

Town Surveyor and Resident Engineer exceeded £1200 per annum. He pointed out that the Council could not bear the expenditure which he thought, was in excess of that expended prior to the resignation of the former Town Surveyor.

207. Bungalow here of 18 Pearse Square.

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, seconded by Clr. Sayers and resolved:- "That the County Manager be directed to review his decision refusing permission to Mr. Edward Gunning for the erection of a bungalow at the here of the premises, 18 Pearse Square under the Town Planning Acts."

208. Appointment of Clerk-Typist.

Clr. Sayers referred to item 5897 dealing with the appointment, at a salary of £2 per week of a temporary Clerk-Typist, recently appointed. He felt that the salary was insufficient.

It was explained that the Clerk-Typist referred to had, since the date of her appointment, received an increase of 10/- per week.

209. Erection of Garage at Millview Cottage.

The Council recommended, upon the suggestion of Clr. Sayers that the Acting Town Surveyor be instructed to furnish a report upon the type etc., of the garage, erected at Millview cottage to which approval had been granted under the Town Planning Acts.

210. "Kiosk at Maryville", Esplanade.

Clr. Ledwidge protested against the refusal of permission (Order No. 5935.) under the Town Plan for the proposed erection of a kiosk at Maryville, Esplanade.

It was agreed that application of the nature referred to in the Manager's Order should be considered by the Town Planning Committee

212. Local Government Superannuation Act, 1948.

Notice of Motion - Clr. Temple.

"That part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, should be adopted by this Council and that the maximum number of persons to be at any one time in the employment of the Council as permanent servants be limited to fifteen."

It was agreed to adjourn consideration of the motion until the next Statutory Meeting when, it was hoped to have legal advice concerning the provision of the Act.

213. Putland Road Flooding.

A report was read from the Acting Town Surveyor regarding periodical flooding at Putland Road.

The report intimated that it would be necessary to examine the matter further, at the time when flooding exists.

It was agreed to adjourn further consideration of the matter until the next statutory meeting.

The acting Town Surveyor was directed to instruct the owners of property concerned, to have ditches adjoining the property cleansed regularly.

214. Urban Roads Maintenance.

Submitted letter from Local Government Department suggest-

ing that whenever circumstances permitted, Urban Road Maintenance should be carried out by the County Council on a recoupment basis. The County Manager pointed out that owing to pressure of duties of the County Council's Engineer it would be extremely difficult to have the Urban Roads in Bray maintained by the County Council.

It was agreed to adjourn the matter for further consideration.

215. Small Dwellings Acts Loan.

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government conveying sanction to the borrowing of a sum of £30,000 for the purposes of making advances to borrowers under the Small Dwellings Acts.

ORDER:-

Noted. It was agreed to limit the maximum grant to 75% of the Market Value of the House and that copies of the Scheme would be circulated to the members of the Council.

216. Fire Brigade Loan.

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government conveying sanction to the borrowing of a sum of £450 from the Council's Treasurer for the purchase of a Fire Tender.

Order:- Noted.

Clr. Stuart raised the question of training of the personnel. The County Manager intimated that it would be necessary to recruit a part time personnel from outside the Council Staff in view of the fact that only four employees had volunteered for the Fire Brigade Service - the minimum number required under the regulations of the Fire Adviser to the Local Government Department being fixed at eight members for each Unit.

It was decided to insert an advertisement for the purpose of recruitment of the necessary personnel.

217. Amphibious D.U.W.K.'s.

Clr. Temple withdrew the following notice of Motion appearing in his name on the Agenda, Paper in view of the fact that the Agreement had been completed for the present Season.

"Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next Meeting of the Council that the permission which has been granted to Mr. Stewart of Belfast to use the boatslip at Bray be now withdrawn."

218. Erection of Stalls on Esplanade.

Permission was granted to the Very Rev. Canon Moriarty to erect four stalls on the Esplanade during the period 25th July to 2nd August in connection with the holding of a Fete.

219. Cutting of Grass on People's Park.

It was proposed by Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Ledwidge and resolved:- "That an expenditure of the sum of £16 be authorised for the purpose of cutting the grass at the People's Park."

220. Bray Cove Swimming Club.

Submitted letter from the Hon. Secretary, Bray Cove Swimming Club in connection with a rescue incident on Sunday, 27th June,

It was decided that the Council place on record its appreciation of the plucky conduct of the two young swimmers, Messrs O'Neill and Meekin and that matter be brought to the notice of Comhaile na Mire Gaile and that the Swimming Club should report the facts to the Department of Industry and Commerce

221. Motor Boat Hire.

Submitted application from Mr. W. Keaney, Solicitor, Dublin,

requesting permission on behalf of Clients to use the Harbour for the operation of a motor boat for Hire.

ORDER:-

Permission refused in view of the number of boats already for hire.

222 Repairs to Fiddler's Bridge.

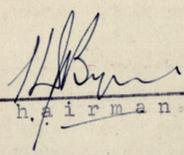
It was proposed by Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Temple, and resolved:-

"That an expenditure of £88 be authorised for the purpose of tar macadaming Fiddler's Bridge."

223 Bray Swimming Club - Annual Gala.

Permission was granted to the Bray Swimming Club to close the Sea Wall on July 11th between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. in connection with the Annual Gala.

Signed


Chairman

Date

10/8/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Town Planning Committee held in the Town Hall on Thursday 8th July, 1948, at 3 p.m.

Present - Clr. John Temple (in chair)
Clrs. P. Ledwidge and E. J. Little.

Officials

present:- County Manager, Town Surveyor and Town Clerk.

1. Bungalow at New Road off Newcourt Road

Approval was granted for the erection by Mr. Farrell, Strand Road, of a Bungalow at New Road off Newcourt Road.

2. Houses - Brighton Terrace

Approval was granted for the erection by Messrs. Maguire and Ganley of 4 semi-detached houses at Brighton Terrace.

3. Temporary Structures - Strand Road

Permission was refused to the following applicants to erect proposed structures on sites at the Strand Road, viz:-

Name	Type of structure	Location
Mr. V. Casoni,	Building	at Strand Road
Mrs. A. Carroll	Kiosk	at Rhoda Cottage, Strand Road
Mr. B. A. Costello	Kiosk	at Barry's Amusements, Esplanade
Mrs. Lawless	Kiosk	at Maryville, Esplanade.

4. Temporary Structure "Lattice Cottage"

Permission was granted to Mrs. Murphy, for the period ending 31st October, 1948, to erect a temporary structure at the corner of Strand Road and Putland Road.

5. Coxon Limited - Nissen Hut

Submitted application from Coxon Limited for permission to erect a Nissen Hut at their premises.

It was agreed that the Town Surveyor and Clr. Temple would inspect the site where it is proposed to erect the Nissen Hut.

6. Factory Premises re Employment Exchange

Submitted Plans for the erection of a Factory on a site at reere of Employment Exchange. It was agreed that the Department of Industry and Commerce should be requested to report whether the premises comply with the provisions of the Factory and Workshops Acts.

7 Shop - Albert Avenue

Submitted Plans for the erection by Mr. Doyle of a shop at Albert Avenue.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the application pending an investigation of the Traffic conditions at this point. The matter was accordingly adjourned to the Meeting of the Council to be held on 15th instant.

8. Garage, Dargle Road

The Committee noted a report from the Town Surveyor regarding a garage which had been erected by Mr. Lother Fuchs at Dargle Road for which the former Town Surveyor had given approval.

9. Proposed Fete at Esplanade

The Committee agreed to a request from Very Rev. A. Canon Moriarity, P.P., to erect Notice Board on the Esplanade Railing in connection with a Fete to be held in aid of the Queen of Peace Church.

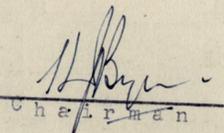
The request to hold a "Novelty" Lecture on 1st August, 1948, in connection with the Fete, was refused.

10. Greyhound Racing Track

The County Manager read the opinion of Counsel in connection with the proceedings in relation to the Greyhound Racing Track.

It was decided to Requisition a Special Meeting of the Council for Tuesday 13th July, 1947, to consider the Opinion as read.

Signed


Chairman

Date

10/8/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Specially Requisitioned Meeting of the Bray U.D.C.
Held in the Town Hall on Tuesday the 13th July, 1948,
at 7-30 p.m..

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors E. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle,
E. J. Little, P. Ledwidge,
P. McLoughlin, L. J. McKeown,
D. Sayers, G. H. G. Stuart,
J. Temple

Officials:- County Manager and Town Clerk.

