

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

1st September, 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 5th September, 1972 in the Town Hall, Wicklow at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. th DOWNES,
Acting Town Clerk.

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of August Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Applications under Landlord & Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1967.
- (4) Urban Road Improvement Grant 1972/'73.
- (5) Proposed Tenant Purchase Scheme.
- (6) Proposed Road Improvements at The Mall, Wicklow.
- (7) Application of Mrs. Bella Brennan for tenancy of house at Castle Street, Wicklow.
- (8) Report prepared for Minister for Local Government entitled "Strengthening the Local Government Service". (copy herewith).
- (9) Town Surveyor's Report for August, 1972. (copy herewith).
- (10) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,
Wicklow.

29th August, 1972.

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

Re: Regional Dump.

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Members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral Area have agreed to meet members of the Wicklow Urban District Council in the Town Hall, Wicklow, at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 5th September, 1972, (before the monthly meeting) to consider the question of a regional dump.

Your attendance is requested.

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P. DOWNES,

Acting Town Clerk.

WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

29th September, 1972.

REPORT ON MEETING OF MEMBERS OF WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF COUNTY COUNCIL FOR WICKLOW ELECTORAL AREA HELD ON 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1972 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, WICKLOW:-

As agreed by the Council at the August Monthly Meeting, a meeting of members of the Urban Council with members of the Wicklow County Council for the Wicklow Electoral Area to consider the matter of a Regional Dump was held at the Town Hall, Wicklow at 7.00 p.m. on 5th September, 1972.

The following attended the meeting:-

Wicklow Urban District Council:

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

Wicklow County Council:

Councillors F. Hynes, Chairman, and R. Miley.

Mr. M. Flannery, County Manager, Mr. T.J. Donovan, County Engineer, Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor, and Mr. P. Downes, Acting Town Clerk, were also present.

Councillor E. Kavanagh presided.

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, informed the meeting that the Council had experienced great difficulty over the years in endeavouring to find a suitable site for a dump.

Councillor F. Hynes stated that the County Council was in the process of obtaining a small dump at Glenealy to serve Rathnew, Glenealy and Ashford. He suggested that a site at Ballymerrin, on Doctor Liston's land, might be suitable as a regional dump. Members mentioned that the site in question was a small quarry and that it would only have a short life expectancy.

Councillor E. Kavanagh, Chairman, stated that there was an ideal site near Wicklow Head but that it was off a private road; it was waste land and might prove ideal. The Town Surveyor informed the meeting that there would be a question of a right-of-way and the road would have to be widened otherwise the site appeared to be very suitable.

Councillor F. Conway suggested that it might be possible to operate two dumps; one at the Glen Turn for clean rubble and the other for refuse.

The County Engineer said the big problem with dumps was maintenance. If the papers were burnt and the site kept tidy the objections wouldn't be half as great.

It was agreed to inspect the suggested site at Wicklow Head.

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WATER SUPPLY:

Councillor T.A. Delahunt stated that since the County Engineer was present he would like to take the opportunity of enquiring about the water supply position in the town. He enquired whether the Council's proposal to engage a Consultant to report on the possibility of taking a water supply from Potters River would result in a delay in implementing the Croneroe Scheme.

The County Engineer pointed out that as the County Council was not using its full share of the Croneroe supply there would be no need for them to embark on an extension scheme at Croneroe considering that the Urban Council was going ahead with a scheme based on the Potters River.

Councillor J. Kane enquired whether the Croneroe Scheme would supply Wicklow town with sufficient water. The County Engineer stated that it could not do this in its present form, ^{as proposed} ~~even in the proposed form~~.

The County Manager pointed out that the present Croneroe Scheme was originally designed to augment the Wicklow supply but at times the Wicklow Urban District was completely dependent on water from Croneroe.

The County Engineer outlined a proposal whereby Dublin Corporation would agree to provide up to 300,000 gallons of filtered water to Croneroe from the Roundwood Reservoir. The County Engineer pointed out that it would be necessary to pipe the water from Roundwood and that he was not in a position at this stage to say what this would cost.

Councillor Kane stated that he would not be in favour of abandoning Potters River proposal until further details were available in relation to the proposal to take filtered water from Roundwood.

It was agreed that when these further details were available a special meeting could be held to consider the matter.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

29th September, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1972.

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

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING:

The minutes of the August 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 enquired whether members of the Council had any proposals to make in relation to a suitable alternative site for the structure proposed to be erected by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Members mentioned a site adjoining the Courthouse known as the Orchard and a site at the Abbey.

After lengthy discussion Councillor Kane stated that it was clear that the members were unable to suggest a suitable site and that he would have to report to the Society that the Council was unable to help in the matter.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:Mr. Francis Hynes:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Francis Hynes, The Stores, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow for permission to change use of office to living accommodation at New Street, Wicklow as recommended by the Town Surveyor.

Mr. Henry F. McAneaney:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted by Mr. Henry F. McAneaney, 2, Churchill Terrace, Ballsbridge, Dublin, 4 for permission to alter and change use of premises at Church Street/Bridge Street, Wicklow to Shopping Arcade and Offices. It was pointed out that the County Medical Officer required further details in connection with this application. The Council approved of the application subject to the County Medical Officer being satisfied.

Solus Teoranta Limited:

The Council approved of the application of Solus Teoranta Limited for permission to alter and extend their factory at Abbey Street, Wicklow as recommended by the Town Surveyor.

Mr. James Bonus:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. James Bonus, 5, Castle Avenue, Wicklow for permission to extend his dwelling-house subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. James D. Haughton:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. James D. Haughton for permission to erect a bungalow at Seaview Road, Wicklow subject to the condition outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

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The meeting was informed that Mr. Haughton had also submitted an application for new leases. It was pointed out that Mr. Haughton held the following leases:-

- (1) Lease dated 9/8/1940 for a period of 75 years from 25/3/1940 at an annual ground rent of £2.00 per annum.
- (2) Lease dated 1/6/1943 for a period of 31 years from 25/3/1943 at an annual ground rent of £1.00 per annum.
- (3) Lease dated 5/10/1948 for a period of 31 years from 25/3/1948 at an annual ground rent of £1.25 per annum.

