

*Waterworks Committee Report
3rd September 1906*

Our Waterworks Committee met this Evening and in the absence of a report from our Town Surveyor we were unable to transact any business, however we understand that there is a considerable waste of water it will therefore be necessary for the Council to take drastic measures to conserve the supply:

We have directed our Town Clerk to reply to Mr Fitzherbert's letter informing him how he should proceed to obtain a supply of water for his premises.

Signed. S. V. Delahunt, Chmn, S. C. Pim,
Wm Collins, James De Courcy.

Confirming Resolution

Proposed by James J. McHale, Seconded by Peter Dorlitt resolved
"That the Managing Committee Reports dated 9th 13th and
23rd August be hereby Confirmed and adopted and also
"Roads and Waterworks Committee dates 13th August and
3rd Inst respectively" =

*Town Surveyor's Report
4th September 1906*

The work on the roads and streets has been satisfactorily carried out during the past month and a large quantity of macadam from Balloo Quarries was placed in depot, so as to be available for immediate ~~and~~ repair.

I inspected the Reservoir on the 30th ult and found the water 8 ft 1 inch below overflow, or practically half the available storage exhausted, while only a small dribble constitutes the supply at the inlet. The waste as will be seen by the Meter diagrams exceed all reasonable limits under these circumstances I would recommend the water to be shut off from 11pm to 6am nightly and that all the present metered supplies be charged for. The Council will see that this is a serious matter, and should make the order at once - I append a letter from

Mr Charles Flanagan in reference to the proposed policy at the source of supply.

The water tank in Mr Sheane's yard should be cleaned out and a proper close fitting cast iron cover put on, at present there is only a loose flap over the aperture which admits dirt to the chamber:-

Mr Paussey = Town Surveyor =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Mr Newbold, Seconded by James J. McHale and resolved
"That the Town Surveyor's Report re waste of water be referred to the Waterworks Committee with full powers to take such action as they may deem advisable, Committee to meet on Wednesday Evening 5th Inst at 7.30 pm Waterworks Master to attend:-"

*Medical Officer of Health's Report
4th September 1906*

To the Wicklow Urban Sanitary Authority.

I hereby draw your attention to my Reports of the 13th of October 1905, and 13th April 1906 with reference to sewer at Wooden Bridge this is dangerous to the Public Health. This nuisance was anticipated by your Engineer and the time has come that the intercepting sewer recommended by him should be proceeded with at once.

There is also a nuisance at Stone Bridge from sewer emptying into river.

James A. Halpin
Medical Officer of Health.

Order "That Dr Halpin's report be referred to the Managing Committee for consideration and Report

Read Mr Sanitary Officer's Report which was considered satisfactory and referred to Managing Committee -

Read letter from Mr Michael Doyle Law Officer, dated 4th September 1906 stating that he had resumed duty and thanking the Council for their kindness during his illness.

Order "That Mr Mather, Temporary Law Officer
"Services be discontinued, several Councillors expressed
"themselves pleased with the manner in which he
"performed his duties."

Waterworks Overseer's Report
4th September 1906

Reservoir is down from old overflow 5 ft 7¹/₂ inches, and drawing the attention to the great waste of water which he attributes to the scouring of sewers, it would be advisable to turn off the water at night from 11 pm to 6 am.

Order "That Overseer's Report be referred to Waterworks Committee
"to be considered in conjunction with Town Surveyor's Report

Agent's Report re Charles Soole's Holday
3rd September 1906

I would again respectfully bring under your Notice the very large amount of rent and arrears due by Mr Charles Soole, and as the time for taking action at next Quarter Sessions is very near and as when last I was about proceeding at Law your Board directed me to desist, I will therefore thank you for your instructions in this case:

William Desai - Agent.

(Resolution)

Proposed by John Wyrne, Seconded by M. O'Brien and resolved.
"That our Agent be directed to write to Charles Soole
"requesting him to give up possession of premises at
"Rehwantin Hill within one week failing which
"our Agent to take legal steps to recover possession=

Read letter dated 30th August 1906 from C. A. Grimshaw Secretary Royal Commission on Coast Erosion acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter dated 27 August 1906 and stating the Commission propose to hear evidence in the first instance from English and Scottish witnesses and that it would be some time before they reach the Irish portion of the subject; in the mean time they will be glad to be furnished with a statement of the nature of the evidence which the Council propose to lay before them.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Samuel E. Tim, Seconded by John Wyrne and resolved.
"That a copy of Mr Pansing's Report and tracing
"be forwarded to the Royal Commission with a
"request to be given an opportunity to give evidence
"in support of same =

Read Mr Pansing's Report dated 15th August 1906 on Wicklow Shoreline which was approved of (See copy on folio 1)

(Resolution)

Proposed by M. O'Brien, Seconded by Joseph McCarroll and resolved.
"That the ^{subject of} new Lanes in Market Square be referred
"to the Managing Committee to investigate cause
"of complaint

Read Correspondence with Messrs Fry & Son Solicitors to the D & W Railway Co on the subject of lighting and maintenance of approach road to Bolalng New Station.

