See Minutes of November meeting.

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## ADEQUACY OF WATER SUPPLY TO CATER FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT:

The Town Surveyor indicated that the complete data on the adequacy of the water supply had not yet been compiled but that it seemed at this stage that the Council would have to make arrangements to increase its supply from the Croneroe Regional Water Supply to meet further development. He stated that there could be no question of abandoning the existing water supply as certain parts of the town could not be served by the Regional Supply. The County Manager indic indicated that not only was the increased consumption of water due to the expansion of the town but also the average number of gallons used per head per day was increasing. In the past an average daily consumption of forty gallons per head per day was normal but now with the increased use of such appliances as washing machines and the fact that far more houses are equipped with bathrooms, the normal average daily consumption was in the region of eighty gallons.

The County Manager then listed the estimated number of houses which might be built over the next ten to twelve years, namely 162 Council houses at Ballynerrin, 58 private houses at Dunbur Estate, 40 houses at Friars Hill Development and 30 houses at Lars Burman Development, a total in all of 290 houses which at a density of five persons per house represented a population of 1,450 persons which at a water consumption of eighty gallons per head per day was equivalent to 116,000 gallons per day.

The Council indicated that they were anxious to take whatever steps which the report, when it came to hand, would show were necessary to insure the adequacy of the water supply for future development.

### E.S.V. SCHEME 1968/69.

The Town Surveyor submitted details of proposals in respect of the employment schemes which he recommended be undertaken out of the grant allocated to the Council for the year 1968/69. The schemes proposed were as follows:-

Renewal of footpaths at South Quay. Renewal of footpaths at Wentworth Place, Renewal of footpaths at St. Patrick's Road.

The Council unanimously agreed with the Town Surveyor's recommendation.

## URBAN ROAD FUND GRANT 1968/69

On the recommendation of the Town Surveyor it was decided to use the Urban Road Grant 1968/69 to reshape the road and apply tarmacadum to Brickfield Lane in respect of which there had been numerous complaints and which was in a bad condition and subject to flooding.

## APPLICATIONS FOR THE REDEMPTION OF MORTGAGES.

The Acting Town Clerk indicated that applications for Release of Mortgages had been received from Gregory Rogers, Friars Hill, Wicklow, to whom the Council had granted a House Construction Loan and Mr. Patk. Hayden, 6 Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow, who was purchasing his house from the Council on the Council's Tenant Purchase Scheme by way of Annuity. It was accordingly proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh seconded by Councillor P. Doyle and unanimously resolved that the mortgages in these cases be released subject to the capital and interest outstanding being paid in full.

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## REVIEW OF DRAFT SCHEME OF LETTING PRIORITIES:

The Acting Town Clerk informed the Council that the Department of Local Government had requested a review of the house letting priorities and that he had prepared a new list of priorities for consideration by the Council to comply with the request.

Accordingly it was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh seconded by Councillor T. A. Delahunt and unanimously resolved:

"That we hereby make in accordance with the provisions of Section 60 of the Housing Act, 1966 a Scheme determining the priorities to be accorded to categories of persons specified in the Scheme in the letting of dwellings provided by the Council as follows.

In making the first or any subsequent letting of a dwelling the Council shall obtain and have regard to the report of the Chief Medical Officer in determining the priorities and also the Council shall have regard to the character, industry, occupation and family circumstances and existing housing conditions of the applicants. Subject to the foregoing requirements the priorities shall be given to applicants in the manner set out hereunder:-

FIRST PRIORITY: Families living in dwellings deemed to be dangerous or unfit. (Section 3 of the Sanitary Services Act, 1964 and Section 66 of the Housing Act, 1966).

SECOND PRIORITY: Families living in overcrowded conditions as defined in Section 63 of the Housing Act, 1966.

THIRD PRIORITY: Families who lack adequate and suitable accommodation and who are unable to provide such accommodation from their own resources,

FOURTH PRIORITY: Families in need of houses on medical, compassionate, or similar grounds.

FIFTH PRIORITY: Families living in a house let in multiple dwellings where the owner undertakes to provide adequate colf-contained accommodation for average sized families in the event of one or more family in the multiple dwelling being rehoused.

# APPLICATION TO PURCHASE GROUND RENT - LANDLORD AND TENANT (GROUND RENT) ACT, 1967 - MR. C. J. FOX.

On the proposal of Councillor F. Conway seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh the Council decided not to hold a discussion on this matter in Committee.

The Acting Town Clerk read a list of applicants who had applied to date to acquire the fee simple of their holdings from the Council and indicated that he had circulated a copy of Mr. Fox's letter as requested. The Council agreed that Mr. Fox be informed that the Council had been advised that the terms of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rent) Act, 1967 did not apply to the Council's property.

APPLICATION UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) ACT - APPLICATION OF LARS BURMAN FOR PERMISSION TO ERECT THIRTY HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN.

The Council agreed that Planning Permission be granted to Mr. Lars Burman for the erection of thirty houses at Ballynerrin.

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## WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL.

Councillor J. Kane enquired if an application had been received from Wicklow County Council for permission to erect a unit-built office at the Courthouse. The County Manager indicated that an application would be made in the near future by the County Council for permission to erect unit-built offices. These offices were urgently required to house the staff of the Council who are at present accommodated in the old jail, a building which scarcely complied with the terms of the Office Premises Act. The Council noted the position in regard to the urgency with which offices would have to be erected for the engineering staff at present accommodated in the jail.

## TOWN SURVEYOR SEPTEMBER.

When members of the Council mentioned that the water supply in certain parts of the town was discoloured, the Acting Town Clerk stated that recently an analysis had been carried out at the request of the County Medical Officer which showed that the supply was uncontaminated in any way.

The Acting Town Clerk indicated that he would obtain quotations for the rewiring of house occupied by Mrs. Dempsey at St. Bride's Road in which there was no electricity supply at present.

A number of members asked if any action had been taken in regard to the dangerous roof at the Rialto Cinema and the Acting Town Clerk stated that notice in accordance with the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1964 had been served on the owner and the matter would be followed up.

The Council urged that some steps should be taken to remedy the leaks at the Library Building at Main Street and the Town Surveyor agreed that he would take immediate steps to have the roof repaired.

#### MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor J. Kane a vote of sympathy was extended to Mr. J. H. McCarroll, Council's Law Agent, on the recent death of his sister. The motion was passed in silence, all present standing.

The meeting concluded at 10,30 pomo



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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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31st October, 1968.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER
OF WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow on Tuesday the 5th November, 1968 at 7.30 p.m. You are kindly requested to attend.

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U. McCABE,

A/TOWN CLERK.

#### AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 1st October, 1968.
- 2) Housing List Number 24.
- 3) Applications under Local Government (Planning and Development)
  Act, 1966.
- 4) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 5) Acquisition of Derelict Sites at Friars Hill.
- 6) Application of Harbour Commissioners for Council to take over maintenance of toilet at North Quay.
- 7) Resolutions from other local authorities concerning the Civil Rights March in Derry.
- 8) Application for Release of Mortgage.
- 9) Sealing of Documents.
- 10) Other Business.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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## MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 5th NOVEMBER, 1968.

PRESENT: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara, Mrs. M. McEnroy, Messrs J. Kane, T. Byrne, L. Turner, F. Conway and Ed. Kavanagh.

The Chairman indicated that Councillor P. Doyle had informed him that he would be unable to attend and tendered his apology therefore.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. U. McCabe, Acting Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER MEETING:

Arising out of the minutes of the October meeting the Town Surveyor pointed out that when discussing the adequacy of the water supply he had not stated, as recorded in the minutes, that there could be no question of abandoning the existing water supply. It was accordingly agreed that the following sentence in the first paragraph of page two of the minutes be deleted. "He stated that there could be no question of abandoning the existing water supply as certain parts of the town could not be served by the regional supply".

