Town Hall Wicklow
25th October 1897

Our Managing Committee met this day and having read the Town Sergeants report have given him directions regarding the water Supply from the Vineyard Well:

Having considered the application of the Wicklow Sports Committee for a lease of certain portion of the Corporation Murrough and having visited the ground required, we recommend, that a lease be granted of that plot of the inner Corporation Murrough bounded on the South by a straight line drawn at right angles to the Dublin and Wicklow Railway from the 1st telegraph post on the South of the railway signal post across towards the river, bounded on the North by a straight line parallel to the first and three hundred and twenty five yards north of same, bounded on the East by a line parallel to the railway fence and sixteen feet to the west of same, and bounded on the west by a line not less than sixteen feet to the East of the grass margin of the river, in the names of three solvent householders of Wicklow to be approved of by the Town Commissioners for a term of 21 years free from taxes at a yearly rent of three pounds payable half yearly on the 25th March and the 29th of September on the following terms: —

1) The Lessees to be at liberty to fence in the plot bounded as above (hereafter called the Enclosure) in such manner as they think fit provided the fence shall not form a palpable disfigurement of the Murrough or a source of danger to the Public and that bill posting be prohibited thereon: —

2) Lessees shall effectively clear the space between the railway fence and their East boundary of all furzes and other obstructions and, before closing the present roadway through the Enclosure, provide and form a roadway not less than 10 feet wide round the outside of their East boundary to connect the present road to the south of the Enclosure with that to the north of same, to the satisfaction of the Town Commissioners Managing Committee: —

3) Lessees shall clear and level a path way outside their west boundary to the East of the river strand, five feet wide, capable of been traversed at night by foot passengers without inconvenience or danger.

4) Lessees shall during the term of their lease grant to each inhabitant of Wicklow for the payment of some small reasonable annual charge the use of the Enclosure during the day time of any day on which Lessees shall not have same occupied or engaged, subject to the Lessees right to exclude any person misusing this privilege: —

5) Lessees shall not set any portion of the Enclosure (in competition with the Town Commissioners) to the manager of any circus, swing boat, Merry-go-round or such other similar parties as have from time to time heretofore rented space from the Town Commissioners. — this not to debar Lessees from engaging such parties bona fide in connection with any fete entertainment or sports they may hold in said Enclosure except during Wicklow Regatta week: —

6) The right to be reserved to the Town Commissioners officers, servants and workmen of entry at all reasonable times for any work that may be required in connection with sewerage, water or gas supply: —

7) The Town Commissioners to retain the unquestioned right in the event of the Murrough South of the Enclosure proving at any time insufficient for the accomodation of any Militia or Military who may require it for camping or training purposes to allot to such Militia or Military space for camping within said Enclosure, with free entrance to and exit therefrom, upon recouping Lessees one quarters years rent for each three months or portion of three months during which the Enclosure shall be so occupied. The Town Commissioners making good any damage caused to the Enclosure by such occupation:

8) Should this part of the Murrough be required during the lease for any industry, building or other purpose of a permanent benefit to the Town of Wicklow, Lessees shall give up quiet and peaceable possession of the Enclosure to the Town Commissioners on receiving three months notice and reasonable compensation to be fixed by one person nominated by the Town Commissioners and one by the Lessees and a third to be nominated by these two their decision to be final, the materials of the fence and of any structure within the Enclosure to remain Lessees property: —

9) On the termination of the lease or in the event of Lessees failure or liquidation the fence and all fictures within the Enclosure to become the property of the Town Commissioners: —

10) This lease shall become absolutely determined as though the 21 years thereof had expired (A) Should any portion of the Enclosure be used as a building plot (B) Should gravel or ballast be removed from the Enclosure (C) Should any competition sports, game or practise ~~of~~ for same be permitted within the Enclosure on any Sunday, (D) Should Lesses employment of the Enclosure be proved to be a public nuisance:

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman, Edward N. Wynne, Robert Lees
Nicholas H. Haskins: I withdrew my name from above report before same was read or resolution passed thereon. Thomas Darcy Nov 3rd 1897

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Resolution

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Andrew Finlayson "That the Report of the Managing Committee be adopted with the Exception of the words "or liquidation" in clause 9 which are to be omitted.

Amendment

Proposed by Thomas D'arcy, seconded by Robert Lees "That inasmuch as it is not clear in the minds of some members of this Board that the Commissioners have power to lease part of the Murrough to the Sports Company we obtain our Solicitors opinion thereon and that we direct our Town Clerk to give Messrs Toomey full particulars in connection with Same"

The Amendment first having been put there voted as follows For Messrs Darcy, Lees and Mark Byrne (3) against Messrs Frank McPhail Finlayson, Kavanagh, Haskins, Doolittle & Flynn (6) The resolution was then put and declared carried, the Chairman adding the words "under protest"

Town Hall Wicklow
29th October 1897

Your Waterworks Committee met this Evening and having carefully considered the Caretakers Report recommend that he be called on to Explain why the hydrant in Fitzwilliam Square was not in proper working order according to his report of the 20th September also to state the last occasion he tested the hydrant opposite the Court House — The fountain in Batts Street has again been reported to the Board out of order contrary to his report of the 22nd October:

We recommend that the Caretaker be not allowed to take private work in connection with water connections except on giving notice to the Town Clerk and that payment for such work be made to the Commissioners — We also recommend that if the Caretaker is to continue grazing the land at the reservoir he be required to fence off all land west of the parapet wall on which no grazing will be allowed — We further recommend that a night test be made within the next month.

Signed: — Thomas Darcy, Chairman, Frank McPhail, Edward N. Wynne, Mark Byrne, Robert Lees.

