

Sanitary Officers Report  
6<sup>th</sup> July 1914

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting over 115 premises and served 28 notices under the Public Health Act for various sanitary purposes. The Medical Officers attention has been directed to some sanitary subjects. The usual disinfecting of main drains and washing down of Doctors Steps was carried out satisfactorily. The scavengers were attentive to their work.

During the month one of the trees on The Mall has been maliciously broken and carried away, same requires to be replaced. The Boat House door requires repairs which should be done at once.

I have examined all the main sewers and find all in good working order with the exception of two that have a slight lodgment of excrement which will require attention No 1 Strand St, No 2 Main St.

I beg to apply for my usual uniform clothing.

During the month I had the enclosure of the Halpin Memorial cleaned, while some of the trees requires to be pruned.

Patrick Doyle - San Sub Officer

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haslam, Seconded by James De Courcy and resolved  
"That the dead trees on Mall be replaced at the proper time, estimates to be procured for the repairs and painting Boat House door and to be submitted to the Managing Committee for consideration, Town Surveyor and Sanitary Officer to examine Strand & Main Street Sewers and have same put in order - Tenders to be invited for Town Sergeant's uniform clothing to be considered at next Meeting -"

Resolution

Proposed by M. J. Brien, Seconded by James De Courcy, resolved  
"That Patrick Doyle resume his duties"

Mr. Frank McShail dissented and handed in a Notice of

Motion to rescind and to have the question considered with a view to an efficient service be obtained -

Waterworks Overseer Report  
13<sup>th</sup> July 1914

Water in Reservoir is down 5'-1 1/2" inches from old overflow, Overseer enumerated work done since he took up duty on 7<sup>th</sup> ultimo Dwellinghouse is in a bad state and requires repairs before he takes up occupation - No 1 Filter is working since the 9<sup>th</sup> ultimo, No 2 is turned off and ready for cleaning when the gear is repaired.

James Nichols - Waterworks Overseer -

Resolution

Proposed by Frank McShail, Seconded by Matthew W. Donald, resolved  
"That Mr. Pansing prepare a specification for the repairs and renovation of caretakers cottages and that Tenders be invited for same"

Daily Inspector's Report  
13<sup>th</sup> July 1914

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month Car Sheds, Milk Shops and Dairies were kept in a satisfactory condition -

James Redmond Daily Inspector -

Read letter from R. Finlay, Heron, Hon Sec, Municipal Association enclosing official badges for Delegates attending Civic Exhibition Railway vouchers and cards of admission -

It was unanimously resolved to appoint Messrs Frank W. Phail JP and Michael John Brien as the Council's Delegates.

Read an application from Messrs Lawrence Byrne, A. Cullen, R. J. Limerick, Frank McShail, J. R. Wright, John Passant & H. J. McShail acting on behalf of a Committee of the inhabitants for permission to have the exclusive use of the



public seats on the outer Murrumbidgee during the Military Band Promenades on Mondays & Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30 and also permission to rope in a small space for the protection of the Band -

Order - That Committee's application be granted

Read an application from Henry J. MacPhail, Assistant Town Clerk for an increase in his salary -

Order - That Assistant Town Clerk's application be referred to the Managing Committee for consideration -

Read a letter from Messrs Fottrell & Sons re Bachelors Walk and stating they were sending on the tracing for the approval of the Fitzwilliam Estate Office -

Read letter from Mr Pansing stating that Messrs Booth or<sup>rs</sup> prices for Waterworks Overseers tools were reasonable and that they might be ordered.

Town Clerk stated that on receipt of Mr Pansing's letter he had ordered the tools and that same had come to hand with the exception of the dies which were in course of manufacture -

Read letter from Fenfield & Kennedy regarding bolts and nuts forwarded last May -

Order - That enquiries be made to see if same have been delivered -

Read a letter from Mrs Dorcas Mitchell, High Street, complaining of the unprotected state of the rear of her premises as it is becoming a nuisance for the public -

Order - That Mrs Mitchell's application be referred to the Managing Committee for inspection and report.

Read an application from Patrick Crowlock for an increase in his wages for scumming water mains -

Order - That Crowlock be informed that his duties for scumming "water mains ended with the appointment of new Waterworks Overseer" -

Read a letter from Mrs Kate Voster stating that after 11 years service her husband had been dismissed from the Council's employment -

Order - That the subject of the dismissal of Voster be referred to the Managing Committee -

### Notice of Motion

They to give notice that at the next monthly meeting I shall move that the resolution, passed on a division, in reference to the Sanitary Sub Officers duties as timekeepers of the Roadmen be rescinded, and the question be considered with a view to an efficient service be obtained. Frank W. Phail

July 13 - 1914

Lawrence Byrne Chairman  
4/August 1914



Town Hall Wicklow  
27<sup>th</sup> July 1914

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to a Requisition signed by Messrs Frank W. Phail, Samuel E. Pinn, Matthew W. Donald, Nicholas H. Haskins, Thomas H. Willis, James J. W. Phail.

To consider an urgent and important letter from the Chief Secretary on the subject of Government assistance for Foreshore Protection Works.

To consider Managing Committee's Report

To consider official correspondence.

To consider Tenders for repairs to Ashwin Cottage and Boat House dock.

