

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on the 9th January, 1978, in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, P. Deering, J. Miley,
G. Timmins, T.D., Th. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney,
J. Whelan, V. Blake, Mrs. M. Costello, J. Byrne, C. Keegan,
Mrs. M. Ledwidge, A. Murphy, Miss N. O'Neill

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Attend- Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
ance:- Mr. B. A. Fidgeon, A/County Secretary
Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section
Mr. F. O'Toole, Staff Officer, Environmental Services Section
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on Monday, 5th December, 1977, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Council was informed that an application for a caravan park at Brittas Bay from Mrs. Aileen Byrne was recommended by the County Manager for grant of permission subject to conditions. A requirement of the County Development Plan that a caravan site should not be situated within 200 yards of another would be contravened. Section 39 of the Local Government Planning and Development Act, 1976, amended the Planning Act, 1963, and this enabled the planning authority to grant permission in contravention of the County Development Plan provided the number of Members of the Council voting in favour of the resolution exceeded $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total Members of the Council. Members were informed that the caravan park was small (application for 9 caravans) and would not interfere with any views or amenities in the area. The Council was informed that the granting of this application would not act as a precedent for other applications under the 1976 Act.

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor J. Miley and unanimously resolved that a decision to grant permission, subject to conditions, recommended by the County Manager, be made in respect of the application of Mrs. Aileen Byrne, submitted under Register Reference 758/76 for the development of a caravan park at Brittas Bay, which involves the Material Contravention of the County Development Plan.

ITEM 3 LOAN FOR DEVOLVED HOUSING SCHEMES

It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and unanimously resolved that subject to the sanction from the Minister for the Environment, Wicklow County Council raise a loan of £1,000,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to finance the erection of devolved housing schemes, the loan to be repayable on the annuity system over a period of 30 years.

ITEM 4 PIPING OF PLOTS AT CRONEYHORN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan, and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council replace the pipes for larger ones at the plots at Croneyhorn as the existing ones are too small to take the flow of water".

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The Council was informed that there is a shore through these plots which is close to the surface and that the top stone of the shore could be broken by the weight of tractors. The length involved was 200 yards and the cost of replacing the shore by pipes is estimated at £600. These plots were let as allotments by the Council and the income from renting was very small. It would be grossly uneconomical to carry out the work and it was recommended no action be taken except occasional repairs to the shore.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the pipes be replaced at an estimated cost of £600 and that the necessary money be raised in the 1979 Estimates.

ITEMS 5 & 73 REPAIRS TO PUMPS AT CRONEYHORN

The following Notices of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., and Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan were considered:-

"That this Council repair or replace the pumps at Croneyhorn, Parkbridge and Ballingate".

"That the Council provide an electric pump on an existing well at Ballingate, Carnew, for Mrs. Ellen Bird, John Myres, John O'Hara and John O'Sullivan".

The Council was informed that the hand pumps are all currently in working order. Arrangements were being made to have the pump at Parkbridge pumped extensively to see if it would cure the problem of muddy water. It was suggested that the four houses at Croneyhorn and four houses at Ballingate would be suitable for group water schemes. The Department of the Environment, the County Manager stated, would be asked for details of the operation of Group Water Schemes and that the information would be passed onto the persons concerned; technical assistance would be given by the County Council. The replacement of the existing pump, by an electric pump at Ballingate, was to be investigated.

ITEM 6 HOUSE FOR JAMES MOORE, TOMBREAN, CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council build a house for James Moore, Tombrean, Carnew".

The Council was informed that he resides with his wife and children in a four roomed serviced cottage at Tombrean, which is also occupied by his father-in-law who is owner, mother-in-law and sister-in-law, and the County Medical Officer reported that the house is over-crowded. Mr. James Fleming is prepared to give an adjoining site to the Council to build a rural cottage for the applicant who will not live in Carnew where the Council is currently building a housing scheme.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the Council proceed with the erection of a rural cotrage for James Moore on a site to be acquired from James Fleming.

The County Manager stated that there was difficulty in getting contractors to build isolated cottages and the cost of a single rural cottage was approximately 1/3rd more expensive than building a scheme of houses.

ITEM 7 & 15 HOUSE FOR GERALD BYRNE, BALLINGATE, CARNEW

The following Notices of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., and Councillors V. Blake, and G. Timmins, T.D., respectively, were considered:-

"That this Council build a house for Gerald Byrne, Ballingate, Carnew"

"That this Council erect a house for Gerald Byrne, Ballingate, Carnew, on his own site".

The Council was informed that the applicant Mr. Gerald Byrne was single and was getting married in August, 1978, his grand uncle was prepared to give a site for a rural cottage, but the case was not one where a rural cottage would be necessary and could be more economically met by re-housing in Carnew.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and agreed that the Council build an isolated cottage for Gerald Byrne.

ITEM 8 HOUSE FOR ELLEN KILBRIDE, CRONEYHORN, CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council build a house for Ellen Kilbride, Croneyhorn, Carnew".

The Council was informed that the applicant was living in an overcrowded house and that her mother had offered a plot for a rural cottage. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the Council build an isolated cottage for Ellen Kilbride.

ITEM 9 REPAIRS TO HOUSES AT ST. JOSEPH'S TCE., O'NEILL'S PARK, NEWTOWN.

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council take immediate steps to replace the doors and windows of the houses in St. Joseph's Tce., O'Neill's Park, Newtownmountkenedy. Numerous requests have been made for repairs as the windows and doors of all these houses are faulty and letting in water".

The Council was informed that arrangements had been made to have the houses inspected and any repairs necessary would be carried out as soon as possible.

ITEM 10 PROVISION OF PIPED WATER TO MRS. MARY LOTT, BALLINACOR, KILBRIDE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council carry out its written guarantee to Mrs. Mary Lott, Ballinacor, Kilbride, Wicklow, to bring piped water to her house. Mrs. Lott has letters from the County Council from August, 1976, guaranteeing that the water will be piped to her cottage, No. 8/7".

The Council was informed that the County Manager had recently authorised the provision of the replacement of the defective pump and that the County Engineer had been asked to proceed with the work. Noted.

ITEM 11 ELECTRIC WIRES TO HOUSE OCCUPIED BY MR. E. GREGORY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to the electric wires which are piped to the house occupied by Eddie Gregory, 1 Springfield Heights, Newtownmountkennedy. The pipe is broken and the wires are exposed and constitute a hazard".

The Council was informed that the wires in question had been inspected by the Council's Electrician and that they were P. & T. wires and as such do not constitute a hazard. Arrangements had been made to case in the wire with plastic covering. Noted.

ITEM 12 WALL & FOOTPATH - HOUSE OF MR. E. GREGORY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council put a wall and a footpath around the house occupied by Eddie Gregory, 1 Springfield Heights, Newtownmountkennedy, as it is an end house and people walk through the garden as a short cut".

The Council was informed that there did not seem to be any reason why the tenant's boundary should be changed. The tenant could take the normal appropriate measures to prevent people coming through his garden. Councillors stated that this was the shortest way through the estate and suggested that a pathway be created through the garden and that a wall be erected to give some privacy. The County Engineer was asked to re-investigate this matter.

ITEM 13 ALTERNATIVE DUMP AT AUGHIRM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide an alternative dump at Aughrim".

The Council was informed that the present dump in Aughrim was quite adequate to meet the needs for the area for the next 10 years or more. It was ideally situated with a tiphead which is out of public view. The tiphead is regularly bulldozed and soiled. The County Engineer stated that it was difficult to get dumps and that there was a cost factor involved. Councillor K. Ryan stated that an alternative dump had been offered to the Council and this offer was to be investigated. The County Engineer was requested to arrange to have the rats in the dump exterminated and the cars removed from the dump.

ITEM 14 RERE ENTRANCE - OUR LADY'S DRIVE, AUGHIRM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide rere entrances to houses no.s 33 to 36 at Our Lady's Drive, Aughrim".

The Council was informed that a feature of the design of these houses was that the fuel stores were at the front of the houses, and no provision had been made for rere entrances. If rere access was to be provided, part of the tenants' garden would have to be used and each tenant would have to be asked separately if he wished to have rere access. Some of the tenants had built sheds which might need to be removed from their present positions. It was suggested that a survey be carried out of all tenants to ascertain their wishes.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the survey be carried out and a further report submitted to the Council.

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ITEM 16 SALE OF COTTAGE - RATHDRUM

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council sell to Colm Dunne, Sunny Tce., Rathdrum, the cottage in which he and his family have lived all their lives".

The Council was informed that arrangements were being made to have Mr. Colm Dunne appointed as tenant in order to allow him an opportunity of vesting the cottage. Noted.

ITEM 17 HOUSE FOR EDWARD GAHAN, TOMNAFINOGUE, TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide a house for Edward Gahan at Tomnafinogue, Tinahely, on his own site".

The Council was informed that the Gahan family were living in overcrowded conditions in a small serviced rural house owned by Edward Gahan's mother. Mr. Gahan had planning permission for a bungalow on a site near the existing house, but claimed he could not afford to build as he was only a farm labourer. Arrangements were being made to explain the Low Rise Mortgage Scheme to Mr. Gahan and also to suggest the sale of the site to help finance the erection of a house for himself.

It was proposed by Councillor V. Blake, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that if the suggestions outlined in the report were unacceptable to Mr. Gahan that the Council build a house on a site to be acquired by the County Council.

ITEM 18 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Keegan, A. Murphy and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council extend the refuse collection to include the area between the Rocky Valley and Roundwood".

The Council was informed that the existing refuse service was working to full capacity and it was not capable of extension until the new refuse truck was delivered. Tenders had been invited and were being examined by the County Engineer. It was expected that the new truck would be available for service within the next two to three months.

ITEM 19 REPAIRS TO HOUSES AT KILGARRON PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Keegan, A. Murphy and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council make arrangements to have the necessary repairs carried out to Mr. John Mulvey's house at 33 Kilgarron Park and also Mr. George Coster's house at 31 Kilgarron Park".

The Council was informed that arrangements were being made to have these houses inspected and any repairs carried out. In the course of a discussion, Councillors urged that all repairs be carried out at the same time, rather than having cottages half finished.

ITEM 20 HOUSE FOR WM. BYRNE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide housing for Mr. Wm. Byrne, c/o Mrs. Henry Barrett, 10 Shroughawn, Baltinglass, Co. Wicklow; Mr. Byrne was made homeless after the death of his mother, and is now living with a family of 10 people in over-crowded conditions".

The history of this case was outlined to the Council. It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the Council provide a demountable dwelling for Mr. Wm. Byrne on the plot joining cottage no. 78/1. The County Manager stated that the Council's interests would be safeguarded as far as the site was concerned.

ITEM 21 LAND FOR HOUSING AT ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, TD., was considered:-

"That the Council investigate the possibility of acquiring more land at Enniskerry for further housing development".

The Council was informed that the County Engineer had been requested to investigate suitable sites for acquisition at Enniskerry for further housing development, and as soon as a suitable site had been identified, arrangements will be made to acquire it. The site opposite Kilgarron Park was not available.

ITEM 22 SHILLELAGH SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council instruct the County Engineer to submit the plan of Shillelagh Sewerage Scheme as has been previously requested".

The Council was informed that the preparation of a plan for Shillelagh Sewerage Scheme would take up to two months for an Engineer to prepare. Councillor K. Ryan stated that what was required was a map showing where connections to the main sewer were to be made. The County Engineer stated that this information would be available.

ITEM 23 WATER SUPPLY AT BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley and C. Murphy T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council now improve the inadequate water supply at Blessington to serve the newly approved sewerage scheme and new plan for Blessington".

The Council was informed that the Blessington water supply was inadequate to serve the town and surrounding area at present. This was due to two problems:-

- the present water source cannot be expanded to take large development
- troubles occur in the existing water treatment works which curtail the amount and quality of the available water.

One solution to the first problem was to purchase additional water from Dublin Corporation at Poulaphouca and pump it to a storage reservoir near Blessington. The other solution would be to take a further upland source, treat the water, and pipe it to Blessington.

The second problem was being examined at present, and it was recommended that a sum of £3,000 should be made available for corrective works. Until a firm decision is made on the extent to which Blessington is to expand it is considered that it would be unwise to embark on the construction of a water supply scheme.

In reply to further queries, the County Engineer stated that Dublin Corporation was enlarging its supply from the Blessington lakes and he hoped that Wicklow County Council would get a supply for the Blessington area from the Corporation. It would take two to three years to get a large scheme under way. No large developments would be allowed until adequate water and sewerage facilities were available in the area. Councillor J. Miley urged that immediate steps be taken to provide both water and sewerage facilities in accordance with plans outlined by consultants for the Blessington region.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed that in accordance with the recommendation of the County Engineer that the sum of £3,000 be made available to effect immediate improvements in the water supply to serve Blessington.

ITEM 24 HOUSE FOR SAMUEL VALENTINE, NEWTOWNSAUNDERS, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council provide a house for Samuel Valentine of Newtownsaunders, Baltinglass, on his own site".

The Council was informed that the County Medical Officer's report was awaited. This Notice of Motion will be re-submitted.

ITEM 25 LAND FOR HOUSING AT DUNLAVIN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council acquire serviced sites in Dunlavin to help the housing needs in the area".

The Council was informed that a recent housing scheme had been constructed in Dunlavin and there was additional land to accommodate further schemes of houses and if necessary, further serviced sites. It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed that an advertisement be placed in the local papers to determine the demand for private sites in the Dunlavin area.

ITEMS 26 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notices of Motion were considered:-

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor V. Blake:- "That the refuse collection be extended from Tinahely through Ballinglen to Aughrim".

The Council was informed that due to the inadequate capacity available for collecting refuse, it was not possible to expand the service further until an additional refuse collection

vehicle came into service. It was expected that the new truck would be available within the next two to three months time, and revised schedules incorporating the additional areas proposed by Councillors would be drawn up.

ITEMS 27 to 63 & 66

The following Notices of Motion were considered:-

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council repair the house occupied by John P. Kelly, 49 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, with particular attention to be given to damp-proofing the walls around the windows".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council damp proof the walls of the house occupied by John McGinley, 51 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, as the damp problem is very bad especially around the windows".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That the County Council take urgent steps to repair the damage caused by damp and flooding in the house occupied by Maurice Salmon, 53 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council fence off the garden of the house occupied by Philip D'Arcy, 69 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, and repair the ventilator in the sittingroom as the rain comes through and causes dampness".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council take immediate steps to examine and repair faults in the house occupied by John Noble, 73 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; main repairs required are leak in chimney breast in front bedroom; leak at electrical socket in front bedroom; leak over front hall door and fault in staircase".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council repaint the outside of the house occupied by Mr. Hugh Brown, 99 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to the toilet in the house occupied by Laurence Byrne, 107 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, also that the dampness in the rooms be treated and fencing erected in the back garden".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to the house occupied by Dermot O'Brien, 109 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; he has submitted a list of the items requiring attention on numerous occasions to the Council. The main problem is dampness".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to central heating system, back door, main waste pipe from bathroom, toilet, windows, and a hole in the wall through which the house next door can be easily seen, and that the excessive condensation problem be treated. This list has been submitted on numerous occasions to the Council, and has been ignored - tenant - Mrs. Peggy Hoskin, 111 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
"That Wicklow County Council repair defects in house occupied by George Elliott, 33 Kindlestown Park Greystones, the tiles in the small bedroom are falling off and the kitchen is very damp".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair the leaks in the roof and replace the wash basin in the bathroom in the house occupied by John Kelly, 27 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council treat the dampness in the bedrooms and repair the leaking roof of the house occupied by Robert Goodfellow, 23 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to the house occupied by Gerard Dietrick, 75 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, as there are faults in the fire-place, chimney and dampness in the rooms".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair fire damage to the house occupied by Alfred John Ging, mainly damaged paintwork and windows and window frames; the fire occurred 8 months ago and he has repeatedly asked for this work to be done".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to the house occupied by Thomas Bradshaw 83 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; bad fitting windows, dampness in kitchen and bedroom, back door leaking and fencing required".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair faults in the house occupied by Declan Byrne, 85 Kindlestown Park, Greystones, these repairs to include attention to leak in the roof, causing dampness in bedroom, lack of fencing around the back garden and tiles fall off the ceiling".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair the leaky oil tank, dampness on walls, draughts and replace all timber window and door frames on the house occupied by Patrick Hammond, 91 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair the back window, toilet cistern and bathroom floor of the house occupied by John McDonald, 97 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; particular attention should be paid to the condition of the bathroom floor through which water is constantly seeping".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair the front wall which lets in the rain, the landing which is flooded, the central heating flue through which water leaks into the sitting room, the window frames which have no piping for condensation and dampness in bedroom caused by a leak in the roof in the house occupied by Seamus Byrne, 21 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council repair the following faults in the house occupied by Geraldine Gray, 17 Kindlestown Park, Greystones - condensation in four rooms, draughts in bathroom and through air vents, and flooding outside the front window".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:
 "That Wicklow County Council take steps to remedy dampness on the walls of the toilet, diningroom and leaking window frame in the house occupied by Vincent Byrne, 110 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the floors, treat the dampness, and repair the front door in the house occupied by Michael Tighe, 96 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council remedy the following list of faults in the house occupied by Walter McKearney, 94 Kindlestown Park, Greystones rain coming through front door and through fan-light, rain coming in under the stairs, opening at joints over the kitchen windows, broken gullies which were being repaired and then left half done, and repainting of exterior woodwork".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the leak in the central heating flue and repair the hot water pipe which is blocked in the kitchen in the house occupied by Mr. McKeown, 92 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the windows and doors in the house occupied by Edward Scott, 82 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; there is no putty around the windows and the hall door is warped and split. The single coat of paint on the exterior of the house has worn off and the woodwork is deteriorating".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the leaks around the windows and front door and paint the interior of the house occupied by Jean and Alan Hayden, 80 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the window leaks, replaster the bathroom walls, cement the wall under the stairs and repair the defect in the steps leading into the house occupied by J. O'Leary, 78 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the staircase in the house occupied by Mrs. O'Brien, 76 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council replace the doors and windows each of which lets in water in the house occupied by Joseph Kavanagh, 74 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council replace the tiles which have fallen from the bedroom ceiling, repair the fuse box which is faulty, treat the dampness in the small bedroom, repair the shore at the back door and replace the front door of the house occupied by John F. Daly, 68 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council repair the four bad leaks in the house occupied by Harry Lawless, 24 Kindlestown Park, Greystones; these defects have already been reported to the Council three times".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:--
"That Wicklow County Council replace the airboard on the ceilings and treat the dampness in the house occupied by Ellen Vickers, 4 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council replace the airboard in the ceilings, and treat the dampness in the back bedroom and repair the leaks in the kitchen of the house occupied by Eamonn Cuddihy, 40 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council repair the leaking windows in the house occupied by Peter O'Brien, 56 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council repair all the windows which leak, replace the front door, and provide a gulley outside for surface water for the house occupied by Kieran Dowdall, 53 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council treat for condensation the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. Davitt, 64 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council repair the staircase, treat for condensation and repair the ill fitting windows in the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. V. Nolan, 66 Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—
"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs as follows to the house occupied by Mrs. C. Walsh, 79 Kindlestown Park, Greystones - hall door which allows water to flow through and a dampness problem".

The Chairman stated that these Notices of Motion were put forward to high-light the problem of cottage repairs in the county as a whole. It was becoming necessary to carry out repairs almost immediately houses were occupied and the policy of the Council with regard to repairs should receive a full debate. In the course of the discussion it was stated that the Council's housing stock in north Wicklow was considerable and there was dissatisfaction with the way repairs were carried out. Requests for repairs were made through Rent Collectors who contacted tenants and public representatives. There appeared to be no systematic investigation of need for repairs, and follow-up procedure for carrying out the repairs. In many cases the full repairs were not carried out. Unless more men were recruited to carry out repairs, the housing stock would fall further into disrepair.

It was stated that up to a few years ago no repairs were carried out to Council houses unless application for vesting had been made, and this was a contributory cause of the back-log of repairs which now existed. It was suggested that more retention money be held to enforce contractors to remedy defects which arose after houses were occupied. A list of repairs done should be submitted to the County Council every six months. The County Manager stated that he was mindful of the complaints made by Councillors with regard to repairs. An increase of £27,000 had been provided in the 1978 Estimates, but this would not guarantee that every house would be repaired in the current financial year. At present the re-organisation of the carrying out of repairs was under way and arrangements would be made to recruit, if necessary, further staff to deal with the problem. Repairs would be carried out on a planned basis and a full report would be submitted to the County Council on his proposals to deal with the problem.

ITEM 64 PLAY AREA IN KINDESTOWN PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:—

"That Wicklow County Council provide a play area for the children in Kindlestown Park".

The Council was informed that a report would be submitted on this at the next meeting.

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Councillor Miss N. O'Neill stated that the open space in Grattan Park was being used as a foot-ball pitch and requested that it be reverted to a play-ground for children as intended.

ITEM 65 TENANT ENQUIRIES

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—"That Wicklow County Council adopt a policy of acknowledging enquiries addressed to them by the tenants of local authority houses to obviate the needless expense of registering letters to the Council to ensure that they are received".

The County Manager stated that normally all correspondence was acknowledged but in recent months the situation in the Housing Section had been aggravated by a flood of applications for redemption of cottage annuities. Some 1,800 to 2,000 requests to redeem annuity had been received and there was some back-log of these to be dealt with. Councillors expressed satisfaction with the speedy manner in which the redemption of annuities were being handled. The certificates of redemption were now being sent direct to the Land Registry.

ITEM 67 LARAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.:—"That Wicklow County Council extend the Laragh Supply Scheme from Annamoe to Roundwood".

The Council was informed that Messrs. J. B. Barry & Partners, had been appointed Consulting Engineers for the preparation of a design for the project and the submission of a preliminary report and estimate.

ITEM 68 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.; was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council extend its present refuse collection service from either Rathdrum or Roundwood to serve the Moneystown area".

The Council was informed that due to the inadequate capacity available for collecting refuse, it is not possible to expand the services further until additional refuse vehicles are purchased.

It was expected that the new truck would be available within the next two to three months time, and revised schedules incorporating the additional areas proposed by Councillors would be drawn up.

ITEM 69 WATER SUPPLY TO BALLYKNOCK, SHILLELAGH

This item was withdrawn.

ITEM 70 WATER & SEWERAGE FACILITIES TO COOLAWINNA, ASHFORD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, TD. was considered:-

"That the Council install water and sewerage to Miss Healy's cottage at Coolawinna, Ashford, as the family are very poor and there are three young children. I request the County Medical Officer to give a report in the matter".

The Council was informed that this house is a tenanted Council cottage and that the tenant had a right to vest. The right to vest would not cover the provision of a water supply as the house was listed in a purchase scheme for inserviced rural houses. The water supply could be installed and an extra weekly charge made if the right to vest was availed of. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that water and sewerage facilities be installed, and that there be no additional charge on the weekly rent.

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ITEM 71 PROVISION OF HOUSES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council consider building small houses for old people in housing schemes. A survey should be carried out to find out the approximate number of above people that would avail of this type of property".
The Council was informed that small family units had already been provided in a number of areas, e.g. Dunlavin, Baltinglass, Donard and Bray, demountable dwellings had also been provided in rural areas. Further provision was necessary in a number of areas, particularly in Greystones, and a survey would be carried out in the near future to ascertain the needs. Assessed needs of this type of accommodation (particularly in small centres of population) are, because of the age group involved, subject to considerable fluctuations in a relatively short space of time. This could result in the accommodation provided being allocated to an entirely different category of person than for which it was intended.

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor J. Byrne and agreed that the survey be carried out to ascertain the number of small family units required in the different parts of the county.

ITEM 72 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley was considered:-

"That the refuse collection in Manor Kilbride be extended from Aughfarrel to Manor Kilbride so that it collects from the following 26 houses in that area:- J. Wilkinson, P. Kelly, M. Finnigan, H. Armstrong, E. Balfe, S. Murphy, J. Gilmore, N. Bealin, J. Moriarity, J. Cunningham, M. Balfe, P. Moran, Wm. Eustace, A. Cruise, T. Eustace, J. McGuire, P. Malone, G. White, J. Kelly, J. Scanlon, S. Eustace, E. Patton, F. Kelly, M. McCann, Ml. Meradith and J. Ward".

The Council was informed that the existing refuse service was working to full capacity and it was not capable of extension until the new refuse truck was delivered. Tenders had been invited and were being examined by the County Engineer. It was expected that the new truck would be available for service within the next two to three months.

ITEM 74 PROVISION OF HOUSES AT HOLLYWOOD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide houses in Hollywood as soon as possible".
The Council was informed that applications for housing at Hollywood would be invited in the near future in the local press and if there was a need, arrangements would be made to acquire a suitable site.
It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that this be done if housing needs were established in Hollywood.

ITEM 75 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council extend refuse collection to include seventy houses from Rosbane to Rednagh Bridge".

The Council was informed that the existing refuse service was working to full capacity and it was not capable of extension until the new refuse truck was delivered. Tenders had been invited and were being examined by the County Engineer. It was expected that the new truck would be available for service within the next two to three months.

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ITEM 76 CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Area Meetings

The following Area Meetings were arranged:-

- Western Area - Thursday, 12th January, at Downshire House Hotel, Blessington, at 2.30 p.m.
- Southern Area - Tuesday, 17th January, at Courthouse, Arklow, at 2.30 p.m.
- Northern Area - Thursday, 19th January, at Town Hall, Bray, at 2.30 p.m.
- Eastern Area - Monday, 23rd January, at Courthouse, Wicklow, at 2.30 p.m.

Higher Education Grants

The Council was informed that the Minister for Education had increased the amount of grants payable under the Local Authority Higher Education Grants Act, 1968, to new and existing grant holders (the maintenance and other expenses element had increased with effect from the beginning of the academic year 1977/78 as set out hereunder:-

Part 1 of Schedule

Category A	£500
" B	£400
" C	£300
" D	£200
" E	£100 (under the schemes for the years prior to 1977)

Part 2 of Schedule

Category G	£200
" H	£160
" I	£120
" J	£ 80
" K	£ 40 (under the schemes for the years prior to 1977)

No change had been made in the lecture fee which was hitherto in operation. The Council was also informed that the additional expense involved would be met fully from state funds. It was proposed by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and unanimously resolved that Wicklow County Council's Higher Education Grant Scheme be amended to incorporate the revised grants as notified by the Department of Education.

Water Supply for the South of the County

In reply to a query from Councillor V. Blake, the County Engineer stated that Carlow County Council had submitted proposals to the Department. Wicklow County Council were consulting with Carlow in this matter.

River at Barrys Bridge

In reply to a query from Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, the County Engineer stated that he would look at the problem mentioned by the Councillor.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed John Xavanas Chairman

Date 6th Feb 1978.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday, 16th January, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors T. J. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney,
V. Blake, J. Whelan, P. Deering, J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D.,
J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Costello, Ch. Keegan, Mrs. M. Ledwidge,
A. Murphy, C. Murphy, T.D., Miss N. O'Neill, Ml. Cullen,
F. Hynes, and R. Miley

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager

Attendance:- Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. B. A. Fidgeon, A/County Secretary
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. J. Holohan, Staff Officer, Engineering Section
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes Section
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section

It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and unanimously resolved that a vote of sympathy be conveyed to the relatives of the late Dr. F. Monaghan, former District Medical Officer, Shillelagh.

Congratulations and best wishes were extended to the Avoca Ceili Band which was invited to tour the eastern state of the United States for the St. Patrick's Day Parades.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 12th December, 1977, and the Special Meeting held on the 28th November, 1977, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 DISPOSAL OF LAND AT BURGAGE MORE, BLESSINGTON

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and unanimously resolved that Wicklow County Council dispose of 1 acre, 1 rood and 32 sq. perches of land at Burgage More, Blessington, to Kemograph Industries Ltd., for the sum of £6,000, in accordance with Statutory Notice circulated.

ITEM 3 GRANGE, NORTH NEWCASTLE GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge and unanimously resolved that subject to the sanction from the Minister for the Environment Wicklow County Council raise a loan of £1,335 from the Council's Treasurers to enable the Council to make a grant to the Grange North Newcastle Group Water Supply Scheme, to finance the cost of providing larger diameter pipes.

ITEM 4 CLOSING OF PUBLIC ROADS

Circuit of Ireland International Rally

The Council was informed that an application to close the road at Aghavannagh from midnight to 4 a.m. on the 28th March, 1978, had been received from the Royal Irish Automobile Club in connection with the Benson and Hedges Circuit of Ireland Rally, 1978. The Club had undertaken to make the necessary marshalling arrangements and would facilitate the general public as far as possible. Permission had been granted in previous years to close the roads for this rally. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor J. Miley and agreed that permission be granted to close the roads in accordance

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with request, subject to:-

- (a) The Royal Irish Automobile Club indemnifying the Council against all claims and damages arising from the closing of the roads.
- (b) Repairing any damaged property to the satisfaction of the Council, or recouping the Council the cost of doing so.
- (c) Adequate notices and Stewards to be provided with regard to the closing and necessary diversions, in order to comply with the Road Traffic Act, 1961, and in the interests of public safety.

Enniskerry Hill Climb

The Council was informed that application had been received from the Irish Motor Racing Club for a road closing order for the Enniskerry Hill Climb, on Saturday, 29th April, 1978, between the hours of 1.00 p.m. and 6 p.m. The stretch of roadway was the same as in previous years.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor C. Keegan and unanimously resolved that a road closing order be granted in accordance with the request made, subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) The Irish Motor Racing Club indemnifying the Council against all claims and damages arising from the closing of the roads.
- (b) Repairing any damaged property to the satisfaction of the Council, or recouping the Council the cost of doing so.
- (c) Adequate notices and Stewards to be provided with regard to the closing and necessary diversions, in order to comply with the Road Traffic Act, 1961, and in the interests of public safety.

