

It was pointed out that a building in this area was at present the subject of an appeal to the Minister.

100.—CLOSING OF FLORENCE ROAD.

The Council unanimously agreed to close Florence Road from 27th May, 1959, from 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on the occasion of the Annual Circuit of Bray Cycle Race.

101.—CHILDREN'S AMUSEMENTS—NORTHERN END OF ESPLANADE.

Having considered a letter from Mr. T. J. Moloney seeking a site at the north end of the Esplanade for Children's Amusements, it was decided to advertise a site for this part of the Esplanade.

102.—SYSTEM OF TAXATION.

Resolution from Dublin County Council calling for an examination of the system of taxation in operation at present was adopted.

103.—PEOPLE'S PARK — FOOTBALL PITCHES.

It was decided to allocate the centre Pitch and the western pitch at the People's Park to the Wicklow Junior League and the Wicklow Schoolboys' League and the eastern Pitch to St. Kevin's G.A.A. Club.

104.—BOOKING OFFICE AT SEAFRONT — MESSRS. SCRAGGS.

Permission was granted to Messrs. Scraggs to place a Booking Office on the Seafrost for a fee of £5.

105.—OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION — REVENUE ACCOUNT.

On the proposition of Mr. D. Sayers, seconded by Mr. Hipwell, it was resolved to seek the sanction of the Minister to the raising of an Overdraft accommodation on the Council's Revenue account in a sum not to exceed £10,000 to 31st July, 1959.

106.—PEDALO WATERCRAFT.

Consideration of correspondence re Pedalo Craft was adjourned to the meeting to be held on 19th May, 1959.

107.—CORAS IOMPAIR EIREANN — DOUBLE DECKER BUSES.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that Coras Iompair Eireann intended running Double-Decker buses to Bray and asking the Council's views on—

(1) A proposal to run double-decker buses via Quinsboro' Road. Railway gates to a point north of the Municipal Baths. The Council agreed with this suggestion.

(2) A proposal that work on the lowering of the road at Putland Road Bridge would be commenced immediately to enable double-decker buses to use the road.

The Council felt that this was the wrong time of the year to commence any work at this point and recommended that it be carried out in the Autumn. In making this recommendation the Council also agreed with the suggestion of the Town Engineer that as well as

lowering the road it should be widened at the vicinity of the Bridge.

108.—LEASE TO MRS. QUAID — 3/4 DUBLIN ROAD.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that he had received an application from Mrs. Quaid's Solicitors asking that the Council waive a condition in the Lease that she reconstruct No. 3 Dublin Road. It was pointed out that she had been able to erect the new premises and shop without interfering with No. 3. It was agreed to accede to Mrs. Quaid's request for a waiver of the Covenant.

109.—MUNICIPAL BATHS — BRAY SWIMMING CLUB.

It was agreed to receive a deputation from the Bray Swimming Club at a Meeting to be held on 19th May, 1959.

110.—SCHEDULE OF UNCOLLECTED RATES.

The Council considered a schedule of uncollected rates submitted by the County Manager and recommended that £2,654 14s. 0d. be carried forward for collection and that £538 5s. 10d. be struck off as irrecoverable. The total warrant for the year ended 31st March, 1959, was £87,046 3s. 7d. and the amount uncollected on the 31st March was £3,183 19s. 10d.

The Members congratulated the Rate Collector, Mr. J. P. Murray, on his collection.

111.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS — LEAN-TO AT 8 PEARSE ROAD.

Application from Mr. S. Gaughran, 46 Greenpark Road, for permission to erect a lean-to at 8 Pearse Road. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

112.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS — W.C. AT "SANCTA MARIA," CUALA ROAD.

Application from Mrs. Sheehan, "Sancta Maria," Cuala Road, for permission to erect an outside W.C. at her premises. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

113.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS — TILED ROOF AT PREMISES OF MR. CULLINANE, CASTLE ST.

Application from Mr. Cullinane for permission to put new tiled roof on his premises at Castle Street. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

114.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS — KIOSK AT VEVA ROAD FOR MR. J. DUFFY.

Application from Mr. J. Duffy, Vevay Road, for permission to place a kiosk in front of his shop on Vevay Road. Report from Town Engineer that from a Town Planning viewpoint the erection of the kiosk was undesirable but in view of the fact that a kiosk had been sited on the same site for some twenty years, permission might be granted.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

Kathleen Savage 9/6/59

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 19th May, 1959, at 8 p.m.

Present: Councillors—Messrs. P. Savage (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Megennety, J. O'Toole, T.D.; M. O'Toole, D. Sayers and G. H. G. Stuart.

Officials: Messrs. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager; D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk; M. Healy, Town Engineer, and J. Comyn, Health Inspector.

115.—VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, expressed sympathy with Mrs. Flanagan, 23, Camaderry Rd., on her recent sad bereavement.

116.—CONGRATULATIONS

The congratulations of the Council were tendered to Inspector M. Kelly on his recent successful capture of a criminal.

Congratulations were also tendered to the members of the Fire Brigade for their splendid rescue work on Bray Head over the Whit week-end.

117.—WHIT WEEK-END TRANSPORT

The Council congratulated Coras Iompair Eireann on their transport service to Bray over the Whit week-end, and on the fact that they had advertised it in accordance with the Council's wishes. The Members expressed the hope that this excellent service would be kept up.

The thanks of the Council were also extended to Mr. E. J. MacDonnell for his vigilance in matters connected with transport to Bray.

118.—MUNICIPAL BATHS—DEPUTATION FROM BRAY SWIMMING CLUB

A deputation consisting of Messrs. L. McDonnell, W. Flynn, J. J. Martin and R. E. Martin was received by the Council. The deputation stated that for years their membership had been falling, and they were finding it increasingly difficult to operate the baths from a financial point of view. They listed various repairs needed to the baths and stressed the heavy expenses they were under.

The Deputation having withdrawn, the Council had a general discussion on the Baths, and it was finally decided to let them to the Club this year at a rent reduced from £50 to £40.

Mr. Healy, Town Engineer, informed the Meeting that he would carry out certain minor repairs, and that he would erect a Diving Stage and a High Dive.

The Town Clerk was directed to convey the Council's decision to the Club.

The Manager pointed out that in the past seven working seasons almost £2,000 had been expended on the Municipal Baths.

119.—WATERCRAFT

(a) The Council considered applications for a licence to operate five extra Pedalo Craft from Mr. P. T. Nolan, Vevay Bakery, Vevay, Bray, and also an application on behalf of Mr. P. Murray to operate six Pedalo Craft in addition to six licensed and already approved.

After lengthy discussion, it was decided to grant the applications subject to the usual conditions and to an additional condition to the effect that the craft be numbered so as they could be identified.

(b) The Council considered letters from Mr. Kearon, Solicitor, on behalf of his client—R. J. Merlihan, and from Mr. Magee, Solicitor, on behalf of his client—Mr. P. Murray. Both letters expressed dissatisfaction with the Council's arrangement, whereby Mr. Merlihan would operate his craft from a point opposite the southern end of Fontenoy Terrace to a point two-third of the distance from the southern end of Fontenoy Terrace to the Boatslip, and that Mr. Murray would operate his craft between the Boatslip and the boundary of the territory allocated to Mr. Merlihan.

The Council discussed this at length and finally decided that all licences should share the stretch of beach between the Boatslip and a point opposite the southern end of Fontenoy Terrace.

120.—CHAMBER OF COMMERCE—ERECTION OF SIGN

A letter from the Chamber of Commerce asking that the Council erect a "Welcome to Bray" sign at Sunnybank was noted. After some discussion it was decided that the question of erecting signs at Sunnybank and Hollybrook be considered. These signs would indicate to motorists the way to the centre of Bray and to the Sea-Front.

121.—FAIRGREEN HOUSE—TRANSFER OF RE-SOLD INTEREST

The Council considered a letter from the Lessee of Fairgreen House, J. Ryan, seeking permission to transfer his interest in above house. The Manager informed the Meeting that he had discussed this matter with the Council's Legal Advisors, and it was decided, on the proposition of Cllr. Sayers, seconded by Cllr. C. Doyle, to grant the permission as sought.

122.—TENDER FOR STRIP LIGHTING

The Council recommended the acceptance of the only tender received for strip lighting, that of C. O'Neill, Derrynane, Ravenswell Road, Bray, in the sum of £80.

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123.—STRUCTURE AT 5, DWYER PARK, BRAY

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that it was proposed to remove a structure erected by the Tenant of 5, Dwyer Park, Bray. The Council agreed that the structure be taken down.

124.—CONSIDERATION OF HOUSING LISTS, 1959

The Council, having discussed the matter at some length, decided to leave the allocation of Council Houses entirely in the hands of the Officials. This was proposed by Clr. E. Byrne and seconded by Clr. C. Doyle.

125.—MISCELLANEOUS

(a) The Town Engineer undertook to investigate the complaint from Mrs. Megannety of a broken footpath on the Meath Road opposite the house "Burma."

(b) The Town Clerk was directed to get in touch with the County Council re broken patches near the Presbyterian Church at the junction of Quinsboro Road and Eglinton Road.

(c) It was decided to have the toilets at the Boathouse and the Baths distempered, and the question of having an Attendant on duty for the full day at peak periods of use was to be investigated.

(d) In reply to Clr. Stuart, Mr. Healy informed the Meeting that over the week-end the gate-way to the Bray Cove had been broken and planks stored by workmen engaged in repairs were thrown about.

(e) Clr. Stuart read a letter from five residents in Killarney Road complaining of litter on their road-way, which they believe was blown from the temporary Council dump in the Council yard. It was agreed to go into the question of raising the wall around this dump.

H. H. G. Stuart

14/7/59

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 26th May, 1959, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors—Messrs. P. Savage (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. Ledwidge, Mrs. Megannety, M. O'Toole, D. Sayers, and G. H. G. Stuart.

Officials—Messrs. D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer. Apologies for inability to attend were received from Clr. J. O'Toole, T.D., and Mr. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager.