It was pointed out that the bungalow proposed to be erected would be sited on the two plots held under 31 year leases. Mr. Haughton wished to surrender the existing leases and to obtain new leases. The Council was informed that as it was proposed to erect a bungalow on the two plots held under 31 year leases it would be in order to grant a new 75 year combined lease in respect of these plots.

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

That we hereby agree to grant a new lease to Mr. James D. Haughton in respect of two plots at Seaview Road, Wicklow for a period of 75 years from 29th September, 1972 subject to the following conditions:-

- (1) Condition to be inserted in the lease requiring the erection of bungalow within a period of 12 months.
- (2) Ground Rent to be increased to £11.25 per annum, i.e., 5 times the combined rents of the two existing 31 year leases.
- (3) Condition to be inserted in the lease 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.
- (4) Payment by the lessee of fine of £45 to cover the Council's costs in preparing lease maps etc.

Mr. Peter Clarke:

The Council was informed that an application had been received from Mr. Peter Clarke to extend house occupied by him at 9, Bungalow, St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow. It was pointed out that the house occupied by Mr. Clarke was a Council house which had not been purchased and that the proposal involved the construction of a back kitchen and the demolition of an existing scullery. Mr. Clarke pointed out that he would bear the full cost of the work himself and that he would not be seeking any contribution from the Council. The Council was informed that the Town Surveyor had recommended that permission be granted. It was pointed out that it would be necessary to inform Mr. Clarke that if at any time he surrendered the tenancy of the house he would not be entitled to any compensation from the Council in respect of the proposed extension. The Council approved of the proposal subject to the Town Surveyor's requirements.

Mrs. Julia A. Doyle:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted by Mrs. Julia A. Doyle for outline permission for the erection of 3 houses at Summerhill, Wicklow but that the County Engineer and Town Surveyor had recommended that permission be refused on the following grounds:-

The construction of proposed private road to serve the development, due to its proximity to a very blind and dangerous bend on a heavily trafficked road, would constitute a serious traffic hazard. There is presently a lack of visibility at the bend on the main road at the site of the proposed development and to permit this development would further

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add to a serious traffic hazard.

The Town Surveyor pointed out that it might be possible to overcome the objection to the application if a revised layout were submitted which would provide for the erection of the attached houses and which would not involve the construction of a service road. It was agreed that if a revised layout were received the matter could be further considered.

Mr. Patrick Dowling and Mr. Anthony O'Donohue:

The Council was informed that applications had been submitted by Mr. Patrick Dowling and Mr. Anthony J. O'Donohue for permission to develop laundrettes at Morton's Lane and Church Street respectively and that the Town Surveyor would report on these applications for the October Monthly Meeting.

Mr. Philip Warwick:

A letter was read to the meeting from the Department of Local Government in relation to the Minister's decision on the appeal of Mr. Philip Warwick in relation to change of use of premises known as Old Post Office, Main Street, Wicklow to an Amusement Arcade. It was stated in this letter that all aspects of the case were taken into account when the decision was being taken as were other relevant circumstances including the views of the Planning Authority and the objections, but that having regard to all circumstances of this case it was not considered that a refusal of permission would be justified.

The Council was informed that the Council's Solicitors had been instructed to oppose the application for Gaming Licence but that the licence had been granted at the District Court.

Councillor Mrs. M. McEroy said it was a disgrace that the Minister had gone over their heads and over the heads of the local ratepayers. She wondered whether the Minister would accept responsibility for the heavy malicious injury claims which were quite common where this type of meaningless amusement existed.

Councillor J. Kane stated that as a result of the Minister's decision he believed the Council would receive many applications for reduction in valuations. Councillor Kane also stated that the permission should be revoked.

The County Manager pointed out that to revoke the Minister's decision might involve the Council in payment of compensation.

It was agreed to seek the advice of the Council's Solicitors.

APPLICATIONS UNDER LANDLORD & TENANT (GROUND RENTS) ACT, 1967:

The Council was informed that an application had been submitted by Mr. George Neville Allison for the purchase of fee simple in land at 7, Leirim Place, Wicklow which was held under lease from the Council for a period of 75 years from 25th March, 1925 at a yearly rent of £2.61.

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

"That we hereby approve of application for purchase of fee simple from Mr. George Neville Allison, 7, Leirim Place, 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 the rent payable under the lease and subject also to the payment by the purchaser of the Council's costs!"

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URBAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1972/'73:

The Council, on the recommendation of the Town Surveyor, agreed to expend the Urban Road Improvement Grant for 1972/'73 (£1,200) in the Friars Hill/Rocky Road Area.

TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME:

It was proposed by Councillor J. Kane, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved:-

"That we hereby approve of the terms of the proposed Tenant Purchase Scheme as circulated and agree that a condition of the Scheme that if a house be sold within a period of five years from the date of purchase by the tenant then one-third of the difference between the sale price paid to the Council and the market value of the house at the time of re-sale be paid to the Council by the tenant. Sanction to the implementation of the terms of the Scheme to be sought from the Department of Local Government.

Councillor J. Kane stated that the Council should encourage people to buy their own houses under this Scheme and that the houses were very cheap.

PROPOSED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MALL, WICKLOW:

The Clerk read to the meeting a letter from Wicklow County Council in which it was stated that the County Council could not incur expenditure on improving Salthouse Lane as it was not the County Council's responsibility to maintain this roadway. It was stated that the Urban Council would have to carry out this work from its own funds and that the County Council could, if requested, carry out the improvement work on a agency basis. It was suggested that the Urban District Council might seek a Road Grant from the Department of Local Government to carry out the necessary improvements at Salthouse Lane. The members were of the opinion that the improving of Salthouse Lane would be an integral part of the proposed improvement scheme at The Mall and that the improvement of same should form part of the overall scheme.

The members requested that their views be conveyed to the County Council in this regard.

MRS. BELLA BRENNAN:

The Council approved of the application of Mrs. Bella Brennan for tenancy of house at Castle Street, Wicklow.

"STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE"

The Council, on the suggestion of Councillor J. Kane, agreed to defer consideration of the Report entitled "Strengthening the Local Government Service" until the October Monthly Meeting.

NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY:

The County Manager informed the meeting that discussions had been held with the National Building Agency about the extension of the contract which had been arranged by the National Building Agency with Marc Developments Limited for the erection of 7 houses for industrial workers at the rear of St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow to include a further 30 houses on a site to be provided by the Urban Council at Ballynerrin, Wicklow. It was pointed out that it was considered that 20 of these houses would be required for key workers in expanding industries in Wicklow and that the remaining 10 could be made available to persons from the Council's Housing List who would be

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prepared to purchase them on a scheme based on the actual cost of the houses less the amount of the appropriate state and supplementary grants. The members were advised that the tender price of the proposed houses including an agreed sum to cover a prices variation clause would be £4,300 per house to which would be added an amount of £200 per house in respect of overheads and a further £200 to cover the site value.

The County Manager pointed out that the layout for the scheme of 30 houses had been agreed between the Chief Architect for the National Building Agency, the Council's Consultant Architect and the Town Surveyor.

The Council approved of the proposed scheme and agreed to make the necessary land available for it on the terms mentioned, viz., £200 per site. The Council noted that the capital for 20 of the houses would be made available through the Industrial Development Authority and that the Department of Local Government would be requested to make an allocation of capital available to meet the cost of the other 10 houses.

20 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN, WICKLOW:

The Council was advised that the Department of Local Government had approved of modification in the specification of the proposed 20 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow and that the revised tender price was now £74,743. The Council noted that the Department had agreed to the request that the windows specified in the drawings should not be altered. It was pointed out that sanction to the raising of loan to cover the cost of the scheme was awaited.

BANK CHARGES:

The Council considered the question of the proposed new banking charges.

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

"That this Council views with concern and disapproval the proposal of the Banks Standing Committee to levy special taxation charges on Local Authorities and Health Boards. The Council is not prepared to accept such a proposal and the Council's Treasurer is to be informed to this effect".

It was agreed to forward a copy of the Resolution to the Association of Municipal Authorities.

WICKLOW HARBOUR:

A Report was read to the meeting from the Health Inspector in which it was stated that the Old Pier in Wicklow had been left in a filthy condition following the loading of shipments of cattle and sheep. It was stated that the present position could not be allowed to continue as the Pier was almost continually in a filthy condition. It was recommended that the Urban Council take the matter up with the Harbour Board with a view to arranging a proper system to ensure the hosing down of the Pier immediately a shipment is loaded.

Councillor F. Conway stated that the Pier was always washed down immediately after a shipment was loaded and that it was only on two recent occasions, due to lack of equipment on ships, that it was not possible to hose the Pier.

Councillor J. Kane stated that in any event it was a matter for the Harbour Board.

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TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's Report for the month of August, 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".

Councillors J. Kane and Mrs. P. McNamara referred to the condition of the Dispensary Lane, Wicklow. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would look into the matter.

Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara enquired whether the Town Surveyor had yet examined the matter of damaged sewer at the Stone Bridge, Wicklow. The Town Surveyor reported that the estimated cost of repairing the sewer would be £150 but the proposal to extend the sewer further into the river would have to meet with the approval of the Harbour Board. Councillor E. Kavanagh stated that it was unlikely that the Harbour Board would approve of the proposal to extend the sewer further into the river as the flow of the river would be altered. It was agreed to repair the damaged sewer.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved:-

"That we hereby authorise over-expenditure in the sum of £150 to cover the cost of repairing sewer at Stone Bridge, Wicklow".

WICKLOW RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION:

Three letters were read from Wicklow Residents Association in relation to dangerous junction and derelict sites at the Rocky Road, the water supply position and a site for a community centre. Councillor J. Kane stated that all these things could be done if the rates were increased but then there would be another human outcry. The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, stated that the members of the Council were aware of what needed to be done.

ACTING TOWN CLERK:

The Chairman and members paid tribute to Mr. P. Downes and thanked him for his help and co-operation during his period as Acting Town Clerk.

TOWN SURVEYOR:

The County Manager informed the members that Mr. D. Lane, Town Surveyor, was resigning from the County Council staff and was taking up a new position in Dublin. The County Manager pointed out that Mr. Lane intended to continue living in Wicklow and would continue to hold the part-time position of Town Surveyor with the Urban Council if the Council were agreeable. The Council agreed that Mr. Lane should continue as Town Surveyor.

RE: MR. JOSEPH T. O'BYRNE, B.E.

The Chairman read to the meeting a letter which had been received from Mr. Joseph T. O'Byrne in connection with his proposal for the erection of 23 bungalows at Newpark Road, Wicklow. It was stated in the letter that the Council had given permission eleven of those; the remaining twelve to be deferred until the Cromer Water Supply is available. Mr. O'Byrne requested that permission be granted for the immediate development of the portion of the land which will

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accommodate these twelve dwellings by laying the roads, sewer and watermains, paths, fencing and lighting.

The County Manager stated that the matter would be examined.

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) Conveyance of fee simple in the case of Mr. John V. Corcoran, 45, Dunbar Park, Wicklow.
- (2) Memorial in the case of Wicklow Corn Company Limited, South Quay, Wicklow.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.30 P.M.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

29th September, 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 3rd October, 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.

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of September Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Philip Warwick - Use of Old Post Office, Main Street, Wicklow as Amusements Arcade. ✓
- (4) Proposed Public Convenience at East Pier, Wicklow: ✓
- (5) Waiver of Rates Scheme. ✓
- (6) Letter from Brittas Bay Development Company Limited in relation to proposed water supply scheme based on Potters River.
- (7) Letter from Irish Yachting Association concerning discharge of Sewage into Wicklow Harbour.
- (8) Correspondence from Residents of Seafield, Wicklow.
- (9) Letter from residents of Glenside Road, Wicklow. ✓
- (10) Tidy Towns Competition (copy of Adjudicator's Report herewith).
- (11) Overdraft Accommodation for quarter ending 31st December, 1972. ✓
- (12) 20 House Scheme at Ballynerrin, Wicklow.
- (13) Report prepared for Minister for Local Government entitled "Strengthening the Local Government Service".
- (14) Town Surveyor's Report for September, 1972 (copy herewith).
- (15) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

3rd November, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 3RD OCTOBER, 1972.

