Wicklow Urban District Council

Statement of Assets and Liabilities on 30th day of September 1899

Assets

To Balance in Bank	58	14	10			
" " " hands Town Clerk	3	1	6	61	16	4
" Amount of Rent and Arrears due on 30th September 1899				823	14	11½
				£885	11	3½

Liabilities

By Amt of Accounts paid at October Meeting and due on 30th Sept 1899				95	7	1
Wicklow Gas Co Public Lighting due 1st May 99	136	19	10			
Same Gas Town Hall	12	13	6	149	13	4
Joseph Pim, Amt of acct due 31st March 99	30	15	1			
Same " 30 Sept 99	9	15	3	40	10	4
Toomey & Toomey Amt of Bill Costs				76	10	6
Local Government Board Audit Fee				15	"	"
Messrs Leckie Court Book				3	6	6
William Desaix Agents Fees				30	"	"
Thom & Co Local Government Forms				1	8	3
Irish Times Advertising				"	8	"
Wicklow People Same				6	17	"
Stam & Baker Water Meters				6	7	6
Stone & Co Leather Hose &c				10	"	4
Same Suction Hose &c				3	6	"
Bird &c Centrifugal Brush				2	12	6
Glenfield Co Sluice Valves &c				4	6	7
Same Stand pipe &c				7	12	"
Excess of Assets				432	5	4½
				£885	11	3½

James Pierson Clk
Dec 4 99

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Estimate of Wicklow Township Rates

(Made in pursuance of Local Government (Ireland) (Public Health (Ireland) Act

Revenue

Excess of Assets over Liabilities on 30th September 1899			432 5 4	
In respect of:=				
Meter Rents			24 " "	
Market Tolls			4 10 0	
Grant-in aid Sanitary Salaries			4 17 11	
Fines from Borough Court			50 " "	
" Irish Education Act			5 " "	
Miscellaneous Receipts			10 " "	
Refund on Harbour Loan			106 13 4	
Wicklow Township Rate at 5/- 9½				
In respect of				
General & Sanitary	11·072	or 11⅛	253 3 8	
Waterworks	9·792	" 10	223 19 3	
Sinking Fund	10·218	" 10¼	233 13 3	
Harbour	1·506	" 1½	34 8 11	
Education	·724	" ¾	16 11 3	761 16 4
				1399 2 11
In respect of				
Maintenance Roads & Public Works	1 : 3·662			357 14 2
Total			£	1756 17 1

For half year ended 31st March 1900

Act 1898, Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 1878 and Acts Incorporated therewith)

Expenditure

In respect of:=					
General & Sanitary Expenditure				390 9 7	
Maintenance of Waterworks				346 4 8	
Irish Education Act				25 " "	
Interest on Harbour Loan				53 6 8	
Interest & Sinking Fund				360 7 1	
Probable Amount of Rents due and uncollected on 31st March 1900				223 14 11	
				1399 2 11	
In respect of:=					
Amt due Road Contractors 30th Sept 1899		152 4 10			
" " 31 March 1900		195 15 10			
Cost of Collection		9 13 6		357 14 2	
Total			£	1756 17 1	

James Vernon Clerk
Dec 4 99

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Town Hall Wicklow
16th November 1899

A special meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council and Town Commissioners was held this evening in pursuance to a requisition signed by Messrs Peter O'Brien, Matthew McDonald, Christopher Murray, Garrett Byrne, Peter J Byrne, Edward M Collins to transact the following business: =

No 1 To consider the advisability of raising £400 to meet the Expenditure of the improvements at the Waterworks and to direct your Town Surveyor to prepare, Estimates, plans and specification for Murrough Improvements, both Schemes to be included in Local Government Board Inquiry, Should same be found necessary

2 To consider Mr Frank McPhail's "Notice of Motion" That at the next meeting of the Urban Council, I shall move a resolution relating to the collection of Rates, and propose that the Rates be Consolidated with the Object of Saving a big annual Expense to the Ratepayers: =

3. To consider Managing Committee's Report: =

4. To consider Miscellaneous correspondence: =

Members present Dr James P Byrne, Chairman, Messrs Patrick Padin, Peter J Byrne, Peter O'Brien, Frank McPhail, James Sernon, Charles Davis, Matthew McDonald, Edward Kennedy, Louis Carroll, David H Haskins, Nicholas H Haskins, Christopher Murray and Edward M Collins:

After a good deal of discussion relative to raising £400 to meet the Expenditure at the Waterworks, it was decided to wait the result of Town Clerks letter to Local Government Board before taking any further steps in the matter: =

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Peter O'Brien; ~~and carried~~
"That the collection of all Rates of the Wicklow Urban Council and
"Wicklow County Council in the Township of Wicklow be consolidated
"so as to save expense on the Ratepayers and facilitate the
"collection, which in view of the present low State of the Finances
"of the Council is of the greatest importance: =

The Chairman put the resolution with the following result: =

For Resolution: Messrs Padin, Peter J Byrne, O'Brien McPhail (4)

Against: Messrs Collins, Carroll, Davis, Sernon, David Haskins, Kennedy, Murray, and McDonald (8)

