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	Estimated by Manager		Adopted by Council
	£	£	£
		B/F 15,545	
COUNTY COUNCIL DEMAND			
Main Roads	3,172		
Public Assistance	1,378		
Health (County)	26,028		
General Purposes (County)	2,210		
Fire Brigade	1,491		
Library	98		
Separate Charges (Vocational Education)			
£1,535			
(Malicious Injuries)			
£175	1,710	36,087	
		51,632	
TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES		122,520	

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

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<u>R O A D S</u>		
Road Fund Grant	1,200	
Estate Duty Grant	90	
State Subsidy - Roads and Footpaths - Dunbur Estate - (1965)	244	
State Subsidy - Roads and Footpaths - Dunbur Estate - (1970)	81	
	1,615	
<u>S A N I T A R Y S E R V I C E S:</u>		
Water Rents	1,600	
State Subsidy to Loan Charges - Watermain, North Quay (1951)	13	
State Subsidy - Regional Water Supply (1958)	792	
State Subsidy - Regional Water Supply (1960) (Supplementary)	27	
State Subsidy - Link Watermain Dunbur Road (1959)	136	
State Subsidy - Water Supply Improvements (1962)	52	
State Subsidy - Extension of Sewer at Dunbur Road (1963)	126	
State Subsidy - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur (1964)	298	
State Subsidy - Watermain and Sewer Extension at Dunbur (1965)	104	
State Subsidy - New Watermain The Murrrough (1965)	302	
State Subsidy - Outfall and Main Sewer (1970)	624	
State Subsidy - Outfall and main sewer (1972) (Supplementary)	268	
State Subsidy - New Watermain at St. Patrick's Ave. (1972)	58	
State Subsidy - Sewer Extension St. Patrick's Road (1971)	273	
State Subsidy - Cronroe Water Supply Improvement Scheme (1972)	390	
Public Convenience - Receipts	10	
Water and Sewer Connections	200	
Charges for Industrial Refuse	160	
Charge for Refuse Collection outside Urban Area	54	
	5,487	

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HOUSING:

State Grant - Subsidy under 1932 Act (pre - 1948 Scheme)	190
State Grant - New Houses (60 Houses scheme)	300
State Subsidy - 2 Houses Castle Street	80
State Subsidy - 4 Houses Castle Park	255
State Subsidy - 10 Houses Ballynerrin	760
State Subsidy - 14 Houses Ballynerrin	1,187
State Subsidy - 22 Houses Ballynerrin	1,778
State Subsidy - 22 Houses Ballynerrin (1971)	1,655
Subsidy to interest Rates - (1948-1950 Schemes)	140
Rents, inclusive of Rates	21,290

HOUSING (LOANS FOR PRIVATE HOUSES):

Repayment of Instalments (Old Loans)	64
Repayment of Instalments (New Loans)	10,518
	38,217

GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES:STATE GRANTS:

Bounty in lieu of Rates	800
School Meals	137
Cheap Fuel Scheme	2,491
State Subsidy - Amenity Schemes	150

OTHER RECEIPTS:

Cheap Fuel Scheme (Recipients Contributions and recoupment by County Council)	479
Corporate Estate Rents	3,651
Licences and Fees	3
Refund by County Council of Half Rent of Pound	19
Letting of Town Hall	42
Miscellaneous	10
	7,782

TOTAL FOR ALL SERVICES

53,101

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ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1972/73

SUMMARY OF CHARGES

	Gross Expenditure	Receipts	Net Expenditure
	£	£	£
ROADS:	5,389	1,615	4,274
SANITARY SERVICES	20,040	5,487	14,553
HOUSING	44,359	38,217	6,742
GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES	51,632	7,782	43,350
	122,520	53,101	69,419

Add Provision for Liquidation of Debit Balance	1,000
Total Requirement to be met by Rate Levy	70,419
Municipal Rate of 1p in the £ produces	132.89
Rate to meet total requirements of £70,419 would be £5.30 in the £.	

ESTIMATES 1972/73

Total Valuation as per Valuation List	15,915.95
BUILDINGS:	15,107.85
Less: Remissions under Housing Acts.	2,273.23
	12,834.62
LANDS:	747.85
Less: Occupied by Council for Allotments, Building Sites, Open Spaces, etc.	55.40
Two-fifth reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946, (two-fifths of £692.45)	276.98
	415.47
LAND USED AS RAILWAYS	52.25
Less: Two-fifth reduction as per Local Government Act, 1946.	20.90
	31.35
YARDS:	6.50
TELEGRAPHS:	1.25
TELEPHONE:	0.25

TOTAL VALUATION FOR RATING PURPOSES 13,289.44

RATE OF 1p. IN THE £ PRODUCES - £132.89

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LANDLORD & TENANT (GROUND RENTS) ACT, 1967:

The Council was informed that the following applications had been received for the purchase of fee simple interest in lands:-

- (1) Application of Patrick and Angela Smith to purchase fee simple in land containing dwellinghouse at Bayview Road, Wicklow, held under lease for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1922 at a yearly rent of £4.00.
- (2) Application of Mrs. Mary Leonard to purchase fee simple in land containing dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, Wicklow, held under lease for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1928 at a yearly rent of £2.00.
- (3) Application of Mr. Louis Carroll to purchase fee simple in land containing dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, Wicklow, held under lease for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1958 at a yearly rent of £7.50.
- (4) Application of Mrs. Patricia McNamara to purchase fee simple in land containing dwellinghouse at 12, Leitrim Place, Wicklow, held under lease for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1924 at a yearly rent of £2.25.