(Resolution)

Proposed by John Wyrne, Seconded by T. McShane and resolved.
"That having had before us draft Agreement between
"the Urban Council and Railway Co for maintenance and
"lighting approach road to New Railway Station we
"hereby direct our Chairman to endorse thereon our
"approval of same.

Read letter from Mr George Smyth, Sculptor, 196 St. Brunswick St., Dublin stating that he would run down to interview the Chairman next week with regard to the renovation of Bill Byrne Monument.

Read letter from Mr Pausning requesting to be supplied with plans and specification of foreshore work

Mr. "That the Harbour Board be asked to comply with Mr. Pausning's request" =

Read an application from Mr Matthew Murtagh, St. Patrick's Road Wicklow, requesting permission to erect an enclosure on the Murrough for the sports and use of public seats.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by M. McDonald resolution
 "That the Sports Committee be given the use of the
 Lower Promenade for their Annual Sports and
 "use of public seats on the usual conditions =

Read a second letter from Mr Murtagh stating that a Deputation proposed to wait on the Council in reference to Cycle Track =

Read a letter from Professor A. G. Weeny on the subject of Consumption which was referred to the Managing Committee =

Read a resolution from North Dublin Union as to the advisability of Public Bodies forming an Irish Insurance Co = "Referred to Managing Committee"

Read a letter from Simon Kelly applying for one of the houses lately owned by Mr. Long Maye which was referred to Managing Committee =

Read a letter from Mr Richard Wake, Secretary, Central Committee of Technical Instruction notifying the resignation of Archdeacon Rorke as one of the Members representing Wicklow Urban Council, and also applying

for payment of first moiety of Technical Instruction Rate = With regard to the Council's resolution dated 23rd May 1906 referring to classes for Shorthand and Typewriting the Committee will as soon as sufficient students have passed through the preparatory course which is this year being organised give effect to Council's resolution =

(Resolution)

Proposed by James McShail, Seconded by John Wyrne & resolved
 "That the Rev Mr. Johnson be elected as our
 "representative on the Joint Committee of Technical
 "Instruction in the room of Archdeacon Rorke
 "resigned" =

(Resolution)

Proposed by James McShail, Seconded by John Wyrne and
 unanimously resolved
 "That Messrs Edward Kennedy, Patrick
 Fitzsimons, Francis O'Foghlach Henly re-elected
 "Ex Officio Members to represent the Council
 "on the Wicklow Harbour Board" =

S. A. Delahunt, Chr
 2nd October 1906

COAST EROSION.

The following important report on coast erosion at Wicklow, was made by Mr. John Pansing, town surveyor to the Urban Council, at their monthly meeting on Tuesday:-

Wicklow, 15th August, 1906. Dear Sir,—I am in receipt of your letter of 15th inst., requesting me to make a report with regard to the sea erosion along the foreshore at Wicklow to be forwarded to the Royal Commission now sitting, and I beg to submit the following particulars, together with two maps, which will, I trust, show more clearly the ravages the sea has made within the last 68 years with that portion of the foreshore extending from Clonmannon to the entrance to the Wicklow harbour, a distance of about two miles, but more especially with reference to the sea frontage along the townland of Corporation Murrough, forming an important part of the urban district of Wicklow:-

Being a returnee to Wicklow for the past 27 years, I have carefully noted the inroads of the sea, and although a considerable quantity of land has been eroded, I am convinced that had not the harbour works (which were executed in 1882) been carried out, most of the northern line of quays and stores would have been washed away by the encroachment of the sea. A reference to the green line on the large plan will show how far this erosion had gone previous to the construction of the works referred to.

Although the building of the West Pier at Wicklow harbour was the means of saving the South-east end of the Murrough, and accumulating the beach for nearly 1,000 feet north of the pier, still the erosion went on to an alarming extent further north, the sea engulfing first a large stand-house where horse racing used to be carried on some years ago, and next beautiful villa formerly used as public baths.

In calculating the extent of the erosion, I have taken as a basis the figures on the 6-inch ordnance maps published in 1838 and 1886, respectively, comprising the areas of the four townlands bordering the sea between Wicklow harbour and Clonmannon, and after making changes in the boundaries, the difference between the areas given on each map divided by the length of the coast enabled me to arrive at the lateral extent of the erosion, which, on reference to the annexed table, will be seen amounts to 112 feet on the Corporation Murrough since the year 1838, or over 11 acres of land. This is surely a serious matter, especially where valuable house property exists on the immediate coastline, as in this case.

On Bolarney Murrough, where the Dublin and Wicklow Manure Works are situated, the sea coast erosion it will be seen is nearly as bad as on Corporation Murrough. These works comprise the chief manufacturing business of Wicklow, and give employment to a large number of men.

The Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway, although shifted inland some years ago, on Corporation and Bolarney Murroughs, is still in a precarious position, and the boundary wall of the railway goods yard now stands within 15 feet of the crumbling beach.