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

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.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

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

On the proposal of Councillor J. Kane it was agreed to amend the third paragraph of page two under the heading of Water Supply of the Minutes of Meeting of Members of the Wicklow Urban District Council and Members of the County Council for the Wicklow Electoral Area held on 5th September, 1972 to read "Councillor J. Kane enquired whether the Oronoe Scheme if improved would supply Wicklow Town with sufficient water. The County Manager stated that he did not think that it could do this even in the improved form".

APPLICATIONS UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:Mr. Patrick Dowling:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Patrick Dowling for permission to change use of premises at Morton's Lane, Wicklow to launderette subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. Anthony J. O'Donohue:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Anthony J. O'Donohue for permission to change use of premises at Church Street, Wicklow to launderette subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. William Murphy:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. William Murphy for permission to erect a dwellinghouse at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. Patrick Egan:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Patrick Egan to change use of garage at Seafield, Wicklow to office and surgery subject to the County Medical Officer and Chief Fire Officer being satisfied.

Mrs. Julia A. Doyle:

The Council was informed that a revised layout plan had now been submitted by Mrs. Julia A. Doyle in connection with her application for outline permission for the erection of three dwellinghouses at Summerhill, Wicklow. It was pointed out that the County Engineer and Town Surveyor had approved of the revised layout plan,

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and it was agreed that outline permission be granted subject to the condition outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Wicklow & Rathnew Credit Union Limited:

The Council approved of the application of the Wicklow & Rathnew Credit Union Limited for permission to erect a credit union office at Abbey Street, Wicklow subject to the requirements of the County Medical Officer and Chief Fire Officer.

Mr. John O'Brien:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. John O'Brien for permission to make a new entrance to his dwellinghouse at 33, Glenview Road, Wicklow as recommended by the Town Surveyor.

National Building Agency Limited:

The Council approved of the application of the National Building Agency for permission to erect 30 dwellinghouses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow as recommended by the Town Surveyor. The Council was informed that the Department of Local Government had indicated that capital would be made available for 10 of these houses which it was intended would be allocated to the Council.

The Council agreed to lease the sites of the proposed 20 houses for key industrial workers subject to the payment of a lump sum of \$200 per site and to the payment of an annual ground rent of £15 per site and subject also to the payment by the lessees of the Council's legal costs.

Mr. Philip Warwick:

The Council considered, at length, the question of the proposed use by Mr. Philip Warwick of old post office premises at Main Street, Wicklow as an amusement arcade. Letters were read to the Council from the Council's Solicitors expressing the view that it did not seem possible for Mr. Warwick to comply with the condition of the Minister's order granting permission which provides that no music or other sounds should be broadcast or amplified into the adjoining public street and advising that the Council should not, under any circumstances, pass a resolution revoking the order of the Minister as it might mean the applicant would have a claim for compensation. After lengthy discussion it was proposed by Councillor J. Kane, seconded by Councillor F. Conway and unanimously resolved "that as we, having regard to the provisions of the Development Plan for Wicklow Urban District, consider that the proper planning and development of the Urban District of Wicklow including the preservation and improvement of the amenities thereof would be injuriously effected and materially impeded by the use of the premises formerly used and known as the old post office as an amusement arcade it is hereby decided that the planning permission given on appeal by order of the Minister for Local Government of 12th May, 1972 for such use as an amusement arcade be revoked in pursuance of Section 30 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963". In taking this decision the Council has had due regard to the representations received from the owners of adjoining premises to the proposed use and are firmly of the opinion that the use of the premises as an amusement arcade could result in disturbance to the owners and frequenters of adjoining and nearby premises and would very adversely effect the amenities of the District in which the premises is situated.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT EAST PIER:

The Council again considered the question of the proposed public convenience at the East Pier, Wicklow. It was pointed out that the tenders which had been received some time ago were considered by the Council's Consultant Architect to be excessive and that the Consultant had endeavoured without success to negotiate an acceptable price with a Contractor.

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The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, suggested that it might be possible to erect a public convenience at a lower price on a site near the entrance gates to the "Black Castle", Wicklow. It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would examine and report on the matter.

WALVER OF RATES SCHEME:

The Council considered the matter of adopting a scheme for the waiver of rates in certain cases, but decided not to adopt a scheme as it was felt by the Members that the existing system whereby the County Manager and Members write off rates in hardship cases at the end of each financial year was adequate.

Another factor which influenced the Council making this decision was that there was no State contribution or recoupment towards the cost of implementing such a scheme.

It was pointed out by the Clerk that the Council also operated a scheme for the payment of rates by instalments.

Councillor F. Conway considered that although the scheme for the payment of rates by instalments was advertised in the local newspaper many ratepayers were unaware of the scheme. Councillor Conway suggested that details should be obtained of a scheme operated by Dundalk Urban District Council for the payment of rates whereby stamps are purchased from a machine. It was agreed to seek details of this scheme.

Councillor J. Kane referred to the system whereby valuations were increased as a result of improvements being carried out to property. It was proposed by Councillor Kane, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEroy and resolved that we hereby call on the Minister for Local Government to discontinue the system whereby as a result of improvements to dwellinghouses valuations are increased and people are discouraged from improving their property.

BRITTAS BAY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED:

A letter was read to the meeting from Brittas Bay Development Company Limited in relation to the Council's proposal to engage a Consultant to examine the possibility of providing a water supply scheme to serve Wicklow Town based on Potters River. It was stated in the letter that the only source available for the Brittas Bay Development Scheme was from the Potters River and if it was now being considered by the Wicklow Urban District Council it would mean that the possibility of a supply for the Brittas Bay Area would be very remote indeed.

Councillor J. Kane stated that while the Brittas Bay Development Scheme was still a dream Wicklow was a reality and would have to receive priority in the matter of water supply.