126.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of Estimates of 31st March, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

127.—STRIKING OF RATE.

Proposed by Clr. H. B. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, and resolved: "That we, the Bray Urban District Council, hereby make a Municipal Rate of 35s. 8d. in the £ to be levied in respect of the year ending 31st March, 1960; the said rate to be collected in two moieties the first moiety and arrears on and after 26th May, 1959, and second moiety on and after 1st October, 1959, and that the Rate Book be signed and sealed accordingly."

128.—ANNUAL MEETING.

It was decided to hold the Annual Meeting of the Council on Tuesday 30th June, 1959.

129.—CHILDREN'S AMUSEMENTS

The following two Tenders were received for Children's Amusements on the northern end of the Esplanade, viz.,

Mr. Thos. Hamill, 5 Mount Nugent Rd., Rathfarnham	... £150.
Mr. T. J. Moloney, 185 Clonard Road, Crumlin (for the sole right to operate a Children's Convey Ride)	... £100

It was decided that the town Clerk get in touch with both Tenderers and endeavour to get them agree on separate sites on the Esplanade. If they could not agree or if Mr. Moloney insisted on getting the sole rights, the highest Tender to be accepted.

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130.—VANDALISM.

Report from Town Engineer was considered at some length on vandalism on the Esplanade and on Council property generally. It was finally decided that the co-operation of the public in putting down vandalism of all sorts be sought and that the engineer be empowered to employ two extra men on the Promenade during busy periods as he thought necessary, and excess expenditure to be incurred was approved.

131.—BOOK BARROW ON THE ESPLANADE.

A request from the Legion of Mary to place a Book Barrow on the Esplanade was acceded to.

132.—SUNDAY TRAIN SERVICES.

Several Members deplored the fact that there was no train services to Bray on Sunday, 24th May and the Town Clerk was instructed to get in touch with Coras Iompair Eireann and press for a Sunday Service from 31st May to the end of the Season.

133.—NORTH BEACH.

The Town Clerk was instructed to ask Dublin County Council to have the North Beach cleaned up.

134.—PURCHASE OF HOUSES AT ARDEE STREET.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that Dublin Artisans' Dwelling Co. had offered to sell to the Council seven houses in Ardee Street for a sum of £1,000. On the proposition of Clr. H. B. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, it was decided that the offer be accepted subject to a favourable report on the houses from the Town Engineer.

135.—HOUSING

Clr. D. Sayers asked what the position was regarding the erection of new houses. The Town Clerk replied to the effect that up to the end of 1958 the housing position in the town had been easing and it was thought for a period that no new houses would be required. However, since then the number of applicants was increasing and the question of building houses on the following sites would be examined in the near future:—

Ravenswell Row	4
Pollard's Tee.	2
Chapel Lane	6
Palermo	6

H. G. Stuart

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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, 9th June, 1959, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors—Messrs. P. Savage (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. C. Magennety, J. O'Toole, T.D., M. O'Toole, D. Sayers, and G. H. Stuart.

Officials—Messrs. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager; D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Clr. Mrs. M. Ledwidge.

136.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 12th May and the Special Meeting of 7th May were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

137.—COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Orders No. 8414 to 8424 were noted.

138.—VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

The sympathy of the Council was extended to the relatives of the late Mr. J. Davis, Marine Terrace, Bray; Mr. H. Prest, Mayfair Hotel, Bray, and Mrs. M. Keogh, Parnell Road, Bray.

An acknowledgment of the Council's sympathy was received from the relatives of the late Mrs. C. Doyle.

139.—CORAS IOMPAIR EIREANN—TRAIN SERVICES.

The Town Clerk read a letter from C.I.E. explaining why they had no train services to Bray on Sunday, 24th May. The Members referred to a rumour that there would be no Sunday Train Service to Bray on Sunday, 15th June, and the Town Clerk was directed to get in touch with C.I.E. in the matter if it was thought necessary.

140.—BRAY CIVIC INSTITUTE. SALE OF TICKETS ON SOUTHERN BANDSTAND.

The Council decided not to grant Bray Civic Institute the use of the Southern Bandstand for the purpose of selling Draw Tickets.

141.—BRAY AMUSEMENTS COMMITTEE.

The Council noted a letter from Mr. E. J. MacDonnell, Hon. Sec., Bray Amusements Committee, thanking them for their recent congratulations to him on his vigilance in matters concerning Train Services to Bray.

142.—PAINTING OF HOMES.

The Council discussed at some length a report from R. Fitzpatrick, Rent Collector, on the fact that some tenants in Old Connaught were painting their houses different colours to that on the scheme originally. The opinion of the Members was that unless the colours were completely tasteless, there should be no objection to Tenants re-painting their houses. It was agreed, however, that painting of the reveals in colours different to the original should not be allowed.

143.—GAMING AND LOTTERIES ACT.—J. COOKE, 10 Cd. ALBERT WALK, BRAY.

The Council, having heard from the Town Clerk that neither the Fire Officer or the Health Officer had any objection to a Gaming Licence being granted in respect of above premises, it was decided to raise no objection.

144.—OFFICE FIELD, PITCH AND PUTTING COURSE—PARK.

The Council were in general agreement with the suggestion of the County Manager that they take a letting of a field from Lord Meath. On the suggestion of Cllr. E. Byrne the matter was adjourned to the next Meeting of the Council to:—

- (a) Enable the Councillors in the area to contact Local Organisations who might be interested in forming a Committee or Organisation to promote sport and generally control youths who may use the field.
- (b) To enable an approach to be made to the Owner to ascertain his wishes in the matter of rent and other conditions.

145.—REVISION OF SALARY SCALE FOR TOWN ENGINEER.

On the proposition of Cllr. Sayers, seconded by Cllr. E. Byrne, it was agreed that the Town Engineer be placed on the maximum point of the scale recently agreed for Engineers throughout the country, i.e. £1,025 + temporary allowances (excluding 1958 temporary allowance) and the excess expenditure involved in the proposal was agreed.

146.—"LILO" AIRCUSHIONS.

An application from Mr. M. Murphy, 10 Meath Villas, Meath Road, Bray, for permission to place "Lilo" Air cushions on the Beach was considered. It was finally decided to grant him the right to place fifty such cushions on any portion of the Beach north of the Bandstand for a sum of £10.

147.—PERMISSION TO PLACE DANCE FLOOR ON ESPLANADE.

Permission was granted to Bray Amusements Committee to place a Dance Floor on the northern side of the Bandstand for one night only during the Civic Week Period.

148.—ANNUAL COUNTRY PRODUCE SALE—ESPLANADE.

Permission was granted to the Powerscourt Nursing Association to hold the Annual Country Produce Sale on the Esplanade on the 15th July.

149.—CLOSING OF ROAD—CYCLE RACE.

A letter from the Proprietress of Lacey's Hotel objecting to the Closing of roads for the Annual Road Cycle Race, promoted by Bray

Amusements Committee, was read. A General discussion took place on the desirability of closing roads for such occasions. Several Members stated that they had received complaints, and it was decided to keep the complaints in mind should the question of Closing the Roads come up next year.

150.—CHILDREN'S AMUSEMENTS.

The Town Clerk read a letter from Mr. T. J. Moloney to the effect that the Council were unfair in their treatment of him in matters dealing with Children's Amusements. The Town Clerk stated that at a recent Meeting, as a result of an advertisement they had two tenders before them, one from Mr. Hamill in the sum of £150 and the second from Mr. T. J. Moloney in the sum of £100. The Council decided that the Officials were to endeavour to have both gentlemen take separate sites, and if they did not agree to this, the offer of Mr. Hamill (being the higher of the two) be accepted.

The Town Clerk stated that since the last Meeting he had been in touch with Mr. Hamill, and it was agreed on the proposition of Cllr. O'Toole, seconded by Cllr. D. Sayers, to grant his application.

151.—CONGRATULATIONS.

On the proposition of Cllr. O'Toole, T.D., the congratulations of the Council were extended to Messrs. P. Mercer, A. Quinn, and A. Ledwidge on their recent success in the All-Ireland Speech Competition, and also to Mr. D. Kelly, who won the Command F.C.A. Shooting Competition while representing the Bray Unit of the F.C.A.

152.—BORD FAILTE GRANT FOR SHELTERS.

The Town Clerk read the letter dated 25th May from An Bord Failte in reply to a query as to whether they would give grants for the erection of four shelters by the Council. The reply indicated that the Bord would not give grants for items like this, but only where a full co-ordinated scheme of development was put before them. A number of the members expressed their keen disappointment at the Bord's attitude, and on the proposition of Cllr. T. Byrne, seconded by Cllr. H. B. Hipwell, it was decided that the Council go ahead with the provision of shelters irrespective of their not having received the Bord Failte Grant.

The Co. Manager informed the Meeting that a discussion between representatives of An Bord Failte, Bray Enterprises and the Chairman and Officials of the Council had taken place that day, and indicated that he would have a memorandum of the discussion circulated to each Member.

153.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS, RECONSTRUCTION OF 95, MAIN STREET.

Application from W. D. McKenna for reconstruction of 95, Main Street, Bray. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted. Order: Recommend approval of permission.

154.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS—EXTENSION TO GARAGE AT CASTLE STREET.

Application from Mr. P. Savage for permission to extend his garage at Castle Street. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

155.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS—KIOSK AT ESPLANADE.

Application from Mr. C. Finnamore for permission to erect a kiosk in front of his premises—"Argyle," Esplanade. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be refused.

Order: Recommend refusal of permission.

156.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS. PRIVATE GARAGE AT GALTRIM ROAD.

Application from Mr. D. Harrison for permission to erect a garage at rear of his premises at No. 2 Galtrim Road. Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend approval.

157.—MISCELLANEOUS.

The Town Clerk undertook to look into the point raised by Clr. Dempsey regarding the Opening Time of the Weigh Bridge.

