

ANSWER:—The Licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, provides that children shall not be allowed to enter or be on the licensed premises after 6 p.m. on any week day on which the National Schools are open for the attendance of juveniles. Since the schools would not be open during the Summer Holidays, there does not seem to be any reason why proprietors of the cinemas should refuse to admit children to the cinemas after 6 p.m. If the Council wish, the attention of the proprietors can be drawn to the provisions of the Licence in relation to the admission of children to the cinemas.

Concerning the raising of questions it was proposed by Clr. P. Ledwidge, seconded by Clr. H. J. Byrne:—

"That the questions be taken at the end of the Meeting in future."

The Motion was put and a division taken when there voted:—

For the Motion 2, Clrs. P. Ledwidge and H. J. Byrne.

There vote! against the Motion 6, Clrs. J. French, J. Kinsella, Dr. J. B. Donnelly, P. Martin, H. B. Hipwell and J. Temple.

The Motion was accordingly declared lost.

NOTICE OF MOTION—CLR. DR. J. B. DONNELLY.

422. The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Clr. Dr. J. B. Donnelly on the Agenda Paper was not moved.

"Take notice that I intend to move at the next Statutory Meeting of the Council that the Consultant Architect attend the Council to report and seek views of the Councillors on development of the Northern end of the Esplanade."

OLD CONNAUGHT HOUSING SCHEME.

423. The Town Clerk reported that the Trustees of the Cemetery were prepared to dedicate a site for roadway at the Cemetery Field extension, subject to the Council agreeing to provide a plot of ground as an addition to that part of the Cemetery Field being retained by the Trustees, and to the provision of a site for a School and open space for a Playground.

It was agreed subject to the sanction of the Minister, to make the necessary land available, subject to the condition that the Playground would also be available for the children of the tenants of the proposed new houses.

REPAIRS TO COUNCIL HOUSES.

424. Submitted Report of the Town Engineer recommending the acceptance of the Tender of Mr. J. Farrelly, Dunalan Hotel, Bray, for repairs to Council houses for one year from 1st November, 1951, at 5 per cent. below the priced Bill of Quantities. It was agreed to

request Mr. Farrelly to enter into a Bond in respect of the performance of Contract and to include therein a Clause providing certain penalties if he failed to execute orders issued to him within a period of three weeks.

RESURFACING CHURCH ROAD.

425. The following Tenders were received for the resurfacing of New Church Road, Bray.

The Bitumac Company, Dalkey	...	2,150	0	0
McCreath Taylor, Dublin	...	2,291	5	0
Roads and Courts Ltd., Dublin	...	2,291	5	0
South of Ireland Asphalt Co., Dublin	...	2,730	0	0

The Council recommended the acceptance of the Tender of the Bitumac Co., Dalkey, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and to the Town Engineer being satisfied as to the competence and experience of this firm in carrying out work of a similar character.

OLD CONNAUGHT HOUSING SCHEME.

426. Proposed by Clr. P. Ledwidge, 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 the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £33,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890 to 1950."

Proposed by Clr. Dr. Donnelly, seconded by Clr. J. Kinsella 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 £8,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890 to 1950."

Proposed by Clr. H. B. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. P. Martin 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 £72,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, 1890 to 1950."

APPRECIATION OF COUNCIL'S VOTE OF SYMPATHY

427. Submitted letter from Mrs. A. E. Byrne, thanking the Council for its expression of sympathy on the death of Miss M. Byrne, 15 Brennan's Parade, Bray.

Order:—Read.

DAYLIGHT CINEMA AT ESPLANADE.

428. Submitted letter from Hardiman Enterprises, Dublin, requesting permission of the Council to operate daylight cinema performances at the Esplanade.

It was agreed to refer the letter to the Bray Amusements Committee for their views—the observations of the Committee to be submitted again to the Council.

SHOPS (HOURS OF TRADING ON WEEK-DAYS) ORDER, 1947.

429. Submitted letter from the Irish Tourist Association concerning the Shops (Hours of Trading on Week-days) Order, 1947.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the R.G.D.A.T.A. and to the Trade Unions concerned.

ALTERNATIVE DUMPING SITE.

420. The Town Clerk informed the Council that a Deputation had recently met Mr. J. Doyle concerning the right of way to land his property, near the Harbour, and that he was agreeable to sell his interest in the plot of ground. It was agreed to ask Mr. Doyle to submit documents of Title to Council's solicitors so that the nature of his interest can be ascertained before making an offer to him for the acquisition of the ground.

SUPPLY OF WATER FOR NON-DOMESTIC PURPOSES

431. The Council adjourned consideration of lists submitted by the Town Clerk giving particulars of premises where Water Meters had been installed and where the proprietors had entered into agreements in respect of consumption of water for non-domestic purposes.

BRAY ROWING CLUB.

432. Submitted letter from Hon. Secretary, Bray Rowing Club, requesting permission to use a site on the Esplanade for amusement purposes in July, 1952.

It was agreed to refer the matter to the Bray Amusements Committee and to obtain their views therein.

TOWN PLANNING ACTS.

Structure at Strand Road for Mr. V. Cassoni.

(a) The Town Clerk informed the Council that Council's solicitors had already been instructed to institute proceedings against Mr. Cassoni for carrying out work on the structure for which permission had been refused under the Town Planning Acts.

Arcade at Albert Walk.

(b) Plans submitted by Mr. R. J. O'Driscoll, Architect, on behalf of Mr. Michael O'Toole, in respect of premises at Albert Walk.

Order:—Approved, subject to compliance with requirements of the Town Engineer.

Store and Fire Escape at Hollyrood Hotel.

(c) Plans submitted by Mr. A. Brady, Architect, for proposed new store and fire escape at Hollyrood Hotel.

The Council granted permission for the erection of the store and fire escape subject to the latter complying with the requirements of the County Fire Officer.

Fuel House at 2 Davitt Road, Bray.

(d) Plans submitted by Mr. M. Healy, 2 Davitt Road, for a fuel house at his premises.

Order:—Recommend approval.

Proposed Garage at 8 Fairgreen Terrace.

(e) The Council refused permission for proposed erection of a garage at 8 Fairgreen Terrace as the structure would be situate in front of the premises.

Site for Workshop at Captain's Avenue.

(f) The Council agreed to make a plot of ground available at the rear of Captain's Avenue for Mr. S. Cahill, 13 St. Patrick's Square, for the purpose of cutting timber for sale.

EMPLOYMENT AND EMERGENCY SCHEMES VOTE.

434. Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government stating that approval could not be granted for the proposed footpaths at the People's Park.

It was agreed to make further representations to the Department in the matter.

LEASE OF 51 MAIN STREET.

435. It was agreed to amend the term of the proposed Lease to Mr. Kelly in respect of 51 Main Street, from 31 years to 50 years, on the same terms, viz. £50 per annum over and above Rates and Taxes.

James Byrne
Jan. 8, 1952

HIBERNIA PRINTING WORKS, ABBLEDALE ROAD, BRAY.

Bray Urban District Council



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held on 8th January, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :—

COUNCILLORS :—

E. E. Byrne (in chair).
H. J. Byrne.
J. French.
P. Ledwidge.
Dr. Donnelly.
Mrs. McCallion.
P. Martin.
H. B. Hipwell.
D. Sayers.
G. H. G. Stuart.
J. Temple.
J. Kinsella.

OFFICIALS :—

County Manager
(Mr. M. Flannery).
Town Clerk
(Mr. E. J. Fennell).
Town Engineer
(Mr. M. Healy).

MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION.

1. Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 11th December, 1951, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

2. The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, extended votes of sympathy to the relatives of the following recently deceased :—Miss Richardson, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. William Murphy, Mr. James Fairfield.

MANAGER'S ORDERS.

3. The County Manager's Orders (No. 7229 to 7233) which had been circulated, were noted.

QUESTION—CLR. J. KINSELLA.

4. Would the Council consider it to their advantage and more economical to carry out the re-surfacing of Fatima Terrace by arrangement with the Wicklow County Council who are now re-surfacing the Main Street?

ANSWER:—There is no provision in the current year's estimates for re-surfacing any part of Fatima Terrace. It will be recollected that at a recent Meeting a Memorial from the tenants was considered by the Council when it was agreed to adjourn the matter to the next Estimates Meeting.