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor F. Conway and resolved "that we hereby approve of applications for purchase of fee simple from:- (1) Patrick and Angela Smith, "Vava Cottage", Bayview Road, Wicklow, (2) Mrs. Mary Leonard, Dunbur Road, Wicklow, (3) Mr. Louis Carroll, "Inverdale", Dunbur Road, Wicklow, and (4) Mrs. Patricia McNamara, 12, Leitrim Place, Wicklow, subject to the payment by the purchaser in each case of a sum which if invested in Government Securities would produce annually in gross interest an amount equal to the amount of rent payable under the respective lease and subject also to the payment by the purchasers of the Council's costs"

MRS. MARY BYRNE DECEASED, 2, URBAN VILLAS, THE MURROUGH, WICKLOW:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted on behalf of Mr. William Devlin, executor and son of the deceased tenant purchaser Mrs. Mary Byrne, to redeem the annuity payable in respect of house at 2, Urban Villas, The Murrough, Wicklow. Reference was made to the fact that the tenant purchase leases contain a condition which requires that the purchaser must reside in the house for five years after date of purchase. It was agreed to request the Council's Solicitors to advise whether, in view of this condition, it would be in order for the Council to approve of the application to redeem the annuity.

DERELICT SITES:

The Council considered report from the Town Surveyor recommending the acquisition of two derelict sites at Marlton Road, Wicklow. It was decided to write to the representatives of the deceased owners of the derelict sites in question informing them that the Council was considering the acquisition of the sites under the Derelict Sites Act, 1961 and enquiring what proposals, if any, they had to clear and level the sites.

It was also agreed that the Clerk should endeavour to arrange a meeting between Mr. William P. Forde and the owners of derelict sites at Friars Hill, Wicklow in order that agreement might be reached for

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the acquisition of these sites by Mr. Forde.

COAST PROTECTION SCHEME AT THE MURROUGH, WICKLOW:

The Council deferred to the Estimates Meeting the question of raising of a loan of £1,300 to cover the Council's contribution towards the Coast Protection Scheme at The Murrough, Wicklow.

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Board Failte Eireann outlining details of the Tidy Towns Competition for 1972. The Council again agreed to enter the Competition.

MRS. NANCY DOYLE, HIGH STREET, WICKLOW:

The Council approved of the application of Mrs. Nancy Doyle for renewal of lease of plot containing two houses at High Street, Wicklow and yard used as pound at Coats Lane, Wicklow, subject to the following conditions:- (1) Payment by lessee of fine of £45 to cover stamp duty, registration fee, costs, mapping fee, etc. (2) Payment by lessee of increased rent of £11.43 per annum. (3) Insertion in lease of usual condition authorising the Council to review ground rent every fifteen years having regard to changes in money value relationships as determined by the Central Statistics Office.

MR. JAMES HANLON:

Members of the Council referred to dampness in the gable of house occupied by Mr. James Hanlon at 1, Urban Villas, The Murrough, Wicklow. It was pointed out that this house was being purchased under the Tenant Purchase Scheme and that the Council would be precluded from carrying out any repairs. It was agreed to write and explain the position to Mr. Hanlon.

MR. JAMES MALONE:

A letter was read to the meeting from Mr. James Malone, Site 13, St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, requesting that the Council sell a strip of land between his house at the Marlton Road, Wicklow in order that he would be able to provide a wicket gate. It was agreed to request the Town Surveyor to look into the matter.

ERECTION OF TELEPHONE KIOSK AT THE MURROUGH:

On the suggestion of Councillor F. Conway it was agreed to request the Department of Posts & Telegraphs to provide a telephone kiosk at The Murrough, Wicklow. Councillor Conway pointed out that there was a large number of people living in this area and that the provision of a telephone kiosk was very necessary.

MR. JOHN O'BRIEN:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. John O'Brien for permission to site a kiosk on the Seafront at the Upper Murrough for the purpose of selling minerals and ices from 1st June, 1972 to 30th September, 1972 subject to the following conditions:- (1) Payment by the applicant of a sum of £3.15 to the Council, (2) The applicant to indemnify the Council against any accidents which may occur as a result of the siting of the kiosk on the Murrough, (3) The applicant to provide litter bins at the kiosk and to keep the area tidy and free from any litter which may be deposited by his customers, (4) All electric wiring to be placed out of the reach of the public.

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BANK CHARGES AND RATES OF INTEREST:

The Council was advised that a letter had been received from the Council's Treasurers to the effect that as from 1st April, 1972 a new lending system and revised charges structure for current accounts would be introduced. It was pointed out that these charges would impose additional expenditure on the Council of approximately £70 per annum. It was also pointed out that as the Council had only been informed of these new charges on 29th March, 1972 and the Estimates for the year 1972/73 had already been prepared no provision was made therein in respect of these new charges. It was considered that the notice given by the Council's Treasurers in connection with this matter was altogether too short and that it was unreasonable having regard to the long association of the Council with the Bank as Treasurers to have introduced these revised charges and made new arrangements in relation to rates of interest and their application without having had any prior consultation with the Council.

CLERK OF WORKS REPORT:

The contents of the report of the Clerk of Works on the 22 House Scheme at Ballynerrin, Wicklow, for the month of March, 1972 were noted by the Council.

The Clerk read to the meeting a report from the Town Surveyor in which it was recommended that in order to connect the 22 House Scheme to the water supply the Council should lay a new watermain from the junction with St. Laurence's Road for a distance of 250 yards along St. Patrick's Avenue to connect with the new housing scheme at an estimated cost of £600.

The Town Surveyor stated that the work could be carried out by direct labour. It was pointed out that the owners of private watermain at St. Patrick's Avenue were seeking compensation in the sum of £200 and in any event this was only a 2" main. The Council agreed to the laying of the new watermain as recommended by the Town Surveyor and that the cost of this work could be met from the Capital Reserve Account.

ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING:

The Council agreed to hold the annual estimates meeting on Monday 17th April, 1972, at 7.30 p.m. in the Town Hall, Wicklow.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's report for the month of March, 1972 were noted by the Council. Arising from the Town Surveyor's report a number of matters were noted for attention:-

- (1) Councillor J. Kane stated that both ends of the Promenade were in a deplorable condition and that something should be done about the matter in view of the fact that the summer was now approaching. It was agreed to ask the Town Surveyor to report on the matter.
- (2) Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara requested that the grass be cut at Leitrim Place, Wicklow.
- (3) The Council requested that a report be submitted for the next meeting in relation to the provision of "stop" signs in the vicinity of the junctions at Kilmartin Road, Convent Road, Greenhill Road and Melagholy Lane. Councillor T. Byrne referred to the necessity for the provision of a "stop" sign at the junction of St. Laurence's Road and the Chapel Road and it was agreed that the Town Surveyor should also be requested to examine this matter.

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SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor T.A. Delahunt and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to:-

- (1) Leases in the following cases for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1971 at yearly ground rents of £15 each:-
 - No. 48, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. Leslie J. Byrne.
 - No. 51, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. Thomas & Elizabeth Cahill.
 - No. 57, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. Michael Conway.
 - No. 60, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. James Anthony Kenny.

- (2) Deed of Mortgage - Mr. Noel D. Farrell to Mr. Joseph N. Molloy premises:- "Cupertino", Dunbur Road, Wicklow.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.30 P.M.

Thomas McNamara

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

20th April, 1972.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor, and Mr. P. Downes, Acting Town Clerk.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Countillor T. Byrne.

Following the usual practice it was agreed that the Estimates, as presented by the County Manager, be examined in detail. Although the examination of the Estimates was not completed the following amendments were made:-

HOUSING:

Provision for maintenance and repair of Council houses reduced by £370
(See Note No. 1)

GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES:

School Meals - Cost of food reduced by £15
(See Note No. 2)

NOTE NO. (1)

It was agreed to reduce provision for maintenance and repair of Council houses by £370 to £750

NOTE NO. (2)

By correcting an error in Estimates expenditure on School Meals - cost of food - was reduced by £30 to £243 and receipt from State Grant was reduced by £15 to £122 making a net reduction of £15.

CAPITAL RECEIPTS:

The Council was informed that there was a credit balance of £22,849 on the Council's capital reserve account. It was agreed that the County Manager would prepare a special report on the subject of and the possible application of this credit balance for consideration by the Council.. It was also agreed that a special report would be submitted in regard to the refuse collection service.

NEW DUMP:

The Town Surveyor was requested to examine and report on site offered by Mr. Carr at Ashtown for use as a dump.

It was arranged that consideration of the Estimates would be resumed at meeting to be held on Monday 24th April, 1972 at 7.30 p.m.

Thomas J. Carr

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Town Hall,

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20th April, 1972.

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

A Chara,

The Adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall on Monday 24th April, 1972 at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. DOWNES,
ACTING TOWN CLERK.

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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28th April, 1972.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING HELD ON 24TH APRIL, 1972.

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IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor, and Mr. P. Downes, Acting Town Clerk.

The Council again examined the Estimates as presented by the County Manager.

CAPITAL MONIES:

The Council considered at length the question of using credit balance of £22,849 on the Council's Capital Account. It was finally decided to take into account further capital receipts in the sum of £2,000 in respect of site fines from the leasing of private housing sites at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, which would make a total credit balance of £24,849. It was agreed that of this sum of £25,000 approximately, £6,000 would be used for the purchase of a new scavenging vehicle. It was agreed to invest the balance of £19,000 approximately on a short term basis with a view to producing the maximum income by way of interest and keeping the capital sum in tact for a further year. From investing the money in this manner it was estimated that an income of £1,520 could be produced. It was decided to reduce loan charges in respect of the 20 Housing Scheme at Ballynerrin, Wicklow, by the amount of this income, i.e. from £1,822 to £302. The County Manager pointed out that these proposals would be subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government.

NEW SCAVENGING VEHICLE:

In approving of the purchase of a new scavenging vehicle the Council noted the Town Surveyor's report that it would be possible to reduce the number of helpers on the new vehicle from three to two and that the other man could then be assigned the duty of caretaker at the dump.

NEW DUMP:

The Clerk read to the meeting a report from the Town Surveyor that as requested he had examined the possibility of further dumping at Ashtown on the property of Mr. Carr. The Town Surveyor pointed out that there were four sites available and suitable for dumping and that these sites would facilitate approximately two further years dumping. The Town Surveyor indicated that when these sites at Ashtown had been filled the question of using the site at Upper Glen would again arise unless a more suitable site became available in the meantime. The Council agreed with the Town Surveyor's recommendation that a caretaker be employed at the dump and noted that when the new scavenging vehicle was purchased it would be possible to reduce the number of helpers on the vehicle from three to two men and that the other man could then be given the duty of caretaker at the dump. The Town Surveyor pointed out that Mr. Carr would be seeking an additional rent of £100 per annum in respect of the proposed dumping sites. With Councillors E. Kavanagh and T. Byrne dissenting the Council decided to continue dumping at Ashtown. Councillor Byrne stated that the Town Surveyor and County Medical Officer had reported that the site at Upper Glen was the most suitable in the area and that he could see no reason for incurring

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additional expenditure by renting further sites at Ashtown.

REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE:

The Council discussed at length the matter of the refuse collection service and in particular whether the service should be carried out by contract. The Council with Councillor E. Kavanagh dissenting decided that because of the additional expenditure which would be involved in having the service carried out by contract to adhere to the present arrangements. Councillor Kavanagh stated that this was the second occasion on which tenders had been sought for the carrying out of the service by contract and that these contractors had gone to considerable trouble in order to submit tenders. Councillor Kavanagh considered that the Council should accept the tender which had been recommended by the Town Surveyor. The Town Surveyor pointed out that since taking up duty had been caused considerable difficulty by the outdoor staff engaged on the domestic refuse collection vehicle and that they had on one occasion gone on unofficial strike. It was agreed that in the event of such an occurrence in the future the Town Surveyor would have the full support of the Council in any action which he considered necessary.