The Government has recently sanctioned a free grant of £10,000 for foreshore protection work on Corporation Murrough, which it is hoped will help to protect this portion of the urban district from the further inroads of the sea for some time at least. But although the works are now in the hands of eminent engineers, and an efficient contractor, there is, in my opinion, only tentative measures, and ample provision should be made by the Government for the upkeep of these works, as well as for their future extension, so as to prevent the destruction of that portion of Wicklow town which forms its chief attraction for visitors and tourists.

Quite recently Earl Fitzwilliam, at his own expense, constructed a tramway connecting the goods branch of the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway with the quays. This will become useless if the goods yards be not saved from the further inroads of the sea.

The following is taken from a sub-leader in the "Freeman's Journal" of 10th July, 1906:-

"The case of Lowestoft and its engineering duel with the sea will be specially interesting to the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway Company, who are engaged in a similar con-

test. Some years ago the sea encroached to such an alarming extent that Lowestoft, as a seaside resort, was practically doomed. Enormous damage had been done to the front, and it appeared a huge task to attempt to stop the invasion of the sea. Since 1870 when protective work was first commenced in earnest, the amount spent on various schemes of sea defence has been more than £87,000, a large proportion of which was expended upon the construction of a substantial wall more than a mile long, and groyne for the protection of the north beach and dunes. These works were immediately effective, but until two years ago the position of the south front with its beach, esplanades, and valuable property, looked almost hopeless. The beach had nearly disappeared, and every high tide made the most serious inroads into the cliffs and the upper esplanade. The town council dealt promptly with the situation, and adopted a costly and comprehensive scheme, in which groynes and a revetment were the principal features. These have proved successful beyond all anticipations. The beach has increased in area to an extraordinary extent, until now there is on the south side of the town a splendid esplanade."

This would appear to meet the engineering difficulties, if there are any; but, of course, the Wicklow Council, for lack of funds, are unable to act as the Lowestoft Town Council did.

Faithfully yours,

J. PANSING, A.M., Inst., C.E.I.
Town Surveyor; Member of the Incorporated Association of Municipal and County Engineers.

Table showing sea encroachment along Wicklow Murrough.

	a.r.p.	a.r.p.	a.r.p.	Reduction ed pro w'dh rata ed of 1838 1886	L'gth fr'm fr'm area area	coast to to line 1886 1906	ft. ft.								
Tinnakilly	67	2	8	60	0	31	7	1	17	2,960	108	153			
Knockrobin	17	2	4	15	3	33	1	2	11	800	85	120			
Bolarney	Murrough	deducting	N. part of Island	32	2	5	29	0	25	3	1	19	2,030	72	102
Corporation Murrough	including S. part of Is. Land, East Lake and Railway Garden	71	0	8	62	3	19	8	0	23	4,500	79	112		

It was ordered that a copy of the foregoing be forwarded to the Secretary of the Royal Commission, and also that the Secretary be requested to state when and where evidence from Ireland will be taken by the Commission.

The Town Clerk also read the following letter:-

Royal Commission on Coast Erosion, Board of Trade, Whitehall, S.W., August 30th, 1906. Sir,—I am desired by the Royal Commission on Coast Erosion to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, and in reply to request that you will state to the Wicklow Urban District Council that the Commission are unable to state at present what arrangements will be made for taking evidence from witnesses in Ireland. The Commission propose to hear evidence, in the first instance, from English and Scottish witnesses, and they fear that it will be some time before they reach the Irish portion of the subject. The Royal Commission would desire to have evidence from a representative of the Urban District Council, they will cause a further communication to be addressed to you; in the meantime they will be glad to be furnished with a statement of the nature of the evidence which the Council would propose to lay before them.—I am, sir, your obedient servant,

C. H. GRIMSHAW,
Secretary.

J. F. Delahunt Esq.
2-10-06

Town Hall, Wicklow
2nd October 1906

The Quarterly Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this day in pursuance to notice to transact the following business:-

1. To consider Finance Business.
2. To consider Town Surveyor Report.
3. To consider Manuring, Waterworks & Fire Brigade Reports.
4. To consider Sanitary Officer's Report's.
5. To consider Waterworks Overseers Report.
6. To consider miscellaneous Correspondence.
7. To consider estimates for the renovation of Billy Byrne Monument.
8. To consider tenders for Scavenger.

Members Present

Mr. S. V. Delahunt, Chairman in the Chair, Messrs Frank McHail, Edward M. Collins, James Geron, Mr. P. Newbold, Peter Dorlitt, David H. Haskins, Edward Kennedy, Mr. Whine, Patrick Fitzsimons, Mr. D. Haskins, Matthew McDonald, Nicholas H. Haskins, Joseph McCarron, James G. Ball, James J. McHail, Francis Murphy, Samuel O'Conor

The minutes of the previous meeting were read over and confirmed after which the business was proceeded with.