The Department of Local Government have been asked to approve of an expenditure of £200 under the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote for re-surfacing of portion of Fatima Terrace.

Even if approval is obtained to such expenditure the work could not be carried out by the Wicklow County Council, on behalf of the Urban Council, as the conditions of Employment Schemes require that the work must be performed directly by the Local Authority receiving the advance.

EMPLOYMENT AND EMERGENCY SCHEMES VOTE.

5. Arising out of previous question a letter was read from the Department of Local Government stating that the Minister was not prepared to reconsider his decision regarding the provision of footpaths at the People's Park under the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote.

The Town Clerk stated that amended proposals for footpaths at Parnell Road, Davitt Road (cost £450) and repairs to roadway at Fatima Terrace (costing £200) had been submitted to the Department in order that the men employed on the Schemes already approved could be continued in employment.

It was agreed to make further representations to the Department concerning the footpaths at the People's Park and if the Department did not approve of this recommendation it was agreed to expend the money on footpaths at the Parnell and Davitt Roads, etc., in accordance with the details already submitted.

LANEWAY AT QUINSBORO' ROAD.

6. Submitted memorial from residents of Quinsboro' Road regarding the laneway at the rear thereof.

Order:—Noted.

DOCK TERRACE

7. Submitted Memorial from residents of Dock Terrace, concerning the proposal of the Council to demolish the houses.

Order:—Noted.

MARKETS AND FAIRS.

8. Submitted Resolution from Athlone U.D.C. asking that legislation be introduced to prohibit the holding of Fairs and Markets on public thoroughfares.

Order:—Adopted.

APPRECIATION OF COUNCIL'S VOTES OF SYMPATHY

9. Submitted letter from the relatives of the late Sergeant Peter Callan, thanking the Council for its resolution of sympathy in their bereavement.

HOUSING SCHEME AT OLD CONNAUGHT.

10. Submitted letter from the Secretary, Department of Local Government, conveying the approval of the Minister to the proposed acquisition of a site at the Cemetery Field extension for an access road, and for the erection of a number of houses, in accordance with the layout Plan, subject to the condition that the site for the Playground should be retained permanently as an open space.

Regarding the proposed acquisition of land from the Cassell family it was agreed to appoint a Deputation consisting of the Chairman, Clrs. P. Ledwidge and H. J. Byrne to meet the Cassell family on Monday, 14th January, 1952, at 8 p.m.

PURCHASE OF WATERMAINS.

11. It was proposed by Clr. H. J. Byrne, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, and Resolved:—

"That we hereby apply to the Minister for Local Government for Sanction to the raising of a Loan from the Treasurer, of a sum of £4,100 to defray the cost of the purchase of watermains and miscellaneous fittings—Loan to be repayable over a period of 20 years."

DAYLIGHT CINEMA SHOWS AT ESPLANADE.

12. Further consideration of letter from Hardiman Enterprises, Dublin, concerning Daylight Cinema Shows at the Esplanade, was adjourned to enable the Bray Amusements Committee to submit a recommendation in the matter.

BRAY ROWING CLUB.

13. Submitted letter from Bray Amusements Committee recommending that permission should not be granted to the Bray Rowing Club to use the Esplanade for Amusement purposes during the month of July, 1952, in connection with the Annual Regatta. The Committee recommended that the Council might consider having a site at Bray Head made available for amusement purposes generally. In this connection the following Notice of Motion, handed in by Clr P. Ledwidge, was accepted by the Chairman:—

"Take notice that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Statutory Meeting, that the Resolution prohibiting the letting of Bray Head Park for Amusements be and is hereby rescinded."

NON-DOMESTIC WATER CONSUMPTION.

14. The Council noted the particulars submitted by the Town Clerk concerning premises in which Water Meters have been installed, and also in respect of which agreements had been entered into by the Proprietors of the premises regarding payment for the use of water for non-domestic purposes.

STREET PLAN OF BRAY.

15. Submitted letter from Messrs. G. W. May, London, asking 1,000 copies thereof without charge to the Council.

permission to publish an official Street Plan of Bray, and to supply The Council agreed to grant permission to the Publishers and to request that a proof of the publication be submitted for examination.

HIRE OF TOWN HALL.

16. Submitted letter from Mr. V. Vimar, Upper Fitzwilliam St., Dublin, requesting permission to hire accommodation at the Town Hall for the purpose of lectures on Hypnosis.

Order:—Application refused.

SMALL DWELLING (ACQ.) ACTS.

17. The following Loans under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts were approved.

Name and Address of Applicant	Location of Site	Amount of loan
John Pakenham, Clara, Herbert Road.	Camaderry Road	£1,600
J. J. Clarke, Gorselands, Newcourt Road	Crow Bank Herbert Road	£1,550

It was agreed to increase the Loan to be advanced to Mr. Thomas Power from £1,450 to £1,600. An application from Mr. Patrick Keane, 32 Main Street, Bray, was adjourned.

Concerning an application from Mr. Peter White, Knocksink, Ennis-kerry, which had already been approved by the Council, the County Manager stated that it would appear that the applicant would find it difficult to meet the annual outgoings in respect of the loan, etc. It was agreed to adhere to the previous decision approving of a loan of £1,600.

Subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, it was agreed to approve of a loan of £1,300 to Mr. P. G. Doyle, Grattan Terrace, Bray, in respect of a house at Putland Villas, Bray.

OVERDRAFT ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

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

"That we hereby apply to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to the extension until 30th June, 1952, of the Overdraft of £20,000 on Capital Account already authorised, by the Minister for Local Government, for period ended 31st December, 1951."

TOWN PLANNING ACTS.

19. Plan submitted for alterations to premises of Messrs. Dawson, Strand Road, Bray.

Order:—Approved subject to compliance with the requirements of the Town Engineer.

PROPOSED LOCK-UP SHOP AT THE ESPLANADE FOR MR. COWAN.

20. Plan submitted for lock-up shop at the Esplanade for Mr. Cowan.

In this connection the Town Engineer recommended that permission be refused as the work would involve alteration to Council's property. Furthermore, the Engineer pointed out that the proposed lock-up shop would infringe the Draft Town Plan, and the work would constitute a departure from the policy of the Council in prohibiting any new development East of the Esplanade, and further that the proposed work would seriously injure the amenities of the neighbourhood.

STRUCTURE AT 23 WOLFE TONE SQUARE.

21. The Council granted permission to Mr. John Kelly of 23 Wolfe Tone Square, East, for the erection of a structure at his premises, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Town Engineer.

RESURFACING OF CHURCH ROAD.

22. Submitted Report from the Town Engineer stating that he could not recommend the acceptance of Tender of the Bitumac Company, Dalkey, in the sum of £2,150, for the resurfacing of Church Road, as the firm do not appear to have had previous experience of this type of work. It was agreed, subject to the approval of the Minister, to accept the Tender of Messrs. McCreath Taylor, Dublin, in the sum of £2,291 5s. 0d.

HOUSING MEETING.

23. It was decided to hold a Special Meeting of the Council on Tuesday, 5th February, 1952, to examine applications received for housing accommodation with a view to the preparation of a new Housing Priority List.

BONUS PAYMENTS TO WORKMEN EMPLOYED DIRECT LABOUR SCHEMES

24. Councillor P. Ledwidge was granted permission to refer to bonuses which had been paid by the Council to workmen employed on the Direct Labour Housing Scheme. He mentioned that there was an impression that the bonus was obtained as a result of representations of one individual Councillor, rather than as a result of unanimous decision of the Council. He stated that a copy of a letter of sanction had been circulated to persons employed on the Housing Scheme. Mr. Temple stated that he had made representations to the Department in his capacity as Branch Secretary of the employees Trade Union and represented that he was quite entitled to do so. He stated that the Department had informed him, in fact, that sanction had been given to the payment of the bonus. He denied that the letter was circulated to men employed on the Scheme.

E. Byrne
Feb. 12, 1952

Bray Urban District Council



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on 12th February, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:—

COUNCILLORS:—

E. E. Byrne (in chair).
H. J. Byrne.
P. Ledwidge.
J. Kinsella.
Mrs. McCallion.
Dr. Donnelly.
P. Martin.
H. B. Hipwell.
G. H. G. Stuart.
J. Temple.
J. French.
D. Sayers.