IRISH YACHTING ASSOCIATION:

A letter was read to the meeting from the Irish Yachting Association expressing concern at the pollution of the Harbour by the discharge of sewage. Members mentioned that this question had already been considered by the Council. It was agreed to inform the Irish Yachting Association that a proposal had been considered by the Council in relation to the provision of an intercepting sewer to discharge into the sea near the "Black Castle", but that it was decided, in view of the estimated cost of such a scheme (£200,000 to £250,000) and having regard to the Council's commitments and to the fact that priority would have to be given to other developments such as housing and as water supply, that it would not be possible to proceed with such a scheme at present.

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CROSSPAT DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED:

Correspondence was read to the meeting from residents of the Seafield Estate in relation to the delay in completing roads, fencing, etc., in the Estate. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Developers in regard to the matter.

GLENSIDE ROAD:

The Council was informed that a memorial had been received from residents complaining about the condition of Glenside Road, Wicklow. The Town Surveyor pointed out that this particular road had been surfaced a few years ago but that a few pot holes required to be filled and that arrangements would be made to have this done as soon as possible.

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1972:

The Council noted that Wicklow received 90 marks out of a possible total of 150 which represented an increase of 2 marks on the figure for the previous year. It was stated in the Report that there was little evidence of public support and that fundamental issues such as litter control and weed growth in gutters was still far from satisfactory.

Councillor F. Conway stated that the litter in the Town last Saturday night was the worst he had ever seen.

Councillor T.A. Delahunty suggested that more litter bins should be provided by the Council and the local Residents Association could be asked to help by suggesting suitable sites for them. The Clerk was instructed to obtain details of prices and types of litter bins available from suppliers.

Councillor J. Kane stated that the Council should, seeing that the Adjudicators failed to do it, express their appreciation of the voluntary work done at Quinn's Corner, the Ballalley and in other Areas of the Town.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

It was proposed by Councillor T.A. Delahunty, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh and resolved that we hereby approve, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, of the provision of temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding £16,000 on General Revenue Account for the quarter ending 31st December, 1972.

20 HOUSE SCHEME AT BALLYNERRIN, WICKLOW:

The Council was informed that the Minister for Local Government had approved of the borrowing by the Council of a loan of £80,000 from the Local Loans Fund for the purpose of erecting 20 houses at Ballynerrin, Wicklow.

The Council was also informed that the contract formalities were being completed and that it was expected that the Contractors would be in a position to commence work in about a month's time.

On the suggestion of Councillor J. Kane, it was agreed to request the Council's Architect to prepare documents for a further 20 houses.

HOUSING SITES AT ST. PATRICK'S AVENUE, WICKLOW:

The Council was advised that due to withdrawal a number of sites were available at St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow and it was hoped to reallocate these sites at the next monthly meeting.

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"STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE".

Councillor J. Kane expressed the view that the people of the Town could not care less and they do not realise their local Council is about to be abolished, a Council that can boast of one of the lowest rates in Ireland and one of the finest housing records.

Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara said it was a case of whether the Members of the Council were going to continue their fight to represent the people or were they going to accept that they were going to be abolished, if the latter was the case she would suggest forming a community Council.

Councillor Mrs. M. McEroy stated that she would not sit on anybody which by-passed the ballot-box.

After lengthy discussion it was decided to write to the Minister for Local Government and to enquire if he was in a position to say what the future of the Council would be and if not when he is likely to be in such a position. It was also agreed to contact Arklow Urban District Council to see whether there would be any purpose served in having a joint meeting between the Members of both Councils in order to discuss the matter.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's Report for the month of September, 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. Delahunty, seconded by Councillor E. Kavanagh 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".

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, referred to a complaint made at a meeting of the Wicklow Residents Association concerning the local water supply. Councillor Kavanagh stated that as the Members were aware they did not have rainfall for the past 10 or 12 weeks during this fine spell the Urban Council did not cut off the water at any time but the public were asked to curtail the use of water for unnecessary purpose such as washing cars, etc. Councillor Kavanagh stated that the remarks regarding the condition of the supply were unwarranted and that he would like to pay a tribute to the officials concerned for ensuring a good adequate supply of water to the Town during the dry period. Councillor J. Kane endorsed the Chairman's remarks and congratulated the Town Surveyor because many towns did not have water at all.

The Clerk was instructed to contact the Electricity Supply Board in relation to the delay in providing light at Harbour View, Wicklow.

The Members mentioned that the new Secondary School had been opened and that a number of road signs in the vicinity had become obliterated and required to be replaced. The Town Surveyor stated that the matter would be attended to.

The Clerk was instructed to enquire from the County Council whether the site suggested for a regional dump on Mr. King's land near Wicklow Head had yet been inspected.

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SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

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

That the seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

- (1) Memorial - Mr. James Kenny, Seafield, Wicklow.
- (2) Conveyance of fee simple - Mrs. Mary Leonard, Durbur Road, Wicklow.
- (3) Conveyance of fee simple - Mr. Charles J. Fox, Durbur Road, Wicklow.
- (4) Conveyance of fee simple - Mr. John V. Concoran, Durbur Park, Wicklow.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.45 P.M.

E. Kavanagh
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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

3rd November, 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 Tuesday 7th November, 1972 in the Town Hall, Wicklow at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. HUGHES,
TOWN CLERK.

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of October Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Disposal of lands at Ballynerrin to National Building Agency Ltd.
- (4) Allocation of sites at St. Patrick's Road (Report attached).
- (5) Review of Development Plan.
- (6) Tender for Urban Road Improvement Grant 1972/'73.
- (7) Proposed road widening at The Mall, Wicklow.
- (8) Lease - Shamrock Fertilizers Limited to Neil Watson Limited and Wen-plast Limited.
- (9) Lease of 44, Seafield, Wicklow to Mr. Patrick Hughes.
- (10) Application to purchase fee simple - Mrs. Mary Canavan, "Rockville", Dunbur Road, Wicklow.
- (11) Revision of salaries, wages and pensions.
- (12) Letter from Arklow Urban District Council re: Joint Meeting on Local Government Reorganisation.
- (13) Town Surveyor's Report for October, 1972.
- (14) Sealing of Documents.
- (15) Any other business (at the discretion of the Chairman).