Councillors Present

Mr. Edward M. Collins, Chairman, in the Chair.  
Messrs James Hamilton, Samuel E. Pinn, Joseph W. Carroll, Francis B. Greff, & Michael J. O'Brien

Dublin Office, Old Queen St.  
London SW. 21<sup>st</sup> July 1914

Sir

I am now able to inform you that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have agreed in consequence of Representations made to them to place a sum of £6000 on the July Supplementary Estimates for protection works at Wicklow Harbour subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) That the Scheme is referred by the Harbour Commissioners to either Mr Barron or Sir John Griffiths (at the expense of the Harbour Commissioners) and that the referee reports that a self contained and satisfactory Scheme can be carried out for the sum of £6000, and
- (2) That the Town Authorities obtain the necessary powers and give a guarantee to maintain the old as well as the new works.

I understand that the Harbour Commissioners desire that Mr Barron should be the Referee, and I venture therefore to recommend that you at once approach

Mr Barron and secure a very early visit from him in order that his report may be made.

I hope that the Report may be obtained as soon as possible in order that the necessary work may be started at once.

Yours  
Sincerely

Augustine Binell

The Secretary  
Harbour Committee Wicklow -

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph W. Carroll, seconded by Mr J. B. Greff, and resolved.  
"That having had before us Mr Binell's letter, we hereby approve of the resolution of the Harbour Board requesting Mr Barron to come over at once to inspect and report on a scheme for foreshore protection works."

Special Committee Meeting  
16<sup>th</sup> July 1914

Present

Mr Edward M. Collins, Chairman, in the Chair Messrs Matthew W. Donald, Francis B. Greff, James Hamilton, Francis Murphy, Lawrence Byrne, Nicholas H. Haskins, Daniel H. Haskins, S. V. Keblament, Thomas H. Willis & Michael J. O'Brien.

Read Telegrams from Captain Donelaw M.P. viz House of Commons - Proposed grant point about liability about maintenance has arisen which must be decided immediately if grant to be obtained this year can you and Chairman of Urban Council and Harbour Board come here by tonight's mail most urgent -

Read letter from Captain Donelaw in reply to mine viz I have your telegram to Mr Redmond. As I mentioned in my wire the question involved is the question of maintenance and Mr Redmond considers that this important matter cannot be settled satisfactorily and promptly by written communications, needless to say I share in this view - Mr Redmond



has scored a great victory in securing the grant-subject to this condition, I think it better to write than to wire as you would not have my telegram until morning, kindly drop a line to say what time I may expect you and my other friends on Monday - The cost of maintenance will have to be met -  
A. Bonelaw -

Resolution

Proposed by Mr D. H. Haskins, Seconded by Francis W. Greff and resolved.  
"That Messrs Collins, Delahunt, W. H. Haskins and Town Clerk be hereby appointed a deputation to proceed to London re Government Grant -"

Resolution

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by Lawrence Byrne and resolved.  
"That an Advice Note be signed for £20 to pay expenses of deputation to London -"

Managing Committee Meeting  
23<sup>rd</sup> July 1914

Present

Mr Nicholas H. Haskins in the Chair - Messrs Frank W. Phail, James Hamilton, James W. Courcy, Matthew W. Donald and James Dunne -

Your Committee have had before them Sanitary Officers Reports and approve of the action taken in reference to the matters contained therein -

Having considered Mr Rosanna Karanagi's letter re drainage of premises Fitzwilliam Square, and Mr Pansing's information in reference thereto, directed that a notice be also served on Mr Andrew Cullen to comply with Sanitary requirements -

We recommend that the Assistant Town Clerk, Mr Henry James Phail be allowed 8/6 per week (making his total salary fifty two pounds per annum) for checking over Rate Collectors demands & receipt-books and supplying monthly returns of

same to Local Government Board and other extra duties devolving on him - Salary to commence from 1<sup>st</sup> of August 1914.

We have asked your Town Surveyor to inspect Mr Dooceas Mitchels premises and report in the matter -

Signed Nicholas H. Haskins Chairman pro tem

James Hamilton, Frank W. Phail, Matthew W. Donald  
James W. Courcy, James Dunne -

Resolution

Proposed by Mr F. W. Greff, Seconded by Samuel E. Poirer and unanimously resolved.  
"That Reports of Managing Committee dated 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July be hereby confirmed and adopted -"

Read letter from Rev John F. X. O'Brien S. J. thanking the Council for resolution of condolence occasioned through the death of the Rev Blane W. O'Brien C. C. Wicklow -

Read letters from Messrs Fottrell Don enclosing draft conveyance of Bachelors Walk for the Councils approval and requesting that Mr Pansing be asked to put a map of same on parchment enclosed -

The Town Clerk stated that he had endorsed the Councils approval on the conveyance and had forwarded the maps asked for -

Read letter from Local Government Board enclosing Receivables Orders for (1) £18 in respect to Sanitary Officers salaries and (2) £21. 13. 6 being final instalment in respect of health duty grant for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March last -

Read letter No 72520 - 17/7/1914 from Commissioner of Valuation requesting any supplemental lists of Tenements requiring revision to be forwarded not later than 31<sup>st</sup> Inst -

Read letter No 7643 = 25/7/1914 from Commissioner of Valuation acknowledging receipt of claim in respect to Harbour Charges for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March last -



Read circular from Department of Agriculture on the subject of the movement of animals, operation of other orders, offences etc -

Read circular letter from R. Finlay Stew, Hon Sec, association of Municipal authorities in Ireland on the subject of Provisional Valuations and Financial Relations between Urban and County Councils -

Read quotation from Fenfield & Kennedy Limited dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 1914 for automatic valves & piping

Order - That on the advice of our Town Surveyor we hereby accept estimate from Fenfield & Kennedy for valves & pipes -