OFFICIALS:—

County Manager
(Mr. M. Flannery).
Town Clerk
(Mr. E. J. Fennell).
Town Engineer
(Mr. M. Healy).

MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION.

25. Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Council held on 8th January, 1952, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

26. The County Manager's Orders, as circulated, (Nos. 7234 to 7254) were noted.

QUESTIONS.

27. *Chr. H. B. Hipwell*:—Recently the Council ordered that iron railings should be erected in front of bungalow at Castle Street and one end house at Dwyer Park. Why has provision been made for only partially paling these two houses and when is it intended to completely rail them off from trespass?

The following Report from Engineer answering the question was noted:—

"When the above matter was previously raised it was agreed to provide a railing to prevent trespass across the two corner sites at Dwyer Park. In view of the desirability of stopping the railing at a suitable point I considered that the entrance gate to each house would be a suitable point at which to stop the railing. If the railing is extended to include the entire frontage of each of the two houses concerned, it will mean an extra 15½ yards of railing which will cost £12 5s. 4d. The railing at present being erected will only come to the entrance gate of each house, but if the Council wishes the railing can be extended to include the entire frontage of each house."

The Council decided not to erect additional railings as requested by the tenant.

Chr. J. French:—Has the Town Surveyor received a Report on illegal tree cutting on Bray Head during the Christmas season? If so, could he state roughly how many trees were cut?

The following Report from the Town Engineer answering the question, was read and noted:—

"This matter was reported to me after the Christmas by the Overseer. I subsequently inspected Bray Head and would say that approximately 20 Fir trees were removed immediately prior to the Christmas. In some cases large fir trees were damaged by the removal of branches apparently for use as Christmas trees.

It would appear also that over the past few years a number of larch and beach trees have been removed from time to time (probably one or two every few months) for use as firewood.

It is extremely difficult to detect the offenders in the latter case, but in future I would suggest that a watchman should be employed on Bray Head for the Christmas period to prevent the cutting of Christmas Trees."

USE OF SITE AT AT BRAY HEAD PARK FOR AMUSEMENT PURPOSES.

28. It was proposed by *Chr. P. Ledwidge*, seconded by *Chr. E. Byrne*:—

"Take notice that I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next Statutory Meeting, that the Resolution prohibiting the letting

of Bray Head Park for Amusements be and is hereby rescinded."

Following lengthy discussion in which all the members of the Council took part, the Motion was put and a division taken when there voted

For the Motion 8, viz.: *Chrs. P. Ledwidge, E. E. Byrne, D. Sayers, D. B. Donnelly, Mrs. McCallion, H. B. Hipwell, J. Temple and J. Kinsella.*

Against the Motion, 4, viz.: *Chrs. H. J. Byrne, P. Martin, G. H. C. Stuart and J. French.*

The Motion was accordingly declared carried.

It was agreed to permit a site to be used for Amusement purposes for not more than two seasons, i.e. from 1/4/1952 to 30/9/1952 and from 1/4/1953 to 30/9/1953.

It was further agreed to request Tenderers to specify the type of amusements to be provided and the County Manager and Town Clerk were instructed to prepare the necessary conditions of letting which, inter alia, will exclude the use of Gaming Machines and Gaming devices, and the use of amplifiers. Pongo or Net Ball would however be permitted.

It was also agreed that all structures must be removed at the end of each season.

AMUSEMENTS ON NORTHERN END OF ESPLANADE.

29. Submitted letter from the Bray Rowing Club requesting permission to operate amusements on the Esplanade from 20th July to 27th July, 1952; submitted letter from the Bray Amusements Committee, in same connection, recommending that the Council grant permission for the Club to operate amusements during the period.

Order:—Noted.

LICENCE TO USE SITES ON THE ESPLANADE.

30. The following Tenders received for permission to use Sites on the Esplanade and Bray Head were considered by the Council, viz.:—

South Bandstand—from 1/5/52 to 30/9/52—*Mr. Ted Young*, 17 Oxford Street, Rotherham, Yorks—£20.
Mr. O. H. Patterson, 33 Myrtle Park, Dun Laoghaire—£250 for 4½ years.

Kiosk on Bray Head—from 1/5/52 to 31/10/52—*Mrs. M. O'Neill*, 6 Fontenoy Terrace, Bray—£10.

Kiosk on Strand Road—(same period)—*Mr. Peter Fortune*, 53 O'Byrne Road, Bray—£7 10s. 0d.

Renting of Tolls of Sanitary Conveniences—One year from 1/5/52—*Mr. Arthur Cleary*, Bowden Cottage, Bray—£20.

Placing of Weighing Machines on Esplanade Sites—One year from 1/6/52—The W.S.G. Operating Co. Ltd.—£80.
British Automatic Co.—£75.

	1	2	3
Golf Putting Green.	Season	Season	Season
	£	£	£
Mrs. Grant, Apperley, Westfield Park	160		
Mr. John Reynolds, 13 Ardee Street	120		
Mr. Patk. Mooney, 6 Seapoint Tce.	200	600	1,100
Mr. Bernard Egan, 28 Dargan Street	160	400	
Mr. B. O'Malley, 1 Marie Villas Bray.	220	660	

The following Tenders were accepted by the Council, viz. :—

South Bandstand—from 1/5/52 to 30/9/52—Mr. Ted Young, 17 Oxford Street, Rotherham, Yorks.—£20.

Kiosk on Bray Head—from 1/5/52 to 31/10/52—Mrs. M. O'Neill, 6 Fontenoy Terrace, Bray.—£10.

Kiosk on Strand Road—(same period)—Mr. Peter Fortune, 53 O'Byrne Road, Bray.—£7 10s 0d.

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Placing of Weighing Machines on Esplanade Sites—One year from 1/6/52—The W.S.G. Operating Co. Ltd.—£80.

Golf Putting Green—Mr. B. O'Malley, 1 Marie Villas, Bray, £220 for Season from 1st April, 1952, to 30th September, 1952.

The Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 26th February, 1952 at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

HIBERNIA PRINTING WORKS, BRAY

MINUTES

of adjourned Meeting of the Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 26th February, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr. E. Byrne (Chairman), Cllrs. H. J. Byrne, J. French, H. B. Hipwell, J. Kinsella, P. Ledwidge, Mrs. F. McCallion, P. Martin, D. Sayers G. H. G. Stuart and J. Temple.

Officials: M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager, E. J. Fennell, Town Clerk, M. Healy Town Engineer.

31. Provision of News Features, advertisement displays on Esplanade.

Consideration of a letter from the Bray Amusements Committee concerning the proposal of Hardiman Enterprises Ltd., Dublin to provide News Features, Advertisement Displays on the Esplanade was adjourned for further information from the firm concerned as to the type of Features and manner in which it will be displayed.

32. Strip Lighting on Esplanade.

Submitted letter from Bray Amusements Committee regarding provision of strip lighting on the Esplanade during the Summer Season; the lighting of lamp on the steps and the removal of the drinking fountain.

It was agreed to provide lighting at the Esplanade steps as from the 1st June and to remove the drinking fountain, to be replaced by a new one in the Scheme for the northern end of the Esplanade in progress.

The question of the provision of strip lighting was deferred pending inquiry from Messrs Breen Electrical Co. Dame St., Dublin, as to whether they would be prepared to use a site at Bray Head for Kiosk and illuminated Windmill, or alternatively for the firm to tender for one of the kiosks on the Esplanade.

33. Music and Singing Licences.

The Council raised no objection to the application being made to the Licensing Court by the Proprietors of the Esplanade and Grand Hotels, for renewal of Music and Singing Licences.

34. Alternative Dumping Site.

Submitted letter from Council's Solicitors forwarding copy letter from Messrs Cullen & O'Beirne stating that Mr. Doyle would be prepared to sell his interest in the plot of ground near Woodbrook for the sum of £100. It was agreed to appoint a Deputation consisting of Cllrs. H. J. Byrne, P. Ledwidge, J. Temple and E. Byrne to meet Mr. Doyle to discuss the matter further.

35. Tenant-Purchase Scheme Boghall.

Submitted letter from Secretary, Department of Local Government concerning the proposed tenant-purchase Scheme at Boghall, conveying approval in principle, to same, and pointing out that the rate of Interest to be charged should be 3½% and that a deposit of £25 should be paid by the tenant purchasers before taking up occupation of the premises. It was intimated that the applicants should be allowed to occupy the premises on an ordinary tenancy basis for a period of approximately six months until the final all in cost of the Scheme has been determined and that the provisional rent should be adequate to cover all outgoings, including administration.

