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NEW DUMPING GROUND AT ASHTOWN:

The Council considered a request from residents of the Ashtown district that a deputation be received by the Council in order that the views of the residents would be made known in regard to the proposal for further dumping at Ashtown. It was agreed to receive a deputation at the July Monthly Meeting.

The Council also agreed that immediate arrangements should be made for the employment of a Caretaker at the dump for a period of one month. It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahurt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved "that we hereby authorise over expenditure in the sum of £110 to cover the cost of employing a Caretaker at the Council's dumping ground at Ashtown for a period of one month".

TELEPHONE KIOSK AT THE MURROUGH:

A letter was read to the meeting from the Department of Posts & Telegraphs in regard to the Council's request that a telephone kiosk be provided at The Murrough, Wicklow. It was pointed out that telephone kiosks are costly to provide and maintain and they can be provided only where the use likely to be made of them will be sufficient to justify the heavy costs involved. It was stated that having regard to the relatively small resident population in The Murrough there was little prospect that this condition would be fulfilled and that accordingly it would not be possible to accede to the Council's request.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's Report for the month of May, 1972 were noted by the Council.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor T.A. Delahurt 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.

Mr. Wesley B. Brown, Site No. 26, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. Desmond A. Byrne, " " 46, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. James T. Furey, " " 47, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. Gerard J. Congagh, " " 50, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. James J. Delaney, " " 56, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. Desmond Rohan, " " 58, Seafield, Wicklow.  
 Mr. David Smallwood, " " 59, Seafield, Wicklow.

- (2) Memorial:

Mr. Oliver Flynn, Site No. 54, Seafield, Wicklow.

- (3) Release of Mortgage and Memorial:

Mr. Ronald Rice, Dunbur Park, Wicklow.

- (4) Lease of land at South Quay to Mrs. Dorothy F. Clarke for a period of 31 years from 25th March, 1968 at an annual rent of £45.

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- (5) Release of Mortgage:

Mr. Patrick Byrne, Summerhill, Wicklow.

- (6) Deed of Amendment:

Mr. Dominic F. Mulhern - Premises: "Roncalli", Seaview Road, Wicklow.

- (7) Building Licence:

Wicklow Urban District Council with Crossspan Developments Limited - Third Phase of Dunbur Development.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.45 P.M.

*E. Kavanagh*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.

30th June, 1972.

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

A Chara,

The Monthly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council  
will be held on 4th July, 1972 in the Town Hall, Wicklow at 7.30 pm.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

P. DOWNES,  
ACTING TOWN CLERK.A G E N D A.

- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of June Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Deputation from Residents of Aghtown area.
- (3) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (4) Opening of Tenders for Refuse Collection Vehicle.
- (5) Industrial Housing Scheme - Leasing of Sites.
- (6) Capital Reserve Account.
- (7) Capital Allocations for Housing and Amenity Grant Schemes.
- (8) Housing List No. 31.
- (9) Overdraft Accommodation for quarter ending 30th September, 1972.
- (10) Proposed road widening at The Mall, Wicklow.
- (11) Declaration of road known as Wentworth Rise to be public road.
- (12) 20 House Scheme at Ballynerrin.
- (13) Appointment of delegates to and consideration of motions for submission to Annual Conference of Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.
- (14) Application for Murrrough Sites from Veba Limited.
- (15) Town Surveyor's Report for June, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (16) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILTown Hall,  
WICKLOW.

30th June, 1972.

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

A Chara,

It is proposed to hold the Annual Rates Meeting immediately  
after the conclusion of the business of the Monthly Meeting to be  
held on Tuesday, 4th July, 1972.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

P. DOWNES,  
ACTING TOWN CLERK.A G E N D A

- (1) Formally make Rate for year ended 31st March, 1973 and Seal Rate Book.
- (2) Seal Rate Collector's Warrant.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.  
 30th ~~June~~ <sup>JUNE</sup>, 1972.

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

A Chara,

The Annual General Meeting of the Council will take place on  
 Tuesday 4th July, 1972 at 7.15 p.m. in the Town Hall, Wicklow.  
 You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

P. DOWNES,  
 ACTING TOWN CLERK.

A G E N D A

- (1) Election of Chairman.
- (2) Election of Vice Chairman.
- (3) Appointment of representatives on the Rathdrum and Wicklow  
 Joint Burial Board.
- (4) Appointment of nominated members for witnessing the affixing  
 of the Council's Seal.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
 Wicklow.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972.

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

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

At the outset Councillor L. Turner expressed thanks to the  
 members and staff for their vote of sympathy on the recent death  
 of his father.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the June monthly meeting, copies of which had  
 been circulated, were taken as read and then signed by the Chairman.

DEPUTATION:

The Council received a Deputation from residents of the Ashtown  
 area in regard to the proposal to carry out further dumping at  
 Ashtown. The Deputation requested that the Ashtown dump be closed  
 and a new dump be found elsewhere.

Councillor E. Kavanagh, Chairman, informed the deputation that  
 the question of a dump had been a problem for years and that he would  
 like to see a regional dump being established. Councillor J. Kane  
 stated that they had a terrible problem on their hands as regards a  
 dump. It was never their wish to cause a nuisance to anyone,  
 no matter where they selected there would be opposition. The  
 Chairman assured the deputation that the Council would give careful  
 consideration to the points raised and would do their best to help.

The Council was informed that a request had been received from  
 Wicklow County Council that members of the Urban Council meet with  
 members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral area in order  
 to discuss the question of a regional dump. The Council agreed to  
 meet members of the County Council.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT)  
 ACT, 1963:National Building Agency Ltd:

Council approved of the application of the National Building  
 Agency for permission for the erection of seven bungalows at the  
 rear of St. Patrick's Avenue subject to the Town Surveyor's  
 requirements.

Veha Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Veha Limited for  
 permission for the erection of a gate lodge at the Murrrough, subject  
 to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Joseph Doran:

Council approved of the application of Mr. Joseph Doran for  
 permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 10, St. Laurence's Park,  
 subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Albert White:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Albert White for  
 permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 18, Glenview Road, subject  
 to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

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International Poultry Services Ltd:

The Council was informed that an appeal had been lodged by residents against the decision of the Council to grant permission to International Poultry Services Ltd. for the conversion of former candle factory into chicken hatchery at Bridge Street, Wicklow. Councillor F. Conway stated that he understood the proposal was now not going through and that the property concerned was up for sale.