## HOUSING LIST NUMBER 24:

The Council discussed at length the Housing List drawn up by the Assistant County Medical Officer and requested that the case of Aidan Ryan, 1 Fitzwilliam Road, and John Quinn, 42 Castle Street, who were omitted from the list should be re-examined as in the former the owner was endeavouring to regain possession of the house and in the latter the applicant's wife was an expectant mother who had to return to her home in England for want of suitable housing accommodation in Wicklow. The Council also requested that the placing of John Dunne and Michael Smullen at numbers one and three respectively on the list be reexamined in the light of their repeated refusals to accept new houses. It was the Council's opinion that they should be placed at the bottom of the list and that James Doyle and Joseph Sweeney might be moved to higher positions than those occupied at present. The Acting Town Clerk informed the Council that he would bring these matters to the attention of the Assistant County Medical Officer and that he would be in a position to place the matter before the Council again at the next meeting.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT:

Andrew J. Finlayson, Main Street. Wicklow:

The Council agreed that planning permission be given to Mr. Andrew J. Finlayson for the erection of a two story dwelling at Dunbur Road.

The County Wicklow Vocational Educational Committee:

The Council agreed that planning permission be given to the County Wicklow Vocational Educational Committee for the erection of prefabricated classrooms at the rear of the Technical School, Wicklow.

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## Matthew Maguire, Clifton House, Sea Road, Arklow, Co. Wicklow:

The Council agreed that planning permission be given to Mr. Matthew Maguire, Clifton House, Sea Road, Arklow, for the erection of a bungalow at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow.

## James E. Cox Ltd., Main Street, Wicklow:

The Council agreed that planning permission be given to James E. Cox Ltd., Main Street, Wicklow, for alterations and additions to their premises at Main Street.

#### Wicklow County Council:

The Council agreed that planning permission be given to the Wicklow County Council for the erection of prefabricated offices at the Court House, Wicklow.

## Department of Post and Telegraphs:

The Council gave their consent to the Department of Post and Telegraphs for the laying of under ground telegraph lines at Mortons Lane and High Street, Wicklow.

## APPLICATION FOR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION LOAN:

The Acting Town Clerk informed the meeting that as a result of representations from members of the Council he had carried out investigations into the case of Mr. J. Flaherty of 184 Crumlin Road, Dublin, whom the Council had approved for the issue of a House Construction Loan. It came to light in the investigations that Mr. Flaherty had purchased the house in which he resided at 184 Crumlin Road since the date of his application. Consequently there was doubt that he intended to occupy the house which he was now building as his normal place of residence and in fact he admitted that he would only reside in it, when completed, for three quarters of the year. As the Council would not normally allow House Construction Loans to persons who are the owners of adequate housing accommodation and in view of the doubt about Mr. Flaherty's intention to use the house as his normal place of residence the Council decided to inform him that he would have to seek alternative financial accommodation as the House Construction Loan was being cancelled in his case.

# ACQUISITION OF DERELICT SITES AT FRIARS HILL:

The Council deferred consideration of this matter pending the result of negotiations which were at present in progress for the purchase of these sites by a person interested in acquiring them.

APPLICATION OF HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS THAT COUNCIL TAKE OVER MAINTENANCE OF TOILET AT NORTH QUAY:

The Acting Town Clerk read a letter of application from the Wicklow Harbour Commissioners requesting the Council to take over the maintenance of toilet at the North Quay. The Harbour Commissioners indicated that before the Council took over possession they would be prepared to carry out the necessary repairs and have a door fitted. The Council unanimously agreed to accept liability for the maintenance of the toilet subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) That the cost of maintenance be refunded by the Harbour Board to
- (2) That the toilet be kept closed to the public except when ships are being discharged, keys being given to the local shipping agents who would be authorised to open it on such occasions and a key being made available to the Council also.

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(3) That the Commissioners would put the structure into proper repair and have a door fitted with lock and key.

# RESOLUTIONS FROM OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES CONCERNING THE CIVIL RIGHTS MARCH IN DERRY:

The Acting Town Clerk read resolutions which had been received from other Local Authorities in connection with the Civil Rights march in Derry. The Council indicated their agreement with the resolutions which had been passed by the other Local Authorities in this matter.

## APPLICATION FOR RELEASE OF MORTGAGE:

The Council agreed to release of Mortgage in the case of House Construction Loan issued to Miss B. Kavanagh, 2 Summer Hill, Wicklow, the amount outstanding having been repaid in full to the Council.

#### SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor Ed. Kavanagh and seconded by Councillor F. Conway that the seal of the Council be affixed to the following document:

Lease of plot of ground at the Murrough, Wicklow, to the Department of Defence for a period of 75 years at a yearly rent of £20 per annum.

## PUBLIC LIGHTING:

#### J KANE

Councillor L. Turner raised the question of having the public lighting turned on in the morning between the hours of 7.00 a.m. and 8.00 a.m. with a corresponding later switch-on in the evening to compensate for the retention of Summer time. The Council unanimously on at 7.00 a.m. in the mornings and the Acting Town Clerk was accordingly instructed to have this arrangement brought into effect, if possible.

The Council also felt that there was a need for a Public Light at the entrance to the Industrial Estate at the Murrough and authorised its provision. The Town Surveyor stated that he would contact the E.S.B. in the matter.

## TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

Arising from the Report Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara enquired if repeater speed limit signs could be provided at the Murrough. The Town Surveyor indicated that this was a County Council Road but that he would look into the matter.

# WALL AT WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL OFFICES, KILMANTIN HILL:

The Acting Town Clerk was instructed to write to the Wicklow County Council to enquire if and when the wall at Kilmantin Hill would be reconstructed. The members of the Council felt that the rubble from this wall was a danger and a nuisance to persons using this road.

The meeting concluded at 10.00 p.m.



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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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29th November, 1968.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND LACH MEMBER OF WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 3rd December, 1968, at 7.30 p.m. You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

U. McCABE.

Acting Town Clerk

## AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on the 5th November, 1968.
- 2) Attendance of Mr. P. Long, Manager, The Eastern Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd.
- 3) The Easterr Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd.
  - (a) Nominate member of Council to attend the Organisation's Aunual General Meeting.
  - (b) Nomination of member of Council for election of Directors,
- 4) Fowl Market fixing of date.
- 5) Application of Union for "dirty money" for scavenging staff.
- 6) Applicat: on of School Meals Staff for revision of remuneration.
- 7) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 8) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act.
- 9) Application of Mr. J. Flaherty to assign lease of site at Dunbur to Mr. ). Byrne.
- 10) Housing List Number 24.
- 11) Reques' of Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd. for Council's agreement to terms of sub-lease to Wen-plast Ltd.
- 12) Town Surveyor's Report for November.
- 13) Sealin; of documents.
- 14) Other business (at the discretion of Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## MINUTES ON MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 3rd DECEMBER, 1968.

PRESENT: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara, Mrs. M. McEnroy, Messrs J. Kane, T. Byrne, L. Turner, F. Conway, E. Kavanagh and P. Doyle.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER MEETING:

Arising out of the minutes of the November meeting Councillor J. Kane pointed out that it was he who raised the question of having the public lighting switched on at an earlier hour. Accordingly, it was agreed that "Councillor L. Turner" be deleted and "Councillor J. Kane" inserted on page three of the minutes, which were then signed by the Chairman.

#### THE EASTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION LTD:

The meeting nominated Councillor J. Kane to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Eastern Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd. to be held in Dun-Laoghaire on the 10th December, 1968, and also to go forward for re-election as Director if the occasion arose.