Clr. Hipwell again drew attention to the need of repairs to the road and footpath near Church Terrace and on the junction of Quinsboro and Eglinton Road. It was decided to get in touch with the County Council in this matter.

*By Clr. Stuart
14/7/59*

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 30th June, 1959, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Messrs. P. Savage (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magennety, J. O'Toole, T.D., M. O'Toole, D. Sayers and G. H. G. Stuart. Officials: Messrs. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager, D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

158.—ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Clr. E. Byrne proposed, and Clr. P. Dempsey seconded, that Clr. G. H. G. Stuart be elected Chairman of the Bray Urban Council for the period to end on the date of the Annual Meeting to be next held between 23rd June, 1960, and 1st July, 1960. There being no other proposition, Clr. G. H. G. Stuart was accordingly elected Chairman and took the Chair.

Before leaving the Chair Clr. P. Savage thanked the Members and officials for the assistance he had received during the year and congratulated his successor. Clr. Stuart thanked the Members for the confidence placed in him by electing him to the Office.

159.—ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

The following were proposed for the Office of Vice-chairman, viz.: Clr. T. Byrne—Proposed by Clr. E. Byrne, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers. Clr. P. Dempsey—Proposed by Clr. P. Savage, seconded by Clr. G. H. G. Stuart.

A vote was taken with the following result:—

For Clr. T. Byrne—Clrs. E. Byrne, T. Byrne, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. Ledwidge, M. O'Toole and D. Sayers—7.

For Clr. P. Dempsey—Clrs. P. Dempsey, Mrs. Magennety, J. O'Toole, P. Savage and G. H. G. Stuart—5.

Clr. T. Byrne was accordingly declared elected as Vice-chairman.

160.—APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES CONFERENCE IN GALWAY.

The following were proposed for above, viz.:—

Clr. Mrs. M. Ledwidge—Proposed by Clr. J. O'Toole, seconded by Clr. C. Doyle.

Clr. P. Dempsey—Proposed by Clr. M. O'Toole, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne.
 Clr. H. B. Hipwell—Proposed by Clr. T. Byrne, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Megannety.
 Clr. M. O'Toole—Proposed by Clr. D. Sayers, seconded by Clr. G. H. G. Stuart.

The following was the result of a vote on the proposals:
 Clr. M. O'Toole—10; Clr. H. B. Hipwell—5—Clr. P. Dempsey—5;
 Clr. Mrs. Ledwidge—4.

Clr. Mrs. Ledwidge was eliminated and a further vote being taken resulted as follows:—

Clr. M. O'Toole, 12; Clr. P. Dempsey, 7; Clr. H. B. Hipwell, 5.

Crs. M. O'Toole and P. Dempsey were accordingly declared delegates, together with the Town Clerk, to attend the Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities in Galway.

Clr. H. B. Hipwell intimated that he, as a Member of the Executive of the Association would attend the Conference at Galway at his own expense. The Chairman and other members expressed the view that it was unfair that Clr. Hipwell should have to pay his own expenses and it was decided that a Resolution be forwarded in due course to the Conference to the effect that expenses be allowed to a Member of the Executive who is not selected as a Delegate.

161.—GAMING AND LOTTERIES ACT—BARRY'S AMUSEMENTS, 3 MARLBOROUGH TCE.

The Town Clerk explained to the Council that in respect of an application re above premises from a Mr. Tipple, the Council's Fire Officer and Health Inspector had called several times and had not been able to find the premises open. However, an appointment had been made for Saturday, 4th July. The Council decided that they would have no objection to the granting of the Licence if the premises were found suitable by the Health Officer and Fire Officer.

162.—TENDERS FOR MAINTENANCE OF COUNCIL HOUSES.

Two tenders were received for above, as follows: Messrs. McNulty Bros., 8 Railway Road, Dalkey—Net Scheduled rates less 5 per cent. Messrs. O'Toole Bros., Killymon, Newcastle—5 per cent. over Scheduled rates.

The Council recommended that Messrs. McNulty's Tender, being the lower of the two, be accepted.

163.—S. D. A. ACTS—3 ROSELAWN PARK—TRANSFER OF INTEREST.

An application from John Adams, 3 Roselawn Park, for permission to transfer his interest in 3 Roselawn Park to Mr. P. D. Murphy, 6 St. Peter's Road, was approved.

164.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—NEW NATIONAL SCHOOL AT PALERMO.

Application from Rev. Fr. Breen for permission to erect a National School at Palermo. Report from Town Engineer recommending approval.

Order: Recommend approval of permission.

Members expressed their pleasure at the proposal to have the school erected.

165.—FLYING OF NATIONAL FLAG.

Arising out of a point made by Clr. Mrs. Ledwidge re the flying of the National Flag, it was decided to submit a schedule of dates on which the National and Municipal Flag might be flown, to a further Meeting of the Council for their consideration.

166.—FLOWER BOXES ON SEAFRONT.

The Members expressed themselves very satisfied with the effect made by the flower boxes placed recently in the vicinity of the Municipal Baths and Central Bandstand.

167.—FLOODING.

The Town Engineer undertook to look into a complaint of flooding from St. Kevin's Square on to Main Street to the premises of Mr. P. Dempsey.

168.—TRAFFIC AND PARKING.

The Town Clerk was directed to discuss with the Gardai Authorities the need for having a Garda on point duty on week-ends in order that inhabitants of Palermo Area could cross the Main road more easily. Clr. M. O'Toole stated that he had received complaints that persons had to wait as long as twenty minutes in that area before getting an opportunity of crossing the road on Sundays. It was also decided that the parking problem in the vicinity of Queen of Peace Church be discussed with the Gardai.

169.—BILL POSTING AT CASTLE ST.

Clr. T. Byrne raised the question of advertisements on a gable end now exposed at Castle Street. The Manager stated that the Town Engineer and County Engineer may be able to evolve a scheme to eliminate cause of complaint.

170.—BRAY CIVIC INSTITUTE—USE OF ESPLANADE.

The Chairman, Clr. Stuart, said that he had been approached before the Meeting by the Bray Civic Institute and asked if they could use the Esplanade over the week-end for Open Air Dancing as it had not been very successful in the Carlisle Grounds. After a short discussion it was decided that such permission could not be granted.

P. H. Stuart

11/8/59

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 14th July, 1959.

Present: Messrs. G. H. G. Stuart (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magennety, Messrs. M. O'Toole, D. Sayers, and P. Savage.

Officials: Messrs. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager, D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

171.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of Special Meeting of 19th May and 26th May, and Monthly Meeting of 9th June, 1959, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

172.—ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

(a) **Housing.** In reply to a query by Clr. D. Sayers, the Town Clerk read a letter from the Department of Local Government stating that Contract documents could be prepared for six houses at Chapel Lane. The Council expressed their approval and urged that the question of building four houses at Ravenswell Row be taken up.

(b) **Weighing Scales.** Clr. P. Dempsey stated that he had received complaints that the Scales were 3 lb. out. The Town Clerk undertook to look into the matter.

(c) **Site at Castle Street.** Clr. T. Byrne stated in respect of above that he knew a firm who would be prepared to take a two years Lease of the site and pay £50 a year rent. They would also plant flowers there and make a pleasant garden of the spot if they were allowed to place advertisements thereon. It was decided that if the firm submitted an application it would be considered at the next Meeting.

(d) **County Council Roads.** Clr. H. B. Hipwell and Clr. D. Sayers again asked that certain repairs be carried out by the County Council at Eglinton Road, near the Presbyterian Church. The Town Clerk stated he would again approach the County Council Officials in the matter.

172.—COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Order (No. 8425 to 8432) were noted.

173.—OLD I.R.A.—CONGRATULATION TO CHAIRMAN.

A letter from the Old I.R.A. congratulating Clr. G.H.G. Stuart on his election as Chairman was noted.

174.—AUDITOR'S REPORT—YEAR ENDED 31/3/58.

The Chairman and other Members congratulated the Council's Officials on the healthy state of affairs described by the Auditor's Report. Particular mention was made of Mr. MacDonnell, Accountant, and Miss O'Carroll, Clerical Officer. Clr. P. Dempsey stated that the Auditor had mentioned a sum of £770 18s. 9d. being contributed to the Sinking Fund from Revenue Account and stated that this amount had not been included in the Estimates. The County Manager pointed out that in fact it had been included in the Estimates under the heading "Housing."

175.—TOWN PLANNING SCHEME—ADDED AREA.

On the proposition of Clr. D. Sayers, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne the following resolution was adopted with Clr. P. Dempsey dissenting:—

Resolved that the Council of the Urban District of Bray being the District Planning Authority for the following District, that is to say the Urban District of Bray, hereby decides to make a District Planning Scheme for the following area, that is to say, the area of the District Electoral Division of Rathmichael (Bray) shown enclosed within the inner edge of a red coloured border on a Map now produced to us, the said Council of the Urban District of Bray.

176.—SKETCH PLANS OF SHELTERS.

A very long discussion took place on Sketch Plans for three shelters at (1) Cliff Walk, (2) Bray Head, (3) Bray Head Park, produced by Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Architect. In the course of a report, Mr. Fitzgerald stated he was not in favour of erecting a shelter on the site of the South Bandstand. The Members were most emphatic in stressing that they thought that a Shelter on the site of the South Bandstand was of the utmost importance. It was finally decided that Mr. Healy would go ahead with the building of Shelters as set out above and that the Council would consider at their next Meeting the question of having a competition among Architects for a design for a Shelter at the South Bandstand.

177.—DOG SHOW AT ESPLANADE.

Permission was granted to Bray Amusements Committee to hold a Dog Show on the Esplanade on Saturday, 18th July.

178.—FLYING OF NATIONAL AND MUNICIPAL FLAG.

It was agreed that the National Flag be flown on the Town Hall on the following dates, viz. St. Patrick's Day, Easter Sunday, at the inauguration of Presidents, during Civic Week and on the occasion of functions and conferences directly connected with the Urban District Council.