Read letters from Valuation Office forwarding a number of forms in connection with Form H -

Order - That Valuation forms be forwarded to Finance Committee for consideration and report -

Three tenders were received and considered for repairs to Ashlown Cottages and two for repairs to Boat-House doors.

|                               |                    |             |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Mr Louis Carroll Main St      | tendered at        | £ 24. 15. 0 |
| Mr John Flynn Summer Hill     | "                  | 23. 10. 0   |
| Same                          | (Boat House)       | 4. 6. 0     |
| Mr John Lane Fitzwilliam Road | (Ashlown Cottages) | 22. 15. 0   |
| Same                          | (Boat House)       | 4. 17. 6    |

Resolution

Proposed by Michael O'Brien, Seconded by Samuel O'Pin resolved  
 "That Mr John Flynn's tenders for repairs to Ashlown Cottages and Boat House doors be hereby accepted at £ 23. 10/- and £ 4/- respectively, work to be carried out in accordance with specification and to the satisfaction of our Town Surveyor -"

Resolution

Proposed by Joseph W Carroll, Seconded by Samuel O'Pin and resolved  
 "That we the Wicklow Urban District Council desire to extend to the family of the late Mr E. P. O'Reilly our most sincere sympathy in their irreparable loss in the death of their Father so highly respected and universally esteemed -"

Lawrence Byrne Chairman  
 4/ August 1914



Town Hall Wicklow  
4<sup>th</sup> August 1914

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business.

1. To consider Finance Committee's Report.
2. To consider Auditors Report.
3. To consider Town Surveyors Report.
4. To consider Sanitary Officers Reports.
5. To consider Dairy Inspectors Report.
6. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
7. To consider official correspondence.
8. To consider Tenders for Sanitary Officers Uniform
9. To confirm the acceptance of Mr. John Flynn's tender for sanitary accommodation on Murrough.
10. To consider Mr. Frank W. Phail's "Notice of Motion"

Councillors Present

Mr. Laurence Byrne, Vice Chairman, in the Chair  
Messrs. Frank W. Phail JP, Thomas H. Willis, Samuel E. Pinn, James De Courcy, James Hamilton =

The minutes of the previous meetings were read over and confirmed after which the business was proceeded with.

Finance Committee's Report

4<sup>th</sup> August 1914

Your Finance Committee met this day and checked over Accounts, Books and Vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums.

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| F. W. Phail. Contribution Sanitary Salaries      | £ 18. 0. 0           |
| Same Death Duty Grant, Fines &c                  | 24. 12. 3            |
| Arthur Doolittle - Corporations & Cottages Rents | 57. 15. 2            |
| Patrick Clarke - Township Rate                   | 64. 11. 5            |
|  | <u>£ 164. 18. 10</u> |

giving a Cr. Balance of £ 77. 12. 3

We recommend the following payments

|                  |   |                     |
|------------------|---|---------------------|
| Francis W. Phail | One months Salary   | £ 11. 15. 4         |
| Same             | Workmens wages &c   | 42. 7. 9            |
| Henry J. Phail   | One months Salary   | 2. 10. 0            |
| John Pansing     | By less 1/3 Insurance   | 4. 3. 4             |
| Patrick Doyle    | do " 1/3 "  | 4. 10. 5            |
| James Nichols    | do " 1/3 "  | 5. 7. 1             |
| James Redmond    | do  | 1. 0. 0             |
| Edward Honor     | One do superannuation allowance                                   | 4. 7. 6             |
| James Finlay     | Gardener grass Land   | " 10. 0             |
| John Kelly       | Poor Rate on Waterworks & Cottage                                 | 1. 14. 10           |
| Louis Carroll    | Painting Wooden Bridge  | 15. 7. 6            |
| Richard Sheane   | Chain & block for Waterworks                                      | 2. 5. 6             |
| Wicklow Gas Co.  | Gas Town Hall, Value House 3/5                                    | " 9. 0              |
| Dr. E. Kailway   | Haulage & cartage on paper 1/3                                    | 2. 11. 8            |
| Miss W. Phail    | Local funds   | 10. 0. 0            |
| Thomas W. Namee  | Fees for preparation Tenders Lists                                | 3. 18. 8            |
| F. W. Phail      | do do   | 10. 8. 3            |
| Burns & Nolan    | Poor Rate Books   | 2. 7. 6             |
| Wicklow People   | Advertising Notice Completion of Audit                            | " 5. 9              |
| Patrick Crowl    | Scouring water mains April 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Aug 1 <sup>st</sup> | 13. 6               |
|                  |   | <u>£ 127. 16. 7</u> |

Signed:- Laurence Byrne V.C.  
Thomas H. Willis  
James De Courcy } Members of Finance Committee

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel E. Pinn, Seconded by Thomas H. Willis & resolved.  
That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted and that Treasurers Advice Note for making payment to the several parties named therein be now signed by direction and on behalf of the Wicklow Urban District Council amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £ 127. 16. 7.



No 37,532 - Wicklow Urban District

Local Government Board  
Dublin 15<sup>th</sup> July 1914

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward herewith for the information of the Council of the Wicklow Urban District, a copy of the Report of the Auditor on his audit of the Accounts of the Council for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1914, with attested abstracts of the Accounts.

I am Sir

A. R. Barlas: - Secretary

To

The Clerk of the Council of  
Wicklow Urban District.Copy No 37,532: 1914  
Wicklow Urban District.Kingstown 11<sup>th</sup> July 1914

Sir

I beg to report that I have audited the Accounts of the Wicklow Urban District Council for the year ended the 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 1914. Only certified abstracts thereof are transmitted herewith.

