

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 1972.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary, Messrs. M. Joyce, N.T., D.J. Murphy, N.T., Rev. M. Coen, C.C.

The Committee passed a vote of sympathy with Father Coen on the death of his Mother.

The following were appointed members of the Committee for the year 1972/3: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn, Professor M. Duignan, Rev. P.K. Egan, P.P., Messrs. D.J. Murphy, N.T., M. Joyce, N.T., M. J. Molloy, Etienne Rynne, Councillors P. Raftery and J. Donnellan, Rev. M. Coen, C.C.

1. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
2. Cathaoir an Easbuig: Work in progress.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: Father Coen reported that there were two walls left. It is dangerous and can fall on a house built under it, with the possibility that it may fall out on the road. The owner is willing to have it repaired.
4. Coole Park: Concluded.
5. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
6. O'Flaherty's House: Father Coen reported that there are the ruins of the house to 4 or 5 feet, ruins of the school and a platform where O Flaherty sat and wrote. The owner is willing that a signpost be erected. A signpost in Irish should be erected opposite Michael Costelloe's house.
7. Kilconnell Abbey: A letter from Mr. Harbison, Bord Failte stated that an offer from the Board of £75 for 4,600 sq. feet was made to the owner but a reply had not yet been received. Mr. Joyce said Bord Failte was not satisfied to give the owner a right of way on the road. The Committee asked Mr. Joyce to make an arrangement.
8. Turoe Stone: Mr. Joyce said the road has now been done by the County Council. Mr. Harbison to be informed.
9. Abbeyknockmoy: Concluded.
10. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: The Secretary said he had sent Mr. Rynne's report on the site to the Irish Land Commission.
11. Roserrilly: Deferred pending report of work completed.
12. Kilmacduagh: Father Coen reported a lot of damage done already in the graveyard, walls and trees removed but no archaeological damage.
13. Rath at Lisconly: The Secretary stated he had written to the County Engineer that the Committee needs to know what archaeological sites are likely to be involved in road works as they occur so that appropriate action can be taken. There was no reply.
14. Bord Failte Plaques: The Secretary stated that Mr. Rynne was assured that the Bord Failte Plaques lying with the Board of Works would be erected in due course.
15. Old Graveyard in Tuam: Mr. Murphy reported an old 13th century church there with a 12th century style window. The Secretary is to write to the Board of Works asking that it be taken over. The County Council put standing tombstones lying down there last year. They are to be asked to raise them somewhat over ground level as the board of Works did at Athenry at our request.

Next meeting: Wednesday 13th December, 1972.

*Pádraig Egan MacFhinn*  
CATHAOIRLEACH

*13th Sept 1972*  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 1972.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P.K. Egan, Secretary, Mr. Molloy, Councillor Raftery, Mr. D.J. Murphy, N.T.,  
Rev. M. Coen, C.C., Mr. M. Joyce, N.T., and Mr. Etienne Rynne.

1. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
2. Cathair an Easbuig: Deferred.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: Mr. Joyce proposed that we recommend that this ruin be repaired.
4. Daly Inscription: Deferred. The Secretary to inquire from Miss O'Grady what the position is in regard to ownership.
5. O'Flaherty's House: The Secretary stated that signposting had been requested.
6. Kilconnell Abbey: A letter from Mr. Harbison, Bord Failte read to effect that questions re rights of way had not yet been resolved but that if further difficulties were made he doubted that they would be prepared to go ahead further on the project.
7. Turoe Stone: Concluded.
8. Souterain at Garrauns, Tuam: Deferred.
9. Roserrilly: Deferred. Mr. Rynne stated that on grounds of sanitation this work could be done.
10. Kilmacduagh: The Secretary to seek information from the Inspector of National Monuments as to whether he is aware of local projects here which might damage the existing ruins.
11. Rath at Lisconly: A reply from the County Engineer to the Secretary's letter on the general question of interference by road works on National Monuments is awaited.
12. Bord Failte Plaques: Mr. Rynne stated that they are not yet erected.
13. Old Graveyard in Tuam: The Secretary stated he had written to the Board of Works and the County Council but had not received replies.
14. Acquisition of Monuments: Arising out of interview with County Manager, Mr. Rynne reported that the County Council can take any monument into care by first getting clearance from the Board of Works. In the case of the Killimordaly stone (No. 4 above) on 28 Jan. 1971, the County Council informed the Board of Works of their intention and received a reply that the matter was being examined. A similar process was gone through in August, 1971. The County Council is also responsible for the gateway and part of the walls of Athenry. The Committee decided to recommend that the ivy be taken off the walls.
15. Road Works: Decision to request the County Council to inform the Committee in advance of road works which may interfere with antiquities.
16. The Teampoillin, Poolboy: It was decided to raise the matter of preservation of this ruin again with the County Council and also with the Department of Public Works.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 14th, 1973.

*Pádraig Ó Súilleabháin*  
CATHAIR LEACH

*124 MEATZ 1973*

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14th, 1973.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P.K. Egan, Secretary, Councillors Donnellan and Raftery, Mr. Molloy, Mr. M. Joyce, N.T., and Mr. Murphy, N.T.

1. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred pending discussion with County Manager.
2. Cathair an Easbuig: Mr. Joyce reported that work was proceeding.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: The Secretary said he had recommended its repair to the County Council.
4. Daly Inscription: Secretary said that there was no reply to his letter from the National Monuments Council.
5. O'Flaherty's House: Mr. Donnellan undertook to see if signpost was erected.
6. Kilconnell Abbey: Secretary read letter from Bord Failte that the landowner is not prepared to sell a right of way. He was instructed to write to Bord Failte deploring the action of the owner. Mr. Joyce is to take up the matter locally.
7. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: Deferred.
8. Roserrilly: Mr. Murphy said that the caretaker may do something with it.
9. Kilmacduagh: Secretary stated he had written to the National Monuments Council but had received no reply.
10. Rath at Lisconly: Deferred.
11. Bord Failte Plaques: Mr. Murphy said that now the plaques have been erected.
12. Old Graveyard in Tuam: Secretary read letter from Office of Public Works to effect that an inspection of the ruin would be necessary first before making any decision and the Committee would then be informed. Mr. Donnellan is to take up with the County Council the question of the graveyard ownership.
13. Acquisition of Monuments: Deferred until we have a meeting with the County Manager.
14. Road Works: Mr. Donnellan to see County Engineer and ask him to let us know when a monument is likely to come in the path of road making operations and get our observations, as in the case of Lisconly Rath (No.10 above).
15. The Teampoillin, Poolboy: Deferred.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 13th 1973.