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Andrew Finlayson and unanimously resolved "That the report of the Waterworks Committee be confirmed and adopted"

Town Hall Wicklow
12th October 1897

Your Committee appointed to consider the advisability of taking over the roads having gone into the question do not recommend the Commissioners to Entertain the subject.

Signed Thomas D'arcy, Chairman Frank McPhail, E. N. Wynne, Patrick Padin, William Desaix:

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, seconded by Peter Doolittle and resolved "That the report of the Committee relative to taking over the roads be confirmed and adopted"

Mr Desaix brought forward the advisability of making regulations with regard to the cattle Fair on Bay View Terrace Road

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved "That the question of the Fairs be referred to the Managing Committee"

Four Reports was read from Dr. Halpin Medical Officer of Health

No 1 — I hereby report to you a nuisance at the Black Castle the ground belonging to the War Office also the adjacent ground is covered by human falls and I recommend that it be abated"

2 — I hereby report to you an offensive gas from the Chemical Works Chimney it is dangerous to the public health and I recommend that the nuisance be abated within 24 hours;

3 — I hereby report to you the dangerous state of the main sewer in Wentworth Place, several of the houses have had the sewers leading from them stopped; all built sewers are unsuitable for a Town like Wicklow and dangerous and I consider a pipe sewer from Friars Hill gate to the river absolutely necessary — Please let me know what steps have been taken to supply me with a map of the Township sewers which I asked for some years ago;

4 — I hereby report to you the main sewer in Abbey St it is stopped and quite unsuitable for the purpose and I recommend a piped sewer from Phillips corner to the river

Dated this 1st day of November 1897
James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

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Wicklow 1st November 1897

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month but for a few exceptions the public lighting of the Town was well maintained, one of the exceptions is that the lamp opposite to the Convent has not been lighted since the 23rd ultimo. The scavenger was attentive to his work

Gentlemen, I would ask you to make some rule or regulations relative to parties depositing broken bottles or other refuse on the Murrough. As the County Offices are open during this month for presentments it would be well if steps were taken to have Strand St, Murrough, presented for. I would also ask to have the lodging house license of Mrs Reilly Bond St cancelled as she has left the premises. I made usual inspections during the month — The Medical Officers attention I have directed to some sanitary subjects.

I have the honour &c &c

Michael Doyle Sat San Officer

Second Report

At the Petty Sessions on Monday last several summons were before the Court at the suit of the Wicklow Town Commissioners. One of the cases was for disobedience of a Sanitary order, the Magistrates held that as the Town Commissioners were the Landlords they were the party to carry out the Sanitary works, hence I respectfully request the Managing Committee to consider the subject

Michael Doyle Sat San Officer

3rd November 1897.

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Nicholas. H. Hawkins and resolved "That the Sanitary Officers Reports be referred to the Managing Committee"

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved "That the license for a Common Lodging house granted to Mrs Elizabeth Reilly late of Bond Street be now cancelled"

Read Waterworks Caretakers Report shewing the Reservoir is down 2 ft 10 inches from overflow and enumerating certain works done during the month, and requesting the Board to give him his usual supply of coals.

Proposed by Nicholas H. Hawkins, seconded by Robert Lees and resolved "That the Waterworks Caretakers Report be referred to the Waterworks Committee:

Proposed by Andrew Finlayson, seconded by Alexander Flynn and resolved: "That the Waterworks Caretaker be allowed his usual quantity of Coal"

No 42.247: 1897
Wicklow (Town)

Local Government Board Dublin
2nd November 1897

Sir,

Adverting to previous correspondence on the subject I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, herewith, to be laid before the Wicklow Town Commissioners, a copy of a Consent Order which they have made authorising the Commissioners to create and issue Stock; and I am to request that you will be so good as to state how many further copies of the Order you will require. I am to draw your attention to the terms of article 2 (2) of the "Stock Regulations" respecting the preliminaries to be observed in ~~that~~ the case, and at the same time to forward copy of a letter which the Board have addressed to Messrs Casey & Blay Solicitors, on the subject.

I am Sir &c

D. J. Mac Sheahan Assistant Secretary

No 42.247

Local Government Board Dublin
2nd November 1897

Sirs,

Adverting to previous correspondence on the subject I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward to you the accompanying copy of a Consent Order which they have made authorising the Wicklow Town Commissioners to create and issue Stock.

I am at the same time to state that the Board in issuing the Order do not undertake to determine with respect to the persons to whom the Mortgage money is now payable, nor as to the amounts due or the manner in which payment shall be made. These matters must be investigated and carried out by the Wicklow Town Commissioners and their advisers on their own responsibility.

I am Gentlemen &c

D. J. Mac Sheahan
Assistant Secretary

Messrs Casey & Blay Solicitors
21 St Andrew St Dublin

Proposed by Frank McPhail seconded by Nicholas. H. Hawkins and resolved "That Mr Mac Donnell be asked to meet the Redeemable Stock Committee at an early date"

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Read letter from the Officer Commanding South Dublin Division relative to charge made for supply of water to the Artillery Barracks.

Read letter from Mr H. L. Creswell relative to application for letter receivers and stating the subject shall receive attention

Read letter from Local Government Board acknowledging receipt of Chairmans letter relative to New Cemetery and the action of the Board of Guardians in relation thereto

Treasury Chambers
20th October 1897

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Sir,

I have laid before the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury your letter of the 11th Inst, with its enclosed copies of correspondence between the Wicklow Town Commissioners and the Commissioners of Public Works, Ireland, respecting the application of the Town Commissioners to be permitted to repay in advance the outstanding balance of their Loan.

In reply, Their Lordships direct me to state, that from the representations contained in the correspondence it does not appear that there any special circumstances in the case which would justify this Board in departing from the general conditions respecting repayment which were laid down in the Treasury Minute of the 22nd November 1895. The circumstances which in some previous cases have been admitted as ground for such a departure were set forth in the Board of Works letter of the 22nd Ultimo but it is not attempted to be shewn that the correspond with the facts of the present case.