Finance Committee Report

27th September 1906

Our Finance Committee met this evening and checked over Accounts, books and Vouchers and found that during the month there was lodged to your credit the following sums:-

Mr. William Desai Corporate Rents	£73, 12. 11
" Francis McHail Estate Duty & Tax Balances	58. 9. 8
" Same Miscellaneous Monies	3. 1. 7
" Michael Doyle Township Rate & Meter	144. 19. 9
	£280. 1. 9

giving a Cr Balance of £ 670. 14. 4

We recommend the following payments

Francis W. MacPhail	One months Salary	£ 11. 5. 0
Same	Workmen's Wages	22. 18. 5
Henry MacPhail.	One months Salary	1. 0. 0
John Pansing.	Do	4. 3. 4
Michael Doyle.	Do	5. 8. 4
Edward Connor.	Do	6. 0. 0
Dr J. A. Halpin.	Three months Do	1. 15. 0
Andrew Dunne.	Scavenger.	5. 0. 0
Michael Finlay.	Caretaker Grass Lands	" 10. 0
Wicklow School Attendance Committee Expenses to 30/9/06	£ 11. 5. 0	
Palladium Wicklow Point Burial Board Quarterly		
Michael Doyle	Payment as per precept	29. 13. 0
Ballece Quarry Co	Townships Rate	24. 18. 0
D. & W. Railway Co	Act of Macadam	28. 5. 9
Local Government Board	Carriage on Same	19. 13. 2
Thomas Jellett & Co	Insurance of Articano Drills	1. 10. 0
Hely's Limited	Stationary	1. 9. 4
Collector of Income Tax	Income Tax	" 7. 0
Local Government Board	Audit Fee	10. 10. 0
Board of Public Works	Interest on Loans	28. 10. 10
Wicklow Gas Company	No Account contract public lighting 30/4/06	£ 50. 0. 0
		<u>£ 360. 2. 2</u>

Signed S. V. Delahunt
C. M. Collins } Members of Finance Committee
Francis Murphy

Resolution

Proposed by W. J. Haskins, Seconded by P. Fitzsimons & resolved.
"That the report of the Finance Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted and that Treasurers Authority for making payments to the several parties named therein be now signed by direction and on behalf of the Council amounting in the aggregate to the sum of £ 360. 2. 2"

Resolution

Proposed by Edward Kennedy, Seconded by James Lennon and resolved "That Collector W. Namee's return of irrecoverable Rates be referred to the Finance Committee, authority for payment of Collectors commission be now signed, Paying Order not to issue until his accounts are checked over by the Finance Committee"

Town Surveyor's Quarterly Report 2nd October 1906

The condition of the public roads and works in the district is fairly satisfactory, considering the long spell of exceptionally dry weather just ended, which caused a loosening of the surface, and in some instances a fracture of the crust on a good many of the roads and streets, thus rendering them somewhat jolly and uneven. As the weather has now changed, I shall be able to remedy this by a judicious application of fine road metal.

As no provision was made in the year's estimate, I must of necessity refrain from recommending the execution of several desirable public works, but I am bound to strongly advise the expenditure of £ 7 or £ 8 in repairing the parapet wall along the north side of Fitzwilliam Road, which is in a dangerous state. I reported on this wall some time ago when it would not have cost so much to repair it as it will now.

The water in the Reservoir is more than 8 feet below overflow, and four workmen are engaged removing the weeds from the upper end of the Basin at present: — Of the diagram herewith submitted be a correct record, the waste of water is outrageous. In a former Report I recommended the Council to employ Deacons Expert to test the Meter, and locate leaks and waste I must now repeat my recommendation, and I hope the Council will adopt it. This is a serious matter and must at once be grappled with: — John Pansing

Town Surveyor

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Peter Dorlitts resolved
 "That the Leacan Meter Company's representative now
 "in Bray be engaged to overhaul Meters in Valve
 "House and check over mains at a cost not to
 "exceed £10.

For Resolution - Messrs Delahunt, F. McPhail, Collins, Dorlitts,
 Wimme, McDonald, McCarroll, McCall, J. P. McPhail
 (9)

Against - Messrs Jernon, Newbold, Mastens (3), Kennedy
 Fitzsimons, Murphy (8)

The Chairman declared the resolution carried =

Order. That all road scrappings be deposited on the Inner
 Murrough by our Roadmen.

(Resolution)

Proposed by James Lemon, Seconded by D. H. Haskins and resolved
 "That Mr. Parsons's recommendation about boundary
 "wall be sent to Managing Committee and request
 "Mr. Speares to attend Meeting of Committee at time to
 "be arranged, Managing Committee to have power to act
 "in the matter" =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by C. M. Collins and resolved
 "That a notice be served upon the Wicklow Prison
 "authorities again calling their attention to the very
 "dangerous state of the boundary wall in Market
 "Street, and request that it be taken down within
 "one month, otherwise the Council would take such
 "proceedings as they may be advised to protect the
 "public from this dangerous overhanging wall" =

Order. "That the Public Seats be left out for the
 "month of October

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by Joseph McCarroll and resolved
 "That the Town Surveyor be requested to prepare a plan and
 "estimate of the cost of concreting an 18 feet (or thereabouts)
 "promenade roadway from the base of the New Pier to the
 "termination of the Urban Council's property on Upper Sea
 "Murrough, which promenade would assist in protecting the
 "foreshore and be of incalculable benefit to Wicklow as a
 "seaside resort, the estimate to include the cost of making a
 "suitable road on Inner Murrough for Chemical Works and
 "other traffic. =

Managing Committee's Report

27th September 1906

Your Managing Committee met this evening and having considered
 your Medical Officer of Health's Report on the subject of
 intercepting sewer, we are unable to provide funds for same
 at present. The latter part of Dr. Halpin's report has been
 complied with.