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

1st December, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 7TH NOVEMBER, 1972.

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

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

At the outset the Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, welcomed to Wicklow the new Town Clerk, Mr. Patrick Hughes.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

A vote of sympathy to the family and sister of the late Mrs. Kavanagh was proposed by the Chairman. Tributes were paid to the work done by the late Mrs. Kavanagh and the Kavanagh family for the town of Wicklow. It was pointed out that she was one of Wicklow's most respected senior citizen. All Councillors present were associated with the vote of sympathy.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the October 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. Kevin J. Brangan:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Kevin J. Brangan for permission to erect three bungalows at Abbeyfield, Wicklow, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. Edward Flannery:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Edward Flannery for permission to extend his house at Dunbur Road, Wicklow, subject to the approval of the County Medical Officer and to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. John McAulay:

The Council was informed that an application had been received from Mr. John McAulay for permission to convert a Bantile Building at Church Hill, Wicklow from science rooms to a four bedroomed bungalow. It was pointed out that further information was requested. The Council approved of the application, subject to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report and the approval of the County Medical Officer and Chief Fire Officer.

Mr. Seamus Dunne:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. Seamus Dunne for permission to change the use of premises at Abbey Street, Wicklow to a food factory, subject to the approval of the County Medical Officer, Town Surveyor and Chief Fire Officer.

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Mr. Thomas Corkish:

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The Council was informed that an incomplete application had been received from a Mr. Thomas Corkish, 17, St. Manntan's Park, Wicklow, for permission to add on a back kitchen to his house. The Council approved of the application, subject to the further information requested being submitted and to the conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. John M. Nolan:

The Council approved of the application of Mr. John M. Nolan for permission to erect a small porch and reposition entrance steps at No. 10, Friars Hill, Wicklow, subject to conditions outlined in the Town Surveyor's Report.

Mr. Henry F. McAneaney:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the County Manager had refused permission to the above-named to alter and change use of premises at Church Street/Bridge Street, Wicklow to a shopping arcade and offices on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer. It was pointed out, however, that if a new application, making certain alterations, was submitted it would receive favourable consideration.

Councillor J. Kane pointed out that where applications for outline permission are being submitted the Council is being used to increase the value of land and he felt that this should not be allowed to continue.

On the suggestion of Councillor L. Turner the meeting agreed that where an application for outline permission is submitted a condition be inserted requesting the applicant to carry out the development within a stated length of time.

The Council agreed that it would not be necessary to bring before the meeting each planning application from applicants who are building at St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow on the sites allocated by the Council.

APPLICATION TO CHANGE USE OF "CLARKE'S YARD" TO CATTLE LAIRAGE:

The Town Clerk read a letter from M.E. Herbst Group Limited addressed to the Chairman requesting the Council to reconsider their decision to refuse permission to use Clarke's yard for lairage facilities. It was pointed out that this application was already refused on the recommendation of the County Medical Officer. Objections from the residents were also taken into account at the time of the decision.

Councillor T.A. Delahunty felt that Mr. Herbst, perhaps, could be facilitated at the far side of the Quay. Following a discussion it was agreed to invite Mr. Herbst to a meeting which would be attended by the Chairman of the Council, the County Medical Officer, Town Surveyor and as many Councillors as possible.

DISPOSAL OF LANDS AT BALLYNERRIN TO NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY:

On the proposition of Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy it was resolved that the seven housing sites at the rear of St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow and the twenty housing sites at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow be disposed of to the National Building Agency Limited in accordance with the terms specified in the Notice circulated to each member of the Council under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966.

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Councillor J. Kane pointed out that the residents of St. Patrick's Avenue, Wicklow have requested that a wall be built between their premises and the houses being built by the National Building Agency Limited. It was agreed to request the National Building Agency Limited to erect such a wall to the satisfaction of the Council.

ALLOCATION OF SITES AT ST. PATRICK'S ROAD:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that eight people who had been allocated sites at St. Patrick's Road, Wicklow, had withdrawn their applications. A lengthy discussion then took place on the method to be adopted in the allocation of the vacant sites.

Councillor F. Conway stated that it was the people of the Urban District who voted him on the Council and that they should be given priority. He accordingly proposed that these sites be allocated to applicants from the Urban area either married or single. Councillor T. Byrne seconded this proposition, but it was defeated by a show of hands.

Councillor J. Kane felt that preference should be given to married applicants and accordingly proposed that these sites be allocated to married applicants residing either within the Urban District or outside the Urban District. This proposition was seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. McNamara, but was defeated on a show of hands.

On the proposition of Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy it was agreed that the two applicants on the Housing List be given priority and that the remaining sites be allocated by lot from a list of all applicants.

The sites were allocated as follows:-

<u>APPLICANT.</u>	<u>SITE NO.</u>
Mr. Edmond Cussen, "Glen Garriff", Merrymeeting, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow.	30.
Mr. Leslie Armstrong, Flat No. 1, Wentworth Place, Wicklow.	17.
Mr. John Byrne, Friars Hill, Ballynerrin, Wicklow.	21.
Mr. Thomas Carlin, 26, Glenview Road, Wicklow.	24.
Mr. John Doyle, "Arva Cottage", High Street, Wicklow.	23.
Mr. John Colohan, St. Laurence's Road, Wicklow.	25.
Mr. Patrick Franey, 16, Merrymeeting Rathnew, Co. Wicklow.	22.
Mr. John McAulay, Strand Street, Wicklow.	32.

The following substitutes were drawn and are set out here-
under in order of priority:-

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| (1) Mr. John Joseph Murphy, | (4) Mr. Patrick Thompson, |
| (2) Mr. Bernard Wynne, | (5) Mr. Peter G. Woodgates. |
| (3) Mr. Anthony Jacob, | |

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The Chairman requested that the Town Surveyor investigate the possibility of developing further sites at Ballynerrin, Wicklow. The Town Surveyor agreed to look into the matter.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that under the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 a review of the Development Plan must take place before 7th November, 1972. It was pointed out that time did not permit to have a proper review drawn up by that date. The Council agreed to continue the existing plan in operation without variation for a further period of six months from 7th November, 1972. The Council was informed that a draft of the proposed variation would be before the February meeting of the Council.