*P. P. MacFhinn*  
CATH AIR LEACH

*13 Meitheamh 1973*  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY 13th JUNE, 1973.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: The Secretary, Rev. P.K. Egan, Councillors Donnellan and Raftery, Messrs. M. Joyce, N.T., M. Molloy and Mr. Murphy, N.T.

1. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
2. Cathair an Easbuig: The Secretary reported progress here.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: Mr. Donnellan said he had discussed its preservation with the Engineer and the problem is the question of its ownership by the County Council.
4. Daly Inscription: The Secretary was asked to write again to the office of Public Works.
5. O'Flaherty's House: Mr. Donnellan discussed it with the County Engineer who will investigate.
6. Kilconnell Abbey: No progress in site acquisition, Mr. Joyce doing what he can locally.
7. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: Deferred.
8. Roserrilly: Mr. Murphy reported that the wall has been repaired. Concluded.
9. Kilmacduagh: Deferred.
10. Rath at Lisconly: Concluded.
11. Bord Failte Plaques: Concluded.
12. Old Graveyard at Tuam: Mr. Murphy says a small patch should be cleaned up. Also the boundary wall which is at present six feet high should be taken down to ground level to prevent vandalism. The Secretary to recommend these things to be done.
13. Acquisition of Monuments: Deferred pending meeting with County Manager.
14. Road Works: Mr. Donnellan interviewed the <sup>County</sup> Engineer, Mr. Dunne and he said he would inform us in future.
15. The Teampoillin, Poolboy: Write to the County Secretary pressing for its preservation.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 12th September, 1973 at 4.15 p.m.

*Piobair Eic MacFhinn*  
CATHAIRLEACH

*12 Meán Fómhair 1973*  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 1973.

In the Chair: Mgr. P. E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: The Secretary, Rev. P. K. Egan, Councillor P. Raftery, Messrs. M. Joyce, N.T., D. J. Murphy, N.T., Canon G. Quinn, Rev. M. Coen, Messrs E. Rynne and J. Counihan.

1. Cloonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
2. Cathaoir an Easbuig: Mr. Joyce reported work in progress here.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: Deferred.
4. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
5. Flaherty's House: Deferred.
6. Kilconnell Abbey: Mr. Joyce reported no progress.
7. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: Mr. Murphy said the farm has been allotted for about twelve months but nothing has been done. He proposed that the Land Commission be communicated with again.
8. Kilmacduagh: Canon Quinn said he had proposed to the Board of Works that the tower be repaired, part of the old Cathedral roofed and a car park provided. This was agreed to by Board of Works. As the tower is in immediate danger the Secretary was instructed to write to the Board of Works.
9. Old Graveyard at Tuam: Deferred.
10. Acquisition of Monuments: To be discussed with the new County Manager at a later date.
11. Teampoillin: The Secretary had asked for its preservation but no reply from County Council.
12. Ballinakill Church near Glinsk: Mr. Raftery might view the ruin before next meeting.
13. County Survey of National Monuments: Mr. Rynne to prepare a letter to County Council recommending a temporary archaeological office.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 12th December, 1973.

*Pádraig MacFhinn*  
CATHAOIRLEACH

*12 Meán Fómhair 1973*  
DATA.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, 12th DECEMBER, 1973.

In the Chair: Mgr. P. E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: The Secretary, Rev. P.K. Egan, Councillor S. Donnellan, Mr. M. Joyce, N.T., Mr. D. J. Murphy, N.T., Canon G. Quinn, Mr. J. Molloy, and Mr. Etienne Rynne.

1. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
2. Cathair an Easbuig: Mr. Joyce said the work here is held up until Summer.
3. Curragh Castle, Renvyle: Mr. Donnellan said the ruin is not vested in the County Council and cannot be repaired.
4. Daly Inscription: The Secretary had approached the Board of Works to issue permission, but the County Council had no reply to this on a previous letter. Mr. Rynne pointed out that it was not necessary to obtain permission from the Office of Public Works but merely to inform them. The Secretary is to appraise the County Council of this.
5. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Councillor Donnellan said he would approach the County Engineer again re a signpost.
6. Kilconnell Abbey: Deferred.
7. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: Mr. Murphy's proposal for a car park was deferred until the Land Commission's work is done.
8. Kilmacduagh: Canon Quinn complained that he could get no reply or undertaking from the Office of Public Works about the repairs here. The meeting was concerned about the condition of the tower and the Secretary undertook to get in contact with the Office of Public Works again about the matter.
9. Old Graveyard at Tuam: Senator Killilea is to submit a proposal agreed by local interests to a meeting of the County Council in regard to the wall and road here.
10. Acquisition of Monuments: Mr. Joyce proposed that the County Manager be invited to meet this Committee at a quarterly meeting on Wednesday, 13th February, 1974 and if this is not possible that the date of the meeting be altered to suit him; the matters to be discussed with him to be the first items on the agenda Councillor Donnellan to inform him.
11. Teampoillin: Mr. Joyce is to view this with the District Engineer. ✓
12. Ballinakill Church, Glinsk: Secretary to write to the County Council to have this cemetery cleaned up.
13. County Survey of National Monuments: The Secretary is to receive documentation on this from Mr. Rynne.
14. Meelick: The possibility of a restoration here was discussed and referred to a meeting with the County Manager. x
15. Clonmacnoes: The proposal of the Office of Public Works to control ingress to the site was discussed. Matter deferred.
16. Kilcloony Castle: Mr. Molloy to obtain further information.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 13th, 1974.

Martin J. Joyce.  
13<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1974.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH FEBRUARY, 1974.

In the Chair: Mr. M. Joyce, N.T.

Also Present: The Secretary, Rev. P.K. Egan, Councillors S. Donnellan and P. Raftery, Mr. D.J. Murphy, N.T., Canon G. Quinn, Mr. J. Molloy, Mr. E. Rynne and Rev. M. Carr. acquainted with the new County Manager and to discuss with him the functions of the Committee, its relation to the County Council and the Council's function in regard to the acquisition of Ancient Monuments and the care of monuments vested in it. The meeting was arranged to afford the members an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the new County Manager and to discuss with him the functions of the Committee, its relation to the County Council and the Council's function in regard to the acquisition of Ancient Monuments and the care of monuments vested in it.

Mr. Rynne outlined an interview with the outgoing County Manager which was had by delegates of the Committee in which problems were discussed like the acquisition of ancient monuments by the County Council and the importance of seeking the advice of the Committee prior to the undertaking of roadworks or improvements which might endanger such monuments.

In addressing the meeting, the County Manager mentioned that, though County Councils had statutory powers to set up National Monuments Advisory Committees, Galway was among the few which had done so. He was particularly pleased at this. Such a committee had a useful function as a liaison with the Commissioners of Public Works, Bord Failte and other interested bodies. The current estimates for conservation, he agreed, were no more than nominal.