My Lords cannot regard the comparative smallness of the amount at issue as a consideration which should influence their decision. They regret therefore, that they feel precluded from complying with the request of your Commissioners

I am Sir &c
Edward Hamilton

S W MacNeill
Town Commissioners Office
Wicklow

Read letter from Mr Clay stating that he had arranged to call on the Local Government Board on the 27th Inst

Read second letter from Mr Clay stating he had called as promised and that the matter was in the hands of Counsel and that we would obtain Consent Order

in a few days!

Read letter from Local Government Board enclosing "Cleansing of Persons Act, 1897"

Read letter from Mr P. Farrington seeking permission to practise Football on the Murrough on Sundays

Read letter from Mr J. J. Flavin. G. F. C. on the same subject.

Read letter from Mr Charles Kavanagh requesting the Commissioners to sign his lease – Directions were given that Mr Kavanagh be informed that his lease had been improperly drawn and that same when properly completed must be approved of by our Solicitor in the usual manner!

Gas Works Wicklow
27th October 1897

Gentlemen,

We propose to do the necessary repairs to the Gas fittings in the Market House &c as pointed out by Mr Doyle supplying all necessary materials, including new cup and ball joints, ceiling plates &c for the sum of One pound ten shillings (£1 . 10/-)

For the Wicklow Gas Co Ltd
R. Harrison Manager

Proposed by Nicholas. H. Hawkins, seconded by Robert Lees and resolved: "That the Gas Company's Tender for supplying pipes &c in Market House be accepted at Contract price 30/-"

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved "That Denis Briens Tender for cleaning streets and catch pits month of November at £3 . 15/- be accepted on the usual conditions"

Mr Robert Lees notice of motion fell through for want of sufficient Members present"

Geo. D'Arcy Chairman
Decr 6th 1897

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Town Hall Wicklow
6th December 1897

The usual monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to notice

Members present - Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs Edward N. Wynne, Patrick Padin, John Neill, Mark Byrne, John Phillips, Peter Doolittle, Peter O'Brien, Nicholas H. Haskins, Robert Lees, Frank M'Phail, and Joseph McCarroll

Mr Peter O'Brien took the usual declaration after which the minutes of the former meeting were read over and ordered by the Board to be signed - The business was then proceeded with

No 1 - To consider Finance Committees Report
2 - To strike Local Rate for ensuing year.
3 - To consider Redeemable Stock Committees Report.
4 - To consider Managing Committees Report.
5 - To consider Sanitary Officers Reports
6 - To consider Waterworks Caretakers Report.
7 - To consider Miscellaneous Correspondence.
8 - To consider Tender for cleaning Streets
9 - To consider Mr O'Carey's Notice of Motion - "I hereby give notice that I will move, at our next monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners, that a small Committee be appointed to enquire into the lapsed Corporation Property, with a view, if possible, to recover possession of same, and that we empower said Committee (should they deem it necessary) to employ Mr Clay, whilst he is in London, to make the necessary searches and enquiries, and to obtain a map of the lands given under Charter, and a copy of the original Charter granting said lands for the benefit of the people of Wicklow." —

Town Hall Wicklow
3rd December 1897

Your Finance Committee met this Evening and checked over accounts, books and vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums:

Mr William Desaix	Agent	£ 38 . 13 . 2
" F. W. MacPhail	Town Clerk	1 . 6 . 5
" Michael Doyle	Water Rate	9 . 6 . 0
		£ 49 . 5 . 7

giving a Cr Balance of £ 100 . 18 . 9

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£ 5 = 0 = 0
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	11 = 12 = 11
Michael Doyle	One months Salary	4 = 11 = 8
Edward O'Connor	ditto	5 = 0 = 0
Denis Brien	Tender cleaning Streets	3 = 15 = 0
Treasurer Fever Hospital	Annual Contribution	5 = 0 = 0
Irish Land Commission	Tithe Rent-Charge	3 = 8 = 5
Edward Kane	Supplying Electric bell & fittings for Town Hall	1 = 3 = 6
John Walsh	Advertising in "Wicklow People"	2 = 4 = 6
Wicklow Gas Co	On account contract public lighting Ending March 1897 (Mislaid 15 Oct 1898)	50 = 0 = 0
		£ 91 = 16 = 0

We recommend that the Water Rate Collector be directed to forthwith collect in the balance of Rate outstanding and also that our Agent be requested to take active measures to collect in the arrears of rent and report to the Board the different cases of arrear after his collection

Estimate of proposed Local Rate for 1898
For Water Rate

Expenditure	Income	
£ 435 - 11 - 5	Water rents and new stock (reduced interest	61 - 3 - 8
	Rate at 1/4½ in the £1	375 - 2 - 0
£ 435 - 11 - 5		£ 436 - 5 . 8

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Sanitary

Expenditure	Income
Interest on Loan	Rate at 2½ in £1
£56 - 10 - 2	£56 - 16 - 8

School Attendance

Expenditure	Income
For 1897 and 1898	Rate at 4¼ in £1
£94 - 7 = 3	£96 = 12 - 4

We propose that a Local Rate of One Shilling and nine pence in the £1 be struck for the year 1898 (1/4½ for Water and 4½ for Expenses under the Irish Education Act 1892) being less than the rate as calculated, as we hope to meet the Excess out of Town Estate and the benefits of the Redeemable Stock. This Stock we hope will from year to year reduce the Local Rate in future.