We have had before us Local Government Board's
 letter dated 4th Sept 1906, expressing their sanction to the loan
 from the Hibernian Bank of £500 to re-build and repair
 Bond Street-houses, we recommend that the necessary steps
 be taken to have the work carried out at once, and that the
 terms of the Local Government Board's letter be complied with.

Inasmuch as the Council are about to rebuild and repair
 the houses they cannot make any letting at present.

We have considered Professor A. G. Weene's letter on the
 subject of Consumption we recommend that the matter be
 deferred.

Signed : - S. V. Delahunt, C. M. Collins, T. Murphy

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McPhail, Seconded by W. D. Haskins and resolved,
 "That the Managing Committee's Report be confirmed
 "and adopted and that tenders be invited for the
 "repair of Bond Street-houses: =

*Waterworks Committee Report
5th September 1906*

In accordance with the resolution of the Council your Waterworks Committee met this evening to consider your Town Surveyor's Report.

Having considered the waste of water in conjunction with Messrs Pansing and Connor, we have decided that the supply of water be left on until further notice and that the flushing of the sewers be carried out as follows.

Main Street sewer to be flushed between one and two o'clock every 24 hours. - Strand Street, Wentworth Place and South Quay sewers on Wednesdays and Saturdays. - Castle Street sewer on Saturdays. We have directed your Town Surveyor to have South Quay sewer cleared out at earliest opportunity, also to deepen the channel at Wooden Bridge. We have requested your Sub Sanitary Officer to examine the sewerage of Miss Kehoe's premises Main Street. Notices to be distributed against waste of public water supply, and also prohibiting nuisance and other refuse being deposited at Ferret Lane and rear of Artillery Barracks.

Signed: - S. V. Delahunt, John Wyme, E. Collins, S. C. Pim, James De Courcy.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by W. J. Haskins resolved.
"That the Report of the Waterworks Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted: -

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank M. Ghail, Seconded by Murphy, resolved.
"That the fountain in Lower Strand Street be visited by Managing Committee with a view to having a concrete apron placed around it and proper means provided for the taking away of waste water"

Order. "That Bridge St sewer be referred to the Managing Committee"

Order. "That Doctor Halpin be again asked to report on the state of Wicklow fire yard" -

*Fine Brigade Committee Report
5th September 1906*

Your Fine Brigade Committee met this evening and having considered Messrs Shan Mason & Co's estimate for ladder, jumping sheet etc, have directed your Town Clerk to again write for quotations, and also for an estimate for patent lattice fire brigade (480).

Signed: S. V. Delahunt, E. Collins, John Wyme, S. C. Pim, James De Courcy: -

Proposed by Frank M. Ghail, Seconded by Francis Murphy resolved.
"That Fine Brigade Committee Report be adopted."

*Sub Sanitary Officer's Report
3rd October 1906*

I submit report for the month of September and beg to state that the public lighting of the Town was apparently well carried on. I made usual sanitary visitations inspecting over 100 premises and served 11 notices under the Public Health Acts for various sanitary requirements, 3 of these notices I submit to your Council for consideration.

I had one patient conveyed to Hospital in the ambulance car and disinfected two houses according to your Council's directions. I had the new drainage system flushed twice weekly with water and disinfected once a fortnight.

These drains appear to be in good working order with one exception and this is the Bridge St drainage which appears to be blocking up. The street cleaner appears to be attentive to his work yet the streets of the Town are not as clean as they should be. As the public seats on the Murrinagh Promenade are usually stored at this time of year I await your instructions as to same.

Michael Doyle L.W.C.O. Officer.

Unsanitary Premises reported by Sub Law Officer

1. Unsanitary condition of the drainage, privies, and ash pit, and Urinal in the yard of Court House, the effluvia from them is most offensive:

Order. "That Notice be served on the County Council to abate the nuisance and to put the premises in Sanitary Condition"

2. The drainage in Dispensary Lane I would recommend open grating to be removed and a proper street-gully trap provided"

3. The unsanitary condition of drainage at Mr Redmond's premises Quarantine Hill, I am of opinion this drainage is blocked

Order. "That Mr Doyle's Reports be referred to the Managing Committee, Committee to inspect the drainage and report".

(Resolution)

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll, Seconded by Peter Orlitti resolvers "That Mr Michael Doyle be supplied with his usual uniform clothing of Irish manufacture"

Waterworks Overseer's Report

3rd October 1906

Reservoir is down 8 feet 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches from old overflow and enumerating work done during the month Overseer applies for his usual supply of Coals =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank McWhail, Seconded by James Jernon resolvers "That Mr O'Fornor be given his usual supply of Coals" =

Read letter from Mr John Rehac acknowledging receipt of the Council's resolution consenting to sell at 25 years purchase and asking the Council to reconsider the matter and sell at 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ years purchase

(Resolution)

Proposed by James Jernon, Seconded by Edward Kennedy and resolved "That this Council hereby agree to sell to Mr John Keogh his Agricultural holding at Upper Dunbar under the Land Purchase Acts at 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ years purchase subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board, the same conditions to apply as in the other sales.