MEETINGS IN TOWN HALL:

The Council agreed to reduce the charge to Organisations holding meetings in the Town Hall from £1.75 to £0.50 per meeting. The Clerk informed the meeting that during the year 1971/'72 the following Organisations held meetings in the Town Hall:- The Chamber, of Commerce, Labour Party, Wicklow Residents Association, Wicklow Pipe Band, Wicklow Harbour Commissioners, Sea Scouts, Mentally Handicapped Committee, Regatta Committee and Northern Ireland Relief Committee.

It was agreed that in future requests received from Organisations, other than those who had used the Hall in 1971/'72, for the use of Town Hall would require to be dealt with at meetings of the Council.

A letter was read to the meeting from Mr. F. Hynes, The Stores, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow, requesting the use of the Town Hall, Wicklow free of charge for the holding of four meetings on behalf of the Old Peoples Home in Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow. It was agreed that there would be no objection to the use of the Town Hall for these meetings subject to the payment of the charge of 50 pence per meeting.

As a result of the decision to reduce the charge for the holding of meetings from £1.75 to 50 pence per meeting provision for receipts from the letting of Town Hall was reduced from £42 to £12.

TOWN SERGEANT:

The Council agreed to delete provision in the sum of £1,593 which had been made in the Estimates for the filling of the position of Town Sergeant and thus reduced provision for:- (a) Road Salaries by £399, (b) Sanitary Services Salaries by £398, (c) Housing Salaries by £398, and (d) General Purposes Salaries by £398.

The Council agreed that the position of Town Sergeant should be offered to Mr. J. De Courcy, Waterworks Overseer and that as this would mean the combining of the positions of Waterworks Overseer and Town Sergeant it would be necessary to pay Mr. De Courcy an increased supervisory allowance. It was agreed to apply £593 of the sum of £1,593 deducted in respect of provision for Town Sergeant towards maintenance of new dumping ground at Ashtown and that payment of any increased supervisory allowance to Mr. De Courcy would also be met from this sum. A net reduction of £1,000 was thus made in the Estimates.

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The net total amount of the reductions determined at this and previous Estimates meeting came to £2,905 and was made up as follows:-

Urban Roads:	Reduction:
Salaries - reduced from £502 to £103	£399
<u>Sanitary Services:</u>	
Salaries - reduced from £545 to £147	£398
Maintenance of dumping ground at Ashtown - increased from £576 to £1,169	£593 (Increase)
<u>Housing:</u>	
Maintenance and repair - reduced from £1,120 to £750	£370
Salaries - reduced from £501 to £103	£398
Loan charge - 20 House Scheme at Ballynerrin - reduced from £1,822 to £302	£1,520
<u>General Urban Purposes:</u>	
School Meals - cost of food - reduced from £273 to £243.	£30
School Meals State Grant - reduced from £137 to £122	£15 (Increase)
Salaries - reduced from £4,878 to £4,480	£398
Nett Reduction ..	<u>£2,905</u>

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved that "we hereby authorize the raising of the following loans on terms to be negotiated with the Council's Treasurers:-
(a) Loan of £1,300 to cover the cost of the Council's contribution towards the Coast Protection Scheme at The Murrrough, Wicklow, (b) Loan of £600 to cover the cost of laying of new watermain at St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow."

The Chairman and members expressed thanks and appreciation to the County Manager and staff on the manner in which the Estimates had been presented. The County Manager returned thanks.

RESOLUTION:

Proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved "that having considered the Estimates proposed and submitted to us for consideration we hereby adopt the Estimate of Expenditure and Receipts for the financial year ending 31st March, 1973 as set out in tables (a), (b), and (c) thereof and we determine the rate set out in column 8 of table (c) of the Estimates adopted by us, viz., Municipal Rate of £5.08 in the £ to be levied for the several purposes specified in the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1973.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.00 P.M.

Monica McCurry

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

28th April, 1972.

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

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The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow on Tuesday 2nd May, 1972 at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. DOWNES.
ACTING TOWN CLERK.

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of:-
 - (a) April Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
 - (b) Annual Estimates Meeting held on 17th April, 1972 (copy already circulated).
 - (c) Adjourned Estimates Meeting held on 24th April, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Applications under Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1967.
- (4) Mary Byrne deceased - Application to redeem annuity on house at 2, Urban Villas, The Murrrough, Wicklow.
- (5) Application for Industrial Site at The Murrrough, Wicklow.
- (6) Application from Mrs. Sarah O'Rourke for tenancy of house at 1, Castle Street, Wicklow.
- (7) Wicklow Regional Water Supply Improvement Scheme.
- (8) Town Surveyor's Report for April, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (9) Sealing of Documents.
- (10) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

2nd June, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 2ND MAY, 1972.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor, and Mr. P. Downes, Acting Town Clerk.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillor F. Conway and Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the April Monthly Meeting, the Annual Estimates Meeting held on 17th April, 1972 and Adjourned Estimates Meeting held on 24th April, 1972, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and then signed by the Chairman.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:Terenure Housing Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Terenure Housing Limited for permission for the erection of 48 semi-detached houses at Ballynerrin Lower, Wicklow subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report. It was noted that one of these conditions required the submission of revised drawings providing for the erection of houses with gable-end type roofs instead of hip type roofs as indicated on the drawings submitted with the application.

Veha Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Veha Limited for permission to construct an extension to factory at The Murrough, Wicklow subject to the County Medical Officer's requirements.

Mr. Joseph T. O'Byrne, B.E.:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted by Mr. J.T. O'Byrne, B.E., for approval to the erection of 23 dwellinghouses at New Park Road, Wicklow. It was pointed out that outline permission had already been granted for this development subject to the condition that "no development shall be commenced on the site until the Cronroe Water Supply Improvement Scheme has been put into operation". The Town Surveyor pointed out in his Report that this condition in relation to water supply was required by Wicklow County Council. Councillor T.A. Delahunt stated that as it was understood the Cronroe Improvement Scheme would be commenced in the near future Mr. O'Byrne should be allowed to proceed immediately with the development as by the time the construction of the 23 houses would be completed the Cronroe Improvement Scheme would probably also be completed. The Council unanimously agreed that Mr. O'Byrne should be allowed to proceed immediately with the erection of the houses.