224 Fire Brigade Loan - £450

The Council approved of the Draft Mortgage Deed in connection with the borrowing from the Council's Treasurer of a sum of £450 for the purchase of a Fire Brigade Tender.

225 Advertisement Sign - Sunnybank

Submitted request from Rev. Fr. Maguire for permission to erect a three sided advertisement sign at Sunnybank in connection with the Fete to be held from 25th July to the 7th August. Order:- approved.

226 Advertisements re Sale of Work

Permission was granted to the Methodist Church Representatives for the erection of an advertisement sign on the Esplanade in connection with a Sale of Work.

227 Notice of Motion - Cllr. J. French

Councillor J. French handed in a Notice of Motion regarding complaints in relation to accommodation, etc. provided for visitors to Bray.

It was agreed to have the matter discussed at the next Meeting to be held on 15th July, 1948.

228 Tenders for Tar Macadam Paths and Repairs to Harbour and Sea Wall Decking

Tenders for above Contracts were opened by the Chairman. The Town Surveyor was directed to submit a Report upon the Tenders received, to the next Meeting to be held on the 15th July, 1948.

The County Manager read the Opinion of Counsel, which had been obtained, upon the following issues, viz:-

- (1) Should the Council proceed to institute proceedings in the District Court for breach of the Prohibition, and the Declaration.
- (2) Should Council or Garda Siochana institute proceedings.
- (3) Whether fines recoverable are payable to the Council or to the State.

Counsel's Opinion, indicated, in reply to Queries Nos. 1 and 2 that a Summons should be issued in the District Court with the Council as Complainants against The Bray Greyhound Racing Association, Limited, as Defendants.

Regarding Query 3. Counsel stated that there was no provision in the Fines and Penalty Disposal Orders, 1928 to 1937 dealing with the Disposal of Fines under the Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934, and recommended that the Department of Justice be requested to indicate whether or not any Order had been made by the Minister dealing with the destination of fines imposed under the provisions of the Town and Regional Planning Acts. In the absence of such an Order the fines would be payable to the Exchequer. The Manager intimated that he had since communicated with the Department of Justice in the matter.

It was proposed by Clr. E. J. Little, and seconded by Clr. G. H. G. Stuart:-

"That having heard the Opinion of Counsel on the matters in dispute between the Council and the Bray Greyhound Racing Association Ltd., the Appeal in relation thereto taken to the Minister for Local Government, the findings thereon and the combined contraventions thereof, this Council directs the institution by the County Manager on its behalf and with name against the said Company in the District Court."

Clr. E. J. Little in moving the Motion stated that the Council's authority had been flagrantly flouted by the Promoters of the Greyhound Racing Track who had erected the Track beside a Church and Graveyard, and this action of the Promoters could only be considered in a Christian State, as a desecration.

Other members expressed similar views and, in particular, stressed the fact that the Council's authority had been deliberately and persistently ignored by the promoters. Unless action were taken the Council would cease to function as a democratic Body or carry out the administrative functions entrusted to it.

The motion was put and carried by 10 votes to 1, Councillor George Doyle opposing the motion.

appeal from the Dist. Court
 Cainte Cusproa. Cille Mianáin
 Bray, U.D.C. v. Bray Greyhound Racing Association
 Produced on behalf of the Plaintiff
 Dated 12th day of Novr 1948
 M S O'Donoghue
 CLARIFICATION CONTACT

Signed

H. Byrne

Date

15/8/48

of

an adjourned Meeting held in the Town Hall on Thursday the 15th July, 1948 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Clr. H. Byrne (in chair) Clrs. French, Sayers, McLoughlin, Stuart, Temple, Doyle, McKeown and E. Byrne,

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk and A/Town Surveyor.

230. Discount on Rates
 It was proposed by Clr. McLoughlin and seconded by Clr. Sayers "That where the amount demanded from any Ratepayer, in respect of current rates for any year is tendered on or before the 31st August, a discount should be allowed, equal to one-fortieth of the actual amount of the current Rates as demanded".

The Motion was put and a division taken, when there appeared for the motion 5; Against the Motion 3.

The following voted for the Motion viz., Clr. McLoughlin Sayers, McKeown, Stuart and Clr. French.

There voted against, Clrs. Temple, E. Byrne and G. Doyle. The Motion was accordingly declared carried.

231. Local Elections Act, 1948

Submitted Circular letter from the Department of Local Government intimating that the Election of Members to Urban Councils etc., due to be held this year, will be held not later than 30th September 1950 in pursuance of the Local Elections Act, 1948. ORDER:- Noted.

232. Increased Remuneration for State Pensioners.

Submitted letter from the Town Clerk, Kilkenny, forwarding copy of a Resolution adopted by the Kilkenny Corporation requesting immediate increase of remuneration for all Civil Service and other State pensioners. ORDER:- Adopt Resolution.

233. Export of "Working Horses".

A letter, and the terms of a reply in Dail Eireann by the Minister for Agriculture were read in connection with the protest of the National Equine Defence League against abuses arising out of the export of horses from Eire to the Continent. ORDER:-

Refer Minister of Agriculture to a case reported recently where horses tails were Sheared before export.

234. Housing Sites.

Loreto Convent, Vevay Road:- A letter was read from the Department of Education intimating that the Minister had approved of the proposed acquisition by the Council of a piece of land measuring approximately 1 rood 13 perches at Loreto Convent, Vevay Road for the erection of houses, subject to the erection, by the Council, of a dividing wall between the Housing Scheme and The Convent Grounds.

Hudson's Terrace:- Correspondence was read from Mr. Flynn, and Council's Solicitor, in connect on with the erection of houses at the Hudson's Terrace Site. Mr. Flynn in the course of a letter (copy of which had been forwarded by him to the Department of Local Government) protested against the erection of the houses on Hudson's Terrace and claimed that his premises would be affected injuriously from the point of view of air and light if the housing Scheme were proceeded with. The solicitor to the Council advised that no claim could arise in respect of Air and Light since the proprietor had not enjoyed uninterrupted use of the premises for a

234.(Contd) period of twenty years.

The County Manager explained the facts which had led to the present position whereby the housing site had been encroached upon by the proprietor of the Monument Press and had limited the area available to the Council for the erection of houses there.

Members of the Council criticised the action of the officials of the Council at the time, who had leased portion of the site to Mr. Flynn. Following a discussion, in which most of the Council took part, it was agreed that Mr. Flynn had no grounds for complaint, and, in fact, his letter of censure was considered highly impertinent.

Earl of Meath Estate - Oldcourt:- The County Manager's report of the 14th July, which had been circulated was considered. Lord Ardee, the report stated, had agreed, at a Conference on the 8th July to permit the Council to purchase portion of his lands at Oldcourt, consisting of two fields lying between O'Byrne Road, and the Avenue, leading to Oldcourt House and Vevay Road.

It had been intended, originally, to acquire, land at Boghall Rd., The area of the two fields now proposed to be acquired is 4 acres and 5½ acres respectively, which would permit of the erection of approximately 80 houses. The Chairman expressed appreciation of the help afforded by Lord Ardee during the Conference.

Clr. Temple raised the matter of flooding which, he stated, occurred frequently at the sites offered by Lord Ardee. It was agreed that the A/Town Surveyor should report to the Council upon the question of flooding at the site.

Progress Report.

The County Manager read the following report from Mr. E.M. Murphy, regarding the progress of the present Housing Scheme.

ORDER:- Housing Progress considered satisfactory.

235. Sewerage Drainage - Newcourt Road.

Submitted letter from Messrs Hyland, Solicitor on behalf of Mr. T. Whelan in connection with Sewage drain in respect of houses proposed to be erected by him at Newcourt Road.

ORDER:- Defer until Plans are submitted.

236. South Esplanade Improvements.

A letter was read from Hon Secretary, Bray Amusements Committee submitting list of improvements suggested to be carried out on the Promenade.

ORDER: Noted.

237. Victoria Avenue - Traffic Regulations.

Submitted letter from Hon Secretary, Bray Amusements Committee in connection with traffic regulations at Victoria Ave.,

ORDER: Inform the Amusements Committee that the matter is one for the Garda Síochána.

238. Temporary Structures - Strand Road.

Minutes of the Town Planning Committee of the Council as submitted were noted and approved.

239. Use of Harbour.

Submitted letter from Mr. W. Keaney, Solicitor, Dublin requesting permission on behalf of clients, to use the Harbour in connection with the operation of trips from Dublin to Bray.

It was decided, in view of the need of improvements to

239.(Contd) the Harbour, that permission be refused.