Order: Noted.

36. Appreciation of Council's Votes of Sympathy.

Submitted letters from Cllr. G. H. G. Stuart and Mrs. Mona Hayes, 12 Galtrim Road, expressing appreciation of the Council's Votes of sympathy in their recent bereavements.

ORDER: Noted.

37. Bray Trades and Labour Council - Employment of non local labour.

Council received a deputation from the Bray Trades and Labour Council relative to the employment of non local Labour in Bray. Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Sutton addressed the Council in the matter. The Chairman and other Members of the Council stated that the resurfacing of Main St., had been carried out by the Wicklow County Council and the Urban Council had no direct control over the employment of Labour. The Members of the Urban Council, who are also Members of Wicklow County Council had made representations to the County Engineer in this matter.

It was agreed to again request the County Engineer to give preference to residents of the town whenever works were being carried out in Bray by the County Council.

38. Piggery at 107 Greenpark Road

Submitted correspondence concerning the keeping of pigs by Mrs. McEvoy at 107 Greenpark Road. The District Justice, who heard the proceedings taken by the Council under the Byelaws against Mrs. McEvoy for contravention thereof, has suggested that the Council might consider allowing Mrs. McEvoy to keep pigs providing the Piggery were moved back approx., 20 feet from its present position.

The Council agreed to the recommendations of the District Justice.

39. Bray Greyhound Racing Association, Ltd. - Legal Costs.

Submitted correspondence concerning the Legal Proceedings against the Bray Greyhound Racing Association under the Town & Regional Planning Acts. Council's Solicitors intimated that it had not been possible to collect the Costs of the Proceedings in the District Court (£84); the Certiorari Proceedings in the Circuit Court (£79 14s 2d) and the High Court Proceedings (£270 10s 2d) making a total of £434 4s 4d. The County Manager pointed out that in the event of any compensation being awarded to the Company arising out of the Compulsory acquisition of the lands at Old Connaught, that the amount of such compensation could be set off against the Costs due. It was agreed to authorise an excess expenditure of £434 4s 4d.

40. Water supply to Kiosks on Esplanade.

Submitted report of Town Engineer stating that the cost of the installation of water to the six kiosks at the Esplanade would amount to £336. It was agreed to approve of an expenditure of this amount - the provision therefor to be made in the Estimates for the coming year.

41. Fire Station at the "Pound".

Submitted letter from the County Manager upon the proposal to erect a Fire Station and Store on the site known as the "Pound", adjacent to the Town Hall and pointed out that the Station will accommodate two Fire Engines and will include a pit for servicing same; Lecture room and Duty room; office for the County Fire Officer and stores, and garage for the Urban Council which will accommodate two Transport vehicles and provide space for general stores. A Tower to house the Fire Siren will be erected in front of the building and a yard for washing will also be available. The provisional estimated cost is £3,000, two-fifths of which, (£1,200) will be chargeable to the Urban District Council. On the assumption that the cost to the Council be £1,200 and that it be defrayed by Loan over ten year period, the annual charges would amount to £168. The Town Engineer approved of the Plans submitted.

The Council adopted the Reports of the County Manager and Town Engineer.

42. Motor Driver for Fire Engine

Submitted report from the County Fire Officer recommending that Mr. L. Flanagan's employment as Driver of the Fire Tender be terminated. Following discussion it was agreed to appoint a sub-Committee of the Council consisting of the Chairman, Cllrs. H.J. Byrne, P. Ledwidge, H.B. Hipwell, to meet the County Fire Officer, and Station Officer to investigate the matter.

43. Housing Scheme at Old Connaught.

Cassells Land. Submitted letter from Mr. A. Cullen, Solicitor, stating that his clients, the Cassell family would be prepared to sell land required by the Council for the price of £550 per acre, subject to certain conditions as set out. Following lengthy discussion and in an effort to reach Agreement regarding the acquisition of land, it was decided to increase the offer of £500 already agreed to by the Council's Committee, to £525 per acre, subject to the omission by the Cassell family of the various conditions stipulated by them.

Mr. J. Gorham's Land: It was agreed to increase the offer of £440 per acre already made to Mr. Gorham to £525 per acre, for such land as may be required in connection with the Scheme.

It was agreed to intimate to Mr. Gorham that the Council would be prepared to grant facilities to him to have any houses which may be erected on the lands retained by him, connected to Council's Services, upon the payment of sewer rental similar to that paid by the occupiers or owners of other premises situated outside the Urban area, whose premises have been connected to Council's services.

44. Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

The following Loans were approved:

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The Town Clerk read a letter from the Department of Local Govt., stating that as Mr. P.G. Doyle, 2 Gratton Tce., was not the first occupant of the house, 2 Putland Villas, which he proposed to purchase by means of a Loan, he is ineligible for such Loan under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts.

45. Town & Regional Planning Acts - Structure at Sidmonton Avenue.

Plan submitted by Mr. C. Nolan, Sidmonton Avenue for erection of structure at his premises.
Order: Approved.

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Order: Permission granted.

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Letter from Messrs McNamara & O'Hare, requesting permission for erection of a Sign Board at Amusement Arcade for Mr. Boni.
Order: Approved, subject to Sign Board not being a fixture and being removed at end of each Season.

37. Bray Trades and Labour Council - Employment of non local labour.

Council received a deputation from the Bray Trades and Labour Council relative to the employment of non local Labour in Bray. Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Sutton addressed the Council in the matter. The Chairman and other Members of the Council stated that the resurfacing of Main St., had been carried out by the Wicklow County Council and the Urban Council had no direct control over the employment of Labour. The Members of the Urban Council, who are also Members of Wicklow County Council had made representations to the County Engineer in this matter.

It was agreed to again request the County Engineer to give preference to residents of the town whenever works were being carried out in Bray by the County

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Plans submitted by Rev. Mr. Mason for erection of garage at rere of Florence Road.
Order: Permission granted.

51. Alterations to 21 Main St.

Plans submitted by Messrs C. Jones & Sons for alterations to shop front at 21 Main St., for Mr. J. Walsh.

Order: Permission granted.

52. Proposed store at 1 St. Cronan's Road.

Plans submitted for proposed store at 1 St. Cronan's Road.

Order: Permission granted.

53. Extension to garate roof at 1 Davitt Road.

Plan submitted for extension to garage roof at 1 Davitt Road.

Order: Permission granted.

54. Two bungalows at Newcourt Avenue.

Plans submitted by Mr. O'Driscoll, Architect, for two bungalows at Newcourt Avenue.

Order: Permission granted.

55. Proposed shop and dwelling at Dempsey's Field.

Plans submitted by Mr. B. O'Brien, Architect, 92 Main Street, Bray, for shop and dwelling on Site 45 at Dempsey's Field for Mr. E. Costello.

It was agreed to adjourn consideration of the matter to ascertain whether this shop and dwelling was in substitution for one of the shops and dwellings which the Council agreed could be erected on Sites No. 46 and 47, or whether the proposed shop and dwelling was in addition to two shops and dwellings on Sites Nos. 46 and 47.

The Council adjourned to Tuesday, 4th March, 1952.

MINUTES

Further adjourned Meeting of the Urban District Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, 4th March, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Clr E. Byrne (Chairman), Clrs. H.J. Byrne, J. French, P. Ledwidge, H.B. Hipwell, J. Kinsella, D. Sayers, G.H.G. Stuart, Dr. Donnelly, Mrs. McCallion, P. Martin and J. Temple.

Officials Present: E. J. Fennell, Town Clerk, J.P. McDonnell, Accountant and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

An apology for inability to attend was received from the County Manager.

56. Resurfacing of Urban Roads.

Submitted report of the Town Engineer upon the condition of various Urban roads and recommending that the more important ones be resurfaced immediately. It was agreed to have the Engineer's report circulated to the Members for consideration at the Estimate's Meeting to be held on the 31st March, 1952.

57. Juvenile Library.

Submitted letter from the Librarian asking the Council to indicate its policy regarding the provision of a Juvenile Library.

Following discussion, it was agreed, as a temporary measure, to permit the News Room to be used for a Juvenile Section, and that suitable facilities be provided in the general Library for persons desiring to read Newspapers.