Athenry Town Walls: Mr. Rynne pointed out the anomalous situation where part of the walls were vested in the County Council, part in the Commissioners of Public Works and part unprotected by any body. The County Manager agreed to ask the Commissioners of Public Works to take over the walls in toto.

Lydican Castle, Kinvara: Mr. Rynne said that this ruin, though vested in the County Council, has been bought by the owner of St. Cleran's. The County Manager agreed to investigate.

Meelick Abbey: The question as to whether the County Councils' ownership of the graveyard here extends to the ruins was asked and the County Manager agreed to have it investigated.

Ballinakill Graveyard: The Secretary had written to the County Council to have it cleaned up in view of the important medieval stone effigy there. Mr. Rynne suggested that Mr. Geraghty (Public Works) might advise.

Milltown Castle: Mr. Molloy drew attention to the possible danger to this ruin from proposed road alterations. The County Manager took note of this matter.

Teach Ruaidhri Uí Fhlathartaigh: Mentioned again by Mr. Donnellan. Agreed that the text of a plaque be composed and Bord Failte be written to..

Kilmacduagh: The Secretary had had no reply from the Commissioners of Public Works in regard to which action was proposed here. Canon Quinn was perturbed by possible damage due to delay. Secretary asked to write to them again.

Teampoll Jarlath, Tuam: Mr. Murphy repeated the necessity for improvements here and the County Manager took note of it.

County Archaeologist: Mr. Rynne proposed that Galway County Development Team be written to with a view to having a County Archaeologist appointed to carry out a complete survey of County Galway as well as ancillary functions on the lines of the successful County Roscommon project. The Secretary was instructed to write accordingly.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 8th May, 1974.

*Proposed by Eric MacFinn*  
CATHAOLIC LEAGUE  
8 Oct 1974

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, 8th MAY, 1974.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: The Secretary, Rev. P.K. Egan, Rev. M. Coen, Messrs. M.J. Molloy, D.J. Murphy, Canon G. Quinn, Councillor P. Raftery, Messrs. M. Joyce and E. Rynne.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
2. Lydican Castle, <sup>Ardahan</sup> Kinvara: A letter from the County Secretary was read, stating that there were recent enquiries from a firm of Solicitors and Consulting Engineers regarding the County Council's interest in this property.
3. Meelick Abbey: A letter from the County Secretary stated that the ruin is not in the burial ground or on County Council land and therefore the Council would not be responsible for its maintenance.
4. Ballinakill Church, Glinsk: Mr. Raftery is to see if it has been cleaned up and report back to the committee.
5. Milltown Castle: The County Secretary in a letter stated the tower house on the site could not be identified. Secretary stated that he had written to explain that the castle and "tower house" were identical.
6. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: The Secretary is to write to Father P. Lee for a text in Irish and English for a plaque there.
7. Kilmacduagh: Letter from the Commissioners of Public Works stating that the round tower there has been programmed for attention this year. Canon Quinn thanked the committee, and in particular Mr. Molloy for their efforts here.
8. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Deferred.
9. County Archaeologist: A letter from Mr. C.P. Lynch, County Development Officer stated that the County Development Team could not support the committee's application. Mr. Rynne stated that what was decided was that they had not got the money to do it. The Secretary is to write hoping that it will be given consideration at a future date.
10. Daly Inscription: The Secretary is to write to the County Secretary seeking to have it removed and erected in Killimordaly.
11. Souterrain at Garrauns, Tuam: Concluded.
12. Kilconnell Abbey: Mr. Joyce reported that some work is being done there at the moment.
13. Architectural Heritage Year, 1975: It was suggested that the committee advise the County Council to do something and members were asked to have proposals for next meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 11th September, 1974.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,  
GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, 1974.

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IN THE CHAIR: Mr. D. J. Murphy.

ALSO PRESENT: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen; Messrs. M. Joyce and E. Rynne; Councillors M. Ryan and T. Welby; Dr. T. Claffey, and Mr. M. J. Molloy.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Mr. Rynne proposed that the National Monuments Council be asked to acquire that portion of the walls <sup>not</sup> in its care with a view to preservation.
2. Lydican Castle, Kinvara: Fr. Coen said the issue here was complicated due to a recent death.
3. Meelick Abbey: Concluded.
4. Ballinakill Church, Glinsk: Deferred pending a report from Mr. Murphy.
5. Milltown Castle: Concluded.
6. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Alterations were made in the text for plaque received from Father Lee. To be sent to Mgr. MacFhinn for further revision.
7. Kilmacduagh: Fr. Coen reported that the Board of Works has now moved in. Deferred.
8. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: The County Manager to be requested to have it repaired, to have part of the boundary wall lowered and the site cleaned up. The monument was vested in the County Council in 1902.
9. County Archaeologist: Secretary stated he had written again hoping the matter would be given consideration at a later date.
10. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
11. Kilconnell Abbey: Mr. Joyce reported that the Board of Works had cleaned it up.
12. Architectural Heritage Year, 1975: Mr. Rynne suggested that the County Council might take the ivy off the North Gate and that portion of Athenry town wall in its care; this as a contribution to the Architectural Year. Secretary instructed to write to County Council.
13. Finnure Church: Secretary instructed to request that the County Council repair the roof.
14. Siting of Commemorative Plaques: Mr. Murphy proposed that:  
"the siting of all commemorative plaques in the County should be approved by the National Monuments Advisory Committee and by the County Manager."

Deferred pending advice on legal position.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 11th December, 1974.

*Pádraig Egan MacFinn*  
CATHAoir LEACH

*11 Mí na Nollag 1974*  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 1974.

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In the Chair: Mgr. P. E. Mac Fhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary; Rev. G. Canon Quinn;  
Councillor T. Welby; Messrs. M. Joyce, D. J. Murphy,  
Rev. M. Coen; Mr. E. Rhyne.