It is with regret that I find myself once more compelled to call attention to the unsatisfactory discharge of duty by the Rent Collector. His books contain manifest inaccuracies, in that they do not agree with one another. The books of his receipt-books contain numerous cancelled receipts, which seemingly have been wrongly filled up, thus showing gross carelessness. The work of checking his Accounts is one of great difficulty for the Town Clerk and gives needless trouble to everyone concerned, although, if the Collector performed his duties properly, it should be a simple matter.

This is not the first occasion on which I have had to call the Council's attention to the Rent Collector's negligence, or incompetence and they will incur serious responsibility, should they persist in allowing the present discreditable state of affairs to continue.

I certified as due from the <sup>Rent</sup> Collector, a sum of £4. 6. 5 on account of allowances, made by him

to Tenants not legally entitled thereto.

The Town Clerk performed his duties, in connection with the Audit, in a most careful and efficient manner.

I am Sir Sir

J. More O'Ferrall, Auditor

The Secretary

Local Government Board,  
Dublin.13<sup>th</sup> Crosthwaite Park W.  
Kingstown

Sir

Will you be so good as to inform me whether Mr Doolittle has got lodged to the credit of the Urban Council the balance, certified by me to be due from him, on the occasion of my recent audit of your Accounts.

I am Sir Sir

J. More O'Ferrall, Auditor

The Town Clerk, Wicklow.

Town Clerk stated that Mr Doolittle promised to lodge amount of surcharge when the Bank opens: =

Resolution

Proposed by Frank W Phail, Seconded by Samuel O'Fin & resolved,  
"That the Auditor's Report be referred to a Special Finance Committee Meeting to be held on Monday next 10<sup>th</sup> Instant at 7.30 pm."

Town Surveyors Report  
4<sup>th</sup> August 1914

During the past month the streets have been fairly maintained and the men attention to their work. A concrete wall is required at rear of Mrs Dorcas Mitchell's house, this with door and frame would cost about £3. 10. 0.

Mr Robb is anxious to make a new drain from his yard in Fitzwilliam Square as soon as possible, but cannot do so until a separate drain from the adjoining premises is laid.

Mr Murphy should therefore construct his drain



without further delay.

John Vansingh :- Town Surveyor.

Resolution

Proposed by Frank M Phail, Seconded by Thomas H. Willis resolved  
 "That Mr. Murphy be asked to comply with sanitary notice  
 "re drainage, so that Mr. Robb may be in a position to  
 "comply with Town Surveyors recommendations" =

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel E Pini, Seconded by Frank M Phail resolved  
 "That- Funds be obtained for concrete wall, door  
 "and frame for use of Mrs Dorcas Mitchell's premises

Sub Sanitary Officers Report  
3<sup>rd</sup> August 1914

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting over 300 premises and served 28 Notices under the public health Act for various sanitary purposes. The Medical Officers attention has been directed to some sanitary subjects. The usual disinfecting of main drainage and washing down of Doctors Steps was carried out satisfactorily. During the month I had two Patients removed to the Fever Hospital in ambulance car, one of which was from the Rural District and the premises disinfected.

The Abbeey river requires to be cleaned from the late Mr James Water's house to Mr James Forge same should be done at once. I beg to bring under your notice an open grating in the Dispensary Lane which carries away surface water, I recommend that a street-gully be placed in position to prevent rubbish going through to the Council's main sewer.

During the month the public seat which was placed on the river Murrumbidgee has been maliciously broken, same being removed to Boat House and repaired and placed in position on the Upper Promenade.

I recommend that a list of all fire plugs in the Urban District be taken and a printed list of same be

placed in the Town Hall and also on the apparatus car to prevent delay in case of fire.

I have asked your late workman Denis Woctor to return his oil skins, same has not been complied with.

Patrick Doyle: Saw Sub Officer

Resolution

Proposed by Frank M Phail, Seconded by James Mc Courney resolved  
 "That a new street-gully trap be provided for Dispensary Lane sewer, Town Surveyor to supply particulars  
 "of same: -

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel E Pini, Seconded by James Mc Courney resolved  
 "That Waterworks Overseer supply list of fire plugs  
 "and hydrants same to be printed and circulated as  
 "directed including police barrack and Coast-guard St.

Resolution

Proposed by Samuel E Pini, Seconded by Thos H. Willis and resolved  
 "That permission be obtained from owners along the abbeey  
 "River to clean up same, work to be done by permanent  
 "workmen.

Dairy Inspector's Report  
4<sup>th</sup> August 1914

I respectfully beg to report that during the month of July I made my usual inspections of the licensed Cow Keepers premises and found them in good sanitary order and the Cows in a clean and healthy condition.

Town St

James Redmond

Dairy Inspector

Dairy Inspector's Report noted and approved of:



Read Waterworks Overseers Report dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 1914, stating water in Reservoir is down 7 feet below old overflow. I have had 10 night inspections with Mr Redmond on all stop cocks, notices were served for leakages in service pipes and all have been complied with. I found water from Reservoir pouring in under foundation into clean water chambers under No 2 fillers. By direction of your Town Surveyor I employed a Mason to lay new floors and place a buttress against wall of Reservoir.

Order "That Waterworks Overseers Report be referred to Committee Meeting on Monday next at 7.30 pm."