Queries were raised by Members as to the legal position of public roads which were the subject of road closing orders. It was agreed to take this matter up with the Council's Law Agent.

ITEM 5 NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council re-appraise its approach to the Agenda with particular regard to items on the Agenda and Notices of Motion".

Reference was made to the expanding Agendas in recent months and the fact that Agendas were not being completed at the meetings, with the result that a number of items were carried forward to the following meeting. The following suggestions were made to regularise Agendas for both the Housing and Ordinary Meetings of the Council:-

- (a) Written replies to certain Notices of Motion should be considered.
- (b) More regular Area Meetings should be held at which local matters be discussed.
- (c) The Agenda should be organised in two parts, one part dealing with the more county-wide aspects of the Council affairs.
- (d) More questions should be allowed at the end of meetings.
- (e) Meetings should start earlier than at present.

Members stated that in many cases no satisfaction was gained from writing to the Council, and this led to Notice of Motions being submitted. It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor F. Hynes that Members be given the facility of a written reply to Notices of Motion. The Chairman stated that the Standing Orders did not cover this aspect of the Council's business.

It was agreed to convene the Committee dealing with the revision of the Standing Orders and that this matter be looked at.

The County Manager stated that the Estimate of Expenses for 1978 had been adopted and that there should be a curtailment on Notices of Motion involving additional expenditure over that provided in the Estimates for 1978. It was agreed that submission of Notices of Motion for road improvements be deferred to the last three months of the year.

ITEM 6 DRAINAGE AT STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That open drains leading to Stratford-on-Slaney be piped".

The Council was informed that this item was included in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme and had been considered at the Area Meeting in Blessington on Thursday, 12th January, 1978.

ITEM 7 CHURCH LANE, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That a footpath be provided at Church Lane, Baltinglass, and road improved".

This item was included in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme and had been dealt with at the Area Meeting.

ITEM 8 SCHOOL WARDEN, BALTINGLASS

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed:-

"That a school warden be provided at Baltinglass Boys' School".

ITEM 9 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT PARKMORE, BALTINGLASS

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed:-

"That the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a telephone kiosk and collection box at Parkmore, Baltinglass".

ITEM 10 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT DUNLAVIN

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed:-

"That the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a telephone kiosk and collection box at Council's housing estate in Dunlavin".

ITEM 11 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT BLESSINGTON

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed:-

"That the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a telephone kiosk and collection box at Council's housing estate in Blessington".

ITEM 12 SURFACE WATER DRAIN AT BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council in conjunction with Bray Urban District Council and the Local Developers instal a surface water drain on Herbert Road to cover Kilbride House, Clover Hill, Killarney Park, Rectory Slopes, and local authority scheme at Ballywaltrim as serious flooding is a problem".

The Council was informed that a drainage system for Herbert Road was required, and that a detailed survey would be needed to establish the extent of the problem. The estimated cost of carrying out the work in the County Council's area alone was £10,000. Following a discussion it was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge and agreed that a survey be carried out and the data available submitted to a joint meeting to be held with Bray Urban District Council to discuss the problem.

ITEM 13 ROADWORKS AT KENNEDY PARK & WOODVIEW DRIVE, BOGHALL ROAD, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That owing to the bad condition of the margin between footpath and road at Kennedy Park and Woodview Drive, Boghall Road, Bray, the Council carry out the necessary work to avoid this unsatisfactory state".

The Council was informed that this area was intended to be a grassed area and that the unsatisfactory state was caused by the parking of cars on the area between the footpath and the roadway. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Local Area Meeting.

ITEM 14 TAKING OVER OF KYLEBEG ROAD

It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and unanimously resolved that Wicklow County Council take over the Kylebeg Road which had been improved under the Local Improvements Scheme.

ITEM 15 ROAD WIDENING AT KNOCKANANNA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council continue the road widening at Knockananna".

The County Engineer informed the meeting that investigations were continuing with regard to the widening of this road, and it was agreed to refer the matter to the Local Area Meeting.

ITEM 16 FOOTPATH FROM KILLINCARRIG ROAD, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That the Council renew the footpath from Killincarrig Road, Greystones, i.e. the letter box to Bank Corner".

The Council was informed that this item could be considered for inclusion in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme and it was agreed that this matter be referred to the Local Area Meeting in Bray.

ITEM 17 REDUCTION OF LEGAL AGE TO 18 YEARS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, J. Miley, D. Kinsella, G. Timmins, T.D., S. Costello, C. Murphy, T.D., Miss N. O'Neill, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, C. Keegan, J. Bourke, K. Ryan, F. Hynes, J. Byrne, V. Blake, J. Whelan, J. Sweeney, M. Cullen, R. Miley and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That we propose to the Department of Justice that the legal age be reduced from 21 years to 18 years".

The Council was informed that in reply to a recent Notice of Motion that the qualifying age for local authority loans be lowered from 21 to 18, the Department of the Environment had stated that a minor, i.e. person under 21, may be a party to a contract, but at any time he may repudiate the contract. The Law Reform Commission, at the request of the Attorney General, was at present conducting research into the law in relation to the age of majority with a view to making proposals for its reform, and it was hoped that the Commission would be in a position to make recommendations on the matter in the near future.

It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor C. Keegan and agreed that the Department of Justice be asked to adjust the legal age from 21 to 18 years and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the General Council of County Councils.

Councillor P. Deering expressed reservations about the proposal.

ITEM 18 FOOTPATH FROM KNOCKENRAHAN TO THE KISH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the County Engineer inform this Council when he intends to provide the footpath from Knockenrahan to the Kish - this was agreed several months ago".

It was agreed that this matter would be considered at the Area Meeting in Arklow. This was part of the National Primary Route.

ITEM 19 FOOTPATHS & ACCESSES TO BEECHWOOD PARK, KILCOOLE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., and Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That the footpaths and pedestrian accesses to the rear of the houses in Beechwood Park, Kilcoole, be surfaced".

The Council was informed that the footpaths beside the carriageway had been surfaced in September last and it was not the Council's policy to surface-dress rear accesses to houses. It was stated that the footpaths and pedestrian accesses were part of the County Council's housing scheme and it was agreed that the County Engineer would have another look at this matter.

ITEM 20 SPEED LIMITS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council take steps to have the speed limit signs in Roundwood Village moved beyond the outskirts of the village as in their present position they do not allow motorists sufficient time to slow down before reaching the built-up area of the village".

The Council was informed that extended speed limits for Roundwood had been recommended by the Technical Committee and that the proposals had been forwarded to the Department of the Environment some months ago, and the new regulations bringing the amended speed limits into

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force were awaited. It was agreed that a reminder be sent to the Department to speed up the revision of the speed limit regulations.

ITEM 21 FOOTPATH AT BEECHDALE PARK, KILCOOLE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council resurface the footpaths at Beechdale Park, Kilcoole".

The Council was informed that the footpaths at Beechwood Park were surfaced in September last. The Crossspan Development at Beechdale had not been taken in charge by the Council.

ITEM 22 WALL & PATHWAY AT BEECHWOOD PARK, KILCOOLE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council erect walls and a pathway between no.s 17 and 18 Beechwood Park, Kilcoole, where a right-of-way exists to the Rockmanor Estate".

The Council was informed that Rockmanor Estate had not been taken in charge and no right of way exists between Beechwood Park and Rockmanor Estate. Members stated that a right of way was being used and recommended that walls be erected at the boundary of the gardens giving the residents some privacy. The County Engineer said he would have another look at this matter.

ITEM 23 OPEN SPACE AT BEECHWOOD PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council clear the open space beside the corner houses at the entrances of Beechwood Park, level the area and seed it, so that it could be maintained by the tenants".

It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the open space at the entrance of Beechwood Park be levelled and seeded at an estimated cost of £250.00.

ITEM 24 WEED CUTTING

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Bourke and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That the weeds be cut along the following roads:- from Glasnarget Bridge to Barndarrig; from Drumdangan to Newbawn Road in Conary Area".

The Council was informed that the weeds had already been cut along these roads but a further check was being carried out and further cutting would be done if found to be necessary.

ITEM 25 CLEANING OUT OF RIVER AT HAZELWOOD CRESCENT

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That this Council have the river at Hazelwood Crescent and Monteith Park, Kilcoole, cleaned out before the winter".

The Council was informed that some work had been done on this river but that it would be checked out again.

ITEM 26 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER - COOLLATTIN ESTATE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and K. Ryan was considered:-

"That this Council call on the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to apply a Preservation Order to the trees in the Coollattin Estate".

The Council was informed that An Foras Forbartha had been requested to carry out a Tree Survey of Coollattin Estate, and that pending their recommendation the making of a Tree Preservation Order was being deferred. Councillors expressed concern at the whole-sale felling of trees by new owners of the estate and stated that the timber was being exported. The Department of Industry and Commerce had indicated that no application for a felling permit had been received by the Department but that there was no Statutory power to prevent the export of timber to another member state of the E.E.C. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and agreed that a warning notice be served on the owners of the estate under Section 26 of the Planning Act, 1976. The County Manager stated that he would see what could be done under the existing legislation with regard to the felling of trees.

ITEM 27 PLAYGROUND AT CHURCH TCE., DUNLAVIN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That provision be made for playground in central position at Church Terrace, Dunlavin".

The Council was informed that work had commenced on this playground and it was hoped to complete it during the year. Noted.

ITEM 28 SIGHTLINE AT BOHERBOY JUNCTION, DONARD/BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That this Council improve the vision at Boherboy Junction, Donard/Baltinglass Roads".

It was agreed that this item be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadwork proposals. Councillor P. Deering requested that the hedges on either side of the road be cut.

ITEM 29 SURFACING OF ROAD AT THE BAWN, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That the roadway at The Bawn, Greystones, be resurfaced".

The Council was informed that The Bawn, Gryestones, was not in the charge of the County Council, and accordingly, the Council had no authority to carry out any work on this roadway.

ITEM 30 ACQUISITION OF BALLYTEIGUE ROAD, RATHDRUM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That this Council receive an up-to-date report on the acquisition of the Ballyteigue Road, Rathdrum".

The Council was informed that this case was listed for hearing in the High Court but it would be some months before the case was heard due to the back-log of cases to be dealt with by the High Court. The matter was still sub-judice. Councillors expressed concern that this road had deteriorated and should be dealt with as a matter of urgency.

ITEM 31 PLAYGROUND AT COOLLATTIN ROW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the Council provide a playground for the children at Coollattin Row".

The Council was informed that the local residents would not agree with the location of the playing equipment in the green area on the estate. It might be possible to locate the equipment in the adjacent amenity area, and the question of establishing a right of way from the housing estate to the amenity area was being pursued. Following a discussion it was agreed to locate the playground in the adjacent amenity area.

ITEM 32 CONDITION OF NEW CHURCH SITE AT KNOCKANANNA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"Now that the new Church at Knockananna is nearing completion that a general clean up be undertaken, restoring of roadsurface, clearing and cleaning of Council site".

The Council was informed that the poor condition of the roadway was due to the recent sewerage works and that the road was included in the Roadworks Scheme for 1978. It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that the Council site be cleaned up as soon as possible.

ITEM 33 DANGEROUS WALL AT UPPER DARGLE ROAD, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh T.D., was considered:-

"Owing to the dangerous state of the wall at Southern side of Upper Dargle Road, Bray, that repairs be carried out immediately".

The Council was informed that the wall was knocked down by cars crashing into it and there was a gap of about 6' wide in the wall, with a drop onto concrete steps below. The repairs to the wall was Mrs Larkin's responsibility. It was stated by Councillors that the wall was in a very dangerous condition and it was agreed to refer this matter to the Local Area Meeting. Councillor Costello stated that this matter had been discussed at a meeting of the Bray Urban District Council and that that Council had agreed to clear the pedestrian right of way, giving access from the Dargle Road to Greenpark Road.

ITEM 34 PROMENADE - BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council make immediate contact with the Office of Public Works to have the dangerous condition of the Promenade rectified immediately in view of the report by the Bray Town Engineer".

The Council was informed that numerous requests and representations had been made to the Office of Public Works, going back a number of years, to have a preliminary examination of the encroachment of the sea at Bray promenade carried out, and that the Office of Public Works had stated that it would be two years at least before any work was put in hands. Concern was expressed by Members of the Council at the deterioration in the promenade which was in a dangerous state and in danger of collapse. Following a discussion it was agreed that a deputation from the Council would approach the Office of Public Works to try and have something done about the dangerous condition of the promenade, Bray.

ITEM 35 SIGHTLINE AT MASONS COTTAGE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the Council have the trees on the roadside in front of Masons Cottage on the Aughrim and Clash Road removed as the sightline on a very bad turn is blinded by them".

The Council was informed that the main problem here was a bad bend which should be removed. The estimated cost of the work would be £2,500 and it was agreed that this item be referred to the Local Area Meeting for consideration in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme.

ITEM 36 FOOTPATH AT MAIN STREET, CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan, J. Whelan and V. Blake was considered:-

"That this Council reduce the width of the footpath at the bottom of Main Street, Carnew".

The Council was informed that the pathways are already narrow at the narrowest part of the road and that narrowing the footpaths would create difficulties for pedestrians. This work would be costly and the only practical solution would be to narrow both footpaths by a small amount. By placing a prohibition on parking during week-days along the frontage of the Church of Ireland, traffic would be allowed to flow freely. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Local Area Meeting for consideration with the other items in the Roadworks proposals.

ITEM 37 CONDITION OF ROAD AT MILL STREET, CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan, J. Whelan and V. Blake was considered:-

"That this Council surface dress the road into the ditch at Mill Street, Carnew".

The Council was informed that this road had a carriageway of 25', making it a very wide county road. There is a footpath on one side and no premises on the other side. It would be necessary to pipe the open drain along part of the road. There was a problem along this road from concrete droppings from the Readymix trucks of an adjacent works. It was agreed that this matter be considered in conjunction with the other roadworks proposals at the Local Area Meeting.

ITEM 38 MRS. LYNCH, KILCRONEY LODGE, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill, Mrs. M. Ledwidge and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide Mrs. Lynch, Kilcrouney Lodge, Bray, with a separate entrance to her own property by means of giving and providing an entrance to the County Council cottage adjoining her property".

The Council was informed that the estimated cost of piping the stream and providing a driveway and erecting a gate and piers to Mrs. Doyle's house was £1,000. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed that a separate entrance be provided to enable Mrs. Lynch have exclusive entrance to her own house.

ITEM 39 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT RATHNEW

It was agreed that this matter be considered at the Area Meeting dealing with lighting improvements for 1978.

ITEM 40 ROAD AT MULLINS - TINAHELY/HACKETSTOWN ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the road leading from Mullins on the Tinahely/Hacketstown road near Crossbridge be widened by the laying of pipes on one side at least".

The Council was informed that provision had been made in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme to carry out this work, and that this matter would be considered at the Local Area Meeting.

ITEM 41 SIGHTLINE AT ANATESKIN, COUNTY BROOK, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the sightline at the junction at Anateskin, County Brook, Enniskerry, be improved".

There was some doubt as to whether the junction referred to was in fact in County Wicklow. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Local Area Meeting.

ITEM 42 VERGE AT COUNTY BROOK LAWS, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the verge between the footpath and the roadway near County Brook Laws, Enniskerry, be cleared and tarmacadamed".

The Council was informed that the work here would involve excavating the verge and back filling with road-making material before macadam could be laid. It would cost in the region of £3,000 to carry out the work as the area was 1,000 sq. yards. The responsibility of the Developer under the planning permission granted was to be looked at.

ITEM 43 ROADWORKS & LIGHTING IN THE NORTHERN AREA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., Mrs. M. Ledwidge, and Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That the Council be informed as to (i) what roadworks are to be completed in the Northern Area this year, and (ii) what E.S.B. public lighting in the Northern Area is to be installed this year".

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ITEM 38 MRS. LADWIG, KILKENNY LODGE, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors Mrs. M. Ladwig, T.D., and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide Mrs. Ladwig, Kilkenny Lodge, Bray, with a separate entrance to her own property by means of giving and providing an easement in the public road adjoining her property."

The Council was informed that Mrs. Ladwig had been in possession of the property for some time and that she had been unable to obtain a separate entrance to her own property. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ladwig, T.D., that the Council should provide a separate entrance to her own property by means of giving and providing an easement in the public road adjoining her property. The Council agreed to provide a separate entrance to her own property by means of giving and providing an easement in the public road adjoining her property.

ITEM 39 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT RATHNEW

It was agreed that this matter be considered at the next meeting dealing with the lighting programme for 1978.

ITEM 40 ROAD AT MULLINS - TINSLEY/HACKSTOWN ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the road leading from Mullins to the Tinsley/Hackstown road near Crossbridge be widened by the laying of pipes on one side at the moment, possible to acquire the land."

The Council was informed that provision had been made in the 1975 Road Programme to carry out this work, and that this matter would be considered at the local Area Meeting.

ITEM 41 LIGHTING AT ANASTREE, COUNTY WICKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the lighting at the junction of Anastree, County Wicklow, be improved."

ITEM 42 VERTS AT CROSS BRIDGE, MOUNTAIN ROAD, MOUNTAIN ROAD, MOUNTAIN ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the verge between the road and the road near County Brook, County Wicklow, be cleared and grassed."

The Council was informed that the work would involve excavating the verge and back filling with material from the road. The cost of the work was estimated at £5,000 and the responsibility of the work was the responsibility of the Council. The Council agreed to provide the work as the area was 1,000 sq. yards and the planning permission was to be issued.

ITEM 43 ROADWORKS & LIGHTING IN THE NORTHERN AREA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., and M. Ladwig, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council be informed as to (1) what roadworks are to be completed in the Northern Area this year, and (2) what E.S.B. public lighting in the Northern Area will be installed this year."

The Council was informed that Roadworks in the Northern Area would be completed in accordance with the 1977 Roadworks Scheme. An order had been placed with the E.S.B. for lighting costing £3,600 in the Bray area, giving the Killarney, Boghall Road, Herbert Road and Killarney Lane, particular attention. In the case of Greystones, a sum of £3,000 was provided for the first phase of improvement in this area. The money would be spent on the improvements recommended in the E.S.B. report but with special regard to lights recommended by local Councillors as a matter of priority.

The E.S.B. had stated that the work in Bray and Greystones would be completed by the end of January, 1978.

ITEM 44 ROADWORKS & LIGHTING IN THE SOUTHERN AREA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the County Engineer inform this Council:- (a) what roadworks will be completed in the southern area this year; (b) what E.S.B. lighting will be carried out before the end of the year"

The Council was informed that the Roadworks in the southern area would be completed in accordance with the Roadworks programme except:-

C/S/W/5 Improve vision at bend on Tomacork/Shillelagh Road. Owing to the sale of the Coollattin Estate, it was not, at the moment, possible to acquire the land.

There is difficulty regarding land acquisition on the following:-

C/S/W/5(a) Improve vision at bend on Carnew/Coollattin Road. (b) Improvement of bends at Kiltegan Saw Mill.

It was hoped that these may be resolved.

Public lighting was to be provided at Crossbridge, Kilquiggan, Rosbane, Coolafancy, Cronyhorn, Aughrim and Tinahely (1st phase). Orders had been placed with the E.S.B. and the E.S.B. had stated that the new lights would be provided by the end of January, 1978.

ITEM 45 ROADWORKS & LIGHTING IN THE WICKLOW AREA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor M. Cullen was considered:-

"That the County Engineer inform this Council what Roadworks will be completed in the Wicklow Electoral Area this year and what E.S.B. lighting will be carried out before the end of the year"

The Council was informed that the Roadworks in the Wicklow area would be completed in accordance with the 1977 Roadworks Scheme. Public lighting was to be provided at Rathdrum, Rathnew and Wicklow (A 3 type) and in Wicklow town from the Main Street to the Murrough.

During a discussion on the provision of public lighting throughout the County, Councillors expressed dis-satisfaction with the progress being made by the E.S.B. and stated that very little work had been done on the 1977 programme. It was agreed that the feeling of the Council be conveyed to the E.S.B., and that they be requested to expedite the provision of the lighting ordered some months ago, as a matter of urgency.

ITEM 46 COUNCIL'S LAND-BANK

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council be given a report on the present land-bank in the possession of the local authority in each area, and be given a breakdown as to the date when each block was acquired".

The Council was informed that a total of 161.8 acres of land was in the possession of the Council for housing purposes. This land was acquired over a number of years. It was agreed to circulate details to Members of the Council.

ITEM 47 FLOODING IN GRANGE CON

This matter was referred to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council as a full report was not available.

ITEM 48 CONDITION OF ROAD AT WEXFORD ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council examine and repair the road surface of the Wexford Road, Arklow, near the Kish Bridge",

The Council was informed that there are major works in progress at Cooladangan Bridge at present involving the placing of large quantities of fill on the existing road. Every effort was being made to ensure that a level surface is available to traffic at all times. It was stated by the Members that there were inadequate sign posts warning motorists of uneven road surface.

ITEM 49 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT WEXFORD ROAD, ARKLOW

This matter was referred to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council.

ITEM 50 FOOTPATH AT BRIDGE STREET, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council reinstate the footpath at Bridge Street, Arklow, where the path was broken for the erection of traffic lights. The path has never been reinstated and is dangerous for pedestrians".

The Council was informed that there was a slight depression in the footpath at the place in question. This had now been raised level with the surrounding area.

ITEM 51 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

This item was referred to the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council to enable a full discussion to take place.

ITEM 52 CONDITION OF ROAD & PATHWAYS AT ASHFORD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That the National Primary road and the pathways adjoining it in the village of Ashford be brought up to the proper standard since the road surface and paths are in a very dangerous condition as a result of pipe laying and that the National Primary Road Grant be used in 1978 for this purpose".

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The Council was informed that this matter would be included in the Roadworks Scheme for 1978. Notification of grants and work to be done on the National Primary Grants had not been notified as yet by the Department.

ITEM 53 PARKING AT KILQUIGGAN ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide parking at Kilquiggan Roman Catholic Church".

The Council was informed that approximately £3,000 would be required to provide a carpark at Kilquiggan Church. It would seem more appropriate for the parish to provide carparking if it was considered necessary. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Local Area Meeting with the Roadworks proposals for 1978.

ITEM 54 PUMP AT JOHNSTOWN LR., ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors D. Kinsella and J. Sweeney was considered:-

"That this Council give permission to Mr. C. Rushe, Johnstown Lr., Arklow, to allow him to put an electric pump on the Council's pump outside his house".

It was recommended to the Council that permission be given to Mr. Rushe to place an electric pump on the Council's pump provided he replaced the pump facilities with a press button top on the roadside, which would make it available for public use, Mr. Rushe to be responsible for the maintenance of the pump and tap. Following a discussion, it was agreed that Councillor Kinsella would see Mr. Rushe about the matter.

ITEM 55 & 83 NAME-PLATE FOR AVONDALE PARK, BRAY

The following Notices of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy and in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., respectively, were considered:-

"That the Council erect a name-plate for Avondale Park, Bray, during their Silver Jubilee Year".

"That a name-plate be erected at the entrance to Avondale Park, Bray".

The Council was informed that the appropriate sign had been ordered and would be erected as soon as possible.

ITEM 56 'HOGG'S LANE' AUGHIRM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council take over and surface dress 'Hogg's Lane' at Upper Aughrim".

The Council was informed that a sum of £6,000 would be required to take over and improve 'Hogg's Lane'. It was stated that part of the Lane was being washed away by the flow of water and it was agreed to refer the matter to the Local Area Meeting for consideration with the Roadworks proposals.

ITEM 57 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT MEERYMEETING, RATHNEW

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed:-

"That this Council ask the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to erect

a telephone kiosk in Merrymeeting, Rathnew".

ITEM 58 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT BAWNOGUE ROAD, BALTINGLASS

This matter was discussed at the Local Area Meeting in Blessington on Thursday, 12th January, 1978.

ITEM 59 IMPROVEMENTS AT TUCKMILL CROSS, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That improvements be carried out at Tuckmill Cross, Baltinglass".

The Council was informed that the improvements at Tuckmill Cross were part of the National Secondary Route and no indication had been given by the Department as to whether funds would be available for national improvement works in 1978.

ITEM 60 FLOODING - GLENCREE CENTRE FOR RECONCILIATION

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Keegan, A. Murphy and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council take whatever measures are necessary to prevent flood water from the County Council road damaging the access road to the farm at the Glencree Centre for Reconciliation".

Members were informed that the County Council had previously placed tarmacadam at the entrance to the farm to prevent water flowing down the access road. The drains and inlets had been cleared to alleviate the problem at this point. The only solution was to raise the entrance of the laneway to the entrance of the road to prevent the water flowing down the laneway. The residents had endeavoured to do this since the floods in early October and arrangements were being made to have the area tidied up again in the hope that it would alleviate further flooding. Councillor C. Keegan urged that measures be taken to prevent a recurrence of the problem.

ITEMS 61 to 107 WERE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

ITEM 108 CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Old Court Scheme

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge was informed of the position with regard to the provision of a wall for G. White.

Telephone Kiosk - Bray

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge was informed that the Council was awaiting a reply from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs regarding the cost of moving the telephone kiosks to another position. It was stated that the adjoining owners did not want the kiosks in the front of their premises. In reply to query from Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, about a sign outside Mrs. Shortt's house on the Dublin road, the County Engineer stated that an alternative site was being investigated.

Refuse Collection - Rathnew

In reply to complaints from Councillor F. Hynes, that the refuse was not being collected in Rathnew, the County Manager undertook to have a full investigation of the complaints.

Agricultural Grant

The Council was informed that the Department of the Environment, in circular letter FIN 2/4/1 of the 10th January, 1978, indicated that in respect of the financial year 1977/78, the scale of allowances which applied in 1977 under the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Acts, Cont/d....

1939/76, would apply, subject to the modification that no allowances would apply to the rated occupier of a holding or holdings with a land valuation or aggregate valuation of £75 or more.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

CHAIRMAN.

DATE.

13th Feb. '78

CONFIRMED AT MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON THE 6th MARCH, 1978

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday, 6th February, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors T. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney, V. Blake, J. Whelan, P. Deering, J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D., J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Costello, Ch. Keegan, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, A. Murphy, C. Murphy, T.D., Miss N. O'Neill, J. J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes

Also in attend-
ance:- Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Mr. B. A. Fidgeon, A/County Secretary
Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. E. MacNeill, Chief Assistant County Engineer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes Section

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor D. Kinsella and agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on the 9th January, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY IN MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY COUNCIL & SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEES

The Council was informed that under the terms of Section 57 of the Local Government Act, 1941, Councillor R. Miley was disqualified from membership of the Council and subsidiary committees. The matter giving rise to the disqualification had now been resolved and Mr. Miley had indicated his consent in writing to his name being proposed to the casual vacancy which had arisen.

It was proposed by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and unanimously resolved that the casual vacancy in Wicklow County Council be filled by the co-option of Mr. Roger Miley, "Brockagh", Glendalough, Bray, Co. Wicklow, and that Councillor Roger Miley be reappointed to each of the committees and boards to which a vacancy exists, viz. Vocational Education Committee, County Committee of Agriculture, the Local Health Committee, Rathdrum Old Age Pension Sub-Committee, the Library Committee and the National Monuments Advisory Committee.

ITEM 3 DISPOSAL OF LAND AT BALLYMORRIS & OLDCOURT, BRAY

It was proposed by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, seconded by Councillor J. Byrne and unanimously resolved that Wicklow County Council dispose of 7 acres, 2 roods and 27 sq. perches of land situated at Ballymorris and Oldcourt, Bray, to the St. Laurence O'Toole Diocesan Trust by way of sale in fee simple, in accordance with the terms of the Notice circulated to the Members of the Council.

ITEM 4 SCHEME FOR HOUSING ASSISTANCE FOR DISABLED PERSONS

The Council was informed that the Department of the Environment had recently amended the Reconstruction Grants Scheme, including the adaptation of dwellings to make them suitable for occupants suffering from physical handicap or severe mental illness. The maximum recoupment from the Department in respect of expenditure was being increased to £1,200 or one half of the approved cost of the work, whichever amount was the lesser. The revised grants would apply in respect of works commenced on or after the 1st November, 1977. Wicklow County Council's scheme limited the amount of grant to two thirds of the cost of the work as approved by the Council, subject to a maximum of £800 per dwelling.

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It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor J. Byrne and unanimously resolved that the Council's scheme for Housing Assistance for Disabled Persons be amended to provide for a maximum grant of £2,400 instead of £800.

ITEM 5 TINAHELY/CARNEW WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The Council was informed that contract documents prepared by the consulting engineers were being examined by the County Engineer under the provisions of the Water Supplies Act, 1942. Formal proposal for the taking of a supply of water from the Derry River, the source of the supply, was necessary. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Whelan and unanimously resolved:-

"That Wicklow County Council being the sanitary authority for the County Health District of Wicklow, hereby make a proposal for the taking of a supply of water from the Derry River for the purposes of the Tinahely/Carnew Water Scheme, in accordance with the following details submitted by Messrs. J. B. Barry and Partners, Consulting Engineers.

- Source - Derry River
- Location of Intake - At a point at the boundary of the townlands of Tinahely and Ballinacor (E.D. Tinahely) approximately 750 m. upstream of the bridge spanning the Derry river at Tinahely town.
- It is proposed to abstract part only of the water.
- Proposed maximum rate of abstraction - 1,850,000 litres per day.
- Estimated extreme low flow - ranges from 2,270,000 to 3,180,000 litres per day.
- Ancillary operations - Intake:- It is proposed to construct training walls along the river bank approximately 10 m. long and 300 mm. thick, average height 1.8 m. above existing bed level, to pave the stream beds with concrete and to construct a weir between these walls to a height of approximately 1 m. above existing bed level, together with an intake chamber immediately upstream of the weir.