Councillor Sayers dissented against the decision to close the existing News Room.

58. Charge for supply of Gas.

Submitted letter from Gas Co., stating that the rate for supply of gas in Bray is at present being examined by the Company.

Order: Noted.

59. Planting of shrubs on Bray Head Park.

Submitted letter from Bray Amusements Committee recommending that the Council should plant shrubs in Bray Head at an estimated cost of £200.

It was agreed to adjourn consideration of the matter to the Estimates Meeting to be held on the 31st instant.

60. Establishment of a Hospital in Bray.

Submitted letter from the Secretary, Bray Trades and Labour Council indicating that the Labour Council will support the efforts of the Urban Council in establishment of a hospital in Bray.

Order: Letter read.

61. Employment of National ex-Servicemen.

Submitted letter from the Hon. Secretary, Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen asking that all things being equal, preference will be given to ex-servicemen in the recruitment of labour.

Order: Letter noted.

62. Excess Expenditure.

Council authorised excess expenditure of £80 for the provision of public lighting at Housing Scheme at Boghall Road. Council also authorised an excess expenditure of £193 in connection with the provision of clothing for workmen. Following discussion in this connection, it was decided in future to ask that clothing to be issued, should be clearly marked B.U.D.C. or in such a manner as will enable the clothing to be identified.

63. Development of Northern end of Esplanade.

Submitted Memorial from the residents of the Strand Road, etc., regarding progress of the work in connection with the development of Northern end of the Esplanade. Submitted letter in the same connection, from the Department of Local Government conveying approval in principle, to the Plan submitted by the Consultant Architect.

ORDER: Noted.

64. Repairs to Surface of Harbour Bridge.

The following two Tenders for repairs to surface of the Harbour Bridge were considered by the Council, viz.,

Grainger Bros. (Ireland) Ltd.,
Portland St. N., Nth. Circular Road, Dublin. £263 Os 6d.

South of Ireland Asphalt Co.,
7 Lr. Abbey St., Dublin. 9s 0d per sq. yd, plus £6 p
ton for making up depression
with base course asphalt
laid and rolled.

The Town Engineer reported that the Tender of South of Ireland Asphalt Co., was the more favourable one. It was agreed to accept it accordingly.

65. Sale of Oysters on the Esplanade.

Submitted letter from Mr. T. Boyle, Fortfield Manor, Fortfield Road, Terenure offering the sum of £20 for permission to sell Oysters on the Esplanade during the Summer Season. The Council agreed to permit Mr. Boyle to sell Oysters on the Esplanade for the sum of £20.

66. Tenders for Photographic Licence.

The following Tenders for permission to take photographs on the Esplanade and Bray Head Park were considered by the Council, viz.,

Walter Godfrey, The Lodge, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin.	£100
Joseph Brennan, 4 Prince of Wales Tce., Bray.	40
Life Like Studios, 5 Milward Tce., Bray.	40
A.W. Tierney, Violet Bungalow, Shankill	30

The Tender of Mr. Godfrey, in the sum of £100 was accepted.

67. Erection of Hut at Esplanade.

Submitted letter from Rev. Fr. Traynor, requesting permission to erect a small hut inside the railings of the Esplanade. The Council agreed to grant permission for the erection of a structure provided it is similar to that placed there by Messrs Scraggs, and subject to compliance with the requirements of the Town Engineer.

68. Tenancies of Council houses.

Submitted report of the Town Clerk upon the allocation of houses known as No. 3 Fatima Tce., 13 Fr. Colohan Tce., and 15 Dwyer Park. The houses were allocated as follows:-

3 Fatima Terrace	Mrs. O'Reilly, 20 Castle St..
13 Fr. Colohan Tce.,	Humphries, 11 Quinsboro' Road.
15 Dwyer Park	Mrs. Morey, Toronto, Meath Road.

Clr. J. Temple dissented.

68(contd.) The following alterations of tenancies were approved, viz:-

2 Ravenswell Row	Miss L. Doyle
6 Wolfe Tone Sq. East	Sarah Byrne
16 Kilmantan Park	Mrs. Mary Kinsella
26 do.	Mrs. P. Lacy.
22 Wolfe Tone Sq. Middle	Mrs. Ann Moore.
6 Pollard's Tce.,	Miss W. Harris.
2 do. do.	Miss Waters.

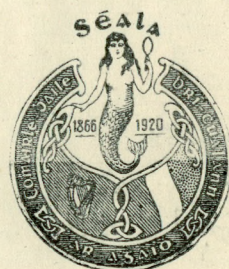
69. Housing Acts - 2 and 3 Fairview Tce..

The Town Clerk informed the Council that Notices of Intention to make a Demolition Order under the Housing Acts in respect of Nos. 2 and 3 Fairview Tce., have been served and that the Owner had intimated that he was prepared to carry out repairs in accordance with the requirements of the Town Engineer. The Town Engineer intimated that the front walls of both houses and the gable wall of No. 3 Fairview Tce., were in a dangerous condition and constituted a danger to the public. He stated that he had already issued a Dangerous Building Notice in this connection. He appointed out that estimated cost of rendering the two houses suitable for occupation would be in the region of £50 per house.

It was agreed to direct the Owner of the houses to render the buildings safe immediately and on condition that this is done, to permit the houses to be occupied, pending arrangements being made later, for the necessary repairs in accordance with the requirements of the Town Engineer.

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Bray Urban District Council



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 11th March, 1952.

PRESENT:—

COUNCILLORS:—
H. J. Byrne.
J. Kinsella.
Mrs. McCallion.

OFFICIALS:—
Accountant
Mr. J. P. McDonnell.

Owing to the Retreat for men being held in the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, the Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, 18th March 1952

James Byrne
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Bray Urban District Council



Minutes of adjourned Meeting of the Urban District Council held on the 18th March, 1952, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:—

COUNCILLORS:—
G. H. G. Stuart. (in chair).
H. J. Byrne.
J. French.
J. Temple.
J. Kinsella.
H. B. Hipwell.
Mrs. McCallion.
P. Martin.
D. Sayers.
Dr. Donnelly.
E. E. Byrne

OFFICIALS:—
County Manager
(Mr. M. Flannery).
Town Clerk
(Mr. E. J. Fennell).
Town Engineer
(Mr. M. Healy).

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

70. The Chairman on behalf of the Council extended a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late Victor Huet, Sidminton Road, Bray.

MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION.

71. Minutes of the Meeting held on the 12th February; of the adjourned Meeting held on the 26th February; further adjourned Meeting held on 4th March, 1952, which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

72. The County Manager's Orders No. 7255 to 7260) which had been circulated, were noted.

CHARGE FOR THE SUPPLY OF GAS.

73. Submitted letter from the Alliance & Dublin Consumers' Gas Co., intimating that it had been agreed to reduce the differential charge of gas to Bray, by .8d. per therm.
Order: Noted.

RESURFACING OF CHURCH ROAD.

74. The Council agreed to the arrangement whereby the resurfacing of Church Road would be carried out by the Wicklow County Council at an estimated cost of £1,909.

Members of the Council expressed criticism of the action of the Gas Company in opening the road while the resurfacing thereof was being undertaken by the Council.

PURCHASE OF WATERMAINS.

75. Proposed by Clr. D. Sayers, seconded by Clr. J. French, and resolved:—

"That the terms of the Draft Mortgage with Council's Treasurer, in connection with the raising of a Loan of £4,100 for the purchase of watermains, is hereby approved."

RENEWAL OF CINEMA LICENCE— ROYAL CINEMA.

76. The Council raised no objection to the renewal of the Cinema Licence in respect of the Royal Cinema.

MUNICIPAL BATHS.

77. The Council agreed to let the Municipal Baths and Sanitary Conveniences to the Bray Swimming Club at a rental of £50, for one year from the 1st April, 1952. It was agreed to instruct the Club to keep the Conveniences fronting the Promenade open in Winter instead of those fronting on the Strand Road.

IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INS. LTD.

78. Clr. P. Ledwidge was appointed as nominee to attend General Meetings of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Ins. Limited.

CIVIC FORTNIGHTH.

79. Submitted letter from Bray Amusements Committee requesting permission to hold a gymkhana on the Esplanade on 7th September and to hold a cycle race in the town on 14th September, 1952.
Order:—Permission granted.

LICENCE TO PLACE CHAIRS ON THE ESPLANADE.