Apologies for inability to attend received from Mr. M. Kitt,  
T.D. and Mr. R. Molloy, T.D., who stated he could not attend  
on any Wednesday. Mr. H. Doherty wrote tendering his  
resignation owing to transfer to Carrick-on-Shuir.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Secretary read acknowledgement of his letter  
from the National Monuments Advisory Council.
2. Lydecan Castle: Deferred.
3. Ballin akill Church, Glynsk: Mr. Murphy visited the site and  
reported on its condition. The Secretary was instructed to recommend  
that the Council clean up the graveyard and put a gravel path around  
the ruin and that the County Council ask the Board of Works to take over  
the ruin.
4. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: The Secretary is to consult  
Professor O Maille about the genative of the name.
5. Kilmacduagh: Canon Quinn reported that the Board of Works staff  
are working on the tower and are to tidy up the Church ruins. The  
Secretary is to write to the Advisory Council recommending that the  
Lady Chapel be restored as a museum.
6. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Secretary to write to the County Council  
expressing appreciation of the work being done.
7. County Archaeologist: Mr. Rynne interviewed the County Development  
Team and is to draft two letters to be sent to them and the County  
Council.
8. Daly Inscription: Deferred
9. Kilconnell Abbey: Mr. Joyce reported that the approach is in a  
shocking condition. The Secretary is to write to the Inspector of  
National Monuments expressing appreciation of the work done but  
mentioning the condition of the approach.
10. Architectral Heritage Year, 1975: See No. 7 above.
11. Finnis Church: The Secretary has written to the County Manager  
recommending repairs to roof.
12. Siting of commemorative Plaques: Recommendation to be sent to the  
County Manager that they be in such a position as to easily guide  
visitors to the site.
13. Cloonkeenkerrill: For discussion at next meeting..
14. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard: Ditto.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 12th March, 1975 at 4.15 p.m.

*Pádraig Eoin MacFhinn*  
CATHAOIRLEACH  
12 MARCH 1975  
DATA

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON WEDNESDAY, 12th MARCH, 1975.

In the Chair: Mgr. P. E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P.K. Egan, Secretary; Messrs. M. Joyce, M. J. Molloy, D.J. Murphy,  
E. Rynne, Councillor M. Ryan and Dr. T. Claffey.

A letter from the County Secretary was read, announcing the appointment  
by the County Council of Mr. M.P. Kitt as Honorary Member of the Committee.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Mr. Rynne stated that the National Monuments Council has recommended that the Commissioners of Public Works put the walls in repair. This being so, the Secretary is to recommend to the County Council that it forego any rights it may have in parts of the walls in favour of the Commissioners.
2. Lydecan Castle: Deferred.
3. Ballinakill Church, Glynsk: The County Secretary in a letter stated that the matter is being investigated.
4. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Deferred.
5. Kilmacduagh: The Secretary wrote to the Advisory Council recommending that the Lady Chapel be restored.
6. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Concluded.
7. County Archaeologist: The Secretary is to send copies of the correspondence to the three County Councillors not present at this meeting.
8. Daly Inscription: The Secretary reported that this stone has now been transferred by the County Council to Killimordaly cemetery.
9. Kilconnell Abbey: Deferred.
10. Finnure Church: Deferred.
11. Clonkeenkerrill: The Secretary to recommend to the County Council that they agree to take over the ruin for the purpose of saving the effigy.
12. Killeelybeg Church: In the event of the Commissioners of Public Works taking over this ruin the Committee recommended that the County Council forego what rights they may have there. The Secretary is to inform the County Council.
13. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard: Deferred.
14. Eglish, Ahascragh: The local branch of An Taisce asks that the Committee recommend that the cemetery be cleaned up.
15. Inchagoill, Lough Corrib: Mr. Rynne to consult with Mr. Geraghty.
16. Abbeyknockmoy: For next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 13th June, 1975.

*Propag Eric MacFinn*  
CATHAOIRLEACH

*13th March 1975*  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 13th JUNE, 1975.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P.K. Egan, Secretary; Messrs. M. Joyce, M.J. Molloy, Canon Quinn, Councillors T. Byrne, M. Kitt, M. Ryan, M. Killilea, Rev. M. Coen and Mr. E. Rynne.

A letter from Mr. Maurice Semple was read tendering his resignation owing to inability to attend meetings. The Secretary is to communicate to him the Committee's regret.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
2. Lydecan Castle: Councillor Byrne agreed to watch developments here.
3. Ballinakill Church, Glynsk: Deferred.
4. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Deferred.
5. Kilmacduagh: Canon Quinn reported that the Office of Public Works has now finished the tower and the Cathedral and lined up the tombs. Underground vaults were found. A field has been acquired for a cemetery and an archaeological inspection is projected.
6. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Mr. Murphy said it is still in a shocking condition and the Secretary to be asked to write again to the County Council.
7. County Archaeologist: Reported to the meeting that the County Manager stated there was not enough money available for such an appointment. The four County Councillors present agreed to put down a motion for the next meeting of the County Council.
8. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
9. Kilconnell Abbey: Mr. Joyce reported that the Daly tomb has been broken down and the Secretary was asked to communicate with the Office of Public Works. A letter from the Inspector of National Monuments was read stating that the problem of access would be looked into further to see if anything can be done.
10. Finnure Church: Deferred.
11. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
12. Killeelybeg Church: The Secretary to ask the County Council to declare to the Office of Public Works its non-interest in this ruin with a view to its being declared a National Monument.
13. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard: Deferred.
14. Eglish, Ahascragh: Deferred.
15. Inchagoill, Lough Corrib: Canon Quinn reported that the Forestry Division had arranged to remove the tree off the ruin on 17th June.
16. Abbeyknockmoy: Councillor Ryan reported local dis-satisfaction at its condition. Mr. Rynne said an extensive preservation was to have been done but finance was the problem. It is now much better than it was, but there are too many stones lying around and some had disappeared.
17. An Spideal - Sean Roilig: Mgr. MacFhinn said Padhraig O'Neachtain would write to the Secretary.
18. Rosserrily: Mr. Molloy reported a window mullion broken. He had informed the Office of Public Works.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 12th September, 1975.

*Padraig Egan MacFhinn*  
CATHAOIRLEACH  
12 Meán Fómhair 1975  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 1975.

In the Chair: Mgr. P.E. MacFhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen, Messrs. M. Joyce, D. J. Murphy, M. J. Molloy, Etienne Rynne, Dr. T. Claffey, Councillors M. Ryan, N. Morgan, Captain E. Daly.  
A letter from Canon Quinn, regretting inability to attend, was read.