It is also proposed to pave the bed and to face the banks with 300 mm. thick masonry for approximately 2 m. upstream and downstream of the intake.

It is proposed to lay an intake main from the intake chamber to a sump and pump-house to be constructed in the immediate vicinity.

The area to be served extends from the Wicklow/Carlow and the Wicklow/Wexford County boundaries on the southern and eastern limits of the area respectively to a line on the western side extending approximately from the townlands of Newry to the Wicklow/Carlow County boundary, via. Shillelagh and Tinahely towns to Preban Bridge and thence south to the Wicklow/Wexford County boundary near Toberpatrick bridge".

ITEM 6 FLOODING IN GRANGECON

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That steps be taken to prevent flooding in Grangecon".

The Council was informed that the cause of flooding was the diversion of a stream some distance away into a water course that goes through the village. The stream comes from the nearby hills and is prone to flooding in heavy rain and the drain had become overgrown. The stream had cut its banks and was flowing into the drain passing through the village. Re-routing the stream would cost approximately £3,000. The problem could be avoided if the riparian owners carried out a drainage scheme which could be carried out as a Land Project Scheme.

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Following a discussion it was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor J. Miley and agreed that the County Engineer examine the possibility of piping the water through new pipes under the village. The County Engineer stated that alleviating the problem by this method would be more expensive than that suggested by him, and that no provision had been made in the current year's Estimates to do this work. It was agreed that the County Engineer re-examine the proposal and that the flooding be relieved by whichever method was the cheaper.

ITEM 7 PROVISION OF HOUSE FOR MR. SAMUEL VALENTINE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council provide a house for Samuel Valentine of Newtownsaunders, Baltinglass, on his own site".

The Council was informed that Samuel Valentine was recommended for rehousing by the County Medical Officer. It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed that Wicklow County Council provide a house for Mr. Samuel Valentine of Newtownsaunders, Baltinglass, on a site to be provided by him.

ITEM 8 PLAY AREA - KINDLESTOWN PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide a play area for the children of Kindlestown Park".

The Council was informed that consultants had been appointed to prepare a layout for playing pitches and recreational area on the lands acquired from the Late Mrs. Ryan. The open space in the existing housing schemes was not available at present as the building of houses was incomplete. Efforts would be made to have the area cleared and a play area provided as soon as possible.

ITEM 9 ENTRANCE TO HOUSES AT TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council make an entrance to the new houses at Tinahely at the west end, in the interest of safety and convenience".

The Council was informed that there was inadequate sightline at the entrance but it would be difficult to effect any great improvement without acquiring further land. The most satisfactory solution to the problem would be to close the existing vehicular exit, convert it into a pedestrian entrance and open a new vehicular entrance at the west end of the site. This would involve the purchase of land. It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and unanimously agreed that the necessary land be acquired as soon as possible to make an entrance to the new houses.

ITEM 10 MR. J. SHEPPARD - TENANCY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council make James Sheppard of Knockeen, Tobinstown, Tullow, tenant of the house he has lived in since birth".

The Council was informed that arrangements were being made to have James Sheppard appointed tenant.

ITEM 11 FURTHER HOUSING AT DUNLAVIN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That this Council make immediate arrangements to have further houses built in Dunlavin".

The Council was informed that the allocation of the tenancies for the Dunlavin scheme recently completed had almost cleared the housing list for the Dunlavin area. There were only two applicants in urgent need and these could be rehoused in Donard. The Council had land available in Dunlavin to commence a further scheme. Following a discussion, the County Manager stated that he would look at the possibility of extending the scheme by the provision of another four to six houses. This was agreed to.

ITEM 12 HOUSE REPAIRS - MR. JAMES CONWAY, MILLTOWN, DUNLAVIN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That this Council have house repairs carried out to Mr. James Conway, Milltown, Dunlavin".

The Council was informed that an inspection was being made of this cottage and a report would be submitted on the repairs required. In reply to a query from Councillor P. Deering, the County Manager stated that the public health aspect of houses was a matter for the health authorities. He would ask the County Medical Officer to look at the house in question.

ITEM 13 REPAIRS - AUGHIRM NEW HOUSES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. J. Keenan, J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the County Council bring whatever pressure is necessary on the Contractors to carry out the necessary work which is needed to the new houses at Aughrim".

The Council was informed that the contractor had been sent a list of repairs to be carried out on this scheme. This was one of three schemes completed by the contractor at the same time and the contractor had undertaken to complete the outstanding maintenance repairs. He was at present working in Shillelagh and when finished would move to Aughrim and Knockananna. Councillors stated that nothing was being done to remedy the defects in these new houses and that there was undue hardship on the tenants. The County Engineer was urged to put further pressure on the contractor to carry out the repairs immediately. It was agreed that a further inspection of repairs required be carried out and that the terms of the contract be enforced.

ITEM 14 DEMOUNTABLE DWELLING - MR. JOHN KEARNS, KILQUIGGAN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor V. Blake was considered:-

"That this Council provide a demountable dwelling for John Kearns at Kilquiggan".

The Council was informed that Mr. Kearns was living in Kilquiggan village in a caravan which was situated within the walls of a derelict building owned by Mr. Sandes, Kilquiggan. The County Medical Officer had reported that Mr. Kearns was in need of housing. Mr. Sandes was agreeable to make the present site available for a demountable dwelling.

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It was proposed by Councillor V. Blake, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that Wicklow County Council provide a demountable dwelling for Mr. J. Kearns on the site being provided by Mr. Sandes.

ITEM 15 COLLECTION OF REFUSE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That this Council arrange to have the refuse baskets in Greystones emptied on Thursday, 16th March, 1978, prior to the St. Patrick's Day holiday".

Councillors were informed that the refuse collection baskets would be collected on the 14th and 15th March. It was considered that another collection on the 16th was not warranted. There had been some problems with the collection of baskets but these had now been resolved.

ITEM 16 HOUSING SCHEMES AT REDCROSS & BARNDARRIG

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor M. Cullen was considered:-

"That Wicklow Housing Authority proceed immediately with the building of the four houses at Redcross and eight houses at Barndarrig as there seems to be undue delay in proceeding with both schemes".

The Council was informed that the contractor had commenced work on the houses at Redcross. The services for the scheme at Barndarrig were under investigation and this scheme would be advertised for tenders as soon as possible. In the course of a discussion on the acquisition of land for provision of a septic tank, for the Barndarrig scheme, the County Engineer stated that the land owner was not prepared to sell portion of a five acre field to the Council for the provision of a septic tank. A full treatment works, which could cost in the region of £30,000, was uneconomical for a small number of houses. It was proposed by Councillor Miley, seconded by Councillor M. Cullen that the Council buy the whole field from the land owner. It was suggested that the Council could sell off sites from the land not required for its immediate purposes. The County Manager stated that the acquisition of five acres of land in this area would be superfluous and suggested that the land owner should sell the land required to the Council. It was agreed that the County Engineer approach the land owner again in connection with this matter.

ITEM 17 LAND FOR HOUSING AT DELGANY/BLACKLION

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That the Council investigate the possibility of acquiring more land in the Delgany/Blacklion area for further housing development".

Members were informed that the Council had a land bank of 19 acres in the Greystones area, in addition to sufficient lands to accommodate the scheme presently being prepared. The County Engineer had been asked to recommend on the acquisition of further land in the area to provide an adequate land bank.

ITEM 18 HOUSE REPAIRS - RAHEEN, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That repairs be carried out to the house occupied by the Hayden Family at Raheen, Baltinglass".

The Council was informed that the house would be inspected shortly and the necessary repairs carried out in due course. The tenant had applied to have the cottage vested. Noted.

ITEM 19 SOLID FUEL COOKERS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That solid fuel cookers be provided in all future housing schemes".

The Council was informed that the installation of solid fuel cookers would add extra cost to houses. The existing Council houses were wired for electric cookers and the installation of solid fuel cookers would entail the redesign of Council houses. The Department of the Environment had been contacted in relation to the proposal and it was agreed to adjourn further discussion of this Motion until a reply had been received from the Department.

ITEM 20 WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES ON KILPIPE ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Whelan and J. Sweeney was considered:-

"That the County Council complete the water supply to the four houses on the Kilpipe Road from Annacurra to John Byrne's house, which was partly done over one year ago".

The Council was informed that this matter was discussed at the Southern Area Meeting and that the work should be completed by the end of April.

ITEM 21 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council extend the refuse collection on the main road from Tinahely as far as Lower Ballyrahan".

The Council was informed that the refuse collection for this area was heavily committed and it was not possible to extend it at the present time. Tenders for the supply of a new refuse collection vehicle were being considered by the County Engineer and when the new vehicle was put into operation a revised collection schedule would be drawn up. It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that the area outlined in the Notice of Motion be included in the new schedules.

ITEM 22 HOUSING SCHEME AT SHILLELAGH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council build a further scheme of houses at Shillelagh to meet the increasing demand".

The Council was informed that plans were in the course of preparation for a further housing scheme in Shillelagh.

ITEM 23 COTTAGE REPAIRS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council carry out repairs on the following cottages:- John Healy, Killinure, Bridget Carty, Annacurra, Sam Grace, Stratnakelly, all the two storey houses at Emmet Place, Carnew".

The Council was informed that the necessary repairs would be carried out
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when tradesmen became available to do the work. Repairs are generally carried out in a chronological order with regard to the needs in each case and the work involved. Some work had been carried out at Gilbert's and Healy's at Emmet Place. There had been a reasonably good response to the recent advertisement for tradesmen. The latest date for receipt of applications being the 10th February, 1978. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Whelan and agreed that the repairs requested be carried out as soon as possible.

ITEM 24 SEWERAGE SCHEME - BALLYNERRIN, WICKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy and M. Cullen was considered:-

"That the sewerage connection be provided for approximately 13 houses at Upper Ballynerrin, Wicklow".

The Council was informed that a sewerage connection could not be provided for the houses at Ballynerrin until the main sewerage scheme had been implemented. The Department had sanctioned preparation of contract documents of the first phase of Wicklow Regional Scheme.

ITEM 25 WATER & SEWERAGE SCHEME - AUGHIRM

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide water and sewerage for the houses occupied by Mrs. Carthy, Tomaskellagh, Aughrim".

The Council was informed that it was considered advisable that a scheme be prepared to provide water for this area. There are few water sources in this area and the money required to provide isolated wells would be better invested in an overall scheme for the area.

It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that the County Engineer proceed with the preparation of the water supply scheme for the Tomaskellagh, Aughrim, area.

ITEM 26 COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER - VALLEYMOUNT

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:-

"That this Council place a C.P.O. on land at Vallemount for houses to meet the people on the housing list in that area, as agreed by local Councillors of the area at meeting that took place".
The Council was informed that it had not been possible to purchase a suitable site for houses at Vallemount by agreement. A Compulsory Purchase Order must be confirmed by the Minister for the Environment before it became operative. A public sworn enquiry would be held by the Minister at which the Council would have to give evidence that there was a need for housing which would justify the compulsory acquisition of the land. There appeared to be no great demand for housing at Vallemount. A further problem would be in the installation of a suitable sewerage treatment plant to minimise the risk to pollution of Blessington Lake, a major source of water supply. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor P. Deering that the Council proceed with the acquisition of land at Vallemount by Compulsory Purchase Order. Following a discussion the County Manager stated that he would have to be satisfied that there was justification for the making of a Compulsory Purchase Order, having regard to the demand for houses in the area, and he suggested that applications for housing at Vallemount be advertised to determine the demand, before making a Compulsory Purchase Order. This was agreed to.

ITEM 27 INTEREST RATE ON HOUSING LOANS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor F. Hynes was considered:-

"That this Council ask the Minister for the Environment to reduce the interest of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ % to those house owners who are paying same as these house owners are the poorer sections of the community; also this interest is the highest rate of interest paid in the country".

The Council was informed that the Minister for Finance had announced in his recent budget speech that the interest rate for loans advanced under the County Council's House Purchase Loan Scheme (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) was being reduced by 1% with effect from the 1st February, 1978. This would mean that new advances to borrowers by Wicklow County Council would be at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ %. There was no provision in the law as it stands at present to alter existing mortgages which were contracts between the loanee and the County Council.

In the course of a discussion it was stated that the fixed high rate of interest can be inequitable and that the poorer section of the community was effected by the high rate of interest. It was also stated that the loans from County Councils were advanced at a higher rate of interest than that obtaining in the building societies and banks. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that the following resolution be forwarded to the General Council of County Councils for consideration:-

"That this Council ask the Minister for the Environment to reduce retrospectively the interest rate of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ % charged to those house owners who are paying same, as these house owners are the poorer sections of the community; also, this interest is the highest rate of interest paid in the country".

ITEM 28 HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT

The Housing Progress Report as at 31st January, 1978, was circulated to Members. A total of 283 houses were under construction. The County Engineer was urged to press the contractor to finish the Avoca housing scheme. The prices variation clause in contracts would be strictly adhered to, the County Manager stated.

The County Manager stated that response to the recent advertisement in connection with negotiated contracts was encouraging. He was not yet in a position to assess whether all contractors would be members of the new guarantee scheme.

- Carnew Scheme - The Engineer was not satisfied with the stairs provided in these houses.
- Enniskerry Scheme - The delay in completing the scheme was caused by a high degree of absenteeism and dissatisfaction over working conditions. The County Manager stated that he was having discussions with the Unions with regard to the recent recommendations on a productivity agreement.
- Greystones Scheme - The County Engineer was not satisfied with the standard of the contractor's work.
- Aughrim & Rathdrum - These schemes were readvertised.
- Rathdangan - This scheme should be ready for readvertising in three to four weeks.
- Greystones & Bray - Department's sanction, required for these schemes as they did not come within the devolved housing category (60 houses), was awaited.

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ITEM 29 OTHER BUSINESS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Planning Application

The County Manager informed the Members that Mr. C. Egan had submitted a revised housing plan, layout, etc. which was acceptable from a planning point of view. Stringent conditions regarding Bond, etc. would be attached to the planning permission being issued.

Water Supply - Greystones Area

Councillors were informed that the lack of water in Kindelstown Lower, Bellview Heights and Blacklion, Delgany Road area, would not be resolved until the new water supply scheme came into operation.

Carnew Sewerage Scheme

Councillor K. Ryan was informed that the report on this scheme would be available in the near future.

In reply to a query from Councillor D. Kinsella about extension of footpath to Castlemacadam Cemetery, the County Engineer stated that this item was included in the current year's Roadworks Scheme and would be attended to as soon as possible.

Arklow Technical School

Councillor D. Kinsella was informed that the County Engineer would contact the contractor about the completion of the contract.

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge was informed that Mrs. Doyle was being approached with regard to the provision of a separate entrance to Mrs. Lynch's house at Kilcrouney.

The estimate was awaited from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs in connection with the removal of the telephone kiosk at Main Street, Bray.

Mr. H. Jordan extended his appreciation to the Council for their vote of sympathy on the recent death of his Father.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

CHAIRMAN

DATE

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday, 13th
February, 1978, in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing
at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors T. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney,
V. Blake, J. Whelan, P. Deering, J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D.,
J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, A. Murphy, C. Murphy, T.D.,
Miss N. O'Neill, J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes and
R. Miley

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Attend- Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
ance:- Mr. B. A. Fidgeon, County Accountant
Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section
Mr. J. Holohan, Staff Officer, Engineering Section
Mr. F. O'Toole, Staff Officer, Environmental Services

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor
J. Sweeney and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Ordinary
Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on the 16th January, 1978,
be confirmed and signed.

The Chairman extended a welcome to Mr. Brian Johnston, the new County
Secretary, and wished him a happy stay in Wicklow. The Council would
co-operate in every way with the new County Secretary.

Appreciation was expressed to the Acting County Secretary, Mr. B. A. Fidgeon,
for work done in this capacity.

Tributes were paid to the out-door staff of the Council who had worked
very hard over the week-end keeping the roads open for the public,
as a result of the heavy snow falls. Councillors from the Northern
Area stated that conditions around Bray and Greystones were very
treacherous and very little sanding and gritting had been done.
The County Engineer stated that it was difficult to get all of the
roads in the county done at the same time, and that the conditions
experienced along the east coast were the worst for a long number of
years.

ITEM 2 CLOSING OF ROADS AT KILMACANOGUE

The Council was informed that an application had been received from
the M. G. Car Club for a road closing order, in connection with the
annual Hill Climb at Callery Hill, Kilmacanogue, on the 10th June, 1978.
The request was to have the road closed from 12 noon to 6.00 p.m.
and had been granted in previous years.

It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, seconded by Councillor
J. Byrne and unanimously agreed that permission be granted to close
the roads in accordance with request made subject to the following
conditions:-

- (1) The M. G. Car Club indemnify the Council against all claims and
damages arising from the closing of the roads.
- (2) Repairing any damage to Council property to the satisfaction of
the Council, or recouping the Council the cost of doing so.
- (3) Adequate notices or stewards to be provided in regard to the closing
and necessary diversions, in order to comply with the Road Traffic
Act Regulations, 1961, and in the interests of public safety.

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ITEM 3 CREATION OF POST OF SOCIAL WORKER

The Council was informed that the Northern Area Members of the Council, at their meeting on the 19th January, 1978, had discussed the re-habilitation of travelling families in County Wicklow. The problem of rehousing the travelling families occurred mainly in the northern part of the county. Council Members for the Area agreed to recommend to the Council that:-

- (a) The Council should rehouse suitable travelling families in new housing estates with the proviso that the number of families to be rehoused in any one estate be kept to a minimum, and in a case of families dealing with scrap or horses, these should be rehoused in a rural setting or on a site.
- (b) A Social Worker be appointed and that the appointee should work in close liaison with the Community Care Section of the Eastern Health Board.

The County Manager had discussed the appointment of a Social Worker with the County Medical Officer and stated that the appointment would be useful in the development of the family towards a resettlement and ensure continuous back-up support for the families according as they were rehoused. The Social Worker's duties would not be confined to itinerants and the appointee would deal with other social problems in the county. The appointment would be complimentary to the Eastern Health Board's Social Workers. The meeting was informed that recently a Senior Social Worker working in conjunction with the Eastern Health Board Community Care Team had been appointed and would take up duty in March.

The County Manager stated that by way of encouragement to the employment of Social Workers dealing with the rehabilitation of travelling families a recoupment of 90% of the cost of the employment of Social Workers engaged on this work would be recouped to Local Authorities.

It was proposed by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy and unanimously resolved that in accordance with Section 6 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Wicklow County Council create a permanent post of Social Worker to deal in the main with the rehabilitation of travelling families, and that the sanction of the Minister for the Environment be sought to the creation of this post.

ITEM 4 CREATION OF FULL-TIME POST OF VETERINARY INSPECTOR

The Council was informed that due to an increase in the level of slaughtering in the urban district of Bray and the Rathdown district of Wicklow County Council, the present part-time Veterinary Officer was unable to carry out effectively the duties assigned to him under the terms of his appointment. Originally there were two part-time officers for the Bray urban district, and the Rathdown district, but these were merged in 1969. Having discussed the matter with the County Medical Officer, the County Manager recommended the abolition of the part-time post of Veterinary Officer and the creation of a full-time post for the Bray Urban District Council and the Rathdown district.

In reply to queries, Members of the Council were informed that the Veterinary Inspector's Conditions of Employment are statutorily defined and the appointment is made through the Local Appointments Commission. In addition to duties assigned under the Slaughter of Animals Acts, Veterinary Inspectors perform duties under the Milk and Daries Acts, Food Hygiene Regulations, and Sheep Dipping Schemes.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and agreed that subject to the sanction from the Minister for Agriculture, in accordance with Section 6 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Wicklow County Council create the full-time post of Veterinary Inspector for the Urban District of Bray and the Rathdown district of Wicklow County Council, and that the present post of part-time Veterinary Officer for this area be abolished.

ITEM 5 ROAD GRANTS, 1978

The following Road Grants had been notified to the Council by the Department of the Environment:-

£248,000	Block Grant
£ 73,000	National Primary Road Up-Keep
£ 38,000	National Secondary Road Up-Keep
£388,000	National Primary Road Improvement
£ 87,000	National Secondary Road Improvement
£ 75,000	Special Grant - Boghall Road, Bray

£909,000 - Total

The Department of the Environment had indicated that payment of the grant of £75,000 for the Boghall Road improvement scheme was conditional on a similar sum being allocated by Wicklow County Council. The grants notified represented an increase of £373,000 over that provided in 1977.

In a discussion on the Road Grants, the following points were made:-

- (1) The additional grants being made available would encourage further employment on the roads.
- (2) No money had been provided in the Council's Estimates for road improvements on the Boghall Road. It was decided to make representations to the Department to waive the condition attached to this grant.
- (3) The money would have to be spent on the works indicated by the Department in the case of improvement works.
- (4) The plans for the Newtownmountkenedy bye-pass had not yet been finalised. It was expected that an allocation would be included in next year's Road Grants for this work.
- (5) Cooladangan Bridge and approaches should be completed in 1978.
- (6) Work on the Mall, Wicklow, would have to be financed from the Block Grant unless a special grant was made available by the Department. No plans had been submitted to the Department for the Mall.

ITEM 6 SHEEP DIPPING BATHS

The Council was informed that agreement had recently been reached with the Landowner for the acquisition of a site containing 1 rood, 26 sq. perches, for the construction of a new bath at Slemaine, Roundwood, and that tenders for the construction of the bath would be invited at an early date.

The owner of the original site for the bath at Kilballyowen, Aughrim, had withdrawn his offer to provide a site and a further site had recently been approved by the Department of Agriculture, and negotiations were in progress with the owner for the acquisition of the land. Tenders for the construction of a new bath at Kilballyowen would be invited shortly.

It was pointed out that the Council had advertised for tenders for these two baths in July, 1977, but had not received any replies to the advertisement.

A sum of £2,000 was provided in the 1977 Estimates for repairs to Sheep Dipping Baths, and repairs were carried out to baths at Askinagap, Tomacork, Ballingate, and Baltinglass. Repairs had been approved in respect of public baths at Ballycumber, Ballinguile and Johnstown South, and the County Engineer had been requested to proceed as soon as possible. In connection with repairs required to the bath at Lugnagun, the County Medical Officer and the County Engineer reported that there was a potential health hazard involved at the bath which is quite near the stream which feeds the Blessington water supply, and the provision of one good sized bath at a central point to serve the area generally was recommended. The question of repairs required to the bath at Cannow, at Glen of Imaal had been taken up with the Department of Defence and they had indicated recently that they hoped to have the necessary repairs carried out at an early date.

It was agreed to refer the report to the Sheep Dipping Committee for attention. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed that the improvements be carried out to the Lugnagun bath.

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed that the Sheep Dipping Inspectors be asked to attend the next Sheep Dipping Committee Meeting. A meeting was arranged for Friday, 17th February, 1978.

ITEM 7 PROVISION OF NEW BURIAL GROUNDS

A report setting out the current position in respect of the following burial grounds had been circulated to the Members:- (a) Springfield, Bray, (b) Redford, Greystones, (c) Roundwood, (d) Tomacork, Carnew, (e) Macreddin, (f) Lacken (Templeboden), (g) Cranareen, and (h) Talbotstown.

In the course of a discussion on the report it was stated that plans for burial grounds are drawn up in accordance with standard guidelines issued by the Department. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill requested that provision be made for a turning point at Redford cottages when the Redford Cemetery was being designed. A layout had been prepared for Springfield Cemetery and Bray Urban District Council was currently arranging to raise finance to pay for the cost of the first stage of development. Negotiations were in hand for the acquisition of a site at Cranareen.

Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., requested that a site be secured for a burial ground in the Talbotstown area. The County Engineer was requested to look at the drainage problem in the Kilquiggan burial ground. It was stated that it was becoming very difficult to get grave diggers to open graves, and the County Manager stated that he would see what could be done to have the work done by Council workers. The landowner was to be approached in connection with the problem of the gateway to the burial ground at Tournant, Dunlavin.

ITEM 8 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT WEXFORD ROAD, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide a pedestrian crossing at Wexford Road, Arklow, outside Bentley's Shop".

The Council was informed that a full 12 hour traffic count of vehicles and pedestrians was carried out on the 1st December, 1977, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. The highest pedestrian count was between the time 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. which gave a count of 82 pedestrians per hour and 456 vehicles per hour. In accordance with guidelines laid down by the Department, the vehicular count would have to be 1,140 vehicles per hour to justify a pedestrian crossing. Following a discussion it was agreed that the County Engineer would take a further traffic count in the Summer.

ITEM 9 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council re-appraise its Local Improvement Scheme Programme".

The Council was informed that the present policy of the Council was to list applications in date order as they were received and the schemes are undertaken in that order. There is no system of priorities in operation where a scheme further down the list could be taken before an earlier application. This policy was adopted by the Council in 1975. Prior to this, schemes were taken at random, provided an estimate and specification had been received. Under the present system:-

- the Council was obliged to commence work on a scheme where there may be only two persons benefiting, despite the fact that further down the list there might be an application which would benefit more households;
- the Council was obliged to commence work on schemes regardless of size, although some schemes were so small as to be most uneconomical;
- the primary purpose of the Local Improvement Scheme is to aid agricultural production, and the current method requires the Council to commence work on a scheme serving households with relatively little improvement to agriculture, while at the same time the Council must defer for some time work on a scheme which would greatly benefit agricultural production. In some cases this problem had been aggravated by the recent introduction of bulk collection of milk and the bulk delivery of goods to farm-yards;
- the current method of priority did not allow for dealing with cases of extreme hardship or other exceptional circumstances.

At present there were 61 schemes not yet commenced with an estimated grant expenditure of £163,000. The amount of grant notified to the Council for 1978 was £13,000. Following a discussion on the report it was agreed to press the Department for a larger allocation. It was pointed out that counties on the east coast receive very little grant under this scheme compared to other counties. It was agreed to forward a copy of the report to the Department with strong representations to have grant allocation increased.

ITEM 10 SURFACE DRESSING HAWKSTOWN LANE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors M. Cullen and R. Miley was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council gravel and surface Hawkstown Lane to serve the families of Elsie Simms, Saul Simms and L. Tobin, - they are prepared to contribute their fair share".

It was recommended to the Council that these families apply for a Local Improvement Scheme. The Council was not legally entitled to spend money on a private lane. It was agreed to forward the appropriate application forms.

ITEM 11 SURFACE WATER AT TEMPLERAINNEY CHURCH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, T. Keenan and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"Would the County Engineer have the road edge from Templerrainey Church to Ferrybank cleared and deepened alongside the footpath to take surface water off the road".

The Council was informed that the problem of surface water along the road was due to the fact that developers did not put in adequate gully traps and drainage to take surface water from the housing schemes with the result that it was running out onto the main road. To provide a surface water sewer to the nearest drain would cost £8,000. A more economical way of dealing with the problem would be to drain the water onto the landowners land, on the western side of the road, if the landowners would agree. There were no funds at present available to do improvement works. Some repairs would be carried out to the road in the current year.

It was stated by Councillors that all that was necessary to alleviate the problem was to clean out the gullies along the road and let the water run into them. The County Engineer was asked to re-examine the position.

ITEM 12 BAD BENDS ON ROAD BETWEEN WOODENBRIDGE & BALLYCOOGUE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the County Council improve two very bad turns on the road between Woodenbridge and Ballycoogue in the interest of safety of a large number of school children travelling on the school bus".

As the Council's Roadworks Scheme for 1978 was adopted, it was recommended that this work be listed for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. Agreed.

ITEM 13 SURFACE WATER PROBLEM - ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council alleviate the surface water problem on the roadway between Fisher's Laneway and the Bridge at Enniskerry".

The Council was informed that some work had been done to alleviate the problem here.

ITEM 14 DISTRICT PROBATE REGISTRY OFFICE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor F. Hynes was considered:-

"That the Council ask the Minister for Justice under Section 35 of the 1965 Succession Act, to set up a district Probate Registry Office in the Circuit Court Office, Wicklow, for the following purpose:- to enable a person or persons to make personal applications to obtain grant of representation or better known as to take out Probate as there are large numbers of people who cannot afford to employ Solicitors to carry out this job".

The Council was informed that the Department of Justice had written to the effect that the District Probate Registers (Places and Districts) Order, 1966, (S.I. No. 274 of 1966) established District Probate Registries at fourteen centres throughout the State to facilitate persons who might wish to make personal applications for grants of representation. It was considered that an adequate service would be provided throughout the State by establishing District Probate Registries at the places named in the Order. There is no District Probate Registry in either Wicklow, Kildare or Meath; it was decided at the time that these counties would continue to be served by the principal Probate Registry in Dublin.

Councillor F. Hynes referred to the long delay being experienced by people from County Wicklow in having their affairs dealt with through the Probate Office in Dublin. The cost of having small estates administered by Solicitors was prohibitive. The population of both Dublin and Wicklow had expanded greatly since 1965 with the result that the Office in Dublin was unable to cope with the workload. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that the Department of Justice be requested to establish a District Probate Registry Office in Wicklow Town, and that the views of the Members of the Council be conveyed to the Minister.

ITEM 15 WIDENING OF BALLYMACONEY LANE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan, T. Keenan and J. Miley was considered:-

"That about 80 yards of Ballymaconey Lane be widened so that machinery and lorries can get through".

The Council was informed that this lane was improved under a Local Improvement Scheme some years ago, and subsequently taken over. A section of the lane was very narrow. Work could only be carried out economically if landowners were prepared to give land free to the Council and a timber post and wire fence was acceptable. The estimated cost of this work on this basis was £500.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that the Ballymaconey Lane be widened at an estimated cost of £500. It was stated that the land would be made available free to the Council.