80. Submitted letter from Mr. Patrick Mooney, 6 Seapoint Tce., asking permission to transfer a hut from the Putting Green to that part of the Esplanade used in connection with his Chair Licence and also asking that the charges for the hire of chairs might be increased by him.

The Council refused permission for the placing of the hut on the Esplanade and declined to agree to a revision of the charges for the hire of chairs.

Clr. D. Sayers dissented.

BUS SERVICE—KILLARNEY ROAD.

81. Submitted memorial from residents of Killarney Road, etc., regarding the operation of buses along Killarney Road, Ballywaltrim, etc. It was agreed to make representations to Coras Iompair Eireann in the matter.

REVISION OF WAGES OF COUNCIL'S EMPLOYEES.

82. Submitted letter from the Irish Municipal Employees Trade Union, seeking an increase of £1 per week in the wages of Council's employees.

The Council refused to accede to the request of the Union. Clr. Sayers dissented.

TOWN PLANNING ACTS—SHOP AT DEMPSEY'S FIELD.

83. The Council having further considered Plan submitted for the erection of a shop and dwelling on site 46 Dempsey's Field decided to refuse permission.

SHOP FRONT, MAIN STREET FOR MR. LEDWIDGE.

84. The Council approved of a Plan submitted by Mr. Ledwidge for new shop front at Main Street.

ALTERATIONS TO ROOF OF 24 DUBLIN ROAD.

85. The Council approved of a proposal of Mr. Lyons to amend the Specification of the roof of premises, 24 Dublin Road. Plans for which had already been approved.

GARAGE AT BELMONT, STRAND ROAD.

86. The Council approved of Plan submitted by Mr. Reid for garage and store room at Belmont, Strand Road, subject to the structure not being used for human habitation.

EXTENSIONS TO ST. COLUMBA'S, PUTLAND ROAD.

87. The Council approved of Plan submitted by Mr. O'Brien, Architect, for extension to kitchen at St. Columba's Putland Road, subject to structure not being used for human habitation.

ERECTION OF NEW ROOF ON LATTICE COTTAGE.

88. Submitted letter from Mrs. Mary Murphy, Lattice Cottage, requesting permission to construct a new roof on Lattice Cottage. Proposed by Clr. Hipwell and seconded by Clr. Martin.

"That permission be granted for the construction of a new roof on Lattice Cottage, subject to the condition that natural slates or suitable tiles be used and subject to compliance with any other requirements of the Town Engineer."

The Motion was put and a division taken when there voted for the Motion—5, viz: Clrs. E. E. Byrne, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. McCallion P. Martin and D. Sayers.

There voted against—5, viz.: Clrs. H. J. Byrne, Dr. Donnelly, J. French, J. Kinsella and G. H. G. Stuart. The Chairman, Clr. Stuart, gave his casting vote against the Motion, which was accordingly declared lost.

EXTENSIONS TO STRAND HOTEL.

89. The Council approved of Plan submitted by Sean G. O'Kelly, Architect, for extensions to the Strand Hotel for the Misses Donaldson.

BOUNDARY EXTENSION AT BOGHALL.

90. Submitted letter from the Department of Local Government forwarding copy of Order, viz., "Bray Urban District (Alteration of Boundary) Order 1952 (S.I. No. 42 of 1952), whereby part of lands at Boghall have been added to the Urban District. The land concerned measures approx. 1.8 acres and is described as follows:—

"The lands of Kilruddery Demesne East enclosed between the existing boundary of the Urban District and a line drawn from the junction of the said boundary with the western boundary of the Townland of Kilruddery Demesne East in an easterly and north-westerly direction along the outer face of the fence of the field shown as comprising 4.460 acres and 1.834 acres on the 25.344 inches to the mile Plan 1 of Ordnance Survey Sheet 8 of County Wicklow to the next junction of the outer face of the said fence with the existing boundary of the Urban District."

The Order came into operation on the 23rd February, 1952.
Order:—Noted.

REVISION OF REMUNERATION OF FIRE BRIGADE PERSONNEL.

91. The Council adjourned consideration of a letter from the Department of Local Government regarding revision of remuneration of the personnel of the Fire Brigade for the submission of a report by the Town Clerk in the matter.

DAYLIGHT CINEMA SHOWS AT CENTRAL BANDSTAND.

92. Consideration of the proposal of Hardiman Enterprises Ltd., Dublin, to provide Daylight Cinema Shows at the Central Bandstand, was adjourned, pending a reply from the Company regarding an offer for the use of the Bandstand for the purpose.

ILLUMINATED WINDMILL.

93. Submitted letter from Messrs. Breen Electrical Co. Ltd., stating that it would not be possible to instal a Windmill on Bray Head as E.S.B. Services were not available and suggesting that it be erected on the Esplanade.

It was agreed to intimate to the Company that E.S.B. Services were in fact available and that Bray Head would be frequented to a greater extent in the coming season owing to the proposed Amusement Site, and that the erection of a Kiosk and Windmill should prove remunerative.

TEMPORARY DAMS.

94. Submitted letter from County Wicklow Anglers Association asking permission for the installation of temporary dams in the Dargle River. The Council raised no objection in principle, to the proposal, but that no liability whatever could be accepted in the event of any damage or injury being caused as a result of installation of the dams.

PROTEST BY CLR. J. TEMPLE.

95. At this stage, Clr J. Temple was in attendance. Having protested against the holding of the Meeting during the Retreat Week at the Church of the Queen of Peace, he left the Meeting.

FUEL SCHEME.

96. Submitted letter from the Secretary, Wicklow County Council stating that the Council could supply turf in connection with the Urban Council's Cheap Fuel Scheme. The Council raised no objection to the arrangement providing the Department of Social Welfare recoup the cost and subject to arrangements being made for delivery of the fuel to the homes of the recipients under the Scheme.

SMALL DWELLING (ACQ.) ACTS.

97. The following Loans under the Small Dwellings (Acq.) Acts were approved, viz.:

Name and Address	Site	Loan
Mr. George Kern, Loyola, Herbert Road, Bray.	42 Dempsey's Field	£1,600
Mr. Christian H. Fuchs, Loyola, Herbert Road, Bray.	41 Dempsey's Field	£1,600
Mr. K. W. Haughton, Coolroe, Edward Rd., Bray.	55 Dempsey's Field	£1,600
Mr. J. J. O'Connor, Cois Fairge	Newcourt Ave.	£1,500
Mr. Lyons, 36 Castle Street.	Greenpark Rd.	£1,200
Mr. Metcalfe, 23 Pearse Square.	Greenpark Rd.	£1,200

Application from Mr. Dickson was adjourned.

98. The following Notice of Motion was handed in by Clr. Dr. Donnelly and accepted by the Chairman.

"At the next Statutory Meeting of the Council, I wish to propose that means be pursued to accommodate residents and visitors to Bray re the provision of a round-town 'bus service."

Edward Byrne
April 8, 1952

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILMINUTES

of the Estimates Meeting of the Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Monday, 31st March, 1952.

Present: Clr. E. Byrne (Chairman) Clrs. H. J. Byrne, H. B. Hipwell, P. Ledwidge, Mrs. McCallion, P. Martin, D. Sayers, G.H.G. Sturges, J. Kinsella and Dr. Donnelly.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Clr. J. French.

Officials: M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager, E. J. Fennell, Town Clerk, M. Healy, Town Engineer and J. P. McDonnell, Accountant.

99. Tenders for Amusement Site at Bray Head.

The only Tender received for Licence to use a site at Bray Head for Amusement purposes during the Seasons 1952 and 1953 was that of Mr. Richard Williams, in the sum of £750 plus 50% of all receipts from the Amusement devices on the Site during one week in June and one week in September. It was agreed to adjourn consideration of the Tender to enable inquiries to be made as to whether the sum of £750 was an annual amount or if it were intended to cover the entire period of the letting.