Messrs. S.V. Delahunt (Bottlers) Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Messrs. S.V. Delahunt (Bottlers) Limited for permission to construct an extension to bottling store and yard at The Murrough, Wicklow subject to the requirements of the Chief Fire Officer and County Medical Officer.

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Messrs. Edward Kane Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Messrs. Edward Kane Limited for permission to develop land for 8 housing sites at Ballynerrin Lower, Wicklow subject to the conditions outlined in the Reports of the Town Surveyor and County Engineer.

Crossspan Developments Limited:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Crossspan Developments Limited requesting approval to proceed with the third phase of the housing development at Dunbur, Wicklow which provides for the erection of a further 18 houses. It was stated in this letter that the selling prices for the 18 houses would be £5,250 net and that this price would cover increased costs since the preparation of bill for phase two and any increased costs which may occur during the completion of phase three or twelve months from 2nd May, 1972, whichever is the earliest. The Council approved of the Developers proceeding with the third phase of the development and of the increased price subject to the Town Surveyor being satisfied with the technical details.

LANDLORD & TENANT (GROUND RENTS) ACT, 1967:

The Council was informed that the following applications had been received for the purchase of fee simple in lands:-

(1) Mr. John V. Corcoran, 45, Dunbur Park, Wicklow:

Land containing dwellinghouse at 45, Dunbur Park, Wicklow held under lease for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1965 at a yearly rent of £10.

(2) Commander Charles J. Fox, "Moulmein", Dunbur Road, Wicklow:

Land containing dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, Wicklow held under lease for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1939 at a yearly rent of £2-10.

(3) Mrs. Sarah Nuzum, Dunbur Road, Wicklow:

Land containing dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, Wicklow held under lease for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1954 at a yearly rent of £7-50.

(4) Mr. Patrick Harbourne, "Hillcrest", Dunbur Road, Wicklow:

Land containing dwellinghouse at Dunbur Road, Wicklow held under lease for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1939 at a yearly rent of £1-25.

(5) Mr. Francis Hynes, The Stores, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow:

Land at New Street, Wicklow held under lease for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1970 at a yearly rent of £2-00.

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved "that we hereby approve of applications for purchase of fee simple from:- (1) Mr. John V. Corcoran, 45, Dunbur Park, Wicklow, (2) Commander Charles J. Fox, "Moulmein", Dunbur Road, Wicklow, (3) Mrs. Sarah Nuzum, Dunbur Road, Wicklow, (4) Mr. Patrick Harbourne, "Hillcrest", Dunbur Road, Wicklow and (5) Mr. Francis Hynes, The Stores, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow subject to the payment by the purchaser in each case of a sum which if invested in Government Securities would produce annually in gross

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interest an amount equal to the amount of rent payable under the respective lease and subject also to the payment by the purchasers of the Council's costs".

MARY BYRNE DECEASED:

The Council, in accordance with advice received from the Council's Solicitors, approved of application of Mr. William Devlin, son and executor of the deceased tenant purchaser Mrs. Mary Byrne, who wished to redeem the annuity on house at 2, Urban Villas, The Murrough, Wicklow.

INDUSTRIAL SITES AT THE MURROUGH, WICKLOW:

The Council agreed in principle to grant a lease of 75 years to Vikinglow Candles Limited in respect of site north of the property of Messrs. Delahunt at The Murrough, Wicklow for the purpose of erecting a factory for the manufacture of candles thereon. It was suggested that a suitable rent would be £50 per annum with annual increases of £10 until a rent of £100 is reached. It was also agreed that it would be necessary to erect the proposed factory within a stipulated period.

The Council also considered an application from Vikinglow Candles Limited for permission to use the Council's Coat of Arms on the Company's notepaper. The Council considered that it would not be desirable to use the Coat of Arms on notepaper as this might lead to confusion. However, it was considered that there would be no objection to use the Coat of Arms on products of the firm.

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Wicklow Press Limited seeking a lease of site adjoining their factory at The Murrough, Wicklow. It was pointed out that the Council had already agreed to lease this site to Modern Labelling Methods Limited. The Clerk informed the meeting that this site was the subject of enquiries from various other parties and that during the past week a Company who intended to move from Dublin had indicated that they would be interested in leasing the site. The Council noted that a period of over a year had elapsed since the Council had agreed to lease the site to Modern Labelling Methods Limited and that to date no drawings of the proposed building had been submitted. It was agreed that Modern Labelling Methods Limited be informed that if a planning application was not received within a month it would have to be assumed that the Company is no longer interested in the site.

MRS. SARAH O'ROURKE:

The Council approved of the application of Mrs. Sarah O'Rourke for tenancy of house at 1, Castle Street, Wicklow.

WICKLOW REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME:

The Clerk read to the meeting letters from Wicklow County Council in regard to the Wicklow Regional Water Supply Improvement Scheme at Croproe. It was proposed in these letters that the capital cost of the proposed improvements would be charged between Wicklow County Council and Wicklow Urban District Council in the proportions of 40% to the County Council and 60% to the Urban District Council. It was also proposed that as from 1st April, 1971 the maintenance cost of the Scheme in any particular year would be apportioned between the County Council and the Urban District Council in relation to the quantities of water used in the area of each authority during the previous year ended 31st March. The Council deferred consideration of this matter in order to allow the Town Surveyor to submit a report and recommendation in relation to the appointment of a Consultant to examine a Scheme for the supply of water from Three-Mile-Water.

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ASSIGNMENT:

The Council approved of application for consent to assignment of premises at Main Street, Wicklow from Mr. Michael McMahon to Mr. Philip O'Sullivan and from Mr. Philip O'Sullivan to Mr. Thomas Fitzpatrick.

