the feeling of the members that he should ask Mr. Farrell to reconsider his decision and remain with the Council. The other members joined in endorsing the feelings of the Chairman.

The Town Surveyor told the meeting that his decision had not been taken lightly, that he had carried out the duties of Town Surveyor for a complete year and he had now come to the conclusion that it was essential to give some time every day to the work but owing to the pressure of work in the County Council he could not find the necessary time for the Urban District.

Councillor Turner suggested that the County Manager should allow Mr. Farrell time off from the County Council's duties so that he could devote it to the affairs of the Urban District.

At the request of the Council Mr. Farrell consented to remain on as Town Surveyor until the end of March and that the question of replacing Mr. Farrell would be discussed at the March meeting.

YARDS AT SOUTH QUAY:

The Council agreed to the assignment of the yards at the South Quay, Wicklow, from Messrs Frans Buitelaar (Ireland) Ltd. to Frans Buitelaar (England) Ltd.

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OPERATIVE DATE OF TENTH ROUND WAGE INCREASE FOR OUTDOOR STAFF:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that this matter of a claim by the Irish Transport & General Workers' Union by the Council for the bringing forward of the operative date of the tenth round wage increase from the 1st June, 1966, to the 1st May, 1966, had been deferred from the December meeting of the Council pending receipt of information from the local firms regarding their operative date. The Town Clerk stated that the operative date varied from firm to firm, one firm had granted the increase from March, 1966, while another firm had not granted it until the 1st September, 1966.

On the proposal of Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, seconded by Councillor L. Turner the meeting agreed to grant the increase from the 1st May, 1966.

LABOUR COURT RECOMMENDATION:

The County Manager informed the meeting that the Labour Court Recommendation on the 15/- per week and 42½ hour working week sought on behalf of the outdoor staff of the Urban District by the Irish Transport & General Workers' Union for an increase of 12/6 per week from 1st January, 1968. The Labour Court did not give a decision on the reduced working hours claim but suggested that further talks be held. The County Manager recommended that the 12/6 Recommendation should be accepted by the Council and that the retrospective date be the 1st September, 1967. He suggested that the matter of reduced working hours be discussed again and should follow the same lines as a similar claim for County Council workers. The meeting agreed to the Manager's recommendation.

TENTH ROUND WAGE INCREASE - REMOVAL OF CEILING:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that this matter had also been adjourned from the December, 1967, meeting of the Council. He explained that the Arbitrator's findings had been that the ceiling of £1,200 imposed as a condition of the Tenth Round Wage increase be removed for Local Authority officers with effect from the 1st May, 1966. The findings could not have effect until such time as the Council had approved and the sanction of the Minister for Local Government had also been obtained.

The meeting decided that the findings of the Arbitrator be implemented for the officers of the Urban District Council subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

Brickfield Lane:

Councillor Kane referred to a letter which he had received from the residents in Brickfield Lane expressing concern at the condition of the road surface. The Town Surveyor pointed out that the matter was discussed when schemes were suggested for the disposal of the Urban Roads Improvement Grant. He stated that the road needed reshaping and that the nature of the work involved was too specialised for a direct labour job. On the suggestion of the Chairman it was agreed that the Town Surveyor should estimate what the cost would be.

E.S.V. SCHEMES:

Councillor Kavanagh congratulated the Town Surveyor on the excellent work which was being carried out under the E.S.V. grant. Referring to the public monies which had been collected some years ago for the improvement of the Barrow Green Park the Town Clerk informed the meeting that on Councillor Kavanagh's suggestion he had approached the parish priest to ascertain if the balance of this money could be handed over to the Urban District Council. There was a balance of approximately £50 still available and Fr. Kingston had agreed to hand over this money whenever the

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