ITEM 16 ROAD WIDENING AT ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council carry out road widening on the bend between Fishers Laneway and the Bridge at Enniskerry".

It was agreed to include this item in the list of Roadwork Proposals for 1979.

ITEM NUMBERS 17 to 66 WERE DEFERRED TO THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

ITEM 67 OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Councillor K. Ryan requested that the Fire Engine which had been taken from Tinahely to serve another area be left in Tinahely.

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill referred to the lack of water supply in the Kilcoole area. The County Engineer stated that there was no

full-time Plumber in Kilcoole. The provision of emergency services for north Wicklow was to be looked at.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor R. Miley and agreed that the Council write to the Minister for Justice about the provision of more Gardai and Bean-Gardai in Bray and the surrounding districts.

Councillor P. Deering referred to the school barrier at Dunlavin National School, and requested that surface dressing of the dangerous piece of ground be looked at.

The County Manager was requested to contact the Wicklow Postmaster about provision of emergency 'phone links to Dublin from the Council offices.

It was agreed to hold a meeting of the Standing Orders Committee on Monday, 20th February, 1978.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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Signed:-

CHAIRMAN

Date:-

13/3/1978

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday, 6th March, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors T. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, V. Blake,
J. Whelan, P. Deering, J. Miley, J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Costello,
Ch. Keegan, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, A. Murphy, C. Murphy, T.D.,
Miss N. O'Neill, J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, and
R. Miley

**Also in attend-
ance:-** Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section

Vote of Sympathy

It was proposed by Councillor R. Miley, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and unanimously resolved that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the family of the Late Mr. John Doyle, Road Overseer, Glendalough Area. The County Manager associated himself with the vote of sympathy on his own behalf and on behalf of the Council.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on the 6th February, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 CREATION OF PERMANENT POST OF COSTINGS & RECORDS SUPERVISOR

It was indicated to the Council that sanction had been received to the creation of a temporary office of Costings and Records Supervisor subject to review. Since that time the post has been held by three people, for short periods. The work is at present being carried out by a Clerical Officer. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge and unanimously agreed that a permanent post of Costings and Records Supervisor be created, subject to receipt of the necessary sanction from the Minister for the Environment.

ITEM 3 WATER SUPPLY - LARAGH EAST

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy and R. Miley was considered:-

"That a further report be given of the progress for a Water Supply for Residents of Laragh East".

It was recommended to the Council that a group scheme be provided in this area, as money had already been allocated under the Small Water Supply Scheme. Councillors urged that this work be carried out. Following a discussion it was agreed that the County Engineer be requested to reinvestigate this matter.

ITEM 4 WATER & SEWERAGE FACILITIES - BOLINASS, ASHFORD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, M. Cullen and R. Miley was considered:-

"That water and sewerage facilities be provided for Mr. and Mrs. A. Kinlan, Bolinass, Ashford".

The Council was informed that a well is being provided at this house; work should be completed by August, 1978. Septic tanks would have to be provided in this area as a sewerage scheme is unlikely to be carried out. Noted.

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ITEM 5 HOUSING REPAIRS - MR. JACK KIRWAN, 20 BALLYBREW, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy was considered:-

"That essential repairs be carried out for Jack Kirwan, 20 Ballybrew, Enniskerry".

The Council was informed that this house would be inspected and the necessary repairs carried out. Councillors expressed dissatisfaction at the procedure for reporting on, and carrying out, housing repairs. In a number of cases reports were duplicated following representations made by Councillors, which was considered unnecessary. The County Manager indicated that the estimate had been increased for housing repairs but that repairs would have to be carried out over a number of years.

ITEM 6 HOUSING REPAIRS - MRS. MC GUIRE & MRS. MELIA, BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley was considered:-

"That two new houses occupied by Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. Melia at Blessington be reported on for the dampness, so that repairs can be carried out".

The County Engineer's report indicated that the repairs required to be carried out were minor and of a maintenance nature. The Council is not in a position to carry out maintenance on purchased houses. Councillor J. Miley felt that if the repairs were of a structural nature and were present when the house was placed on purchase the Council should be responsible for remedying the defects. The County Manager explained the difficulty in regard to repairing houses on purchase and having regard to the County Engineer's report was satisfied that the repairs required were of a maintenance nature. The Housing Act was quite specific in relation to the repairs that could be carried out and a dissatisfied purchaser had the right to appeal to the Minister at the time of purchase. This had not been done in this case and his hands were now tied by the Act in relation to carrying out of any repairs. This was the position as he saw it.

ITEM 7 WATER SUPPLY - ENGLISHTOWN, KILTEGAN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley was considered:-

"That this Council erect a pump to give a suitable water supply for Mr. and Mrs. Dowling, Englishstown, Kiltegan".

The Council was informed that this matter is still under investigation and that a report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Council.

ITEM 8 WATER SUPPLY - BALLYMORRIS, AUGHILIM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, C. Murphy and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the County Council provide water for Mrs. Francis O'Brien, Ballymorris, Auhilim, as the pump which she got her supply from has been removed by the County Council".

The Council was informed that this matter is being attended to. Noted.

ITEM 9 & 10 ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS SCHEME

The following Notices of Motion in the names of Councillors listed were considered:-

Councillors C. Murphy, J. Miley, J. Sweeney, T. Keenan, M. Ledwidge, Miss N. O'Neill, J. Whelan, M. Cullen and R. Miley:-

"That in view of the success of the Grants for Environmental Works Scheme last year, that the Council call upon the Minister for the Environment to repeat a further scheme in 1978 and, secondly, call upon the County Council to prepare further plans for the implementation of such a scheme".

Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D.:—

"That this Council prepare a suitable Environmental Improvement Scheme Programme to be submitted to the 'Employment Action Team', being set up per Mr. Colley's Budget proposals. Also, an application be made to support a Council application for the recruitment of First Year Construction Industry Apprentices".

Circular ENV. 3/78, from the Department of the Environment, dated 23rd February, 1978, was read. A sum of £99,000 has been allocated for the County of Wicklow for their Environmental Improvement Scheme Programme. It was agreed that a Special Meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday, 29th March, 1978, to discuss the Programme. Councillors were requested to submit suggestive suitable schemes to the County Engineer immediately for inclusion in the Programme, and contact would also be made in the meantime with the Urban District Councils.

ITEM 11 ACCOMMODATION FOR THE KELLY FAMILY, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:—

"That Wicklow County Council build a house at Shroughan, Baltinglass, to accommodate Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Kelly and their family, who are now living at No. 8 Shroughan, Baltinglass".

The Council was informed that this family have been recommended for re-housing in the new Baltinglass housing scheme. Noted.

ITEM 12 HOUSING REPAIRS - 2 BEECHWOOD PARK, KILCOOLE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:—

"That Wicklow County Council repair faults in the house occupied by Mrs. M. Kavanagh, 2 Beechwood Park, Kilcoole, with particular attention to; (1) leak in under sink pipe, (2) all windows are leaking, (3) no putty around any of the window panes, (4) fireplace-back cracked, (5) back door will not close, (6) bedroom door will not close, (7) eave gutters leaking at back of house".

The Council was informed that arrangements will be made to have this house inspected and the necessary repairs carried out in due course. Noted.

ITEM 13 ACCOMMODATION FOR MR. WM. FLEMING, KNOXTER'S HILL

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:—

"That the Council build a house for Wm. Fleming on a site at Knoxter's Hill, Grange Con".

The Council was informed that arrangements are being made to acquire the above site from Mr. Fleming, and when completed, tender documents will be prepared to enable the work to be advertised for tender. In the meantime, a hired mobile home is being provided for the family as a temporary measure. Noted.

ITEM 14 CEMETERY AT CASTLEMACADAM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan and J. Sweeney was considered:—

"That the County Council take over Castlemacadam Old Graveyard and keep it cleaned every year, as it is situated on the main road through the Vale of Avoca".

Councillor T. Keenan indicated that the cemetery referred to was the old one attached to the Church. A further report is to be submitted.

ITEM 15 HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT

- Barndarrig Councillor M. Cullen indicated that the landowner was willing to dispose of a site. The County Engineer agreed to further examine this matter.
- Rathdangan It was indicated that an advertisement is being placed for six houses.
- Greystones Eight of the ten sites have been allocated. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill referred to a problem regarding levels.
- Bray The design and layout of the scheme is being submitted to the Department for approval.
- Shillelagh Scheme is being prepared.
- Ballinaclash Documents are being prepared. Councillors stressed the urgent need for housing here.
- Kilcoole Twenty houses are being built by direct labour.
- Ballycoogue It was indicated that the landowner offered alternative land but the price was exorbitant.
- County Development Plan The plan has been seconded for the time being but will be ready by next September.

ITEM 16 CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS

It was proposed by Councillor D. Kinsella, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that a tap be provided on the fountain at Johnstown, Arklow, following representations made on behalf of Mr. C. Rushe.

Sanitary Services - Capital Allocation 1978

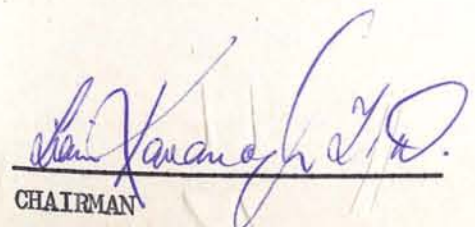
The Department of the Environment, by circular dated the 27th February, 1978, indicated that the sum of £100,000 was being provided to the Council for its on-going commitments for major water and sewerage schemes for the year 1978.

Local Authority Housing Construction Programme - Capital Allocation

The Department of the Environment, by circular N.2/78, dated the 16th February, 1978, indicated that a sum of £950,000 was being provided to the Council for its on-going commitments at 1st January, 1978, on local authority housing and estimated expenditure on schemes or cottages commenced since that date.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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CHAIRMAN


DATE

ITEMS 48 to 72 were DEFERRED TO THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

Arklow Electoral Area Meeting

It had been pointed out from the Minutes of the Arklow Electoral Area meeting on Tuesday, 17th January, 1978, that the Members had agreed unanimously that the sum of £6,350 shown in respect of works on road no. 268, viz. footpaths in Parkmore and realignment of bends between Baltinglass and Kiltegan be transferred and used for the purpose of providing footpaths from the new housing scheme in Aughrim to the junction, and also for improving the sightline at the entrance to the scheme.

It had been pointed out to the Members that the sum of £6,350 in respect of the works listed on road no. 268 was properly applicable to the Baltinglass Electoral Area and expenditure of this amount on the two schemes listed had already been approved by the Members of the Council for the Baltinglass Electoral Area at their meeting on the 12th January, 1978. It was, accordingly, necessary to bring the matter to the attention of the Council in order that the position be regularised.

Following extensive discussion on the matter and explanations by the County Engineer, on the proposal of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering, it was agreed that the estimate as submitted by the County Engineer be adhered to. Councillor K. Ryan desisted from this view.

It was agreed at this point that the meeting be continued until 5.15p.m.

Councillor F. Hynes made representations in relation to planning permission to build a porch at Newtownmountkennedy by Mr. Murray. The County Manager stated that in its existing form the porch would be unacceptable, but if the design were changed it would be further considered.

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge raised the question of removing the telephone kiosk at Main Street, Bray. It was indicated that the estimated cost of removing the two kiosks to a new position would be £930.00. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., and agreed that the telephone kiosks be removed to a new position at an estimated cost of £930.00.

The meeting then concluded.

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Some statistics in relation to the development of the country would be necessary.

The day after tomorrow the Government will send a delegation from the Government and British representatives. It was also agreed that two or three representatives be requested to meet with Lord Lugard tomorrow at the Royal Hotel, Lagos.

Meeting of Northern and Southern Members with Lord Lugard, 12.11.14. An agreement was reached on the matter it was agreed that a delegation

by the County Council".

"And, the late brother Young's eldest, William, he taken as a witness
of Keganah and W. T. Young, J.D., was considered."

The following notice of Motion in the name of Councilman A. Murphy

It was suggested that users of the Lane report form indicate the amount of time spent on the report. The Lane report form is a very simple form and it is suggested that the users of the Lane report form indicate the amount of time spent on the report. The Lane report form is a very simple form and it is suggested that the users of the Lane report form indicate the amount of time spent on the report.

In letter dated the 4th January, 1977, Coras Iompair Eireann indicated that plans for the development and electrification of the suburban rail services have been submitted to the Department of Transport for approval. They also state that it would not be economically feasible to have the line electrified to Greystones at present but that Greystones could be catered for in the future.

After extensive discussion on the matter it was agreed that a deputation consisting of Northern Area Council Members and three T.D.'s, be appointed to meet with Coras Iompair Eireann at the Town Hall, Bray. It was agreed that two or three representatives be requested to attend from the Greystones and District Civic Association. It was also agreed that any other Members of the Council who wished could also attend. Some statistics in relation to the Greystones area developments would also be prepared.

ITEM 44 LANE AT YOUNG'S RIVER

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C. Keegan and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the lane beside Young's River, Kilcoole, be taken in charge by the County Council".

It was suggested that users of the lane apply for a Local Improvement Scheme. Councillor A. Murphy stated that the users of the lane were from a Council housing estate in the vicinity, and he felt that the lane should be taken over by the Council. The County Manager stated that this was a private lane, and the County Engineer indicated that there could be a problem legally in taking over the lane. It was agreed that a further report would be submitted to the Council at their next meeting.

ITEM 45 RED ROAD, AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., V. Blake, K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council take over the road known as the Red Road at Avoca".

It was proposed by Councillor V. Blake, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan and agreed that this item be included for consideration in the 1979 Estimate of Expenses as it was noted a sum of £10,000 will be required to bring the road up to a suitable standard for taking over.

ITEM 46 COUNTY LIBRARY - WICKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes, L. Kavanagh, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:-

"That this Council terminate the contract with the builder who is building the County Library Office and the Council finish it by direct labour".

It was noted that progress on the library at Wicklow was slow. The County Manager stated that he was meeting the builder to come to a satisfactory arrangement. The Chairman felt that the contract had been broken and the Council could, therefore, complete the scheme.

ITEM 47 DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS REPORT

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor K. Ryan was considered:-

"That this Council request the Development Officer to submit a monthly report regarding his progress for new industries in the county".

The Council was informed that because of the confidential nature of all negotiations with industrialists it was not possible for the County Development Officer to supply information as to industrial enquiries. Councillors J. Miley and Miss N. O'Neill paid tributes
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ITEM 39 HOUSING SCHEME - TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council improve the sightline at the entrance to the new housing scheme at Tinahely".

It was indicated to the Council that further land would be required. The problem could be solved by closing the existing vehicular exit, converting it into a pedestrian entrance and opening a new vehicular entrance at the west end of the site. Land would have to be acquired at this site. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and agreed that the work be carried out.

ITEM 40 TAYLOR'S LANE, LOWER MAIN STREET, TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council surface dress Taylor's Lane at Lower Main Street, Tinahely".

The Council was informed that this lane would have to be taken over before it could be surfaced. The estimated cost is £800. It was recommended that this work be undertaken in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and agreed that the lane be taken over and surfaced.

ITEM 41 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT RAHEENGRANEY, CLONEGAL

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to provide a telephone kiosk at Raheengraney, Clongal".

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and unanimously agreed that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a telephone kiosk at Raheengraney, Clongal.

ITEM 42 BALLARD AT KILMACANOGUE JUNCTION

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C. Keegan and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That a lighted bollard be provided at the traffic island at Kilmacanogue junction".

The Council was informed that arrangements have been made to erect a lighted bollard at the traffic island at Kilmacanogue. This should be erected in the immediate future. Noted.

ITEM 43 ELECTRIFICATION OF DUBLIN SUBURBAN RAIL LINES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C. Keegan and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council press C.I.E. to include the Bray/Greystones Rail Link in the proposed electrification of the Dublin suburban rail lines".

Councillor A. Murphy indicated that owing to the expansion of Greystones it is essential that commuters be catered for and an efficient rail service provided. He stated that the link as proposed by C.I.E. would not prove adequate.

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ITEM 34 GRANITE MILESTONES FROM BALTINGLASS TO BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and A. Murphy was considered:-

"That the Council seek financial assistance from the E.R.T.O. to have the granite milestones cleaned and repaired where necessary from Baltinglass to Blessington in the interests of tourist facilities".

It was recommended to the Council that this work be included on the list of schemes to be covered by the 1978 Tourism Development Plan. It was agreed by the Councillors that these stones were an added attraction to the area, and that the Eastern Regional Tourism Organisation be written to in this regard. Also consideration could be given to the proposal under the Environmental Improvement Schemes Programme.

ITEM 35 CEMETERY ROAD, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council resurface the Cemetery Road at Arklow".

The Council was informed that the Cemetery Road is not the responsibility of the County Council as it is within the Arklow Urban Council area.

ITEM 36 STREAM AT MAIN ROAD, KILMACANOGUE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council clean the stream that runs alongside the Main Road at Kilmacanogue (houses close to caravan site) which is causing rat infection, etc., owing to its bad condition".

It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge that the Council contact the Eastern Health Board with regard to the rat infestation of the stream. The Council was informed that this stream was private and was not the responsibility of the Council. It was agreed that this matter would be re-examined.

ITEM 37 FLOODING AT ROCKFIELD PARK, KILMACANOGUE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"Owing to flooding at Rockfield Park, Kilmacanogue, that Council provide additional drains".

The Council was informed that they had not been called upon to relieve flooding at Rockfield Park. It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor J. Byrne and unanimously agreed that the drains be provided.

ITEM 38 BRIDGE AT TOMBREAN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council widen the bridge at Tombrean, Carnew".

The Council was informed that the approximate replacement cost of the bridge was £14,500. Alternatively, two arches could be extended on each side. This would cost approximately £8,000 and the result, although an improvement would be far from satisfactory. The floor of the existing bridge is too high and cannot be lowered for fear of undermining the foundations. The County Engineer recommended that active consideration be given to replacing this bridge by means of raising finance to achieve this end. The recommendation of the County Engineer was adopted.

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ITEM 39 DANGEROUS BEND BETWEEN KILMACANOGUE AND BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council remove the dangerous bend on the road between Kilmacanogue and Blessington".

Councillor V. Blake indicated that there are two dangerous bends in this area. The matter was reported on again after clarification.

ITEM 40 LIGHTING BETWEEN CHURCH AND BALLYMENA ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the E.R.T.O. to provide additional lighting between Church Hill and Ballymena Road at Blessington".

The Council was informed that the provision of additional lighting between Church Hill and Ballymena Road at Blessington was being considered by the E.R.T.O. and had been agreed upon for this area, at the Arklow Electrical Area Meeting.

ITEM 41 POSTAGE BETWEEN FOR COUNCILLORS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"Owing to the high cost of postage to request the Minister for the Environment to grant a limited amount of postage stamps to each Councillor".

Letter dated the 18th December, 1977, from the Department of the Environment was read. The Department noted the contents of the Notice of Motion. It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge and agreed that the Notice of Motion be forwarded for consideration by the General Council of County Wick at their conference at Wexford.

ITEM 42 FLOODING AT KILMACANOGUE PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to restore footpaths at Rockfield Park, Kilmacanogue, to their former condition".

The Council was informed that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs gave restored the paths to their former condition. It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor A. Murphy, and agreed that the paths be restored with a cashew oil of maintenance at an approximate cost of £250.00.

ITEM 43 THE NEW TOWN FISHING

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the Minister for Finance to abolish tax on part-time fishing".

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and unanimously agreed that this Notice of Motion be submitted to the General Council of County Wick for consideration.

ITEM 29 DANGEROUS BEND BETWEEN KILCAVAN GAP & COLLINS CROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council remove the dangerous bend on the road between Kilcavan Gap and Collins Cross near Carnew".

Councillor V. Blake indicated that there are two dangerous bends in this area. The matter will be reported on again after clarification.

ITEM 30 LIGHTING BETWEEN CHURCH HILL & BALLYNULTA ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the E.S.B. to erect one additional light between Church Hill and Ballynulta Road at Shillelagh".

The Council was informed that the provision of three new poles and lanterns, and two new lanterns on existing poles, had been agreed upon for this area, at the Arklow Electoral Area Meeting. Noted.

ITEM 31 POSTAGE EXPENSES FOR COUNCILLORS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and J. Miley, Miss N. O'Neill, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, M. Cullen and J. Whelan was considered:-

"Owing to the high cost of postage at present, we request the Minister for the Environment to grant a limited amount of prepaid postage to each Councillor".

Letter dated the 16th December, 1977, from the Department of the Environment was read. The Department noted the contents of the Notice of Motion. It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill and agreed that the Notice of Motion be forwarded for consideration by the General Council of County Councils at their conference at Wexford.

ITEM 32 FOOTPATHS AT AVONDALE PARK

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to restore footpaths at Avondale Park, Bray, to their former condition".

The Council was informed that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs have restored the paths to their former condition. It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that the paths be surfaced with macadam out of maintenance at an approximate cost of £500.00.

ITEM 33 TAX ON PART-TIME FIREMEN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the Minister for Finance to abolish tax on part-time firemen".

It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and unanimously agreed that this Notice of Motion be submitted to the General Council of County Councils for consideration.

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THE FOLLOWING NOTICE OF MOTION IN THE NAMES OF COUNCILLORS J. BYRNE AND L. KAVANAGH, T.D., WAS CONSIDERED:-

"That public lighting be provided at Ballynulta Road at Shillelagh."

Councillor J. Byrne indicated that it had been agreed to provide three lights at the corner of Upper Windygate, Bray. Councillor O'Neill indicated that the road was a dead-end road. It was agreed to refer the matter to the next meeting.

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"That this Council request the E.S.B. to erect one additional light between Church Hill and Ballynulta Road at Shillelagh."

This matter was considered by the Council at its meeting on 12th December 1977. It was recommended to the Council that this light be erected at the corner of Church Hill and Ballynulta Road. The cost of £250.00 was agreed.

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"That this Council request the Minister for Finance to abolish tax on part-time firemen."

The Council was informed that the Minister for Finance had indicated that the tax on part-time firemen would be abolished from 1st January 1978. A definite commitment could be made. Noted.

ITEM 24 LIGHTING AT MEATH HOUSES, UPPER WINDGATES, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That public lighting be provided at Meath Houses, Upper Windgates, Bray".

Councillor J. Byrne indicated that it had been agreed to provide three lights at the cottages at Upper Windgates, Bray. Councillor O'Neill indicated they had been placed at the wrong location. It was agreed to review the position.

ITEM 25 PROVISION OF BELL SHAPED ENTRANCE TO CASTLECARRIG HOUSING ESTATE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy was considered:-

"That this Council, in view of future traffic which will be generated by the housing estate - Castlecarrig 872 houses - and the estates of Applewood Heights - 200 - and Grattan Park/Kindlestown Park - 424 + houses, make provision for a bell-shaped entrance to Bellevue Ave., at the Church road entrance".

It was recommended to the Council that this work be included for consideration in the 1979 Estimate of Expenses at an approximate cost of £3,000. Agreed.

ITEM 26 LIGHTING AT COTTAGES BETWEEN HALF MOON & LR. WINDGATES, GREYSTONES

This matter was considered by the Councillors of the Bray Electoral Area at their meeting, and it had been decided to provide a sum of £650 for the erection of additional public lighting at Upper Windgates in 1978.

ITEM 27 SCHOOL WARDEN, BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley was considered:-

"That the County Council appoint a School Warden from the Exchange at Blessington to meet the wishes of the Tenants and Residents Association at Blessington".

Councillor J. Miley suggested that a person from the Employment Exchange should be recruited for this position. He suggested that amending legislation be recommended for introduction so that the person would not lose the Social Welfare payments but the money earned be deducted from the amount paid to him. Councillor J. Sweeney suggested that the problem could be overcome by the utilisation of the Junior School Warden system.

It was agreed that the position be advertised again and the local clergy and residents association be circularised with a copy of the advertisement.

ITEM 28 EXTENSION TO CARNEW NATIONAL SCHOOL

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council make land available for an extension to Carnew National School".

The Council was informed that the amount of land required for the school by the school authorities would have to be made known before a definite commitment could be made. Noted.

"That the Council provide additional lighting at the entrance to the housing estate at Castlecarrig, Bray".

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"That the Council provide additional direction signs to the Transport Museum at Castleruddery, Donard".

Councillor P. Deering felt that Castleruddery Transport Museum was not adequately signposted; and was supported by Councillor J. Whelan. It was agreed that this matter would be reinvestigated. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., referred to difficulties in relation to the donation of articles to the museum.

ITEM 19 LIGHTING AT PARKBRIDGE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the E.S.B. to erect public lighting at Parkbridge adjacent to Egan's Crossroads".

It was noted that the provision of four lights had been approved at the Area Meeting.

ITEM 20 FLOODING AT BLAINROE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council do something about the flooding of the road outside Mr. Woodroffe's house at Blainroe, as it is causing great difficulty to this family".

The Council noted that steps are currently being taken to relieve the flooding at this location.

ITEM 21 NAMEPLATE - AVONDALE PARK, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That a nameplate be erected at the entrance to Avondale Park, Bray".

The Council noted that the nameplate had been provided.

ITEM 22 PATH FROM WOLFE TONE SQ. TO WOODBROOK LAWN, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That existing path from Wolfe Tone Square, Bray, to Woodbrook Lawn, Boghall Road, be levelled for the benefit of pedestrians".

The Council was informed that this footpath was provided as a temporary measure to facilitate pedestrians. The road at this point is too narrow to accommodate a proper path. The Council will continue to maintain this path in its present form until such time as funds are allocated for the widening and realignment of the Boghall Road. Councillor J. Byrne stated that the path is unusable as it is not level. The County Engineer stated that some repairs would be carried out.

ITEM 23 FLOODING AT WINDGATES, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"Owing to flooding at Lower Windgates, Bray, (O'Neill's to Chapman's) that drains be provided to divert water to enter pipes already provided".

The Council was informed that this work has been carried out.

ITEM 13 BUILD-UP OF DEPOSIT AT THE SLANG IN THE DARGLE RIVER

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council be given a further report on the build-up of deposit at the Slang in the river Dargle, (inland of Litho-Graphic)".

The County Engineer indicated that this bank of gravel stretches approximately half way across the river and is approximately fifty metres long and approximately one foot above water level. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., suggested that the deposit be removed from the river, and was supported by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge. The County Engineer undertook to have another look at this matter.

ITEM 14 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT KILTEGAN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That a public telephone kiosk be provided at Kiltegan".

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and unanimously agreed that the Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to provide a telephone kiosk in Kiltegan.

ITEM 15 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT JOHNSTOWN VILLAGE, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide public lighting at Johnstown Village outside Arklow".

It was recommended that public lighting be provided at Johnstown Village and that quotations be invited from the E.S.B. Agreed.

ITEM 16 WALL AT CARRIGNAMUCK BRIDGE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council replace the wall at Carrignamuck Bridge and extend it by the provision of one pipe while doing the work".

The Council was informed that it is intended to replace the wall shortly as it was knocked down by a lorry. Councillor J. Whelan proposed that the bridge be extended. The motion was seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed upon. The County Engineer indicated that he would submit an estimate for the work proposed.

ITEM 17 SPEED LIMIT SIGN AT KINDLESTOWN PARK, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council negotiate for a speed limit sign to be erected at the entrance to Kindlestown Park, Greystones".

The Council was informed that there are already two 30 m.p.h. speed limit signs at the entrance to Grattan Park. It was agreed that a repeater sign be erected.

ITEM 18 CASTLERUDDERY, DONARD - TRANSPORT MUSEUM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:-

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ITEM 19 PROVISION OF TELEPHONE KIOSKS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to provide a telephone kiosk at Kiltegan".

It was suggested and agreed that this work be included in the 1970 Roadworks Scheme if funds are available. The cost of the work is present is £1,000.

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"That this Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to provide a telephone kiosk at Kiltegan".

Letter dated 16th December, 1977, from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs was read. The Department is prepared to provide a telephone kiosk at Kiltegan on the standard terms in any other area.

It is requested by the Council that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs should provide a telephone kiosk at Kiltegan as soon as possible.

It was agreed that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs should provide a telephone kiosk at Kiltegan as soon as possible.

ITEM 21 USE OF GRAVEL IN RIVER AT ARKLOW FOR ROAD MAKING

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ITEM 9 FOOTPATH - AUGHRIM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide a footpath from Phelans to the National School at Aughrim".

It was suggested and agreed that this work be included in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme if funds are available. The cost of the work, at present, is £1,500.

ITEM 10 PROVISION OF TELEPHONES AT NATIONAL SCHOOLS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council request the Ministers for Posts and Telegraphs and Education to provide a telephone in all National Schools".

Letter dated the 16th December, 1977, from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs was read. The Department is prepared to provide a telephone service on the standard terms in any national school where it is requested by the School Management, the Minister for Education or any other body having an interest in the school. It was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill and agreed that any national school requiring a telephone service apply to the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

ITEM 11 USE OF GRAVEL IN RIVER AT ARKLOW FOR ROAD MAKING

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy and J. Sweeney was considered:-

"That the County Engineer indicate whether he is prepared to use gravel from the river in Arklow for future and immediate road making".

It was indicated that the Department of Tourism and Transport had indicated that the Minister was prepared to grant the necessary permission for the removal of 40,000 tons of gravel from the estuary, subject to an assurance being given by the Council that they were satisfied (a) that sufficient quantities of gravel for their purposes are available from the estuary and (b) that the removal of the required quantities of gravel from there will not result in erosion or damage to lands or property in the Arklow area. On receipt of these assurances from the Council, together with a cheque for £4,000 to cover the prescribed fees for the removal of 40,000 tons of gravel, the necessary licence would be issued without delay. The County Engineer's report indicated that if gravel is required in the future and if this gravel is found to be suitable, application will be made for the necessary licence.