# ATTENDANCE OF MR. P. LONG, MANAGER, THE EASTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION LTD.

At the outset the Chairman welcomed Mr. Long who then outlined the activities and programmes of his organisation and circulated explanatory brochures. Several suggestions by the members, including the possibility of having the Avondale House and grounds opened to the public, and the need for a tourist office in Wicklow, were noted for consideration by Mr. Long. Councillor Ed. Kavanagh also referred Mr. Long to the potential of the one-time residence of Captain Halpin of Tinakilly from the tourism point of view.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Long for his attendance and assured him of the Council's full co-operation in promoting tourism in the area. Before departing Mr. Long paid tribute to the valuable work being done by the Chairman and Councillor J. Kane as directors of his Organisation.

## FOWL MARKET - FIXING OF DATE:

The meeting decided that the annual Christmas fowl market be held on Wednesday the 18th December, 1968.

# APPLICATION OF UNION FOR "DIRTY MONEY" FOR SCAVENGING STAFF:

The County Manager informed the meeting that the application was for a 10/- per week increase for those employed on the scavenging staff and commented that a similar application had been granted in Arklow recently. It was also indicated that the increase sought would cost the Council £ Ou per annum. It was then proposed

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by Councillor Ed. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle and resolved that the increase be granted and that the necessary excess expenditure be authorised.

## APPLICATION OF SCHOOL MEALS STAFF FOR REVISION OF REMUNERATION:

The Council agreed to grant an increase of 7/6 per week to the School Meals Staff to bring their remuneration up to £4. 0. 0. and £3. 10. 0. per week respectively and also to authorise the necessary excess expenditure of £15. 11. 0.

Arising out of the discussion on the matter the Town Clerk was directed to ascertain whether the Road Safety Committee proposed to provide luminous arm bands for children and adults and also whether school children are to be instructed in road safety.

## 11th ROUND SALARY INCREASE OF 9%:

The County Manager informed the meeting that application had been received from the Irish Local Government Officials' Union for a % salary increase for officers of the Council and that an increase of this order had already been approved for the Civil Service and for other public employments. The increase would cost the Council £310 in the current year and £400 in the coming year. It was then proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Mrs. McEnroy and resolved that the increase in remuneration be granted and that the necessary excess expenditure be authorised.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) ACT. 1963:

## Application of Mr. Thomas P. Hunt, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Kane, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved that outline planning permission be given to Mr. Thomas P. Hunt for the erection of a dwellinghouse at St. Patrick's Road and that the Council's mortgage on that portion of the land being sold by Mrs. Broderick to Mr. Hunt be released and also that the seal of the Council be affixed to the necessary documents.

Application of Mrs. Sarah Nuzum for outline planning permission for the erection of eighteen houses at Ballynerrin Lower:

The above mentioned application and the Town Surveyor's report thereon which indicated that the Council's own water supply system was not adequate to facilitate the proposed development was discussed at length by the Council. Councillor L. Turner proposed, and Councillor Mrs. McEnroy seconded that the Council recommend to the County Manager that outline planning permission be granted subject to water facilities being available. The County Manager said that legal advice should be obtained to ascertain whether this proposition was in order and advised that serious legal difficulties could result if outline permission were granted as it might be held that the Council by granting outline permission had placed itself under an obligation to supply water to the houses. The County Manager went on to say that he was of the opinion that the application should be refused on the grounds that water was not available from the town supply. He pointed out that Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, could be invoked by the members if they were of the opinion that permission should be granted. It was indicated that Mrs. Nuzum could re-apply for outline permission again if permission were now refused.

## WATER SUPPLY:

It was agreed that a full report as to the general adequacy of the water supply in the town be requested from the County Engineer as a matter of urgency.

Application of Mr. James Flaherty to assign lease of site at Dunbur to Mr. D. Byrne:

Having noted the Council's Solicitor's advice that the procedure was in order it was proposed by Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved that Mr. J. Flaherty be authorised to assign his lease to Mr. D. Byrne, 6 Kilmantin Hill, Wicklow.

#### HOUSING LIST NUMBER 24:

The Council discussed the report of the Assistant County
Medical Officer in relation to recommendations made by the Council
regarding the housing list at the November meeting and requested
that the case of Aiden Ryan and John Quinn be again reviewed with a
view to placing them on housing List No. 24.

REQUEST OF SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS LTD. FOR COUNCIL'S AGREEMENT TO TERMS OF SUB-LEASE TO WEN-PLAST LIMITED:

The Council agreed to the terms of a sub-lease to Wen-plast Ltd. in respect of part of buildings at North Quay subject to the approval of the Council's Solicitor. Wen-plast Ltd. would use the building for industrial purposes.

APPLICATION BY SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS LTD. FOR PERMISSION TO GIVE TEMPORARY TENANCY TO NITRIGIN EIREANN TEORANTA AND CELMAC LIMITED:

The Council noted the Law Agent's advice and the County Manager's recommendations and agreed that permission be given for a letting of temporary convenience for a period of six months.

## TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER:

Arising out of the discussion on the Town Surveyor's report for November a number of complaints and suggestions for improvements on various matters were noted by the Town Surveyor for attention.

#### SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

House purchase loan, Mr. Michael J. Nolan:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kawanagh, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to the Mortgage in respect of the House Purchase Loan in the sum of £2,500 advanced under the Housing Act, 1966, to Mr. Michael J. Nolan, "Sancta Maria", Sea View Road, Wicklow.

## LETTER FROM WORKS' COMMITTEE, TERRAPIN OF IRELAND LIMITED:

A letter from the Chairman of the Works' Committee of Terrapin of Ireland Ltd. alleging that derogatory remarks were made at a previous meeting in connection with the housing of the County Council Engineering Staff were discussed at length by the Council. Councillor J. Kane said that he was not aware that he had passed any derogatory remarks but if it appeared that he had, through being misinterpreted or misquoted offended "Terrapin" or their staff he regretted it, adding that it was not his intention to do so. Councillor E. Kavanagh denied that he had said or done anything which could injure "Terrapin" and in fact had helped the firm in every way over the years. The Chairman stated that he regretted that words taken out of context had received such widespread publicity and added that the Council had nothing but the highest praise for "Terrapin" and wished them every success and prosperity in the future. All the members of the Council expressed their interest in and support for "Terrapin" and regretted that the firm should feel annoyed in any way. Councillor L. Turner proposed that the Council meet representatives of the Works' Committee to discuss any grievances

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they might have, Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy seconded, and expressed the desirability of having close contact with Local industry. The Chairman said that the Works' Committee of Terrapin would be very welcome to attend any meeting of the Council with due notice for a discussion.

Councillor Turner, with the Chairman's permission, read a letter addressed to the County Wicklow Vocational Education Committee from the Wicklow Branch of the Labour Party expressing dissatisfaction with the decision to award a contract for the erection of Temporary classrooms at Wicklow Vocational School to a firm which operated in direct opposition to the local firm of "Terrapin". Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy informed the meeting that as no actual order had been placed and no contract signed it seemed that it would be in order for the Wicklow Vocational Education Committee to review the position. Councillor J. Kane, in view of what had been stated, asked for a direction from the Council as to what attitude the Council's representatives should take when the matter came up for review at the next meeting of the Vocational Educational Committee. Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy asked for the support of the Council to do all possible to keep the contract in the town. Councillor L. Turner said that the two representatives on the Vocational Educational Committee had the Council's unreserved support.

#### SEASON'S GREETINGS:

Before the meeting concluded the Chairman wished the townspeople, members and officials the compliments of the Holy Season and a happy and prosperous 1969. The members and officials joined in returning the greetings.