Philip Warwick:

The Council was informed that the Minister for Local Government had decided on appeal to grant permission to Mr. Philip Warwick for permission to change use of premises known as the Old Post Office, Main Street, Wicklow, for use as an amusement arcade. Members were most surprised that the Minister should have decided to grant permission for this development in view of the reports of the Council's technical officers and strong objections received from residents. It was decided to enquire on what grounds the Minister decided to grant permission for this development.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

The Council again considered the application of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for permission to erect a headquarters, club rooms and residence for an old couple on park at Castle Street, Wicklow. The meeting was advised that the Town Surveyor had recommended that permission be refused on the following grounds:

- (1) The site in question is a public amenity and should be preserved as such. A derelict site grant was obtained for the improvement and development of this site.
- (2) The proposed building would give rise to parking of cars along side a very dangerous junction and therefore would give rise to a traffic hazard.

With Councillors E. Kavanagh and P. Doyle dissenting, the Council passed a resolution that permission be granted for this development.

TENDERS FOR REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLE:

The following tenders which were received for the supply of a refuse collection vehicle, as a result of public advertisement, were opened at the meeting:

CONTRACTOR:	TENDER PRICE:
(1) Abbey Service Garage (Wicklow) Ltd., Whitegates, Wicklow.	(a) £8,000.00 (b) £7,950.00 (c) £8,100.00 (d) £8,500.00
(2) Commercial Road Vehicles Ltd., Dundalk, Co. Louth.	(a) £9,980.00 (b) £9,484.00
(3) Willaim P. Ryan Ltd., 52, Thorncastle Street, Ringsend, Dublin 4.	(a) £8,800.00
(4) Kilmacanogue Service Garage, Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow.	(a) £9,667.50 (b) £11,355.50
(5) S. McCormick (Contractors Plant) Ltd., Jamestown Road, Inchicore, Dublin 3.	(a) £11,150.00 (b) £12,250.00 (c) Quotation for the supply of refuse collection unit to be mounted on vehicle supplied by the Council: £7,400.00 cont/.....

It was agreed that the tenders be forwarded to the Town Surveyor for report and recommendation.

NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY:

The Council agreed to lease seven sites at the rear of St. Patrick's Avenue to the National Building Agency Limited for the purpose of erecting seven bungalows thereon. It was agreed that the sites would be leased for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1972, subject to the payment of a site fine of £150 per site and to the payment of an annual ground rent of £15 per site. It was also agreed that leasing of the sites would be subject to the payment of the lessees of a fine to cover the Council's legal costs for preparing leases, lease maps, etc. The Council agreed that there would be no objection to the National Building Agency entering on the land.

The County Manager read to the meeting a letter from the Industrial Development Authority in relation to the concern expressed by members regarding nominated workers moving from the district within a short time and selling their houses.

CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT:

The Council again considered the question of proposed use of the Capital Reserve which has been accumulated by the Council from Capital receipts derived from various housing services. It was decided to defer consideration of the matter until a report and recommendation had been received from the Town Surveyor in relation to the acceptance of a tender for the supply of a scavenging vehicle.

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS:

Council was informed that notification had been received from the Department of Local Government that the Council's Capital Allocation for Local Authority housing for 1972/73 was £15,000, in respect of existing commitments. It was pointed out that allocations for new work would be decided from time to time according as the schemes mature for start. The Council was also informed that an allocation of £200 had been received in respect of amenity schemes at the Glen Strand and Ballalley. Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that the scheme at the Glen Strand should be started as soon as possible.

HOUSING LIST NO. 31:

The Council reviewed the Housing List No. 31 and noted that 33 applications had been received for same. Of these 20 had been placed on the list. It was pointed out that in the case of Thomas Redmond, 3, High Street, the County Medical Officer had recommended that he be placed on the list on grounds of overcrowding, provided that repairs required by Repairs Notice had been carried out to the house presently occupied by him. After considerable discussion Council adopted the Housing List.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

The meeting was advised that the estimated overdraft accommodation required in the quarter ending 30th September, 1972, amounted to £11,000. It was then proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, Seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby approved, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government of the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £11,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 30th September, 1972".

PROPOSED ROAD WIDENING AT THE MALL:

The Council was advised of a scheme to widen the Upper Mall and to convert the Lower Mall into a cul-de-sac. It was pointed out

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that the scheme would be carried out by Wicklow County Council and that a Road Fund Grant would be sought. The scheme would entail the levelling of the Old Technical School building and the acquisition of an adjoining house. The Council approved of the proposed scheme. It was also considered that where the line of the dividing wall between the Upper and Lower Mall is altered the wall should have a decorative finish rather than a blank concrete wall. It was suggested that a trellis of creeper or decorative stone work would be appropriate. Council also considered that the scheme should also make provision for the improving of Salthouse Lane as it was considered that the amount of traffic on this laneway would increase considerably when the Lower Mall is converted into a cul-de-sac. It was agreed to inform the County Council accordingly.

#### WENTWORTH RISE:

The Council was advised that the required public notices had now been published in relation to the taking of the above scheme in charge. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby declare that the road described hereunder be a public road:-

Existing roadway known as Wentworth Rise from the junction with Wentworth Place for a distance of fifty linear yards in the Urban District of Wicklow."

#### 20 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN:

The County Manager informed the meeting that the tender received from McIlvenna Bros. at £4,080 per house was considered to be too high by the Department of Local Government. As a result of discussions between the Contractor, Architect and Department Officials some adjustments and alterations had been made and the tender price was now down to £3,799 per house. The Department was prepared to approve this figure.

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, stated that Mr. J. Leonard who had been employed as part-time clerk-of-works on the 22 house scheme recently completed wished to be employed as clerk-of-works on the proposed new scheme. The Council agreed that Mr. Leonard should be employed as clerk-of-works and it was also agreed that where carpentry work was required on housing repairs Mr. Leonard should also be engaged. The Council agreed to the raising of a loan of £32,000 to cover the cost of the proposed 20 house scheme.

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh, and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise the raising of a loan of £32,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to be repayable in 35 years with interest at 9% per annum in order to finance the erection of 20 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow".

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES:

It was noted by members that the annual conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland will be held at Monaghan on 19th, 20th and 21st September, 1972. The Council selected Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara and Mr. L. Turner as delegates to represent the Council at the annual conference.