Councillor J. Sweeney stated that the gravel was silting-up the river and should be removed. At present there is 9' of gravel in the river. It was felt that this work would be of benefit to the Arklow harbour if carried out.

ITEM 12 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT KILLINCARRIG

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., and Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That the Council take steps to alleviate the flooding of the telephone kiosk at Killincarrig".

Councillor A. Murphy stated that the condition of the telephone kiosk was very bad. Water flooded the kiosk during heavy rains making the kiosk almost impossible to use. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill supported Councillor Murphy's statement. It was agreed that the County Engineer would further examine this matter, and submit a report to the next meeting of the Council.

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ITEM # ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD

It was unanimously agreed that Senator John L. Edwards be contacted to attend the annual general meeting of the United Public Ladies.

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"That William Conway should give a report on the alternative routes for the construction of the third canalway from Mississippi through Louisiana."

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FROM : DAYTON'S BROS AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

The following notice of notice is the name of Tomislav J. Ivanovich;

"The Madison County Council is proud to have a very young person as its president. The council is also proud to have a young person as its president. The council is also proud to have a young person as its president."

It was indicated to the Council that this work is nearly finished.

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The following Notice of Motion in the names of Counselors A. Byrne and J. Edwards, T.D., was communicated:-

"That a warning sign is erected at Upper Hargis Road, Hwy. of apparent traffic lights at Saraybunk, Hwy."

It was recommended by the Council that this warning sign be erected.

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Councillor V. Blake, attend the conference. It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill that Councillor Ml. Cullen attend the conference, in addition to Councillors A. Murphy, F. Hynes and D. Kinsella. It was agreed that the three Councillors, i.e. Councillors K. Ryan, V. Blake and Ml. Cullen attend the conference. At the suggestion of the Council the County Manager indicated that he would attend if available or if not the County Secretary.

ITEM 4 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LTD.

It was unanimously agreed that Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge be nominated to attend the annual general meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

ITEM 5 I.F.H.P. CONGRESS IN HAMBURG

The I.F.H.P. Congress will be held in Hamburg from the 10th to 16th September, 1978. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and unanimously agreed that six Members of the Council attend the congress. The following nominations were agreed:- Councillors C. Murphy, T. D., Ml. Cullen, Mrs. M. Costello, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, G. Timmins, T.D., K. Ryan. It was also agreed that two officials be nominated by the County Manager to attend. Councillor J. Sweeney suggested that Councillors wishing to accompany the nominees at the congress be allowed to do so; they should pay their own expenses but a lower rate ought to be sought. It was suggested that the local travel agents be requested to submit quotations for travel and accommodation arrangements.

ITEM 6 DUAL CARRIAGEWAY FROM KILPEDDER THROUGH NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council give a report on the alternative routes for the continuation of the dual carriageway from Kilpedder through Newtownmountkenedy".

The County Engineer's report indicated that discussions have and are taking place with the Department of the Environment Inspectors on the alternate routes being investigated for the dual-carriageway from Kilpedder to the bye-pass at Newtownmountkenedy. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., urged that firm proposals be sent to the Department as soon as possible.

ITEM 7 DANGEROUS BEND AT KILMULLEN, NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council give a report on the progress made towards the removal of the dangerous bend at Kilmullen, Newtownmountkenedy".

It was indicated to the Council that this work is nearly finished. Noted.

ITEM 8 SIGNPOST - UPPER DARGLE ROAD, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That a warning sign be erected at Upper Dargle Road, Bray, of approaching traffic lights at Sunnybank, Bray".

It was recommended by the Council that this warning sign be erected. Arrangements are being made for its erection in the near future.

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday,
13th March, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing
at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors T. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney,
V. Blake, J. Whelan, P. Deering, J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D.,
J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Costello, Ch. Keegan, Mrs. M. Ledwidge,
A. Murphy, C. Murphy, T.D., Miss N. O'Neill, J. J. Bourke,
Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes and R. Miley

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Attendance:- Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section
Mr. F. O'Toole, Staff Officer, Environmental Services
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

With regard to the Road Grant of £75,000 being made by the Department of the Environment in respect of Boghall Road, Bray, Councillors requested that clarification of conditions and confirmation that the grant will be available, be sought in writing from the Department. The County Manager indicated that he was satisfied that the money would be available and he had placed a record on the file accordingly.

Councillor Mrs. M. Costello made reference to the footpath to the school at Boghall Road. It was stated that the path was unusable. The County Engineer stated that some improvements will be made at this location.

Vote of Sympathy

It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill and unanimously agreed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the Wife and family of the Late Mr. J. Doyle, Traffic Warden, Newtownmountkenedy. The County Manager associated himself with the vote of sympathy on his own behalf and on behalf of the Council staff.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor V. Blake and unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on the 13th February, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 ROAD TRAFFIC (SPEED LIMITS) (COUNTY OF WICKLOW) REGULATIONS, 1978

Members of the Council were circulated with copies of the regulations. It was agreed that the works listed would be carried out and any further alterations could be discussed at a later date. It was recommended that road-signs be purchased from Irish manufacturers. A problem arose with sign-posts being turned in the wrong direction either maliciously or by the wind, and a number of suggestions were made as to how this could be overcome for the future.

ITEM 3 COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL'S 3rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor J. Byrne that Councillor K. Ryan attend the conference of the County Council's General Council to be held in Wexford. It was proposed by Councillor T. Keenan, seconded by Councillor P. Deering that

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on the
29th March, 1978, at the Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, P. Deering, J. Miley,
G. Timmins, T.D., T. J. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan,
J. Sweeney, J. Whelan, V. Blake, J. Byrne, C. Keegan,
Mrs. M. Ledwidge, C. Murphy, T.D., A. Murphy and
Miss N. O'Neill

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
attend- Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
ance:- Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. T. Broderick, County Development Officer
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

ITEM 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES PROGRAMME

Copies of circular ENV. 3/78 from the Department of the Environment, dated the 23rd February, 1978, in relation to the Environmental Improvement Schemes Programme had been circulated to the Members for consideration. The scheme was designed for young persons, up to and including, 25 years of age. The circular specified that at least 60% of the total provisional allocation must be spent on labour costs.

Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., enquired if a list was available of National Manpower Agencies from which employment could be given. The Council was informed that contact had been made with Manpower and assistance would be given on recruitment of young persons. It was pointed out that it was impossible to ascertain accurately the number of unemployed persons under the age of 25 years.

Following an enquiry, Councillor O'Neill was informed that the persons employed would be paid at the rate of roadworkers.

Particular reference was made by Councillors to the Bray area where it was felt the majority of unemployed were in the county. After extensive discussion it was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor A. Murphy, that 52% of the £99,000 be allocated to the North area, 18% to the South area, 15% to the East area and 15% to West Wicklow.

It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor K. Ryan that 50% be allocated to the Northern area, 16% to the Eastern area, 19% to the Southern area and 15% to West Wicklow.

It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor P. Deering that 40% be allocated to the Northern area, and 20% to each of the other three electoral areas.

A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour

Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.
Councillor F. Hynes
Councillor P. Deering
Councillor J. Miley
Councillor G. Timmins, T.D.
Councillor T. Keenan
Councillor D. Kinsella
Councillor K. Ryan
Councillor J. Sweeney

Against

Councillor Ml. Cullen
Councillor J. Whelan
Councillor V. Blake
Councillor J. Byrne
Councillor C. Keegan
Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge
Councillor C. Murphy, T.D.
Councillor A. Murphy
Councillor Miss N. O'Neill

On the casting vote of the Chairman, the proposal of Councillor J. Sweeney was carried ten votes to nine.

Members then adjourned to consider the allocation for their particular areas. On resumption, the following schemes were adopted:-

Bray Electoral Area

(1)	Bog Meadow, Enniskerry:	Levelling, seeding and fencing.	£6,000
(2)	Burnaby Park, Greystones:	Fencing, cleaning shrubbery etc.	£2,000
(3)	Victoria Road, do	: Clean, level and seed.	£3,000
(4)	Kindlestown Park:	Provision of playground.	£2,000
(5)	Carrig Villas, Greyst.	Provision of small park on existing open space.	£1,000
(6)	Kilcoole Green:	Level and seed.	£2,000
(7)	Ballymorris, Bray:	Playing fields.	£3,000
(8)	Kilgarron Park,	Cleaning and levelling and seeding open space.	£1,000
(9)	Housing Scheme:	Improvements.	£14,000
(10)	Bray harbour:	Improvement to Cove swimming pool.	£4,300
(11)	Bray:	Construction of childrens' play area with paths, seating and landscaping.	£3,000

Wicklow Electoral Area

(1)	Glenealy:	Green areas at housing scheme.	£3,000
(2)	Ashford/Ballinalea:	Level and soil and provide kerbing and shrubs.	£1,500
(3)	Old Graveyard, Rathnew:	Build wall and remove headstones.	£4,000
(4)	Rathnew:	Kerbing, levelling, seeding of footpaths and open space in Rathnew, and general improvement of village.	£3,000
(5)	Newtownmountkennedy:	Cleaning and levelling and seeding of open space.	£1,000
(6)	Rathdrum:	Cleaning and levelling and seeding of open space.	£1,000
(7)	Wicklow:	General tidying and cleaning, trimming the verges, backlanes and derelict sites, unsurfaced back lanes and surfacing with gravel where necessary.	£5,300
(8)	Wicklow:	Planting at various estates.	£1,000

Arklow Electoral Area

(1)	Sports field Avoca:	Level, seed and fencing new sports field.	£2,500
(2)	Open spaces at new houses in Auhtrim:	Level and seed and provision of playground.	£4,000
(3)	Carnew:	Pitch and putt.	£2,400
(4)	Shillelagh:	Open space.	£2,400
(5)	Knockananna:	Improve footpaths at Knockananna.	£ 200
(6)	Coolboy:	Improve green space in Coolboy.	£ 300
(7)	Knockananna Hall:	Improve lay-bye at Knockananna hall.	£ 400
(8)	Arklow:	General cleaning in Urban Area over derelict sites, old unsurfaced lanes, surfacing with gravel to curtail weeds and improvements to edges and drainage.	£4,500
(9)	Arklow:	Removal of graffiti at various locations.	£ 200
(10)	Arklow:	Planting at various locations - housing estates, river walks, etc.	£1,000

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(11) Arklow:

Construction of public/municipal park at Abbey graveyard with usable headstones removed and re-erected above boundary walls, and the area levelled, soiled and seeded. £1,000

Baltinglass Electoral Area

- (1) Killamoat Church: Parking facilities. £2,000
- (2) Cranareen: Parking facilities. £2,000
- (3) Baltinglass: Erect wall - G.A.A. grounds. £1,000
- (4) Baltinglass: Rebuild walls along Dublin Rd. £1,500
- (5) Clough Cross: Landscape plot at Clough Cross. £1,000
- (6) Baltinglass: Recreational and sporting centre, Chapel Hill, Baltinglass. £1,500
- (7) Baltinglass: Clean river banks and bed. £1,000
- (8) Ballysmutton: Parking facilities. £1,500
- (9) Blessington Bridge: Parking facilities. £ 800
- (10) Burgage Bridge: Parking facilities. £2,500
- (11) Dunlavin: Completion of play area at Church Tce., Dunlavin. £1,500
- (12) Donard Village: Construction of plaza at statue of B.V.M. £1,500
- (13) Stratford Village: Construction of grass margins at approaches to Village. £1,000
- (14) Donard: Improvements to handball alley. £1,000

ITEM 2 CONTINUATION OF AGENDA FROM ORDINARY MEETING

It was agreed to defer consideration of the remaining items on the agenda for the Ordinary Meeting held on the 13th March, 1978, to the next meeting of the Council.

The meeting then concluded.

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CHAIRMAN

10th Apr. 78
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WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on the
3rd April, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, P. Deering,
J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D., T. Keenan, D. Kinsella,
K. Ryan, J. Sweeney, J. Whelan, V. Blake, Mrs. M. Costello,
Mrs. M. Ledwidge, C. Murphy, T.D., A. Murphy, Miss
N. O'Neill and R. Miley

Apology was received from Councillor J. Byrne for inability to attend.

Also in attendance:- Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

Votes of Sympathy

The Chairman, Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., proposed a vote of sympathy with the Wife, friends and relatives of the Late Cearbhall O Dalaigh. The Chairman pointed out that the late President was born in Bray and had maintained his contacts with the county throughout the years. He had made notable achievements both in his profession and also later in life as President. He was a man who was deeply interested in the culture of the country and his passing would be regretted by everyone who knew him. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded Councillor Kavanagh's vote of sympathy and concurred with everything which had been said about the late President whose achievements in the legal profession had been recognised throughout Europe. Deputy G. Timmins, T.D., also associated with the vote of sympathy and paid tribute to the ability and charity of the late President. All of the Council members associated themselves with the vote of sympathy and the County Manager on behalf of the staff, joined the Members in paying tribute to the late President.

A vote of sympathy was proposed by Councillor R. Miley, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., with the Wife and family of the Late Mr. John Houlihan, Fair Green, Rathdrum, who had been employed as Station Officer.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney, and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on the 6th March, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 WATER SUPPLY FOR DOWLINGS, ENGLISHTOWN, KILTEGAN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley was considered:-

"That this Council erect a pump to give a suitable water supply for Mr. and Mrs. Dowling, Englishtown, Kiltegan".

The County Engineer's report indicated that the cost of erecting a pump would be £1,400, and it was considered uneconomical to do so. When the Kiltegan water supply is extended to the houses in Barraderry, it may be possible to give a connection to the Dowlings. In any event, no money had been allocated in the estimates for 1978 for this work, but consideration could be given in next year's estimates.

ITEM 3 CASTLEMACADAM OLD GRAVEYARD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan and J. Sweeney was considered:-

"That the County Council take over Castlemacadam Old Graveyard and keep it cleaned every year, as it is situated on the main road through the Vale of Avoca".

The Council was informed that this cemetery is owned by the County Council and a Caretaker had been appointed. It was agreed that the County Engineer would examine the question of a clean-up by the Council workmen in the area periodically.

ITEM 4 REPAIRS TO HOUSE AT STATION ROAD, AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council arrange to have repairs carried out to the house tenanted by P. J. Burke, Station Road, Avoca, as the house has a bad dampness problem, and the roof tiles are broken".

The Council was informed that the matter is currently being investigated.

ITEM 5 PUBLIC TOILETS AT THE MEETINGS, AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council arrange to have the public toilets at the Meetings, Avoca, cleaned and repaired".

The Council was informed that arrangements have been made to have these toilets redecorated and repaired.

ITEM 6 REPAIRS TO HOUSE AT SPRINGFIELD HEIGHTS, NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council replace the back door and latches on the house occupied by Mrs. T. Keane, Springfield Heights, Newtownmountkennedy, as she was told by the Council two years ago that this would be done".

The Council was informed that work would be carried out at the above house at an estimated cost of £55.00, i.e. replacing back door and faulty latches on window sashes.

ITEM 7 MOBILE TOILETS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council provide mobile toilets during the months of June, July, and August, near the car park at the southern end of Greystones at the second arch".

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill referred to the need for an additional toilet at Greystones at the southern end of the beach, particularly during the months of June, July and August. The County Engineer referred to the difficulty in having a toilet at this location having regard to the levels, etc., and also the difficulties in regard to caretaking. Following extensive discussions it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill that consideration be given in the 1979 estimates for the purchase of a new mobile toilet unit for use in the county.

ITEM 8 LAND AT GLENEALY FOR COUNCIL HOUSES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council compulsorily acquire land in Glenealy for the purpose of building Council houses".

The Council was informed that a site suitable for housing had been identified in Glenealy. Councillor F. Hynes felt that if a Compulsory Purchase Order was required to obtain this land that an alternative site be considered. He referred to land in the village of Glenealy owned by McCauls which might be investigated. It was agreed that the County Engineer would reinvestigate this matter.

ITEM 9 SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR GLENEALY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council provide a proper sewerage system in Glenealy".

The County Engineer's report indicated that a sewerage scheme was partially prepared some years ago, based on discharge to the local stream. The stream is very small and a problem may now arise with dilution. Houses in Drumdangan must also be served with sewerage. Large quantities of rock exist in Glenealy which may make the construction of a sewerage scheme difficult. It was recommended that a Consulting Engineer be appointed to examine the Glenealy/Drumdangan area. Agreed.

ITEM 10 LAND AT ASHFORD FOR COUNCIL HOUSES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council put a Compulsory Purchase Order on the land they are trying to buy in Ashford for the past year or more, as it is urgently required to build Council houses on".

Negotiations are at present taking place for the acquisition of land in Ashford. A Compulsory Purchase Order may have to be made in the future, but this would not be of assistance at present. Noted. Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., stated that there was a growing demand for housing in this area and other members agreed with this view.

ITEM 11 PROVISION OF A HOUSE AT WHITESTOWN, STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:-

"That the Council build a house for Tom Humphreys, The Wood, Baltinglass, at Whitestown, Stratford-on-Slaney".

The Council was informed that Mr. Humphreys did not apply for re-housing. Consideration will be given to suitable sites and a further report will be submitted. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., felt that the Council should consider using system built houses in these instances. This matter is currently being investigated and a report will be submitted to the Council.

ITEM 12 PROVISION OF A HOUSE AT STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and P. Deering was considered:-

"That the Council provide a house for Mrs. Teresa Moore, Blessington, on her Father's site at Ballyhook, Stratford-on-Slaney".

It was indicated to the Council that Mrs. Moore is accommodated in good conditions at Blessington and it was not reasonable, therefore, to build a rural cottage at Ballyhook, Stratford-on-Slaney. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., referred to the particular circumstances and stated that this woman was anxious to return to Stratford-on-Slaney, and this move would make a house vacant in Blessington which could be filled from the Council's 'waiting list'.

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed that the Council provide a house for Mrs. T. Moore, Blessington, on her Father's site at Ballyhook, Stratford-on-Slaney.

ITEM 13 ERECTION OF A FENCE AT ENNISKERRY HOUSING ESTATE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Keegan, A. Murphy and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council erect a suitable fence between the property of Mr. Corcoran and Mr. Griffin and the new housing estate at Enniskerry".

It was indicated that this matter is presently under investigation, and a report will be submitted for the next meeting of the Council.

ITEM 14 PROVISION OF STEPS TO HOUSE AT SEAVIEW HEIGHTS, RATHNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council lay concrete steps on the steep footpath leading to the front door of Mr. O'Toole's house at Sea View Heights, Rathnew".

It was recommended to the Council that steps on the steep path to Mrs. O'Toole's house be provided at an estimated cost of £90.00. Agreed.

ITEM 15 PROVISION OF WALL AT HOUSE AT SEAVIEW HEIGHTS, RATHNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council build a retaining wall at the back of Mr. Dickenson's house at Seaview Heights, Rathnew".

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and unanimously agreed that the Council provide a retaining wall at the back of Mr. Dickenson's house at an estimated cost of £100.00.

ITEM 16 REPAIRS TO HOUSE AT SEAVIEW HEIGHTS, RATHNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council repair the front door of Mrs. Martha Merrigan's house to stop water coming through at Seaview Heights, Rathnew".

The Council was informed that the repairs required, at an estimated cost of £12.00, would be carried out. Noted.

ITEM 17 EXTENSION OF WATER SCHEME FROM HOLLYWOOD TO DONBYKE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council extend water scheme from Hollywood to Donbyke - Athgraney and Rathallen".

The Council was informed that the extension to the Hollywood water scheme proposed and covered by a grant from F.E.O.G.A. funds would not cover an extension to this area. Investigations as to a future scheme in this area would be carried out when time permits. Councillors requested information as to when the Hollywood scheme would be completed as people wanted to decide whether or not to sink wells. A further report would be submitted.

Councillor J. Miley enquired as to the possibility of linking up with Co. Kildare's scheme. The County Engineer felt that this would not be feasible.

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill referred to the possibility of obtaining water from underground sources, and was informed that An Foras Forbartha was presently undertaking a national survey on this matter.

ITEM 18 WATER MAIN AT 14 LR. KINDLESTOWN, DELGANY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council arrange for the removal of the stopcock or valve, in the property of Mrs. Martins, 14 Lower Kindlestown, Delgany, on the water main which supplies water to 21 houses at Kindlestown Lower, Delgany, (Crowe Abbey) and Bellevue Heights".

The County Secretary referred to the history in that Mrs. Martins's extension had been erected over the main. It was considered that she was well aware of the situation prior to building the extension and as a consequence will now be liable for any alteration of the main that would be necessary to rectify the situation. Following extensive discussion on the matter, the County Engineer undertook to examine the position in more detail and submit a further report.

ITEM 19 USE OF DUNLAVIN FIRE BRIGADE TRAINING ROOM AS CLASSROOM

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council make available the Dunlavin Fire Brigade training room to the primary school management committee, as a temporary measure, while extensions are being effected".

Councillor P. Deering referred to the reply received for the use of a room in the fire brigade station as a temporary classroom during the alterations to the school. He failed to understand how the Chief Fire Officer had objections to the proposal and he asked that the matter be re-considered.

ITEM 20 CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Planting in Estates

It was recommended to the Council that they pay a grant of 80% of the cost of planting trees and shrubs to three residents associations who had applied under Section 50 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963. It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and unanimously agreed that the following residents associations be paid a grant of 80% of the cost of this work:-

La Touche Park Residents Association, Greystones	£200	i.e.	£160
Beechwood Park Tenants Association, Kilcoole	£150	i.e.	£120
Fairhill Residents Association, Bray	£130	i.e.	£105

Polling Station, Arklow

Letter dated the 13th March, 1978, from Mr. Philip O'Reilly, County Registrar, was read to the meeting. He stated that the Boys' Infant School at Castlepark (near Dunne's Stores) would appear to be ideal

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as a Polling Station. It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., and agreed that a Polling Station be located at this address.

Telephone Kiosks & Letter Boxes

Letter dated 22nd February, 1978, from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs was read. It was noted the Department felt a letterbox was not required at the Council's housing estate in Blessington. Noted.

A similar letter dated the 22nd February, was received from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs relating to a letterbox for Parkmore, Baltinglass. In letter dated the 16th March, 1978, the Department of Posts and Telegraphs indicated that a telephone kiosk at Parkmore, Baltinglass, would not pay for itself. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., stated that the kiosk already provided at Baltinglass is out of order most of the time, and he suggested that the matter be taken up again with the Department, or alternatively a kiosk be provided under the guarantee scheme.

Letter dated the 22nd February, 1978, from the Department of Posts and Telegraphs, indicated that a letterbox was not required at the housing estate at Dunlavin as the volume of correspondence likely to be posted did not warrant it. By letter dated the 16th March, 1978, the Department indicated that they felt a telephone kiosk was not considered necessary at Dunlavin.

By letter dated the 22nd March, 1978, the Department of Posts and Telegraphs indicated that it was not possible to provide a telephone kiosk at Merrymount, Rathnew. Councillor F. Hynes stated that the population of Merrymount numbered approximately 600 or more and if a kiosk was provided it would prove to pay for itself. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., and agreed that this telephone kiosk be provided.

Letter dated the 9th March, 1978, from the Department regarding the provision of telephone kiosks at (1) Cranabeg, Vallemount, (2) Ballyknockan Village, (3) Coolruss, Tinahely, (4) Kilcarra, Arklow, was read, and it was noted the Department could not meet the requests of the Council. It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed, that a further letter be sent to the Department with regard to a telephone kiosk for Coolruss, Tinahely.

Councillors indicated that it had been agreed some time ago to provide a telephone kiosk at Arklow and Ballyknockan. A further letter dated the 21st December, 1977, from the Department indicated that they were not in a position to provide a telephone kiosk at Quarry Street, Shillelagh. The Department also indicated they could not provide a telephone kiosk at Killinure where there was no Post Office.

It was agreed that the County Secretary would take the entire question of telephone kiosks and post boxes up with the Department and express the dissatisfaction of the Members of the Council with the replies received to date. It was also agreed that a further report would be made on any replies received at the next meeting.

Housing

Following an enquiry from Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., regarding the provision of houses at Kiltegan and Grangecon, Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer, indicated that the Council was at present negotiating to exchange lands at Kiltegan. Plans would then be put in hands for building houses. Land would be sought for the provision of houses at Grangecon, as soon as possible.

It was agreed to hold the May Housing Meeting at the Town Hall, Bray, to enable Councillors inspect Ballymorris House which is proposed to be used as a community centre.

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill requested information as to water supply for private sites. It was pointed out that private site owners would have to make their own connections.

It was indicated to Councillor J. Sweeney that the houses at Avoca would be ready within the next three to four weeks.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Chairman
CHAIRMAN

1st May 1978.
DATE

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday,
10th April, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, P. Deering,
J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D., T. Keenan, D. Kinsella,
K. Ryan, J. Sweeney, J. Whelan, V. Blake, Mrs. M. Costello,
J. Byrne, Mrs. M. Ledwidge, C. Murphy, T.D., A. Murphy,
Miss N. O'Neill and R. Miley

Also in Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Attend- Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary
ance:- Mr. T. J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. R. O Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Councillor K. Ryan objected to the wording of item '9' of the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 13th March, 1978. It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and agreed, Councillor Ryan dissenting, that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council and of the Special Meeting of the Council held on the 29th March, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 GRANT TO EAST WICKLOW REGIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill and unanimously agreed that a grant of £1,000 be made to the East Wicklow Regional Youth Council for the training of youth leaders and the provision of recreational equipment for the clubs.

ITEM 3 RAISING OF LOAN TO FINANCE HOUSE PURCHASE & RECONSTRUCTION LOANS

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and unanimously resolved that a loan of £1,000,000 be raised for the financing of the House Purchase and Reconstruction Loans scheme, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment.

ITEM 4 ARBITRATION AWARD - COUNCIL'S STOREKEEPER

The County Secretary gave details of the Arbitration Award which recommended an increase in the salary scale of Storekeeper from the 1st June, 1976. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and resolved that the Council seek the sanction of the Minister for the Environment to the implementation of this award.

ITEM 5 CLEANING OF INLETS ON ROADS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor K. Ryan was considered:-

"That this Council make the necessary arrangements to have the water inlets cleaned out to take the water off the roads".

Councillor K. Ryan stated that although the inlets on the road verges had been cleaned, the main fault lay with the lack of cleaning of the drains themselves which run parallel with the hedges. With the trimming of the hedges, the debris had been allowed to many cases to fall into the drains and this, with other refuse, contributed to the blocking. Following a discussion on the matter, it was proposed by Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Whelan and agreed that more attention be paid to these particular drains.

ITEM 6 WIDENING OF BEACH ROAD, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Engineer examine the possibility of widening the Beach Road, between Arklow and Avoca in order to render this road safer for traffic".

The estimated cost of widening this road at present day prices was £50,000. The cost of widening bridges and removing bends would be additional. Members indicated that it had been agreed at the Area Meeting that the grass verges should be removed over a number of years. It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that this work be done on a systematic basis.

ITEM 7 PRINTING OF THE ELECTORAL REGISTERS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C. Keegan, V. Blake, G. Timmins, T.D., P. Deering and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council press the Department of the Environment to ensure that the Electoral Registers for this Council will be printed and delivered on time".

Councillors outlined the unsatisfactory service being given by the present printer of the Register of Electors. Registers were not received in time for making corrections, and that generally the contractor was unsatisfactory. The County Secretary was instructed to contact the Department with a view to reverting to the old system wherein the register was printed in Wicklow. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge and agreed that the Council request the Minister for the Environment to convey sanction for the employment of the original printer for the Register of Electors.

Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., referred to the history in this matter and the fact that the present change had been requested by the Members themselves. However, the present system was even more unsatisfactory and he would now support the change-back.

ITEM 8 ROADWAY AT KINDLESTOWN PARK/BELLEVUE HEIGHTS, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D., and Miss N. O'Neill was considered:-

"That a further report be given on the proposal to retain the boundary of the roadway between Kindlestown Park and Bellevue Heights, Greystones, and to establish a pedestrian way".

It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill and agreed that a pedestrian way be provided.

ITEM 9 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT BALLYRONAN ROAD, NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council arrange for the erection of public lighting at the west side of Ballyronan Road, Newtownmountkennedy, where the road adjoins the main Dublin/Wexford Road".

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that provision of public lighting at the west side of Ballyronan Road, Newtownmountkennedy, be made and a quotation sought from the E.S.B. for the cost of this work.

ITEM 10 TELEPHONE KIOSK AT UPPER BALLYNERRIN, WICKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, M. Cullen and R. Miley was considered:-

"That the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a telephone kiosk at Upper Ballynerrin, Wicklow".

The Council was informed that the provision of a telephone kiosk at this location would be uneconomical and could only be provided under guarantee.

ITEM 11 DISPOSAL OF LAND, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the application of Wm. Fitzgerald, Bawnogue, Baltinglass, to purchase portion of the Council's land which adjoins his property be agreed to".

The County Engineer in his report indicated that the land referred to is a lay-bye formed by the realigning of the National Secondary road at Bawnogue. Most of this land would consist of the old road and any land that lay between the old road and the new road. There was no objection to disposing of this ground as it was of no further use to the Council. The Council does not own the old road and it would be necessary to transfer the land, comprising of the old road, from its present owner to the Council, and also to abandon the road and extinguish the right-of-way over it. It was reported that it should be referred to the Law Agent to institute the required procedure. It was proposed by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering and agreed that this be done.

ITEM 12 DANGEROUS BEND - KNOCKRAHEEN & KNOCKATEMPLE, ROUNDWOOD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council remove the dangerous bends at Knockraheen and Knockatemple, Roundwood".

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor R. Miley and agreed that this work be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme.