The Municipal Flag to be flown on the Town Hall on St. Patrick's Day, Easter Sunday, Inauguration of Presidents, during Civic Week and on the occasion of functions and Conferences directly connected with the Urban District Council. The Municipal Flag to be also flown on the Public Library on these occasions. The Municipal Flag to be flown on the Baths during Civic Week.

It was further decided that the Officials concerned will fly the flag at any other time which would seem appropriate, after consultation with the Chairman of the Council.

179.—BUNCRANA RESOLUTION—LIBRARIES.

A Resolution from Buncrana U.D.C. asking that the Central Fund make grants available for the Public Library Service was adopted unanimously.

186.—CORAS IOMPAIR EIREANN—TRAIN SERVICE TO BRAY, 12th JUNE, 1959.

The Town Clerk informed the Council of negotiations which the County Manager had had with Mr. Andrews of Coras Iompair Eireann in an endeavour to get trains to Bray on 12th June. Unfortunately owing to the huge Pioneer Meeting in Dublin on that date, Coras Iompair Eireann were very reluctantly compelled to cancel the Service on that Sunday.

181.—PONIES ON THE BEACH.

An application from Mr. J. Delahunt, Old Conna Riding Stables, to place four ponies on the Beach for a fee of £6 was approved, subject to an Agreement being signed embodying the usual conditions.

182.—13 RAVENSWELL ROW.

Application to transfer Interest in above premises from Mr. J. Flynn to Mrs. M. Crawley, 6 Adelaide Villas, was withdrawn.

183.—"ROAD SHOWS"—BARRY'S FIELD AND YARD OFF FLORENCE ROAD.

The Town Clerk read a complaint received from a resident regarding the "Road Show" in the yard off Florence Road and also read reports from the Health Inspector and County Fire Officer regarding the two "Road Shows," viz., Mr. J. McFadden's, in yard off Florence Road and Daniels' Road Show in Barry's Field.

It was decided that Mr. McFadden be compelled to comply with certain safety precautions recommended by the County Fire Officer and Health Inspector. On the suggestion of Clr. E. Byrne, it was decided that the whole question of the parking of unsightly caravans in Barry's Field would be dealt with at a future Meeting, it being generally agreed that the field at present is unsightly and the retaining of caravans therein for human habitation conflicted with the Sanitary Services Acts.

184.—SAILING CLUB.

The Town Clerk read a letter from Mr. C. Fisher, Secretary Bray Sailing Club, giving an account of the progress made to date. The Town Engineer stated that he had visited the Harbour with Members of the Club who required certain slight improvements. On the proposal of Clr. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne, the Town Engineer was given permission to carry out the required works and any excess expenditure thereon was sanctioned.

185.—RED CROSS—WATER SAFETY SECTION.

An application from above for permission to use Bray Baths without charge for training Members in Water Safety was acceded to.

186.—NEWCOURT ROAD—MEMORIAL FROM RESIDENTS.

A letter signed by 43 residents of Newcourt Road complained about (1) the condition of the road, (2) the unsightly nature of the rubbish dump on the road and (3) of the lack of a name plate on the road.

The Town Engineer informed the Meeting that a Name Plate had now been erected.

It was decided that the Town Clerk inform the residents that the Council would consider devoting the current year's Relief Grant to repairing the road.

Regarding the dump the Town Engineer explained at some length the difficulties in these matters of dumps and stated that he would have it cleaned more than once a week during the Summer season.

187.—LITTER.

The Chairman deplored the practice of shopkeepers in certain streets sweeping waste from their shops onto public streets at all times during the day. It was decided that they be circularised in this matter. Clr. M. O'Toole felt that if more of the Council's men commenced work earlier the question of litter in the streets during the Summer would be improved. Mr. Healy pointed out the difficulties which would be encountered by having all the men start at 6 a.m. and finish at 3 p.m. but promised to go into the matter further.

188.—ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES AT "ISLAND" ON STRAND ROAD.

The Council approved in principle, the suggestion that the Officials investigate the possibility of acquiring all the properties on the "Island" at Strand Road.

189.—SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACTS.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Savage, seconded by Clr. G. H. G. Stuart, it was agreed to make a loan of £1,200 to Mr. J. A. Kinlay, 4 Eglinton Road, Bray, in respect of a house to be built by him at 68 Cuala Road, Bray, subject to the completion of the necessary documents.

190.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—CHALET AT CUALA ROAD.

Application from Mr. F. Duff for permission to erect a chalet at Cuala Road. Report from Town Engineer setting out the nature of the building stated, inter alia, that its floor area was only 275 sq. ft., which is approximately one-third of the area of Council houses recently erected at Palermo and pointing out that the application could not be approved if examined in relation to Council's Bye-law standards and Town Planning regulations.

Order—Recommend refusal of permission.

191.—TOWN AND REGIONAL ACTS—KITCHENETTE AT 30 WOLFE TONE SQUARE NORTH.

Clr. C. Doyle asked if an application for permission to erect a kitchenette had been received from Mr. J. Treacy, 30 Wolfe Tone Sq. North, and was informed by the Town Clerk that an application had been received but sufficient details were not given to enable the Town Engineer to make a recommendation therein. The Council, on the proposition of Clr. Hipwell, agreed that permission be granted provided a proper application was submitted to the Town Engineer and he approved of the proposal.

192.—TRAFFIC—GENERAL.

A letter from the Superintendent of the Gardaí was read stating that (1) in relation to St. Peter's Road, nothing could be done to facilitate pedestrians except a pedestrian crossing was laid down and (2) suggesting that the traffic problem outside the Queen of Peace Church would be eased if a large piece of ground beside the railings was converted into parking space.

Arising out of (2) it was suggested that Rev. Fr. Mulcahy might be asked to request his congregation to park their cars more evenly around the church. Clr. D. Sayers stated that there was a great necessity to have a Garda on Point Duty at the Quinsboro' Road—Main St. corner on Sunday mornings and several members asked that the Gardaí Authorities be communicated with in the matter of having Traffic Beacons erected at this corner.

h A G. Hunt 11/8/59

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 11th August, 1959.

Present—Councillors: Messrs. G. H. G. Stuart (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magannetty, Messrs. M. O'Toole and D. Sayers.

Officials: Messrs. D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer. Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors P. Savage, C. Doyle, J. O'Toole, T.D., and Mr. M. Flannery, Wicklow County Manager.

193.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of 30th June and the Monthly Meeting of 14th July, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

194.—ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

Traffic. The Town Clerk informed Clr. Sayers that enquiries would be made re the cost of Traffic Lights on the Quinsboro Road Corner. He further undertook to consult Mr. Hickey, Assistant Co. Engineer, re the need for Pedestrian Crossings between the Royal Hotel and the Hibernian Bank, and also in the Palermo Area.

Road Works. Clr. Hipwell and others expressed their appreciation of the work done by the County Council on the footpath at the junction of Quinsboro Road and Eglinton Road, but asked that the question of repairs at Church Terrace and the junction of Quinsboro Road and Galtrim Park Road be taken up again with the Assistant County Engineer for the area.

Castle Street. The Town Clerk informed Clr. T. Byrne that he had not placed anything on the Agenda regarding the proposal of a Firm to seek a concession for advertising at the end of Castle Street, as he had expected an Application to be received from that firm.

Shelters. In reply to Clr. E. Byrne re shelters, the Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the County Manager was at present in touch with the Architects' Association re the scheme for competition for shelter on the Esplanade, Bray.

House Repairs. Mr. Healy, Town Engineer, undertook to look into some complaints re house repairs not having been carried out satisfactorily.

195.—E.S.V. GRANTS—TIPPERARY RESOLUTION.

A resolution from Tipperary Urban Council seeking Government sanction to the application of E.S.V. Grants towards the repair of Council houses was marked read.

196.—BRAY AGRICULTURAL SHOW—ADVERTISEMENT BOARD.

Permission was granted to the above Society to place an Advertisement Board on the railings of the Boathouse in connection with the Annual Show.

197.—DERELICT SITES ACT 1940—35 CASTLE STREET, BRAY.

Having considered a report from the Town Engineer re the above, it was proposed by Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne, that a preliminary order for Derelict Sites Act, 1940, be made in respect of the premises.

198.—MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES' ASSOCIATION. PLAN FOR EUROPEAN INTER-MUNICIPAL EXCHANGE.

A memo. on above subject from the Secretary of the Association was noted.

199.—RESOLUTIONS FROM ANNUAL CONGRESS OF MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION.

Clr. Sayers proposed and Clr. Stuart seconded that the Association of Municipal Authorities be asked to pay the expenses of Clr. Hipwell, who, though a member of the executive for the current year, was not a Delegate from Bray Urban District Council. Clr. Hipwell stated that he did not wish this resolution to go forward. After further discussion, it was proposed by Clr. Sayers and seconded by Clr. Dempsey that the Department of Local Government be asked to sanction expenses for four delegates in view of the peculiar position that had arisen in Bray.

200.—TOWN PLANNING APPLICATION.

Application from Mr. O'Dwyer, Architect on behalf of Mr. W. Cavey, for permission for further extensions to the Royal Hotel. Report from the Town Engineer recommending that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend permission be granted.

201.—PALERMO SCHEME—BANK AT SOUTHERN END.

Clr. T. Byrne and others referred to an incident during the past week where a boulder was rolled from an old wall over the Upper Dargle Road on to the residence of Mr. Cullen. It was suggested that the site in question was dangerous and some steps should be taken to make it safe. The Town Clerk stated that subject to checking of the necessary documents, he believed that the land and wall in question were now the property of the Parish.

202.—GLENCOURT HOUSE AREA.

Clr. Sayers and others stated that they had been approached by Miss Cox during the week complaining of Itinerants in this area. The Town Clerk read a letter from the County Council on the matter, which stated that a solution of the difficulties proposed by the County Council had not been found acceptable by the residents in the area, and there was therefore nothing that could be done in the matter.

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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, 8th September, 1959.

Present: Councillors: Messrs. G. H. G. Stuart (Chairman), E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magannety, J. O'Toole, T.D., M. O'Toole and D. Sayers.