It was agreed that the following motions would be submitted for consideration at the conference: Resolution in the names of Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara and the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, as follows:

- (1) "That Urban District Councils should be retained and democratically elected by the people".

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Resolution in the names of Councillors L. Turner and T. A. Delahunt as follows:

- (2) "That legislation be introduced to compel political parties to remove posters after elections and referenda".

Resolution in the names of Councillors J. Kane and F. Conway as follows:

- (3) "That people engaged to advise on the Local Government structure of this country should be natives and have a knowledge of how the Local Government service operated in this country".

The Council regretted that it would not be possible to increase the Council's contribution of £7 per annum to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

#### VEHA LIMITED:

The Council again considered the application of Veba Limited for leases in respect of two sites at the Murrrough. The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Veba Limited in which it was stated that on plot No. 1 at the entrance to the existing factory it was intended to construct a gate lodge. In regard to plot No. 2 north of the existing factory it was stated that this would be used as a turning area for lorries and loading area for containers and lorries. It was stated that it was the intention of the firm to extend their existing storage building to utilize all the area of their existing site to the boundary fence on the northern side and that therefore additional space would be required in order to turn and park lorries, and in which to manoeuvre containers during loading. It was pointed out that as Veba Limited did not intend to erect buildings on this site it would only be possible to grant a 31 year lease in respect thereof. The Council considered that the type of fencing to be erected at the site north of the existing factory premises should be such as would exclude from view any materials etc. which would be stored on the site. The Council agreed that the Town Surveyor should discuss the matter with Veba Limited and that details of proposed fencing should then be submitted for approval.

#### TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's report for the month of June, 1972, were noted by the Council.

The Town Surveyor requested that the Council authorise the employment of the caretaker at the dump for a further month. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor L. Turner and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise over expenditure in the sum of £110 to cover employment of caretaker at dump for a further period of one month."

#### WICKLOW SWIMMING CLUB:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Wicklow Swimming Club stating that the Club had carried out voluntarily over the past month work which had cost in the region of £90, the major item being the cost of bulldozer for cleaning the beach. It was requested that the Council make a contribution to help to defray the Club's expenses. The Council's agreed to make a contribution of £25 to the swimming club. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise over expenditure in the sum of £25 to cover cost of contribution to Wicklow Swimming Club towards the cost of improvements carried out at the Seafrost".

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WATER SUPPLY:

The Council considered a report from the Town Surveyor recommending that Mr. Michael C. O'Sullivan, B.E., M.I.C.E.I., A.M.I.C.E., Consulting Engineer, 39, Sunday's Wells, Cork, be engaged to prepare a preliminary report on a scheme to pump 400,000 gallons of water per day from Potter's River from a point at either Ballinameesda or Castletimon to the Council's existing reservoir at Ashtown. It was pointed out that the preparation of a preliminary report could involve the Council in a considerable amount of expenditure by way of fees. The Council considered that the Consulting Engineer should be engaged initially to submit a brief report on the volume and type of water in Potter's River and the increase in capacity of Council's reservoir which would be required. The Council approved of the engagement of Mr. O'Sullivan to prepare such a report. It was pointed out that the sanction of the Minister for Local Government would be required.

TENANT PURCHASE SCHEMES:

A letter was read to the meeting from Mr. J. O'Flaherty, 18, St. Manntan's Park, enquiring if there was any possibility of purchasing the houses at St. Manntan's Park and if the Council would receive a deputation from the St. Manntan's Park residents to discuss the matter. Reference was also made in the letter to forms which had been issued to tenants in connection with the revision of rents. It was pointed out that the Council's proposed purchase scheme would involve 160 houses and that as details required to be extracted in relation to age, floor area, standard of accommodation of the house, length of tenancy, etc. the preparation of the scheme would take some considerable time. It was mentioned, however, that quite a considerable amount of work on the preparation of the scheme had already been carried out and it was hoped within a month or two to submit a scheme for approval by the Council. The Council agreed that Mr. O'Flaherty be informed accordingly. In regard to the question of rent revision and differential rents, the Council requested that Mr. O'Flaherty be informed that differential rent scales were determined throughout the country in accordance with regulations and circulars from the Department of Local Government. The Council agreed to receive a deputation at the August monthly meeting.

THOMAS GRAHAM:

Councillor F. Conway referred to the application of Mr. Thomas Graham for permission to discharge sewage from three houses proposed to be erected at Friar's Hill into the Council's sewerage system. The Council agreed that permission be granted, subject to the Town Surveyor being satisfied.

METHODIST CHURCH:

Councillor T. A. Delahunt stated that he had been approached by members of the Methodist Church who wished to erect direction signs. It was agreed that there would be no objection to the proposal and that the erection of the signs should be agreed upon with the Town Surveyor.

PLEBISCITE:

On the proposal of Councillor F. Conway, seconded by Councillor J. Kane, the Council with Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy and Mrs. P. McNamara dissenting, adopted the following resolution:

"That Wicklow Urban District Council call on the Government in the event of a Plebiscite being held within our occupied six north eastern counties in relation to the reunification of our country to arrange a Plebiscite throughout the twenty six counties so that the feeling of the majority of the Irish people may be demonstrated to the world as being in favour of a united nation once again. We further call for the support of all Local Authority bodies for this resolution".

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41 HOUR WEEK:

The Council decided to introduce with effect from the 1st August, 1972, a 41 hour week for the outdoor staff.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:

- (1) Memorial - Mr. William Byrne, 53 Seafield, Wicklow.
- (2) Memorial - Mr. Wesley Brown, 26, Seafield, Wicklow.
- (3) Leases in the following cases for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1971, at yearly ground rent of £15 each:
  - (a) James A. Kenny, 60, Seafield, Wicklow.
  - (b) Oliver Searls, 52, Seafield, Wicklow.
  - (c) Thomas J. Synnott, 45, Seafield, Wicklow.
- (4) Lease to Richard Davis, Glenside Road, for period of 75 years from 29th September, 1971, at yearly rent of £5.
- (5) Lease of premises at South Quay to Wicklow Corn Company for period of 31 years from 25th March, 1968, at yearly rent of £18.
- (6) Conveyance of Fee Simple - Thomas Murphy, Dunbur Road, Wicklow.
- (7) Conveyance of Fee Simple - W. E. Smith, Dunvara, Summerhill, Wicklow.