Mr Nicholas H. Haskins declined to vote and the Chairman declared the resolution lost

Town Hall Wicklow
13th November 1899

Town Managing Committee met this evening and after visiting the Artisans Dwellings, Convent Road, recommend that a french drain from 4 to 5 feet deep be constructed at the gable of the upper house and that the gable end of same house be cemented with two Coats of cement, and also that a french drain be Constructed at the rere of John Dunne's house: = We recommend that Charles Kavanagh's Tender of £3. 7. 6 be accepted for draining, flashing and cementing so as to relieve the damp of Artisans Dwellings as recommended by your Town Surveyor:

We have directed your Town Surveyor to prepare plans & Specification for the works detailed above, and for a french drain at the rere of all the houses and to provide for Extra down pipes, the water from same to be carried by pipes into the french drain when constructed and also that the gardens be levelled where necessary before the Erection of the paling: = We have considered your Medical Officer of Health's Reports and recommend that a supply of disinfectants be provided at a cost not to Exceed £5 = and that Dr Halpin be asked to allow the disinfectants to be stored in the Dispensary as usual: = In reference to the Report of Medical Officer of Health suggesting a second Scavenger be Employed, your Committee have given

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directions to your Town Surveyor to use more pressure on the Road Contractors to clean the Streets :=

With regard to your Sub Sanitary Officers Report we recommend that the drain from the Gas Works be included in the main drainage Scheme

We have given directions to your Town Clerk to inform the Gas Co that a deduction will be made in their Account for public lighting owing to several lamps in the Township not being lighted on several occasions during the past & present month := We recommend that posters be issued inviting Tenders for the repair of Murrough paling in accordance with your Town Surveyors directions := As we have not had time to visit the Murrough on the subject of the removal of gravel, we have deferred making any recommendation until we do so := Having considered Mr John Flynn's letter we recommend that he be given One pound in addition to his Account furnished of £4. 13. 0 making a total of £5. 13. 0 provided he erects a new flag pole five feet higher than the present one := With regard to the Local Rate on Charles Toole's premises we recommend that same be paid by the Council until he receives the reduction in his rent as provided in his Lease := We have considered Mr Toole's Account for the repairs of the Wooden Bridge we recommend that the amount certified by the Town Surveyor for timber and workmanship be paid less £1. 16. 0 already received on Account :=

Signed :=
Peter O'Brien
Matthew McDonald
Garrett Byrne
Frank McGrail
James Lennon

Proposed by Christopher Murray, Seconded by David H. Haskins and resolved "That the Report of the Managing Committee be confirmed and "adopted :

Mr Frank McGrail dissented from increased expenditure on flag pole on the ground that the present one suited the purpose :=

Read letter from Secretary Wicklow Gas Co requesting payment of account for public lighting due 1st May last amounting to £136. 19. 10 and also Town Hall Gas Account £12. 13. 6 for which no payment has been made for the past twelve months :=

The Town Clerk was directed to inform the Gas Co that the Council Expected shortly to be in a position to make a payment on Account as the Rates will soon be in course of collection :=

Read letter from Messrs A & J Main stating they were in receipt of Order for paling which will have their best attention :=

Read letter from Board of Public Works enclosing certificate under the Wicklow Harbour Advances Act 1897 for amount due on 1st Inst £53. 6. 8 on Harbour Loan :=

Resolved := That Board of Works letter be referred to next Finance Meeting :=

Read letter from Alfred Beckett, Chief Clerk, General Valuation Office stating he will forward Valuation Lists provided that same will be returned by the End of present month :=

Local Government Board
Dublin 13th November 1899

M065201 : 1899
Wicklow Urban District

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th Instant together with the accompanying Estimate and Statement of the Poor Rate and Town Rate required by the Wicklow Urban District Council for the service of the period Ending on the 31st March 1900, and in reference thereto I am to state that the action of the Urban District Council in reducing the "Local Rate" is not one in which the Local Government Board are empowered to interfere and the Council must be prepared to accept the responsibility for the course they have taken in the matter :=

I am Sir
Your obt Servant
D. J. MacSheahan
Assistant-Secretary

Francis W. MacGrail Esq

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No 62.537:1899
Wicklow Urban District

Local Government Board Dublin
7th November 1899

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, to be laid before the Wicklow Urban District Council, the accompanying Communication which they have received from Dr Halpin Medical Officer of Health, relating to the Water Supply of the Urban District, and I am to request that the District Council will be good enough to take prompt measures to carry out the recommendations of the Medical Officer of Health in this matter :-

I am Sir &c
D. J. MacSheahan
Assist Secretary

The Town Clerk. Wicklow.