Read correspondence with Military Authorities re Camping grounds

Read letter from Secretary Civic Exhibition Ireland 1914 inviting Members to attend Industrial Conference on August 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Instants.

Messrs Frank McPhail JP and Michael J'Brien were deputed to attend on behalf of the Council.

Read letter from Municipal Authorities in Ireland for amount of the Council's contribution for current year.

Order "That contribution to Municipal Authorities be included in next Finance Committee Report."

Read circular letter from Dublin Castle for a return under the Ships Act 1912.

Order "That the Town Clerk complete return asked for and forward same as directed."

Read letter No 40.114 dated 1/8/14 from Local Government Board with regard to a proposal to reduce the rent of certain Corporate premises leased to Mr H. J. Haskins. The Board desire to be furnished with a report from the Town Surveyor or a professional Valuer on the extent to which the letting value of the premises has been affected through the circumstances referred to in the Council's letter and also a report from the Council's Solicitor as to the Law and Equity in the matter having regard to the term of the Lease.

Order "That Local Government Boards requirements be complied with"

Read letter from Captain Donelan stating Mr Birrell had asked him to ascertain information regarding foreshore protection works

Town Clerk stated that he had written to Captain Donelan stating Mr Barron had been here on last Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Ultimo and promised to send on his report in the course of a week, when a copy would be forwarded to Mr Birrell in due course.

Read letter from Mr A. J. Reid, D. & C. Railway Co acknowledging receipt of copy of Mr Birrell's letter and stating that the Railway Co are not prepared to enter into any guarantee or make any further contribution towards the expense of maintenance other than the amount already arranged for.

Read letter from Irish Trades Union Congress on the subject of labour under which printing for Local Authorities is executed.

Read quotation from John & Parkes Sons for two bars of angle iron 12' - 6" x 2 1/2" at 10/- each which was accepted

Read letter from Glenfield & Kennedy, Kilmarnock, Scotland acknowledging receipt of order for valves and pipes.

Read invoice from Broth Bros forwarding stock, dies & stamps

Wicklow Water Supply  
29<sup>th</sup> July 1914

The Committee should visit the Waterworks at once, the storage supply is rapidly running out, the waste is as bad as ever, the water is dirty and foul smelling, the Reservoir is full of weeds and slime - once more I recommend <sup>that</sup> a loan be procured for enlarging the basin and constructing proper filters, I now feel it my duty to warn the Council against any further delay in the matter.

John Pansing  
Town Surveyor

J. Wm McPhail  
Town Clerk



Read letter from Mr. J. A. Rook complaining of the public water supply as being very bad and having an unpleasant odour and colour

Order - That San Surveyor Report and Mr Rook's letter be referred to Committee Meeting next Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Inst.

Two tenders were received and considered for Sanitary Officers uniform clothing -

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|--|-----------|
| Mr P. J. Byrne Fitzwilliam Square No 1 pattern | £ 4. 5. 0 |
| Same " " No 2                                  | 3. 17. 6  |
| Mr. Frederick Haughton, Market Square No 1     | 3. 2. 6   |
| Same " " 2                                     | 3. 8. 0   |
| Same " " 3                                     | 3. 10. 0  |

Resolution

Proposed by Frank McPhail Seconded by Samuel E. Pinn resolved  
" That Frederick's Haughton's Tender for Sanitary Officers uniform and caps be hereby accepted at £ 3. 10/-  
" conditional that material is guaranteed to be of Irish Manufacture. =

Read Tender from Mr. John Flynn Summer Hill, to erect sanitary accommodation on Murrigh for the sum of £ 10

Resolution

Proposed by Mr. H. Willis Seconded by Samuel E. Pinn resolved  
" That Mr. John Flynn's Tender for erection of sanitary accommodation on Murrigh be hereby accepted at £ 10 =

Order - That the G. & S. Eastern Railway has attention be directed to deposit of refuse on the Railway siding opposite the Murrigh Promenade, and that they be requested to have same removed and to discontinue the practice =

Read number of circular letters and forms relating to several holdings on the Corporate Estate from the General Valuation Office under the Finance Act 1909. 10 =

Order - That forms from General Valuation Office be referred to Special Committee Meeting on Monday next 10<sup>th</sup> Inst.

Mr Frank McPhail withdrew his notice of motion to rescind resolution employing Patrick Doyle, time keeper at 57 per cent =

E. M. Collins, Chairman  
10<sup>th</sup> April 1914



Town Hall Wicklow  
13<sup>th</sup> August 1914

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District-Council was held this day in pursuance to the Requisition signed by Messrs E. M. Collins, Frank M. Phail, Laurence Byrne, James J. M. Phail, William M. Byrne, Francis Murphy to transact the following business.

1. To take immediate steps to conserve the Public Water Supply, the water being now down 7' - 8" from overflow -
2. To consider Auditor's Report -
3. To consider Officers Reports -
4. To consider Tenders for concrete wall etc, at rear of Mrs Dorcas Mitchell's premises.
5. To consider an important letter from Local Government Board to establish Committees to deal with any distress in consequence of the war -

### Councillors Present

Mr. Edward M. Collins, Chairman, in the Chair, Messrs James De Courcy, Matthew W. Donald, Thomas H. Willis, Laurence Byrne, Frank M. Phail -

The Town Surveyor strongly urged on the Council the necessity of curtailing the water supply and recommended that the water be turned off from 9 pm to 7 am each night until further notice -

### Resolutions

Proposed by Matthew W. Donald, Seconded by James De Courcy, resolved  
"That from and after Monday next - 17<sup>th</sup> Instant - the public water supply be turned off from 9 pm until 7 am each night until further notice, Notice of same to be published in local papers on Saturday next -"