(Resolution)

Proposed by Joseph McCarroll, Seconded by Francis Murphy resolvers "That we the Wicklow Union Council adopt the resolutions passed at Public Meetings in support of a Marine Works Bill applicable to the South East Coast of Ireland.

Read letter from Dublin & Wicklow Railway Company forwarding Agreement in duplicate with map annexed in reference to maintenance and lighting of approach way to New Station at Ballymeny:-

Order. "That Agreement be returned to the Railway Company for alteration in accordance with original draft already approved of:-

Read letter from Local Government Board No 39. 627 6/9/06 requesting to know if Mr Michael Doyle Sub Law Officer had resumed duty:-

Tom Clark stated that he had supplied the information to Local Government Board:-

Read letter from Local Government Board No 52 177 14/9/06 inquiring why the Regulations adopted by the Council for the management of Dairies, Coddheads, and Milk Shops have not been put in force. =

(Resolution)

Proposed by Frank W. Hall, Seconded by David H. Hawkins resolved
 "That in reply to the query of the Local Government Board
 "re the non application of the Dairies and Milkshops
 "Act in this Urban District the Board be informed
 "that the Council has already adopted the Act but
 "restrained from making same operative on the grounds
 "that the local Dairies are conducted upon such lines
 "as not to call for intervention by the Sanitary Authority
 "and as a proof of this the Council would point out the
 "attention of the Local Government Board to Annual
 "return of the Registrar General for 1905, which records
 "but one death from an infection or contagious disease
 "within the Township during that year.

Read letter from Local Government Board No 48.951 - 24/9/06
 enclosing copy of the Open Spaces Act 1906 : -

Read circular letter from Local Government Board No 50.269
 6/9/06 enclosing copy of revised instructions re promotion of
 Provisional Orders in Parliament.

Read estimate from Mr George Smith for renovation of "Billy"
 Byrne Monument - £ 8. 15 . 0

(Resolution)

Proposed by Samuel E. Pin, Seconded by Francis Murphy resolved
 "That Mr George Smith be asked to give an estimate
 "for lead letters instead of gilt and if the
 "Council are not committed to Mr Smith our
 "Local man Mr Branagh be invited to tender

Read letter from Mrs Caldwell asking half the cost
 of sewer connection Main St £ 2. 10 . 0

(Resolution)

Proposed by Edward Kennedy, Seconded by D. H. Hawkins resolved
 "That Mr Caldwell be paid £ 1. 0 . 0 cost
 "of connection with main sewer "

Read letter from Artillery Authorities complaining of nuisance
 committed at northern wall of Artillery Barracks : -

John Glend stated that he had caused notice to be posted offering
 a reward to any person giving such information as will lead to the
 discovery of the person or persons committing nuisance -

Read letter from Royal Commission on Sea Coast erosion
 acknowledging receipt of the Council's letter of the 15th Sept 06
 enclosing copy of Town Surveyors Report and tracing showing
 the extent of the erosion on Wicklow Shore : -

Read copy of a resolution from Wicklow County Council on the
 subject of the recent Inquiry "Lunacy (Ireland) Bill"
 which has been withdrawn : -

In the motion of M. N. H. Hawkins, Seconded by Francis Murphy,
 County Council's resolution was adopted -

(Resolution)

Proposed by Francis Murphy, Seconded by John Wyne resolved
 "That Andrew Dunn's be paid £ 4. 10 . 0
 "per month for three months for scavenging
 "as heretofore, Sunday cleansing to be discontinued

E. M. Collins Chairman
 D^o Nov 1906

Town Hall Wicklow
6th November 1906

Urban Councilmen

The usual monthly meeting of the Wicklow Harbour Board was held this day in pursuance to notice.

Members Present

Mr Edward M Collins Vice Chairman in the Chair
also Present

Mess Edward Kennedy, Samuel E Pin, Frank McMail,
Matthew Donald, Thomas O'Newbold, David Haskins,
Patrick Fitzminions, Peter Doolittle, Mr. Wynn,
James De Conroy, Francis Dwyer, Francis Murphy,
S. V. Delahunt, Joseph M. Carroll,

The minutes of the previous meeting was read over and confirmed after which the following resolution was unanimously adopted and ordered to be inserted on the minutes:

(Resolution)

Proposed by Joseph M. Carroll, Seconded by S. M. Collins and resolved
"That this Council desire to place on record the irreparable loss sustained by Wicklow in the death of the Reverend and Esteemed Parish Priest of Wicklow, the very Rev Father Carberry whose life and influence contributed so much to the harmony and good will existing in Wicklow among all classes and creeds, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the relatives of our late beloved Pastor."

(Resolution)

Proposed by S. V. Delahunt, Seconded by S. E. Pin and resolved
"That this Meeting delegate full powers to a Committee of the whole Council to deal with the subject of the Government letter No 23960."