Officials: Messrs. D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and P. Hickey, Acting Town Engineer. An apology for inability to attend was received from Mr. M. Flannery, Wicklow Co. Manager.

203.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of Monthly Meeting of 11th August, 1959, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

204.—COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Orders Nos. 8440 to 8444 were noted.

205.—BRAY AMUSEMENTS' COMMITTEE.

A letter from Bray Amusements' Committee thanked the Council and Officials for their co-operation during the Season. The Members of the Council directed the Town Clerk to write to the Secretary of Bray Amusements' Committee and convey to the Committee the best thanks of the Council for the excellent work carried out during the year.

206.—DANCE HALL LICENCES.

Notification of Intention to apply for Dance Hall Licences was received in respect of the following:

Novara Hall, Bray Head Hotel Ballroom, International Hotel Ballroom, Royal Hotel Ballroom, Arcadia Ballroom, Villa Ballroom, and Eagle's Nest Ballroom.

The Council's Fire Officer and Health Inspector stated that they had no objections to the licences being granted. The Council concurred with these recommendations.

207.—CARAVAN SITES.

The Council considered a letter from the Secretary, Wicklow Co. Council, suggesting a meeting between the Representatives of the Co. Council and the Urban Council of Wicklow to discuss the policy regarding Caravan Sites. It was agreed that the Chairman, Mr. G. H. G. Stuart, the Vice-Chairman, Clr. T. Byrne and Clr. C. Doyle would represent Bray at the Meeting.

208.—LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

A resolution from the Westmeath-Longford Library Committee to the effect that a General Council of Library Committees should be formed was considered in conjunction with a report from Miss M. O'Byrne, Librarian, which pointed out that there were already enough library committees in existence to discuss affairs pertinent to local libraries. The Council rejected the proposal submitted by Westmeath-Longford Committee.

209.—GRAPSCOPES—BRAY HEAD AND BRAY SEAFRONT.

The Council considered an offer by Messrs. Randall Optical Co., 72 Essex Quay, Dublin, to place coin-operated telescopes on a site on Bray Head and Bray Seafront. The Council directed the Town Clerk to request the Firm to let them know what particular sites they had in mind and what rent they were prepared to offer for same.

210.—CASTLE STREET DERELICT SITE.

On the proposition of Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. T. Byrne, a preliminary order under the Derelict Sites Act, 1940 was made and signed in respect of the premises known as No. 35, Castle Street Bray.

211.—CASTLE STREET—OGLE'S CORNER—ADVERTISEMENT SIGN

The Council considered an Application from Messrs. More-O'Ferrall, Ltd., seeking to place an advertisement bulletin board of above site. Having heard a report from the Assistant Co. Engineer in which he mentioned that the County Council intended erecting an inter-woven timber screen type fence on the site, and that any sign at this point would be a distraction to road users, the Council refused the application. It was also pointed out by the Town Clerk that the site covered by Ogle's Premises was now the complete property of the County Council who had in their turn, received 100 per cent. Road-Fund Grant for the work of demolition.

212.—STATE INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL PROJECTS.

A letter from the Minister for local Government in above regard was before the Council and it was decided that before considering it at length copies would be sent to:—

- (1) The Trades' Council.
- (2) The Chamber of Commerce.
- (3) The Industrial Development Association.

213.—13 RAVENSWELL ROW.

It was recommended that permission be granted to Mr. J. Flynn to transfer his interest in the above house to Mr. R. O'Toole, 6 Adelaide Villas.

214.—22 O'BYRNE ROAD.

It was recommended that permission be granted to Mrs. C. O'Connor, 22 O'Byrne Road, Bray, to transfer her interest in above house to Mr. D. Mohan, 2 St. Peter's Road, Bray.

215.—RENTING OF "OFFICE FIELD."

Following a short discussion on above matter it was decided to adjourn same till the next meeting in order to clarify certain points with regard to Council's responsibilities for fences, etc.

216.—PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS.

Members of the Council urged that extra Pedestrian Crossings be laid down in the vicinity of:—

- (1) Bray Bridge.
- (2) Hibernian Bank.
- (3) Palermo Area north of Ravenswell School.

Mr. Hickey undertook to go into the matter.

217.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—HOUSE AT CROW BANK, HERBERT ROAD, BRAY.

Application from Mr. B. Breathnach, Mount Talbot, Herbert Road, Bray for permission to erect a new house at Crow Bank, Herbert Road, Bray.

Report from Town Engineer recommending approval with the following conditions:—

- (1) That the site be increased to half an acre.
- (2) That a suitable design of septic tank be submitted to the Council and that the tank be moved further back from the road.

Order—Engineer's report adopted.

218.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—GARAGE AT 22, PEARSE SQUARE, BRAY.

Application from Mr. S. Hannon, 22 Pearse Square, Bray, for permission to erect a garage at the above address. Report from the Town Engineer recommending approval provided that the structure is erected and finished in a suitable manner.

Order: Engineer's report adopted.

219.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—ERECTION OF BUNGALOWS AT RAHEEN PARK, BRAY.

Application from Mr. P. J. Mullen, "Schomberg," Killarney Road, Bray, for permission to erect two bungalows at Raheen Park, Bray, on sites Nos. 4 and 3. Report from Town Engineer recommended approval.

Order—Engineer's report adopted.

220.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—OPENING OF WALL, 2, VEVAV ROAD, BRAY.

Application from Mr. J. Ryan, 2 Vevay Road, Bray, for permission to put a back entrance to his premises. Report from Town Engineer recommended approval.

Order—Engineer's Report adopted.

221.—NOTICE OF MOTION—SANITARY CONVENIENCE AT BRAY HEAD.

The Chairman accepted the following Notice of Motion to be moved at the next Statutory Meeting of the Council from Mr. E. Byrne 'that in view of the insufficient accommodation in the Ladies' Toilets at the southern end of the Esplanade (bus terminus), that this Council consider an extension thereto.

222.—LITTER.

The Chairman referred to the fact that all Shop Keepers in the town had been circulated, urging them to co-operate with the Council by not sweeping litter into the streets. He hoped that they would get a good response to the appeal and not have it necessary to prosecute anybody.

223.—RESCUE ATTEMPTS.

The Chairman also referred to the recent rescue of children who drifted to sea in a beach mattress, and the Town Clerk was directed to convey the thanks of the Council to the Employees—Messrs. W. Murphy, E. Murray and W. Hanley and a Mr. Newell, "Wyke," Westfield Park, Bray, for their successful rescue efforts.

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BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 13th October, 1959.

Present: Councillors—Messrs. G. H. G. Stuart (Chairman) E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, H. E. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magennety, M. O'Toole, and D. Sayers.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillor J. O'Toole, T.D. and C. Doyle.

Officials: Messrs. M. Flanery, Wicklow Co. Manager, D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

224.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of 8th September, 1959, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

225.—COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Orders No. 8445 to No. 8453 were noted.

226.—CONGRATULATIONS.

The Town Clerk was directed to convey to Chief Supt. Quin heartiest congratulations on his promotion to the rank of Assistant Commissioner to the Garda Síochána.

227.—THE LATE MISS E. ANGLIN.

The Council noted with regret a report from the Town Clerk that Miss E. Anglin, one-time Domestic Instructor with the Bray Vocational Education Committee had died during the Summer.

228.—RESIGNATION OF MR. C. HUGHES, RENT COLLECTOR.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that Mr. C. Hughes, Rent Collector, had tendered his resignation because he was leaving the country. The Council noted same with regret.

229.—CARAVAN SITES.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that it had been decided that representatives from the Urban Areas in Wicklow, together with representatives of the County Council would meet in the Courthouse, Wicklow, at 11 a.m. on November 2nd, to discuss development of caravan sites in the county.

230.—TOILETS AT BOATHOUSE—EXTENSION THERETO.

Councillor E. Byrne proposed and Councillor D. Sayers seconded, and it was resolved "That the above toilets be extended in view of the insufficient accommodation for ladies therein."

Mr. Healy, Town Engineer, submitted a report and plan providing for an extension to give 17 ladies toilets instead of the present 3, and 10 gents' toilets instead of the present 6. This Scheme was agreed in principle. Mr. Healy intimated that he would give a firm estimate of cost at a later Meeting.

231.—BRAY AMUSEMENTS COMMITTEE—(a)—CHRISTMAS TREE.

Permission was granted to Bray Amusements Committee to have a Christmas Tree erected in front of the Town Hall as was customary. They were also granted permission to erect lights on a tree near Bray Bridge on condition that they would pay the cost of electricity used.

(b) Bandstands. It was agreed to allow Bray Amusements Committee the use of the Central and South Bandstands during the Summer Season, 1960, when not required otherwise by the Council.

232.—FIRE OUTBREAKS.

The Council considered at some length reports from the County Fire Officer and Town Engineer on (a) Heather and gorse and fire outbreaks generally and (b) the fire at Bray on 20th September. The vandalism which was the cause of several fires was deplored and tributes were paid to the Bray and other Brigades for their work in fighting these fires. Tributes were also paid to two Members of the Civil Defence, Messrs. O'Rourke and Elliot, for the help extended to the Brigades at the Bray Head fire.

233.—DERELICT SITES ACT—VESTING ORDER, 35 CASTLE ST.

On the proposition of Clr. E. Byrne, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, the Seal of the Council was affixed to a Vesting Order in respect of above premises, the Town Clerk having informed the Meeting that no resort had been had to the District Court since the making of the Preliminary Order on 8th September, 1959.

234.—EMPLOYMENT AND EMERGENCY SCHEMES VOTE 1959/60.

On the proposition of Clr. D. Sayers, seconded by Clr. T. Byrne, a recommendation of the Town Engineer that the amount provided for E.S.V. Schemes 1959/60, i.e., £2,630, be expended on laying a new concrete road approximately 100ft. in length at Newcourt Road, was agreed to. The Town Engineer estimated that this work would cost £2,900 and the Town Clerk intimated that owing to savings effected on the repair of King Edward Road this year, that amount of money was available. Clr. P. Dempsey dissented from the proposition.