Signed Thomas D'Arcy Chairman
Edward N. Byrne
Robert Lees
John Neill
Nicholas H. Haskins

Proposed by Mark Byne, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That the Report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and adopted"

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Mark Byne and resolved "That the Local Rate for the ensuing year 1898 be hereby struck at 1/9 in the £1 being 1/4½ for Water Rate and 4½ for Education Act Expenses"

Town Hall Wicklow
1st December 1897

Wicklow Redeemable Debenture Stock Committee

Your Committee met on several occasions since last report and completed as far as possible all matters in connection with creation and issue of Redeemable Debenture Stock. From calculations placed before them and proposals received in advance for the Stock Your Committee has been satisfied that the consolidation of the Debts under the Consent Order of the Local Government Board will be of material Financial benefit to the Town. The Prospectus has been drafted and the

necessary books designed and ordered so that your Committee hope to call a special meeting of the Board at an early date to sanction the invitation of Tenders for the Stock

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman
Frank McCarthy
William Besant
Nicholas H. Haskins
F.W. McCarthy Town Clerk

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That the Report of the Redeemable Stock Committee be confirmed and adopted"

Town Hall Wicklow
22nd November 1897

Your Managing Committee met this evening and having considered the advisability of making better regulations with regard to Wicklow Cattle Fair recommend that no black cattle be allowed on any portion of the forty foot road for sale or otherwise on Fair Days, that portion to be devoted for the sale of sheep and lambs, and that we put up sufficient pens for sheep accomodation and that we appoint an Officer to carry out these regulations, we also recommend that the footpath on the north East side of Sheep Fair be kept for Pedestrians said rule to come into effect on the 1st January 1898.

We recommend that the Manager of Dublin & Wicklow Manure Co be written to, calling his attention to the Medical Officers Report.

Having considered the Medical Officers Report relative to the sewerage in Wentworth Place and Abbey St we are unanimously of opinion that his recommendation to run a pipe sewer the whole way from Friars Hill gate to the river would remedy any Evil which may Exist. We therefore suggest that the Commissioners ask Earl Fitzwilliam to go half of the expense and the residents in the Locality be specially rated for remaining half.

With regard to the sewer in Abbey Street from Mr Phillips corner we recommend that the sewer be remedied as far as defective and that the cost of same be provided in the same manner as Wentworth Place sewer; — We recommend that the War Office Authorities and Harbour Commissioners be served with notice to abate the nuisance complained of by the Medical Officer of Health. — We have considered your Sub Sanitary Officers Report and recommend that parties requiring to deposit stones, broken bottles &c on the Murrough must first obtain

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permission from the Town Sergeant otherwise they will be prosecuted.

We have given directions that a presentment be made for the repair of the Wordenbridge, also the footpath at Bay View Terrace Road and several catch pits and street crossings throughout the Town:

We recommend with regard to the unsanitary state of John Murphy's premises High St that a letter be written giving him one month to build closet & catch pit, in case of refusal or neglect to provide same, he be served with notice to quit as the house and premises were let to his predecessors at a low rent on the distinct understanding that he was to provide sanitary arrangements and keep same in proper repair.

In the absence of Captain Darragh who has gone to sea we cannot deal with the question of payment for boundary wall: —

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman
John Neill
Frank McPhail
Mark Byrne
Nicholas H. MacRiss

Proposed by Robert Lees, seconded by Edward N. Byrne and resolved "That the Report of the Managing Committee be confirmed and adopted with the exception of the sewers in Wentworth Place and Abbey St which we recommend to be referred back to the Managing Committee"

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Joseph McCarroll and resolved "That the present condition of that portion of the sewer opposite the old Post Office in Main Street be referred to the Managing Committee"

Wicklow 6th December 1897

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month the public lighting of the Town was well attended to however on the 17th ult an accident occured to the main service in Church St thereby causing a few lamps to go out. The Scavenger was careful and attentive to his work, I made usual inspections during the month and served five notices under the Public Health act for Sanitary works. The Medical Officers attention I have directed to some sanitary matters.

I am Gentlemen &c
Michael Boyle
Sub San Officer —

Second Report

I hereby draw your attention to Four Houses in Strand St there is no drainage for any of them. The Tenants are Henry Burke, Anne Kirwan, Mrs Byrne and Denis Byrne

I recommend that the above houses be connected with main sewer

James A. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

3rd December 1897

Resolved. That notice be served on the parties concerned to have the Medical Officer of Health's recommendation carried out".

Read Waterworks Caretakers Report showing the reservoir with two inches of an overflow and enumerating certain works during the month:

Proposed by Nicholas H. MacRiss, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved "That the Report of the Waterworks Caretaker be referred to the Waterworks Committee"

Wicklow 4th Dec 1897

The Town Commissioners of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I wish to draw your attention to the very bad state of the wall between my Tenant Michael Byrne of College St and Edward Kinsella, and ask you to have it repaired before damage is done.

Kate Caldwell

Resolved "That Mrs Caldwells application be referred to the Managing Committee."—

Wicklow 6th December 1897

Gentlemen,

Having been your Tenant for my holding in Market Square as yearly Tenant for 13 years and having expended a very considerable sum of money in improving my house I would respectfully approach your Board for the purpose of procuring a lease such as you granted Messrs Wall and Ryder The Mall, it is my intention to expend a considerable sum in further improvements. the rear of my holding requires them and I am sure that your Board will not refuse me a lease to entitle me to make an outlay corresponding to the term of years you may agree to allow me — I propose to give the sum of £5. 0. 0 per annum if granted a lease. I trust your Board will accept these conditions

I am yours &c
William Haughton

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Resolved - "That Mr William Haughton's application be referred to the Managing Committee". -

Head Quarter Office Dn Castle Yard
Dublin 9th November 1897

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Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 6th Inst regarding the supply of water to the Barracks at Wicklow, I have to inform you that it is necessary to obtain War Office authority before the sum claimed could be paid, it being a new service - This authority has been asked for, and the amount will be paid as soon as this authority is received -

