MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY LIBRARIES COMMITTEE HELD ON SATURDAY 1st AUGUST, 1959.

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LEABHARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE GALVAY COUNTY LIBRARIES

County Library H.Q., Courthouse, Galway.

3rd November, 1959.

A Chara:

A Quarterly Meeting of the Galway County Libraries Committee will be held in the Bar Room of the Courthouse on Saturday next, 7th November, at 1.00 p.m.

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AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of previous meeting (Herewith).
- 2. Statistics for half-year ended 30th September.
- 3. Branches & Centres.
- 4. Correspondence.
- 5. Any other business.

To each member of the Committee.

To County Manager .

To Assistant County Manager.

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GALWAY COUNTY LIBRARIES

NUMBER OF BOOKS ISSUED TO READERS AT BRANCH LIBRARIES DURING HALF YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1959. (Figures for 1958 period in brackets.)

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GALWAY CITY	74,280	(71,975)
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AHASCRAGH	2,649	(2,155)
ATHENRY	4,387	(4,697)
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BALLYGAR	5,889	(5,516)
CARRAROE	4,175	(5,641)
CARNA	1,730	(1,449)
CRAU GHWELL	2,027	(1,936)
CREGGS	2,157	(2,844)
CLIFDEN	4,885	(4,874)
DUNMORE	4,644	(4,546)
GLENAMADDY	1,360	(1,544)
GORT	11,466	(8,707)
HEADFORD	2,938	(2,647)
KILCONNELL	2,806	(2,322)
KILLIMOR	1,552	(1,625)
KILRONAN	1,226	(1,361)
KINVARA	3,883	(5,260)
LOUGHREA	11,326	(10,008)
MOYLOUGH	1,624	(2,628)
OUGHTERARD	3,600	(3,906)
PORTUMNA	6,519	(6,780)
ROUNDSTONE	2,561	(2,112)
SPIDDAL	3,540	(3,275)
TUAM	8,459	(10,487)

LEABHARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE GALWAY COUNTY LIBRARIES

(For half-year ended 30th September.)

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		1959	(1958)
Mumber of books sent to Branches	& Centres	12,464	(14,340)
No. of books returned from Branch	es &		
	Centres	12,680	(10,050)
No. of books sent to Bindery		2,287	(1,577)
No. of books returned from Bindery		2,287	(4,135)
No. of books purchased:	FICTION	2,390	(2,350)
	JUVENILE	2,452	(2,506)
	NON-FICTION	1,390	(1,743)
		6,232	(6,607)
No. of books withdrawn from stock:	FICTION	1,000	(761)
	JUVENILE	1,300	(503)
	NON-FICTION	200	(71)
		2,500	(1,335)

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AGENDA

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- 2. County Library Estimate 1960/61
- 3. Statistics for 9 months ended 31st Dec. 1959 (herewith)
- 4. Schedule of work to be carried out by Delivery cum Mobile Library Unit.
- 5. Branches and Centres
- 6. Any other business

To each member of the Committee

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NUMBER OF BOOKS ISSUED TO READERS AT BRANCH LIBRARIES DURING
9 MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1959.
(Figures for 1958 period in brackets)

ABBEYKNOCKMOY	5,854	(5,883)
AHASCRAGH	5,126	(3,697)
ATHENRY	7,048	(7,408)
BALLINASLOE	18,688	(23,223)
BALLYGAR	9,760	(7,516)
CARNA	2,681	(2,893)
CAPRAROE	7,237	(7,641)
CLIFDEN	7,840	(7,450)
CRAUGHWELL	3,463	(3,103)
CREGGS	3,576	(4,308)
DU MORE	8,084	(7,636)
GORT	18,362	(14,925)
GLENAMADDY	2,308	(2,448)
HEADFORD	4,776	(4,497)
KILCONNELL	4,681	(4,050)
KILLIMOR	2,829	(2,587)
KILRONAN	2,202	(2,196)
KINVARA .	5,760	(6,613)
LOUGHREA	17,831	(16,440)
MOYLOUGH	2,119	(4,184)
OUGHTERARD	6,344	(6,544)
PORTUMNA	11,075	(10,832)
ROUNDS TONE	3,923	(3,730)
SPIDDAL	5,404	(5,407)
TUAM	14,156	(15,726)
WOODFORD	7,550	(7,294)
GALWAY CITY	119,004	(115,247)
Total:-	307,681	(303,478)
Increase:-		4,203

FOR NINE MONTHS ENDED 31/12/1959.