235.—SCHEMES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the Bray Development Association had not yet submitted their recommendations under the above heading. It was decided to hold a Special Meeting to consider same.

236.—BRAY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION—ANNUAL MEETING.

Clr. Mrs. Magennety was appointed a delegate to the above in place of Dr. B. Donnelly. The remaining six delegates were re-appointed. They are Councillors E. Byrne, T. Byrne, D. Sayers, M. O'Toole, P. Savage and Mrs. M. Ledwidge.

237.—12 SCOTT PARK—TRANSFER OF INTEREST.

On the proposition of Clr. E. Byrne the Council recommended that that request of Mr. Thomas King, 12 Scott Park, to transfer his interest to Mr. Richard O'Toole, 62 Wolfe Tone Sq. West, be acceded to.

238.—PURCELL'S SQ. SOUTH—RIGHT OF WAY.

The Council considered a letter from Mr. N. S. Mulvin, Nashville, stating that he had used Purcell's Sq. South as an entrance to his garage at the rear of New Brighton Tce. since November, 1954, but had no intention of endeavouring to create a right-of-way; further pointing out that at one time a laneway had run parallel to New Brighton Tce. and that it had eventually become blocked up. It was decided to accept Mr. Mulvin's explanation and to allow him to use the laneway.

239.—SHELTERS.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the Department of Local Government had declined to sanction the Scheme for a competition among Architects for a design for a Shelter on the Seafront because of cost. After lengthy discussion it was decided that Mr. D. Fitzgerald would be asked to design a Shelter and that he work in collaboration with Mr. Healy, Town Engineer, who would put the Council's views to him.

240.—E.S. BOARD—SUB-STATION—18 ST. BRIGID'S TCE.

The Council agreed to a request from the Electricity Supply Board to place a Sub-Station in the garden of No. 18 St. Brigid's Tce., on condition that the tenant, Mrs. Mulvey, agrees and be paid a sum of £25.—A further sum of £25 to be paid to the Council.

241.—8 HAWTHORN ROAD—TENANT, WILLIAM HILLICK.

The Council agreed to allow Mrs. Hillick and family to vacate 8 Hawthorn Road for a period of six months to visit her husband in America, on condition that she pays six months' rent in advance and also a deposit of £10, to be refunded when she returns, if no malicious injury has occurred to the house in the meantime.

242.—SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQ.) ACTS.

The Council recommended that the application of Mr. E. Haughton to transfer his interest in "Fernhill," Cuala Road, Bray, to Mr. J. W. Allen, 18 Winstead Gardens, Dagenham, Essex, be allowed, on condition that Mr. Allen reduces the amount outstanding on the loan by the payment of £336 7s. 4d.

243.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—PRIVATE GARAGE AT 6 SEAPOINT TCE.

Application from Mr. J. McStravick, 6 Seapoint Tce., to erect a private garage. Report from Town Engineer stating that the structure would extend beyond the building line and recommending refusal of permission. He also pointed out that Mr. McStravick had raised the wall in front of his premises recently, thereby obscuring the vision at the junction.

Order: Permission refused in accordance with the recommendation of the Town Engineer.

244.—FACTORIES SITES.

The Council considered applications from (a) Lillian Roberts Products, 27 New Road, Dublin, seeking a Lease of Council's site at Ravenswell Row for the establishment thereon of a garment factory and (b) from Mr. P. L. McEvoy, Managing Director of McEvoy Press Ltd., seeking to lease either the above site on Ravenswell Row or half of a site at Purcell's Square, expressing preference for the site at Ravenswell Row. McEvoy Press Ltd. wish to establish a Printing Works.

After lengthy discussion the Council decided (a) They would agree to Lease the site at Ravenswell Row to Lillian Roberts for 99 years at £20 a year, and (b) they would agree to Lease whichever half of the site at Purcell's Sq. South the McEvoy Press wished to have, for 99 years at £20 a year.

245.—OFFICE FIELD.

In reply to a query by Clr. E. Byrne, the Town Clerk stated he had not included the above on the Agenda as he had received a letter from the Meath Estates stating that the Earl of Meath would not be back in Bray until 13th October.

246.—PUBLIC LIGHTING—RAHEEN PARK.

It was decided to look into the question of placing extra lighting at Raheen Park. This was on the suggestion of Clr. M. O'Toole.

247.—ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES — ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Clr. P. Dempsey stated that Clr. M. O'Toole and himself had been informed by Mr. de Barra, secretary to the Association of Municipal Authorities that Bray Urban Council were incorrect in rotating delegates to the Annual Conference and that Mr. de Barra had quoted a rule of the Association to this effect.

After some discussion it was decided that the Town Clerk ask Mr. de Barra for a copy of the rules and also ask him if the Association had the power to compel the Bray U.D.C. to appoint delegates for a five year period.

M. H. J. Street
27th Oct. 1959

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Special Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 27th October, 1959, at 7.30 p.m.

Present—Councillors: Messrs. T. Byrne (Presiding Chairman), E. Byrne, P. Dempsey, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Magennety, J. O'Toole, T.D., M. O'Toole and D. Sayers.

Officials—Messrs. M. Flannery, County Manager; D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from the Chairman, Clr. Stuart and Clr. C. Doyle.

248.—ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER W. QUINN.

The Town Clerk read a letter from the above, thanking the Council for the good wishes expressed at the previous Meeting.

249.—SCHEMES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

In response to requests from the Members, the County Manager outlined the position regarding the above, stating that the Minister sought suggestions for schemes of development which had economic merit and that most Local Authorities in the country had discussed schemes of development which were not confined strictly to the ambit of their duties. Schemes to be submitted might fall under two headings.

- (1) Local Authority Projects.
- (2) Industrial Projects which might be undertaken.
 - (a) by Private Enterprises.
 - (b) by the State or Semi-State bodies.

The County Manager went on to point out that over the past decade the Road Works, Housing Schemes, Sewerage and Water Works carried out on the Council land were a firm foundation for any economic development in the town of Bray. He then gave a brief resume of the proposals of Bray Enterprises Ltd., mentioning that it was understood that Bórd Fáilte were getting engineering advice on the feasibility of the main Bray Enterprises project, i.e., the Swimming Pool on the Esplanade. He then touched on some Council projects which were ancillary to any development by Bray Enterprises, i.e., the re-alignment of Ravenswell Road and Development in Dock Terrace, Harbour Area. He also mentioned that the Council had in mind the purchasing of lands on Bray Head. This, he suggested, might be a very suitable proposal to put forward to the Department. Another proposal which might receive approval was the carrying seawards of the town sewerage, which at present was discharged within the Harbour.

While the Council had a few sites for industries at their disposal, the question of compulsory purchase of industrial sites might be gone into.

The Council then took up consideration of the memo submitted to them by The Bray Industrial Development Association.

(1) On the proposition of Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. H. B. Hipwell, the Council approved item (1), i.e.:

- (a) Production of fibre glass.
- (b) Assembly of light cars and other vehicles with fibre glass bodies.
- (c) Rubber tyre factory.
- (d) A pre. packaging plant or a tin processing factory.
- (e) Production of nylon yarn.
- (f) Central heating equipment.

(2) The Council accepted the recommendation that where private firms proposed schemes of tourist amenities with the aid of a Bórd Fáilte Grant and a subvention from rates that the State be asked to make the subvention instead of it being made directly from rates.

(3) The Council approved of a suggestion for a Municipal Entertainment centre at the northern end of the Esplanade.

(4) The Council approved of a suggestion for a scheme for the construction of protective works to prevent flooding by the River Dargle also for the conservation of the Harbour to prevent further deterioration, and to ensure its development for use by Pleasure Craft.

It was agreed that the sewerage extension might form part of this scheme.

Having heard from the Town Engineer, it was decided to omit from this scheme a proposal to dredge the River Dargle.

(5) The Minister be asked to introduce legislation to permit Local Authorities to acquire potential industrial sites by compulsion, and to develop same. The Council asked that the above scheme submitted by The Bray Industrial Development Association, together with the Council Scheme mentioned by the County Manager, i.e., the purchase of land on Bray Head and the road widening schemes at the approaches to the Harbour, be submitted to the Department of Local Government.

250.—PURCHASE OF PROPERTY ON THE "ISLAND," STRAND ROAD, BRAY.

The Town Clerk stated that he had been in negotiation with

- (a) Mr. D. Bateman, Owner of "Garryowen," Strand Rd., Bray.
- (b) Mr. Nightingale, Owner of St. Anne's, Strand Rd., Bray, and
- (c) Miss Devitt, Owner of Fontenoy Cottage, Strand Rd., Bray.

"Garryowen" had become vacant during the past week and it has been offered to the Council by Mr. Bateman for a sum of £500. It was expected that the other two houses, which were in a ruinous condition, could be purchased for approximately £100, and that taking Legal Costs, etc., into consideration, the three houses might be acquired for about £700.

After a discussion on the matter it was decided, on the proposition of Clr. E. Byrne, seconded by Clr. T. Byrne, that the properties be acquired at the figures mentioned and the excess expenditure to be incurred was voted.

251.—LEASING OF OFFICE FIELD.

The Town Clerk read a letter from the Meath Estates offering to let the Office Field on the Vevay Road to the Council on an eleven months' grazing Agreement for a rent of £50 per annum. The Meath Estates to be responsible for the rates thereon. A further condition was that the Council would erect a gate and fence at the O'Byrne Lane side of the field. The entrance to the field is to be only from the O'Byrne Lane side. Re. the three other fences, the Council is to be responsible for such damage to same as had occurred during their occupation. Clr. E. Byrne urged the acceptance of the offer and stated that the field, if acquired, might be administered by a Committee of the Council or by the Council as a whole acting in Committee, together with representatives from the local G.A.A. Club, Soccer Club, Grotto Committee and Vincent de Paul Conference.