Resolved "That our Town Clerk inform the Local Government Board that immediately on receipt of Mr Comber's C.E. Report on the Wicklow Water supply, steps were at once taken to carry out his recommendations and the works are in progress since the End of last September :-

Copy of Dr Halpins Report dated 24th Oct 1899

Secretary Local Government Board

Sir

With reference to previous correspondence I beg to draw the attention of your Board to Paragraph 6 of the Engineers Report on the Wicklow Water Supply in my opinion it is absolutely necessary that new filtering beds be constructed at once and that some steps be taken to protect the Sources of supply :- I also report two cases of Typhoid Fever, one of Scarlatina and four cases of Measles in this Town :-

I am Sir
Your obd Servant
James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

Read letter from Rev Samuel Mathews acknowledging receipt of resolution of his appointment as a Member of Wicklow School attendance Committee

Wicklow 16th November 1899

To the Chairman & Urban Council

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that since your last monthly meeting I had two main drains repaired one running from the Ball alley district to South Quay, the other from Kilmantin Hill and joins the first one at Quarrentine Hill, I find both of those drains in a very dangerous Condition : I called the attention of your Town Surveyor to the matter :-

I am &c
Michael Doyle, Sur. San. Officer

Notice of Motion

"That a Rate Collector be appointed to collect Wicklow Poor Rate and same be advertised for in local papers at the next meeting :

Notice of Motion

"Take notice that I will move at the next monthly meeting of the Council that the Water Meter Rent be taken off the parties who have same placed on their Premises from October last until April 1st next and that also I will move that the resolution on the Books (Minute) be rescinded :"=

Notice of Motion

That the coming Elections in January 1900 be conducted by Voluntary Officers to save Expense

David H. Haskins

James Perrin Adv
Dec 4 99

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Town Hall Wicklow
27th November 1899

A special meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council and Town Commissioners was held this Evening in pursuance to a requisition Signed by Messrs Peter O'Brien, Matthew McDonald, David H Haskins, Frank McDonald, Nicholas H. Haskins, and Peter J Byrne to transact the following business: =

No1 To make the following Poor Rate on all property situate in the Urban District of Wicklow, rateable under the provisions of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, and the Acts incorporated therewith: A Poor Rate, or collectable as such of £1/10½ in the £, including 1½ in the £ for County charges, 1½ in the £ for Union charges, and for separate charges 3½d in the £— viz, Wicklow Harbour Loan 2·329; Arklow Harbour Loan 1·281, Malicious Injury ·043; and that Notice be hereby given that the Rate Books are now deposited in the Offices of the Council, and may be inspected by any person affected thereby; and that the said Rates are payable from and after the Publication of this Notice: =

2 = To consider Mr Charles Davis "Notice of Motion" That a Rate Collector be appointed to collect Wicklow Poor Rate and same be advertised for in local papers

3 = To make provision for payment of wages to men working at Reservoir

4 = To Conside miscellaneous correspondence in reference to various matters of importance

Members present Mr James Fenton Vice Chairman in the Chair
Messrs Peter O'Brien, Nicholas H Haskins, William Darragh, Matthew McDonald, Charles Davis, Louis Carroll, Frank McDonald, David H Haskins, and Christopher Murray: =

Proposed by Frank McDonald, seconded by Matthew McDonald and unanimously resolved: -

"That we hereby make the following Poor Rate on all Property situate in "the Urban District of Wicklow, rateable under the provisions of the "Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, and the Acts incorporated "therewith: A Poor Rate, or collectable as such of £1/10½ in the £, "including 1½ in the £ for County charges, 1½ in the £ for Union "charges, and for separate charges 3½d in the £, viz: Wicklow Harbour "Loan 2·329; Arklow Harbour Loan 1·281; Malicious Injury ·043; "and that Notice be hereby given that the Rate Books are now "deposited in the Offices of the Council, and may be inspected by "any person affected thereby; and that the said Rates are payable "from and after the publication of this Notice: =

Proposed by Charles Davis, seconded by Louis Carroll and resolved
"That a Rate Collector be appointed to the Wicklow Urban District "Council to collect the Poor Rate of the Urban Township and "same be advertised for in local papers at 6d in the £1·0·0

Proposed by Frank McDonald, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved
"That a Cheque be drawn for £30 to pay wages of the men "working at Reservoir: =

Local Government Board
Dublin 16th November 1899

No 65·674: 1899
Wicklow Urban District
Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th Inst inquiring how the expenses incurred by the Wicklow Urban District Council in relation to the business transferred to them by the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, should be assessed, and in reply, I am to state that the incidence of Expenses incurred by an Urban District Council "in relation to the business transferred to the Council "by or in pursuance of this Act, or otherwise in the execution of this "Act" and not incurred "in meeting the demands of the County "Council, or in connection with the Poor Rate", will follow the incidence of the Rates out of which the cost of paving and cleansing the Streets in such District are, or can be defrayed: =

H. M. Swaine Secretary

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Read letter from Local Government Board No 66219: 1899 acknowledging receipt of letter of the 14th Instant and stating that the subject to which it relates will receive the attention of the Board: =

No 66219: 1899
Wicklow Urban District

Local Government Board
Dublin 21st November 1899

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th Instant relating to a Loan required by the Wicklow Urban District Council for improving the Water Supply of the District, and as regards the proposal, in the meantime, to defray the Expenditure in connection with these works by an overdraft, I am to state that the Board have no power to sanction an overdraft at interest for the purpose indicated: = Article 8 of the Transitory Provisions (1902) Order in Council only authorizes the Board to Consent to borrowing for current Expenses during the postponement of the making of a Rate in consequence of the delay in receiving revised Valuation lists: =