The meeting concluded at 10.45

*T. A. Delahunt*  
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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL RATES MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972.

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

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

MAKING OF RATE FOR 1972/73:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council make the following rate and assessment on all occupiers and owners of land and hereditaments situated in the Urban District of Wicklow liable thereto in accordance with the Rate Book so prepared and submitted to us viz: Municipal Rate for the services of year ending 31st March, 1973, of £5.08 in the £.

URBAN ROADS	...v ... ..	pence
		29.10
SANITARY SERVICES	... ..	110.92
HOUSING	... ..	33.46
GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES	... ..	63.01
COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES	... ..	271.51
		<u>508.00</u>

That the seal of Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement and Certificate of the Municipal Rate contained in the Rate Book for 1972/73 and that the necessary notice be published forthwith".

RATE COLLECTOR'S WARRENT:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved.

"That the seal of the Council be affixed to the warrent in respect of 1972/73 to be issued to the Rate Collector of the Wicklow Urban District Council".

*E. Kavanagh*  
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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972 at 7.15 p.m.

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

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

At the commencement of the meeting the outgoing Chairman, Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, thanked the members and staff for their co-operation and assistance during her term of office. The members paid tribute to Councillor Mrs. McEnroy and said that she had been a very fair and impartial Chairman.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

On the proposal of Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle, Councillor E. Kavanagh was elected Chairman unanimously.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN:

On the proposal of Councillor P. Doyle, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara, Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy was elected Vice Chairman unanimously.

REPRESENTATIVES ON BURIAL BOARD:

The Council unanimously agreed that Councillors Byrne, Turner, Doyle, Kavanagh, Conway, McNamara and McEnroy be appointed as members to the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board until they became misqualified or until their successors are lawfully appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATED MEMBERS TO WITNESS THE AFFIXING OF THE COUNCIL'S SEAL:

It was agreed that the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh and Councillors T. A. Delahunt and Mrs. M. McEnroy be deemed to be nominated members of the Council for the purpose of witnessing of the affixing of the Council's Seal.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7.25 p.m.

*E. Kavanagh*  
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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

28th July, 1972.

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

A Chara,

The monthly meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council will be held on 1st August, 1972, in the Town Hall, Wicklow, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

Mise, le meas,

P. DOWNES,

Acting Town Clerk.

A G E N D A

- (1) Minutes of Annual Meeting held on 4th July, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (2) Confirmation of minutes of July monthly meeting (copy herewith).
- (3) Minutes of Annual Rates Meeting held on 4th July, 1972. (copy herewith).
- (4) Deputation from residents of St. Manntan's Park. herewith).
- (5) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (6) Tenders for Refuse Collection Vehicle.
- (7) Urban Road Improvement Grant 1972/73.
- (8) Regional Dump - Meeting with members of County Council for Wicklow Electoral Area.
- (9) Veha Limited - Industrial Sites at The Murrrough.
- (10) Application for consent to assignment of premises known as "The Cova", Dunbur Road, Wicklow, from Mr. Jenkinson to Mr. Johnson.
- (11) Elizabeth Jameson, deceased, 5, Marine View, The Murrrough, - application to redeem annuity.
- (12) Application of Mr. Michael Malone for tenancy of house at 10, Castle Park.
- (13) Report prepared for Minister for Local Government entitled "Strengthening the Local Government Service".
- (14) Town Surveyor's Report for July, 1972, (copy herewith).
- (15) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972.

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

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

At the outset Councillor L. Turner expressed thanks to the members and staff for their vote of sympathy on the recent death of his father.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the June monthly meeting, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read and then signed by the Chairman.

DEPUTATION:

The Council received a Deputation from residents of the Ashtown area in regard to the proposal to carry out further dumping at Ashtown. The Deputation requested that the Ashtown dump be closed and a new dump be found elsewhere.

Councillor E. Kavanagh, Chairman, informed the deputation that the question of a dump had been a problem for years and that he would like to see a regional dump being established. Councillor J. Kane stated that they had a terrible problem on their hands as regards a dump. It was never their wish to cause a nuisance to anyone, no matter where they selected there would be opposition. The Chairman assured the deputation that the Council would give careful consideration to the points raised and would do their best to help.

The Council was informed that a request had been received from Wicklow County Council that members of the Urban Council meet with members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral area in order to discuss the question of a regional dump. The Council agreed to meet members of the County Council.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:National Building Agency Ltd:

Council approved of the application of the National Building Agency for permission for the erection of seven bungalows at the rear of St. Patrick's Avenue subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Veha Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Veha Limited for permission for the erection of a gate lodge at the Murrrough, subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Joseph Doran:

Council approved of the application of Mr. Joseph Doran for permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 10, St. Laurence's Park, subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Albert White:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Albert White for permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 18, Glenview Road, subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

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International Poultry Services Ltd:

The Council was informed that an appeal had been lodged by residents against the decision of the Council to grant permission to International Poultry Services Ltd. for the conversion of former candle factory into chicken hatchery at Bridge Street, Wicklow. Councillor F. Conway stated that he understood the proposal was now not going through and that the property concerned was up for sale.

Philip Warwick:

The Council was informed that the Minister for Local Government had decided on appeal to grant permission to Mr. Philip Warwick for permission to change use of premises known as the Old Post Office, Main Street, Wicklow, for use as an amusement arcade. Members were most surprised that the Minister should have decided to grant permission for this development in view of the reports of the Council's technical officers and strong objections received from residents. It was decided to enquire on what grounds the Minister decided to grant permission for this development.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

The Council again considered the application of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for permission to erect a headquarters, club rooms and residence for an old couple on park at Castle Street, Wicklow. The meeting was advised that the Town Surveyor had recommended that permission be refused on the following grounds:

- (1) The site in question is a public amenity and should be preserved as such. A derelict site grant was obtained for the improvement and development of this site.
- (2) The proposed building would give rise to parking of cars along side a very dangerous junction and therefore would give rise to a traffic hazard.

With Councillors E. Kavanagh and P. Doyle dissenting, the Council passed a resolution that permission be granted for this development.