Mr. Frank M. Phail dissented =

### Resolutions

Proposed by Frank M. Phail, Seconded by Laurence Byrne and resolved  
"That a night test of water mains and house connections be made on Friday & Sunday nights next -"

Three Tenders were received and considered for concrete wall door and frame -

|                |             |             |             |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Thomas Brennan | Marlin Road | tendered at | Rs 3. 12. 6 |
| John Law       | Hillside    | "           | 3. 12. 0    |
| James W. Ball  | New St.     | "           | 3. 10. 0    |

### Resolution

Proposed by Frank M. Phail, Seconded by James De Courcy, resolved  
"That the lowest tender be hereby accepted that of James W. Ball, New St. at Rs. 10.0 work to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Town Surveyor."

Read letter from the family of <sup>the late</sup> Mr. E. P. Kelly MP, thanking the Council for their resolution of condolence -

Read two letters from Mr. J. Reid, Manager, W.D. & H.O. Pauling's respecting deposit of refuse on the Company's line between the Junction and Old Wicklow Station and requesting to know the grounds of objection -

Town Clerk stated that he had written stating grounds of complaint. =

Officers Reports read at last monthly meeting were discussed and noted. =

Read an Account from Balleen Wood Quarry for supply and delivery of 507 <sup>tons</sup> <sup>cut</sup> <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> of macadam amounting to Rs 133. 16. 3.

Order - "That Account from Balleen Wood Quarry be referred to Finance Committee" =



Read letter from Local Government Board No 42.142 dated 19/8/14 to establish Committees to deal with any distress that may arise in connection with the war, and to prepare Schemes for employment in advance which could be put into execution in the event of serious lack of employment arising therefrom.

Resolution

Proposed by James De Courcy, Seconded by Frank McPhail resolved  
 "That a copy of Local Government Board letter be forwarded  
 " to the various Charitable organisations in the Wicklow  
 " Urban District and Clergymen of the Parish, Irish National  
 " Foresters as representatives of Trade Union and request  
 " them to appoint three representatives to confer with  
 " the Wicklow Urban District Council,

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas H. Willis, Seconded by James De Courcy and resolved  
 "That our Town Clerk write to the Waterford Corporation  
 " to know what procedure they have adopted with regard  
 " to filling in Forms A under the Finance Act 1909-10  
 " and other documents in relation thereto =

Read Auditor's Report on his recent audit of accounts

Mr Doolittle confessed that he had been negligent, but promised faithfully that it would not occur again

P. M. Collins, Chairman  
 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 1914

Town Hall Wicklow  
 1<sup>st</sup> September 1914

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business.

1. To consider Finance Committee's Report.
2. To elect by ballot three ex-officio Members on Wicklow Sanitary Board in the room of Joseph McCarroll, Frank McPhail and Michael J. O'Brien, who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election
3. To appoint three Members on Wicklow School Attendance Committee in the room of Rev. Clare D. O'Brien Esq, and Mr James Hamilton deceased and the Rev. John Johnston who has left Wicklow.
4. To consider Town Surveyor's Report.
5. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
6. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
7. To consider Dairy Inspectors Report.
8. To consider miscellaneous correspondence.

Councillors Present

Mr Edward Mc Collins Chairman, in the Chair - Messrs Laurence Byrne, Frank McPhail Esq, James De Courcy, Matthew Mc Donald, David H. Haskins, Thomas H. Willis, James F. McPhail, Joseph McCarroll =

The minutes of the previous meetings were read over and confirmed after which the business was proceeded with.

Resolution

Proposed by Edward Mc Collins Seconded by Matthew Mc Donald & resolved  
 "That we the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby  
 " convey to Mrs Hamilton and family our sincere  
 " sympathy and condolence in the great loss they  
 " have sustained through the death of Mr James  
 " Hamilton an old and valued member of  
 " this Council" =



Resolution

Proposed by Edward Mc Collins, Seconded by Lawrence Byrne and resolved  
 "That we desire to place on record an expression of deepest  
 sympathy on the very lamented death of our Rev Pontiff  
 Pope Pius <sup>IX</sup> that a copy of this resolution be sent  
 to his grace the Archbishop of Dublin, to whom we  
 tender our sincere sympathy with the loss sustained  
 by the Catholic Church.

Resolution

Proposed by Frank Mac Shail Seconded by Joseph Mc Carroll and resolved  
 "That this Urban Council desire to express its regret  
 at the death of Mr Patrick Padin JP, who for many  
 years was an active and greatly respected Member of  
 this Board.

Finance Committee's Report

27<sup>th</sup> August 1914

Our Finance Committee met this evening and checked  
 over Accounts, Books and vouchers and found that  
 during the month there was lodged to your credit  
 the following sums: -

|   |   |                    |
|---|---|--------------------|
| Francis W. Mac Shail - Payment on Acct from Shell     | } | 206. 11. 1         |
| Government de Harbour Rates                           |   |                    |
| Same Balance hire Bathing Boxes, Fines etc            |   | 1. 4. 7            |
| Arthur Doolittle Corporation Cottages & grazing Rents |   | 56. 17. 2          |
| Patrick Clarke Innship Rate                           |   | 83. 5. 0           |
| Thomas McNamee Water contract with Council            |   | 3. 0. 0            |
|   |   | <u>350. 17. 10</u> |