1. Athenry Town Walls: The Secretary instructed to convey to the County Council the Committee's recommendation that the white paint be removed from the North Gate.
2. Lydican Castle, Ardrahan: A letter from the County Secretary read, to the effect that this Castle is vested in the County Council (1913) and that the County Engineer states that it needs cleaning out and an entrance gate or door. Mr. Rynne undertook to inspect it and let Secretary know what he thought should be done. The Secretary to apprise the County Council of the Committee's recommendations.
3. Ballinakill Church, Glynsk: Deferred.
4. Mannin Castle: Father Coen reported that the doorway was removed from here to be erected at Castledaly. Mr. Rynne said Mannin Castle is not capable of being rehabilitated.
5. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe: Placed on list for observation.
6. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Mr. Rynne said he would ask Professor O Maille for the corrected text for the plaque.
7. Kilmacduagh: In his letter Canon Quinn detailed plans for roofing one of the side chapels for purposes of a museum.
8. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: The Secretary reported that he had written to the County Council and Councillor Ryan said that some work was intended there.
9. County Archaeologist: Councillor Ryan said that the matter was being considered by the County Manager. He and Councillor Morgan agreed to try and get even a limited sum made available, say £1,000 for a trial period of four months.
10. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
11. Kilconnell Abbey: There was no further communication from the Commissioners of Public Works.
12. Finnure Church: Deferred.
13. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
14. Killeelybeg Church: The Secretary is to write to the County Secretary again to ask if any action has been taken.
15. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard: Deferred. The Secretary to write to Mr. Sean O'Domhailan to ask him what the present situation is.
16. Eglis, Ahascragh: Mr. Joyce reported that the County Council is doing a clean-up here.
17. Inchaqoil: Concluded.
18. Abbeyknockmoy: Concluded.
19. Sean Roilig, An Spideal: The Secretary has not heard from <sup>Padraic</sup> Sean O' Neachtain.
20. Rosserrily: Mr. Molloy said he had a reply from the Board of Works to say that they were investigating the damage.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 12th December, 1975 at 4.15 p.m.

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*Martin S. Seirge*  
CATHAIR LEACH.

*A. Mi na Mollag 75*  
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 12/12/'75.

In the Chair: Mr. M. Joyce.

Also Present: Councillor M. Ryan, Mr. M. J. Molloy, Mr. D. J. Murphy,  
Mr. R. Molloy, T.D., Rev. Fr. M. Coen, C.C., Dr. T.  
Claffey, Canon Quinn, Mr. E. Rynne.

Letters from An tAthair E. Mac Fhinn and Rev. Fr. Egan  
regretting inability to attend were read.  
A telephone call was received from Councillor N. Morgan  
regretting inability to attend.

Minute No. 19 of minutes of the September meeting was amended and  
the minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman.

Councillor Ryan proposed and it was unanimously agreed that the  
next minutes record that Councillor Morgan publish an apology  
to Mr. E. Rynne in connection with accusations made by him at  
the last meeting.

1. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
  2. Lydacan Castle: Mr. Rynne recommended that a small wall be built  
to the entrance of this castle allowing human access only.
  3. Ballinakill Church: Deferred.
  4. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe: Deferred. Fr. Coen is in contact with  
residents.
  5. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Deferred.
  6. Kilmacduagh: Canon Quinn stated that this was being done in Spring.
  7. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Defer to next meeting. Awaiting the  
widening of a road.
  8. County Archaeologist: Deputy Molloy suggested that a deputation  
be sent to the County Manager in this connection.
  9. Daly Inscription: Deferred.
  10. Kilconnell Abbey: Deferred.
  11. Clonkeenkerrill: Deferred.
  12. Kileelybeg Church: The Chairman read letter from Fr. Egan who  
stated that the County Council does not maintain this church.  
There is no objection to the Office of Public Works taking it over.
  13. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard: Deferred.
  14. Eglis, Ahascragh: Deferred.
  15. Inchagoil: Concluded. *Martin A. Deagha  
Cathair Claffey*
  16. Abbeyknockmoy: Concluded.
  17. Sean Roilig An Spideal: Deferred.
  18. Rosserrily: Deferred. *12 March 1976  
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  19. Kilclaoney Castle: Mr. M. J. Molloy suggested that a letter be sent  
to the Board of Works regarding this castle.
  20. Monument at Monivea: Mr. E. Rynne suggested that the Board of  
Works be requested to take over this monument.
  21. Sympathy: A resolution of sympathy was adopted with the wife & family  
of the late Professor Hayes-McCoy.
- NEXT MEETING: Friday 12th March, 1976 at 4.15 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 12/3/76.

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In the Chair: Mr. M. Joyce.

Also Present: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary; Mr. M. Kitt, T.D., Canon Quinn, Mr. D. J. Murphy, Rev. M. Coen, Councillor M. Ryan, Mr. E. Rynne, Senator Killilea.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Mgr. MacFhinn, Dr. T. Claffey and Mr. C. O hIarnain.

Mr. Morgan made a brief appearance at the meeting and agreed to write to the Tuam Herald stating that the views he then expressed about Mr. Rynne are not those he now holds and he stated his appreciation of Mr. Rynne's archaeological expertise.

1. Well attached to Premonstratence Abbey in Tuam:

Senator Killilea reported that this is a danger to small children. Near tragedy has happened there and complaints are being made. The County Council to be requested to investigate.

2. Old Graveyard, Tuam:

Burial place of Famine victims and place of interest. Planning permission for building scheme on site refused by County Council but appeal now before Minister for Local Government. The Secretary to ask the County Manager to voice the Committee's objection to the project.

3. Athenry Town Walls:

Secretary read a reply from the County Engineer to the Committee's letter re the painting on the Northgate. This is an interim safety measure until a bye-pass is provided when the paint will be removed.

4. Lydican Castle:

This is vested in the County Council, The Secretary to request that the protection wall which a farmer knocked to let his cattle in be replaced.

5. Ballinakill Church:

Secretary to request that the County Council put a pathway through the graveyard from the stile to the old church containing the medieval effigy of a knight.

6. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe:

Fr. Coen said it belongs to a Mrs. Rokker who intends to put it in repair. (Historical association - Bishop de Burgo of Elphin, 1671, was born here). The Committee to keep it under observation.

7. Teach Ruaidhri Ui Fhlathartaigh: Deferred.

8. Kilmacduagh:

Canon Quinn said the position was same as at last meeting.

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9. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam: Deferred.
10. County Archaeologist: Secretary to write to Mr. Molloy, T.D. and ask him to arrange a deputation to the County Manager consisting of Mr. Ryan, Co. C., Mr. Molloy, T.D., Mr. Kitt, T.D., Senator Killilea, Messrs. Rynne and Joyce and Rev. P. K. Egan.
11. Daly Inscription:  
Secretary to write to the County Council to have it inserted in the wall of Killimordaly cemetery.
12. Kilconnell Abbey: Deferred.
13. Cloonkeenkerrill: Concluded.
14. Kileelybeg Church, Kilcolgan:  
A letter from the Secretary of the County Council stating that the burial ground and ruined church are not maintained by the County Council which has no objection to acquisition of church by Board of Works for further maintenance. Secretary to inform Board of Works of this and that the place has been cleaned up by An Taisce.
15. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard:  
A report from Mr. Donnellan Co. C., a former member of the Committee who kindly inspected it, was read and Mr. Rynne was asked to have a look at it also and report.
16. Eglis, Ahascragh: Deferred.
17. Sean Roilig an Spideal: Concluded.
18. Rosserrily: Concluded.
19. Kilclooney Castle: Deferred.
20. Monument at Monivea:  
Mr. Rynne said it is a National Monument and the finest mausoleum in Ireland. Secretary to write to National Monuments Council requesting that it be recognised as a National Monument and included in their list of National Monuments.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 28th May, 1976 at 4.15 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON  
FRIDAY 28th MAY, 1976.