ITEM 13 APPROACH TO OLDTOWN ROAD, ROUNDWOOD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council improve the approach to the Oldtown road, Roundwood, as the blind exit makes for a traffic hazard".

It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor R. Miley and agreed that this work be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme.

ITEM 14 EXTENSION OF FOOTPATH AT ROUNDWOOD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and F. Hynes was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council continue the footpath which is now being laid to the new houses, Roundwood, to extend to the cottages at Ashtown, Roundwood".

It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and agreed that part of the work be carried out during the current year and the remaining work be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme.

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ITEM 15 GARDAI - BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council request the Minister for Justice that extra Gardai be drafted into Bray and surrounding areas".

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge referred to the need for extra Gardai in the Bray area, Enniskerry and the surrounding districts, especially in view of the coming holiday season. Councillor J. Miley felt that the number of Gardai in the county should be increased. Councillors also indicated the need for extra Gardai in Brittas Bay and referred to the fact that there were no Gardai in Glendalough which has a high tourist influx. It was agreed that the Council write to the Department of Justice in relation to this problem.

ITEM 16 STATUE IN DONARD VILLAGE

It was indicated that this item had been dealt with at a previous Special Meeting of the Council.

ITEM 17 PAYMENT OF SUPERANNUATION PENSION & SICK PAY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor K. Ryan was considered:-

"That this Council pay Superannuation Pension and Pay Related to its employees when due".

Councillor K. Ryan referred to the question of delays in payment of superannuation allowances and also sick pay. The County Secretary in reply indicated difficulties in some cases in ascertaining the exact services of an employee. However, the entire matter was being examined with a view to speeding up the payments as requested. It was also agreed that insurance cards would also be returned quickly when an employee leaves the services of the Council.

ITEM 18 LAYING OF DRAINAGE PIPES AT LUGDUFF ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council lay pipes in a drain at the bad bend on the Lugduff road between O'Toole's and the school road. A number of cars have gone into this drain when meeting large vehicles on this bend",

It was indicated to the Council that the estimated cost of carrying out the work was £625.00, and recommended that this work be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. Agreed.

ITEM 19 ROADSIGN AT AVOCA VILLAGE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and V. Blake was considered:-

"That the question of removing the 'stop' sign from its present position at the junction of Avoca village to the Beach approach road be examined".

Councillor T. Keenan referred to the fact that the Council had been requested to erect this sign. Councillor F. Blake felt that the sign's removal would be in the interest of safety. It was agreed to further examine the situation.

ITEM 20 ROADSIGN AT BALLINACOR, KILBRIDE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Bourke, and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That a warning sign be erected at the houses at Ballinacor, Kilbride, to prevent motorists mistaking the lay-bye for the main road".

It was recommended to the Council that delineator posts be erected on the west side of the road at Ballinacor. Agreed.

ITEM 21 ROADSIGNS - STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and G. Timmins, T.D., was considered:-

"That the road signs on the main Dublin Road indicating Stratford be more obvious and that a sign showing 'Stratford' be erected at Randlestown".

It was considered that these signs are necessary and arrangements are being made to have them erected. It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed that the signs show 'Stratford-on-Slaney'.

ITEM 22 ROADSIGNS AT MONASTERY CROSS TO ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy and C. Keegan was considered:-

"That more road signs be erected on the back road from Monastery Cross to Enniskerry, particularly on the bends, to prevent further dangerous accidents".

It was indicated to the Council that more roadsigns have been erected at the above location.

ITEM 23 INSURANCE BONDS - DEVELOPMENTS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy and C. Keegan was considered:-

"That where this Council requests Insurance Bonds or monies to be lodged by developers, that such lodgments should contain a specified time limit commensurate with the development necessary".

The Council was informed that at present developers have to give security for the satisfactory completion of the development works by lodgment with the Council of an Insurance Co. Bond or cash sum in lieu equivalent to the estimated cost of the said works. In the case of a bond a claim is lodged with the Insurance Co. if the works or scheme is incomplete at the date of expiry. Most bonds are issued for periods of between three to five years. Failure to comply with a condition requiring a bond means that the permission has no effect and the development is unauthorised.

Councillor A. Murphy felt the length of time involved before the Council could take action on a development which had been left unfinished was considerable, and proposed that the bond contain the length of time thought necessary to complete the development after which the bond could be taken up with the insurance company. The proposal was seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed.

ITEM 24 ENGINEERING STAFF

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley, P. Deering, J. Sweeney, M. Cullen, T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That this Council allocate an Engineer to each of the four electoral areas, this Engineer to have housing and housing repairs and planning as priority".

Councillor J. Miley stated that two Engineers were required in each electoral area, one to control housing, water and sewerage, and the other roads, planning, etc. The cause of the high percentage of change-over in staff in the Engineering Section was thought to be the number of part-time posts. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., and agreed that this Notice of Motion be adjourned to the next meeting of the Council, and that the County Engineer submit a report on Engineering structure.

ITEM 25 BALLYKILLAGEER LANE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That this Council take over and repair Ballykillageer Lane from the Post Office at Ballycoogue to the bridge".

The County Engineer's report stated that the applicants should be advised to seek a Local Improvement Scheme in this instance as there are no funds available for carrying out this work. It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan that the Council take over and repair the lane as it was destroyed by water flowing onto it. It was agreed that the County Engineer would reinvestigate this matter.

ITEM 26 FOOTPATHS FROM OLD CONNAUGHT CORNER TO MAIN ST., BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That in view of the very unsatisfactory state of the paths from Old Connacht Corner to Main Street, Bray, as a result of work being done by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs, that the Council make representations to have the matter brought to a satisfactory conclusion".

The Council was informed that restoration work to the above paths has been in hand for two weeks.

ITEM 27 PUBLIC LIGHTING - KILCOOLE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide public lighting on the road leading to Lott Lane, Kilcoole, at the locality known as Cleary's Hill".

It was recommended to the Council that the light be provided at the junction of Lott Lane and Cleary's Hill, and that the money be defrayed from the allocation provided for public lighting in the current year's estimates. It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor J. Byrne and agreed that this be done.

ITEM 28 STAND-BY FIRE APPLIANCE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council purchase a Fire Engine in order to have a stand-by engine when others are being repaired".

The need for a stand-by fire engine was stressed by Councillors, however, the County Manager indicated that the cost of a new engine would be very high. It was suggested that the old fire appliance be kept in case of an emergency. Councillors were informed that there were eleven fire appliances in the county at present. It was agreed that the new Chief Fire Officer should submit a report

on the situation generally in the county for the Members information.

ITEM 29 FOOTPATHS AT AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council reconstruct the footpaths from the Meetings, Avoca, to the point near the Vale View Hotel, as the paths are below road surface level, and are almost unusable in bad weather conditions".

The County Engineer's report indicated that any work which could be classified as maintenance would be carried out in the current year. Where new works are considered necessary they could be provided for in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. It was proposed by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that this work be done.

ITEM 30 PROVISION OF BUS BAY AT GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, and C. Keegan was considered:-

"That a bus bay be provided outside the boys' national school at Rathdown Road, Greystones".

Councillor A. Murphy indicated that it had been agreed in 1977 to provide this bus bay but that the matter had been left aside due to the expense and difficulty involved. The County Engineer indicated that a scheme would be prepared and submitted to the Council for consideration.

ITEM 31 & ITEM 44 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT HOLLYWOOD

The following Notices of Motion were considered:-

Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley, and C. Murphy, T.D.:
"That this Council report on additional lights at Hollywood Cross opposite the shopping centre".

Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering:-
"That Wicklow County Council erect an extra E.S.B. light at the end of the cul-de-sac in Hollywood village".

The Council was informed that the E.S.B. had been requested to submit an estimate for the provision of public lighting at the cul-de-sac in Hollywood village. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., and agreed that this work be included in the 1979 estimates.

ITEM 32 SHELTER AT THE HARBOUR, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council remove the shelter opposite the Beach House at the Harbour, Greystones, as it is a health hazard due to the use of it as a public convenience".

The County Engineer's report indicated that the shelter was being used for the parking of buses. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill stated that the shelter was being abused and should be cleaned by the Council. It was agreed that the shelter be painted and cleaned.

ITEM 33 MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D., F. Hynes and J. Byrne was considered:-

"That this Council seek a change in the legislation relating to malicious damage claims which would make owners of vacant premises who do not make proper security arrangements liable for any damage when these Cont/d...

premises, or buildings, are vandalised".

The Chairman and Councillors referred to the present situation where the owners of premises leave them vacant without any attempt of security. In time the buildings become derelict and were frequently vandalised. Subsequently, substantial malicious claims were made on the Council. It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes and agreed that a Notice of Motion be forwarded to the General Council of County Councils for consideration in that in cases of this type that the Council's liability for malicious claims would be eliminated.

ITEM 34 FOOTPATH & SPEED LIMIT AT CASTLE VILLAS, KILLINCARRIG

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., A. Murphy and C. Keegan was considered:-

"That a footpath be provided at Castle Villas, Killincarrig, and that a 30 m.p.h. speed limit be introduced at Castle Villas, Greystones".

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill stated that this Motion should read Carrig Villas. It was considered that the provision of this footpath should be deferred for inclusion in the estimates for 1979. New speed limit signs will be erected in Greystones as soon as poles become available. Noted.

ITEM 35 FLOODING AT DARGLE ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., A. Murphy and C. Keegan was considered:-

"That steps be taken to prevent flooding on the Dargle Road, near the Dargle Tavern, Bray".

It was indicated to the Council that the surface water drain near the Dargle Tavern had been cleared and a stone shore under the road rodded. A check will be carried out to see if the above measures give the required result.

ITEM 36 TAKING OVER OF ROADS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That the County Council take in charge the roads in the following housing estates - Bellevue Heights, Kindlestown Lower, Delgany and Bellevue Park, Church Road, Greystones".

The Council was informed that the roads in Bellevue Heights and Bellevue Park have been satisfactorily completed. Drawings are awaited to carry out the final underground inspection. A further report will be submitted. Noted.

ITEM 37 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AT BALLINAGEE BRIDGE & TURLOUGH HILL

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors R. Miley, Ml. Cullen and C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council carry out repairs to road between Ballinagee Bridge and Turlough Hill".

It was indicated that the portion of road between Glashaboy Bridge and Turlough Hill was being repaired at present. Final repairs would have to await better weather. Noted.

ITEM 38 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AT JUNCTION TO BALLINAMONA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

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"That the Council improve the sightline at the junction to Ballinamona from the Aughrim to Woodenbridge road near the Woodenbridge, in the interest of safety".

It was recommended that this proposal be provided for in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. Councillors felt that this work was urgent due to the amount of traffic and the very bad sightline at this junction. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., suggested that a mirror be provided as an interim measure. It was agreed that the County Engineer would reinvestigate this matter.

ITEM 39 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN HACKETSTOWN & TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the bend or bends on the road between Hacketstown and Tinahely at a point between the junction to the Church at Crossbridge and the junction to Knockananna be removed".

It was stated that it would be necessary for a design for the realignment of this section of road to be prepared, for to allow an estimate to be made of the costs involved. It was agreed that this item be considered for inclusion in the 1979 estimates.

ITEM 40 FOOTPATH FROM BLACKLION TO GRATTAN PARK, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council resurface the footpath from Blacklion to Grattan Park, Greystones".

Councillor J. Byrne stated that this pathway served a number of housing estates and the work to be done was minimal. It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor A. Murphy and agreed that this work be done as relief work.

ITEM 41 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT NATIONAL SCHOOL, REDCROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D., and J. Bourke was considered:-

"That public lighting be provided at the national school, Redcross, on the Barniskey/Redcross Road".

It was recommended to the Council that one light be provided at this location. Agreed.

ITEM 42 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT KILCARRA, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, C. Murphy, T.D., and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That this Council provide public lighting at Kilcarra, Arklow".

It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that public lighting be provided at Kilcarra, Arklow.

ITEM 43 PUBLIC LIGHTING IN THE COUNTY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., was considered:-

"That a report be given to the Council of the 1979 proposals for public lighting throughout the Council area, in view of the fact that many locations have been suggested and approved by the Members and costings sought from the E.S.B.".

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The Council was informed that the programme was now in its third year and by December next it was hoped that the Baltinglass and Wicklow electoral areas would be completed. The final phase was due for completion in 1979 and the balance of work outstanding, together with miscellaneous proposals submitted by the Council during the year would be considered at the area meetings of the Council which would be held towards the end of the year. A detailed report setting out the position at the end of the year would be submitted to the Council prior to the holding of the area meetings. Noted.

ITEM 45 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT ASHTOWN, ROUNDWOOD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Byrne and L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That the Council provide extra public lighting between Vartry Heights and the supermarket at Ashtown, Roundwood".

It was proposed by Councillor J. Byrne, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., and agreed that provision be made in the 1979 Public Lighting estimates for the provision of three lights between Vartry Heights and the Supermarket at Ashtown, Roundwood.

ITEM 46 CORRESPONDENCE & OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Tidy Towns Competition

Letter dated the 6th April, 1978, from the Irish Tourist Board was read to the meeting. The Board indicated that they wished to provide a sign stating 'Kiltegan, National Winner of Tidy Towns Competition, 1973' on the existing namesign. Agreed. The Council felt that every encouragement should be given to promote the competition.

Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., referred to the tidy area scheme being run by Dublin Corporation and suggested that Wicklow be divided into competitive areas and money prizes be awarded. It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor F. Hynes, and agreed that this be done. Further consideration would be given at the annual estimates meeting. Councillor C. Murphy also suggested that schools should enter Board Failte's competition suggesting walks through routes of historic interest in the locality.

Furnishing of Offices

It was suggested to the Council that a small committee of Councillors be formed for the purpose of discussing the furnishing of the new Council Chamber. It was agreed that two Councillors from each area would form the committee.

It was agreed that the following Councillors should form the committee:-

Councillors Miss N. O'Neill, A. Murphy, J. Whelan, K. Ryan, F. Hynes, R. Miley, P. Deering, J. Miley and the Chairman, Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D.

Civil Defence

The Council congratulated the Civil Defence Rescue Team on winning the recent Regional Competition.

School at Blessington

Councillor J. Miley referred to the urgent need for land required by the Vocational Education Committee for a school at Blessington, and requested that the matter be investigated.

Castlecarrig, Greystones

Councillor A. Murphy enquired as to the position regarding the development which had been granted on appeal to the Minister and was anxious that a High Court injunction should be taken against the developers. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill did not agree with this view, and following further discussion it was agreed that the situation would be kept under consideration by the planning control staff.

Private Sites, Greystones

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill referred to the lack of water at the private serviced sites in Greystones. This would be investigated.

Technical School, Arklow

Councillor D. Kinsella was informed that the contractor had been instructed to finish this work without further delay.

Post of Law Agent

It was pointed out that the Council are awaiting sanction to the creation of the permanent post of full-time Law Agent.

The meeting then concluded.

John Kavanagh J.D.
CHAIRMAN

8-5-1978
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Wicklow County Council

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday,
the 1st May, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Bray, commencing
at 7.30 p.m.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D., Chairman
Councillors J. Bourke, Ml. Cullen, F. Hynes, P. Deering,
J. Miley, G. Timmins, T.D., T. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan,
J. Sweeney, J. Whelan, V. Blake, Mrs. M. Costello, J. Byrne,
C. Keegan, Mrs. Mary Ledwidge, C. Murphy, T.D., A. Murphy,
Miss N. O'Neill, R. Miley

Also in Attendance:- Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager
Mr. B. Johnson, County Secretary
Mr. T.J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer
Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer,
Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer,
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes

BALLYMORRIS HOUSE

Councillor A. Murphy enquired as to the procedure for the inspection of Ballymorris House and following a discussion, it was decided to proceed with the Agenda and subsequently for the members to inspect Ballymorris House. It was agreed that Ballymorris House would be included on the Agenda for the next Ordinary Meeting.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It is proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on the 3rd April, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

ITEM 2 EMPLOYER-TRADE UNION NATIONAL AGREEMENT, 1978 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION

The County Secretary indicated to the Members that in accordance with Circular letter EL. 4/78 from the Minister of the Environment, sanction had now been obtained for the implementation of the Employer-Trade Union National Agreement, 1978. At the request of the Chairman, he indicated the personnel to which this increase will be payable and indicated that it represented 8% of basic pay or \$3.50 per week operative from the 1st March, 1978. On the proposal of Councillor Miss N. O'Neill, seconded by Councillor P. Deering, it was unanimously agreed that the revised schemes should be implemented.

ITEM 3 HOLLYWOOD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The County Manager's report which had been previously circulated to the Members was considered. Councillor Miley enquired if there was a possibility of further extending the scheme to include houses at Athgreaney, etc., This view was supported by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., and Councillor O'Neill. On the proposal of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., seconded by Councillor P. Deering, it was agreed that a loan of \$22,000 be raised for the financing of the water supply scheme at Hollywood, in accordance with the report of the County Manager and subject to the sanction of the Minister of the Environment. It was agreed that consideration could be given next year to extending the scheme.

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ITEM 4 BRITTAS BAY DEVELOPMENT

Letter received from the Eastern Regional Development Organisation Limited indicating that a further allocation of £10,000.00 has been provisionally made in their 1978 Development Budget was read for the information of the Members. The County Engineer was currently preparing a report for the information of the Members which will be listed for consideration.

ITEM 5 CIRCULAR LETTER H. 16/78 - HOUSING FOR SMALL FARMERS

The County Secretary indicated that there were no houses to which the circular applied in County Wicklow. On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was agreed that this would be placed on the Agenda again for consideration by the Members.

ITEM 6 MOBILE TOILET UNIT

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley, was considered:-

"That the motion passed by the Council at meeting held on the 13th May, 1974, to purchase mobile unit to serve the Blessington lake area and west Wicklow be returned to the area it was purchased for."

The County Manager read extracts from the minutes of meeting of the 13th May, 1974, in relation to original purchase of this toilet and Councillor Miley indicated that in his opinion the base for this equipment should be Blessington and charges for its removal should be from that base. The main problem as far as he was concerned was the charge included for transportation from Wicklow and in reply to a query, it was indicated that the current charge was £22.50 per day, together with removal and service costs. On the proposal of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., it was agreed that an advertisement be inserted for the information of various organisations who might be interested, indicating the availability of this equipment, etc.. It was agreed that the toilet should be available for fixed dates in Blessington and other organisations should indicate sufficient time in advance to enable their applications to receive consideration. Following a further discussion on the matter, the County Manager indicated that he was prepared to accept Blessington as the designated base when the charge was being complied for its use in the Blessington area.

ITEM 7 PROPOSED SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the Council be informed regarding the up-to-date position regarding the proposed sewerage scheme for Enniskerry."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that the Consulting Engineer's report had been received for this scheme and was at present under consideration by the County Engineer. The County Engineer indicated that he would be submitting a further report to the Council within three weeks to a month.

ITEM 8 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE TO FIVE HOUSES AT PAULBEG, SHILLELAGH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council extend the refuse collection service to five houses at Paulbeg, Shillelagh."

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The County Secretary read a report received from the County Engineer on this matter and on the proposal of Councillor K. Ryan, seconded by Councillor V. Blake, it was agreed that on delivery of the additional refuse truck the question of this collection should receive further attention. The County Manager indicated his agreement with this proposal.

ITEM 9 EXTENSION OF REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE TO ARDOYNE, TULLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

That this Council extend the refuse collection service to Ardoyne, Tullow."

Following discussion on this matter, it was agreed also that consideration would be given to this proposal when the new refuse collection vehicle was available. Councillor A. Murphy suggested that the question of additional collections should be examined at this stage rather than when the vehicle was actually delivered, so that the proposed extensions could be operational immediately.

ITEM 10 WATER AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES FOR O'NEILL FAMILY, BARNACLEAGH, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D. and K. Ryan was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide water and sewerage facilities for the O'Neill family, Barnacleagh, Arklow."

The County Engineer's report recommended that the better method of dealing with this particular request was the preparation of a regional scheme for these outlining areas south of Arklow. Following consideration of the matter, it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Kavanagh, T.D. that work commence on the preparation of the Regional scheme without delay and that a provision towards the cost should be listed for consideration in the 1979 Estimates.

ITEM 11 OLD QUARRY AT BALLYELLIS, CARNEW AS AN ALTERNATIVE DUMPING GROUND FOR CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council approach Wexford County Council to allow them to use an old Quarry at Ballyellis, Carnew, as an alternative dumping ground for Carnew."

The County Secretary read the County Engineer's report on this matter indicating that from inspection the Quarry did not appear to have been used for some years and that development costs would fall in the region of £5,000 to £10,000. It was indicated that the location of the Quarry would not be in accordance with the Department of the Environment's policy on centralised dumps. The following requirements would be necessary to enable further consideration to be given to the proposal:-

- (1) Detailed estimate of development costs
- (2) Agreement from Wexford County Council for use of quarry and agreement with Mr. Kennedy to purchase the quarry for the purpose of dumping
- (3) Report from the Chief Medical Officer in regard to possible pollution from the quarry

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ITEM 12 CHIMNEY FIRE IN NEW HOUSING ESTATES AT TINAHELY, SHILLELAGH AND CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan L. Kavanagh, T.D., was considered:-

"That this Council investigate the cause of a number of chimney fires in the new housing estates at Tinahely, Shillelagh and Carnew."

The report received from the County Engineer was read for the Members information indicating that the area Engineer had only one or two fires reported to him and pointing out that the Maintenance Inspection indicated that lack of cleaning of chimneys would appear to be a contributory factor. Councillor Ryan indicated and the Chairman agreed, that the actual instances was much higher than indicated to the area Engineer. It was agreed that information would be obtained from the local fire brigades with regard to their attendance at this type of fire in these housing estates and that a reminder in regard to the necessity of chimney cleaning would be issued.

ITEM 13 PUBLIC TOILETS AT AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Sweeney, C. Murphy, T.D. and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the County Engineer tell this Council when he will provide the public toilets in Avoca. This was agreed some time ago."

The necessity for these toilets was emphasised by Councillors Keenan, J. Sweeney, C. Murphy, T.D. and J. Whelan. It was pointed out that this particular area was attracting an increasing number of visitors and having regard to the fact that a site had now been acquired from Coras Iompair Eireann, work on the preparation of the required plans should be expedited. It was agreed that a further report would be submitted in due course.

ITEM 14 SEWERAGE CONNECTION - NUMBER 2, REDFORD COTTAGES, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss N. O'Neill and G. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council investigate the health hazard being create by a faulty soak-pit in the garden of number 2, Redford Cottages, Greystones. The slope in this garden is such that it is not feasible for a connection to the sewerage scheme which was laid in this housing scheme a few years ago. The occupiers are pensioners."

Members noted that the County Engineer was currently investigating the possibility of providing a connection to the main sewer outside this house.

ITEM 15 HOUSING - LAND AT STRATFORD-ON-SLANEY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That the County Council acquire land in Stratford-on-Slaney for housing."

The County Secretary indicated that the County Manager was currently investigating this matter and Councillors Deering and J. Miley indicated that the land adjacent to the existing house should be acquired together with what other land was considered necessary. The former land referred to was at present an eyesore and in the event of difficulty regarding ownership that a compulsory purchase order should be placed on it.

ITEM 16 REPAIRS TO PREFAB. HOUSES AT AUGHTRIM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the Council carry out the urgent repairs to the remainder of the prefab. houses in Aughrim."

Members noted the County Engineer's report on this matter but indicated that this work should be finalised without further delay.

ITEM 17 REPLACEMENT OF STOPCOCK AT RATHMORE TERRACE, UPPER DARGLE ROAD, BRAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D. and Mrs. M. Ledwidge was considered:-

"That the stopcock to serve the houses at Rathmore Terrace (higher house numbers) Upper Dargle Road, Bray, be replaced."

Following consideration of the County Engineer's report, Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. indicated that he would let the County Engineer have the names of the house holders affected so that the exact location of the stopcock could be ascertained.

ITEM 18 APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO INSTALL ELECTRIC PUMP AT BALLYMONEEN

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor D. Kinsella was considered:-

"That this Council give permission to Des Fitzgerald, James Cullen, Bernard Cullen, Sean Holt, John Lennon and James O'Toole, all of Ballymoneen, Avoca, to put an electric pump on the Council's existing pump at Ballymoneen."

The County Engineer indicated that he was currently investigating this matter and that a further report would be submitted.

ITEM 19 HOUSE FOR PATRICK FOGARTY, BAWNOGUE, BALTINGLASS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That the Council build a house for Patrick Fogarty at Bawnogue, Baltinglass."

The County Secretary indicated that from the information available to him the application of a low rise mortgage loan might be a preferable form of assistance in this case. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. outlined the special circumstances of this case and indicated that he would approach Mr. Fogarty regarding the suggestion. The circumstances, however, may be such that the need will continue for the Council to erect a house but that he would report back.

ITEM 20 TAKE OVER OF GROUP WATER SCHEME AT CASTLEMACADAM, AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors T. Keenan, J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the Council take over the group water scheme at Castlemacadam, Avoca."

The County Engineer's report indicated that at present some work needed to be done to the top of the borehole but that this matter will be further examined and rectified. The County Engineer's report in this matter was adopted on the proposal of Councillor T. Keenan, seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney.

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ITEM 21 SHELTERED HOUSING AT RATHDRUM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the County Engineer give an up-to-date report regarding sheltered housing at Rathdrum to this Council."

Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer, outlined for the members information the current situation in this matter. A further report will be submitted for consideration at the next meeting.

ITEM 22 CONNECTION OF THREE HOUSES AT MILLTOWN, DUNLAVIN TO SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council connect three houses at Milltown, Dunlavin, to the existing sewerage system a few yards away."

In connection with Councillor P. Deering's proposal, the County Engineer had indicated that this connection could be made through the back gardens. The distance involved was approximately 180 yards. Both Councillor P. Deering and K. Ryan felt that a connection would be made at the front of the houses and the County Engineer agreed to further investigate the matter.

ITEM 23 SITE AT KNOCKANANNA

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council build houses as planned on the site in the ownership of the Council at Knockananna, and in the meantime, to clear up the site and remove the wall adjoining Coogan's house and plaster the wall which is leaving the rooms damp."

Following consideration of the County Engineer's report, Councillor J. Whelan enquired as to the time schedule for the erection of the proposed houses. Following extensive discussion on the matter, it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan that the work as indicated in the County Engineer's report at the total cost of £500.00 should be undertaken.

ITEM 24 REPAIRS TO HOUSE OF MR. EDWARDS, KILGARRON PARK, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That repairs be carried out to the dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, Kilgarron Park, Enniskerry, as a matter of urgency."

Members noted that repairs in this case would be completed within two to three weeks.

ITEM 25 HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT

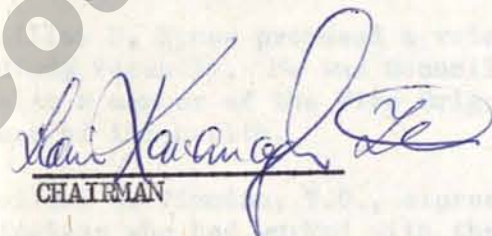
Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. referred to the small number of houses completed in 1977/78 and indicated that every effort should be made to have schemes completed in time. In his view a sum of 200 houses approximately per annum was required to meet the needs and every effort would have to be made to ensure an output of this size. The County Engineer indicated difficulty in having the schemes completed. The County Manager indicated that having regard to developments in relation to the formation of the contractors panel that this should be of assistance in achieving this aim. Members indicated that they consider the completion dates given in the progress report for the schemes in Avoca, Blitinglass, Blessington and Carnew as unrealistic, and stressed that every effort should be made to ensure that further delays would not occur. The County Engineer undertook to press for the

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completion of the present schemes. Councillor F. Hynes referred to increasing costs of the direct housing schemes also and indicated that further progress was required. Councillor Ryan enquired as to E.S.B. connection and the position relating thereto was outlined for him. Councillor A. Murphy, indicated that he required to be informed at the next meeting as to the length of time that had been spent on the Enniskerry housing scheme and also the information regarding costs to date. Councillor Miley enquired as to the situation regarding the building of houses at Blessington and if there had been interference with the Council's operation there. The County Secretary and County Engineer indicated the current position in this matter and Councillor Miley proposed that the Council should proceed with their operations as discussed and agreed with the Council Members. Provision had been made for open space in this scheme and the present interference meant delays for persons in urgent need of housing. Following extensive discussion on the matter, it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D., seconded by Councillor M. Ledwidge that with the agreement of the Council, officials should meet and explain the situation to the objectors with a view to resolving the present difficulty.

At this point, it was agreed to adjourn consideration of the Housing Progress Report and the Chairman indicated that he had been approached by the Enniskerry Housing Action Committee who were seeking a meeting with the Council. He had indicated the current procedure for to obtain this meeting and that firstly, they would have to meet with the area representatives. It was agreed to hold an area meeting on Friday, the 5th May, 1978 at 11.00 a.m. to facilitate the attendance of members of the Housing Action Committee.

The meeting was then concluded to enable members to inspect Ballymorris House.


CHAIRMAN

12th June 78.
DATE

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, THE 8TH MAY, 1978, AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURTHOUSE, WICKLOW, COMMENCING AT 2.30 p.m.

Present:

Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. Chairman
Councillors, M. Cullen, F. Hynes, G. Timmins, T.D. J. Miley.
P. Deering, T. Keenan, K. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney, J. Whelan,
V. Blake, M. Costello, J. Byrne, C.E. Keegan, M. Ledwidge,
A. Murphy, N. O'Neill and R. Miley

In attendance:-

Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager,
Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary,
Mr. T.J. Donovan, B.E. County Engineer
Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer,
Mr. T. Broderick, County Development Officer,
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes
Mr. J. Holohan, Staff Officer, Roads Section

SYMPATHY

The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Michael Turner, Ballinahinch, Ashford, who was an overseer with the Council, for many years. He was very well-known and respected throughout Wicklow. Councillor Hynes stated that he was a very conscientious man and a severe loss to the Council. Councillor R. Miley said he was very sorry to hear of his death and that he had given outstanding service to sport. All other Councillors associated with this vote.