It is considered desirable that some Agreement should be entered into between the Under Secretary of State for War and your Commissioners for this water supply, and I am to request that you will forward a draft Agreement to this Office at your Earliest Convenience

I am Sir &c
L. A. Clutterbuck
Lt Colonel

Resolved - "That our Town Clerk be directed to write asking for a definite name to be inserted in the Agreement before same is prepared"

Dublin Castle
24th November 1897

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to invite your attention to the arrangement sanctioned by the Irish Government, and communicated to you by circular letter from the Home Office in 1884 (a copy of which is sent herewith) by which you are empowered, as Local Authority under the Explosives Act, 1875, to appoint a member of the Royal Irish Constabulary to act as Local Inspector without remuneration - By this arrangement the duties of Local Inspector under the Act can be transferred to the Constabulary, thereby securing the efficient administration of the Act, and relieving the Ratepayers of the amount now paid to Inspectors as Salary

I am Gentlemen &c
D. Harrel

Proposed by Edward M. Irvine, Seconded by Robert Lees and resolved "That the Lord Lieutenant's letter be referred to the Managing Committee giving them power to appoint an Inspector

Read letter from Commissioner of Valuation with reference to the Valuation of Mr Gleesons Premises North Quay Wicklow

Resolved - That the necessary information be supplied

Read letter from Local Government Board addressed to the Chairman of the Town Commissioners in reference to the proposed new Cemetery and enclosing extract from the minutes of proceedings of the Rathdrum Board of Guardians on the subject.

Proposed by Robert Lees, Seconded by Frank McGhail and resolved "That the Board of Guardians be requested to have the necessary steps taken forthwith to supply this Town and District with the very necessary Cemetery"

Read letter from General Post Office dated 5th Nov informing the Board that the dimensions of the letter box provided at the new Post Office at Wicklow are in accordance with the regulations of the Department"

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 4th November 1897

Dear Sir,

Wicklow Town Commissioners
Re Stone Depot

Mr Draper has called upon us with reference to this and states that he has no particular desire that the Depot should be retained in its present position but that as the Contractor when he tendered did so with the idea that he should have the use of this Depot any change would put him to additional trouble and expense and suggests that the Depot should remain as it is until the end of the present Contract which he believes has about a year to run - Please let me know if this meets the views of the Commissioners -

Wicklow Sports Committee
Lease of the Murrough

We have read a copy of the Report of the Managing Committee - We do not say it would be impossible to frame a lease in accordance with the Report but we have no hesitation in saying it would be most unworkable - If there is any right of way over the premises the Commissioners could only lease subject to such right of way - There is no provision in the Report prohibiting of the Lessees assigning which they could do in its absence - The rent would be secured by the Covenant of the Lessees and the premises could be Ejected for its non payment - If the

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Commissioners wish our advice we think they should give a lease for any but a short term of say three years and on its expiration the Lessees could continue as Tenants from year to year

James Lynch
Tormey & Tormey

J. W. MacPhail

Proposed by Edward N. Wynne, seconded by Patrick Padin and resolved "That we are satisfied on Mr. Draper giving a written undertaking that at the expiration of the present contract which he states will run one year longer, the stones now on the Murrough will be removed and the place not again used as a Depot, to allow the stones to remain till the end of the current contract."—

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Edward N. Wynne and resolved "That our Agent be directed to measure the ground required by the Sports Committee and that a written application signed by the Messrs David Haskins, James J. McPhail, Edward Gleeson be handed the Agent and forwarded by him to our Solicitor for his opinion if lease can be legally granted and if so direct him to draft same"

Read application from Mrs Elizabeth Downs requesting the Commissioners to repair her house and offering to pay 6d per month extra for outlay on same"

Resolved "That Mrs Downs application be referred to the Managing Committee

Read letter from Local Government Board requesting to be informed of the amount of expenditure incurred under the Irish Education act 1892 for the Financial Year ended in 1896

Read two letters from the Local Government Board with regard to the Bye Laws adopted by the Commissioners regulating the use of Whirligigs Swings etc and pointing out that it is ultra vires to insert in Bye Laws 2 the words "or swing driven by any power" and these words must be struck out

Read letter from Mr Newton on behalf of the Hockey Club seeking permission for the use of the outer Murrough"
The Chairman stated he had accedded to their application

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Office of Public Works
Dublin 23rd November 1897

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to forward for the information of the Town Commissioners of Wicklow a copy of an Order made by the Board of Works declaring the proportions in which the consolidated Debt contemplated by the Wicklow Harbour Advances act, 1897, shall be a charge on the Rates of the Town of Wicklow, and on the Grand Jury Cess of each of the contributing Baronies. This Order has been made under the second section of the act, sub section 3.—

I am Sir etc
H. Williams Secretary

Town Clerk Wicklow

Wicklow Harbour Advances Act.— 1897
60 & 61 Vic, cap 55 (Local and Personal)

Whereas pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the provisions of the Wicklow Harbour Advances act 1897 a special meeting was held in the Court House at Wicklow on the 29th day of September 1897 of the Town Commissioners of the Town of Wicklow (hereinafter called the Town Commissioners) and of the Justices and associated Cesspayers entitled to attend at the Presentment Sessions of the Baronies of Arklow, Newcastle, South Balliniacor, Shillelagh and North Balliniacor which Baronies are hereinafter referred to as the Contributing Baronies and Whereas at such meeting Octavius Henry Braddell the person nominated in that behalf by the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland (hereinafter sometimes called the Board of Works) presided and the Town Commissioners and Justices and associated Cesspayers of each of the Contributing Baronies separately declared their opinion as to the expediency of charging the Rates of the Town of Wicklow and the Grand Jury Cess of the Barony (as the case was) with the repayment of the Debt in respect of Forty thousand pounds advance in the Wicklow Harbour Advances act 1897 mentioned and any sums advanced under such act and interest thereon as provided by the same act and Whereas the said Octavius Henry Braddell being the Chairman presiding at said Meeting ascertained by taking a vote in such manner as he thought fit that the opinion of the Town Commissioners and of the Justices and associated Cesspayers of each of the contributing Baronies was in favour of the charge and reported to that effect to the Board of Works Now we the Commissioners