100. Estimate of Expenses 1952/53

Submitted report of the County Manager dated 21st March, 1952, upon the Estimate of expenses of the Council for the year to end 31st March, 1953 as follows:-

ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1952/53

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

In the attached Tables full details are given of Estimated costs of the Council Services for the financial year commencing 1st April, 1952. Expenditure and Receipts are shown under the four main headings of Roads; Sanitary Services; Housing; and General Urban Purposes. The Demand from the County Council is included under the latter heading.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS

The Expenditure and Receipts and Net Costs to be met from Rates are estimated at:-

	Gross Expenditure	Receipts	Net Expenditure
Roads	6,475	125	6,350
Sanitary Services	16,776	2,244	14,532
Housing	35,599	31,606	3,993
General Urban Purposes	54,734	4,891	49,843
	<u>£113,584</u>	<u>£38,866</u>	<u>£74,718</u>

The total to be met from the Rate levy in the coming year therefore would be £74,718. The total valuation effective for rating purposes in the coming year is £46,802 and the Municipal Rate which would be required to produce £74,718 is 31s 11d in the £1. This would be an increase of 3s 5d in the £1 compared with the rate for the present year, which is 28s 6d. The total expenditure allowed by the Council for the year 1951/52 was £64,833.

The Estimates now submitted for your consideration would entail expenditure of £9,885 in excess of the sum allowed for the current year. This excess derives in the main from an increased Demand from the County Council and the large scale provision made for new works such as the improvement and repair of Urban Roads, relaying of watermains and improvements at Esplanade.

In the following list a summary is given of the major increases which would require an addition to the existing rate levy:-

	£
County Council Demand	2,806
Roads - Maintenance	350
do. - Footpath Repairs, Road signs, Name Plates, etc..	280
do. - Resurfacing by Tar Spraying	1,000
do. - Loan Charges on new reconstruction works	625
do. - Loan Charges for reconstruction of Church Road	189
New Dumping Ground	275
Public Lighting	140
New Loan Charges for relaying of Watermains	168
Repairs to Council Houses	200

	£
Public Library	595
Vocational Education Demand	116
Alterations to Lavatories at Boat House	120
Water Supply Installation at Kiosks (Esplanade)	336
Municipal Baths - Painting & Repairs	650
Cove Swimming Pools - New Store	150
New Kiosk at Bray Head	150
Esplanade - Strip Lighting	465
do. - New Flags	150
do. - Notice Boards & Repairs to Seats	110
do. - New Storage Hut	200
do. - Repairs to Kiosks	100
do. - Painting Railings	100
Bray Head - Repairs to Fences and walls	200
New Pavilion at People's Park	100
School Meals	331
Additional Clerical Officer in Council Offices	220
New Office Safe	100
Legal Expenses	100
	<u>£10,326</u>

Whilst there are other minor variations in costs, the foregoing items, which amount in all to £10,326 mainly account for the increase in expenditure in the coming year. It is offset in the Estimates to the extent of £600 by a receipt from the proposed letting of an Amusements Site at Bray Head. Many of the new items of expenditure for which provision has been made have been under consideration by the Council in the present year and consequently, it has been decided to make provision for them. The Council, when they are determining the Rates, may however, having regard to the costs involved, decide that some of the items might be omitted or the scale of expenditure be reduced. The County Council Demand however, being a statutory item, cannot be pruned, and its increase (£2,806) represents a rate increase of 1s 3d. It will be found that for Road Improvements the additional outlay provided is £2,444, and for repairs, improvements and the provision of new amenities at the seafront, provision is made for an outlay of £2,731.

ROADS

The gross expenditure is estimated at £6,475, and after deducting receipts of £125 the net levy is £6,350 as compared with £3,521 in the present year. It should be mentioned that apart from the provision made for new works, wages show an increase of £364, but this is practically altogether due to the transfer of chargeability of the remuneration of an employee from the Harbour Account to Roads Account. In former years a State Grant was received towards the cost of Harbour but since the liquidation of the loan charges, consequent on the Redemption of the 1893 3½% Stock Issue, this Grant is no longer receivable.

The Estimates now presented would permit of the carrying out of a major scheme of roads resurfacing and reconstruction. Last year it was decided to defer such works but in recent months the Council asked that the Town Engineer would submit recommendations for improvements which might be undertaken as capital works and the costs be defrayed by loan over a period of ten years. The Engineer's Report on this subject is attached. He recommends that the following roads be resurfaced:-

Road	Type of Surface	Cost
Seapoint Road	Tarmacadam	£1,900
Novara Avenue	do.	2,480
Herbert Road (from Quinsboro' Rd. to King Edward Rd)	do.	1,400
Galtrim Park	do.	390
Greenpark Road	do.	1,670
Parnell Road (Brighton Tce.)	do.	500
Old Connaught Ave	do.	630
Westfield Park	Concrete	720

It is considered by the Engineer that if new surfaces to a suitable depth in special tarmacadam were laid on these roads they should last for at least fifteen years, i.e. five years beyond the period of loan repayments. It is found that if the roads were relaid in concrete the cost would be about twice as high as for tarmacadam. Cement has increased considerably in price since the Meath, Sidmonton and Florence Roads were reconstructed some years ago, and furthermore, it is doubtful if sanction to borrowing for a large scale roads scheme in concrete would nowadays be forthcoming, as cement has still to be imported for other works such as Housing. Since the original surface in Westfield Park was concrete (which surface however, it transpired, was not of a durable character) it is suggested that the road be restored in concrete. The total capital cost would be £9,690 and the yearly loan charge, with repayment over a period of ten years, would be £1,356. For the coming year only part (£625) of this loan charge is included in the Estimates but in the following years the full charges would be payable.

In addition to reconstructing the foregoing roads the Town Engineer has recommended that £1,000 be allowed for tarspraying the following thoroughfares:- Herbert Road (from King Edward Road to Crowbank), Convent Avenue, Sidmonton Ave., Victoria Avenue, Strand Road (North and South ends), Seymour Road, Galtrim Road, Wyndham Park and Eglinton Road.

Last year the Council allowed only £400 for normal repairs such as pot-hole filling, etc.. For the coming year the Engineer considers that £750 would be essential for this type of maintenance and accordingly this sum has been included in the Estimates. For Repairs to Footpaths £200 is included, and for New Name Plates, Traffic Signs (including painting of existing signs) and Litter Baskets, £80 is provided.

SANITARY SERVICES

The net outlay is estimated at £14,532; the amount allowed last year was £12,339 - the increase is £2,193.

Under the heading of Sewers wages show an increase of £79 due to a special allowance to workmen employed on sewers. Materials are increased by £80 and £50 is provided for Carting of supplies. For the Cleaning of Cockbrook £70 is provided (£50 in 1951/52).

In the Waterworks salaries are increased by £154 as it was necessary to revise remuneration of Water Inspectors in 1951 and to allow for overtime payments. For the payments to Dublin Corporation for Bulk Water Supply, a like amount to that allowed last year, viz., £3,300 is provided. This is based on a price of 2.88d per 1,000 gallons but it again must be mentioned that Dublin Corporation are still pressing for an increase in this price. As mentioned when submitting the Estimates last year, the Corporation have sought a revised price of 8d per 1,000 gallons, which if granted, would, on the basis of present consumption, involve an additional yearly payment of £6,500. To meet such an additional payment, the rates would have to be increased by 2s 10d in the £1. At present there is a Petition from the Corporation, before the Minister for Local Government which seeks a revision on the foregoing lines in the bulk supply charges and it may happen that a special Inquiry will be held. A lengthy and detailed investigation of the history and accounts of the Dublin Corporation Waterworks has already been undertaken in order that the Council's Case may be adequately presented in the event of such an Inquiry being held in the near future.

For the past four years the Council has been carrying out a programme of relaying watermains which, owing to their age (most of them had been in use for up to seventy years) had become defective. Thus far, new mains have been laid in the following thoroughfares: Meath Road, Herbert Road, Sidmonton Road, Vevay Road, Church Road, part of Main Street, Seapoint Road, Novara Avenue, Brighton Terrace, Connolly Square, St. Kevin's Square. The greater part of this work has been done by Direct Labour by the Council's own staff. In the coming year it is intended to continue this work in the following districts: Upper Dargle Road, Sunnybank to Bray Bridge, Killarney Lane to Town Hall, Quinsboro' Road, Kilmartin Park, Strand Road (southern end), Putland Road. The additional loan charges arising from next year's programme would be £558,

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but a State Grant of £186 is expected. Moreover, the Council has procured a State Grant towards the cost of the scheme which includes Church Road, etc., so that the net increase in loan charges in the coming year will be £168. These improvements in the Water Distribution System have enabled supplies to be afforded at adequate pressure; in former years continuous complaints were being received from many parts of the town regarding the insufficiency of the supply. Again the relaying of mains, together with the installation of meters, have resulted in a substantial decrease in consumption per head of population in the past three or four years, so that any increased costs arising from these capital works has been more than counterbalanced by savings in Bulk Supply Costs. It is doubtful if many members of the community realise the very extensive programme of water supply improvements which have been carried out in recent years, at a time when many other Capital Works, such as Housing Schemes, etc., were also being undertaken.