TENDER FOR URBAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1972/'73:

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that only one tender was received for the Urban Road Improvement Grant 1972/'73 viz., Roadstone Limited in the sum of £1,240. It was pointed out that the Grant allocated was £1,200. The Council agreed to accept the tender of Roadstone Limited and to provide the extra £40.

The meeting then discussed some derelict sites at Rocky Road, Wicklow, and it was agreed to invite the owners to a meeting between the Chairman and Town Clerk to see if agreement could be reached between the owners and Forde Developments.

PROPOSED ROAD WIDENING AT THE MALL, WICKLOW:

The Town Clerk read a letter from Wicklow County Council stating that there are no monies available in the Council's allocation for grant works on main roads and in view of the priority which must be granted for other main roads in the County requiring attention they could not see funds being made available for the carrying out of the work at The Mall, Wicklow with the present limited allocation made to the County Council for main road improvement works. The letter suggested that representations be made by Wicklow Urban District Council to the Department of Local Government for a separate allocation from the road fund to defray the cost of the proposed scheme of road widening at The Mall, Wicklow. The meeting agreed to this and agreed also to write to all the Deputies and Senators in the area to request them to put pressure on the Department of Local Government to allocate such a grant.

LEASE - SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS LIMITED TO NEIL WATSON LIMITED AND WEN-PLAST LIMITED:

The Council was informed that an application had been received from Shamrock Fertilizers Limited to waive a covenant in a lease granted to them to construct railway sidings and despatch store. The Council deferred a decision on the matter and requested that the Town Surveyor submit a report to the next meeting.

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE FEE SIMPLE - MRS. MARY CANAVAN, "ROCKVILLE", LUNBUR ROAD, WICKLOW:

The Council agreed to the above application to purchase the fee simple.

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REVISION OF SALARIES, WAGES AND PENSIONS:

The Council agreed to revise salary scales for:- the Town Clerk, the Rent Collector and the Rate Collector as sanctioned by the Department of Local Government, and to the application of the 14th round wage agreement to the Waterworks Overseer, and to a revision of pension to the Former Town Sergeant in accordance with circular E.L.25/72 from the Department of Local Government.

On the proposition of Councillor E. Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor T.A. Delahunt the excess expenditure for the current financial year was agreed to.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION:

The Town Clerk read a Report from Arklow Urban District Council stating that they are prepared to have a joint meeting with Wicklow Urban District Council to discuss what type of action might appropriately be taken in furtherance of their opposition to the proposals outlined in the White Paper on Local Government Reorganisation and the McKinsey Report. The Council agreed to attend such a meeting in Arklow to be held on either Monday 27th or Tuesday 28th November, 1972.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:

The contents of the Town Surveyor's Report for the month of October, 1972 were noted for 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 E. Kavanagh and resolved "that we hereby authorise overexpenditure in the sum of £110 to cover employment of Caretaker at dump for a further period of one month".

The Town Surveyor was requested to have litter cleared from the Halpin Monument.

Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy stated that there is black oil going into a gully in Quarantine Hill, Wicklow which is coming from lorries filling oil there. She pointed out that this was causing a great inconvenience to the local residents. She further stated that there was a gateway there where the lorries could go into the yard instead of remaining on the road. The Town Surveyor agreed to look into the matter.

The meeting requested the Town Surveyor to have leaks at Marlton Road and Salthouse Lane, Wicklow, repaired.

The Town Clerk was requested to contact the Electricity Supply Board regarding the erection of public lighting at St. Manntan's Road and Harbour View, Wicklow.

Councillor J. Kane requested the Town Surveyor to investigate the feasibility of introducing oneway traffic at Fitzwilliam Road, Wicklow in view of the high increase of traffic in the area since the new De La Salle Secondary College opened.

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:-

- Lease - Mr. Patrick Hughes, 44, Seafield, Wicklow.
- Conveyance of Fee Simple - Mr. John Kane, Hillside, Wicklow.
- Lease - Mrs. Kathleen Fitzpatrick; Premises: The Mall, Wicklow.

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Lease - Mr. Peter Kearns, Premises: Market Square, Wicklow.

ANY OTHER MATTER:

Lease - Mr. Roy Bradshaw:

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, asked if there would be any legal objection to granting one new lease for a term of 75 years to Mr. Roy Bradshaw covering all property leased to him from the Urban District Council at "Ard-Keen", Dunbur Road, Wicklow. The Town Clerk pointed out that the Council's Solicitors - Messrs. J.H. McCarroll & Company, do not see any objections.

The Council resolved that the application of Mr. Roy Bradshaw be agreed to subject to the usual conditions, and subject also to the payment by the party concerned, other than the Urban Council, of all legal costs.

TYPHOID SCARE:

The Chairman, Councillor E. Kavanagh, described as unfounded and uncalled for a statement made at last week's meeting of the Residents' Association regarding the danger of a typhoid outbreak. The Town Clerk read a letter from the County Medical Officer which stated that the dangers of this disease was very remote at the present time.

A discussion then took place between Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy and Councillor J. Kane concerning the establishment of a Community Council. Councillor Kane pointed out that he felt that the people of Wicklow were not interested in maintaining the Urban Council and if that was the situation he stated that this may very well be his last attendance at a meeting.

CIVIL DEFENCE:

When Councillor F. Conway enquired about the Civil Defence building now under construction it was decided to defer the matter to the next monthly meeting.

THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 10.30 P.M.

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WICKLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Town Hall,
WICKLOW.

1st December, 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 Tuesday 5th December, 1972 in the Town Hall, Wicklow, at 7.30 p.m.

You are kindly requested to attend.

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P. HUGHES,
TOWN CLERK.