240. Harbour Dredging.

The Council noted a letter from the Minister for Post and Telegraphs in connection with the dredging of the Harbour.

241. Bandstand - Protection

A letter was read from the Hon. Sec. Bray Amusements Committee in connection with protection on the Bandstand for Bands performing there during inclement weather.

ORDER:-

County Manager to examine possibility of providing canvas protection.

242. Vocational Education Committee - Audit of Accounts.

The Council noted a letter from Local Government Department forwarding copy of the Auditor's Report upon the Audit of Accounts of the Vocational Education Committee for the financial year ended 31st March, 1947.

243. Urban Road Maintenance.

Submitted letter from the Town Clerk, Castleblayney, forwarding a copy of a Resolution adopted at a joint Meeting of the Urban District Councils of Monaghan, Clones and Castleblayney, in relation to the maintenance of Urban Roads.

ORDER:- Adopt Resolution.

244. Vevay Road Site.

A letter was read from Mr. John Duffy, Vevay Road, requesting the Council to sell the fee simple of a plot of land leased by him from the Council and offering to purchase a plot of ground adjacent to his present premises.

A report of the Town Surveyor was read intimating that the land referred to could be utilised for the erection of two Council houses.

ORDER:- Permission to purchase land, is hereby refused and land will be used for housing purposes.

245. Shop at Albert Avenue.

The Town Planning Committee at its meeting on the 8th July referred to the Council an application from Mr. Doyle for permission to erect a shop at Albert Avenue pending a report from the Town Surveyor regarding traffic conditions at that point.

The report of the Town Surveyor, having been read, it was agreed to grant permission for the erection of the shop.

246. Sewer Connection - Old Connaught.

Submitted letter from the Assistant County Engineer, Dublin County Council requesting permission to connect six houses at Old Connaught to the Urban Council's Sewers and letter from Mr. David Frame in the same connection.

ORDER:- Permission granted upon terms to be determined by the County Manager.

247. Tenders - Tar Macadam Paths and Sea Wall Decking.

The Acting Town Surveyor submitted a report upon the tenders received in reply to advertisement for the following works, viz.,

247. (contd)

Tar Macadam Paths.

Wm. Power, Dublin	£306. 5.0.
C. Dodd.	£402.10.0.
Roads Improvement Co.,	£402.10.0.
McCreath, Taylor.	£437.10.0.

Promenade Decking.

Patrick Mullen	£240. 0.0.
Roads Improvement Co.	£288. 6.0.
Wm. Power	£315. 0.0.
C. Dodd	£360. 0.0.
Wm. Walsh.	£450. 0.0.

It was decided to accept the Tender of Mr. Power for the Tar Macadam Paths at £306.5.0. and that of Mr. Mullen at £240 for the Sea Wall Decking.

Harbour Decking.

The Acting Town Surveyor intimated that a report would be submitted to the next Meeting in connection with the Tenders received for Decking at the Harbour.

248. Holiday Accommodation

Clr. French, by leave of the Council withdrew the following Notice of Motion which had been handed in at a previous Meeting viz.,

"That we the members of Bray Urban District Council having in mind the welfare of the Township and its reputation as a Tourist Resort are gravely concerned regarding the number of complaints which have been made by visitors in the matter of accommodation and general fare provided by some boarding house proprietors.

We are of the opinion that the position has become so serious that unless immediate action is taken to end the present ramp in the reception of visitors at Bray, the Township will, in the near future cease to be the attraction it is today.

We feel that a continuance of the disservice to the Town by a number of caterers and private individuals who obviously have not the town's interests at heart will affect injuriously the Town's reputation as a holiday resort and will eventually effect the tourist industry of Eire as a whole.

Accordingly we suggest to the Irish Tourist Board to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that only registered premises should be permitted to accommodate visitors and that a more stringent examination be made by the Board of all premises, already registered.

We direct that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Irish Tourist Board."

Signed

H. Byrne
Chairman

Date

18/8/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Meeting of the Town Planning Committee held in the Town Hall, Bray,

On Thursday 29th July, 1948, at 2-30 p.m.

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Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne and Councillor John Temple

Officials:- Town Clerk and Acting Town Surveyor.

Minutes of the Town Planning Meeting of 8th July, 1948, were approved.

(11) Two houses at Lower Dargle Road

Submitted application from Mr. Carroll, Glenherbert, Lower Dargle Road, for permission to erect two houses and a shop at Lower Dargle Road. The Town Surveyor approved of the Plans under the Town Planning Acts and the Council's Bye-Laws. Order - permission granted.

(12) Sign Board for E. Boni, Strand Road.

Submitted Plan indicating form of Sign Board to be erected by Mr. E. Boni at his premises, Strand Road. Permission was granted for the erection of the Sign Board on condition that it be placed at ground level.

(13) Rhoda Cottage

The Committee adhered to its decision at its Meeting on the 8th July, 1948, refusing permission for the erection of a Kiosk by Mrs. A. Carroll, Rhoda Cottage, Strand Road.

(14) Bungalow at 18 Pearse Square

It was decided to refer to the Council for consideration an appeal made on behalf of Mr. E. Gunning for permission to erect a bungalow at the rear of his premises 18 Pearse Square. The Minister for Local Government confirmed the decision of the Council refusing permission for the erection of said bungalow.

(15) Proposed renovations to cottage at Strand Road for Mr. Cassoni

It was agreed to grant permission to Mr. Cassoni for the execution of renovations to his premises at Strand Road. The permission granted was for a temporary structure only. The Committee recommended that the Town Surveyor should prepare a Plan describing the type and usage of / buildings at this portion of /future Strand Road between Putland Road corner and Bray Head.

(16) Plot of ground at 64 O'Byrne Road

Submitted Report of the Acting Town Surveyor intimating that a plot of ground adjacent to No. 64 O'Byrne Road could be used by the Council for the erection of two houses. Order:- Site to be acquired for the erection of two houses.

(17) Proposed Housing Site at Palermo

Submitted letter from Messrs. J. W. Lane & Co., Solicitors, on behalf of Mrs. Cassells, intimating that their client is not prepared to sell the land to the Council for the purpose of erection of houses.

Order:- Refer to Council.

Signed: H. Byrne
Chairman.

Date 18/8/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Further Adjourned Meeting of Bray U.D.C. held in the Town Hall, Bray,
on Thursday 22nd July, 1948, at 7-30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors J. French, P. Ledwidge, J. Temple, D. Sayers,
L. J. McKeown, G. Doyle, G. H. G. Stuart,
P. McLoughlin and E. E. Byrne.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk and Acting Town Surveyor.

249 Scavenging Contract.

Reports of the Town Surveyor and correspondence with the Scavenging Contractor, were read. The Town Surveyor's reports intimated that road sweepings had not been collected from a number of roads for some days.

Clr. P. McLoughlin stated that there appeared to be lack of co-operation between Council's employees and those of the Contractor. Clr. D. Sayers concurred with this view.

Clr. L. J. McKeown referred to the collection of refuse from the laneway adjacent to Messrs. Brown and Messrs. Marks and stressed that the bins from these premises should be left in front of the premises for collection as applied generally in the Township.

It was decided to "note" the Report of the Acting Town Surveyor.

250 Greyhound Racing Track

The County Manager intimated that an Originating Summons in the High Court had been served on himself, the U.D.C. and the Minister for Local Government to prohibit the Council from interfering with the operation of the Greyhound Racing Track at Dublin Road by the Bray Greyhound Racing Association, Limited, on the grounds, inter alia, that the Prohibition Orders served by the Council were null and void and of no legal effect.

It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne
seconded by Clr. L. J. McKeown

"That we, the members of the Bray Urban District Council, approve of the action of the County Manager in connection with proceedings in relation to the Bray Greyhound Racing Association, Limited, and direct that an appropriate defence be entered against the Injunction served on the County Manager, and Urban District Council."

dissenting.

The Motion was put and carried, Clr. Temple and Clr. Doyle

251 Automatic Control for Pumping Plant - Watford Engineering Company

The County Manager explained that an Account for the sum of £137 13s 9d had been furnished by the Watford Engineering Company for the supply of an Automatic Control for Pumping Plant for use at Bray Cove Swimming Pools. It had, apparently, been ordered by the former Town Surveyor without the approval or knowledge of the County Manager. The Accounts relating to the repairs, etc. to the Bray Cove had been closed during last year and it was believed that no further expenditure had been incurred or liabilities due by the Council in that connection.

It was decided to leave the matter to the discretion of the County Manager to ascertain if the Watford Engineering Company would be prepared to take the machinery into stock and allow the Council a credit therefor.