TENDERS FOR REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLE:

The following tenders which were received for the supply of a refuse collection vehicle, as a result of public advertisement, were opened at the meeting:

<u>CONTRACTOR:</u>	<u>TENDER PRICE:</u>
(1) Abbey Service Garage (Wicklow) Ltd., Whitegates, Wicklow.	(a) £8,000.00 (b) £7,950.00 (c) £8,100.00 (d) £8,500.00
(2) Commercial Road Vehicles Ltd., Dundalk, Co. Louth.	(a) £9,980.00 (b) £9,484.00
(3) Willaim P. Ryan Ltd., 52, Thorncastle Street, Ringsend, Dublin 4.	(a) £8,800.00
(4) Kilmacanogue Service Garage, Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow.	(a) £9,667.50 (b) £11,355.50
(5) S. McCormick (Contractors Plant) Ltd., Jamestown Road, Inchicore, Dublin 3.	(a) £11,150.00 (b) £12,250.00 (c) Quotation for the supply of refuse collection unit to be mounted on vehicle supplied by the Council: £7,400.00 cont/.....

It was agreed that the tenders be forwarded to the Town Surveyor for report and recommendation.

NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY:

The Council agreed to lease seven sites at the rear of St. Patrick's Avenue to the National Building Agency Limited for the purpose of erecting seven bungalows thereon. It was agreed that the sites would be leased for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1972, subject to the payment of a site fine of £150 per site and to the payment of an annual ground rent of £15 per site. It was also agreed that leasing of the sites would be subject to the payment of the lessees of a fine to cover the Council's legal costs for preparing leases, lease maps, etc. The Council agreed that there would be no objection to the National Building Agency entering on the land.

The County Manager read to the meeting a letter from the Industrial Development Authority in relation to the concern expressed by members regarding nominated workers moving from the district within a short time and selling their houses.

CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT:

The Council again considered the question of proposed use of the Capital Reserve which has been accumulated by the Council from Capital receipts derived from various housing services. It was decided to defer consideration of the matter until a report and recommendation had been received from the Town Surveyor in relation to the acceptance of a tender for the supply of a scavenging vehicle.

CAPITAL ALLOCATIONS:

Council was informed that notification had been received from the Department of Local Government that the Council's Capital Allocation for Local Authority housing for 1972/73 was £15,000, in respect of existing commitments. It was pointed out that allocations for new work would be decided from time to time according as the schemes mature for start. The Council was also informed that an allocation of £200 had been received in respect of amenity schemes at the Glen Strand and Ballalley. Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that the scheme at the Glen Strand should be started as soon as possible.

HOUSING LIST NO. 31:

The Council reviewed the Housing List No. 31 and noted that 33 applications had been received for same. Of these 20 had been placed on the list. It was pointed out that in the case of Thomas Redmond, 3, High Street, the County Medical Officer had recommended that he be placed on the list on grounds of overcrowding, provided that repairs required by Repairs Notice had been carried out to the House presently occupied by him. After considerable discussion Council adopted the Housing List.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

The meeting was advised that the estimated overdraft accommodation required in the quarter ending 30th September, 1972, amounted to £11,000. It was then proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, Seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby approved, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government of the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £11,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 30th September, 1972".

PROPOSED ROAD WIDENING AT THE MALL:

The Council was advised of a scheme to widen the Upper Mall and to convert the Lower Mall into a cul-de-sac. It was pointed out

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that the scheme would be carried out by Wicklow County Council and that a Road Fund Grant would be sought. The scheme would entail the levelling of the Old Technical School building and the acquisition of an adjoining house. The Council approved of the proposed scheme. It was also considered that where the line of the dividing wall between the Upper and Lower Mall is altered the wall should have a decorative finish rather than a blank concrete wall. It was suggested that a trellis of creeper or decorative stone work would be appropriate. Council also considered that the scheme should also make provision for the improving of Salthouse Lane as it was considered that the amount of traffic on this laneway would increase considerably when the Lower Mall is converted into a cul-de-sac. It was agreed to inform the County Council accordingly.

#### WENTWORTH RISE:

The Council was advised that the required public notices had now been published in relation to the taking of the above scheme in charge. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby declare that the road described hereunder be a public road:-

Existing roadway known as Wentworth Rise from the junction with Wentworth Place for a distance of fifty linear yards in the Urban District of Wicklow."

#### 20 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN:

The County Manager informed the meeting that the tender received from McIlvenna Bros. at £4,080 per house was considered to be too high by the Department of Local Government. As a result of discussions between the Contractor, Architect and Department Officials some adjustments and alterations had been made and the tender price was now down to £3,799 per house. The Department was prepared to approve this figure.

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, stated that Mr. J. Leonard who had been employed as part-time clerk-of-works on the 22 house scheme recently completed wished to be employed as clerk-of-works on the proposed new scheme. The Council agreed that Mr. Leonard should be employed as clerk-of-works and it was also agreed that where carpentry work was required on housing repairs Mr. Leonard should also be engaged. The Council agreed to the raising of a loan of £32,000 to cover the cost of the proposed 20 house scheme.

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh, and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise the raising of a loan of £32,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to be repayable in 35 years with interest at 9% per annum in order to finance the erection of 20 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow".

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES:

It was noted by members that the annual conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland will be held at Monaghan on 19th, 20th and 21st September, 1972. The Council selected Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara and Mr. L. Turner as delegates to represent the Council at the annual conference.

It was agreed that the following motions would be submitted for consideration at the conference: Resolution in the names of Councillors Mrs. P. McNamara and the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, as follows:

- (1) "That Urban District Councils should be retained and democratically elected by the people".

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Resolution in the names of Councillors L. Turner and T. A. Delahunt as follows:

- (2) "That legislation be introduced to compel political parties to remove posters after elections and referenda".

Resolution in the names of Councillors J. Kane and F. Conway as follows:

- (3) "That people engaged to advise on the Local Government structure of this country should be natives and have a knowledge of how the Local Government service operated in this country".

The Council regretted that it would not be possible to increase the Council's contribution of £7 per annum to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

#### VEHA LIMITED:

The Council again considered the application of Veba Limited for leases in respect of two sites at the Murrough. The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Veba Limited in which it was stated that on plot No. 1 at the entrance to the existing factory it was intended to construct a gate lodge. In regard to plot No. 2 north of the existing factory it was stated that this would be used as a turning area for lorries and loading area for containers and lorries. It was stated that it was the intention of the firm to extend their existing storage building to utilize all the area of their existing site to the boundary fence on the northern side and that therefore additional space would be required in order to turn and park lorries, and in which to manoeuvre containers during loading. It was pointed out that as Veba Limited did not intend to erect buildings on this site it would only be possible to grant a 31 year lease in respect thereof. The Council considered that the type of fencing to be erected at the site north of the existing factory premises should be such as would exclude from view any materials etc. which would be stored on the site. The Council agreed that the Town Surveyor should discuss the matter with Veba Limited and that details of proposed fencing should then be submitted for approval.

#### TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's report for the month of June, 1972, were noted by the Council.

The Town Surveyor requested that the Council authorise the employment of the caretaker at the dump for a further month. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor L. Turner and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise over expenditure in the sum of £110 to cover employment of caretaker at dump for a further period of one month."

#### WICKLOW SWIMMING CLUB:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Wicklow Swimming Club stating that the Club had carried out voluntarily over the past month work which had cost in the region of £90, the major item being the cost of bulldozer for cleaning the beach. It was requested that the Council make a contribution to help to defray the Club's expenses. The Council's agreed to make a contribution of £25 to the swimming club. It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:

"That we hereby authorise over expenditure in the sum of £25 to cover cost of contribution to Wicklow Swimming Club towards the cost of improvements carried out at the Seafrost".

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WATER SUPPLY:

The Council considered a report from the Town Surveyor recommending that Mr. Michael C. O'Sullivan, B.E., M.I.C.E.I., A.M.I.C.E., Consulting Engineer, 39, Sunday's Wells, Cork, be engaged to prepare a preliminary report on a scheme to pump 400,000 gallons of water per day from Potter's River from a point at either Ballinameesda or Castletimon to the Council's existing reservoir at Ashtown. It was pointed out that the preparation of a preliminary report could involve the Council in a considerable amount of expenditure by way of fees. The Council considered that the Consulting Engineer should be engaged initially to submit a brief report on the volume and type of water in Potter's River and the increase incapacity of Council's reservoir which would be required. The Council approved of the engagement of Mr. O'Sullivan to prepare such a report. It was pointed out that the sanction of the Minister for Local Government would be required.

TENANT PURCHASE SCHEMES:

A letter was read to the meeting from Mr. J. O'Flaherty, 18, St. Manntan's Park, enquiring if there was any possibility of purchasing the houses at St. Manntan's Park and if the Council would receive a deputation from the St. Manntan's Park residents to discuss the matter. Reference was also made in the letter to forms which had been issued to tenants in connection with the revision of rents. It was pointed out that the Council's proposed purchase scheme would involve 160 houses and that as details required to be extracted in relation to age, floor area, standard of accommodation of the house, length of tenancy, etc. the preparation of the scheme would take some considerable time. It was mentioned, however, that quite a considerable amount of work on the preparation of the scheme had already been carried out and it was hoped within a month or two to submit a scheme for approval by the Council. The Council agreed that Mr. O'Flaherty be informed accordingly. In regard to the question of rent revision and differential rents, the Council requested that Mr. O'Flaherty be informed that differential rent scales were determined throughout the country in accordance with regulations and circulars from the Department of Local Government. The Council agreed to receive a deputation at the August monthly meeting.

THOMAS GRAHAM:

Councillor F. Conway referred to the application of Mr. Thomas Graham for permission to discharge sewage from three houses proposed to be erected at Friar's Hill into the Council's sewerage system. The Council agreed that permission be granted, subject to the Town Surveyor being satisfied.

METHODIST CHURCH:

Councillor T. A. Delahunt stated that he had been approached by members of the Methodist Church who wished to erect direction signs. It was agreed that there would be no objection to the proposal and that the erection of the signs should be agreed upon with the Town Surveyor.

PLEBISCITE:

On the proposal of Councillor F. Conway, seconded by Councillor J. Kane, the Council with Councillors Mrs. M. McEnroy and Mrs. P. McNamara dissenting, adopted the following resolution:

"That Wicklow Urban District Council call on the Government in the event of a Plebiscite being held within our occupied six north eastern counties in relation to the reunification of our country to arrange a Plebiscite throughout the twenty six counties so that the feeling of the majority of the Irish people may be demonstrated to the world as being in favour of a united nation once again. We further call for the support of all Local Authority bodies for this resolution".

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41 HOUR WEEK:

The Council decided to introduce with effect from the 1st August, 1972, a 41 hour week for the outdoor staff.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy and resolved that the seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:

- (1) Memorial - Mr. William Byrne, 53 Seafield, Wicklow.
- (2) Memorial - Mr. Wesley Brown, 26, Seafield, Wicklow.
- (3) Leases in the following cases for periods of 75 years from 29th September, 1971, at yearly ground rent of £15 each:
  - (a) James A. Kenny, 60, Seafield, Wicklow.
  - (b) Oliver Searls, 52, Seafield, Wicklow.
  - (c) Thomas J. Synnott, 45, Seafield, Wicklow.
- (4) Lease to Richard Davis, Glenside Road, for period of 75 years from 29th September, 1971, at yearly rent of £5.
- (5) Lease of premises at South Quay to Wicklow Corn Company for period of 31 years from 25th March, 1968, at yearly rent of £18.
- (6) Conveyance of Fee Simple - Thomas Murphy, Dunbur Road, Wicklow.
- (7) Conveyance of Fee Simple - W. E. Smith, Dunvara, Summerhill, Wicklow.

The meeting concluded at 10.45

*T. A. Delahunt*

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL RATES MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972.

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

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

MAKING OF RATE FOR 1972/73:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved

"That we the Wicklow Urban District Council make the following rate and assessment on all occupiers and owners of land and hereditaments situated in the Urban District of Wicklow liable thereto in accordance with the Rate Book so prepared and submitted to us viz: Municipal Rate for the services of year ending 31st March, 1973, of £5.08 in the £.

URBAN ROADS	...v ... ..	pence	29.10
SANITARY SERVICES	... ..		110.92
HOUSING	... ..		33.46
GENERAL URBAN PURPOSES	... ..		63.01
COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES	... ..		271.51
			<u>508.00</u>

That the seal of Wicklow Urban District Council be affixed to the Statement and Certificate of the Municipal Rate contained in the Rate Book for 1972/73 and that the necessary notice be published forthwith".

RATE COLLECTOR'S WARRENT:

It was proposed by Councillor T. A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved.