leaving a Cr Balance of £ 305. 0. 0

We recommend the following payments

|                        |                                       |                     |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Francis W. Mac Shail   | One months Salary                     | £ 11. 18. 4         |
| Same                   | Workmens wages                        | 33. 16. 11          |
| Henry J. Mac Shail     | One months Salary                     | 4. 6. 8             |
| John Pansing           | do                                    | 4. 3. 4             |
| Patrick Dwyer          | do less 1/- Insurance                 | 4. 10. 8            |
| James Nichols          | do less 1/- do                        | 5. 7. 4             |
| James Redmond          | do                                    | 1. 0. 0             |
| Edward Connor          | do Superannuation                     | 4. 7. 6             |
| James Finlay           | Carpetaker from Lanes                 | . 10. 0             |
| Co Council             | Second instalment of Demands          | 218. 5. 6           |
| Memorial Board         | do do                                 | 25. 1. 8            |
| John Flynn             | On Acct-repairs to Ashdown Cottage    | 20. 0. 0            |
| Same                   | Sanitary accommodation for Murrigh    | 10. 0. 0            |
| John C Parker          | Acct for Iron (Waterworks)            | 1. 0. 0             |
| J. B. Martin           | do Timber do                          | 2. 11. 8            |
| North Bros             | do Tools for Overseer do              | 3. 4. 7             |
| Emile James            | Advertising                           | . 7. 4              |
| Collector of Customs   | Income Tax                            | . 12. 6             |
| Edmund W. Byrne        | Contribution to Municipal Association | 2. 2. 0             |
| Mr W. A. Mac Shail     | Half years rent Stones                | 2. 10. 0            |
| Henriely & Kennedy     | Pipes do                              | 3. 10. 4            |
| Wicklow People         | Advertising                           | 1. 1. 0             |
| Ballecco Wood Quarries | Macadam                               | 133. 16. 3          |
| J. W. Mac Shail        | 5/- for clerical work Harbour Charges | 10. 6. 6            |
| James Finlay           | Cutting thistles from Lanes           | . 15. 0             |
| George D. Fottrell     | Purchase Bachelors Walk               | 12. 13. 0           |
|                        |                                       | <u>£ 517. 18. 1</u> |

Signed - Lawrence Byrne }  
 James De Courcy } Members of Finance Committee  
 Thomas St. Willis }

Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Mr M. S. Donald & resolved  
 "That the Report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed  
 and adopted and that Treasurers Advice Note for making  
 payments to the several parties named therein be now  
 signed by direction and on behalf of the Council  
 amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £ 517. 18. 1



Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Secured by James De Courcy, and resolved  
 "That Messrs Joseph W. Carroll, Frank W. Thail and  
 "Michael John O'Brien be hereby re-elected ex officio  
 "members to represent the Council on the Wicklow Harbour  
 "Board -

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas H. Willis, Secured by James De Courcy, and resolved  
 "That the Rev Father Ryan, Rev Thomas Saller and  
 "Mrs Lopo be hereby appointed to represent the Council  
 "on Wicklow School Attendance Committee in the room  
 "of the Rev Clare O'Brien and Mr James Hamilton  
 "deceased and the Rev John Johnston who was left  
 "Wicklow

Town Surveyors Report  
31<sup>st</sup> August 1914

The roads and streets are in comparatively fair condition  
 the outlying roads require some trimming up which will  
 be done when the men are finished at the Waterworks -

The saving resulting from turning off the water at  
 night is infinitesimal so that I recommend the water  
 be turned on continuously and from tomorrow Tuesday night.

I append a diagram which shows the night-line wastage  
 about normal - good work has been done by your Waterworks  
 Inspector and road labourers in cleaning the Reservoir of  
 weeds and removing an enormous amount of black deposit  
 from dry end of basin, I had to employ a man and horse  
 to cart off stuff, another week or ten days will complete  
 this work and then the intake tributaries and upper end  
 of reservoir will be open and clear for the autumn supply,  
 the springs are now opening up - The repairs and renovation  
 of caretakers Cottages are finished, it can be occupied any  
 time

John Pansing  
 Town Surveyor.

Resolution

Proposed by James De Courcy, Secured by Joseph W. Carroll and resolved  
 "That the recommendation of the Town Surveyor to turn on  
 "the water supply continuously be hereby adopted from  
 "this date -

Order - That Messrs Sims and Carr be written to with  
 regard to removal of deposit from basin of Reservoir

Sanitary Sub Officers Report  
31<sup>st</sup> August 1914

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month  
 I made my usual sanitary inspections visiting 215  
 premises and served 23 notices under the Public Health  
 Acts for various sanitary purposes.

The usual disinfecting of main drainage and washing  
 down of doctors steps was carried out - satisfactory -

The scavengers were attention to their work and the public  
 lighting was well attended

During the month I had two patients removed from Rural  
 District in ambulance car to Fever Hospital -

X The sanitary notices served on Messrs Peter Dunne,  
 Andrew Cullen, Thomas Karanagh, S. J. Robb, and  
 Francis Murphy have not been complied with and I  
 respectfully ask for the usual order required under  
 the Public Health Acts.