252 Car Park

The Report of the County Manager of the 14th July, 1948, was read in relation to expenditure, etc. on the Car Park.

It was decided to defer the matter for further consideration, the Town Surveyor, in the meantime, to examine alternative system of disposal of flood water.

253 Alterations to Shamrock Garage

Submitted application from Ever Ready (Ireland) Limited for permission to carry out alterations to Shamrock Garage for the purpose of establishing a Factory for the assembly of dry batteries and fuse.

Order:- Permission granted subject to the County Manager being satisfied, upon advice of Council's Solicitor, that restrictive covenant can be made in relation to usage of the premises.

254 Safety First Association

Submitted letter from the Safety First Association requesting the Council to co-operate with that Association in their efforts to have a speed limit of 30 m.p.h. introduced in built-up areas.

It was decided to draw the attention of the Association to the Resolution passed by the Council on 11th May, and 8th June, requesting the introduction of a speed limit of 20 m.p.h. and more severe penalties for careless driving.

255 Housing Costs

Submitted Resolution from Galway Corporation demanding that the cost of erection of houses by Local Authorities should be made a National Charge.

Order:- Noted.

256 Tenders for Harbour Decking

Submitted Report of Acting Town Surveyor upon Tenders received for Harbour Decking and recommending in this connection that the Tender of Mr. C. Dodd, Novara Road, Bray, be accepted for the sum of £187 10s 0d.

Order - Recommend County Manager to accept recommendation of Surveyor.

257 Structures - rere of O'Byrne Road

Submitted Report of the Acting Town Surveyor intimating that structures had been erected at the rere of a number of houses at O'Byrne Road without the required permission of the Council.

Order:- Surveyor's Report "marked Read"

258 Bray Cove Swimming Club - Posters

Permission was granted to the Bray Cove Swimming Club to erect a Notice on the Esplanade in connection with the various sporting events to be held during the Season.

259 Florence Road Reconstruction

Submitted letter of 17th July, 1948, from Office of Public Works, forwarding for approval, Draft Deed of Mortgage in relation to the Loan of £4,000 proposed to be borrowed from the Local Loans Fund for the reconstruction of Florence Road, together with Form of Undertaking to repay Loan.

260 Fire Brigade Loan - £450

It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne, seconded by Clr. J. French, and Resolved:-

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to Council's Treasurer - Hibernian Bank Limited - for the repayment of the sum of £450 proposed to be advanced to us for the purchase of a Fire Brigade Tender."

261 Advertisement Signs on Esplanade

Permission was granted to the Red Cross Society and St. John's Ambulance Brigade to display poster on the Esplanade from 30th July to 6th August, 1948, in connection with a Dance to be held at the Arcadia Ballroom.

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of
a Statutory Monthly Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held
in the Town Hall on Tuesday, 10th August, 1948 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillors H. Byrne, French, Ledwidge, Temple,
McKeown, McLoughlin, Sayers, McLoughlin, Doyle,
E. Byrne.

Officials:- Deputy County Manager, and Town Clerk.

262. Approval of Minutes.

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the 14th June; Annual Meeting 1st July; Special Meeting 13th July; Adjourned Annual Meeting 15th July; Further Adjourned Annual Meeting 22nd July, already circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

263. Piece of land adjoining 64 O'Byrne Road.

Councillor E. Byrne referred to Item 16 of the Minutes of the Town Planning Committee with reference to the proposed acquisition of a piece of ground adjacent to 64 O'Byrne Road for the erection of two houses and stated that the decision of the Committee would inflict a hardship on the tenant of the adjoining premises who was a widow and had a small shop on the land proposed to be taken by the Council.

The Chairman explained that it was the intention of the Committee that provision should be made to enable her to carry on the business there as shopkeeper.

It was agreed to refer the matter back to the Town Planning Committee for further consideration, and report to Council.

MANAGER'S ORDERS.

264. Public Lighting - Item 5965.

Councillors Sayers drew attention to the cost of Public Lighting provided by the Council and stated that he considered that the cost was excessive in view of the inadequacy of the existing lighting service with particular reference to the lighting at Lower Dargle Road.

It was agreed to request the E.S.B. to furnish a list of lamps which are at present lighted in the Township and to have the lighting improved at Lower Dargle Road immediately.

265. Requisites for Town Surveyor's Department (No. 5947).

In reply to Clr. McLoughlin, the Town Clerk, stated that the Requisites for the A/Town Surveyor's Department which cost approximately £11 were required for official purposes since the former Town Surveyor used his own materials in his capacity as part-time Surveyor.

ALLOTMENTS

266. Restoration of People's Park. (No. 5971).

The Town Clerk informed Clr. Sayers that the question of the cost of the proposed restoration of that part of the People's Park formerly used for allotments purposes was at present under consideration by the Department of Local Government.

267. Weighing Machines on Esplanade. (No. 5943)

In reply to Clr. French, the Town Clerk stated that the

267(contd.) British Automatic Company had been granted a Licence to place Machines on the Esplanade and if the particular machine to which Clr. French referred had been placed on property other than that of the Council, it was a matter for civil action by the injured party against Council's Licencee.

268. Ground at Grattan Terrace.

Clr. McKeown referred to a piece of ground at Grattan's Tce., which had become unsightly and suggested that some action be taken to prevent a continuance of nuisances been committed there. It was decided to request the Town Surveyor to examine the matter with a view to the possibility of enclosing the site with wire or railings.

269. Appointment of Rate Collector (No. 6,000)

Councillor Ledwidge expressed disapproval of the procedure whereby the Council had not been consulted regarding the appointment of the Rate Collector. A small Committee should be formed, have been appointed to act with the Manager in the selection of a suitable candidate from the 109 candidates, some of whom must have had high qualifications. The Chairman stated that the Manager acted in the best interest of the Council in appointing a candidate who had already given very satisfactory service and had proven himself efficient in the execution of the duties of the office.

The Town Clerk stated that the Manager had expended considerable time in the examination of the particulars and qualifications of all the applicants, and had placed them in the order of merit, based upon experience and qualifications and that the person appointed was the most suitable candidate.

270. Library Assistant (No. 5989)

Following representations by Clr. Temple, that the Library Assistant had acted as Librarian during the latter's illness, it was agreed to recommend that the Library Assistant should, subject to Local Government Sanction, be granted additional remuneration in respect of the period he had acted as Librarian.

271. McCambridge v U.D.C. "Cragles", Newcourt Road," (No. 5986).

Clr. Ledwidge requested and the Council agreed that the County Manager should circulate to the Council the full facts and circumstances which had led to the payment of the sum of £571.18.3 in respect of the liquidation of the Charge etc., on the premises, "Craglea", Newcourt Road. The Chairman recited the facts which led to the payment of the sum mentioned.

272. Bill for Local Inquiry Costs and Monies withheld by the former Solicitor to the Council. (No. 6013.)

Upon the suggestion of Clr. Ledwidge the Council directed that the full facts regarding the Costs of the Local Inquiry and monies withheld by the former Solicitor to the Council should be circulated to the members of the Council.

273. Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948.

The Motion on the Agenda not having been passed within two months of the date of the Notice to propose the Resolution (given on 8th June), in pursuance of Section 5 (2) of the Act, it was agreed that fresh Notice of the intention of the Council to pass the Resolution at its next meeting be now given. Accordingly it was proposed by Clr. P. Temple and seconded by Clr. David Sayers,

273. (Contd) "That the Bray Urban District Council do adopt Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, with effect as from 1st April, 1949, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 (2) of the Act hereby determines that the maximum number of persons to be at any one time in the employment of the Council, as permanent servants, be limited to twenty."

274. Repairs to Harbour Crane.

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, Seconded by Clr. French and Resolved, "That the Council hereby authorises an additional expenditure of £57 over and above the sum of £90 provided in the estimate for repairs etc., to the Harbour Crane".

275. Proposed Housing Site- Boghall.

Submitted letter from Mr. J.P. Tyrrell objecting on behalf of Mr. Wm. O'Brien, "Llanabar", against the proposal of the Council to acquire land at Boghall for the erection of houses.

ORDER:-

Defer for further consideration.

276. Scavenging Contract.

The following motion appearing on the Agenda in the name of Clr. McLoughlin was adjourned until the next Statutory Meeting for the attendance thereof of the Town Surveyor.

"Please take Notice that at the next Statutory Meeting of above Council to be held on 14/9/1948, I, or some member on my behalf, will move for a full discussion on the cleaning of the roads and streets in the Township of Bray with special reference to the supervision (or lack of it) of the work and men employed on it, together with the want of co-operation as between the workmen and employees of the scavenging Contractor. Furthermore, I respectfully request the attendance thereof of the Town Surveyor and Overseer."