22 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN, WICKLOW:

The meeting was advised that the Council's Architect had issued a certificate of practical completion and that on the basis of the figures which had been supplied by the Architect it would be necessary to raise a Supplementary Loan of £8,300 to cover increases under the price variation clause etc. It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor J. Kane and resolved "that we hereby authorise the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £8,300 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of meeting the balance of capital costs on the erection of 22 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow".

The Council was advised that a certificate for a payment of £7,214-62 would, for the present, require to be met from the Capital Reserve Account.

RE: WENTWORTH RISE, WICKLOW:

The Council was advised that the Town Surveyor had reported that wall bounding the above scheme had now been repaired and the Council agreed that it would now be possible to proceed with the taking of the scheme in charge.

RE: MR. JOHN GOODMAN:

The Council noted that the Law Agents had advised that the Council had no statutory authority to assist Mr. John Goodman who had constructed a bungalow at St. Dominick's Road, Wicklow and was unable to connect same to the sewer.

ROAD SAFETY:

In accordance with the recommendation of the Road Safety Officer the Council agreed that "stop" signs should be provided at the following points:-

- St. Manntan's Road (by Carr's field) immediately approaching the junction with Melancholy Lane.
- Greenhill Road immediately approaching the junction with Convent Road.
- Extreme end of St. Laurence's Road approaching the junction with St. Patrick's Road.
- St. Manntan's Road approaching the junction with Fitzwilliam Road.

CONGRATULATIONS:

The Council congratulated Wicklow Rugby Football Club on winning the Briggs Trophy on the previous Wednesday.

Congratulations were also extended to Miss Barbara Wynne of the Council's Clerical Staff on reaching the Leinster Semi-Finals in Badminton.

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RE: MR. FRANCIS HYNES:

Councillor T.A. Delahunt referred to the question of dampness in house owned by Mr. Francis Hynes at 2, New Street, Wicklow. It was pointed out that some time ago the Council's employees removed a 6" sewer vent pipe which was embedded in the rear wall of the house at 2, New Street, Wicklow and that when the pipe was removed the Council did not plaster the wall where the pipe had been embedded and some slates which had surrounded the top of the pipe had also been removed and had not been replaced with the result that when it rains water seeps through the recess and causes dampness in the house. The Town Surveyor pointed out that Mr. Hynes had indicated that in the event of the Council paying him a sum of £45 he would arrange to have the work of plastering carried out himself and would undertake not to hold the Council responsible if any dampness occurs again in the house. The Town Surveyor recommended that the sum of £45 should be paid to Mr. Hynes. The Council agreed with the Town Surveyor's recommendation. It was then proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved "that we hereby authorise excess expenditure in the sum of £45 to cover cost of payment to Mr. F. Hynes for the purposes of repairing house at 2, New Street, Wicklow subject to the condition that Mr. Hynes submits an undertaking that he will not make any further claims against the Council in respect of the house in question."

WIRE ROPES LIMITED:

"A testimonial was read to the meeting from residents at Lower Strand, Wicklow expressing concern about "unsightly derelict site" owned by Wire Ropes Limited at the rear of their houses. The Clerk was instructed to write to Wire Ropes Limited in regard to the matter."

NEW DUMPING GROUND AT ASHTOWN:

"A letter was read to the meeting from Mrs. Violet Sheang conveying objections from residents of the Broomhall and Ballinabarney districts to any further dumping in the area. Councillor J. Kane pointed out that the Urban Council would be applying to Wicklow County Council for planning permission for the new dump and he considered that this objection was a matter for the County Council to consider in conjunction with the planning application. Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that the people of the area would have to be considered just as the people of Seafield, Wicklow were previously. The Council agreed to notify the people concerned that it was intended to put a caretaker on the new dump, a new vehicle was being provided and the site would only be used for a further two years."

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The Town Surveyor's Report for the month of April, 1972 was noted by the Council. Arising from the Town Surveyor's Report a number of matters were noted for attention:-

"Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara enquired whether anything could be done to remedy the problem of flooding which frequently occurs outside the premises of Mr. George Murray at Main Street, Wicklow. It was agreed to write to the County Council in regard to the matter."

The Chairman, Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy, enquired as to the position in relation to Mrs. Catherine Vickers, 8, St. Bride's Road, Wicklow who was seeking a range. The Chairman pointed out that the Council had previously made up a range specially for Mrs. Vickers but she refused to have same as she wished to have a new range similar to the type at present in the house. The Chairman stated that she understood that Mrs. Vickers would now be satisfied if an opening over the existing range was plastered. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would look into the matter."

Councillor E. Kavanagh referred to the matter of re-erecting the

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fence where the Council had carried out improvements at Seaview Road, Wicklow and stated that Wicklow Golf Club had removed a further section of the ditch bounding their property which adjoins the section which had been removed by the Council. Councillor Kavanagh pointed out that if the Council was agreeable the Golf Club would supply materials for replacing both sections of the fence provided the Council erected the fence. Councillor Kavanagh stated that if the Golf Club supplied the materials and the Council supplied the labour for the erection of the fence the cost to the Council would probably be less than the cost of supplying the materials for and erecting the section of the fence for which the Council was responsible. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would report on the matter."

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor T.A. Delahunt and resolved "that the seal of the Council be affixed to:-

- (1) Leases in the following cases for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1971 at yearly ground rents of £15 each:-

No. 53, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. William Byrne.
No. 54, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. Oliver Flynn.
No. 55, Seafield, Wicklow - Mr. John G. Byrne.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.30 P.M.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

2nd June, 1972.