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In the Chair: Mgr. Mac Fhinn.

Also Present: Rev. P. K. Egan, Secretary, Messrs. M. Joyce, M. J. Molloy, D. J. Murphy, E. Rhyne, Dr. T. Claffey, *Rev. M. Coen*

An apology from Mr. M. Kitt, T.D. was read.

1. Well attached to Premonstratence Abbey, Tuam:

Secretary stated he had asked that the hazard be investigated by the Engineering Department. ✓

2. Old Graveyard, Tuam:

Secretary stated he had voiced the Committee's objection to the proposed building scheme which would disturb the graveyard. ✗

3. Athenry Town Walls:

Mr. Rhyne considered the paint deceptive and a hazard at night. If it must be painted, paint the outline. The Secretary also to request that the ivy be removed from the ruin which is County Council property.

4. Lydican Castle:

Secretary had written to have the protection wall replaced. Vested in Council by Act, 26 September, 1973.

5. Ballinakill Church, Glynsk:

Secretary to refer the County Council to a letter of 2nd March, 1957 - the ruin is vested in the County Council.

6. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe:

To be kept under observation.

7. Teach Ruaidhrí Uí Fhlathartaigh:

Corrected script for plaque mislaid. Mr. Rhyne to seek another copy from Professor O'Maille.

8. Kilmacduagh: Deferred.

9. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam:

Some work intended here - road widening.

10. County Archaeologist: Miss O'Grady stated that Mr. Molloy, T.D. had asked the County Manager to set up an interview.

11. Daly Inscription: Deferred.

12. Kilconnell Abbey:

Mr. Joyce reported that the broken tomb is now repaired. The question of the approach is being taken up again locally. The Secretary to convey to the County Council our dissatisfaction with the approach to the Abbey.

13. Clonkeenkerrill:

Secretary to express Committee's satisfaction that the ivy has been removed, but its concern that the walls are now a public danger and its recommendation that they be made safe.

14. Kileelybeg Church, Kilcolgan: Finished.

15. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard:

Mr. Rynne's report was read. He recommends that in cleaning operations in the graveyard the church area be also included.

16. Eglis, Ahascragh:

Mr. Joyce is to inspect and report.

17. Kilclooney Castle: Mr. Molloy is to get in touch with the Commissioners of Public Works.

18. Mausoleum at Monivea: Secretary stated he had written to the Commissioners of Public Works requesting that it be included in their list of National Monuments.

19. Cathair an Easbuig:

Mr. Joyce proposed that a road sign be requested to be provided. The Chairman proposed and Mr. Joyce seconded that a letter of congratulations be sent to the Committee concerned in the preservation of the site.

20. Tyrone House, Kilcolgan:

Father Coen stated that it is in the care of the Georgian Society.

21. Holy Water Stoup from Cloonfush Graveyard:

A letter from John J. Waldron sought permission to remove the item to another site. The Committee recommended refusal pending further clarification.

22. Castle at Merlin Park, Galway:

A letter from An Taisce was read, recommending that the above which is on State property (Forestry Section) be handed over to the National Monuments Section. The Committee advises that the County Council should make a similar recommendation to the Forestry Section and the Commissioners of Public Works.

23. Terryland Castle: It was proposed to the Committee that, in view of its historical importance, an effort should be made to preserve it. Mr. Rynne undertook to investigate.

24. Kilvalahan: To be discussed at next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Friday 10th September, 1976 at 4.15 p.m. 10 M.P. 1976  
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*Cathair Leach*  
CATHAIR LEACH

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 10/9/'76.

In the Chair: Mgr. Mac Fhinn.

Also Present: Very Rev. P. K. Egan, Rev. Fr. Coen, Messrs. M. J. Molloy, M. Joyce, Dr. T. Claffey. *D.J. MURPHY*

Apologies were received from Mr. M. P. Kitt, T.D.

At a meeting of Galway County Council held on Monday 28th June, 1976, the following were appointed to the National Monuments Advisory Committee for the year 1976/77:

Full Members: Very Rev. P. K. Egan, P.P., Portumna.  
Very Rev. G. Canon Quinn, P.P., Gort.  
Mr. Martin J. Joyce, Aughrim, Ballinasloe.  
Mr. James Joyce, Co. C., Lawrencetown.  
Mr. D. J. Murphy, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam.  
Mr. Etienne Rynne, University College, Galway.  
Rev. Martin Coen, C.C., Craughwell.  
Mr. Michael Ryan, Co. C., Moate, Moylough.  
Mr. M. J. Molloy, Milltown.  
An tAthair E. Mac Fhinn, Colaiste na hIolscoile, Gaillimh

Honorary Members: Mr. M. P. Kitt, T.D., Lehenagh, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe.  
Senator Mark Killilea, Caherhugh House, Belclare.  
Mr. Robert Molloy, T.D., 1, Dalton Drive, Salthill.  
Mr. Toddie Byrne, Co. C., Kinvara.  
Dr. T. Claffey, Tuam.  
Mr. John Waldron, "Xavier", Taylor's Hill, Galway.  
Mr. Henry Doherty, Athenry.  
Councillor Brendan Holland, Williamsgate Street, Galway.  
Captain Eugene Daly, Raheen, Athenry.

Secretary's Resignation:

The Secretary, Very Rev. P. K. Egan, tendered his resignation, a resignation which was forced upon him by other commitments. He thanked the members of the Committee for their kindness, courtesy and consideration during the sixteen years he had acted in that capacity.

Members present expressed regret at Fr. Egan's resignation and paid tribute to the great work he had done during his many years as Honorary Secretary of the Committee.

On the proposal of Mr. D. J. Murphy, seconded by Rev. M. Coen, Mr M. J. Joyce was appointed Honorary Secretary.

1. Well attached to Premonstratence Abbey, Tuam:

A letter was received from Secretary, Galway County Council stating the matter was being investigated.

2. Old Graveyard, Tuam:

Mr. D. J. Murphy showed a plan of site - decided to wait outcome of application for planning permission.

3. Athenry Town Walls:

No reply received from County Council.

4. Lydican Castle:

Letter received stating matter was being investigated.