The Town Engineer stated that the repairs to the fences and the erection of the gate might be expected to cost approximately £50. Clr. Hipwell urged and the Meeting agreed that no entrance fee would be charged to the field. Clr. Dempsey thought that the Council should endeavour to obtain a guarantee of renewal from the Earl of Meath.

Finally, on the proposition of Clr. E. Byrne, seconded by Clr. Sayers, it was agreed to accept the offer of the Meath Estates, and further, that the field be administered by the Council as a whole acting as a Committee empowered in co-operation with the above mentioned bodies—the excess expenditure involved to be also voted.

252.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS.

CONVERSION OF NOS. 1 AND 2 MEATH ROAD TO AN HOTEL.

Application from Dr. J. F. O'Connell, 40 Mount Pleasant Square, Rathmines, Dublin, for approval in principle to the conversion of Nos. 1 and 2 Meath Road into a fifteen bedroomed hotel. Report from Town Engineer recommending approval in principle to be granted, subject to the subsequent submission for approval of the necessary plans and specifications.

Order—Report of Town Engineer adopted.

253.—TOWN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACTS.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, MAIN STREET, BRAY.

Application from the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., for permission to erect bank premises at Main Street, Bray. Recommendation from Town Engineer that approval be granted.

Order—Recommend approval in accordance with Engineer's report.

H. J. Stuart
8/12/59

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 10th November, 1959.

Present: Councillors—Messrs. E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Megannety, Messrs. M. O'Toole, P. Savage and D. Sayers.

Officials: Messrs. M. Flannery, Wicklow County Manager; D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Clrs. G. H. G. Stuart, Chairman, and J. O'Toole, T.D.

248.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting of 13th October, 1959, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

249.—COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Orders Nos. 8456 to 8463 were noted.

250.—ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS' ACT—GIFT OF £40.

The Council expressed their very deep gratitude to Mr. E. J. MacDonnell, Mr. E. Byrne and Mr. F. Walsh for a gift of £40 to the Council. The Town Clerk explained that it was the wish of the Donors that the money be expended next season for the provision of extra Bands on the Seafront.

251.—PEDALO WATERCRAFT.

An application from Mr. P. Murray, 5, St. Patrick's Square, for a licence to ply eighteen watercraft was received. The Meeting decided that no decision could be given at this stage and instructed the Town Clerk to advertise this matter early in the Spring of 1960.

252.—SITE AT RAVENSWELL ROW. LEASE TO LILLIAN ROBERTS PRODUCTIONS, LTD.

On the proposition of Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Ledwidge, it was decided that the above site be leased to Lillian Roberts Productions, Ltd., in accordance with the terms set out in the Town Clerk's circular of the 19th October, 1959, issued in accordance with the provisions of section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946.

253.—CHRISTMAS TREE—CILLMANTAIN PARK.

Permission was granted to the Cillmantain Decorating Committee to erect a Christmas Tree in the centre of Cillmantain Park on the customary conditions.

254. — BRAY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION — CONTRIBUTION THERETO.

On the proposition of Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Megannety, it was agreed to adopt the resolution forwarded by the above Committee calling for legislation to allow Local Authorities to make contributions to the funds of local committees engaged in promoting industry.

255.—PLOT OF LAND SOUTH OF LEDWIDGE CRESCENT.

An application was received from Mr. K. Doyle to let or lease a plot of land about three-quarters of an acre in extent, immediately south of Ledwidge Crescent. The Town Engineer reported that in view of the peculiar circumstances, i.e., the land would be of no great use to the Council and it cut off Mr. Doyle from access to land owned by him in the vicinity, that his application be granted.

The Council agreed in principle to grant a letting or lease to Mr. Doyle, and asked the Officials to work out the details of the proposed letting for consideration by the Council at the next Meeting.

256.—ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES—MEMBERSHIP

The Council considered at some length a letter from Mr. de Barra, enclosing a copy of the rules of the above Association, one of which was that "Delegates shall be appointed for the period ending with the appointing Council's term of office." It was eventually decided to leave the matter to be dealt with by the Council to be elected next year.

257.—BUS-STOPS AT MAIN STREET AND QUINSBORO ROAD.

The Council considered, and after lengthy discussion rejected the following suggestions:—

- (1) That the bus-stop on the Main Street opposite Redmond's Shop be transferred to a point opposite the Public Conveniences near the Courthouse.
- (2) That the bus-stop opposite the "Tradewinds" Cafe be moved further east.

258.—PUTLAND ROAD BRIDGE.

Report from the Town Engineer informed the Council that C.I.E. proposed to fit a temporary steel bridge on the Putland Road as it was their intention to service Bray as soon as possible entirely by double-decker buses, and they proposed to have the bus terminus at the boat-house. The Town Engineer recommended that the bus terminus be sited at the northern end of the Esplanade near the Fitzwilliam Hotel, stating that the double decker bus terminus established there this Summer had been very successful from many points of view. He further recommended that the County Council, who control the Putland Road, should endeavour to get some agreement from the C.I.E. that the Company would, within the space of say, three years, widen the present bridge.

The Members of the Council unanimously agreed with the Town Engineer's report and recommendation.

259.—BICYCLE REFLECTORS—RESOLUTION FROM BIRR URBAN COUNCIL.

A resolution from Birr Urban Council calling for legislation for more efficient rear reflectors on bicycles was adopted, with the amendment that the word reflector should be changed to rear light.

260.—PUBLIC LIGHTING.

On the proposition of Clr. Sayers, seconded by Clr. Hipwell, it was agreed to place extra lights as follows:—

- (1) Raheen Park—£10 plus an annual charge of £5 13s. 6d.
- (2) Mount Pleasant, Upper Dargle Road—£24 plus an annual charge of £5 13s. 6d.

Recommendation from the Town Engineer that the light on Pole No. 646 Newcourt Ave., be transferred to Pole No. 645 was agreed.

It was decided that consideration would be given at the next Meeting to the question of putting an extra light at the back entrance to the River Walk near the Seapoint Road and also on the Dargle Road.

261.—S.D.A. ACTS.

The Council recommended the following assignments of interest.

- (1) Mrs. A. Flanagan, "Lisieux," Camaderry Road, to Mr. A. Reynolds, 19 Scott Park. Mr. Reynolds, 19 Scott Park, to Mr. A. P. O'Toole, 30 Connolly Square. Mr. O'Toole, 30 Connolly Square, to Mrs. N. Crowley, 13 Adelaide Villas.

262.—VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**FILLING OF VACANCY.**

On the proposition of Clr. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. Sayers, the vacancy on the Vocational Education Committee on the disqualification of Clr. J. O'Toole, T.D., was filled by the appointment of Clr. Mrs. Ledwidge.

263.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—SUB-STATION AT C.I.E. SITINGS ON QUINSBORO ROAD.

Application from Electricity Supply Board to place Sub-Station at C.I.E. siting on the Quinsboro Road.

Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order—Permission granted.

264. — TOWN PLANNING ACTS — ERECTION OF KITCHEN AT KILLARNEY VILLAS.

Application from Mr. J. Keane, 3, Killarney Villas, to erect a new kitchen.

Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted.

Order—Permission granted.

265.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—ERECTION OF KITCHEN AT 1 KILLARNEY VILLAS.

Application from Mr. Ivory of 1, Killarney Villas, to erect a new kitchen.

Recommendation from Town Engineer that permission be granted on condition that the roof be raised to a suitable pitch and that 9" thick concrete walls be built instead of 6" thick concrete walls.

Order—Recommend approval in accordance with Engineer's requirements.

*NAAS Hunt
8/21/59*

BRAY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL



Minutes of Monthly Meeting of the Bray Urban District Council held in the Town Hall, Bray, on Tuesday, 8th December, 1959, at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Councillors—Mr. G. H. G. Stuart (Chairman), Messrs. E. Byrne, T. Byrne, P. Dempsey, C. Doyle, H. B. Hipwell, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, Mrs. C. Megannety, J. O'Toole, T.D., M. O'Toole, P. Savage, and D. Sayers.

Officials: Messrs. M. Flannery, Co. Manager, D. F. McCarthy, Town Clerk, and M. Healy, Town Engineer.

266.—CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of Special Meeting of 27th October and of Monthly Meeting 10th November, which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

267.—CO. MANAGER'S ORDERS.

The County Manager's Orders No. 8464 to 8475 were noted.

268.—EXTERNAL TRADE—RESOLUTION FROM NAAS U.D.C.

Resolution from Naas U.D.C. urging that the country should trade preferably with the Nations which buy most from us was adopted.

269.—CLOSING OF CANAL—BALLINASLOE U.D.C.

A Memorandum from Ballinasloe Urban Council urging reasons why the Canal system should not be abandoned was approved.

270.—TELEVISION AERIALS—COUNCIL HOUSES.

After hearing reports from the Town Engineer, Rent Collectors and recommendation of County Manager, the Council agreed that tenants of Council houses should get permission from the Council to erect Television Aerials thereon and should insure against injury to the public or damage to the house by reason of the Aerial or if they so wished, recompense the Council for effecting the above-mentioned Insurance on the house.

271.—BUS TERMINUS—STRAND ROAD.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that he had received communications from the residents of the southern end of Strand Road and the Putland/Newcourt Road areas protesting against a proposed change of the bus terminus from the Boathouse to a point on the northern end of the Esplanade. The local Branch of O.N.E. had also protested against the proposed change. He stated he had also received a Memorial from a number of residents at the northern end of the Esplanade who concurred wholeheartedly with the Council's proposal. Following a lengthy discussion on the whole matter it was agreed that the terminus should remain at the southern end but that Coras Iompair Eireann be asked to establish a second terminus on the northern end during the months of June, July, August and September and that the fare from Dublin to this terminus be 1s. 5d.