"That the seal of the Council be affixed to the warrent in respect of 1972/73 to be issued to the Rate Collector of the Wicklow Urban District Council".

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON 4th JULY, 1972 at 7.15 p.m.

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

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

At the commencement of the meeting the outgoing Chairman, Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, thanked the members and staff for their co-operation and assistance during her term of office. The members paid tribute to Councillor Mrs. McEnroy and said that she had been a very fair and impartial Chairman.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

On the proposal of Councillor Mrs. McEnroy, seconded by Councillor P. Doyle, Councillor E. Kavanagh was elected Chairman unanimously.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN:

On the proposal of Councillor P. Doyle, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara, Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy was elected Vice Chairman unanimously.

REPRESENTATIVES ON BURIAL BOARD:

The Council unanimously agreed that Councillors Byrne, Turner, Doyle, Kavanagh, Conway, McNamara and McEnroy be appointed as members to the Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board until they became misqualified or until their successors are lawfully appointed.

APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATED MEMBERS TO WITNESS THE AFFIXING OF THE COUNCIL'S SEAL:

It was agreed that the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh and Councillors T. A. Delahunt and Mrs. M. McEnroy be deemed to be nominated members of the Council for the purpose of witnessing of the affixing of the Council's Seal.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 7.25 p.m.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,  
Wicklow.

28th July, 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 on 1st August, 1972, in the Town Hall, Wicklow, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. DOWNES,

Acting Town Clerk.

A G E N D A

- (1) Confirmation of minutes of July monthly meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Deputation from residents of St. Manntan's Park.
- (3) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (4) Tenders for Refuse Collection Vehicle.
- (5) Urban Road Improvement Grant 1972/73.
- (6) Regional Dump - Meeting with members of County Council for Wicklow Electoral Area.
- (7) Veba Limited - Industrial Sites at The Murrrough.
- (8) Application for consent to assignment of premises known as "The Cova", Dunbur Road, Wicklow, from Mr. Jenkinson to Mr. Johnson.
- (9) Elizabeth Jameson, deceased, 5, Marine View, The Murrrough, - application to redeem annuity.
- (10) Application of Mr. Michael Malone for tenancy of house at 10, Castle Park.
- (11) Report prepared for Minister for Local Government entitled "Strengthening the Local Government Service".
- (12) Town Surveyor's Report for July, 1972, (copy herewith).
- (13) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,  
WICKLOW.

1st September, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 1ST AUGUST, 1972.

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

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

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

Arising from the Minutes, Councillor J. Kane informed the meeting that although the Council at the July Monthly Meeting had passed a Resolution by a majority of seven to two that permission be granted to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the erection of a headquarters, club rooms and residence for an old couple on park at Castle Street, Wicklow, the planning application had been turned down in the name of the Council. Councillor Kane stated that in his memory as a member of the Council for the past 12½ years this was the first occasion on which officialdom had gone against the majority wishes of the Members. Councillor Kane stated that this was an ambitious project and he could say that under no circumstances would the Society proceed if they did not have the good will of the Council and people of the town. Councillor Kane stated that he was alarmed that officialdom had gone against the wishes of the majority of the Council.

A letter was read to the meeting from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul deploring the decision and requesting that the matter be re-considered. The meeting was informed that a memorial had been received from residents of Castle Street, Wicklow and the surrounding area protesting against the proposed development. Councillor J. Kane stated that he was lead astray in this matter because the whole Council unanimously agreed in principle to give their backing to the proposal.

Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that he was never in favour of the site being taken over.

Councillor T.A. Delahunt stated that the members should try to see if there was an alternative site.

It was agreed to consider the matter again at the next monthly meeting.

DEPUTATION:

A deputation was received from residents of St. Manntan's Park, Wicklow in connection with proposed Tenant Purchase Scheme and the question of the Differential Rent System. The deputation consisted of Messrs Patrick Whelan, Joseph Flaherty, Michael Humby and John Dowling and was accompanied by Mr. Liam Kavanagh, T.D.

The deputation was informed that the proposed Tenant Purchase Scheme would be submitted to the Council for approval at the next monthly meeting.

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

Councillor F. Conway referred to the application of Mr. Thomas Graham for permission to discharge sewage from three bungalows proposed to be erected at Rocky Road, Wicklow into the Council's Sewerage System.

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It was agreed that permission be granted subject to the payment of the usual annual charges of £3 and £4 in respect of water supply and sewage disposal respectively and to the completion of the usual Agreements. In addition it was agreed that it would be necessary for Mr. Graham to lodge a capital sum of £50 per site to the Council as had been arranged in the case of another developer in the area.

Rev. Fr. McDonald, C.C.

The Council approved of an application from Rev. Fr. McDonald, C.C., for permission to extend St. Patrick's Boys National School.

Abbey Service Garage (Wicklow) Limited:

The Council approved of an application from Abbey Service Garage (Wicklow) Limited for permission to extend their premises at Whitegates, Wicklow subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Mr. Joseph Doran:

The Council approved of an application from Mr. Joseph Doran for permission to extend his dwellinghouse at 10, St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. John Dunne:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. John Dunne, 6A, Strand Street, Wicklow for permission to extend his dwellinghouse subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

De La Salle Brothers:

The Council approved of the application of the De La Salle Brothers for permission to erect a class room at St. Martin's Road, Wicklow as recommended by the Town Surveyor.

Falcon Travel Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Falcon Travel Limited for permission for the erection of an illuminated sign at Fitzwilliam Square, Wicklow subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Dr. P.T.K. Liston:

The Council approved of the application of Dr. P.T.K. Liston for permission to erect a bungalow at Church Street, Wicklow subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Mr. Gerald Farrell:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Gerald Farrell for permission for the erection of a bungalow at Ballynerrin Lower, Wicklow subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

TENDERS FOR REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLE:

As recommended by the Town Surveyor the Council approved of the acceptance of the following tender from Abbey Service Garage (Wicklow) Limited for the supply of a Refuse Collection Vehicle:-

1. New S.D. Pakamatic Automatic and Continuous Loading Refuse Collection Body mounted on a Ford D1211 Chassis, with Diesel Engine, 182" Wheel Base, on 9.00 x 20 14-ply Tyres, with Heater/Demister, 6-Speed Gearbox, Single Speed Rear Axle, Crew Cab, Fire Extinguisher, including Number Plates, Seats, Rear View Mirrors, and Jack.