The meeting concluded at 11,00 p.m.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Hatta an Daile, Town Hall,

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Cet. 27

3rd January, 1969.

TO/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The monthly Meeting of Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 7th January, 1969, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

C. P. O'BRIEN.

TOWN CLERK

#### AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of December, 1968, meeting. (Copy herewith)
- 2) Overdraft Accommodation approval for quarter ending 31st March, 1969
- 3) Applications under Local Government (PLanning & Development) Act, 1963.
- 4) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 5) Consideration of suggestion by Wicklow and District Chamber of Commerce regarding development of basement portion of the Town Hall.
- 6) Application by Irish Transport & General Workers' Union on behalf of Rate Collector for revision of remuneration.
- 7) Application of Vicklow Corn Company for building lease in respect of yard at South Quay, Wicklow.
- 8) Housing List Number 24.
- 9) Urban Water Supply.
- 10) Town Surveyor's Report for December. (Copy herewith).
- 11) Sealing of Documents.
- 12) Other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).



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## MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 7th JANUARY, 1969:

PRESENT: Councillor T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara, Mrs. M. McEnroy, Messrs L. Turner, T. Byrne, Edward Kavanagh and F. Conway.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors J. Kane and P. Doyle.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER MEETING:

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 3rd December, 1968, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

## OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION FOR QUARTER ENDING 31st MARCH, 1969:

The meeting was informed that the estimated overdraft accommodation required in the quarter ending 31st March, 1969, amounted to £15,000 and it was then proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Mrs. McEnroy and resolved.

"That we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, of the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £15,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 31st March, 1969."

## APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

## Electricity Supply Board:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to the Electricity Supply Board to erect a transformer substation at St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow.

## WILLIAM P. FORDE:

The Council agreed to grant permission to William P. Forde for the erection of 30 bungalows at Friars Hill, Wicklow, subject to the condition that the development be completed within a period of 5 years,

The Town Clerk indicated that applications had been received on the day of the meeting from the Office of Public Works for permission to extend Wicklow Post Office and from the Electricity Supply Board for permission to build a substation at Fitzwilliam Square and advised that the County Manager and Town Surveyor had not had an opportunity of examining the proposals. The Council indicated that they would agree to the granting of permission in both these cases subject to the requirements of the County Manager and Town Surveyor being met.

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## APPLICATIONSFOR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION LOANS:

## Mr. D. E. Byrne:

The Council recommended that a loan of £2,500 should be allocated to Mr. D. E. Byrne for the construction of a house at site number 51 Dunbur Park.

## Thomas P. Hunt:

The Council recommended Mr. Thomas P. Hunt, Forestry Inspector, Tinahely, as a suitable person to whom a house construction loan might be allocated. It was noted that Mr. Hunt's application was for a loan of £2,700 but that the amount of the loan could not be determined until plans of the proposed house, which is to be situated at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, are available and until the market value is assessed.

# SUGGESTION OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF BASEMENT OF TOWN HALL:

A letter from Wicklow & District Chamber of Commerce suggesting that the basement of the Town Hall be converted for use as a tourist office, waiting room, etc. togetherwith the Town Surveyor's report on the matter was considered by the Council. The general feeling of the meeting was that such amenities are very desirable but that same would have to be viewed as a long term proposition, in view of the Council's current financial committments and the need for the continued use of the basement for storing the Council's materials.

# APPLICATION FROM IRISH TRANSPORT AND GENERAL WORKERS' UNION ON BEHALF OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR REVISION OF REMUNERATION:

The County Manager stated that this claim was for an increase of £51 per annum based on an increase granted some time ago to the Clerical Officer grade and explained that the increase applicable in this case if based on the relativity of the Rate Collector's salary to that of the Clerical Officer grade, which attracted an increase of £51 per annum, would amount to £38 per annum. After some discussion it was proposed by Councillor Turner, seconded by Councillor Conway and resolved that an increase in remuneration of £51 per annum be granted and that the necessary excess expenditure be authorised.

### ORANGE LODGE BRIDGE STREET, WICKLOW:

The County Manager informed the meeting that an objection to the proposed compulsory acquisition of the Orange Hall had been received from the Chief State Solicitor on the grounds that the question of title to the property is the subject of proceedings in the High Court and in the Circuit Court. The Town Clerk was directed to inform the Chief State Solicitor of the expense incurred by the Council in rendering the property safe and also the amount of rates due on the property to-date. It was also agreed that inquiries should be made to ascertain if the Circuit Court actich was settled in December.

# APPLICATION OF WICKLOW CORN COMPANY FOR LEASE IN RESPECT OF YARD AT SOUTH QUAY, WICKLOW:

The Council agreed to renew the existing lease for a further period of 31 years from the 25th March, 1968, During the discussion on the amount of the Ground Rent applicable in the case, it was suggested by Councillor Turner that ground rents should be related to the rateable valuation of the property concerned. After further discussion it was agreed that a committee be appointed to consider the question of determining the amount by which ground rents should be increased when old leases come up for renewal. It was agreed that

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Mr. T. Delahunt, Chairman, Councillors Conway, Kavanagh and Turner be appointed to the committee.

## HOUSING LIST NUMBER 24:

The Council considered the report of the Assistant County Medical Officer indicating that he did not propose to alter his recommendations regarding housing list number 24 and agreed on the proposition of Councillor Conway, seconded by Councillor Turner that John Quinn and Mrs. Ryan, if still interested, should be placed on the Housing List.

#### URBAN WATER SUPPLY:

The meeting was informed that the report of the County Engineer on the adequacy of the Urban Water Supply was not as yet to hand. After a discussion the Town Surveyor was requested to submit recommendations on the steps necessary to ensure that further demands on the town water supply could be adequately catered for.

## TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER:

Arising out of the discussion on the Town Surveyor's report for December a number of complaints and suggestions for improvements on various matters were noted by the Town Surveyor. These matters included complaints regarding storm damage to the 14 house scheme at St. Manntan's Park, the dangerous condition of a rock on Travelahawk and a need for a light at the Murrough gates.

## OLD DUMPING GROUNDS AT THE GLEN:

Councillor Kavanagh advised that dumping was still taking place at the Council's old dump and said that the entrance to the dump should be closed. The County Manager suggested that superlap fencing should be erected and the Town Surveyor undertook to obtain an estimate of the cost of same.

# REQUEST OF SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS L'TD. FOR COUNCIL'S AGRLLMENT FOR EXTENSION OF SUBLEASE TO NITRIGIN EIREANN TEORANTA:

The Council gave their consent to the extension for a period of 12 months from the 1st January, 1969, of a sub-lease by Shamrock Fertilizers Ltd. to Nitrigin Eireann Teoranta, in respect of the raw materials' store known as Store "C" at North Quay, Wicklow.

## REFLECTORISED ARMBANDS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN:

The meeting was advised that reflectorised armbands are supplied, free of charge, to managers of Primary Schools by the Safety First Association of Ireland. Arising out of the discussion on the matter the Town Clerk was directed to write to the school managers concerned stressing the desirability of having school children equipped with these armbands.

## TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME:

Councillor Conway requested the preparation of a tenant purchase scheme for St. Patrick's Avenue. The County Manager pointed out that the sale price would have to be based on the market value or replacement value of the houses. It was agreed that a report should be prepared on the matter for submission to the Council.

APPLICATION OF MESSRS FINLAYSON BROS. WICKLOW FOR BUILDING PLOT ON THE SILVER STRAND ROAD AND FOR AN OPTION ON THE PLOT AT THE CANNON GUNS ON THE MURROUGH FOR THE ERECTION OF A FACTORY:

The Council considered the application of Messrs Finlayson Bros., Wicklow, for a building plot on the Silver Strand Road and agreed that,

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in view of the developments envisaged for this area it would not be feasible to grant the application. The Council further agreed that a decision on the application for an option on the plot at the Cannon Guns should be deferred pending the receipt of further information regarding the proposed factory.

## SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

## House Purchase Loan - Oliver Lalor:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to the mortgage in respect of the house purchase loan in the sum of £1,900 advanced to Oliver Lalor, 27 Dunbur Park, Wicklow.

## NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS:

Before the meeting concluded the Chairman wished the townspeople, members and officials a happy and prosperous 1969. The members and officials joined in returning the greetings.

The meeting concluded at 9.45 p.m.

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# Comainte Baileceanntain Cille Manntain Wicklow Urban District Cource.

Hatta on Dark Town Hall,

> Citt Manncain Wicklow

31st January, 1969.

# To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

#### A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow on Tuesday the 4th February, 1969 at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend,

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C.P. O'BRIEN,

TOWN CLERK.

## AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of Minutes of January 1969 Monthly Meeting. (copy herewith).
- 2) Applications under Local Government (Planning and Development)
  Act, 1963.
- 3) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 4) Report of Committee appointed to examine Ground Rents. (Copy herewith).
- 5) Application of Executors of Hamilton Estate regarding apportionment of Ground Rents on fourteen houses at Monkton Row and Castle Street, Wicklow.
- 6) Housing Development at Dunbur Park, Wicklow details from interested parties.
- 7) Urban Water Supply.
- 8) Town Surveyor's Report for January.
- 9) Sealing of documents.
- 10) Other business (at discretion of the Chairman),

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# Comainte Baileceanneair Cille manneain Wicklow Urban District Colven

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Citt Monntain Wicklow

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 4th FEBRUARY, 1969, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors Mrs. M. McLnroy, Mrs. P. McNamara, Messrs F. Conway, J. Kane, L. Turner, Thos. Byrne, and Ed. Kavanagh.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor P. Doyle.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER MEETING:

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 7th January, 1969, sopies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the minutes Councillor Kane suggested that inquiries be made as to the action which might be taken for the recovery of arrears of rates due on the Orange Lodge, Bridge Street, Wicklow, in view of the fact that certain persons have claimed an interest in the property. It was agreed that legal advice be obtained on the matter.

#### VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

#### The McCrea Family:

The Chairman and members paid tribute to the memory of the late Mr. James J. McCrea, former Chairman of Wicklow County Council and extended sympathy to the McCrea family on their great loss.

### The Dickenson family:

The Council members also extended their sympathy to Mr. Liam Dickenson, an employee of the Council, and his family on the death of their father, Mr. William Dickenson.

## APPLICATION UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

## Messrs J. P. Hopkins & Sons Ltd:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to Messrs J. P. Hopkins & Sons Ltd. for alterations to their store at South Quay, Wicklow

## APPLICATION FOR HOUSE PURCHASE LOAN:

The Council considered the application of Mr. Patrick J. O'Callaghan, c/o 10, Leitrim Place, Wicklow, for a house purchase Loan of £2,500 in respect of a house at Church Street, Wicklow, at present owned by Mrs, L. Hudson. In view of the age and character of the house it was agreed that a loan of £2,000 over a period of 15 years would be appropriate in this case.

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## REPORT OF COMMUTTEE APPOINTED TO EXAMINE GROUND RENTS:

The Council considered at length the report of the Committee appointed to examine ground rents. It was noted that the Committee recommended that a new system for determining the amount of ground rents should be based on the relationship between present day money values and those existing when leases were granted. The County Manager explained that the value of £7 at the present time would be approximately equal to that of £1 in the 1890's and that likewise the value of £4 would be approximately equal to that of £1 in the 1930's. Councillor Conway suggested that commercial buildings and dwellinghouses might be viewed separately and that a two tier system of ground rents might thus be evolved. After further consideration it was agreed on the suggestion of Councillor Kane that legal advice be obtained as to whether it would be possible to phase an increase in ground rents in relation to changes in money values over the terms of renewed leases.

#### HAMILTON ESTATE:

A decision on the application of the Executors of the Hamilton Estate regarding ground rents on 14 houses at Monkton Row and Castle Street, Wicklow, was deferred pending the introduction of a revised system of determining ground rents.

### HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT DUNBUR:

Tenders submitted by Irish Excavation Co. Ltd., 3, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin 2, Crosspan Developments Ltd., 44 Belvedere Place, Dublin 1, and Doorlam Limited, 52 North Strand Road, Fairview, Dublin, in connection with the development of the Dunbur housing site were opened. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor should prepare a report on the plans and details submitted by each firm and that a special meeting of the Council be convened to consider the report at an early date.

#### URBAN WATER SUPPLY:

The Town Surveyor informed the meeting that he was preparing a report on the town water supply system and added that the services of a water inspector were needed to examine the town mains for leakages. It was also pointed out that there might be some difficulty in finding a person to do this specialised type of work at night.

## TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT FOR JANUARY:

Arising out of the discussion of the Town Surveyor's report for January a number of complaints were noted for attention by the Town Surveyor. These matters included complaints about the defective drainage at St. Patrick's Road, housing repairs required in a number of Council houses and the condition of the roads at the bottom of the Mall and at Bridge Street. It was also agreed that the Garda Siochana be requested to submit a recommendation on the type of traffic signs required at the junction of Green Hill toad, Mountcarmel Road, Kilmantin Road, etc.

#### SCAVENGING SERVICE:

Councillor Kavanagh suggested that the scavenging service be put up for tender in view of the high cost involved if it should prove necessary to obtain a new vehicle. Councillor Mrs. McEnroy said that the Council should ensure that no redundancy should result if it were found necessary to take this course of action. It was agreed that a report be prepared on the matter for submission to the Council.

## OLD DUMP GROUNDS AT THE GLEN:

The Town Surveyor advised the meeting that the estimated cost of providing 30 ft. of superlap fencing incorporating a gateway at the entrance to the old dump was £40. The Council authorised the necessary excess expenditure and the members expressed the hope that the provision of this fencing would eliminate the unauthorised dumping at present taking place in the area. It was agreed that the possibility of developing the dumping area as a park and playground to serve the new housing development in the vicinity be explored. The Town Surveyor suggested that clay excavated in the course of the housing development might be used to improve the old dumping area.

## LAYOUT FOR COUNCIL HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN:

Councillor J. Kane enquired about the position regarding further Council houses at Ballynerrin and stressed the desirability of having the development expedited so as the Council could adequately cater for existing housing needs, especially those of newly-weds. The meeting was informed that the Department of Local Government had mads suggestions as to possible amendments in the layout plan and that the Consultant Architect had not as yet submitted his report on same. It was agreed that the Consultant Architect be requested to report on the Department's suggestion at the earliest possible date.

## PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT - ST. LAURENCE'S PARK:

It was agreed on the suggestion of Councillor Conway that the possibility of providing playground equipment on the open space at St. Laurence's Park be examined. The Town Clerk was directed to request information from Dublin Corporation on the matter.

#### COAST PROTLCTION SCHEME:

The members expressed serious concern over extensive damage caused to the seafront bordering the industrial estate at the Murrough as a result of recent storms. The feeling of the meeting was that work on the proposed coast protection scheme for the area should be put in hands at the sarliest possible date as a matter of grave urgency. The Town Clerk was directed to advise the Wicklow County Council of the members grave concern so that the matter might be further brought to the notice of the Secretary, Office of Public Works.