It was represented to the Council sometime ago that a water supply to the Kiosks at the Esplanade was essential and approval was given with a direction that provision for the cost be included in the Annual Estimates. A sum of £336 is included to meet the cost of this item.

Scavenging:

Wages for Domestic Refuse Collection show an increase of £73 as it was decided in 1951, to provide a daily Collection service during the Summer for Hotels and houses on the seafront, and this entails the working of certain periods of overtime. In former years, under the Contract system, it was never possible to provide a daily collection for the entire seafront and in fact it has only become practicable since the Council purchased their own Refuse Collection Vehicle. Again, under the Contract System, refuse from some parts of the town was only collected once per week; there is now a daily collection from premises in the Main Street and Quinsboro' Road throughout the entire year, from Strand Road there is a daily collection from 1st June to 30th September, and in all parts of the town there is at least a twice weekly collection. There is an increase of £139 in the wages for Street Cleaning, which arises from the allowance of an extra week's leave (two weeks in all) to workmen and the granting of sick leave with pay, under certain conditions. For some time past the Council has been negotiating for the acquisition of an alternative site for a Refuse Dump as it has often been represented that the use of the existing site near the Harbour, is open to objection. The costs of acquisition of the alternative site, the making of a length of roadway to it and fencing, are estimated at £275.

Municipal Baths:

It will be noted that provision is made in the Estimates for expenditure of £750 on Repairs and painting to the Municipal Baths at the Esplanade. The Baths were last painted in 1949. Owing to their exposed position paint deteriorates rapidly. For a new store at the Cove Swimming Pools, a sum of £150 is included.

Public Lighting for the coming year is estimated to cost £1,900, which is £140 more than in the present year, as in August, 1951, the E.S.B. charges for lighting were increased. Last year the Council decided to arrange for about sixty additional lights. The cost for the coming year will be £550 higher than in 1950/51 when it was £1,350. This increase is due to the provision of additional lights and the revision of E.S.B. charges.

Public Lavatories: The Council has had under consideration certain improvements to the Lavatories at the Boat House and the Town Engineer estimates the cost at £120. He also recommended the provision of a new public lavatory near the Town Hall to replace the existing one. Since however, the Council in the present year, is providing, in conjunction with the County Council, a new Public lavatory at the Courthouse, Main Street, it was not thought necessary to provide, at this stage, for a new structure near the Town Hall.

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HOUSING

For Housing Repairs the Town Engineer submitted an estimate of £2,000 made up of £1,500 for general repairs, and £500 for painting. The amount included in the attached Estimates is £1,200, which is £200 more than the sum allowed for the present year. It is to be noted, however that £1,200 was allowed in 1950/51.

The Rates on Council Houses show an increase of £548, due to the Valuation of new houses, but this is offset by a similar increase in Rent Receipts.

£100 has been included for the cleaning and improvement of a number of Derelict Sites at Upper Dargle Road.

Since 1947, the Council has erected 160 Houses - 91 by Contract and 69 by Direct Labour. The erection of 22 Houses at Boghall, which are being let on a Tenant Purchase basis, is now being completed. It is hoped to start the building of houses at Old Connaught at an early date; it is regrettable that much delay, owing to the many difficulties to be solved, has been experienced by the Council in commencing this Scheme.

Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts Loans.

Thus far, loans amounting to £137,000 have been approved. This special facility has enabled 110 persons to erect their own houses in the past four years. The loan charges incurred by the Council are recouped by the repayments made by borrowers. It is evident therefore, that the Council, in making such loans available, has given very material assistance towards solving the housing problem, quite apart from the schemes for the building of working-class houses. In all, the Council by its own building of working-class houses, and by the financial facilities given to persons building their own houses, has enabled 270 new houses to be provided in the past four or five years - a number sufficient to cater for the needs of about 1,350 persons.

GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES

The expenditure under this heading includes the Demand from the County Council, the special levy of 9d in the £1 under the Unemployment Assistance Acts, the Vocational Education Demand, the maintenance of the Esplanade, Public Library, School Meals Scheme, Fuel Scheme, and many other items.

The total expenditure is estimated at £54,734 as compared with £48,312 in 1951/52; and receipts are estimated at £4,891 - the corresponding figure in 1951/52 being £3,737. The net outlay therefore, is £49,843, as compared with £44,575 in the present year. The greater part of the increase is due to the County Council Demand, new works at the Esplanade, the Public Library and School Meals.

Town Hall Expenses.

A sum of £100 is included to cover the cost of painting Entrance Hall and Caretaker's apartments.

Tourist Development

Last year the contribution to the Tourist Association was increased from £100 to £200 and the latter sum is again included.

Public Library

The total provision allowed for the Public Library last year was £1,660 and after deducting receipts of £200, the net outlay was £1,460. The Estimate for the coming year is £2,355; receipts are estimated at £300, leaving the net expenditure of £2,055 - an increase of £595 over 1951/52. This increase is mainly due to an additional provision of £450 for Book Stocks and £100 for a Juvenile Library. The number of Borrowers from the Library is still increasing and it is evident that the service is much appreciated by the public.

Vocational Education:

The Demand for the coming year is £1,657, an increase of £116. The Demand now represents a rate of 8²d in the £ on the effective Valuation.

Esplanade:

The total outlay on the maintenance of, and improvements to the Esplanade and Public Park at Bray Head, including loan charges and wages, is estimated at £4,315. Provision is included for the following new works:-

Painting Railings	£200
New Storage Hut near Bandstand	£200
Tree Planting at Bray Head	200
Repairs to Kiosks	100
Repairs to Wall at Bray Head Park	150
Repairs to Sea Wall	120
Repairs to Plantation Fences	50
Repairs to Seats	50
Repairs to Boat Slip	50
New Notice Boards	60
New Kiosk at Bray Head	150
Strip Lighting	465
Flags	150

The total cost of the foregoing works would be £1,945. Members have drawn attention during the year, to the necessity for painting of the Railings adjoining Strand Road. The provision of a new Storage Hut has often been mentioned as desirable, but last year the expenditure was deferred. The Amusements Committee asked some time ago, that Tree Planting should be carried out at Bray Head and the matter was deferred to the consideration of the Annual Estimates. The Town Engineer has pointed out that new Shutters are required for Kiosks. Last year a sum was included in the Estimates for repairing the Boundary Wall to Bray Head Park and Plantation Fences, but the works were deferred. The Town Engineer considers that further Repairs to Sea (Promenade) Wall at an estimated cost of £120 are urgently required. He also has recommended Repairs to Seats, Boat Slip and the provision of new Notice Boards. The Council have had under consideration, the provision of a new Kiosk at Bray Head Park (near Fiddler's Bridge) from which a revenue could be derived by lettings in the coming years. In the present year the Council, subsequent to the adoption of the Estimates, agreed to spend £226 on Strip Lighting. The sum of £465 now included in the Estimates would cover the purchase of Poles, bulbs, cable, cost of current and erection and maintenance of Strip Lighting in the coming year for the period June to September. Last year the Strip Lighting which cost £226 was only provided in month of August. If special Flags for poles in lieu of bunting, be provided, the cost is estimated at £150.

The cutting of the grass at People's Park has been carried out in recent years without special provision being made therefor in the Estimates. The cost is about £40.

A Loan Charge of £360 is included to meet the capital cost of the Scheme of improvements to be carried out at Northern End of Esplanade. The full year's loan charge is expected to be £720. It should be mentioned that £360 was also provided last year but sanction to borrowing and to the details of the Scheme had to be awaited before the work could be started. The Scheme contemplates the lay-out of a new lawn and the achieving of suitable colour and interest by the planting of special shrubs, mainly of the flowering type. In addition, shelters, and a number of fountains, and a Children's play space will be provided.

In the present year a section of the Railings at Esplanade was painted, some of the seats were repaired, paths were relaid in concrete and a section of the Promenade Wall, which had suffered damage from the sea is now being repaired.