No. of books sent to Branches	1959	1958
and Centres.	21,929	(21838)
No. of books returned from		
Branches and Centres.	18,306	(19,111)
No. of books sent to Bindery.	3,947	(1,577)
No. of books returned from Bindery	3,947	(1,577)
No. of books purchased. F	3472	F 3725
	3745	J 3955
NF'	2245 9,462	NF 3251 (10931)
No. of books withdrawn		
from stock.	2,487	(1,316)

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ESTIMATE 1960/61 (Column 4)

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ITEM	Alloc. 1959/60.	Estimated Exp.1959/60	TOTAL	Estimated Exp.1960/61	TOTAL	Inc. or Dec. on 1959/60 allocation
BOOKS:	£	£	£	£	£	£
New books	6400	6400		6400		<i>r</i>
Binding	1000	1000		1000		
Periodicals	50	50	7450	50	7450	5
SALARIES:	4.5			New police	i Je	
Headquarters	4450	4400	The second secon	5000		
Branches	2500	2700	7100	5000 2850	7850	I 750
MAINTENANCE:		and the second	or howeldon	ioni il dall'isi	RT DEW	
Rent Hest & Light	830	810	ONC PACE	930		
(a) Galway City	250	250	Mar ren	250		
(b) Branches	150	150		200		Company of the second second
Renovations	200	550	1760	100	1480	- 280
OTHER CHARGES:			An Darw	eins, Robk Be	mes, si	
1. Stationery	140	200	premiere	150	d Sapro	
2. Postage etc.	100	100		100		
3. Telephone	30	30	And Livery	30		
4. Travelling	450	400	BETTEACH	400		
5. Transport	300	180		230		
6. Lib.Council	250	250		250		
7. Loan charges	400	30	1190	410	1570	I 380
TOTALS:	£17500	£17500	£17500	£18350 £	18850	I £850
Income from Receip (Estimated)	ts	800	800	800	800	
Charge on Rates			16700		17550	1 850
Rate in £1.	****		64/f d.	meria emprera	71/6 d.	1 1/3d.

SALARIES:

Increase of £750. : £600. Headquarters £150. Branches

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Headquarters: 1. Nor

- 1. Normal increments of staff = £150.
- 2. Salary of driver assistant for full year = £450.

 Total: £600.

(b) Branches:

1. Salaries of two new Branch Librarians = £150.
TOTAL INCREASE £750.

MAINTENANCE:

Nett decrease of £280.

due to

- (a) Increase of £120. for rent on Branches
 (1) Higher rent on Loughrea -- £60.
 (2) Rent on 2 new Branches -- £60.
- (b) Increase of £50. for heating and lighting at new premises Loughrea.

 TOTAL INCREASE £170.
- Decrease under heading renovations -- £450.

 High cost in current year due to opening of two new Branches, providing lino at three Branches, Book Boxes, alterations and furniture for new premises at Loughrea and improvements at Abbeyknockmoy and Ballygar Branches.

 NETT DECREASE £280.

OTHER CHARGES:

Increase : £380
Decrease of £50. under heading 'Stationery'.

- (1) Increase under transport = £50.
- Cost of loan charges for full year on
 Delivery cum Mobile Unit = £410. being increase of £380.

 NETT INCREASE £380.

Money provided for loan charges in current year's estimate wes diverted with the Committee's and Manager's approval to the provision of two new Branches and improvements at other.

NETT INCREASE IN ESTIMATE SHOWN IS £850.