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

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The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held in the Town Hall, Wicklow on Tuesday 6th June, 1972 at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. DOWNES,
ACTING TOWN CLERK

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of May Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Applications under Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1967.
- (4) Schedule of Uncollected Rates.
- (5) Capital Reserve Account.
- (6) Tidy Towns Competition 1972.
- (7) Letter from Wicklow and District Chamber of Commerce in relation to Car Park at Greenhill Road, Wicklow.
- (8) Applications for consent to assignment:-
 - (a) Premises: 2, Urban Villas - William Devlin to William Phillips
 - (b) Premises: "Cotta Bawn", Seaview Road - Mrs. Nora A. Sheldon Greene to William J. Studdert and Mrs. Phyllis Studdert.
 - (c) Premises: Main Street - Royal Bank to Patrick Dowling.
- (9) Application for consent to mortgage of 22, St. Laurence's Road - Mr. and Mrs. Christie to I.P.B.S.
- (10) Application for tenancy of house at 4, Urban Villas from Mr. Robert Byrne.
- (11) Application from Mrs. Gertrude O'Reilly for renewal of lease of land containing four dwellings at Castle Street.
- (12) Application for lease of site at The Murrrough from Veba Limited.
- (13) Outdoor Staff - Arrangements for Church Holydays.
- (14) Town Surveyor's Report for the month of May, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (15) Sealing of Documents.
- (16) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

30th June, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 6TH JUNE, 1972.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor and Mr. P. Downes, Acting Town Clerk.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Councillor L. Turner.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

The Council requested that their sympathy be conveyed to the son and daughters of the late Mr. Matthew Turner, a former Member of the Council. The County Manager, on behalf of the staff, joined in the vote of sympathy which was respectfully passed all present standing.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the May Monthly Meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and then signed by the Chairman.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:Mr. G. Vickers:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. G. Vickers for permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 4, Castle Avenue, Wicklow, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. P. O'Rourke:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. P. O'Rourke for permission to extend his dwellinghouse and to erect a garage at 21, Kilmartin Road, Wicklow, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Bank of Ireland:

The Council approved of applications from the Bank of Ireland for permission for the erection of illuminated signs at premises at Main Street and Abbey Street, Wicklow, in accordance with the Town Surveyor's recommendation.

Mr. F. Hynes:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. F. Hynes for permission to change use of shed to office at New Street, Wicklow, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report and subject also to the requirements of the Chief Fire Officer and County Medical Officer.

De La Salle Brothers:

The Council approved of an application from the De La Salle Brothers, Wicklow for permission to extend dwellinghouse at St. Martin's Road, Wicklow, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report and subject also to the requirements of the Chief Fire Officer and County Medical Officer.

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De La Salle Brothers:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted by the De La Salle Brothers, Wicklow, for outline permission for the re-construction of the existing school and for the erection of four bungalows at Church Hill, Wicklow. It was pointed out that further details were being sought in order to ascertain what was involved in the proposed re-construction of the existing school, but that the Town Surveyor had recommended that outline permission be granted for the erection of the four bungalows. The Council approved of the application subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

The Council considered at length an application from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for permission for the erection of headquarters, club rooms and residence for old couple at Castle Street, Wicklow. It was decided to defer consideration of the application until the July Monthly Meeting.

National Building Agency Limited:

The Council was informed that the National Building Agency Limited had submitted sketch drawings of proposed Industrial Housing Scheme at Wicklow. It was pointed out that the drawings submitted provided for the erection of seven bungalows and that the Town Surveyor had no objection to the proposal.

Members of the Council expressed concern lest any of the workers who would be nominated for these houses would after a short period move from the district and sell their houses. It was agreed that the views of the Industrial Development Authority should be sought as to what safeguards, if any, could be taken to ensure that these houses would always be available for industrial workers.

LANDLORD & TENANT (GROUND RENTS) ACT, 1967:

The Council was informed that an application had been received from Mr. William Kinsella for the purchase of fee simple in land containing five dwellinghouses at Castle Street, Wicklow, which is held under lease from the Council for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1927. It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunty, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved "that we hereby approve of application for purchase of fee simple from Mr. W. Kinsella, Castle Street, Wicklow, subject to the payment by the purchaser of a sum which if invested in Government Securities would produce annually in gross interest an amount equal to the amount of rent payable under the lease and subject also to the payment by the purchaser of the Council's costs."

SCHEDULE OF UNCOLLECTED RATES:

The Schedule of Uncollected Rates for the year to 31st March, 1972 was discussed in detail by the Council and it was noted that the collection amounted to almost 95%. Particulars of the arrears and details of the action taken and proposed to be taken were given by the County Manager.

CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from the Department of Local Government in regard to the proposed use of the Capital Reserve which has been accumulated by the Council from Capital Receipts derived from various housing services. The Department pointed out that the purchase of a Refuse Collection Vehicle was not a purpose of which the Minister is normally prepared to approve for the use of such Receipts, but that in the exceptional circumstances represented there was no objection in this instance. It was further pointed out that the Minister was very anxious to encourage in every way possible the flow of capital towards housing in order to ensure that available

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resources are used to build as many houses as possible for those who need them and that he was not disposed to approve of the investment of Housing Capital Receipts by Local Authorities in any service or use other than one which would contribute directly to the housing drive. It was suggested that the Council might consider lending the money either on a long or short term basis at the Current Local Loan Fund Lending Rate to one of the other Housing Authorities in the Wicklow area in order to enable them to apply it to an approved housing capital purpose such as the acquisition of land, provision of housing loans and grants, etc.

The Council deferred consideration of the matter until the July Monthly Meeting.

TIDY TOWNS' COMPETITION 1972:

The Clerk read to the meeting correspondence from Bord Fáilte Éireann giving details of number of entries and prizes for the Tidy Towns' Competition 1972. The Council noted that judging would begin in the first week of June and continue through to mid August.

WICKLOW AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

A letter from Wicklow and District Chamber of Commerce in relation to the Car Park and the condition of the surface of Greenhill Road was brought to the attention of the meeting. It was pointed out by members that a sum of over £400 had been expended on this road during the past year and that there were other roads within the Urban area which were in greater need of repair.

MARY BYRNE DECEASED - 2. URBAN VILLAS, THE MURROUGH, WICKLOW:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. William Devlin, son and executor of the deceased tenant purchaser, for consent to the assignment of house at 2, Urban Villas, The Murrough, Wicklow to Mr. William Phillips.