277. Bray Bus Services.

Submitted letter from Coras Iompair Eireann intimating that everything possible was being done by the company to improve the Dublin/Bray Route Bus Service.

ORDER:- Noted. Council appreciates the courtesy and co-operation by the Company in the matter.

278. Proposed Housing Site - "Palermo".

Submitted letter from Messrs J. W. Lane & Co., Solicitors, intimating that their client, Mrs. Cassells is not prepared to sell land at "Palermo", which the Council proposed to acquire for the erection of houses.

ORDER: Noted.

279. Reconstruction of Florence Road - Loan £4,000

It was proposed by Clr. E. Byrne, and seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, and Resolved.

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £4,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us, under the Local Government Act, 1946, for the Reconstruction of Florence Road".

280. Galtrim Park - Dedication to Council.

Submitted letter from Council's Solicitor intimating that the owners of the land upon which the roadway known as "Galtrim Park", is constructed are not prepared to Dedicate the land to the Council unless adequate compensation is paid.

The Council decided to take no action in the matter and "Noted" the contents of the letter.

281. Protection at Gates of People's Park.

Consideration of the Estimate for the sum of £21 for alterations to the Gates of the People's Park, was adjourned to the next Statutory Meeting.

282. Dredging of Bray Harbour.

Submitted letter from the Department of Industry and Commerce, intimating that the Minister is not prepared to make a Grant available for Dredging of the Harbour.

ORDER:- Noted.

283. Housing Site - Hudson's Terrace. - - Monument Press.

Submitted letter from Mr. J. Flynn, Monument Press, with reference to the Housing Site at Hudson's Terrace.

ORDER:- Letter marked "Read".

284. Bungalow nere 18 Pearse Square.

Submitted correspondence with reference to the Prohibition Order and Decision of the Minister confirming same, under the Town Planning Acts, in relation to the proposed erection of a Bungalow by Mr. E. Gunning at nere of the premises, 18 Pearse Square.

ORDER:- Recommend County Manager to reconsider New Plans to be submitted by Mr. Gunning.

285. Water Supply - Marie Villas.

Submitted Report from Town Surveyor recommending that four extra workmen be employed for approximately four days to open the roadway known as Marie Villas to clean the Watermain.

ORDER:- Approved. Town Surveyor to submit a Report upon measures necessary to improve the water supply at Vevay Road Pearse Square, and Seapoint Road.

286. People's Park - Duffy's Circus.

It was agreed to grant permission to John Duffy & Sons to use portion of the People's Park for the purpose of holding a Circus there on 22/23rd August.

287. Reorganisation of Scavenging of Township.

The following Motion appearing on the Agenda in the name of Clr. Temple was adjourned to the next Statutory Meeting, for the attendance thereof of the Town Surveyor.

"Please take notice that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the Council to be held on 14th Sept. 1948, that a sub-Committee be set up to consult with the Acting Town Surveyor the re-organisation of the outdoor staff and the appointment of the necessary extra staff to enable the efficient carrying out of the proper cleansing of the Township."

238. Road Traffic Act - Public Inquiry.

Submitted letter from Local Government Department intimating that a Public Inquiry will be held in the Town Hall on 7th Sept. 1948, in pursuance of the application of the Council for the imposition of a speed limit within the Urban Area.

In this connection the Town Clerk informed the Council that the Inspector requested that a twelve hour Census should be taken at points on Upper Dargle Road, Dargle Bridge, Killarney Road, Vevay Road.

ORDER:- Twelve Hour Census to be taken in the Township, at the points mentioned.

289. People's Park - Football League.

The Council granted permission to the Bray Summer League to use the People's Park in connection with a Football League, during the Season 1948/49.

290. Rent of Car Park - National Car Parks Ltd.,

Submitted letter from National Car Parks (Eire) Ltd., intimating that they were not prepared to rent the Car Park from the Council as it had proved uneconomical during the trial period. They offered to operate the Car Park at a cost to the Council, of £6. per week.

It was agreed to make strong representations to the Garda Authorities to prohibit parking at Meath Road and Strand Road, and to have the Car Park recognised as an official parking place.

291. Abstract of Accounts - Year ended 31/3/1948

Submitted Report upon Abstract of Accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March, 1948.

ORDER:- Noted.

292. Bray & District Canine Society.

The Bray & District Canine Society were refused permission to erect notices on the Esplanade in connection with a Dog Show to be held on the 14th August.

293. Housing Application.

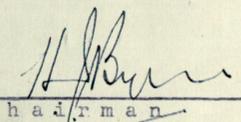
The Chairman referred to allegations which had been made by some person in the Township regarding bribery and corrupt practice against members of the Council in the matter of consideration of applicants for Council Houses. He strongly resented the shameful accusations which were completely untrue and totally unjustified. Members of the Council supported him in this expression of resentment following the allegation.

294. Councillor McLoughlin handed in the following Notice of Motion.

"Please take notice that at the next Statutory Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council to be held on 14th September, 1948, I intend to raise the whole question of the letter written to me by the Town Clerk, on 3rd August, 1948 with special reference as to its validity, who ordered that it be written, on whose complaint it was written, what steps (if any) were taken to confirm such complaint, the irregularity of the inquiry held in the Town Clerk's Office at 2p.m. on 4th Aug. (no witness being called to support the charge, (or as Clr. Temple called it an "allegation") and finally what steps have been taken or is it proposed to take steps to see that Clr. Temple or his Union will pay the workmen for the 40 minutes he kept them "standing to" in preparation for a lightning strike.

295. Protection at Bandstand.

It was agreed to authorise an expenditure of £26 for the purchase of green Canvas for erection at the Bandstand as protection for bands performing there during inclement weather.

Signed: 

Chairman

Date: 14/9/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

M I N U T E S

of

Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held on 31st August, 1948,
at 7-30 p.m. to consider steps to be taken in connection with
Inquiry to be held on 7th September, 1948, at the Town Hall, Bray.

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Present:- Councillor H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors J. Temple, J. French, B. Scullion,
G. H. G. Stuart, E. J. Little and
L. J. McKeown.

Officials - County Manager and Acting Town Clerk.

296 The Meeting was opened by a reading of the resolution by
the County Manager.

The Chairman in his address suggested that a 20 m.p.h.
speed limit might be a little harsh and put forward the view that a
limit of 25 m.p.h. be substituted. He gave instances of his personal
experience when inconsiderate drivers had come to his attention, with
particular reference to the Meath Road. He referred to the statistics
as compiled by the Officials of the Council.

Councillor J. French suggested that no alteration in
speed limit be proposed.

Councillor Stuart expressed the view that a speed of 30
m.p.h. on open roads is adequate and that 20 m.p.h. is more than
sufficient within the Urban Area of Bray.

The Chairman then remarked that he was quite prepared to
associate himself with the original 20 m.p.h. limit as the rest of the
Council seemed to be of the opinion that the speed was quite high enough.
He made it quite clear that his sole reason for proposing the higher
limit was that he believed that a compromise of this nature would be more
likely to be acceptable to the Minister for Local Government.

Councillor E. J. Little supported the previous speakers and
pointed out that circumstances would alter the potential restriction from
time to time, and that in some places 20 m.p.h. would be an excessive speed.
He was of the opinion that opposition would be received from the Motor
Trade and the Automobile Associations. He deplored that at a time when
there was so much reference being made to the restoring of many of the
powers of Local Authorities that the Local Authorities themselves had
still no power over such matters as Waiting Periods, Issue of Driving
Certificates, etc..

Councillor J. Temple congratulated the County Manager and
the officials of the Council on the compilation of the detailed statistics
and stated that until such time as non-pleasure drivers give evidence on
their views he would not be prepared to make any further statement. He
associated himself, however, with the views of the other Councillors.

Councillor E. J. McKeown supported the previous speaker.

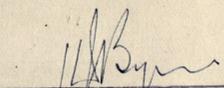
The Chairman then suggested that the Gardai might co-opt
volunteers armed with stop-watches to facilitate discovery of drivers
proceeding at excessive speeds.

Councillor E. J. Little then raised the point that the
cost of this Inquiry might have to be borne by the Urban Council. After
some discussion the County Manager was instructed to inquire from the
Minister for Local Government as to whether the Road Fund would be prepared
to meet the Costs. Mr. McCarroll, Solicitor to the Council, gave his
opinion that it could be safely presumed that the Minister would in fact
be responsible for the Costs of the Inquiry. The discussion on the matter
then closed.