5. Ballinakill Church, Glynsk:

County Council considering the matter.

6. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe:  
Deferred.
7. Teach Ruaidhre Uí Fhlathartaigh:  
Deferred.
8. Kilmacduagh:  
Fr. Coen reported no change.
9. Teampall Jarlath, Tuam:  
Deferred.
10. County Archaeologist:  
Father Egan reported on an interview he had with the County Manager who held out no hope of such an appointment, but would explore possibility of providing money for a report on the monuments of County Galway.
11. Daly Inscription:  
Deferred.
12. Kilconnell Abbey:  
No reply received from County Council to Committee's protest on approach to the Abbey.
13. Clonkeenkerrill:  
No reply.
14. Kilcummin Church, Oughterard:  
No reply.
15. Eglis Church:  
Deferred.
16. Kilclooney Castle:  
Mr. M. J. Molloy interviewed an official of the Board of Works.
17. Mausoleum at Monivea:  
No reply. Deferred.
18. Tyrone House, Kilcolgan:  
Fr. Coen to contact St. George family.
19. Holy Water Stoup from Clonfush Graveyard:  
Deferred.
20. Terryland Castle:  
Deferred.
21. Kilnalahan:  
Fr. Egan said fireplace was in danger of falling. Place important as only site of Carthusians in Ireland.

NEXT MEETING:

FRIDAY 10TH DECEMBER : at 4.15 p.m.

Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 10/12/'76.

In the Chair: Mr. D. J. Murphy.

Also Present: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen; Messrs. E. Rynne, M. J. Molloy, J. Waldron.

Apologies were received from Canon Quinn, Henry Doherty, Councillor Holland and Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.

1. Well attached to Premonstratence Abbey, Tuam:  
No further correspondence received.
2. Old Graveyard, Tuam: Concluded.
3. Athenry Town Walls:  
Secretary instructed to write to County Council to attend to proper removal of ivy from the Town Walls in its care, particularly the North Gate. Secretary also instructed to write to the Commissioner of Public Works recommending they take over the Town Walls, Athenry, the finest of their type in Ireland.
4. Lydican Castle: Work completed.
5. Ballinakill Church:  
Write to County Council to ask if they have considered providing a pathway and if so, has the work been completed.
6. Cathair Cinn Maonmhuighe: Concluded.
7. Teampall Ruisidre Uí Eblath:  
Mr. Rynne to procure corrected Irish text.
8. Kilmacduagh: Delete, pending further information.
9. Teampall Jarlath: Concluded.
10. County Archaeological Officer:  
Request County Manager to receive a deputation.
11. Daly Inscription: Defer.
12. Kilconnell Abbey: Deferred.
13. Cloonkeenkeril: No reply.
14. Kilcummin Church: Concluded.
15. English Church: Concluded.
16. Kilclooney Castle: Deferred.
17. Mausoleums at Monivea & Clonberne:  
Secretary write to Mr. Padraic McGann, Monivea and V. Rev. M. Godwin, P.P., Clonberne re same.
18. Tyrone House: Concluded.
19. Holy Water Stoup, Clonfush Graveyard: Mr. Rynne to inspect
20. Terryland Castle: Deferred.

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY 11TH FEBRUARY at 4.15 p.m.

*Padraic McGann*  
CATHAIRLEACH

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 11/2/1977

In the Chair: Mgr. Mac Fhinn.

Also Present: Very Rev. P. K. Egan, D.Ph., Rev. Fr. Coen, Messrs. M.J. Molloy,  
D. J. Murphy, E. Rynne, Councillors Jas. Joyce and M. Ryan.  
Secretary - M. J. Joyce. *D. J. Murphy*

Apologies were received from Dr. Claffey, Tuam.

1. Well attached to Premonstratence Abbey, Tuam.

Concluded.

2. Liam Mellows Memorial, Killeeneen.

Notice of Motion received from Mr. R. Molloy, T.D., asking that the memorial be declared a National Monument sent to Office of Public Works. Mr. Rynne dissenting on grounds that modern plaques were not by their nature "National Monuments".

3. Athenry Walls.

Ivy and painted slogans removed. Secretary asked to remind County Council that it had acquired ownership of walls on 3rd August, 1909.

4. Ballinakill:

Recommended O.P.W. to take over as it contains one of the finest medieval effigies in the country. County Council would not recommend laying of footpaths.

5. Deputation to Co. Manager re Co. Archaeological Officer

Chairman Messrs, E. Rynne, Dr. Egan, Deputies Molloy & Kitt & Secretary.

6. Kilmacduagh.

Deferred.

7. Teach Ruairi Ui Fhlathartaigh;

Secretary to write to have a plaque and road sign provided.

8. Clonkeenerril.

Reply from Co. Council stated ruin in dangerous condition, recommended it be taken over by O.P.W. because of specialised work of preservation.

9. Mausoleum at Clonberne.

Ask Lady Cusack Smyth would she be willing to allow Committee to look into matter of its conservation with view to subsequent preservation.

10. Monivea (Mausoleum) Deferred.

11. Clonfush - Deferred.

12. Terryland. Deferred.

13. Caislean na Pairce. Ask Bord Failte to supply plaque.

NEXT MEETING - 4.15 p.m. FRIDAY, 13th MAY, 1977

*Proposed by Mgr. Mac Fhinn  
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 13th MAY, 1977

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. MacFhinn.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary. Canon Quinn, V. Rev. Dr. Egan, Fr. Coen,  
Councillors James Joyce, Ml. Ryan, M. Kitt, T.D., M. J. Molloy,  
Mr. J. Waldron, E. Rynne. *D. J. Murphy*

Congratulations were tendered to Mrs. Brophy, outgoing Secretary to the Committee on her marriage. Her successor, Mr. Dawson was welcomed.

1. SECRETARY'S EXPENSES:  
Secretary instructed to write to Co. Secretary to settle question of expenses, postal, etc., incurred by him as Secretary of the Committee.
2. ATHENRY WALLS:  
Mr. Rynne agreed to draft letter setting out Athenry's unique claim to public monument status, including as it does castle, church ruins and walls.
3. BALLINAKILL:  
Secretary instructed to inform Office of Public Works that it contains finest effigy in the country.
4. DEPUTATION:  
Ask Co. Manager to receive a deputation as soon as possible to discuss appointment of Co. Archaeological Officer.
5. KILMACDUAGH:  
Canon Quinn informed meeting that the Abbot's house was to be re-roofed as a museum. Substantial local contribution had been made. Office of Public Works asked to have work started as soon as possible.
6. TEACH RUAIRI UI FHLARTAIGH:  
Write to Bord Failte to ask what is being done re provision of plaque and road sign.
7. CLONKEENKERRIL:  
Concluded.
8. MAUSOLEUM AT MONIVEA:  
Mr. Rynne to interview Mr. Padraic McGann, Monivea.
9. CLONFUSH:  
Mr. Rynne said 'font' was a ~~ball~~lan. Mr. Waldron said font existed in his youth.
10. TERRYLAND:  
Fr. Egan said that as Lord Bofin and Lord Clanrickard had lived there, castle was worthy of preservation. Secretary to contact Mr. Duffy to ascertain ownership of same.
11. CAISLEAN NA PAIRCE:  
See Teach R.-Ui Fhlartaigh.