## LEASES OF HOUSES SOLD UNDER THE TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME:

In reply to anquiries from the members the Town Surveyor advised that the delay in issuing leases of houses sold under the Council's Tenant Purchase Schemes was due to some delay in the preparation of lease maps.

#### PROVISION OF LIGHTS AND DRAINAGE FACILITIES AT THE MURROUGH:

The following notice of motion in the name of Councillor Turner was accepted by the Chairman:

- (a) "That this Council have three public lights erected on the roadside leading to the factory on the Murrough to facilitate all employees there.
- (b) That the road into the factory be properly drained in order to eliminate flooding".

It was agreed that a quotation of the cost of providing the lights be obtained from the Electricity Supply Board. The Town Surveyor undertook to look into the problem of flooding in the area.

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## WESTERN ENTERPRISES LIMITED - 14 HOUSES SCHEME:

The Chairman inquired about the payment of retention money due on the 14 house scheme constructed by Messrs Western Enterprises. It was pointed out that the Consultant Architect had requested that payment of same be withheld until he had an opportunity of submitting a report on the damage caused recently to some of the houses by storm. It was agreed that the Consultant Architect be requested to expedite his examination of the damage cuased.

## REPEATER SPLED-LIMIT SIGNS AT MURROUGH:

It was agreed on the suggestion of Councillor Mrs. McNamara that Wicklow County Council be requested to have repeater speed-limit signs erected at the Murrough, Wicklow, to facilitate traffic in the area.

## PUBLIC LIGHT AT ABBEYFIELD:

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Electricity Supply Board expressing concern about the delay in providing a public light at Abbeyfield, Wicklow, which was requested some time ago.

## FORMATION OF UNIT OF SEA SCOUTS:

The Council passed a vote of congratulations to Councillor Conway who was instrumental in establishing a unit of Sea Scouts in the town. Councillor Conway returned thanks to the members for their remarks.

#### SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Conway and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to the 75 year lease granted to St. Patrick's G. A. A. Club in respect of the playing field at Dunbur, Wicklow, at a yearly rent of £45.

The meeting concluded at 10.30 p.m.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT CONVOL

Hatta an Daite, Town Hall,

> Citt Manntain Wicklow

21st February, 1969.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF THE WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

A Chara,

A special meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 25th February, 1969, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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C. P. O'BRIEN.

TOWN CLERK.

## AGENDA

- (1) Coast erosion at Murrough Industrial Estate.
- (2) Housing Development at Dunbur.
- (3) Scavenging Service.

P.S. The Chairman has invited the five local County Council Representatives to attend the meeting, if at all possible, for the purpose of discussing item No. 1 on the agenda.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COLNER.

Hatta on Daite Town Hall,

> Citt Manncain Wicklow

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 25th FEBRUARY, 1969

RESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman presiding, Councillors Mrs. P. McNamars, Mrs. M. McEnroy, Messes J. Kang. Turner, Thes. Byrne, Ed. Kavanagh, F. Conway, and the County Council members for the Wicklow Electrical area, viz. Councillors B. Phelan, F. Hynes, J. Gregory, R. Miley and J. Burke.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## COAST EROSION AT MURROUGH INDUSTRIAL ESTATE:

At the outset the Chairman welcomed the County Council representatives for the Wicklow Electoral Area to the meeting and expressed the Council's appreciation of their attendance at such short notice. The Chairman went on to say that the meeting was convened to discuss the further serious erosion which has occurred at the Murrough as a result of recent storms and also to consider the action which might be taken to ensure that the Coast Protection Scheme for the area would be put in hands at the earliest possible date. The Chairman indicated to the members that as a result of a telephone enquiry to the Office of Public Works it had been ascertained that a scheme for the area had been approved by the Minister for Finance and was in the final stages of preparation.

The County Manager traced the history of the problem of coast erosion in Wicklow and the various efforts made to combat the problem down through the years. It was also indicated that the cost of the scheme in the course of preparation would be in the region of £25,000 of which a maximum of £20,000 (80%) might be made available by way of the State Grant under the Coast Protection Act, 1963. It was noted that the balance of £5,000 would be met as follows:

Wicklow County Council ... ... £4,000

(The "Protoming Authority")

£5,000

Councillor Kane expressed disappointment at the delay in the preparation of the scheme and expressed the view that the claim of Wicklow town should be given top priority in view of the fact that industrial buildings were being threatened by the inroads of the sea. The County Manager pointed out that the preparation of the Coast Protection Scheme was entirely a matter for the Office of Public Works.

After further discussion during which all present stressed the urgency of the scheme it was decided that the Parliamentary Secretary of the Office of Public Works be requested to receive a deputation representing wicklow County Council, Wicklow Urban District Council and the owners of factories situated at the Murrough so that details might be given of the present dangerous position and the necessity for immediate protection works.

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The following members of the Council were appointed to the deputation:

Mr. I. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Councillors J. Kane and Ed. Kavanagh.

It was also agreed that the County Manager should accompany the deputation.

The County Council representatives then withdrew having indicated that they would give every assistance possible in ensuring that work on the Coast Protection Scheme would be put in hands at the earliest possible date.

## HOUSING LEVIL-OPMENT AT DUNBUR:

The Town Surveyor's Report, copies of which had been circulated, relating to the tender documents submitted by Crosspan Developments Ltd., Doorlam Limited, and Irish Excavation Co. Ltd., in connection with the development of the Dunbur Housing Site was explained in detail by the Town Surveyor. After a discussion on and an examination of the house plans and details of cost submitted by each firm the recommendation of the Town Surveyor that Mr. J. B. Barry, B.E., Consultant Engineer, be instructed to prepare development plans for the site, detailing roads, footpaths, sewers and watermains, specifying materials, workmanship and setting out bills of quantities was accepted by the Council. The Town Surveyor pointed out that it would then be possible for the interested firms to submit tenders based on these documents for the consideration of the Council.

## SCAVENGING SERVICE:

The Town Surveyor reported on the present organisation of the scavenging service and indicated that four men including the tractor driver are at present engaged on the service. It was also pointed out that the service was at times brought to a standstill owing to the absence of the tractor driver on Fire Brigade duties and that other unsatisfactory aspects of the service were the inadequate size of the trailer and the fact that the tractor was not capable of drawing heavy loads. The Town Surveyor further stated that the estimated expenditure on scavenging for 1966/69 amount to £2,960 - £1,200 in excess of the amount provided in the current years estimates. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, seconded by Councillor Kane and resolved that this necessary excess expenditure in the sum of £1,200 be authorised.

Councillor Mrs. McEnroy said that the trailer in use was inadequate and that the trailer types were prone to punctures due to the fact that no springs are fitted to the trailer.

During the course of discussion the County Manager pointed out that the twice weekly scavenging collection obtaining in Wicklow was not provided in nearby towns.

It was agreed after further examination of the various aspects of the seavenging service that tenders be invited from persons who would be prepared to undertake the cervice under contract from the Council. Comparisons could then be made between the outlay on the present system and the cost of having the service carried out under contract. It was noted that, in the event of the latter system being adopted, the workmen at present engaged on the scavenging service could be employed on other important services of the Council.

## DUMPING AT TRAVELAHAWK:

Councillor Kavanagh draw the Town Surveyor's autention to the dumping which is at present taking place at Travelahawk and requested that a "NO DUMPING" notice be erested in the area.

the meeting concluded at 10.30 p.m.



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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COLNESD

Hatta on Daite.
Town Hall,

Citt Manneain Wicklow

28th February, 1969.