A further Communication will be addressed to you with regard to the Loan when the Form of application for Sanction thereto, forwarded to you on the 18th Instant, shall have been received by the Board: =

I am Sir &c
H. M. Swaine
Secretary

To
The Clerk Urban District Council Wicklow: =

Proposed by James Gernon, Seconded by Christopher Murray and resolved: =
"That the inner portion of the upper Murrough be converted into a
"Park and Recreation ground for the people and that the Town
"Surveyor be asked to prepare a plan and Estimate of the work, viz
"the cost of Enclosing, by an iron railing and levelling the ground
"and also providing a Cycle track around the Park": =

Read General Order dated 22nd day of November 1899 and cited as the Urban District Rate Book Order 1899: =

Read letter from Messrs Hamilton & Craig requesting a cheque for £5 5s 9d being costs of Dismiss in the case of Commissioners v Hogan heard at last Quarter Sessions: =
Referred to next Finance Committee

Read letter and resolution from Wexford County Council on the subject of the Evicted Tenants Restoration Committee: =

Proposed by James Gernon, seconded by Charles Davis and resolved: = "That we
"approve of the action of the Evicted Tenants Restoration Committee who are
"Endeavouring to restore the Evicted Tenants to their homes and we pledge
"ourselves to do all in our power to aid the movement": =

Read letter from Mr Edward M Harding resigning his position as a Member of Wicklow School Attendance Committee: =

Directions were given to have the vacancy filled at next monthly meeting

Read circular letter from Local Government Board on the subject of Public Works Loans Act 1897 (60 & 61 Vic, c 51)

Read letter from Mrs Jemge Drury enclosing Cheque value £100 proceeds of the Sale of Dublin Corporation Stock: =

The Clerk stated that he had lodged to the credit of Dividend Fund Acct £34. 19 and balance to Credit of Stock Capital Account: =

Proposed by Charles Davis, seconded by William Darragh and resolved: =
"That this Council repair the house occupied by ~~Michael~~ Nicholas Downes
"Castle Street which the Council are the owners of, and that same
"work be commenced at once, the cost not to Exceed £1. 0. 0

James Gernon Clk
Dec 4 99

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Town Hall Wicklow
4th December 1899

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council and Town Commissioners was held this day in pursuance to notice

Members present Mr James Gernon Vice Chairman in the Chair Messrs Christopher Murray, Mathew McDonald, Edward M. Collins, Louis Carroll, Gerald Byrne, Garret Byrne, Peter O'Brien, David H. Haskins, Nicholas H. Haskins, Frank McPhail, Charles Davis, Edward Kennedy, William Darragh and Peter Doolittle

The minutes of the former meetings were read over and 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 Redeemable Stock Committees Report :-
3 = To make Local Rate at 2/8 in the £= upon all occupiers or owners of all premises in Wicklow Urban District :
4 = To appoint a Rate Collector of Wicklow Poor Rate at 6d in the £
5 = To Elect a Member on Wicklow School Attendance Committee :=
6 = To consider Town Surveyors Report :=
7 = To consider Sanitary Officers Reports :=
8 = To consider Waterworks Overseers Report :=
9 = To consider miscellaneous correspondence :=
10 = To consider Tender for cleaning streets :=
11 = To consider Tenders for French Drains at Artisans Dwellings
12 = To consider Tenders for rain water pipes :=
13 = To consider Tenders for cementing Gable of Upper House :=
14 = To consider Tenders for Excavating and levelling Gardens :=
15 = To consider Mr Charles Davis's "Notice of Motion" : "That I will "move, at the next monthly meeting of the Council, that the "Water meter rent be taken off the parties who have same "placed on their premises, from October last until the 1st of "April next; and that also I will move that the resolution "on the Books (Minute) be rescinded :=
16 = To consider Mr David H. Haskins "Notice of Motion" = That the coming "Elections in January 1900, be conducted by Voluntary Officers to save Expense"
17 = To consider Tenders for repairs to Murrough pailing :=

Town Hall Wicklow
1st December 1899

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	£	33 . 8 . 6
" Francis W MacPhail	Town Clerk		5 . 18 . 7
" Michael Doyle	Meter Rents etc		7 . 3 . 1
	Total	£	46 . 10 . 2

Showing a Debit balance of £153 . 14 . 2

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£	9 . 3 . 4
Same	Ordinary Petty Cash		6 . 19 . 1
John Parsing	One months Salary		4 . 3 . 4
Michael Doyle	Do Do		4 . 11 . 8
Edward O'Connor	Do Do		5 . 0 . 0
Denis Brien	Tender cleaning streets, catch pits etc		4 . 10 . 0
John Flynn	Amount of Acct Erection of Flag Pole		5 . 13 . 0
Hamilton O'Craig	Costs of Dismiss Commissioners v. Hogan		" 10 . 9
Wicklow Star	Printing & Advertising		2 . 9 . 0
Charles Toole	Amount Contract 6 wheel barrows		4 . 1 . 0
James Carlyle	Advertising in "Irish Times"		" 8 . 0
Board of Works	Half years interest on Harbour Loan		53 . 6 . 8
	Total	£	100 . 15 . 10