Councillor F. Hynes proposed a vote of sympathy to the relatives of Mr. John O'Brien, who died recently. He was Council driver in the eastern area of the County. He was also a member of the Fire Brigade. He had retired from the County Council because of ill-health.

Councillor G. Timmins, T.D., expressed regret at the death of Mr. McDonald of Baltinglass who had worked with the Council for 40 years.

Councillor P. Deering expressed regret at the death of Mr. John Corrigan, Caretaker of Dunlavin Cemetery.

The County Manager associated himself with the votes of sympathy.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday, the 10th April, 1978 be confirmed and signed.

BALLYMORRIS HOUSE

The County Secretary referred to visit by members to inspect Ballymorris House. Councillor A. Murphy stated that the then County Manager promised that it would be used as a Community Centre. He emphasised that a Community Centre in that area was very important having regard to the growth in population. He then proposed that it be used as a Community Centre as there were a lot of organisations in the district and they had no place to meet. Councillor J. Byrne supported this view and said it would provide some facilities for the people. Councillor N. O'Neill said that maps produced by the Planning Officer showed Ballymorris House as a Centre and said that the fact that there is not one big room does not mean it should not be used as a Centre. Councillor Hynes enquired if the Council would have to develop it.

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Councillor O'Neill stated that a committee could be formed to run and be responsible for the hall. Councillor Whelan enquired if it is the intention to leave it in a fit condition. The Chairman, Councillor L. Kavanagh stated that there was a need for a hall in that area and it is up to Councillors to assist organisations. Councillor Sweeney stated that facilities should be provided but that Ballymorris House may not be suitable and that the only part that could be used would be the the down-stairs and suggested that the Council acquire a site to build a proper Community Hall. The County Engineer stated that the house was in poor condition and that at present it was used by the Civil Defence and the Weight and Measures and that the area Engineer's Office would also be there. He stated that if had not been used as offices, it would have been vandalised. He stated that the rooms were very small for a Community Centre and that there was no big room for indoor games. The County Secretary indicated that there was a Caretaker living on the premises. Councillor A. Murphy enquired why it had been used by the Civil Defence and the Weights and Measures Offices. The County Engineer stated that there was no other site available. Councillor A. Murphy indicated that according to his information the premises over McKennas in Bray were offered to the Council for use as offices. The County Manager said it was not an ideal community centre. He also said that a certain amount is needed for Council Staff and that certain sections might be available for community facilities. Councillor Sweeney proposed that a site be made available for a community centre. This was seconded by Counciloor Keenan. The Chairman stated that similar type organisations in the county are getting grants to do work themselves.

It was decided that a further report on Ballymorris House would be submitted for the next Ordinary Meeting.

ITEM 3 AMENITY GRANTS, 1978

It was agreed that grants be made available to the following four organisations:-

St. Brigids Hall, Rathnew	£2,500
Community Hall, Aughrim	£2,500
O'Toole Memorial Hall, Rathdangan	£1,500
St. Aidans Club, Carnew	£2,500

ITEM 4 REPORT ON TELEPHONE KIOSKS

Report on provision of telephone kiosks in County Wicklow which had been circulated to members was discussed. Councillor Kinsella stated that Kilcarra was very isolated. Councillor Keenan stated the reason Ballycoogue kiosk was little used was that the Post Office was closed most of the time and that it should be transferred from the Post Office. Councillor Sweeney enquired as to who decides if a telephone kiosk would be provided. It was indicated that if it is a financial proposition, the Department decides and if it is under the guarantee Scheme the Council decide. It was proposed by Councillor J. Miley, seconded by Councillor P. Deering that a kiosk be provided at Ballyknockan,

ITEM 5 WATER POLLUTION SEMINAR - NOMINATION OF MEMBERS

The County Secretary read communication received from Institute of Public Administration in connection with a seminar on Water Pollution for members. It was agreed that Councillors, F. Hynes, K. Ryan, J. Miley, N. O'Neill, A. Murphy, V. Blake, P. Deering, D. Kinsella, T. Keenan, J. Whelan, M. Cullen, M. Ledwidge, and R. Miley would attend.

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ITEM 6 ENGINEERING STAFF

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley, P. Deering, J. Sweeney, M. Cullen, T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That this Council allocate an Engineer to each of the four electoral areas, this Engineer to have housing and housing repairs and planning as priority."

After some discussion, it was agreed to defer this item for consideration to the next meeting.

ITEM 7 DEVELOPMENT OF WORK UNITS AT KILCOOLE

It was agreed to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting as Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. was not in attendance.

ITEM 8 CHARGE FOR WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor J. Miley, was considered:-

"That the levy charge inserted in planning permissions of proposed sewerage or water services should not be collectable until the services are available, as this undemocratic demand imposes a severe hardship on persons to provide housing for themselves and their families; and that any monies collected to date in such circumstances be refunded."

It was indicated to the Council that the Council is empowered by Section 26 (2) (a) of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963 to require a contribution towards any proposed expenditure in respect of works which will facilitate proposed development. Difficulties in regard to what Councillor Miley was proposing were outlined particularly, in relation to substantial speculative developments. Councillor Miley indicated that he was primarily interested in the development charges been made to individual house-builders and was anxious that the situation in other counties should be ascertained for the Councils information. Following further discussion on the matter, it was agreed that this information would be obtained and that Councillor Miley's proposal could be further considered then.

ITEM 9 EXTENSION OF PUBLIC LIGHTING TO END OF HOUSES AT COOLRUSS, TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D.:-was considered:-

"That this Council extend the public lighting to the end of the houses at Coolruss, Tinahely."

The County Secretary read the County Engineer's report in which it was stated that it appeared desirable that public lighting should be extended to the end of the four houses. It was proposed by Councillor Keenan, seconded by Councillor Blake that these lights be provided out of the 1978 allocation. Agreed.

ITEM 10 SPEED LIMIT SIGNS AT REDCROSS VILLAGE

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Ml. Cullen was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council erect speed limit signs in Redcross Village to try and curb the speed of cars passing through the village at dangerous speeds."

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It was indicated to the Council that this matter had been examined sometime ago by the Gardai and it was considered that there was no justification for a Speed Limit. After discussion on the matter it was agreed that the matter would be further examined and the Gardai asked also to reconsider this application.

ITEM 11 LETTERBOX AT ARDOYNE CROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor V. Blake was considered:-

"That this Council restore the letterbox at Ardoyne Cross."

The County Secretary read report received from the Department in which it was indicated that the amount of correspondence likely to be posted in a letterbox in Ardoyne would not be sufficient to justify its re-erection. Councillor Blake proposed that it be restored. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Keenan. The County Secretary undertook to again communicate with the Department of Posts and Telegraphs in this matter.

ITEM 12 PHONE KIOSK AT CRAB LANE, COOLKENNO

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to erect a phone kiosk at Crab Lane, Coolkenno."

The County Secretary indicated that no reply had been received from the Department and when a reply was received he would inform the Council. The County Engineer had no objection to the proposal.

ITEM 13 REPAIR AND RESURFACE THE BARRACK ROAD AT AVOCA

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D. and K. Ryan was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council repair and resurface the Barrack Road, Avoca (road on the right near Moore's shop). There are four Council cottages on this road and the road is in such bad condition that some cars and ambulances cannot use it."

The County Secretary read the report of the County Engineer in which it was indicated that this road was not a public road and its maintenance is a matter for the residents. Councillor Keenan stated that it was in bad need of repair. Councillor Cullen supported this view. The County Engineer stated that public funds could not be spent on a private road and that the road would have to be adopted by the Council to spend such funds. Councillor Keenan proposed and Councillor Ryan seconded that the road be taken over and maintained.

ITEM 14 VOCATIONAL AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS AT BLESSINGTON

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillors J. Miley and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"You are requested to include on the Agenda of next Monday's meeting of the Council the land under consideration by C.P.O. for Vocational and Primary Schools at Blessington."

The County Secretary outlined the position in relation to negotiations with the land owner and that a further report in connection with the C.P.O. would be submitted in due course, if required.

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ITEM 15 FIRE BRIGADE ALERTER SYSTEMS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, C. Murphy, T.D. and T. Keenan was considered:-

"Will the County Manager inform this Council when it is intended to install the Fire Brigade alerter systems in the three areas agreed to two years ago."

The Secretary read report of Chief Fire Officer in which it was stated that these radio alerters were delivered last December but on test were found to be faulty and were returned for alterations. The County Engineer stated that they should be operational in about a week or so.

ITEM 16 ADVANCE FACTORY ON INDUSTRIAL SITE AT CARNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council make the necessary arrangements to build an Advance Factory on the Industrial site at Carnew."

The Secretary read report of County Development Officer and Councillor Ryan proposed and Councillor L. Kavanagh seconded that the recommendation in the report be proceeded with in that the Industrial Development Authority be requested to arrange for the erection of an advance factory.

ITEM 17 LIGHTS IN OLD MONUMENT LANE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, T. Keenan and C. Murphy was considered:-

"That this Council provide two lights in the old monument lane which was made a pedestrian way."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it is recommended that lights be provided at Monument Lane, Arklow, Councillor Sweeney proposed that the recommendation in the report be carried out. Councillor Keenan seconded. Agreed.

ITEM 18 WORK ON KNOCKBALLESTINE BRIDGE NEAR KING'S CROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council carry out improvement work on the Knockballestine bridge near King's Cross. As it straddles the Wicklow/Carlow border that Carlow County Council be asked to co-operate."

The County Secretary read the report of the County Engineer in which it was stated that the estimated cost of these improvements would be £2,000. Councillor Blake proposed and Councillor Timmins seconded that the report be implemented as soon as finance became available. It was agreed that an approach be made to Carlow County Council to enquire if they would be prepared to make a contribution towards the cost.

ITEM 19 DANGEROUS BEND AT ROCK, ARKLOW OPPOSITE HORAN'S HOUSE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney, C. Murphy, T.D. and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That this Council remove the dangerous bend at the Rock, Arklow opposite Horans House."

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The Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was noted that there was no provision for this work in this year's Estimates and that consideration could be given for inclusion in the 1979 Estimates. This was proposed by Councillor Sweeney, seconded by Councillor Keenan. Agreed.

ITEM 20 "NO DUMPING" SIGNS ON TURNANT-COONANSTOWN BYE-ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering was considered:-

"That the County Council erect "No Dumping" signs on Turnant-Coonanstown bye-road."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was noted that "No Dumping" signs are being provided at above location.

ITEM 21 HOUSES AT GLENPHILIPPEEN, TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That some means be devised for the protection of children coming onto the road from the houses built by the Council some years ago at Glenphilipeen, Tinahely."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer and it was agreed that the County Engineer further examine the position.

ITEM 22 WATER TO SERVE SIX HOUSES AT TEMPLEBODEN BRIDGE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council extend the piped water from Lacken to serve the six houses down to Templeboden Bridge."

The County Secretary read report from County Engineer in which it was stated that investigations are at present being carried out on the water supply schemes serving West Wicklow and a report will be presented to the Council in due course. Agreed.

ITEM 23 EXTENSION OF PUBLIC LIGHTING TO HOLLYWOOD CROSSROADS AT DEERINGS SHOP

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council extend the public lights to Hollywood Crossroad at Deerings Shop."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was recommended that the above extension be made and it was indicated that the E.S.B. have been asked to submit an estimate for same.

ITEM 24 KIOSK AT BALLYKNOCKAN, VALLEYMOUNT

It was noted that the kiosk at Ballyknockan, Vallemount had already been dealt with under Item 4.

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ITEM 25 SIGN AT HOLLYWOOD CROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor P. Deering was considered:-

"That the sign at Hollywood Cross indicating 'Waterford' and 'Glendalough' be altered to include an indication to Dunlavin."

It was indicated to the Council that the matter is being investigated and that a report will be submitted by the next meeting.

ITEM 26 ENQUIRIES TO COUNCIL OFFICES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors D. Kinsella and Mrs. M. Costello was considered:-

"That enquiries made by Members of this Council to Council Offices be answered in at least 7 days of an enquiry being made."

The County Secretary indicated that both the County Manager and himself were in agreement with this proposal and instructions had been issued to the staff in this regard. Following further discussions it was agreed that a report on the current situation in relation to House Purchase Annuities would be made available at the next meeting.

ITEM 27 PERMANENT ROADWORKER FOR THE VILLAGE OF RATHNEW, ASHFORD AND GLENEALY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council provide a permanent roadworker for the village of Rathnew, Ashford and Glenealy, to be left in the villages for the purpose of general cleaning around these villages."

The Secretary read report of County Engineer and it was agreed that the County Engineer would further examine the situation having regard to the recommendations of the members.

ITEM 28 ROADWORKER FOR NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY, NEWCASTLE AREAS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That in view of the many complaints from residents in Newtownmountkennedy, Newcastle areas that a maintenance/roadworker be appointed to this locality to clean and upkeep roads and open spaces."

It was indicated to the Council that there was a permanent worker in the Newcastle Village area and that the present arrangement on the maintenance of the National Primary route is that the maintenance gang is mobile and the individual men do not have a particular area to maintain. The grant allocation would not permit the appointment of a man full-time in the Newtownmountkennedy area. Councillor L. Kavanagh stressed that the place should be kept in a reasonable condition and Councillor Hynes stated that while the main road was cleaned, nobody looked after the side streets. It was agreed that the County Engineer would further examine this proposal.

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ITEM 29 WIDENING OF ROAD AT MR. TOM TYRRELL'S AND MR. JIM TYRRELL'S PLACE AT RATHSHAMMORE ON THE TINAHELY/KNOCKANANNA ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council lay pipes or find some means of widening the road at Mr. Tom Tyrrell's and Mr. Jim Tyrrell's place at Rathshammore on the Tinahely/Knockananna road."

It was indicated to the Council from the County Engineer's report that, although this road is narrow it is not excessively so and there are sufficient passing places for large vehicles. Pipes were recently laid at the entrance to Mr. Tom Tyrrell's premises and that the County Engineer recommended no further action. Councillor Whelan proposed that the County Engineer have another look at this road. Councillor Keenan seconded that proposal. Agreed.

ITEM 30 JUNCTION OF MULLAIN ROAD AND BALLINGUILE ROAD
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The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That the junction of the Mullain road and the Ballinguile road be improved. That the junction of the Mullain road and the Rathgorra road be improved."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that the matter is being investigated and that the agreement of the landowner would be needed. Councillor Timmins, T.D. stated that the land could be acquired reasonably at present. It was agreed that the County Engineer would submit a report for the next meeting.

ITEM 31 SHEEP DIPPING BATHS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That this Council give an up-to-date report on the progress of the two new sheep dipping baths as agreed upon in 1976."

The current situation was outlined for the Councils information. At present there were some difficulties, particularly in relation to the projected costings of the Slemaine Bath and some possibility of pollution arising therefrom. With regard to the Kilballyowen Bath, the owner of the proposed site, Mr. Griffin was unwilling to accept the price offered but had not indicated an alternative. Councillor Keenan suggested that a Mr. Pat Carthy be approached in regard to selling a site. The County Secretary outlined the results of deliberation of the Sheep Dipping Committee wherein it had been recommended that the fee payable to private bath owners be increased from one penny to three pence per head. The Chief Agricultural Officer had indicated that this increase should be granted and accordingly, on the proposal of Councillor Deering, seconded by Councillor Keenan, it was agreed that the fee should be increased in accordance with the Sheep Dipping Committee's recommendations. Following further discussions on the baths, it was agreed to hold a sheep dipping Committee meeting on 19th May, 1978.

ITEM 32 SIGN ON THE RATHDRUM/GLENEALY ROAD OUTSIDE RATHNEW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council ask the Technical Committee to recommend that the speed limit sign on the Rathdrum/Glenealy road outside Rathnew be moved further away from the village due to the number of accidents occurring at the bend near Joseph Byrne's cottage at Ballybeg, Rathnew."

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It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that this speed limit will be moved as part of the revised speed limit Regulations which came into effect on 20th February, 1978. Agreed.

ITEM 33 ROAD BOX PAINTED ON THE ROAD AT MAIN STREET, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor D. Kinsella was considered:-

"That this Council have a road box painted on the road at the exit of the car park at Main Street, Arklow."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that there was no objection to a junction box painted on the road at the exit from the carpark at Main Street, Arklow. The gardai in Arklow have no objection either but they point out that the box will have no legal standing as it is not controlled by traffic lights. It was proposed by Councillor Kinsella, seconded by Councillor Sweeney that this be done. Councillor Sweeney suggested that a pedestrian crossing should be provided at the Post Office so as to facilitate old people crossing the road. The County Engineer indicated that a recent traffic count had not warranted a pedestrian crossing. It was agreed that the matter would be investigated further.

ITEM 34 TRAFFIC ROUTE LIGHTING

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council provide traffic route lighting in the necessary areas between the Wexford and Dublin borders and so release lights which can be used in other areas."

It was indicated to the Council that the public lighting allocation of £28,000 for 1978 does not cover the provision of traffic route lighting which is financed from the National Primary Road Improvement Grant and that this work should be provided for under the National Primary Road Improvement Allocation. Councillor Sweeney stated that Wicklow was the only County from Dublin to Cork without traffic route lighting. On the proposal of Councillor Sweeney, seconded by Councillor Keenan, it was agreed that traffic route lighting be provided when finance became available.

ITEM 35 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT BREWERY LANE AND PARNELL PARK, RATHDRUM

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors G. Timmins, T.D. and J. Bourke was considered:-

"That the Council provide public lighting at Brewery Lane and Parnell Park, Rathdrum."

It was indicated to the Council that this matter is currently being examined in conjunction with the current proposals for street lighting improvement in Rathdrum. Report noted.

ITEM 36 BEND AT RAHEENGRANNEY CROSS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council remove dangerous bend at Raheengrancy Cross road near Parkbridge."

It was indicated to the Council from the County Engineer's report that there is a very high bank on the inside of the bend and an estimated cost of £3,000 would be required for this type of improvement. Councillor Blake suggested that something could be done to improve the sightline and this was to be considered in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme.

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ITEM 37 RE-INSTATE ROADS AT ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors V. Blake and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council request the Department of Posts and Telegraphs to re-instate roads at Arklow where cable had to be laid."

The Co. Engineer indicated to the Council that he would be in contact with the Department about it. Councillor Kinsella enquired if there was any co-operation between the Department of Posts and Telegraphs and the Council in relation to putting down cable. The County Engineer informed the Council that they were exchanging plans. Councillor Ryan stressed that pressure should be put on the Department to restore footpaths satisfactorily and stated that footpaths in Carnew should be restored by the Department. It was agreed to contact the Department in relation to restoring of footpaths generally.

ITEM 38 FOOTPATH ALONG BALLYORNEY ROAD, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the footpath along Ballyorney Road, Enniskerry be restored."

It was recommended to the Council that this work be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. Agreed.

ITEM 39 ROADWORKER FOR NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY AREA

This matter was already dealt with under item 28.

ITEM 40 DANGEROUS BEND AT JUNCTION AT CASTLEMACADAM CHURCH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Sweeney and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That the Council improve the very dangerous bend at the junction at Castlemacadam Church."

As there is no provision in the 1978 Roadworks Scheme for this work, it was recommended to the Council that it be considered for inclusion in the 1979 Estimates. Agreed.

ITEM 41 SURFACE WATER - COOKSTOWN ROAD, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the surface water be drained from the Cookstown Road, Enniskerry into Gulleys."

It was indicated to the Council that this work had already been carried out.

ITEM 42 SILT BUILD-UP ON THE VERGES OF THE COOKSTOWN ROAD

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the silt build-up along the verges of the Cookstown road be removed."

It was indicated to the Council that this work had already been carried out.

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ITEM 43 SIGNS ON APPROACH ROAD FROM CARNEW TO SHILLELAGH AT THE FAIRGREEN JUNCTION, SHILLELAGH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors K. Ryan and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council erect warning signs on the approach road from Carnew to Shillelagh at the Fair Green junction, Shillelagh."

It was indicated to the Council from the County Engineer's report that there were already three signs on the approach to this junction, a statutory left turn sign number 111, a continuous white line and an advisory sign and he stated that any additional sign would be superfluous. Councillor Ryan stated that three or four cars had run into the hedge in the past few months. It was agreed that the County Engineer would have the situation examined again.

ITEM 44 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

SMALL WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES 1978

It was indicated to the Council that the Department of the Environment had given sanction to the capital allocation of £60,000 in respect of Small Water and Sewerage Schemes, 1978, and that the formal sanction of the Council was now required to the raising of the loan. On the proposal of Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. seconded by Councillor Kinsella, it was agreed that the loan of £60,000 be raised.

CARNEW SEWERAGE SCHEME

A detailed report from the County Engineer in connection with Stage 1 of this scheme was read for the Council's information. Following the enquiry of Councillor Ryan as to progress, the report indicated an estimate cost of £131,335.00 of the scheme and that a contribution of £52,715.00 should be sought from the Tannery Works. Councillor Ryan proposed and Councillor Whelan seconded that this scheme be proceeded with but that re-examination of the contribution required from the Tannery Works would be necessary, as in their view the firm involved might not be in a position to contribute to the extent required. Following further discussion on the matter it was agreed that the question of an I.D.A. grant to the firm to assist in the contribution would be pursued.

BRAY PROMENADE

The County Secretary read letter received from the Office of Public Works in which it was stated that an inspection of the sea wall will be made by an Engineer from their office, and the question of a meeting with members of Wicklow County Council might await the receipt of their report. Report noted.

LOAN FOR PURCHASE OF REFUSE VEHICLES

It was indicated to the Council that a loan of £42,000 would be required to purchase refuse vehicles and that provision had been made in the 1978 Estimates for loan charges to meet this. It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor N. O'Neill and approved that this loan be raised.

GREYSTONES DUMPING GROUND

The County Secretary read a letter received from C.I.E. in relation to playing field on this ground and it indicated that in their view the provision of a playing field at this location might be hazardous for the children crossing the line, and consequently that a deputation would serve little purpose. Members expressed the view that this approach was not acceptable to them and on the proposal of Councillor Timmins, T.D. it was agreed that a meeting should still be sought with the company to further examine the situation.

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PIPING AT GRANGECON

Councillor Timmins urged that the County Engineer go ahead and proceed with the piping at Grangecon as soon as possible as the new Church being built will open in about three weeks. Councillor Deering supported same.

WATER SUPPLY AT GREYSTONES

Councillors N. O'Neill, L. Kavanagh, T.D. and M. Ledwidge stated that they had received representations complaining about the water supply at Greystones. It was pointed out that residents in Church Lane, Carrig Villas and Kindlestown areas at times have no water day or night. Councillor O'Neill enquired if there was any co-operation with Dublin Corporation and Wicklow County Council in relation to this matter. It was indicated to the Council that the water supply would be improved on completion of the new water supply scheme for that area and in the meantime, the County ~~Engineer~~ contact Dublin Corporation to have the situation improved in the interim.

SEWERAGE SCHEME BLESSINGTON

Councillor J. Miley enquired what the position was regarding the plans before the Department for the new sewerage Scheme at Blessington. It was indicated to the Council that the preliminary report for the above mentioned scheme was submitted to the Department on 15th December, 1977 for approval and the estimated cost of phase 1 of the scheme is £823,100 which provides a sum of £185,000 for pumping the final effluent outside the Poulaphuca Catchment Area in order to protect the Dublin Corporation Water Reservoir. It was also indicated that Dublin Corporation have been approached concerning the making of a contribution towards the cost of the scheme and have indicated that they are not prepared to do so. The County Manager stated that negotiations with the Corporation are not yet finalised.

BLESSINGTON HOUSING SCHEME

Councillor J. Miley stated that as a result of a report in the Wicklow People he is now being pressed by people in need of housing in Blessington requesting that the work be proceeded with. The County Secretary outlined the position and stated that arrangements are now being made to have the proposed meeting with the Association. A further report will be available in due course.

DRUMDANGAN SEWERAGE SCHEME

Councillor Hynes enquired what the position was regarding Drumdangan Sewerage Scheme and was informed that the position was being examined.

MR. DALTON, KILLADREENAN, NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY - PLANNING PERMISSION

Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. stated that he had received a complaint from a Mr. Dalton, Killadreenan, Newtownmountkennedy, who had been refused planning permission to build a house on the basis that a road would eventually be going through the site. He also requested that the situation be re-examined in regard to the fact the proposed line of the road widening had not yet been agreed by the Councillors. The County Engineer gave details in regard to the back ground to the situation and undertook to contact Mr. Dalton in the matter.

VOTES OF CONGRATULATIONS

Councillor Kinsella proposed that a message of congratulations be sent to the choir of St. Mary's College, Arklow on their success in Belgium. The current success was third of a series. Agreed.

Councillor G. Timmins proposed that a message of congratulations be sent to the Arklow Mixed Boys' Choir on obtaining first place at the Cork Coral Festival. Agreed.

Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. proposed that a message of congratulations to sent to Mary Conroy on winning Scratch Cup. Agreed.

The meeting then concluded.

L. Kavanagh
CHAIRMAN

19th June 78.
DATE

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Housing Meeting of Wicklow County Council held on Monday, the 12th June, 1978, at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Wicklow, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. presided until Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. arrived.
Councillors J. Bourke, F. Hynes, J. Miley, P. Deering, T.J. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney, J. Whelan, V. Blake, M. Costello, J. Byrne, M. Ledwidge, C. Murphy, T.D., A. Murphy, N. O'Neill and R. Miley.

Also in

attendance: Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager,
Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary,
Mr. E. MacNeill, Chief Assistant County Engineer,
Mr. T. McCann, Acting County Engineer,
Mr. U. McCabe, Administrative Officer,
Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer,
Mr. H. Jordan, Staff Officer, Housing Section,
Mr. K. Roberts, Staff Officer, General Purposes.

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor Sweeney, seconded by Councillor Ledwidge and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Housing Meeting held on the 1st May, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

It was agreed that item 7 in relation to proposed sewerage scheme for Enniskerry and item 21 in relation to sheltered housing at Rathdrum, of the Housing Meeting held on the 1st May, 1978, be included on the agenda for the next Housing Meeting of the Council.

It was agreed that information required in relation to the items set out hereunder of the Housing Meeting held on the 1st May, 1978 be obtained for the Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on the 19th June, 1978.

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| ITEM 11 | - | OLD QUARRY AT BALLYELLIS, CARNEW AS AN ALTERNATIVE DUMPING GROUND FOR CARNEW |
| ITEM 13 | - | PUBLIC TOILETS AT AVOCA |
| ITEM 14 | - | SEWERAGE CONNECTION - NUMBER 2, REDFORD COTTAGES, GREYSTONES |
| ITEM 22 | - | CONNECTION OF THREE HOUSES AT MILLTOWN, DUNLAVIN TO SEWERAGE SCHEME |

With regard to item number 17 of the Housing Meeting held on the 1st May, 1978 in relation to replacement of stopcock at Rathmore Terrace, Upper Dargle Road, Bray, Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. indicated that the address of the houses involved was Old Rathmore Terrace.

CHIMNEY FIRES IN THE NEW HOUSING ESTATES AT TINAHELY, SHILLELAGH AND CARNEW

The County Secretary read report of Chief Fire Officer in which it was indicated that the number of fires in Tinahely was four and the number of fires in Carnew was thirteen and that the cause of these chimney fires was invariably dirty chimneys. Councillor K. Ryan, stated that he did not accept that the cause of these fires was dirty chimneys in view of the fact that the houses were only built a few months and felt that the type of flue pipe in these houses might not be

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standard. It was agreed that in view of the number of fires, the County Engineer would re-examine the situation. It was also agreed that houses in Knockananna and houses belonging to Mr. James Murphy and Mr. Thomas Murray, Blessington be examined.

ITEM 2 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney that the Annual General Meeting of the Council be held on the 10th July, 1978, prior to the Ordinary Meeting of the Council to be held on that date.

ITEM 3 LOAN TO FINANCE WICKLOW REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME (STAGE II)

It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. seconded by Councillor R. Miley that Wicklow County Council, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, raise a loan to finance Wicklow Regional Water Supply Scheme (Stage II), in the sum of £87,000.00.

ITEM 4 EXTENSION OF THE COUNCILS SCHEME OF SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR PRIVATE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE INSTALLATIONS

It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering, seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney that the present water and sewerage grants scheme be extended to cover the urban districts of Arklow and Wicklow, following explanation of County Secretary in this matter.

ITEM 5 AVOCA SEWERAGE SCHEME - RAISING OF SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN

It was agreed that a sum of £7,500 be borrowed to meet additional expenditure on Avoca Sewerage Scheme.

ITEM 6 LANDLORD AND TENANT (GROUND RENTS) BILL, 1977

Copies of this circular had been circulated to the members for their information. Noted.

ITEM 7 ARBITRATION AWARD FOR COUNTY DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS

On the proposal of Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan, it was agreed that the Arbitration Award for County Development Officers in accordance with Section 6 (2) of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, be implemented.

ITEM 8 CIRCULAR H 16/78 - HOUSING FOR SMALL FARMERS

It was indicated to members that no houses had been built under the above scheme.

ITEM 9 COLLECTION OF GARBAGE FROM THE PREMISES OF MR. CARDOO, CARRIG EDEN, SEA FRONT, GREYSTONES

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Miss Nancy O'Neill and C. Murphy, T.D. was considered:-

"That the Council collect the garbage weekly from the premises of Mr. Cardoo, Carrig Eden, Sea Front, Greystones, on Wednesdays, from September to May as promised in correspondence re same."