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of Public Works in Ireland in exercise of the power in the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1897 and every other power enabling us in this behalf Do hereby order and declare that the consolidated debt in the said Act mentioned with interest thereon at the rate of three and a half per cent per annum as fixed by the said Act shall be a charge on the rates of the Town of Wicklow and on the grand Jury Cess of each of the contributing Baronies in the following shares and proportions that is to say - The sum charged on the rates of the Town of Wicklow in pursuance of this order shall be the sum of Two thousand five hundred pounds provided that the charge on the rates of the Town of Wicklow shall not effect the liability of that Town on account of the charge on the grand Jury Cess of any of the contributing Baronies of which it forms a part and the residue of the said consolidated debt with interest thereon at the rate aforesaid shall be apportioned amongst and charged upon the grand Jury Cess of each of the contributing Baronies in the proportions set opposite the names of such Baronies respectively in the Schedule of this order In witness whereof we the said Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland have hereunto caused our Corporate Seal to be affixed this 17th day of November 1897

Present when the Corporate Seal of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland was affixed
Wm. H. Cannon } Office of Public Works
James Wilson

H. Williams Secretary (Seal)

Schedule above referred to

Name of Contributing Barony	Proportion in which charged.
Ar Rlow	·34964.
Ballinacor North	·09936.
Ballinacor South	·12565.
Newcastle	·28603.
Shillelagh	·14032.
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Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by John Neill and resolved - "That Denis Bieno Tender for cleaning streets and catch pits for the month of December be accepted at £3 - 15 on the usual conditions"

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved - That a small Committee be appointed to enquire into the lapsed Corporation Property with a view if possible to recover possession of same, and that we empower said Committee (should they consider it necessary) to employ Mr Clay whilst he is in London to make the necessary searches and enquiries and to obtain a map of the lands given under Charter and a copy of the original Charter granting said lands for the benefit of the people of Wicklow, and that the Committee first get an agreement drawn up with Mr Clay as to his charge for carrying out this work"

On the motion of Mr Peter O'Brien the following were appointed to act as a Committee Messrs Darcy, Nadin, Haskins, McCthail, Neill, O'Brien and officials - It was also decided to ask Mr John Nolan to act on the Committee he being an old Commissioner and acquainted with the subject"

Notice of Motion

I give notice that at the next meeting of the Commissioners I shall propose that the resolution objecting to the use of the Town Hall for Political or Religious purposes be rescinded"

Joseph McCarroll

Notice of Motion

That at the next meeting of the Commissioners I shall propose that no meter rent be charged in from 1st November 1897 to 1st April 1898

Joseph McCarroll

Thos. D'Arcy Chairman
Dany 3rd 1898

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Town Hall Wicklow
16th December 1897

A Special meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to a requisition signed by Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs John Neill, Peter O'Brien, Walter Roche, Alexander Flynn, Thomas Kavanagh, Gerald Byrne, William Grigg, Robert Lees, and Mark Byrne: —

To transact the following business

No 1 — To adopt a resolution giving authority to create £20,500 "3¼ per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock under the Public "Health Acts (Amendment Act 1890) and Local Government "Board Consent Order 42.247 for the purpose of Enabling "the Town Commissioners to pay off £12.000 Luscombe Mortgage, "£4950 . 5 . 6 to Board of Works and to raise £2540 "for Erection of Artisans Dwellings: —

2 — To pass a resolution adopting Prospectus and authorising "Stock Committee to insert dates and advertise for Tenders.

3 — To adopt a resolution giving the Redeemable Stock Committee "power to pay such Commission to Brokers or Underwriters "as may be necessary for successfully floating the scheme.

4 — To authorise the opening of a Special Consolidation of Loans "Capital Account with Hibernian Bank and transmitting "thereto any unused balances of old Loans which are "being (or ought to be if unexpended for Capital purposes) "to credit of the Commissioners account with their present Treasurers

The following Members attended Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman, Messrs Mark Byrne, John Neill, Frank McPhail, Edward N. Wynne, Peter O'Brien and Walter Roche

Resolution

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That we the Town Commissioners of Wicklow being the Sanitary Authority "of the Urban Sanitary District of the Town of Wicklow at a meeting "of our Body specially convened for the purpose of creating Redeemable "Debenture Stock and holden in the Town Hall Wicklow on Thursday "16th day of December 1897 at the hour of 7 . 30 o'clock in the afternoon "hereby resolve first: —

That with the Consent of the Local Government Board for Ireland and subject to the regulations of that Board prescribed under the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890 and pursuant to Consent Order No 42.247: 1897. We the said Town Commissioners of Wicklow do hereby in exercise of our powers create Stock to be called "The Wicklow Town 3¼ per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock and to be issued to an amount which shall be sufficient for the following purposes but not exceeding £20.500 (Twenty thousand five hundred pounds): —

[a] For raising the following sums (amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £2540 which ~~shall~~ has not ~~have~~ been raised) viz: —

(1)	Erection of Houses for working classes	£1700
(2)	Erection of Houses for working classes	840

[B] For raising the sum of £16950 . 5 . 6 for paying off or redeeming the following Statutory Securities viz:

(3)	Construction of Waterworks	£4104 . 0 . 0
(4)	Sanitary Works	540 . 0 . 0
(5)	Sanitary Works	66 . 13 . 4
(6)	Sanitary Works	163 . 18 . 1
(7)	New Meter for Waterworks	75 . 14 . 1
(8)	Improvement of the Town of Wicklow	12000 . 0 . 0

[C] For paying fine levied by Her Majesty's Treasury for in respect of redemption of Loans advanced through Board of Works (Ireland) and paying expenses of consolidation of Debts & Scheme £1009 . 14 . 6

And that "The Wicklow Town Redeemable Debenture Stock" be from time to time or forthwith issued to realize the amount of £20.500 aforesaid shall: —

(a) [Bear interest at the rate of £3 . 5 . 0 per cent per annum on the nominal amount of such stock payable by equal half yearly dividends on the 1st day of July and 1st day of January in each year, the first of such half yearly dividends (for such amount as may have been previously allotted and paid for] to be paid on the 1st day of July 1898;

(B) Be issued at not less than par that is to say £100 for every nominal amount of £100 stock (subject only to ordinary commission or brokerage for placing or underwriting not in case to exceed one per cent)

(C) Be redeemable at par that is to say at the price of £100 for every nominal amount of £100 stock on the 15th day of December 1957 ~~1957~~ or at the option of the Wicklow Town Commissioners on the 15th day of December 1922: ⊙

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And after the first issue of Debenture Stock the Commissioners shall be entitled to charge the following fees:—

On original issue of Stock certificate	2	"	6
" Any new "	2	"	6
" Transfer including "	5	"	0
" Any issue of certificate to Bearer in respect to every ten pounds of stock specified therein	"		6
" Re-Entry in Stock Register of stock specified in stock certificate to Bearer	5	"	0

That the said stock be transferable by Deed

And that the Debenture Stock created and to be issued by virtue of this resolution shall so far as relates to the payment of dividends shall rank pari passu with all Debenture Stock which may be issued pursuant to any statutory borrowing power by the Commissioners and there shall not be any priority or preference between the different issues of any ~~stock~~ such Debenture Stock all of which shall form one and the same class of stock ⊙"

Mr. Wynne proposed an Amendment which was not seconded "That we insert the words "or after" after the word "on" before the 15th December 1922

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by John Neill and resolved "That the form of Prospectus as submitted to Mr. R. K. Clay Solicitor and approved by Redeemable Stock Committee and now submitted specifying conditions of instalments and allottments etc be and is hereby adopted and that the said Committee be authorised to have same advertised and issued."

Proposed by Walter Roche, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved "That we hereby give the Redeemable Stock Committee power to pay such commission to Brokers or Underwriters as may be necessary for successfully floating the scheme."

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Mark Byrne and resolved "That we hereby authorize the opening of a special Consolidation of Loans Capital account with Hibernian Bank, and transmitting thereto any unused balances of old Loans which are being (or ought to be, if unexpended for capital purposes) to credit of Commissioners with their present Treasurers."

The Town Clerk stated that he had summoned a special meeting for last Monday to transact the business of this Evening and in consequence of a question raised as to the legality of sending out notices on a Saturday for a meeting on Monday The Board decided not to run any risk and directed that a fresh requisition be drawn up and signed and notices sent out accordingly for the meeting just held — By direction of the Chairman the Town Clerk obtained Messrs Tormey's opinion thereon.

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 14th December 1897

Dear Sir,

Wicklow Town Commissioners

We are of opinion that Sunday will count under sec 26. 9 George IV cap 82. — Sundays are included in computation of time except when the time is limited to twenty four hours or unless where otherwise expressly provided.

Yours truly
Tormey & Tormey

F. W. MacPhail

TOWN-HALL, WICKLOW,
13th day of December, 1897.

SIR,

You are requested to attend Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners, under the Act of 9 Geo. IV., cap. 82, in the Town-Hall, Wicklow, on THURSDAY, 16th day of DECEMBER, 1897, at the hour of 7.30 o'clock, p.m., to transact the following business:—

No. 1—To adopt a Resolution giving authority to create £20,500 3¼ per cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock, under the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1890, and Local Government Board Consent Order, No. 421,247, for the purpose of enabling the Commissioners to pay off £12,000 to Mr. Luscombe, £4,950 5s. 6d to the Board of Works, and £2,540 for the erection of Artizans' Dwellings.

2—To pass a Resolution adopting Prospectus, and authorising Stock Committee to insert dates and advertise for Tenders.

3—To adopt a Resolution giving the Redeemable Stock Committee power to pay such commission to Brokers or Underwriters as may be necessary for successfully floating the scheme.

4—To authorise the opening of a Special Consolidation of Loans Capital Account with Hibernian Bank, and transmitting thereto any unused balances of old Loans which are being (or ought to be, if unexpended for Capital purposes) to credit of the Commissioners with their present Treasurers.

I am, Sir,
Your obdt. servant,
FRANCIS W. MACPHAIL,
Town Clerk.

Thos Darcy Chairman
January 3rd 1898

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Town Hall Wicklow
3rd January 1898

The usual monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to notice

Members present Mr Thomas Darcy Chairman Messrs Patrick Padin, John Neill, Peter O'Brien, Walter Roche, John Shaw, Alexander Flynn, Robert Lees, Frank McPhail, Nicholas A. Haskins, Samuel M. Kent, Gerald Byrne, John Phillips, Joseph McCarroll and Mark Byrne.