We recommend that Mr William Carroll be paid out of Capital Account £17 = 0 = 0 for Erection of 17 iron gates as per Engineers certificate at Artisans Dwellings :=
Your Clerk submitted proof of Demand Note for Poor Rate and we approve of Same :=
We recommend that a Cheque for £40 be drawn to pay wages of the men working at Reservoir

Signed Peter O'Brien
James Gernon

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Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins seconded by Christopher Murray and resolved:
"That the Report of the Finance Committee be confirmed and
"adopted! =

Proposed by Frank W. Phail, seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins and resolved
"That Mr Charles Kirk Kavanagh be paid £3.7.6 amount
"of Contract, cementing, draining, flashing (including all
"materials and labour) Artisans Dwellings, as certified by
"our Town Surveyor! =

Town Hall Wicklow
22nd November 1899

Your Redeemable Stock Committee met this Evening to Consider Counsels Opinion re Cuscombe Mortgage and Messrs Guinness Mahon's underwriting Commission and have given directions to your Town Clerk to forward Counsels Opinion to W. Mac Donnell and request him to arrange an Early date for an interview with Guinness Mahon &Co to ascertain the best terms upon which they will place the necessary amount of Stock £12000 to pay off Cuscombe! =

Signed Frank W. Phail
Christopher Murray
Peter Brien
Matthew McDonald

17 College Green Dublin
30th November 1899

Dear Sir

We have received your letter of the 29th Instant, but though we have every desire to assist you, we feel it is hardly reasonable for you to ask us to interest ourselves further on your behalf until our Commission so long withheld has been paid! = Awaiting your remittance, we remain! =

Yours faithfully
Guinness Mahon &Co

Town Clerk Wicklow!

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 2nd December 1899

Dear Sir

Re Cuscombe

We think that the matter of the Cuscombe Mortgage ought

to be brought before the Local Government Board at once

Yours truly
P. K. Toomey &Co

F.W. MacPhail Esq

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, Seconded by Frank W. Phail and resolved
"That the Report of the Redeemable Stock Committee be
"confirmed and adopted and we further hereby direct that
"Messrs Guinness Mahon &Co be paid the sum of £157.5.0
"being amount of Underwriting Commission on £8500"!

Proposed by Nicholas H. Haskins, Seconded by Frank W. Phail and resolved
"That the Common Seal of the Town Commissioners of
"Wicklow be affixed to power of attorney authorising
"George Drury Esq, Stock Broker, to sell as much Dublin
"Corporation Stock, Standing in our names as will produce
"£200 Cash! =

James Jernon Chairman
Nicholas H. Haskins
Frank W. Phail
Commissioners

Francis W. MacPhail, Town Clerk

"Table Showing Deficit on several items of Rate
Between Estimated Rate and Rate Struck

Rate	Items of Revenue	Amount at 2/9½ in £			Amt Struck at 14/- in £			Deficit		
D 5/4	General & Sanitary ~~Expenditure~~	253	3	8	120	1	2	133	2	6
4/2	Water Works	223	19	3	102	18	2	121	1	1
5	Sinking Fund	233	13	3	114	6	10	119	6	5
" 3/4	Harbour	34	8	11	17	3	"	17	5	11
" 1/2	Education	16	11	3	11	8	8	5	2	7
£1 " 4/-		761	16	4	365	17	10	395	18	6

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Proposed by Christopher Murray, seconded by Nicholas H. HasKins and resolved
"That we hereby make the following Rate and Assessments upon all
"Occupiers or Owners of all premises within the Wicklow Urban District
"viz:- A Wicklow Township Rate of Two Shillings and Eight-pence in
"the £, whereof One shilling and four pence is for maintenance of Roads
"and public works; Five pence farthing for General and Sanitary Expenses;
"Four pence half penny for Waterworks; Five pence for the purpose of
"defraying interest and sinking fund necessary to be provided for
"money raised through the issue of Wicklow (Town) Redeemable Debenture
"Stock; Three farthings to pay interest on Loan for the improvement of
"Wicklow Harbour, pursuant to the provisions of the Wicklow Harbour
"Advances Act-1897, and one half penny to defray the costs of the
"working of the Irish Education Act, 1892; We further hereby fix
"the 5th day of January, 1900, as the day on and after which same
"shall be due and payable": =

Read two applications for appointment of Rate Collector of Poor Rate in Wicklow Urban District:= Mr Thomas Darling and Mr Denis Rooney both of Wicklow =

Proposed by Charles Dario, seconded by Edward Kennedy, "That Mr
"Thomas Darling be appointed Rate Collector for this Urban Council
"of Wicklow

Proposed by Christopher Murray, seconded by Nicholas H. HasKins:=
"That Denis Rooney be appointed Poor Rate Collector for Wicklow
"Urban District in accordance with the terms of the Advertisement
"and Local Government Board General Orders and Regulations, & £300
"to be the Sum required by the Council as his Security:=

The Voting was as follows:= For Thomas Darling Messrs Garrett Byrne, Gerald Byrne, Edward M. Collins, Charles Dario, Edward Kennedy, Frank McNeill and Peter O'Brien:= (7)