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The County Secretary read report of the County Engineer in which it was indicated that the Council had an agreement with the owner of Carrig Eden Holiday Home, Greystones to collect domestic refuse for the period from September to May each year and that the Guest House would be responsible for the disposing of their own refuse during the summer months. Councillor O'Neill enquired why the arrangement made with Mr. Cardoo was not continued. Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer, stated that no complaint had been received from Mr. Cardoo. It was agreed that Mr. Cardoo could dispose of his refuse in the Council's Tip at Fassaroe and that a letter be given to him from the Council to authorise same, during the summer months and that the collection would be made as agreed during the period September to May.

ITEM 10 WATER SUPPLY FOR MRS. FLANAGAN AND KIRWAN FAMILY OF BALLYBREW, ENNISKERRY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C. Keegan and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That the Council sink a well to provide water supplies for Mrs. Flanagan and Kirwan family of Ballybrew, Enniskerry."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was recommended that the Council sink a well under the Small Water and Sewerage Schemes. It was indicated that the cost of this well would be in the region of £1,500 and that about seven people would be served. It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor Miss N. O'Neill that this work be carried out. Provision to be made in the 1979 Estimates for same.

ITEM 11 NAMING OF NEW COUNCIL ESTATE IN MERRYMEETING, RATHNEW AS SEA VIEW HEIGHTS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council name the new Council Estate in Merrymeeting, Rathnew as Sea View Heights."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was indicated that arrangements were being made to have the Cul-de-Sac sign erected at the entrance to the estate. It was proposed by Councillor F. Hynes, seconded by Councillor R. Miley that this sign be erected. Also having regard to memorial received from residents that the estate be named Sea View Heights.

ITEM 12 REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE STOVE IN AMBROSE QUAILS HOUSE, TINAHELY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan, T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council replace the defective stove in Ambrose Quails house Tinahely, with a more suitable type of fireplace and which would be more economical by the fact that it could be used for cooking as well as heating."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was recommended that the heater be replaced by a Truburn Range with a boiler at a cost of £230.00. On the proposal of Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan, it was agreed that the stove be replaced.

ITEM 13 WATER SUPPLY TO FAMILIES IN KIIMACOO, CRONERANE, CONARY AND TIGRONEY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors M. Cullen and R. Miley was considered:-

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"That a supply of water be made available to the following families, Peter Parle, Benjamin Tuke, Elizabeth Bury, George O'Toole, Thomas Tuke, Mrs. M. Kinsella, Kilmacoo, - John Heffernan and John Porter, Cronebane - Colin Rush, Conary - Mrs. Jane Brown and Michael Byrne, Tigroney."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was indicated that this area was very short of water and sources were generally not available. It was recommended to the Council that a Major Regional Scheme may be the only solution at this stage. It was proposed by Councillor R. Miley, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan and agreed that the County Engineer's report be adopted.

ITEM 14 EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO FAMILIES AT BALLYTESKIN, TUBBERVILLA, TWO-MILE-WATER, BALLAHARRA AND DRUMKAY

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Cullen and R. Miley be considered:-

"That the Blainroe water supply be extended to the following families within a half mile radius:- Phelim O'Connor, Andrew Quinn, Joseph Kinsella, John Hagen, Andrew Hagen, Myles Murphy, Ballyteskin - John Hudson, Gordon Hudson, Tubbervilla - Edmond Harrington, John Doyle, Two-Mile-Water - Clinton Binions, Ballaharra - J. Letts, Drumkay."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that due to shortage of water in the Wicklow area it would not be possible to consider the extending of the Blainroe Supply at present. After discussion on the matter, it was proposed by Councillor R. Miley, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes that the position be reviewed when the new scheme was ready. Agreed.

ITEM 15 WATER AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES FOR COUNCIL HOUSES AT TOMRILAND, ANNAMOE

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors L. Kavanagh, T.D. and F. Hynes, was considered:-

"That Wicklow County Council provide water and sewerage facilities for the Council cottages at Tomriland, Annamoe (Tenants: Daly, Bolger, Timmons, and Preston)."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that the Consulting Engineers are designing an extension of the Laragh/Glendalough Water Supply Scheme to Roundwood and they are being asked to consider the provision of water to the above cottages as part of the extension to Roundwood. The County Engineer's report on this matter was adopted on the proposal of Councillor R. Miley, seconded by Councillor F. Hynes.

ITEM 16 LOW MORTGAGE SCHEME

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors F. Hynes and L. Kavanagh, T.D. and K. Ryan was considered:-

"That this Council ask the Minister for Environment to change the Low Rise Mortgage Scheme to allow a family who want to purchase their own house to avail of this money once they qualify for a Council house."

The County Secretary gave details in relation to the operation of the Low Rise Mortgage Scheme as it operated currently. The Department had indicated that the scheme would be subject to review when some operational experience was obtained and this notice of motion, if adopted, by Council could be forwarded for consideration. Councillor F. Hynes proposed that this proposal be sent to the Department of the Environment and the General Council of County Councils, seconded by Councillor K. Ryan.

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ITEM 17 HOUSING PROGRESS REPORT

Concern was expressed by the members in regard to the delay in completing housing schemes by Contractors. Mr. E. MacNeill, Chief Assistant County Engineer stated that every thing possible was being done to expedite the work on Council Housing Schemes and that difficulties had been experienced in obtaining certain tradesmen for employment.

Councillors Sweeney, Keenan and Whelan stressed that there was need for further Council Houses in Avoca and following discussion it was agreed that the County Manager would re-examine the situation with a view to advertising a further stage as soon as possible.

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill enquired in relation to the existence of an underground high tension E.S.B. cable on a private site in Greystones Private Sites. The Purchaser could not proceed with the laying of the foundations and had now been held up for some time. The Chairman, Mr. L. Kavanagh, T.D. and Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. indicated that they also had been approached in relation to the problem. Mr. U. McCabe gave details of the situation and following extensive discussion it was agreed on the suggestion of the County Manager that the acting County Engineer would attend at the site on Tuesday, the 13th June, 1978 at 10.00 o'clock to ascertain how the problem could be solved. Councillor O'Neill indicated that she proposed to attend. Mr. U. McCabe, in reply to queries indicated that arrangements were proceeding for the installation of a water supply to the sites.

Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. stated that fencing had been erected at Kindlestown Park, Greystones indicating gardens and that there was no back entrance to 64, Kindlestown Park. It was agreed that this would be examined.

Councillor A. Murphy enquired when the date for completion of the houses at Milbride was and was informed that it was the 31st August, 1978.

Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. enquired about the progress on the houses at Killarney Road, Bray. Councillor A. Murphy enquired if it was proposed to allocate some of the 20 houses before the whole scheme was completed. He felt that it would be better not to allocate any of them till the whole scheme was finished.

Councillors T. Keenan and R. Miley enquired about housing in Redcross. Councillor D. Kinsella mentioned that sometime ago he had a resolution passed that a house be built for a Mr. P. Doyle, Redcross. It was indicated that a tender had been received from Arklow Homes Limited and was under consideration; also that the question of interim accommodation was being examined.

Councillor K. Ryan expressed dissatisfaction at the delay in building houses in Shillelagh. He stated that a site had been bought from Coollattin Estate for housing. He stated that there was a big demand for houses in Shillelagh and that the houses should be built soon. This view was supported by Councillor J. Whelan.

Councillor D. Kinsella stated that it was 30 years since houses were built at Thomastown and Johnstown, Arklow and emphasised that there was a need for houses. It was agreed that a report would be submitted.

Councillor G. Timmins enquired as to when houses would be built in Kiltegan. It was agreed that suggestions in relation to the site and site for the treatment works would be examined.

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge stated that there was a need for further houses in Enniskerry and it was agreed that this would also be examined.

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Councillor V. Blake enquired about the C.P.O. for the Vocational School at Carnew and it was indicated that this had gone through. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. expressed his satisfaction with this development.

Councillor T. Keenan stated that there was a plot of ground in Kirikee belonging to the Council and since there was a demand for houses there, the Council could build on it. It was indicated to the Council that this land may not be suitable for houses.

In answer to Councillor Miss N. O'Neill about land at Kilmacanogue, Mr. U. McCabe Administrative Officer stated that they would be meeting the owner in the near future.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

Councillor J. Miley proposed that a vote of sympathy be passed with the wife and family of the late Doctor Clancy of Dunlavin. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. stated that Doctor Clancy had been in Dunlavin for about 40 years and would be greatly missed by everybody.

ITEM 18 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

PUMP AT BALLYMONEEN

Notice of Motion, item number 18 of the Housing Meeting of the 1st May, 1978, in relation to putting an electric pump on the Council's existing pump at Ballymoneen was considered. The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was indicated that there was no objection to the proposal provided:-

- (a) the applicants are solely responsible for the supply, erection and maintenance of the pump
- (b) that a tap be provided for public use in the vicinity of the existing pump
- (c) that the old pump be transported, free of charge, to the Council's yard at Carrigmore.

On the proposal of Councillor D. Kinsella, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan, it was agreed that the electric pump be provided subject to the above conditions.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BRAY

The County Secretary read letter received from Cualann Historical Society in relation to future use of building of St. Paul's Church, Bray, in which members of the Council were requested to attend a meeting in the Mellifont Hotel, Quinnsborough Road, Bray on Monday, the 12th June, 1978 at 8.00 p.m. when it is intended to discuss the question of setting up a Museum in this building. Noted.

FLOODING AT GRANGECON - ITEM 6 OF HOUSING MEETING OF 6TH FEBRUARY, 1978

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was noted that a detailed examination had been carried out, and the estimated cost of alleviating the flooding was £1,200.00. It was also indicated that there was no money in the Estimates for carrying out this work in the current year and that the necessary funds would, therefore, have to be provided in 1979. It was proposed by Councillor P. Deering that this be done. Agreed.

BOUNDWOOD CEMETERY

Councillor R. Miley enquired about the availability of a section of this cemetery and it was agreed to examine this suggestion.

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TOMRILAND CROSS ROADS AND ANNACARTER CROSS ROADS

It was agreed to investigate indiscriminate dumping at these locations.

GARDAI - OVERTIME

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge that the overtime for Gardai should not be reduced and that a letter be sent to the Minister accordingly. Councillors J. Whelan and K. Ryan supported this view. Agreed.

WATER SUPPLY IN GREYSTONES

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill stated that the water supply in Greystones was very bad and that numerous householders had no water. Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer gave details of what had occurred in relation to the augmentation of this supply. It was hoped that the results of the pressure test on the cracked pipe would be available within the week and that Dublin Corporation would reconnect the supply.

TINAHELY/CARNEW REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

Councillor K. Ryan enquired as to the progress of the Tinahely/Carnew Regional Water Supply Scheme. Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh informed him of the current situation.

PUMP AT THOMASTOWN, ARKLOW

Councillor D. Kinsella complained that the pump serving houses at Thomastown, Arklow was not working for about nine weeks. He said this matter had been reported to the Overseer for the area and Mr. J. Solan, B.E. Courthouse, Arklow but that the pump was still not working. It was indicated that the pump at Johnstown had been repaired and agreed that this complaint would be investigated immediately.

BLESSINGTON SEWERAGE SCHEME

Councillor J. Miley stated that when he attended a seminar on Water Pollution at Dun Laoghaire he was asked by an Engineer from Dublin Corporation if a Roundtable Conference could be held in relation to Blessington Sewerage Scheme. The County Manager indicated that this would be done.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCHEMES

Councillor T. Keenan enquired about the Environmental Schemes in the County. It was agreed that the County Engineer would explain the position at the meeting on Monday, the 19th June, 1978.

BALLYTEIGUE ROAD, RATHDRUM

Councillor F. Hynes enquired what the position was in relation to the Ballyteigue Road at Rathdrum. It was agreed that this matter would be taken up with the Councils Law Agent with a view to having this case expedited so as to facilitate the completion of the repairs to the road.

BALLYGANNON, RATHDRUM WATER SUPPLY

Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. raised a question about the water supply at Ballygannon, Rathdrum. Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh indicated that the reservoir had been emptied as a result of vandalism. The supply was being restored.

STRUCTURE ERECTED BY DEPARTMENT OF POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS ON BALLYGUILLE HILL:

Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. stated that a structure had been erected by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs on the Ballyguile Hill on the skyline. Councillors A. Murphy and F. Hynes supported this view and enquired why the Council had not been consulted by the Department in this connection. It was indicated to the Council that the Department do not need to apply for planning permission in relation to structures of this type. The situation would be examined and a report made available for the Ordinary Meeting.

POSTAL DELAYS

Councillor J. Miley stated that it had taken five days for him to receive the Agenda for the meeting. The County Secretary gave details of postal difficulties in the Northern Area of the County. Areas affected were those served by the Central Sorting Office, Sherrieff Street. This matter had already been drawn to the attention of the Postmaster and a formal letter of complaint forwarded.

The meeting then concluded.

Liam Kavanagh T.D.
CHAIRMAN

3rd July '78
DATE

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF RATE AND ORDINARY MEETING OF WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, THE 19TH JUNE, 1978, AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COURTHOUSE, WICKLOW, COMMENCING AT 2.30 P.M.

Present:- Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. Chairman,
Councillors M. Cullen, L. Kavanagh, T.D. F. Hynes, J. Miley,
P. Deering, G. Timmins, T.J. Keenan, D. Kinsella, K. Ryan, J. Sweeney,
J. Whelan, V. Blake, M. Costello, J. Byrne, C.E. Keegan, M. Ledwidge,
C. Murphy, T.D. A. Murphy and N. O'Neill

In attendance:- Mr. S. Hayes, County Manager,
Mr. B. Johnston, County Secretary,
Mr. T.J. Donovan, B.E., County Engineer,
Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh, Administrative Officer,
Mr. A. Fidgeon, County Accountant,
Mr. P. Heraty, Staff Officer, Rates Section,
Mr. J. Holohan, Staff Officer, Roads Section,
Mr. F. O'Toole, Staff Officer, Environmental Services Section.

MAKING OF RATE FOR 1978

It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. and unanimously agreed:-

"That Wicklow County Council adopt the rates for the services of the Financial Year ending 31st December, 1978, and allow and make same as assessed in the rate books and direct that the seal of the Council be affixed to the Rate Collectors' Warrants for the year ending 31st December, 1978. The rate in the £ being made up as follows:-

County Charges

(1)	Housing and Building	£ 71.83
(2)	Road Transportation and Safety	£466.36
(3)	Water Supply and Sewerage	£136.14
(4)	Development Incentives and Control	£ 40.05
(5)	Environmental Protection	£114.01
(6)	Recreation and Amenity	£ 36.98
(7)	Agriculture - Education, Health and Welfare	£ 64.98
(8)	Miscellaneous Services	£ 88.14

Seperate Charges

(1)	County at large (exclusive of Bray Urban District)	
	Vocational Education	£ 1.13
(2)	Rathdrum R.D. Rathdrum and Wicklow Joint Burial Board	£ 16.95
(3)	County at large Criminal Injury	£ 15.68
		£1,052.36

It was proposed by Councillor J. Sweeney, seconded by Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. and unanimously agreed:-

"That the seal of the Council be affixed to the demands of the Urban District Councils in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1978 as follows:-

Arklow	£ 46,425.14
Bray	£144,722.99
Wicklow	£ 32,017.29

ITEM 1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Councillor T. Keenan, seconded by Councillor J. Sweeney and unanimously agreed that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Monday, the 8th May, 1978, be confirmed and signed.

Matters arising from MinutesPEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT MAIN STREET, ARKLOW - ITEM 33

Councillor J. Sweeney enquired when the Council would provide a pedestrian crossing at the Main Street in Arklow opposite the Post Office. It was noted that a previous County Engineer's report indicated that from a recent traffic count a pedestrian crossing was not warranted. After discussion on the matter it was agreed that the County Engineer would re-examine the situation.

BALLYMORRIS HOUSE

In reply to query from Councillor A. Murphy, in relation to use of Ballymorris House as a Community Centre, the County Manager indicated that the two front rooms would be made available. Councillors A. Murphy and J. Byrne welcomed the Manager's statement in this regard. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. expressed his dissatisfaction that the communities in the area were not given more and stated that it was part of the overall County Development Plan that lands be provided at Ballymorris for a Community Centre. It was agreed that an application for land from the Community Associations in Bray would be considered but in the meantime, it was agreed that the two front rooms be made available for use by Associations for meetings, etc., The associations concerned to forward details of the arrangements agreed for the management and allocation of the rooms etc.,

ADVANCE FACTORY ON INDUSTRIAL SITE AT CARNEW - ITEM 16

Councillor K. Ryan pointed out that the word 'agreed' was not included in the Minutes in relation to this item.

SIGN ON APPROACH ROAD FROM CARNEW TO SHILLELAGH AT THE FAIRGREEN JUNCTION, SHILLELAGH - ITEM 43

Councillor K. Ryan stressed that this sign should be erected as this junction was very dangerous.

SILT BUILD-UP ON THE VERGES OF THE COOKSTOWN ROAD - ITEM 42

Councillor C. Murphy stated that more needed to be done to clear the silt build-up from the verges.

GREYSTONES DUMPING GROUND

Councillor Miss N. O'Neill enquired if any reply had been received from C.I.E. in relation to the Councils request for a meeting with them in relation to the provision of a playing field at this location. It was indicated that no reply had as yet been received.

ENQUIRIES TO COUNCIL OFFICES - (HOUSE PURCHASE ANNUITIES) - ITEM 26

Following an enquiry from Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. it was indicated that 1,884 tenant purchasers had applied to redeem at the 30th May, 1978, 1,700 approximately paid and 340 certificates had been sent to the Land Registry.

SIGN AT HOLLYWOOD CROSS - ITEM 25

Councillor P. Deering stated that a sign should be erected at this location indicating Dunlavin. He stated that Kildare County Council had erected a suitable type sign in another location and he recommended that Wicklow County Council should erect a similar type sign.

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The County Secretary presented the completed 1976 Abstract of Accounts and gave details therefrom in relation to the various financial transactions and also regarding the forwarding of the document to the Department of the Environment. In due course this Abstract would be audited by the Auditor and his report together with the Audited Abstract would be included on the Agenda for consideration by the members. Following enquiry from Councillor K. Ryan, Mr. A. Pidgeon gave additional details in relation to the 1976 Abstract of Accounts and the County Manager outlined the normal procedure for detailed consideration of the Abstract. On the proposal of Councillor G. Timmins, seconded by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. it was agreed that the Abstract for 1976 be approved subject to audit and forwarded to the Department and that excess expenditure as indicated by the County Accountant be approved.

ITEM 4 TO CONSIDER DRAFT BYE-LAWS FOR THE INSPECTION OF MEAT INTENDED TO BE SOLD FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION WITHIN THE COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT OF WICKLOW (Details circulated).

The County Secretary outlined the background for the need to formulate Bye-Laws for the inspection of meat intended for human consumption and of the need arising for co-ordination in this matter. In reply to a query, it was indicated to the Council that at present there is a joint inspection of premises by the Medical Officer and the Veterinary Inspector for the area and that it is proposed to employ a full-time Veterinary Inspector for the northern area of the County. It was agreed that the Draft Bye-Laws as circulated be adopted.

ITEM 5 HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME, 1978 (Details circulated)

The County Secretary referred to changes in the scheme as against that for 1977. Councillor A. Murphy complained about the delay in paying students their fees. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. enquired what the line of demarcation was in relation to residence. The County Secretary indicated that he would have this examined. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. proposed and Councillor A. Murphy seconded that Wicklow fees be fixed at the higher rate. Following further discussion in relation to the operation of the scheme, it was agreed that the scheme be adopted.

ITEM 6 REVISION OF SCHEME OF GRANTS UNDER THE ARTS ACT, 1973 (copies circulated)

It was indicated to the Council that a sum of £1,500.00 had been provided in the current estimates for the payment of grants to events or exhibitions organised in the County Health District. It was also noted that in 1977 grants were paid on a County basis - the three urban areas having made their own provisions for the payment of grants in the current year. The Council indicated that many events which are organised in the urban districts cater for people in the County Health District and that, therefore, the scheme should be amended to allow for payment of grants where suitable to events organised in the urban district areas. The County Secretary indicated that he would have the scheme amended on these lines.

ITEM 7 TO CONSIDER DRAFT STANDING ORDERS FOR WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL (copies circulated).

The County Secretary in introducing the Draft Standing Orders complimented the Chairman, Councillor L. Kavanagh, T.D. and the other members of the committee, Councillors G. Timmins, T.D. R. Miley and J. Whelan for the sustained effort in finalising the draft now available for the members consideration. The Chairman referred to the contribution made by the officials concerned and expressed the view that when considered and adopted, by the members, the Standing Orders would be of considerable assistance to the members.

Many Councillors expressed the view that some time was needed to give adequate consideration to the proposals and it was agreed to adjourn consideration to the next meeting.

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ITEM 8 REPORT ON TELEPHONE KIOSKS (Details circulated previously)

It was agreed that this report be adjourned to the next monthly meeting.

ITEM 9 ALLOCATION OF AN ENGINEER TO EACH OF THE FOUR ELECTORAL AREAS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Miley, P. Deering, J. Sweeney and M. Cullen, T. Keenan and J. Whelan was considered:-

"That this Council allocate an Engineer to each of the four electoral areas; this Engineer to have housing and housing repairs and planning as priority."

Councillor J. Miley stated that in view of the fact that no report was yet available he was recommending that an Engineer be made available to each of the four electoral areas. Councillor Miss N. O'Neill proposed that an Engineer be appointed solely for Greystones as the population there had increased immensely. After considerable discussion on the matter, it was agreed that the situation would be further examined and a report submitted.

ITEM 10 PIPING THE ROAD LEADING FROM BALLYCONNELL CHAPEL TOWARDS LISCOLMAN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillor Vincent Blake was considered:-

"That this Council put water pipes in the existing water course for about 260 to 300 yards leading from Ballyconnell Chapel towards Liscolman thereby giving $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet more road."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was indicated that this draining is about 180 yards long. Piping it would widen the road by about $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet and the estimated cost was £550.00 at 1978 rates and it was recommended that it be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. Agreed.

ITEM 11 PUBLIC LIGHTING AT UPPER DARGLE ROAD, BRAY ROAD BETWEEN MURPHY'S PUB AND EGANS'

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C.E. Keegan and G. Timmins was considered:-

"That the public lighting on Upper Dargle Road, Bray be improved. Also that the centre on the road between Murphy's Pub and Egans' be investigated with a view to improving the road."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer which stated that what appeared to be old trenches crossing the National Primary route between Murphy's pub and Egan's Garage had subsided to varying degrees and indicated that it was proposed to make good these depressions as soon as possible. Agreed.

With regard to public lighting on Upper Dargle Road, Bray, it was indicated from the County Engineer's report that all money allocated by Wicklow County Council for public lighting purposes has already been committed to various schemes in accordance with its Public Lighting programme for 1978 but that no money had been allocated for public lighting improvements to the Upper Dargle Road and that this motion, therefore, could not be considered until next years programme is prepared. Councillor G. Timmins enquired as to the position regarding the use of National Primary road allocation and the procedure for its use for this purpose.

ITEM 12 FENCING OF ROADSIDE AT GLENART, ARKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors D. Kinsella was considered:-

"That the road side be fenced where the bend was taken off the road at Glenart, Arklow."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that arrangements had been made to complete the erection of guard rail at this location in the near future and that a stone wall and some guard rail had been erected at this site. Councillor D. Kinsella emphasised that this work should be done as quickly as possible as it was very dangerous and had been in its present position for some time.

ITEM 13 MILL BANK LANE, SHILLELAGH

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors J. Whelan and T. Keenan was considered:-

"That the Council put into repair and take over Mill Bank Lane, Shillelagh."

It was indicated from the County Engineer's report that this work was included in the estimates for the 1978 Roadworks Scheme but was not subsequently approved and it was recommended that it be included for consideration in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme. It was proposed by Councillor J. Whelan, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan that the County Engineer's report be adopted. Agreed.

ITEM 14 LAND FOR INDUSTRIAL SITE AT DUNLAVIN

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors P. Deering and G. Timmins, T.D. was considered:-

"That this Council make the necessary arrangements to immediately acquire land for an industrial site at Dunlavin."

Councillor P. Deering enquired if anything could be done about acquiring land for an industrial site at Dunlavin. The County Manager indicated that the question of the acquisition of land generally was at present having attention. He was anxious to obtain the assistance of local Councillors in relation to this matter and in the event would be anxious to know if Councillor P. Deering could obtain some information in this regard.

ITEM 15 COMPLETION OF MOUNTAIN VIEW ESTATE, BOGHALL ROAD, BRAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLANNING CONDITIONS

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors A. Murphy, C.E. Keegan and G. Timmins was considered:-

"That this Council take action to have the Mountain View Estate, Boghall Road, Bray, completed in accordance with the planning conditions."

The County Secretary read report of County Engineer in which it was stated that the main works outstanding in Mountain View Estate are in relation to final surfacing of roads and completion of Play area and it was indicated that as a result of a meeting with Nolan Construction on the 22nd May, 1978, they stated that it was their intention to complete both the Mountain View Estate and Fairyhill Estate within the next two months. It was also indicated that a detailed inspection of the services will be carried out as per the amended "as Constructed" Drawings before taking over the Estate. Councillor A. Murphy stressed that some method should be brought about that would make developers complete the estate. He also stated that there was an open stream on the estate and that this was very dangerous to children. Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. suggested that the Council should write and ask the builders to complete the estate. The County Manager, Mr. S. Hayes, indicated that pressure would be maintained on the builders to finish the estate.

ITEM 16 GRANTING OF FINANCIAL AID TO THE COMMUNITY GAMES IN WICKLOW

The following Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor A. Murphy was considered:-

"That provision be made in next years estimates for the granting of financial aid to the Community Games in Wicklow."

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It was recommended to the Council that a grant of £200.00 be paid out of the allocation for Recreational and Amenity Programme. It was proposed by Councillor A. Murphy, seconded by Councillor T. Keenan that this grant be paid. Agreed.

It was agreed that the following Notices of Motion be included on the Agenda for the next meeting as no reports were available.

"That immediate steps be taken to overcome the problems relating to the melting of the tarred footpaths in Beechwood Park."

"That an Engineers report be prepared on the surface-condition of the road at The Mill on the sea road at the entrance to Beechdale, Kilcoole."

"That a road sign be erected on Lott Lane showing the entrance to Lott Manor Drive, Kilcoole."

"That the Lions Head and Chain-link fencing be removed from within the Clock and restored to their appropriate position around the Clock Monument in Enniskerry."

"That a report be given to the Council on the regularity of the surface sweeping and cleaning within Kilgarron Park, Enniskerry."

ITEM 22 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS RAISED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN

MICROWAVE RADIO LINK REPEATER STATION AT BALLYGUILLE, WICKLOW

The County Secretary read letter of 26th May, 1975 received from Department of Posts and Telegraphs indicating that it was proposed to develop the existing microwave link repeater station at Ballyguile to allow for expansion of the telecommunication system. The proposed development involved the erection of self supporting steel lattice tower to carry radio antennae and would be 52.0 metres (171 feet) high. The Chairman and members were of the opinion that this letter should have been brought to their attention prior to reply being forwarded particularly having regard to the obtrusive nature of the structure on the skyline and considered that at the time some consideration might have been given to an alternative location.

ANNUAL MEETING OF GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS

The Secretary read letter received from the Secretary of the County Councils General Council in which it was indicated that at the Special Meeting of the County Councils' General Council held on the 7th June, 1978, it was agreed to hold the Annual Meeting of the Council this year on the last Wednesday of the month which will be Wednesday, the 30th August, 1978. It was also indicated in the letter that notice of any matter which Wicklow County Council wish to have placed on the Agenda for the meeting should reach the Secretary on or before the 17th August, 1978. Noted.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM MUINTIR NA TIRE

The County Secretary read letter received from Muintir na Tire in relation to proposals for development of the Clonmore Area. It was recommended that it be referred to the National Monuments Committee. It was proposed by Councillor C. Murphy, T.D. Seconded by Councillor T. Keenan that this be done. Mr. R. O'Ceallaigh indicated that a copy had already been received and was having attention.

FLOODING AT GRANGECON

It was indicated from report of County Engineer that a detailed examination had been carried out and the estimated cost of alleviating the flooding was £1,200. It was indicated that there was no money in the Estimates for carrying out this work in the current year. Councillor G. Timmins, T.D. and Councillor J. Miley

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urged that this work be carried out this year. It was agreed that the question of availability of funds would be further examined.

DELAY IN POSTING WAGES

Councillor V. Blake complained about the delay experienced by employees in receiving their wages. The County Secretary indicated that he had been in contact with the Post Office about postal delays.

LEAKING WATER SUPPLY - MR. MULLEN, 191, KILLARNEY PARK, BRAY

Councillor Mrs. M. Ledwidge indicated the water supply to 191, Killarney Park, Bray was leaking and requested that the matter be rectified. Noted.

CASTLEMACADAM CEMETERY

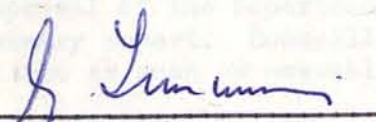
Councillor K. Kinsella requested that the wall and footpath at Castlemacadam Cemetery be finished and also the road leading to the cemetery. Noted.

ROADS AT NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY AND MERRYMEETING, RATHNEW

Councillor F. Hynes stated that the village of Newtownmountkenedy had not been cleaned for three weeks and that the roads at Newtownmountkenedy and Merrymeeting, Rathnew needed surface dressing. Noted.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS

Councillor K. Ryan proposed that a vote of congratulations be sent to Sean Halahan of Carnew winner of the Irish Supermind 1977. Agreed.


CHAIRMAN

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10/7/78