297 Town Planning - Permission was granted to Messrs. Eggghicks, Limited,
for the erection of a Hatchery, subject to turf brown slates being used
in its construction.

The Meeting then concluded.

Signed;


Chairman

Date: 14/9/48

M I N U T E S

of

Statutory Meeting held on Tuesday 14th September, 1948, at 7-30 p.m..

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Present:- Clr. H. J. Byrne (in chair)
Councillors E. E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle, P. Ledwidge,
E. J. Little, P. McLoughlin, L. J. McKeown,
J. Temple, D. Sayers, B. Scullion and G. H. G. Stuart.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk & Town Surveyor.

298 Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the Statutory Meeting held on 10th August, 1948, and of the Special Meeting held on 31st August, 1948, which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

299 Public Lighting

Arising out of Item 264 of the Minutes the matter of improved public lighting in parts of the Township was raised. It was agreed to provide a Pilot Light at Dublin Road directly opposite the premises of Solus Teoranta, and to light additional lamps at Greenpark Road. It was also decided to light the lamp near the Railway Bridge at Albert Avenue instead of that opposite the Cinema at the corner of Albert Avenue.

300 Manager's Orders

The County Manager's Orders as circulated were discussed.

x 301 Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, seconded by Clr. Sayers and Resolved:-

"That the Bray Urban District Council do adopt Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, with effect as from 1st April, 1949, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 (2) of the Act hereby determines that the maximum number of persons to be at any one time in the employment of the Council, as permanent servants, be limited to twenty." x

The County Manager was requested to submit a Report informing the Council concerning the anticipated cost of the adoption of the Act, and indicating the rights and privileges of the employees thereunder.

302 Welsh Visitors to Bray

The Chairman informed the Council that he had been requested by a group of Visitors from Wales, who had recently spent a holiday in Bray, to express their pleasure at the reception they had received during their visit. The visitors also expressed appreciation of the gesture of the Proprietor of the Maple Ballroom in providing facilities for them.

Clr. D. Sayers referred to a Talk given on the B.B.C. by a person who had recently spent a holiday in the vicinity of Bray. The Radio speaker, she said, referred to the attractions and amenities existing and spoke of the excellent scenery which abounded.

Scavenging of Roads.

The following Motion appearing on the Agenda in the name of Clr. McLoughlin was adjourned to the next Statutory Meeting viz:-

"Please take Notice that at the next Statutory Meeting of above Council to be held on 14/9/1948, I, or somemember on my behalf, will move for a full discussion on the cleaning of the roads and streets in the Township of Bray with special reference to the supervision (or lack of it) of the work and men employed on it, together with the want of co-operation as between the workmen and employees of the scavenging Contractor. Furthermore, I respectfully request the attendance thereat of the Town Surveyor and Overseer."

The following Motion appearing on the Agenda in the name of Clr. Temple was adjourned to the next Statutory Meeting, viz:-

"Please take notice that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the Council to be held on 10th August, 1948 that a sub-Committee be set up to consult with the Acting Town Surveyor the re-organisation of the outdoor staff and the appointment of the necessary extra staff to enable the efficient carrying out of the proper cleaning of the Township".

Temporary Withdrawal of Labour by Employees.

By leave of the Council Clr. McLoughlin withdrew the following Motion appearing in his name on the Agenda, viz:-

"Please take notice that at the next Statutory Meeting of the Bray U.D.C. to be held on 14th September, 1948, I intend to raise the whole question of the letter written to me by the Town Clerk, on 3rd August, 1948, with special reference as to its validity, who ordered that it be written, on whose complaint it was written, what steps (if any) were taken to confirm such complaint, the irregularity of the inquiry held in the Town Clerk's Office at 2.p.m. on 4th August, (no witness being called to support the charge (or as Clr. J. Temple called it an "allegation") and finally, what steps have been taken or is it proposed to take steps to see that Clr. Temple or his Union will pay the workmen for the 40 minutes he kept them "standing to" in preparation for a lightning strike."

Bray Traffic & Parking Places Bye-laws.

Submitted letter from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, regarding amendments to the Parking Places Byelaws which had been suggested by the Council. The letter intimated that Meath Road and Strand Road were not specifically prohibited as Parking Places and that the Byelaws could not now be amended.

It was agreed to request Superintendent Fleming to attend a Meeting of the Council for the purpose of a full discussion upon the general question of Parking etc., in the Township.

Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts.

Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government (1) approving of the Loan of £30,000 proposed to be borrowed by the Council for the purpose of making advances to borrowers under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts and (2) intimating that an Order had been made by the Minister raising to £2,000 the market value limit for houses in respect of which advances may be made.

ORDER:- Noted.

Submitted Draft Mortgage Deed in connection with the Loan of £30,000

The Council approved of the terms of the Draft Mortgage Deed and the Form of Undertaking to repay the instalments of the Loan on the due dates was

307.(contd) signed by the Chairman and Clr. Scullion.

Consideration of Application for Advances to borrowers was deferred to the Special Housing Meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st.1948.

308. Export of Horses.

Submitted letter from the Department of Agriculture intimating that the Minister was not aware of any case where hair had been removed from the tails of horses before being exported.

ORDER:- Noted.

Clrs. French and Ledwidge expressed disapproval at the failure of the Minister to use the customary Gaelic terms "A Chara" and "Mise, le meas" in his letter.

309. Dance Hall Licences.

The Town Surveyor reported that he had inspected the following Halls and found that the fire precautions etc., provided were satisfactory viz., Eagle's Nest Ballroom, Parochial Hall, Novara Road and Maple Ballroom.

It was agreed to instruct the Council's Solicitor that no objection would be offered by the Council to the application at the next Licencing Session. The usual restrictions regarding the number of persons admitted would be requested.

310. Cockbrook Outfall.

It was agreed to authorise an expenditure of £10 approximately for the purpose of opening the Cockbrook and to clear away storm beach.

311. Road Drains at Boathouse.

Expenditure of approximately £10 was authorised to clear away storm beach from Road Drains at the Boathouse.

312. Repairs to Park Lodge.

The Town Surveyor reported that he had received the following Tenders for repairs to the Park Lodge viz:- Mr. P. Cullen £185. Mr. J.P.Carroll - £183.15.0; Messrs Maguire & Ganley - £147.4.0;

It was decided to accept the Tender of Messrs Maguire & Ganley in the sum of £147.4.0. and to direct the Surveyor to consider necessary repairs to Chimney, the total cost of these repairs not to exceed £185.

Councillor Ledwidge requested that details of expenditure on the Lodge during the past few years should be submitted. The County Manager stated that a Report would be submitted and that representations would be made to the Insurance Company concerning damage stated to have been caused to the Chimney by a fire some time ago.

313. Water Supply Improvements.

Submitted Reports from Surveyor upon improvements considered necessary to Water Supply at Seapoint Road & Pearse Sq., and to the general water supply system in the Township.

It was agreed to direct the Surveyor to prepare Specification for the laying of a new Watermain on Seapoint Road and to obtain Tenders by public advertisement. The estimated cost of the work is £800. It was also decided to relay a new main on Pearse Sq. by direct labour and to request Dublin Corporation to fit 4" and 5" metres on the Watermains at Killarney Rd.,

314. Discount for Punctual Payment of Rates.

The following Urban Council's adopted Council's Resolution of 15th July, 1948 in connection with discount for punctual payment of Rates viz., Athy, Letterkenny and Tralee U.D.C's, Mallow U.D.C. suggested that the

314.(contd.) Resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

ORDER:- Noted.

Council expressed disappointment at the limited number of Urban Councils which had conveyed their views to the Council upon the terms of the Resolution.

315. Constitution of Town Planning Committee.

It was proposed by Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Temple and Resolved.

"That all the members of the Council do constitute the Town Planning Committee"

316. Stock Conversion.

The County Manager informed the Council that he had been in communication with Council's Treasurer, and Stockbroker in connection with the proposed conversion of the 5% Stock Issue of £41,000 which was held in bulk by the Treasurer; and the redemption of the £48,000 approximately of 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Stock outstanding which is due for compulsory Redemption in 1953.

The Hibernian Bank Directors, had intimated that they would accept a Conversion at 4%. This would result in a saving of £410 per year on the Dividends payable.

The Council recommended the Manager to offer the Bank a Conversion at the rate of 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ %.

Regarding the 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Stock the Manager stated that this Stock was redeemable in 1953 but that if the securities held in the Redemption Fund for this Stock maintained their present prices this Stock might be redeemed within a period of twelve months or thereabouts. There should then be sufficient in the Redemption Fund Account to redeem the 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Stock. The Conversion of the 5% Stock and the Redemption of the 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % Stock ultimately, would result in a saving of approximately £3,000 per annum.