For Denis Rooney:= Messrs Louis Carroll, William Carragh, Peter Doolittle, James Fernon, Nicholas H. HasKins, David H. HasKins, Christopher Murray, and Matthew McDonald (8)

The Chairman declared Mr Denis Rooney elected Poor Rate Collector for Wicklow Urban District, remuneration to be Six pence in the pound on all monies collected and lodged:=

The Council approved of Mr Joseph Darcy South Quay Wicklow and Mr William John HasKins, The Glebe, Wicklow as Mr Denis Rooney's Sureties in the Sum of £200.0.0:=

1068.992:1899
Miscellaneous

Local Government Board Dublin
30th November 1899

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, for the information of the Council the annexed copy of a letter which they have received from the Board of Inland Revenue in reference to the Exemption from stamps duty of receipts for Poor Rate given by Collectors appointed by County and Urban District Councils in Ireland

I am Sir &c
H. M. Swaine Secretary

Clerk Urban District Council:=

(Copy)

Inland Revenue, Somerset House
London W.C. 27th Nov 1899

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Inland Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant-1066, 911:1899, Galway County, and to acquaint you, for the information of the Local Government Board for Ireland, that receipts for Poor Rate given by Collectors appointed by County or Urban District Councils constituted under the Local Government (Ireland) Act-1898, are regarded as exempt from stamps duty under the provisions of Section 96 of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act-1838,

I am &c
T. N. Craker Secretary

The Secretary, Local Government Board
Dublin:=

Local Government Board
Dublin 22nd November 1899.

1067.253:1899
Wicklow Urban District

Sir

With reference to an Entry on the minutes of proceedings of the Council of the Wicklow Urban District on the 16th inst, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward to you the Enclosed Form of queries to be filled up respecting the person who

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may be appointed Collector of Poor Rate in the Urban District :=

Iam Sir &c
A. M. Swaine
Secretary

F. W. MacNeill Esq

Proposed by Frank McNeill, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved :=
"That the Rev Thomas Fibbings be elected a Member of the School
"Attendance Committee as the representative of this Council in the room
"of Mr. Edward M. Harding, who declines to act :=

Wicklow 4th December 1899

To the Chairman
Council of Wicklow Urban District :

Gentlemen,

With reference to your application to the Local Government Board for Sanction to a Loan, it will be necessary before filling up the form, for the Council to decide what sum is required and upon what work it is to be Expended :=

If the amount to be borrowed is only to cover the cost of Enlarging and improving the Waterworks, and of the Sanitary works requiring immediate attention it would consist of the following viz Water Works £300; Sanitary Works, including Sewer in "Edwards Hollow", Do from Mall to Quarantine Hill, ventilating Shafts on Murrough Sewer and Gulley grates £300 total £600

If the Public Park be included £500 more will be necessary making £1100 and if the whole main drainage Loan be sought £3800 must be added making a total of £4900 : This would not include £1000 which may ultimately be required for new filter beds at the Reservoir :=

I would therefore ask the Council to settle on the Amount of Loan as I must prepare detailed plans, specifications and Estimates to accompany the application :=

Perhaps the best course to adopt would be to apply for Sanction of £5000. This need not necessarily be all borrowed at once, but when Sanctioned you would be free to Expend it on the several Sewerage and other works most urgently required in your district, and the cost of the Local Government Board Inquiry would be no more than for this than for the Loan of £600. The Commencement of the main drainage Scheme cannot be delayed much longer :=

As regards Converting the Inner Murrough into a Public Pleasure Ground I find that the cost of Enclosing the portion of it north of that leased to the War Office with Corrugated iron or other unclimbable fencing would alone

amount to over £500 and the laying out of the Enclosed ground as a Park with cycle track say £200 total £700 and this would only comprise one half the length of the Murrough, Therefore it might be better to adopt Mr. Little's plan and rail off, with a substantial iron railing and gates, that part shown by a red line on his plan, and lay out the whole Murrough, thus Enclosed, as a Public Park, Mr Little's Estimate is, I think, much too low for this; I consider it could not be done properly for less than £500=

The Excavations at the Reservoir are progressing satisfactorily, and this portion of the work will be completed in 4 or 5 days, I would however recommend that the full staff of Labourers be retained for a week beyond that time, in order to remove the mud and weeds from that part of the basin between the foot-bridge and the junction of the two inlet-streams, otherwise vegetation will again occur in this place, unless the roots of the weeds are completely removed, Mr O'Connor has all his appliances now ready for the changing of the filters, and when the present work is done a short time will suffice to complete this part :=

I would ask the Council to supply 18 padlocks for the new gates at the Artisans Dwellings, in order to prevent children swinging on them :=

Iam Gentlemen &c
John Fanning
Town Surveyor

Resolved : "That the Town Surveyors Report be referred to the Managing Committee :=

Proposed by Frank McNeill seconded by N. H. Haskins and resolved :
"That an application be made to the Local Government Board
"for Sanction to a Loan of One thousand pounds to be Expended
"on the following works, Sanitary Improvements, Sewers &c £300,
"Waterworks £300 and Murrough Improvements £400 : =