MRS. NORA A. SHELTON GREENE:

The Council approved of the application of Mrs. Nora A. Sheldon Greene for consent to assignment of house known as "Cottabawn", Seaview Road, Wicklow to William J. Studdert and Mrs. Phyllis Studdert.

ROYAL BANK:

The Council approved of the application of the Royal Bank for consent to assignment of former bank premises at Main Street, Wicklow to Mr. Patrick Dowling.

MR. AND MRS. BOSCO CHRISTIE:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. and Mrs. Bosco Christie for consent to mortgage of house at 22, St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow to the Irish Permanent Building Society.

MR. ROBERT BYRNE:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Robert Byrne, for the tenancy of house at 4, Urban Villas, The Murrough, Wicklow subject to the payment of a rent calculated in accordance with the appropriate Differential Rent Scale and subject also to the condition that Mr. Byrne's sons would have a right of accommodation in the house.

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WATER SUPPLY IN THE URBAN AREA:

The Clerk read to the meeting a report from the Town Surveyor in which it was recommended that the Council engage a Consultant to submit a preliminary report on a proposal to improve the water supply in the Urban area by pumping 400,000 gallons per day from Potters River, either from Ballinamesda or Castletimon, to the existing reservoir at Ashtown where it could be filtered and in turn flow into the Urban Council mains. The Town Surveyor pointed out that having regard to happenings in the past there might be a danger of pollution as many farm holdings adjoin the river. The Town Surveyor estimated the cost of the Scheme at £100,000. The Council approved of the Town Surveyor's recommendation and agreed that a Consultant should be engaged who would be in a position to submit a prompt report.

MRS. GERTRUDE O'REILLY:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor T.A. Delahunt and resolved that we hereby approve of application of Mrs. Gertrude O'Reilly, 18, Anglesea Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin, 4, for renewal of lease, containing four dwellinghouses at Castle Street, Wicklow, subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) Ground rent to be increased by five times from £1.50 to £7.50.
- (b) Payment by lessee of fine of £45 to cover stamp duty, registration fees, costs, mapping fee, etc.
- (c) Insertion in lease of usual condition authorising the Council to review the ground rent every fifteen years having regard to changes in money value relationships as determined by the Central Statistics Office."

VEHA LIMITED:

The Council considered an application from Veba Limited for the lease of two plots viz., (1) plot north of the existing factory and west of the public road, and (2) plot south of the existing factory at the entrance to same and between the old and new public roads. The Town Surveyor indicated that there would be no objection to the leasing of these sites provided a right-of-way at least 20 feet in width was retained north of plot number (1) and along the river bank in order to preserve access to the river and railway bridge from the public road. It was pointed out that the area of plot number (1) was 1 acre 1 rood approximately and that the area of plot number (2) was 1 rood approximately. It was recommended to the Council that the following leases be granted:-

(1) Plot Number (1):

Lease for a period of 75 years (with covenant that factory buildings be erected thereon within a period of three years) at a ground rent of £100 per annum.

(2) Plot Number (2):

Lease for a period of 75 years (with covenant that gate lodge be erected thereon within a period of eighteen months) at a ground rent of £20 per annum.

In regard to plot number (1) it was also recommended that it be a requirement that Veba Limited arrange for the fencing of the site from 29th September, 1972 in order to prevent unauthorised parking of caravans on the site and that it would be necessary to inform owners of any caravans parked on the site that same would require to be moved before that date.

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The Council agreed that the application of Veba Limited for leases in respect of these two sites should be considered favourably but that further details should be obtained in regard to the buildings to be erected on plot number (1) north of the existing factory.

CHURCH HOLYDAYS:

The Council again considered a request from the Irish Transport & General Workers Union that the Council operate an arrangement similar to that operated in other areas whereby members of the outdoor staff would work on Church Holydays and receive annual leave in lieu thereof to be taken during the winter months. The Council agreed that members of the outdoor staff should be allowed work on Church Holydays and that an additional day's leave in respect of each such Holyday be granted to be taken on a staggered basis during the winter months.

20 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN:

A letter was read to the meeting from the Department of Local Government stating that the tender in the sum £81,610 or £4,080 per house received from Messrs. McIlvenna Bros. Limited for the erection of 20 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow appeared altogether excessive. It was also pointed out that same Contractor's tenders which had been approved for County Council Schemes at Rathnew and Ashford where the same type of accommodation was to be provided worked out at £2,950 per house. It was pointed out by the members that in their view, having regard to the standard of accommodation and the specification, the tender of Messrs. McIlvenna Bros. Limited of £81,610 or £4,080 per house was not excessive. It was mentioned by the members that houses with only a slightly larger floor area which were being erected under a package deal arranged by the Council at Durbur, Wicklow were costing £5,250. It was the view of the Council that the price quoted by Messrs. McIlvenna Bros. Limited was not unreasonable in view of present day building costs and the prices being charged to persons acquiring houses for their own accommodation.

The possibility of availing of the Guaranteed Order Project was also mentioned, but members were strongly of the opinion that traditional type building would result in a more satisfactory type house with lower maintenance costs in the future.

After lengthy discussion on the subject the Council requested that their views be conveyed to the Department. At the same time it was agreed that the Chairman, County Manager, Town Surveyor, Architect and Contractor should hold a meeting for the purpose of a discussion regarding the tender price.

GAS WORKS:

The Council again referred to the derelict condition of the old Gas Works at Bath Street, Wicklow. The Council agreed to endeavour to recover the property under the terms of the lease for failure to keep it in proper repair and it was decided to seek the Law Agents advice in this regard.

AMENITY SCHEME AT GLEN STRAND:

Councillor E. Kavanagh requested that the proposed pathway leading from Wicklow Silver Strand Road to the Glen Strand be commenced. Councillor Kavanagh stated that the money had been allocated and it would be nice to have the path ready and small park opened in time for the summer.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

It was agreed to hold the Annual General Meeting on 4th July, 1972.

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