272.—WAGE INCREASE—COUNCIL EMPLOYEES.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that he had received applications from The Workers Union of Ireland, Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, and Municipal Employees Trade Union, for an increase of wages for Council employees. He also informed the Meeting that at present claims for increase in wages were being examined by local firms. It was decided, on the proposition of Clr. S. Sayers, seconded by Clr. T. Byrne, to appoint a Committee to go into the claim made and to meet the Union Delegates if necessary. The following Committee was appointed, viz. Clr. G. H. G. Stuart, Chairman, Clrs. D. Sayers, E. Byrne, P. Savage, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, and H. B. Hipwell.

273.—SHELTER AT SOUTHERN END OF ESPLANADE.

Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Architect, submitted two sketch plans for a shelter at the southern end of the Esplanade. The Members approved of one of the Plans but asked that Mr. Fitzgerald and the Town Engineer endeavour to obviate as far as possible the danger of undue expense which might be caused by having too much glass in the building. The use of removeable panels was suggested.

274.—ARDEE STREET—PURCHASE OF HOUSES.

On the proposition of Clr. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. E. Byrne, it was resolved that the sanction of the Minister be sought to the raising of a Loan by the Council with their Treasurer, the Hibernian Bank Ltd., in above matter—the loan to be in the sum of £1,000 for a ten year period.

275.—PUBLIC LIGHTING.

On the proposition of Clr. Hipwell, seconded by Clr. D. Sayers, the quotation from the E.S. Board for an extra light on the roadway leading from Seapoint Road to the River Walk was accepted.

The recommendation of the Town Engineer for the erection of an extra light in the Lr. Dargle Road area and the switching of three lights in that area was also approved. The necessary excess expenditure involved was also voted.

276.—DEMOLITION ORDER—CLARE COTTAGE.

The County Manager informed the Meeting that as a result of their recommendation at the October Monthly Meeting the Engineer and Medical Officer of Health had examined the above building. It was found to be unfit for human habitation. The owner, however, had

submitted a Plan for reconstruction of the building. After some discussion the Members agreed that an endeavour be made to purchase the building.

277.—S.D.A. ACTS—TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN "DERRYKEAN," CUALA ROAD.

In regard to the application of Mr. John Carvill to transfer his interest in "Derrykean," Cuala Road, to Mr. James J. Burke, the Manager informed the Meeting that as was customary, an up-to-date Income Tax Assessment was sought from Mr. Burke. However, what he had submitted was an Income Tax Assessment on his wife, who was not the applicant. The application was therefore refused.

278.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—BUNGALOW AT KING EDWARD ROAD FOR MR. B. LAWLESS.

Application from Mr. B. Lawless to erect a bungalow at King Edward Road. Report from Town Engineer that the proposed floor area for the bungalow was only approx. 700 sq. ft. and that it was not desirable for a bungalow of this nature to be erected adjacent to highly valued property. Furthermore, the site area for the bungalow was only $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre, whereas the general area of sites on this road was two acres. The Engineer recommended that the application should be refused on the grounds that the erection of a small bungalow of this type in close proximity to highly rated properties would injuriously affect the amenities of these properties and result in a depreciation of property values on the King Edward Road. The Engineer further reported that the building line for further buildings on the north side of King Edward Road had been set at 100 feet from the centre line of King Edward Road and that that the proposed bungalow was sited only 70 feet from the centre of the road.

Order: Recommend refusal of permission.

279.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—FACTORY BUILDING FOR MR. D. J. COUGHLAN AT THE HARBOUR.

Application from Mr. D. J. Coughlan for erection of a factory building at the Harbour. Report from Town Engineer that no Specification had been submitted and there was no reference to internal or external finishes. Neither was their provision for ventilation or windows in the plans submitted.

Order: Recommend refusal of permission having regard to above.

Factory at Harbour: Arising out of above Town Planning application, it was brought to the notice of the members that the applicant held the site (known locally as Wallace's Yard) on a lease dated 17/12/56 from the Council. In the Lease there was a Covenant that industrial buildings to the value of not less than £6,000 be erected by 1st January, 1959. At the Meeting of 10th February, 1959, the Council granted an extension of the period from 1st January, 1959, to 1st Jan., 1960. In the opinion of the Town Engineer the cost of the buildings proposed to be erected would not be more than £2,000. After some discussion on the matter it was decided to inform Mr. Coughlan of this and ask for a surrender of the Lease.

The Town Clerk also read reports from Mr. Healy, Town Engineer, and Mr. O'Byrne, County Engineer, both strongly recommending that the second terminus be established and both giving their opinion that the congestion at the Boathouse, which has been a source of annoyance for several years, would worsen in the coming Summer as a great number of passengers formerly coming to Bray via the Harcourt Street Line would now travel by bus. It was further stated that the complaint of passengers being set down at the northern end could be easily remedied by the fare adjustment previously suggested by the Council. The alleged difficulty of diverting passengers on the return journey was in fact, disappearing towards the end of last Summer as the facilities at the northern end became apparent to passengers. Regarding objection No. (3) this would not apply in future years as buses returning to Dublin from the northern terminus would travel via Strand Road and Putland Road. The Council, after a lengthy discussion, directed the Town Clerk to inform the Company that the Council strongly adhered to their previous recommendations and felt that they were reasonable and in the best interests of all concerned. It was pointed out during the discussion that the public roadway was not a private preserve of Coras Iompair Eireann and a duty was cast on the Council and its Engineer to ensure a free passage of all types of traffic and also the maximum convenience and safety of pedestrians. It was further decided that the Garda Authorities be consulted in the matter.

286.—TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION.

The Council decided to enter for the Tidy Towns Competition in 1960. In the course of discussion on last year's results when Bray received 53 marks out of a possible 100, mention was made of the number of derelict sites in the town. The County Manager stated that he would have a report from the Engineer on the general position for the next meeting.

287.—PUTLAND ROAD BRIDGE—CLOSING OF ROAD.

The Council decided that they would raise no objection to the closing of the western end of Putland Road from 15th February to 14th March to facilitate repairs to Putland Road Bridge.

288.—WAGES INCREASE—OUTDOOR EMPLOYEES.

The Town Clerk stated that the Committee appointed to examine the above matter had met on Saturday, 9th January, and had recommended that an increase of 12s. 6d. per week be granted to Council's outdoor staff with retrospective effect to 16th November, 1959. The Council accepted the recommendation of the sub-Committee and authorised the necessary excess expenditure.

289.—CLERICAL OFFICER—ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY SCALE.

The Council agreed to an adjustment on the above scale, the effect of which would be to grant an increase to Miss O'Carroll, senior Clerical Officer, of £17 10s. 0d. per annum with retrospective effect to 1st January, 1958, and authorised the necessary excess expenditure.

290.—WATER RENTS—POUNDAGE.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that Mr. Murray, Rate Collector, collected water charges and rents at 1½% poundage. His annual warrant was approximately £1,200. Mr. Murray had applied for an increase and it had been ascertained that his rate was much lower than that paid in other Urban areas.

The Sub-Committee dealing with wages examined the matter on 9th January and recommended that the rate be increased to 3½ per cent. The Council accepted the recommendation of the Sub-Committee and approved the necessary excess expenditure.

291.—OFFICE FIELD.

The Town Clerk informed the Meeting that the Office Field had now been taken over from the Meath Estate. It was decided that the Council as a whole, acting in Committee, would hold a Special Meeting to deal with this matter at the conclusion of the Monthly Meeting in February.

292.—CLADDAGH COTTAGE, STRAND ROAD.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the above house had been reported on by the County Medical Officer of Health and the Town Engineer as being unfit for human habitation. The owner's Solicitor had indicated that the owner, Mrs. Rice, would be prepared to sell the property to the Council. The Meeting granted permission to enter negotiations for its purchase and for the purchase of the plot of ground immediately adjoining the house.

293.—SMALL DWELLINGS (Acq.) ACTS — CARVILL TO MRS. P. BURKE, DERRYKEEN, CUALA GROVE.

The Council considered an application by Mrs. P. Burke, 1 Quinsboro' Road, Bray, to take over the interest in "Derrykeen," Cuala Grove. The house was at present held by Mr. J. Carvill to whom a loan of £1,520 had been issued in 1953. The County Manager informed the Meeting that he had considered this application most carefully and did not think that it was one which should be acceded to. He had, for instance, found that it was only with extreme difficulty that the Rate Collector managed to collect the rates on 1 Quinsboro' Road during the past three years. Last year the rates had only been paid on a threat of prosecution. The year before last, resort had to be had to the Courts by the Collector and to date in the current year, no rates had been paid although in addition to the statutory demand, the Rate Collector had applied for them on three occasions.

The Council concurred with the Manager's viewpoint and recommended that the application be refused.

294.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS — EXTENSION TO KITCHEN AT SELBY, WESTFIELD PARK.

Application from Mr. J. Landers, Selby, Westfield Park, for permission to make extension to kitchen and bedroom. Report from Town Engineer recommended that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend permission be granted.

295.—TOWN PLANNING ACTS—REPAIR AND EXTENSION TO SHED AT 5 O'BYRNE ROAD.

Application from Mr. H. Long, 5 O'Byrne Road, to repair and extend existing shed. Report from Town Engineer recommended that permission be granted.

Order: Recommend permission be granted.

296.—TELEVISION AERIALS—COUNCIL HOUSES.

An application was received from Mr. William R. Murphy, 21 Maitland Street, for permission to affix three stay wires of his Television Aerial to the boundary wall at the rear of 23 Maitland Street, a house occupied by Mrs. Byrne, a tenant of the Council. The Meeting was informed that the applicant had had the stay wires connected to Mrs. Byrne's chimney without seeking permission from the Council. Recently when the Town Engineer wished to carry out repairs to the chimney it was only with the utmost difficulty that Mr. Murphy was persuaded to remove the stay wires to allow the repairs to be carried out. Several members of the Council indicated that Mrs. Byrne had been to them

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297.—RIVER WALK—TREES.

The Town Clerk stated that he was sorry to have to report that vandalism continued at the River Walk and recently five plants had been pulled up. The matter had been reported to the Garda Authorities.

298.—WALLACE'S YARD—MESSRS. D. COUGHLAN LTD.

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