Proposed by Christopher Murray, seconded by Nicholas H. Haskins and resolved :-
"That the following Gentlemen be named as a Committee to visit
"the Murrough in company with our Engineer and determine what
"works they think necessary to have done there in connection with making
"it into a Park viz James Fenton, Frank McNeill, David H. Haskins,
"Christopher Murray, Garrett Byrne, Peter O'Brien and Charles Davis" =

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Dr. Halpin's Report on Local Government Boards letter No 58.280 : 1899 relating to the recent occurence of a case of Fever in the Urban District

(Report)

There has been two cases of Tzphoid Fever cause probable The impure water supply of this Town : = I am not aware of any fresh cases

James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

November 18th 1899
Received 4th December 1899

Dr. Halpins reply to letter requesting him to allow the disinfectants to be stored in the Dispensary as usual : =

(Reply)

There is no place in the Dispensary suitable for storage of Disinfectants; they were only left there till your Board made other arrangements

James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

November 18th 1899 (Referred to Managing Committee)

(Second Report)

As Medical Officer of Health for the Urban District of Wicklow I hereby report to you the unsanitary state of privy and ash pit in house occupied by John Davis, Strand Street, and I recommend same to be put in proper order : =

James H. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health

4th December 1899

Resolved : "That Notice be served on the Owner or occupier to comply with Medical Officer of Healths recommendation : =

Wicklow 4th December 1899

To the Chairman
& Urban District Council of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I respectfully beg to report that during the past month I made ordinary Sanitary inspections visiting Seventy premises and served Eight notices under the Public Health Acts for Sanitary requirements.

I disinfected one house which was afterwards limewashed, I had repairs done to five drains and water channels : The public lighting of the Town during the month was well maintained, but for a few exceptions : =

The Medical Officer of Healths attention has been directed to some

Sanitary Subjects : The Scavenger was attentive to his business : =

I am Gentlemen &c

Michael Doyle : Sub Sanitary Officer

Read Waterworks Overseers Report showing the reservoir is 7 feet from overflow and Enamunerating the works now in progress at the Reservoir : =

Chambers 4 Upper Ormond Quay
Dublin 22nd November 1899

Dear Sir

Referring to my former letter in which I stated that I had become aware that the Wicklow Town Commissioners and Urban District Council had given some of their Civil Bill business to another Solicitor I have since come to the Conclusion that the Commissioners acted in ignorance of their legal ~~rights~~ position, and I am therefore prepared not to regard their having done so as a dismissal, but should it occur again I must proceed to Enforce my claim for Compensation as an Existing Officer against your Board : =

Yours truly
John K. Toomey

Francis. W. MacPhail Esq
Town Clerk Wicklow

Read letters from Messrs Brown & Nolan stating they had forwarded Rate Books, demand notes, Stationary &c : =

Read letter from Miss M. Graham, stating, she was about to erect a Water closet in her house and as there was no main drain within any reasonable distance she would ask the Council to direct the Town Surveyor to point out where she will run her sewer pipes : -

Resolved : = That Miss Grahams letter be referred to the Managing Committee" =

Read a letter from Mr Samuel E. Pim requesting permission to turn on the water to his Saw mill premises for Sanitary purposes : -

Resolved : = "That Mr Samuel E. Pims letter be referred to the Managing Committee" : -

Read General Order cited as the County Councils (No 2) Order 1899 and dated 22nd November 1899 =

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Read Local Government Board's circular No 57,653 : 99 Miscellaneous and copy of Small Dwellings Act-1899 (62 and 63 Vic, chapter 44)

Resolved : "That-the Small dwellings Act and circular letter be referred to the Managing Committee :" =

Read an Application from Mr Joseph D'Arcy for a field on the green hills rented from the Council by his Father

Resolved : "That-Mr Joseph D'Arcy's application be referred to the Managing Committee

Read an application from Charles Kavanagh for the Lease of his house which was Signed and perfected by the old Board : =
Directions were given to the Town Clerk to look up the correspondence and resolutions in Charles Kavanagh's case and report to our next monthly meeting

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, seconded by Nicholas A. Haskins and resolved : =
"That-Denis Briens Tender at £4 . 10 . 0 for cleaning Streets,
"Catch pits and Urinals month of December be accepted on the usual
"Conditions : =

One Tender was received for Construction of French Drains at-Artisans Dwellings, Convent-Road, from Mr Peter Flood, Wicklow

Fitzwilliam Square Wicklow
4th December 1899

To the Chairman
& Urban Council of Wicklow

Gentlemen,

I propose to make the French Drains and 8 gds of 6 inch pipe and do all work in accordance with Town Surveyors Specification for the sum of Twenty Eight-Pounds : =

£28 . 0 . 0

Peter Flood

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by James Fenton and unanimously resolved : =
"That-Mr Floods Tender for No 1 Contract-at Convent-Road viz
"French Drains and 8 gds of 6 inch pipe for the Sum of £28
"be accepted" =

Read the Tender from Mr James McCall for cementing gable of upper house New Artisans Dwellings at £6 . 0 . 0

Proposed by Frank McPhail, seconded by Charles Davis and resolved : =
"That-Mr McCall's Tender be referred to the Managing Committee
"giving them power to get the work done or accept a modified
"Tender from Mr McCall" =

One Tender was received for Excavating and levelling Gardens at-Artisans Dwellings, Convent-Road.