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- (1) Confirmation of Minutes of November Monthly Meeting (copy herewith).
- (2) Applications under Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
- (3) Application to transfer lease at 16, Seafield, Wicklow from Mr. John Cronin to Mrs. A.J. Redmond, Gorey.
- (4) Lease - Shamrock Fertilizers Limited to Messrs. Neil Watson Limited and Wen-plast Limited.
- (5) Letter from Civil Defence.
- (6) Application of Mrs. Mary Redmond for tenancy of house at 2, Castle Park, Wicklow.
- (7) Town Surveyor's Report for November, 1972.
- (8) Fixing of date for holding of Fowl Market.
- (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.

29th December, 1972.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 5TH DECEMBER, 1972.

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

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

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

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

PLANNING APPLICATION - MR. JOSEPH T. O'BYRNE, B.E.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. J.T. O'Byrne, B.E., addressed to the presiding Chairman requesting permission to proceed immediately with the building of the balance of the twelve bungalows on his lands at "Carrigbawn". The County Manager pointed out that permission had already been granted for eleven dwellings but the balance of the twelve dwellings was to await the coming into operation of the Croneroe Water Supply Improvement Scheme.

The County Manager then informed the meeting that the County Council was awaiting the approval of the Department of Local Government to proceed with the Croneroe Improvement Scheme.

Councillor J. Kane stated that he had heard that the proposal to take water from "Potters River" by the Urban Council is holding up the sanction to the Croneroe Scheme. The County Manager stated that he had no information to this effect.

When Councillor T.A. Delahunt asked if the proposal to take chlorinated water from Roundwood the County Manager stated that the matter was at present being explored.

The Clerk was requested to write to the County Engineer and inform him that the Urban Council is 100% in agreement with the improvements at Croneroe.

Councillor J. Kane stated that by refusing permission to Mr. J.T. O'Byrne, B.E., to connect the remainder of the houses to the Town's Water Supply we would be curtailing housing development in the Town.

A discussion then took place on the Water Supply in the Town, and the Town Surveyor, Mr. D. Lane, B.E., informed the meeting of the contents of a letter he had received from the

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County Surveyor regarding the water situation in Wicklow Urban District. He stated that people in Wicklow were using almost double the national average of water consumption. He also suggested that the water may be leaking in the mains throughout the town.

The Town Surveyor agreed with the suggestion of the Chairman that if Veba Limited would accept a supply of crude water from the Abbey River it would reduce the water problem considerably.

The Town Surveyor also suggested the installation of a number of pressure valves to reduce the pressure of the supply in a number of areas where at the moment it is very high, and to the employment of the Waterworks Overseer on night duty to trace leakages. He stated that this would cost some what in the region of £1,500, and the Council agreed to proceed with the work.

The Council then requested that the application of Mr. J.T. O'Byrne, B.E., be placed on the Agenda for the January meeting of the Council.

HOUSE NO. 16, SEAFIELD, WICKLOW:

The Council agreed to the transfer of the lease at No. 16, Seafield, Wicklow, from Mr. John Cronin to Mrs. A.J. Redmond, Gorey.

LEASE - SHAMROCK FERTILIZERS LIMITED TO MESSRS. NEIL WATSON LIMITED AND WEN-PLAST LIMITED:

The Clerk read a report from the Town Surveyor stating that there was an alternative position to placing a railway siding at the North Quay should the necessity arise in the future.

The Council then agreed to waive the covenant in lease dated 1st August, 1951 to Shamrock Fertilizers Limited to erect a railway siding and a despatch store.

CIVIL DEFENCE:

A letter from the Civil Defence Officer was read to the meeting setting out the facts in relation to the Civil Defence building now under construction at Market Street, Wicklow.

A discussion then took place on the matter during which Councillor F. Conway stated that he was entitled to question public expenditure.

TRANSFER OF HOUSE NO. 2, CASTLE PARK, WICKLOW:

The Council was informed that Mrs. Mary Redmond had applied for the tenancy of House No. 2, Castle Park, Wicklow, which was formerly tenanted by her late husband, Mr. James Redmond.

The Council agreed to the application.

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FOWL MARKET:

The Council agreed to hold the Annual Fowl Market on Tuesday 19th December, 1972.

TOWN SURVEYOR'S REPORT:Rocky Road:

The Town Surveyor informed the meeting that some section of the Rocky Road, Wicklow, had broken as expected and will be repaired within the next few weeks.

Councillor F. Conway stated that he thought that a different type job was being done on this road.

The Town Surveyor stated that if a tarmacadam surface was put on this road only one-third of the road would have been repaired.

LATE DELIVERY OF MILK:

Councillor F. Conway requested the Clerk to contact the milk suppliers concerning complaints of late delivery of milk in the town.

PUBLIC LIGHTING:

The Council agreed to contact the Electricity Supply Board regarding public lighting at Dunbur Road, St. Menntan's Park, Harbour View and Leirim Place, Wicklow.

WATER LEAKS:

Councillor T. Byrne stated that there was a leak in the house of Mrs. B. Hollingsworth, 5, Castle Avenue, Wicklow, and the Chairman informed the meeting of a leak on Castle Street, Wicklow.

BLACK CASTLE SEWERAGE SCHEME:

Councillor T.A. Delahunt requested that consideration be given to employing a Consultant on the proposed Black Castle Sewerage Scheme. It was agreed that the matter be investigated.

SEWER AT ROCKY ROAD:

It was agreed that the Town Surveyor would investigate the nuisance, if any, being caused by a sewer serving five houses at Rocky Road, Wicklow.

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FITZWILLIAM ROAD:

A discussion took place on the feasibility of introducing one-way traffic at Fitzwilliam Road, Wicklow. It was pointed out that portion of this area was not taken over by the Council and the Town Surveyor was requested to submit a report on the matter.

OUTDOOR STAFF:

The Council was informed that employment of two of the out-door staff had been terminated following the refusal to carry out a particular job.

TOURISM:

Councillor Mrs. M. McEnroy stated that she was saddened at what happened to tourism in the past year. When pressed she agreed to act as this Council's representative for the coming year and also agreed to serve as director if elected.

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS:

The Council agreed that the seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Discharge - Mr. John Jones, Summerhill, Wicklow.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:

The Chairman wished the Council, the staff and the public a very happy Christmas, and on this note the meeting ended at 9.30 p.m.

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