THE FIGURE £	7850. FOR SALARIES IS	MADE UP	AS FOLLOWS	1-
HEADQUARTERS:	Current year's cost		£4400	
	Increments 1960/61		150	
	Salary of Driver As	ssistant	450	
	Total of 10 staff:		CECCO	
	100al of 10 stall:		£5000	7.4
BRANCHES:	3 @ £187.4		£562	
	1 @ 156		156	
	1 @ 117		117	
	23 @ 78		1794	
			£2629 .	
National Heal	th (Employer)		154	
9 Honorary Lil	brarians @ £7. 10. 0.		67	
28 Branch Libs	s. & 9 Hon. Libs.		£2850	£7850
THE FIGURE £14	480 FOR MAINTENANCE	IS MADE U	JP AS FOLLO	VS:
RENT:	Ballinasloe Branch			
	Loughrea		£104	
	Tuam		130	
	Gort		20	
	(1 @ 39		40	
Smaller	(1 @ 36		39	
Branches		Con Street	36	
DI 9 HONES	(8 @ 30		240 .	
	(7 @ 26)	132	
	(3 @ 25		75	
	(3 @ 20		60	
			£926.	
HEAT. LIGHT. C	LEANING:			
	Counthous			
	Courthouse premises		£200	
	Woodquay premises Ballinasloe Branch		50	
	Tuam		50	
	Loughrea		50	
	Spiddal	7-	50	
			25	
	Roundstone (& Rates)	25	
			£450	
RENOVATIONS ETC				
	Incidental acci-			
	Incidental office equ	ipment		

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£100

£1480

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County Library H.Q., Courthouse, Galway.

22nd April, 1960.

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The reconstructed Branch Library will be officially re-opened after the meeting.

The Delivery cum Mobile Library Unit will be n display after the meeting.

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AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of previous meeting (herewith)
- 2. Statistics for year ended 31st March, 1960
- 3. Mobile Library stop points (Schedule herewith)
- 4. Branches and Centres
- 5. Nomination of delegates to Annual Conference of Library Association of Ireland
- 6. Any other business

To each member of the Committee

To Assistant Co. Manager

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To Editors of local newspapers

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(Figures for 1959 in brackets)

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ABBEYKNOCKMOY	8,253	(8535)
AHASCRAGH	7.873	(5493)
ATHENRY	10,035	(9829)
BALLINASLOE	26,663	(30654)
BALLYGAR	13,464	(13040)
CARNA	3,715	(4150)
CARRAROE	9,861	(9935)
CLIFDEN	10,869	(10289)
CRAUGHWELL	4,668	(4105)
CREGGS	5,145	(5832)
DUNMORE	11,563	(10850)
EYRECOURT	1,724	(not open)
GORT	25,209	(21562)
GLENAMADDY	3,240.	(3270)
HEADFORD	6595	(6550)
KILCONNELL	7174	(5926)
KILLIMOR	4584	(3801)
KILRONAN	3,600	(3118)
KINVARA	8,555	(11100)
LOUGHREA	25,199 •	(23426)
MOYLOUGH	3,188 .	(5874)
OUGHTERARD	8,389	(8638)
PORTUMNA	16,073	(14891)
ROUNDS TONE	5,138	(5463)
SPIDDAL	7,971	(7989)
TUAM	21,365	(22343)
WILLIAMS TOWN	1,922	(not open)
WOODFORD	9,877	(10238)
GYTMAA CIİA	173,188	(161,473)
TOTAL:	445,100	(427,774)
INCREASE:	17,326 .	

YEAR 1959/60 (1958/59 in brackets)

No. of books sent to Branches and Centres	30,226	(26952)
No. of books returned from Branches & Centres	25,281	(21 3 20)
No. of books sent to Bindery	5,975	(2,577)
No. of books returned from Bindery	3,975	(5,135)
No. of books withdrawn from stock	7,050	(3,520)
No. of books added to stock	4,069 F 4,115 J 2,942 NF	(4566 F (4408 J (3858 NF
	11,126	(12,832)

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