Resolved "That-Mr Floods Tender for Excavating and levelling Gardens at-£4 18 . 0 . 0. be referred to the Managing Committee

Proposed by Charles Davis, seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved : =
"That-the Extra water tax imposed by Meter on the Traders viz
"6d per thousand gallons for water used for other than domestic pur-
-poses be remitted from the period from 1st October to 1st April"
"Mr Frank McPhail dissented inasmuch as the resolution was illegal, no notice
having been given to take off the charge for water" =
Charles Doyle's Tender at £1 for pailing Murrough was referred to Managing Committee and Town Surveyor : =

Proposed by David H. Haskins, seconded by Peter O'Brien & resolved :
"That-the Local Government-Board be written to in reference
"coming Elections, asking if it can be conducted by Members of
"the Board or outside Volunteers to save expense" : =

James P. Byrne
Clerk
5th Dec 1899

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Town Hall Wicklow
20th December 1899

A Special Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council and Town Commissioners of Wicklow was held this evening in pursuance of a requisition to transact the following ~~payments~~ business : =

1 = To adopt the following resolutions : "That the Wicklow (Town) Redeemable "Debenture Stock Register of Stock Holders, as now Submitted "for half year to 1st January, 1900, be Signed and that the nett "amount of Dividends set forth therein viz : £322.0.5 (less "£=transfer fees and £62.17.0 interest on Dublin Corporation "Stock) be transferred from General Account to the Wicklow "(Town) Redeemable Stock (Dividends) Fund, and the Registrar "is hereby authorised to issue the necessary Warrants in connection "therewith."

2 = "That the Sum of £129.9.11 be transferred by cheque to the Wicklow (Town) Redemption Fund Account, and that a cheque be drawn "on the said Account for the sum of £129.9.11 in favour "of George Drury, Esq, Stock Broker, and that he be instructed "to at once purchase as much Dublin Corporation Stock for the "Wicklow (Town) 3¼ % Redeemable Stock Sinking Fund as will "with Expenses, exhaust the above cheque" =

3 = "That a Cheque be drawn on Capital Account in favour of Messrs "Guinness Mahon & Co for the Sum of £161.12.0 being amount "of Commission on allotment of £8,735.6.0 Wicklow (Town) "Redeemable Debenture Stock."

4 = To consider miscellaneous correspondence : =

5 = To authorise Endorsement on War Office Lease : =

Members present Dr James P. Byrne, Chairman in the Chair, Messrs James Gernon, Thomas Gregory, Frank McPhail, William Darragh, Nicholas A Haskins, David A. Haskins, Peter O'Brien, Matthew McDonald, Christopher Murray : =

Proposed by Nicholas A. Haskins, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That the Redeemable Stock Register of Stock Holders, as now submitted "for half year to 1st January 1900 be Signed and that the nett amount "of Dividends set forth therein viz : — £322.0.5 (less £=transfer "fees and £62.17.0 interest on Dublin Corporation Stock) be transferred "from General Account to the Wicklow (Town) Redeemable Stock (Dividends) "Fund, and the Registrar is hereby authorized to issue the necessary Warrants

"in connection therewith" =

Proposed by David A Haskins, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That "the Sum of £129.9.11 be transferred by cheque to the Wicklow (Town) "Redemption Fund Account, and that a cheque be drawn on said Account "for the Sum of £129.9.11 in favour of George Drury Esq, Stock "Broker, and that he be instructed to at once purchase as much Dublin "Corporation Stock for the Wicklow (Town) 3¼ % Redeemable Stock "Sinking Fund as will, with Expenses, exhaust the above Cheque : =

Proposed by Peter O'Brien, Seconded by Frank McPhail and resolved : "That a Cheque be drawn on Capital Account in favour of Messrs "Guinness Mahon & Co for the Sum of £161.12.0 being amount "of Commission on allotment of £8735.6.0 Wicklow (Town) "Redeemable Debenture Stock" : —

(Wicklow Water Supply) 18th December 1899

Dear Sir

I have just visited the reservoir and find that since my last Report most valuable work has been executed at the upper end of dam which is just finished off : = The men will be engaged this week cleaning weeds and mud from the new excavation to the present water level, along the northern slope of the basin, towards the drain, and trimming up generally, after that the staff can be reduced and the work of altering the filters proceeded with : =

Faithfully Yours
John Fausing

F. W. MacPhail Esq
Town Clerk

Proposed by James Gernon, Seconded by Thomas Gregory and resolved "That a Cheque for £10 be drawn to pay wages of men "working at Reservoir" : =

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Peter O'Brien and resolved "That a Cheque value £10 be drawn in favour of Petty Cash "Account to pay Labour at Levelling Ground Artisans Dwellings "Convent Road and that the Managing Committee be empowered "to have the Levelling at the Cottages carried out at once : = "Managing Committee to meet at 10 o'Clock Friday next =

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