Patrick Doyle - San Sub Officer -

Resolution

X Proposed by Frank W. Thail, Secured by David H. Haskins and resolved  
 "That the usual proceedings be adopted under the  
 "Public Health Acts to compel Messrs Dunne, Cullen,  
 "Karanagh, Robb and Murphy to comply with Sanitary  
 "notices - X



Waterworks Overseers Report - 1/9/1914 - No 2 filter beds have been cleaned and are now working. Made two night inspections with the assistance of Redmond and Cromlock found no leakages in public mains - Found 14 leaks in house connections, turned water off, served notices and all have been complied with - Have four men working at removal of deposit from basin of Reservoir - The water is now down 9ft 1 inch below old overflow and very little coming in - 25 tons of new sand is required for filter beds - Supplied Drogen with water on three occasions

Order - "That tenders be invited for the supply and delivery of 25 tons of sand from Halpins or Truell's Murrugh"

Read Dairy Inspectors Report that the Cow Keepers continue to keep their premises in a satisfactory state

Read correspondence with Messrs J. D. Fottrell & Sons Solicitors on the subject of assignment of Wachelors Walk from Earl Fitzmillian to the Council and requesting a cheque for £12. 13.0 to close the matter

Order - "That a paying order for £12. 13p be forwarded to Messrs Fottrell being £10 purchase money and £2. 13 cat of conveyance"

Read letter from H.M. Government enclosing order for £206. 11. 1 being in payment on account of Harbour Rates for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1914 -

Read letter from Captain Hewitt requesting the Council to take up water pipes to storage and requesting to know if the Council have been paid £50 for hire of camping ground -

Order - "That pipes be taken up and stored as requested and that Tom Clark inform Captain Hewitt that rent of camping ground has not been paid"

Read reply from Tom Clark Waterford with regard to filling up forms for Finance Act - 1909 - 10 - "Referred to Committee"

Read letter from Pennick & Co asking the Council to adopt the Noxious Weed Act -

Resolution

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by James De Courcy and resolved "That the Noxious Weed Act be put in force in Wicklow Urban District" -

Read a letter from Mrs. Eliza Fitzgerald complaining of the river bank at Marlton has been broken down by the constant filling of water cart -

Order - "That the Town Surveyor inspect river bank and report"

Read letter from Mr. Matthew Murtha for permission to enclose James Murrugh for an Athletic Sports on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> proximo

Resolutions

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll seconded by James De Courcy, resolved "That Mr. Murtha's application be granted and that we suggest Thursday half holiday be substituted for Sunday -

Read letter from Irish Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland calling attention to the provisions of the Housing (No 2) Act - 1914 - "Referred to Committee"

Read letter from Local Government Board No 37,911 - 31/8/1914 relative to the adoption of Part 1 of the Tuberculosis Prevention (Ireland) Act - 1908 and requesting to know what steps have been taken in the matter

Order - "That the Local Government be informed that no action has been taken by the Wicklow Urban District Council"



Read Circular Letter No 42.642 - 12/8/1914 from Local Government Board to take immediate steps to form District Committees during the war -

Read letter from Local Government Board No 1324 14/8/1914 enclosing copy of (Provision of Meals) (Ireland) Act 1914

Read letter from Local Government Board 24/8/1914 regarding the functions of the Local Representative Relief Committees which have been appointed to deal with any distress which may arise in consequence of the War -

Read circular letter from L.G. Board No 44816 - with regard to assistance to wives and other relatives of Soldiers and Sailors (including territorials)

Read letters from St Vincent-de Paul Society, Sailor and Soldier's Society, Coal Fund Society, Methodist Charitable Organisation, Clothing Club, and Irish National Foresters.

Read letter from Lord Powerscourt asking for subscriptions to the National Relief Fund.

### Resolution

Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by Matthew W. Donald resolved  
 "That the following members be hereby appointed to represent the Council on the Wicklow Urban District District Committee Messrs E. M. Collins, Laurence Byrne, Frank M. Phail, Thomas H. Willis, Nicholas St. Haskins, Joseph M. Carroll, James De Courcy, S. V. Belahunt, M. J. O'Brien, Samuel P. Pinn and that a meeting be called for Monday next 7<sup>th</sup> Inst at 3pm of the various organisations to consider correspondence from Local Government Board and arrange matters generally and that three Ladies be added to the Council's representatives Mrs Wm Perry, Mrs Loppo and Mrs A. R. M. Carroll -

E. M. Collins Chairman

6 Dec 1914

Town Hall Wicklow  
 17<sup>th</sup> September 1914

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs M. J. O'Brien, M. M. Donald, Frank M. Phail, Thomas H. Willis, James J. M. Phail & M. H. Haskins.

- 1 To Co-opt an Urban District Councillor in the room of Mr. James Hamilton deceased.
- 2 To declare a vacancy in the room of Mr. Wm M. Byrne disqualified through non attendance within the statutory period -

### Councillors Present -

Mr. Edward M. Collins Chairman, Messrs Samuel P. Pinn, Frank M. Phail, Nicholas St. Haskins, Francis Murphy, James J. M. Phail, Laurence Byrne, Thomas H. Willis, James De Courcy, Matthew W. Donald, Joseph M. Carroll and subsequently S. V. Belahunt and James Dunne.

### Resolution

Proposed by Joseph M. Carroll, Seconded by Francis Murphy and unanimously resolved -

"That we hereby, Co-opt Mr. Henry Hamilton an Urban District Councillor in the room of his Father Mr. James Hamilton deceased -

### Notice of a Vacancy in Wicklow Urban District Council

We the Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council hereby declare the office of an Urban District Councillor, held by Mr. William M. Byrne, Bridge St. Wicklow, to be vacant in consequence of non-attendance and we direct that this vacancy should be duly notified by a circular issued to each member of this Council. A copy of said circular to be posted on the outer door of the Town Hall Wicklow.

We further direct that an election be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> day of October 1914, at the hour of 11 O'clock.