The minutes of the former meetings having been read over they were ordered by the Board to be signed after which the following business was proceeded with

No 1. To consider Finance Committees Report.
2. To consider Managing Committees Report.
3. To consider Redeemable Stock Committees Report.
4. To consider Sanitary Officers Report.
5. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
6. To consider Miscellaneous Correspondence.
7. To consider Tender for cleaning streets.
8. To consider Mr Darcy's Notice of Motion — "That a Committee be appointed and given power to clear, level and improve the Inner Murrough, with a view to rendering same available for Military and recreation purposes"
9. To consider Mr Thomas D'arcy's Notice of Motion — "That the resolution of the 16th day of December, 1897, creating £20.500 Wicklow Town 3½ per cent Redeemable Debenture Stock, be rescinded in reference to limiting Underwriters Commission to 1 per cent, and that the words 'not exceeding one per cent' be omitted from said resolution, which is hereby, also further amended by inserting the words 'or after' between 'on' and '15th December, 1922.'"
10 To consider Mr McCarroll's Notice of Motion — "I give notice that, at the next meeting of the Commissioners, I shall propose that the resolution objecting to the use of the Town Hall for political or religious purposes, be rescinded."
11 To consider Mr McCarroll's second notice of Motion "That at the next meeting of the Commissioners, I shall propose that no meter rent be charged from

1st November, 1897, to 1st april 1898."—

Town Hall Wicklow
31st December 1897

Your Finance Committee met this Evening and checked over accounts, books and vouchers and found that during the past month there was lodged to your credit the following sums:

Mr. William Desaix	Agent	£ 546	6	0
" F.W. MacPhail	Town Clerk	1	13	4
" Michael Doyle	Water Rate	22	5	9
	Total £	570	5	1

Giving a Credit Balance of £579 . 7 . 10

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£ 5	0	0
Same	Petty Cash Outlay	12	7	2
Michael Doyle	One months Salary	4	11	8
Same	2½ per cent on collection Water Rate amounting to £414 . 14 . 8	10	7	5
Same	5 per cent on collection meter rents, loses, copying rate book etc stamps	3	9	2
Same	5 per cent on collection miscellaneous minies amting to £14 . 8 . 4	"	14	5
Edward O'Connor	One months Salary	5	0	0
Denis Brien	Cleaning Streets	3	15	0
Board of Works	Interest on Loan	185	14	7
W. D. Browne	One years rent Town Hall	2	6	2
Thomas Dowling	Poor Rate	11	19	7
Edward Rylands	Planting & providing Trees & Shrubs in Leitrim Place	9	0	0
Francis W. MacPhail	School Attendance Committees Expenses for half year Ended 31 Dec 97	24	14	6
Jooke C. Luscombe Esq	2 years interest on Mortgage	261	0	0
	£	539	19	8

Signed Thomas D'arcy Chairman
John Neill
Frank McPhail, Commissioner present

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Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by John Shaw and resolved — "That we hereby agree to pay Mr. Edward Kylands the sum of Nine pounds provided he puts down 12 more small shrubs to finish the row next iron paling at Wooden Bridge End"

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Peter O'Brien and unanimously resolved "That the Report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and adopted" —

Town Hall Wicklow
30th December 1897

Your Managing Committee met this Evening and having visited Messrs Kinsella and Byrne premises recommend that the wall be repaired to a distance of 17 feet; and to be 10 feet high, 18 inches thick. Mrs Caldwell to pay half the Expense;

With regard to Mr. William Haughtons application we recommend that a lease be given him of 75 years at the rent of £5 per annum, provided that a guarantee from him be given to make an outlay within the next five years of £50" —

A sudden damage has occured to our wall of the field in the occupation of the Ladies of the Dominican Convent and we recommend that same be repaired and have given directions to our Town Clerk to have Tenders for our next meeting for the repair of same

Signed Thomas Darcy Chairman
Frank M'Phail
Mark Byrne
John Neill
Walter Roche

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Samuel M. Kent and unanimously resolved "That the Report of the Managing Committee be confirmed and adopted"

December 30th 1897

To the Chairman & Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

I propose to build the wall which has fallen on the rock convenient to Colley Well, it contains 30 feet in length, 6 feet 6 inches in height — For the

sum of Five pounds five shillings £5 . 5 . 0

Signed William Carroll. Summer Hill Wicklow

Proposed by Patrick Padin, seconded by Walter Roche and unanimously resolved "That William Carroll's Tender for building wall at Colley St and providing all materials, including the building of the breach in same wall higher up, and repairing the coping on said wall where deficient, be accepted, provided he undertakes to carry out the whole work for the sum of £5 . 10/- and to the satisfaction of the Managing Committee. The whole work to be completed on or before the 14th January 1898 and to sign an Agreement in accordance with this resolution." —

January 3rd 1898

To the Chairman & Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

I propose to take down a portion of the boundary wall which divides Michael Byrne's and Kinsella's Yard in Irish Town also this wall divides the Corporation and Mrs Caldwell's property. I propose to build a lime and stone wall seventeen feet in length and 10 feet in height for the sum of Four pounds £4 . 0 . 0

William Carroll

Proposed by Mark Byrne, seconded by John Neill and unanimously resolved "That William Carroll's Tender for building boundary wall between Commissioners Tenant and Mrs Caldwell's Tenant be accepted at £4 Carroll undertaking to provide all materials, length to be 17 feet, 10 feet in height, 18 inches in thickness — The work to be done in a workmanlike manner within a reasonable time say one month and to the satisfaction of the Managing Committee: Mrs Caldwell to pay half the contract sum £2!"

On the motion of Mr Frank M'Phail, seconded by Mr John Shaw Standing orders were suspended, in order to bring Mr Darcy's "Notice of Motion on to a vote having at the moment the requisite number of Members present"

Proposed by Thomas Darcy, seconded by Robert Lees and unanimously resolved "That the resolution of the 16th December, 1897, creating £20.500 Wicklow 3¼ per cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock, be rescinded in reference to limiting Underwriter's Commission to

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