TO/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF THE WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 4th March, 1969, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

C. P. O'BRIEN.

Town Clerk

## AGENDA

- 1) Confirmation of minutes of February monthly meeting and of special meeting held on the 25th February, 1969.
- 2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 196;
- 3) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 4) Review of Ground Rents.
- 5) Application of Executors of Hamilton Estate regarding ground rents on 14 houses at Monkton Row and Castle Street, Wickley.
- 6) Application of Electricity Supply Board for a free transfer of a 6 ft. x 6 ft. site at the Barrow Green, Wicklow, for a substation.
- 7) Application of St. Patrick's Pipe Band, Wicklow, for an increase in the Council's Annual Grant to the Band.
- 8) Report of Town Surveyor for February, 1969.
- 9) Fixing of date of Estimates Meeting.
- 10) Sealing of Cocuments.
- 11) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT CORNER.

Hatta on Daite. Town Hall,

> Citt Monntáin Wicklow

## MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MELTING HELD ON THE 10TH MARCH. 1969

presiding

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara, Mrs. M. McEnroy, Messrs F. Conway, J Kane, L. Turner, P. Doyle and Ed. Kavanagh.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor Thos. Byrne. Poly Councillor

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

## CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 4th February, 1969, and of the Special Meeting held on the 25th February, 1969, copies of which had been circulated were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

# APPLICATION UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

Wire Ropes Limited:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to Messrs Wire Ropes Limited for alterations and extension to their factory at Bond Street Wicklow.

Mr. Myles Byrne:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to Mr. Myles Byrne for the erection of a bungalow at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow.

Mr. Nicholas Crennan:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to Mr. Nicholas Crennan for the erection of a bungalow at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow.

## MESSRS C. G. COONEY LIMITED:

A decision on the application of Messrs C. G. Cooney Ltd. for permission to erect four houses at Wentworth Place, Wicklow, was deferred untill the Council's April meeting pending consideration of expected objections against the proposed development.

#### MRS. SARAH NUZUM:

The application of Mrs. Sarah Nuzum for outline permission for the erection of 18 houses at Ballynerrin Lower which was approved some tin ago subject to the condition that an adequate water supply be available to meet the requirements of the development was discussed. It was suggested that the County Engineer, Mr. T. J. Donovan, and Mrs. Nuzum's Engineer, Mr. J. T. O'Byrne, should meet to discuss the possibility of overcoming the vater supply problem.

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## APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION LOANS:

Mr. Nicholas Crennan:

The Council recommended that a loan of £2,500 should be allocated to Mr. Nicholas Crennan, Garda Station, Wicklow, for the construction of a house at St. Patrick's Road, Vicklow.

#### Mr. Myles Byrne:

The Council recommended that a loan of £1,500 should be allocated to Mr. Myles Byrne, Convent Road, Wicklow, for the construction of a house at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow.

## REVIEW OF GROUND RENTS:

The Council considered the legal advice requested at the February monthly meeting as to whether it would be possible for the Council to phase an increase in ground rents in relation to changes in money values over the terms of renewed leases—and noted the Law Agent's advice that the Council are only entitled to grant leases—at a fixed rent. After considerable discussions it was agreed that the ground rents on 31 year leases and 75 year leases coming up for renewal be increased by 3 and 5 times respectively. It was further agreed that this revised system of determining ground rents should be reviewed on the expiration of a five year period commencing on the lst April, 1969. In response to queries from members the County Manager said that any extreme hardship cases arising out of the introduction of the new system could be examined at the close of each financial year.

#### HAMILTON ESTATE:

The Council considered the application of the Executors of the Hamilton Estate regarding ground rents on 14 houses at Monkton Row and Castle Street, Wicklow, and considered that the existing lease should be surrendered whereupon consideration could be given to the granting of separate leases in the case of each of the 14 houses.

APPLICATION OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD FOR A SITE AT THE BARROW GREEN FOR A SUBSTATION:

The Council considered an application from the Electricity Supply Board for a free transfer of a 6 ft by 6 ft site for a substation at the Barrow Green, Wicklow. It was noted that the Board undertook to remove the existing kiosk and surrender the site. It was agreed to grant a lease of the site for a nominal rent of £1 per annum provided the Board would agree# to convert the existing kiosk into a shelter,

## APPLICATION BY ST. PATRICK'S PIPE BAND FOR A GRANT INCREASE:

A decision on the application of St. Patrick's Pipe Band for an increase in the Council's annual grant to the band was deferred to the Council's Annual Estimates Meeting.

## REPORT OF TOWN SURVEYOR FOR FEBRUARY, 1969.

The Town Surveyor was complimented on the manner in which the surface water had been collected and controlled at Abbey Hill, Wicklow, and also on the good job carried out on the E.S.V. Scheme.

## SCAVENGING SERVICE:

The Chairman informed the meeting that the men engaged on the scavenging service had called on him requesting that they be given an opportunity of meeting the Gouncil to express their concern about putting the scavenging service up for tender. The Chairman assured

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the men that they would be given an opportunity to put their views before the Council took a firm decision on the matter.

### OLD DUMP:

The Council agreed to investigate the possibility of carrying out an amenity scheme on the olddump area at the Glen, Wicklow. The Town Surveyor undertook to prepare an outline development plan for the consideration of the Council at the April monthly meeting.

## TRAFFIC SIGNS:

Councillor Kavanagh drew the Town Surveyor's attention to the dangerous junction at the point where the Dunbur Estate Road joins the main road and requested that a yield-right-of-way sign be erected in the area.

It was also agreed that a reminder be addressed to the Garda Siochana in connection with the request made for a recommendation on the type of traffic signs required at the junction of Kilmantin Road, Green Hill Road, Mountcarmel Road, etc.

## FURTHER LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSES AT BALLYNERRIN:

A letter from Mr. P. O'Brien, Architect, advising that layout plans and details in connection with the further Local Authority houses at Ballynerrin are nearing completion was noted by the Council.

#### 14 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN:

Complaints were made by the members regarding the condition of the roof tiles on the 14 house steeme constructed by Messrs Western Enterprises Ltd. and it was agreed that the Architect be requested to report on the matter.

## ABANDONED CAR:

It was agreed on the suggestion of Councillor Conway that the owner of the derelict vehicle at St. Patrick's Road be written to with a view to having the vehicle removed.

## PUBLIC LIGHTING AT DOCTOR'S STEPS:

The Council agreed on the suggestion of Councillor Mrs. McNambra, that the Electricity Supply Board be requested to replace the existing light at the "Doctor's Steps" with one of the new florescent type lamps.

## FITZWILLIAM ROAD:

It was agreed that the Wicklow Gas Company be requested to reinstate the public roadway at Fitzwilliam Road which is in bad condition following recent excavation work carried outby the Company.

## NEW RAIL SERVICE

The Council passed a vote of congratulations to Coras Iompair Lireann on the new Wicklow to Dublin service.

## ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING:

The Council agreed to hold the Annual Estimates Meeting on Wednesday the 9th April, 1969.

## REPEATER SPEED-LIMIT SIGNS AT THE MURROUGH:

A letter was read from Wicklow County Council indicating that the possibility of erecting repeater speed-limit signs at the Murrough was being explored.

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## PROPERTY OF THOMAS LINDSAY, DECD., STRAND STREET. WICKLOW:

A letter from Mr. William Fallon, Solicitor, Arklow, advising that he would need a period of six weeks from the 10th March, 1969, to obtain a grant of Probate in the case of the property of the late Thomas Lindsay, Strand Street, Wicklow. The Council agreed to Mr. Fallon's request and asked that he be advised that the Council would take the necessary steps to acquire the property under the provisions of the Derelict Sites Act unless the matter is finalised on the expiration of the period referred to.