Painted and lettered to your specification ... ..	£8,850.00
Less allowance on Tractor being offered as trade-in ... ..	£1,350.00
	<u>£7,500.00</u>
	<u>£8,100.00</u>

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It was pointed out that the approval of the Department of Local Government would be sought to the use of the Capital Reserve to the extent of £8,100 to purchase the vehicle.

URBAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1972/'73:

The Council was informed that the Urban Road Improvement Grant allocated for 1972/'73 amounted to £1,200.

Report from the Town Surveyor was read to the meeting recommending that the grant be expended on the Rocky Road/Friars Hill Area.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the matter until the September monthly meeting.

REGIONAL DUMP:

The Council was informed that a request had been received from Wicklow County Council that members of the Urban Council meet members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral Area in order to discuss the question of a regional dump. It was agreed to meet the members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral Area at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 5th September, 1972 before the September monthly meeting at the Town Hall, Wicklow.

VEHA LIMITED:

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunt, seconded by Councillor J. Kane and resolved that the following leases be granted to Veba Limited:- in respect of two sites at The Murrough, Wicklow:-

(1) Plot south of existing factory:

Lease for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1972 (with covenant that gate lodge be erected thereon within a period of 18 months) at a ground rent of £20 per annum subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) Payment of fine to cover the Council's legal costs in respect of leases, stamp duty, registration fees, lease maps, etc.
- (b) Insertion of the usual covenant in lease authorising the Council to review the ground rent every 15 years having regard to changes in money value relationships as determined by the Central Statistics Office.

(2) Plot north of existing factory:

Lease for a period of 31 years from 29th September, 1972 at a ground rent of £100 per annum subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) Payment of fine to cover the Council's legal costs in respect of leases, stamp duty, registration fees, lease maps, etc.
- (b) Insertion of the usual covenant in lease authorising the Council to review the ground rent every 15 years having regard to changes in money value relationships as determined by the Central Statistics Office.
- (c) That a right-of-way at least 20 ft. in width be retained north of the site and along the river bank in order to preserve access to the river and to the railway bridge from the public road.
- (d) The developer shall arrange for the clearing of bushes etc., from the site including the right-of-way to be retained and that fencing similar to the existing fencing

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shall be erected and planting of trees and shrubs shall be carried out inside the proposed fencing by the lessee.

" The Council discussed the question of caravans which were sited on one of the plots to be leased and it was agreed that the period for the removal of the caravans be extended to the end of September next.

ASSIGNMENT: " " " "

The Council approved of application for consent to assignment of premises known as "The Cova", Dumbur Road, Wicklow from Mr. Jenkinson to Mr. Johnston.

ELIZABETH JAMESON DECEASED: " "

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Harry Jameson, executor of the deceased tenant purchaser, to redeem the annuity outstanding on house at 5, Marine View, The Murrrough, Wicklow.

MR. MICHAEL MALONE: " "

" The Council approved of the application of Mr. Michael Malone for tenancy of house at 10, Castle Park, Wicklow.

"STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE" " "

" The Council was advised that the Minister for Local Government had invited the views of the Council in relation to proposals contained in report entitled "Strengthening The Local Government Service" on the structure and procedures of Local Authorities. It was pointed out that such views were requested to be furnished if possible within two months from 28th June, 1972. Councillor Mrs. McEroy stated that this was an opportunity which should not be wasted. Proposals contained in the report involved the duplication of existing positions and that the cost would be prohibitive. It was agreed to consider the matter at the September monthly meeting.

20 HOUSE SCHEME: " "

The Council again considered the question of the 20 House Scheme at Ballynerrin, Wicklow and the proposed alterations and omissions in the tender price. The members agreed with the views expressed by the Consultant Architect that the substitution of new types of windows would seriously effect in a detrimental way the interior accommodation and outlook in the proposed houses and that the external appearance of the houses would also be very adversely effected by such an alteration. It was considered by the Council that the proposed reduction in total price of £760 or £38 per house which would follow from the substitution of different types of windows would not be justified. It was requested that the views of the Council in this regard be brought to the attention of the Department of Local Government.

CRONEROE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: " "

Councillor J. Kane stated that he wished to refute the statement alleged to have been made to an Organisation in the town by a member of Wicklow County Council. Councillor Kane informed the meeting that a member of the County Council had stated that he was responsible for the delay in relation to the proposed extension to the Croneroe Water Supply Scheme. Councillor Kane stated that he had asked for a report on the Potters River because the County Council had been dragging its feet in the matter for the past ten years. The Council endorsed Councillor Kane's remark and reiterated that the Croneroe Scheme had never been turned down.

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NEW TOWN CLERK: " " " "

The Council was informed that the Local Appointments Commission had recommended the appointment of Mr. Patrick Hughes as Town Clerk to the Council and that it was expected that Mr. Hughes would take up duty on 1st October, 1972.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT: " "

The contents of the Town Surveyor's Report for the month of July, 1972 were noted by the Council. The Town Surveyor requested that the Council authorise the employment of the Caretaker at the dump for a further month. It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahurt, seconded by Councillor L. Turner and resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise over-expenditure in the sum of £110 to cover employment of Caretaker at dump for a further period of one month".

On the suggestion of the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh the Town Surveyor was requested to look into the possibility of assigning other duties to the dump Caretaker when he was not fully engaged at the dump.

Councillor F. Conway stated that he had received many complaints in relation to the Refuse Collection Service and requested that the Town Surveyor look into the matter.

The Council requested that the usual arrangements be made for the sweeping of the main street on August Monday morning and that arrangements be made to have the public lighting left on during the August Week-end.

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that there were a lot of areas in the town which were overgrown with weeds and suggested that the Council authorise the employment of an extra man for a period of two weeks. It was proposed by Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara and resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise over-expenditure in the sum of £44 to cover cost of employing an extra man for a period of two weeks".

Members referred to the fact that some time ago orders had been placed with the Electricity Supply Board for the erection of public lights at Monkton Row and Friars Hill, but that to date the lights had not been erected. The Clerk was instructed to take the matter up with the Electricity Supply Board.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS: " " " "

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahurt, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEroy and resolved:-

"That the Seal of the Council be affixed to Mortgage in the case of Mr. Brendan Conway, 22, Dumbur Park, Wicklow".

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.30 P.M.

*E. Kavanagh*