317. Superannuation - Former Town Surveyor.

Submitted letter from Department of Local Government forwarding copy of an Order made by the Minister granting a superannuation allowance to Mr. E.M.Murphy, former Town Surveyor, of £240 per annum.

ORDER:- Noted.

318. Dredging - Bray Harbour.

Submitted letter from the Office of Public Works intimating that it would not be possible to make a Dredger available for the dredging of the Harbour.

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, seconded by Clr. Ledwidge and Resolved.

"That a Deputation be appointed to interview personally the Minister for Industry and Commerce and that the three T.D.'s for County Wicklow be invited to join the Deputation from the Council".

It was agreed that the Deputation should consist of the same personnel as recently interviewed the Official of the Department in the matter, viz:- Councillors H.J.Byrne, J. Temple and D.Sayers.

319. Kiosk - Strand Road.

Permission was granted to Mrs. Susan Fortune to allow her to retain the Kiosk at Strand Road throughout the Winter.

320. Provision of Protection at Gates of People's Park.

It was decided to adjourn consideration of the provision of protection at Gates of People's Park to the next Statutory Meeting.

321. Submitted letter addressed to the County Manager from the Hon. Sec., Bray & District Canine Society requesting permission to use portion of the Esplanade on 13th August, 1949 in connection with the holding by that Society of the Annual Dog Show.

It was agreed to inform the Hon. Secretary of the Society that application for permission to close the Esplanade should be made to the Council whereupon consideration will be given to the matter.

322. Esplanade - Pony Jumping Competition.

Submitted letter from the Hon. Secretary, Bray Amusement's Committee requesting permission to close the Esplanade on September, 19th, 1948 for the purpose of holding a Gymkana & Pony Jumping Competition.

ORDER:- Permission granted.

It was agreed that in the event of the Committee being unable to hold the Competition on the 19th September, the Council would not object to the use of the Esplanade for the purpose on the following Sunday, 26th idem.

Adjourned Matters.

Items Nos. 16, 20, 23, 24, and 26 on the Agenda were adjourned to a Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st September, 1948 at 7.30 p.m.

Signed: Henry Byrne

Chairman

Date 17/10/48

MINUTES

of

a Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, 21st September, 1948 at 7.30 P.M.

Present:- Clr. H.J. Byrne (Chairman) J. French, E. Byrne, P. McLoughlin, D. Sayers, G. Doyle, G.H.G. Stuart, E.J. Little, J. Temple and L. McKeown.

OFFICIALS:- County Manager, Town Clerk and Town Surveyor.

Proposed Amendment of Traffic (Parking and Waiting) Byelaws.

333. A letter was read from Supt. Fleming intimating that he would attend a Meeting of the Council on Friday to discuss proposed amendments of the Traffic (Parking and Waiting) Byelaws. It was decided to summon a Special Meeting of the Council for Friday the 24th September, 1948.

334. Proposed Housing Site at Boghall.

Submitted letter from Mr. Joseph P. Tyrrell, Solicitor objecting on behalf of his client, Mr. O'Brien against the proposal of the Council to acquire land adjacent to his premises at Boghall.

ORDER:- Noted.

335. Fire Brigade Personnel.

Submitted Report of Town Surveyor recommending that the following employees of the Council constitute the Personnel of the Fire Brigade viz:-

Station Officer	William Doyle
Sub. " "	John Keenan
Driver Mechanic	J. O'Toole
Firemen	Murray, Dutton, Bennett, P. Doyle, McEvoy.

It was decided to have the driver Mechanic trained immediately in Driving and to arrange with Dublin Corporation to have the personnel trained in the method of Fire Fighting. It is proposed to review the matter of the personnel of the Brigade on 1st April, 1949 when it is hoped to recruit employees to replace those compelled to retire in pursuance of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948. A Second Driver Mechanic will then be appointed to the Fire Brigade.

The County Manager stated that he would examine the possibility of the introduction of a "Buzzer" system in the houses of the members of the Brigade.

336. Housing Progress - Hudson's Terrace.

Submitted Report from Mr. E.M. Murphy upon the progress of the Housing Scheme and recommending that the outhouses at the rear of the houses at Hudson's Terrace should be moved back fifteen feet from the rear of the houses. In this connection it will be necessary to remove two outhouses already erected at a distance of approximately five feet at a cost of £100 approximately.

ORDER:- Adopt report.

337. Proposed Housing Site - Vevay Road.

Submitted letter from Messrs O'Keefe and Lynch, Solicitors intimating that their Clients, the Loreto Community would consider an offer of £100 for the acquisition by the Council of a plot of ground at Vevay Road. It was agreed to offer £100 for the site.

338. Sites for Future Housing Schemes.

The County Manager reviewed the various sites which the Council had considered desirable for the erection of houses under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts. Regarding the Boghall Site, he stated that certain difficulties existed in

338. (contd) relating to the provision of Water and Sewerage services which could only be provided at a very heavy cost. Similar difficulties existed in connection with the field known as MULLEN'S FIELD. In particular the difficulty of adequate sewerage services existed there owing to the levels of the land.

The land at Oldcourt contained a hollow at one end and it would be difficult to have the land drained properly. Dampness too, was prevalent on the site surrounding the playground.

He gave particulars of various Derelict Sites upon which it was proposed to erect houses, and intimated that great difficulty had arisen in an effort to determine ownership thereof. The sites are as follows, viz:-

Site No.	Situation	Owner or Lessee	Valuation List Map, No.	Description.
1	Vevay Road	Reps. J. Plunkett	24, 25 & 26	Ruins
2	do.	Bray U.D.C.	27, 28 & 29	Ruins acquired
3	do.	Bray U.D.C.	31 and 32	Ruins under Bray (Compulsory Purchase Order. 1935, (21/5/1935)
4	do.	Rev. Canon Bowden (Rev. Canon Moriarty)	36	
5	do.	Mary Traynor	38	Ruins
6	Lower Dargle Road	Permission has been given by the Council to Mr. Carroll, Builder, to erect two houses on this site.		
7	do.	William O'Brien Lessee, Jackson Estate, Lessors, Porter Morris 1A Millview Land. Solicitors,		
8	do.	Commons Derelict Site	Not included in Valuation Lists. It is not prepared to interfere with Right-of-way on boundary of plot.	
9	Opposite Pollard's Tce., (Egan's Field) at Junction of Park Rd.,	John Egan, Postman Erabazon Cottages, Dargle Road, Bray.	Not included in Valuation Lists.	

It was agreed to proceed with the acquisition of the various sites set out above. The Manager suggested that as an alternative to the sites at Boghall, Oldcourt, etc., the Council should acquire land at Palermo and in this connection indicated that a field approximately 13 acres in area should be acquired adjacent to the field already decided upon there (measuring approximately 3 9/2 acres). Thus, the total area which should be acquired at Palermo measured 23 acres, so that with the acquisition of the Derelict Sites etc., a total of 320 houses could be erected (including the present Scheme) which would satisfy the requirements of the Council.

It was proposed by Councillor Temple seconded by Clr. French, and Resolved.

"That the Council should acquire the two fields at Palermo measuring approximately 23 acres as delineated on the Map submitted, by the Town Surveyor at this Meeting and that in this connection the Wicklow County Council be requested to apply to the Minister for Local Government for an Order under Article 25 of the application of Enactments Order 1898 altering the boundary of the County Wicklow by the addition to the administrative County of the area delineated on said Map, and furthermore, that application be made to Wicklow County Council for an Order under Section 10 of the Local Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1936, altering the boundary of Bray Urban District by the addition to the Urban area of the area shown on the aforesaid Map".

It was proposed by Clr. Temple, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne and Resolved, "That the Council acquire land at Boghall for the erection of houses to be let at the economic Rent, that the Chairman and County Manager should interview the Earl of Meath in this connection.

338. (contd.) It was proposed by Clr. G. Doyle, Seconded by Clr. D. Sayers and Resolved,

"That the Minister for Local Government be requested to consider the prior needs of the Council whenever facilities were being afforded by the Government in the matter of the erection of pre-fabricated houses "in Eire".

339. Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts - Loan £30,000.

It was proposed by Clr. French, seconded by Clr. Temple and Resolved,

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the re-payment of the sum of Thirty thousand Pounds (£30,000) proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts, 1899 - 1948.

Signed

Henry Byrne
Chairman

Date

10/10/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

Special Meeting held on Friday 24th September, 1948, at 7-30 p.m.