Resolution

Proposed by John Wynn, Seconded by Samuel E Pin and resolved
"That this Meeting stands adjourned as a mark of respect to the Memory of the late Very Rev Thomas Carberry P.P.
the Thursday evening at six o'clock p.m."

C. M. Collins Chairman
W^o 1906

From Hall Wicklow
8th November 1906

An Adjudged Meeting of the Wicklow Urban District Council was held this Evening in pursuance to notice to transact the following business:-

1. To consider Finance Committee's Report's
2. To consider Manning and Fire Brigade Committee Reports
3. To consider Town Surgeon's Report.
4. To consider Sanitary Officer's Report's
5. To consider Waterworks Overseer's Report.
6. To consider Tenders for the repairs to Bond St Houses
7. To consider Tenders for Town Sergeant's Uniform
8. To consider Estimates for the renovation of the Billy Byrne Monument.
9. To consider Miscellaneous Correspondence.
10. To consider urgent letter from the Government re Parliamentary Auction to raise Special Loan of £2500 to supplement Government Free Grant for Harbours and Foreshore Protection Works.

Members Present

Mr. James Jernon in the Chair which was subsequently occupied by the Chairman Mr. S. V. Delahunt - Messrs David Haskins, Patrick Fitzsimons, Mather, McDonald, Peter Doolittle, Mr. H. Haskins, Frank Whail, Joseph McCarroll, Francis Murphy, W. P. Haskins, James De Courcey, Samuel E. Pin, Edward M. Collins

Special Finance Committee Report

11th October, 1906

Your Finance Committee met this Evening and checked our Collector Mr. Namee's Poor Rate Collection - The total of the first moiety of rate was £ 568. 7. 9 of which your Collector has lodged £ 536. 7. 5 the balance being made up of unoccupied houses and irrecoverable Rates.

We have directed your Collector to carry forward to next collection items No 31 - 4/8 and No 511 - 2/11

We have struck off £ 20. 14. 2 for vacant houses and £ 10. 18/- irrecoverable Rates, which compares favourably with previous years.
Signed; S. V. Delahunt Chairman, Samuel E. Pin,
Francis Murphy, Edward M. Collins :-

Finance Committee Report

1st November 1906

Your Finance Committee met this Evening and checked over accounts books and vouchers and found that during the past month there was Lodged to your credit the following sums.

Mr William O'Brien	Corporate Rates	£ 10 17. 3
" Francis Wm. MacHail	Miscellaneous Monies	9. 5. 3
" Michael Doyle	Township Rate and Meters	180. 0. 9
" H. Majesty's Treasury	Bounty in Lieu of Rates	69. 10. 6
		£ 299. 13. 9
	leaving a Cr. Balance of £ 310. 5. 11	

We recommend the following payments

Francis Wm. MacHail	One months Salary	£ 11. 5. 0
Same	Workmen's Wages Account	26. 2. 0
Henry P. MacHail	One months Salary	1. 0. 0
John Parsons	Do	4. 3. 4
Michael Doyle	Do	5. 8. 4
Edward Connor	Do	6. 0. 0
Andrew Dunne	Scavenger	1. 10. 0
Michael Finlay	Caretaker, Grass Lands	10. 0
Mr. State Caldwell	Sewer connexion Main St	1. 0. 0
Wicklow Gas Co.	Quarters gas Tom Hall Valve House	1. 9. 5
Joseph Higgins	Repairs to Wheelbarrow	4. 0
Joseph Darcy	Waterworks Overseer Coals	5. 12. 6
John Kelly	The years Poor Rate	1. 19. 10
Board of Trade	One years Rent of Pineshore	5. 0
John Falconer	Scalebeamment Orders & Decisions	15. 0
Board of Works	Half year interest on Harbour Tax	53. 6. 8
Comptroller of Stamps Taxes	Stamps Duty on Issue of Stock	10. 0
Robert Lee	Repairs to Electric Bells	15. 6
	Forward	£ 124. 16. 9

Forward £124. 16. 3

William Clarke. New roof over boiler in Market House etc	3. 4. 0
Richard Sheane. Repairs to iron rail on South Quay	4. 2. 0
William Law. Sewer connection Fitzwilliam Square	12. 2
William O'Hanlon. Transfer of Funds	<u>152. 2. 3</u>

152. 17.

Signed E. M. Collins | Members of Finance
Samuel C. Pinn Committee
Francis Murphy

(Resolution)
Proposed by Patrick Fitzsimons, Seconded by Matthew McDonald and resolved
"That the Reports of the Finance Committee dated 11th Ultimo
and 1st instant be hereby confirmed and adopted and that
Treasurer advise Mr. for making payments to the several
parties named therein be now signed by direction and on
behalf of the Council amounting in the aggregate to the sum
of £152. 19. 0"

Managing Committee's Report
29th October 1906

Your Managing Committee met this evening and having visited
drainage Quarantine Hill recommend that the old gullet which
takes off surface water be intercepted above man hole in Market
Square and turned into same.

We also recommend that the pipe sewer on Quarantine
Hill be connected with main drain and the water
channel repaired.

We recommend that the fountain in New Street
be moved up to the corner of High Street under gas
lamps to accommodate the houses in the vicinity which
have no water connections.