#### SERVICE PAY:

The meeting was advised that a claim had been received from the Irish Transport & General Workers' Union for service pay for their members employed by the Council. The claim sought was for an increase of 5/- per week after five years service, 10/= after ten years service, 15/- after fifteen years service, 20/= after twenty years service. It was agreed that the matter be deferred for consideration at the Council's Estimates Meeting.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.00 P.M.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COLOUR.

Halla on Daile. Town Hall,

> Citt Manncain Wicklow

28th March, 1969.

To/ THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER
OF THE WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT
COUNCIL

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will take place in the Town Hall, Wicklow, on Tuesday the 1st April, 1969, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

C. P. O'BRIEN,

Town Clerk

1) Confirmation of minutes of March, 1969, Monthly Meeting. (Copy herewith).

AGENDA

- 2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963
- 3) Applications for House Construction Loans.
- 4) Increase in interest rate on loans obtained from the Local Loans Fund.
- 5) Applications for renewal of leases.
- 6) Overdraft Accommodation approval for quarter ending 30th June, 1969.
- 7) Outline Plan for old dump area.
- 8) Town Surveyor's Report for March. (Copy herewall)
- 9) Sealing of documents.
- 10) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Hatta on Daite, Town Hall,

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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 1st APRIL, 1969:

PRESENT: Mr. T. A. Delahunt, Chairman, presiding, Councillors J. Kane, T. Byrne, F. Conway, L. Turner and Mrs. McNamara.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. C. P. O'Brien, Town Clerk, and Mr. N. D. Farrell, Town Surveyor.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy, P. Doyle, Ed. Kavanagh, and Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager.

The members joined with the Chairman in wishing Councillor Kavanagh a speedy recovery from his illness.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING:

The minutes of the monthly meeting held on the 10th March, 1969, copies of which had been circulated, were signed by the Chairman after it had been agreed that "Councillor Mrs. McNamara" be deleted and "Councillor Conway" inserted on page three of the minutes and that "Councillor P. Doyle" be deleted and "Councillor T. Byrne" inserted on page one.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT)
ACT. 1963:

Grand Hotel, Wicklow:

The Council agreed that permission be granted to Miss Mary Collins for the construction of a new function room and toilets at the Grand Hotel, Wicklow.

Messrs C. G. Cooney Ltd:

The Council considered the application of Messrs C. G. Cooney Ltd. for permission to erect four bungalows at Wentworth Place, Wicklow, and noted the objections of three persons residing in the vicinity of the development to the proposals. A letter from Messrs Cooney in reply to the objections was also read. The Council agreed to adjourn a decision on the application until the objectors were informed of the Contractor's reply.

Wicklow Corn Company & Grassland Fertilizers Ltd:

A decision on the joint application of Wicklow Corn Company and Grassland Fertilizers Ltd. for permission to erect a grain store, fertilizer store and drying plant at Bollarney Upper, Wicklow, was adjourned to the Council's Estimates meeting to be held on the 9th April, 1969, in view of the fact that the application was incomplete.

Mrs. Sarah Nuzum:

A letter from Wicklow County Council advising that the County Engineer has recommended that his Council make available a water supply to meet the requirements of Mrs. Nuzum's development for the erection of 18 houses at Ballynerrin Lower was noted by the members.

The County Engineer also suggested that a waste water survey be undertaken with a view to eliminating leaks and wastage in Wicklow town. The Town Surveyor advised that the Council's plumber has been tracing leaks and wastages over the past twelve months and said that a thorough examination of the town supply for wastage would take a minimum of two weeks night work. Mr. Farrell undertook to further discuss the matter with the Council's plumber.

### HOUSE CONSTRUCTION LOAN:

## Mr. Matthew Maguire:

The Council adjourned consideration of the application of Mr. Matthew Maguire, Clifton House, Sea Road, Arklow, for a loan of £2,500 in respect of a house under construction at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, pending further information as to Mr. Maguire's income.

## LOCAL LOANS FUND INTEREST RATE:

A letter was read from the Department of Local Government advising that the interest rate on loans from the Local Loans Fund had been increased from  $7\frac{3}{4}\%$  to  $8\frac{1}{2}\%$  per annum, as from the 18th March, 1969. The meeting was further advised that house construction loans would now be at an interest rate of 9% and that this would mean an extra annual charge of £16. 13. 4. on a loan of £2,500.

## APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL OF LEASES:

## Misses M. & N. Maher.

Council agreed to grant a renewal of the lease on a plot of ground at Summerhill, Wicklow, which was originally held by William Carroll, to Misses Maureen and Nellie Maher for a period of 75 years at an annual rent of £5. 8. 4. from the 29th September, 1967.

## Mr. Myles Byrne:

The Council agreed to grant a renewal of the lease of a plot of ground at the Convent Road, which was originally granted to Charles Kavanagh, to Mr. Myles Byrne for a period of 75 years from the 29th September, 1968, at an annual rent of £3. 0. 0.

## OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

The meeting was informed that the estimated overdraft accommodation required in the quarter ending 30th June, 1969, amounted to £13,000 and it was then proposed by Councillor Mrs. McNamara, seconded by Councillor Kane and resolved:

"That we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, of the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £13,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 30th June, 1969."

## OUTLINE PLAN FOR OLD DUMP AREA:

The Town Surveyor informed the members that an outline plan in connection with the development of the old dump area at Dunbur Road would be available for the May monthly meeting of the Council.

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## TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT FOR MARCH:

Arising out of the discussion on the Town Surveyor's report for March a number of complaints were noted for attention by the Town Surveyor. These matters included housing repairs required in a number of Council houses and the defective condition of the roof of No. 23 St. Manntan's Park. It was agreed that the Council's Architect be requested to expedite his examination of the damage and report on same as a matter of urgency,

The members commented adversely on the state of the wall bounding the Council's offices at Kilmantin Hill and it was agreed that a reminder be addressed to the Secretary of the County Council pointing out that the wall was a source of danger and nuisance to the public.

## APPLICATION OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD FOR A SITE AT BARROW. GREEN:

The Council further considered the application of the Electricity Supply Board for a free transfer of a 6' x 6' site for a substation at the Barrow Green, Wicklow, and decided to grant the application provided the Board undertook to remove the existing kiosk and wall and surrender the site.

#### LEASES UNDER TENANT PURCHASE SCHEMES:

The problem of the delay in the finalisation of leases under the tenant purchase schemes was discussed at length. It was pointed out that many people are under the impression that the £25 legal fees included the cost of preparing the lease maps. In view of the fact that a separate fee of two guineas is payable to the Town Surveyor for the preparation of these maps it was agreed that a circular should be addressed to each purchaser advising of the position.

#### TRAFFIC SIGNS:

A letter was read from the Superintendent, Garda Siochana, recommending that "Yield Right-of-Way" signs be erected at the following junctions:-

- (1) On the Greenhill Road at the junction with Convent/
  Mountcarmel Road.
- (2) On the St. Laurence's and Glenview Roads where they join Mountcarmel Road.
- (3) On the Kilmantin Road.
- (4) Junction of Wentworth Place with Church Hill and at the junction on the opposite side leading to Bachelor's Walk.
- (5) Bottom of Summerhill (Doyle's Shop) and Castle Street junction.

It was agreed that the observations of the Garda Siochana be invited on the need for provision of a "Yield Right-of-Way" sign at Melancholy Lane. It was also agreed that the Garda Siochana's observations be obtained as to the possibility of designating Fitzwilliam Road as a one way traffic route.

## OPENING OF TENDERS - SCAVENGING SERVICE:

Tenders received from Mr. John O'Brien, Fitzwilliam Road, Wicklow, Mr. S. D. Behan, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow, and Mr. W. P. Gammell, Kilcoole, for the scavenging service for 1969/70 were opened by the Chairman. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would prepare a report on the tenders for submission to the Council.

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