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Present:- Clrs. H. J. Byrne, L. J. McKeown, G. Doyle, E. J. Little,
(in chair) J. Temple, B. Scullion, J. French,
D. Sayers and P. Ledwidge.

Officials:- County Manager, Town Clerk and Acting Town Surveyor.

(340) Proposed Amendment Parking and Waiting Bye-Laws

The Chairman welcomed Superintendent Fleming, who had attended the Meeting upon the request of the Council, to hear representations from the members upon suggested amendments of the Bray Traffic (Parking & Waiting) Bye-Laws, 1947.

After a lengthy discussion in which all the members of the Council took part, the consensus of opinion of the Council was that Parking should be prohibited on Meath Road and that part of Strand Road described as No. 7 in the First Schedule, viz. "On East side of the roadway from a point fifteen yards South of E.S.B. standard No. 585 to E.S.B. standard No. 575, entrances to the Esplanade to be kept clear."

In particular, the Council expressed the unanimous view that the Car Park, which had been constructed upon the advice of the Garda Authorities at Bray, should be made the official Car Park, and would be adequate to accommodate those cars which hitherto had been parked on these two roads. Apart from this aspect of the matter the prohibition of Parking on the Roads concerned would tend to reduce the "accident proneness" at these two places.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Temple, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, and resolved:-

"That Parking Place No. 7 be deleted from the First Schedule of the Bray Traffic Parking (and Waiting) Bye-Laws, 1947, and included in Schedule No. 4 thereof; and that No. 7 of the Fourth Schedule be amended so as to prevent parking on both sides of Meath Road."

The Chairman thanked Superintendent Fleming for the interest displayed by him in the matter and expressed the hope that he would make the view of the Council known to the Commissioner, Garda Síochána. Superintendent Fleming promised to place the suggestions of the Council before the Commissioner.

(341) Decree for Possession - 64 Wolfe Tone Square, West.

It was agreed to defer, for one month, consideration of the Decree for Possession which had been obtained against Miss Carton the tenant of the premises 64 Wolfe Tone Square, West. In the meantime, the County Manager was requested to arrange for the completion of an Agreement whereby Miss Carton would be charged the Economic Rent for use of portion of the premises, and that the existing sub-tenant would become tenant of the remaining part of the house.

(342) Repairs to No. 3 Fairview Terrace.

Correspondence was read by the Town Clerk in relation to a Notice which had been served on Mr. George Murphy, the owner of No. 3 Fairview Terrace, requiring him to carry out repairs thereto under Section 19 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1931.

It was agreed to modify the extent of the repairs which had been indicated in the Notice and to direct the owner of the premises to carry out necessary repairs to the 'W.C. Cistern; to the roof of the structure itself, and to reinstate windows where necessary in the Dwelling house.

(343) Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts - Applications.

It was agreed to recommend that Advances under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts be made to Mr. W. Savage, Boghall Road, Bray and Mr. W. J. Martin, 7 Upper Rathmines Road, Dublin, who were purchasing new houses. Consideration of the application of Mr. T. Whelan, 3 Grosvenor Terrace, Bray, was deferred.

(344) People's Park - Grazing.

An application from Mr. John Moorehouse 8 St. Laurence's Terrace, for permission to use portion of the People's Park for grazing his horses was refused.

(345) Notice Boards - Esplanade.

Permission was granted to Coras Iompair Éireann to erect five Notice Boards on the Esplanade in connection with the announcement of Train & Bus timetables.

(346) Bray & District Canine Society - Closing of Esplanade.

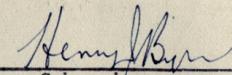
Submitted letter from Hon. Secretary, Bray & District Canine Society requesting permission to use the Esplanade on 13th August, 1949 in connection with the Annual Dog Show of that Society.

It was agreed to grant permission and to request the Society to examine the possibility of having the Promenade left open during the Show.

(347) Car Park - Surfacing of Margins.

A sum of £75 was authorised to be incurred in surfacing of the margins between the Car Park and the Promenade in accordance with an Estimate received from the County Council.

Signed


Chairman

Date

12/10/48

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

of

a Statutory Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 12th October, 1948, at 7.30 p.m.

Present - Councillors H.J. Byrne (Chairman) E. Byrne, J. French, G. Doyle, E.J. Little, P. Ledwidge, L.J. McKeown, P. McLoughlin, G.H.G. Stuart, D. Sayers, B. Scullion.

Officials. County Manager, Town Clerk, Town Surveyor.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Clr. Temple.

348.. Vote of Sympathy.

On the Motion of the Chairman, the Council passed a Vote of Sympathy to the relatives of John J.L. Murphy upon his recent death. The Resolution was passed unanimously, all members standing.

349. Minutes for Confirmation.

The Minutes of the Statutory Meeting of the Council held on the 14th September; of the Special Meeting held on the 21st September, and of the Special Meeting held on the 24th September, which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

350. Out-houses - Hudson's Tce.,

Arising out of the Minutes, Item 338 and upon the suggestion of Clr. McKeown, it was decided to request the attendance of Mr. E.M. Murphy at the next Statutory Meeting to obtain his explanation regarding the situation of Outhouses at Hudson's Terrace. The County Manager was directed to obtain the opinion of Council's Solicitor regarding the liability for the cost incurred, viz., £100 in the demolition of the two Outhouses.

351. Fire Brigade Personnel - Training Course.

Arising out of Item 335 of the Minutes, the Council, and upon the suggestion of Clr. Temple, it was agreed to record that the rate of Subsistence allowance be increased from 3/- per day to 4/6 per day to each of the six employees who had undertaken the Training Course, subject to the sanction of the Department of Local Government.

352. Grazing at Peoples Park.

Councillor Ledwidge referred to Item 344 of the Minutes which intimated that the Council had refused permission to a Mr. Moorehouse to graze his ponies at the Peoples Park. He said that he had been abused by Mr. Moorehouse, who had attributed the Council's decision to him. He added that the decision was that of the Council as a Body.

The Chairman stated that Clr. Ledwidge was justified in making his complaint, and that the action of Mr. Moorehouse should be deprecated by every member of the Council.

353. Manager's Orders - Public Library.

The Managers Orders as circulated, were discussed. Arising out of Order No. 6062, Clr. Temple protested that a Meeting of the Library Advisory Committee had not been held for some months and held that the Accounts & Payments, etc., made the meantime, were illegal.

Clr. Little stated that he had informed the Librarian that no purpose would be served by holding further Meetings in view of the delay in reaching a decision regarding the Plan for the proposed alterations of the Library.

Following discussion, it was agreed to direct the Librarian to call a Meeting of the Library Committee immediately to discuss the amended Plan submitted by Mr. E.M. Murphy, and report to the Council.

354. Supervision of Cleaning of Streets, etc.,

By leave of the Council, the following Notice of Motion appearing in the Agenda in the name of Clr. McLoughlin was adjourned until after the coming into operation of Section 3 of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1948, viz.,

"Please take notice that at the next Statutory Meeting of above Council to be held on 10th August, 1948, I or some member on my behalf, will move for a full discussion on the cleansing of the roads and streets in the Township of Bray with special reference to the supervision, or lack of it, of the work and men employed on it, together with the want of co-operation as between the workmen and employees of the scavenging contractor. Furthermore I respectfully request the attendance thereof of the Town Surveyor and Overseer".

355. By leave of the Council, the following Notice of Motion appearing in the name of Clr. Temple was adjourned until 1st April, 1949, the date of the coming into operation of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1948, viz.,

"Please take notice that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the Council to be held on 10th August, 1948, that a sub-Committee be set up to consult with the Acting Town Surveyor, the re-organisation of the out-door staff, and the appointment of the necessary extra staff to enable the efficient carrying out of the proper cleaning of the Township".

356. Provision of Protective Clothing - Council Employees.

It was decided that the matter of the provision of protective clothing for Council's employees be deferred until the next Statutory Meeting to be held on 9th November, 1948. In the meantime the Report upon the matter should be circulated to the members of the Council.

357. Use of Town Hall for Ceilidhes.

Submitted application from Mr. Wm. Kirwan for permission to use the Town Hall for the holding of Ceilidhes.

It was agreed that the Town Surveyor be requested to submit a report upon the repairs considered necessary to render the Town Hall suitable for the holding of Ceilidhi and that the application of Mr. Kirwan be deferred until such time as the Report has been considered by the Council.

358. Licensing Bill, 1948.

Submitted Resolution from the Cashel Urban District Council protesting against the proposed introduction of the New Licensing