We visited Dispensary Lane and found the surface of
the road in bad repair and in a dirty state, we recommend
that same be thoroughly cleaned, filling put on road
where necessary and covered with fine macadam, the same
applies to that portion of High Street between the end of
Dispensary Lane and Hill Side, we recommend that a

gully trap be placed at end of surface drain to replace open grating.

With regard to main drain in Bridge Street we cannot recommend
the Council to undertake the work until provision is made in next year's
estimates, the Town Surgeon undertook to have same properly attended
to and kept clear in the mean time:

We have given directions to your Town Surgeon to have granite curbing
placed round fountain in Lower Strand Street and some fine
Screenings spread on footpath.

We have also drawn your Surveyor's attention to the several
flags in the footpath of Main Street and have ordered that same
be re-set:

Signed - S. V. Delahunt - Chair, Samuel C. Pinn
Frank W. Strail:

(Resolution)
Proposed by D. H. Haskins, Seconded by P. Dorlitti and resolved
"That the Report of the Managing Committee be hereby
confirmed and adopted."

Fire Brigade Committee's Report
1st November 1906

Your Fire Brigade Committee met this evening to consider estimates
for fire appliances and have directed your Town Clerk
to write to Shand Mason & Co for the cost of a sliding sheet
and fittings to suit a 40 foot lattice fire escape as quoted
in their letter of 13th September 1906 -

Signed : - E. M. Collins, Francis Murphy, S. C. Pinn
James de Courcy -

(Resolution)
Proposed by David H. Haskins, Seconded by P. Fitzsimons
and resolved, "That the Report of the Fire Brigade
Committee be hereby confirmed and adopted"

*Town Surveyor's Report
6th November 1906*

Your workmen have been chiefly engaged during the past month in spreading macadam on the roads, and screening some of the footpaths. Two of the men were part of the time up at the Reservoir, and did valuable work with the Caretaker, in removing weeds etc while the water was low.

Some small special works ordered by your Managing Committee will be taken in hand as soon as possible, but for the present, all the men must be kept constantly on the roads, cleaning and spreading material as the recent wet weather and heavy stone traffic have left them somewhat soft and dirty, but more suitable for repairs.

The Deacon Meter diagrams herewith submitted record a very large and fluctuating "waste" of water, whether wasted or used is a difficult matter to ascertain at present.

I have furnished the Town Clerk with a plan and estimate for the proposed concreting of the road along the Sea Murrrough, in accordance with your instructions, and I hope the Council will give the project their serious consideration, as undoubtedly the construction of such a promenade would be a great boon to Wicklow and enhance its value as a seaside resort.

The time for cleaning the filter beds at the Waterworks is now at hand, and should be done immediately.

Yours Panoring, Town Surveyor.

Order. "That the Filter Beds be cleaned immediately, and Town Surveyor Report referred to Managing & Waterworks Committee for consideration and report."

(Resolution)

Proposed by James Jemon, Seconded by Francis Murphy and resolved "That the workingmen in the employment of the Council be allowed to cease work at two o'clock on Saturday"

Medical Officer of Health's Report

5th November 1906

I hereby report to you a nuisance in Mr Phelan's shop Main Street and recommend same to be abated - Please cancel my Report of the 23rd of October on this subject
Order. Refer to Committee

*Second Report Nov 6th 1906
Wicklow Old Church Jan 8*

No 3 As Medical Officer of Health for Urban District of Wicklow, with reference to your letter asking for a Report on Wicklow grave yard, I recommend that parties in charge would pass and enforce some Bye Laws.

I. As regard depth of graves and amount of clay at end of coffins as I consider some of the graves on the left-hand side of path leading from the big gate with steps to church are too near the boundary wall.
II. That no parties not possessing ground be buried in this grave yard.
III. That parties having ground should not be allowed to bury strangers in their graves. If these suggestions were carried out I do not consider any further action necessary at present as most of the burials have been strangers, there is now a cemetery at Merry-meeting : =

Proposed by James Jemon, Seconded by F. H. Hall resolved "That the Report of Dr Halpin be odd Wicklow grave yard be sent to Local Government Board"

No 3 I hereby report to you the state of Ball Alley, it is covered with mud and water, it is the cause of much sickness amongst the poor inhabitants in this neighbourhood, also the state of the road from Wentworth Place to Church St which is also in a filthy state and requires a crossing

Order. That Dr Halpin's Report be referred to Managing Committee for consideration and Report:-

No 4 I hereby draw your attention to my Reports of the 12th October 1905, 14 April 1906, and Sept 4th 1906 with reference to sewer emptying into river at Wooden Bridge, at present there is diphtheria in the Town and the state of this nuisance at Wooden Bridge during the recent warm weather is sufficient to poison half a dozen Towns.

Order. "That Dr Halpin's Report be referred to Managing Committee for consideration and report."

Sub Sanitary Officer's Report
6th November 1906

I respectfully beg to report to your Council that during the past month I made my usual sanitary inspections inspecting over 130 premises and served 114 Notices as directed by Statute for different sanitary purposes and disinfected one house.