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12. KILNALAHAN:

Fr. Egan said Burke tomb in side chapel is open. Co. Council asked to help local committee to have necessary repairs carried out.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 15th July, 1977 at 4.15 p.m..

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 15th JULY, 1977

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. McFhinn.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary. V. Rev. Dr. Egan, Canon Quinn,  
E. Rynne, Mr. Waldron, Fr. Coen, D. J. Murphy, M. J.  
Molloy, Councillor James Joyce.

1. RESIGNATION:

A letter tendering his resignation was read from Mr. E. Daly, Athenry. The Committee accepted the resignation with regret.

2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM:

Lady Cussack informed the Committee that she was willing to hand over the Dennis Mausoleum at Clenberne to the Committee or An Taisce.

3. SECRETARY'S EXPENSES:

The Secretary was instructed to send in his bill for postal and 'phone expenses.

4. ATHENRY WALLS:

Mr. Rynne was warmly thanked by the Committee for his comprehensive report on Athenry walls.

5. BALLINAKILL (GLYNSK) EFFEGY:

Secretary to write again to the Office of Public Works and to Mr. Peter Harbison telling him of the efforts made to have the effigy declared a national monument. Councillor Joyce to ask Co. Council to clean up the graveyard.

6. DEPUTATION TO CO. MANAGER:

Secretary instructed to write to Co. Manager, personally, asking him to receive a deputation re appointment of Co. Archaeological Officer.

7. KILMACDUAGH:

Canon Quinn reported progress.

8. TEACH RUAIRI UI FHLATHARTAIGH:

No reply received from Bord Failte. Secretary to write again.

9. MAUSOLEUM AT MONIVEA:

Mr. Rynne interviewed Mr. McGann. Local committee taking responsibility.

10. CLONFUSH:

Concluded.

11. TERRYLAND:

Pending preservation, site should be fully recorded with photographs, drawings etc..

12. CAISLEAN NA PAIRCE:

Write again to Bord Failte.

13. NOTIFICATION OF ENDANGERED ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES:

Brought to the notice of the Committee that An Foras Forbairte has been notified of endangered archaeological sites in Co. Galway; rather than the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee. Committee asked that all future cases in Co. Galway be submitted to it.

14. CLONTUSKERT ABBEY:

Cllr. Joyce to ask Co. Council to construct a proper road into Clontuskert Abbey.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, 16th September, 1977 at 4.15 p.m..

*Chairman Pádraig C. Mac Donnagáin S.P.*  
*Date. 16/9/77*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER, 1977.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. Dr. P. K. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary. Rev. M. Coen. M. J. Molloy, D. J. Murphy,  
James Joyce. Dr. Claffey.

Apologies received from Mons. E. MacFhinn. Mr. E. Rynne.

1. KILLORA CHURCH, CRAUGHWELL:

Secretary instructed to ask County Council to have the walls put in proper repair.

2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM:

Mr. D. J. Murphy undertook to contact L. B. Mayor Jones and Lady Cusack Smyth re same.

3. ATHENRY WALLS:

A statement prepared by Mr. E. Rynne stressing the importance of Athenry town walls as a national monument was approved by the Committee and Secretary instructed to send it to the Office of Public Works and National Monuments Advisory Committee.

4. BALLINAKILL CHURCH:

County Council cleaning up.

5. DEPUTATION RE COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL OFFICER:

V. Rev. P. K. Egan, M. J. Molloy, E. Rynne, Councillors Ryan, Joyce, Kitt, Killilea, Robt. Molloy and Secretary were appointed to interview County Manager.

6. KILMACDUAGH:

Deferred.

7. TEACH RUAIRI UI FHLARTAIGH:

Mr. Flynn, Western Regional Organisation Ltd. wrote stating he had sent all the

8. MONIVEA:

Deferred.

9. TERRYLAND:

Mr. Rynne asked to see if plans and drawings could be made at U.C.G..

10. CAISLEAN NA PAIRCE:

Deferred.

11. CLONTUSKERT:

Secretary agreed to ask Mrs. Naughton for permission to complete road to the Abbey.

12. KILNALAHAN, CLONKEENKERRIL AND KILLORA:

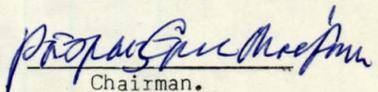
Councillor James Joyce undertook to try to get the Co. Council to have walls repaired under new environmental grants scheme.

13. SOUTERRAIN AT AGLISH:

Ask Irish Land Commission to have stile provided.

14. Mr. M. J. Molloy congratulated on his award from the Arts Council.

NEXT MEETING: 4.15 p.m., Friday, 9th December, 1977.

Signed:   
Chairman.

Date: 9th Dec 1977

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 9th DEC. 1977

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. McFhinn

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; V. Rev. Dr. Egan; Fr. Coen;  
D. J. Murphy; M. J. Molloy; E. Rynne; Clr. Jas. Joyce

Apologies were received from Dr. Claffey; Canon Quinn; R. Molloy.

1. RESIGNATION - Mr. Robt. Molloy, Minister for Defence, tendering his resignation from the Committee said pressure of work prevented him attending meetings and giving the Committee the attention it deserved and thanked the members for their kindness and consideration during his membership.

His resignation was received with regret.

2. KILLORA CHURCH, CRAUGHWELL: No reply from Co. Council

3. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM: Mr. Mayor-Jones undertook to ask An Taisce to undertake preservation.

4. ATHENRY WALLS: Mr. J. Joyce reported that Co. Council were spending £2,650 in removing ivy. Secretary instructed to thank Co. Council. Mr. Rynne felt Co. Council staff were not fully qualified to undertake such work and the Office of Public Works should be again asked to declare Athenry Walls a National Monument.

5. DEPUTATION - Co. Archaeological Officer. Messrs. Jas. Joyce, E. Rynne and Secretary had met Mr. K. Doyle who undertook to convey the case made for the necessity of such an officer to the County Manager.

6. PASSAGE GRAVE AT ANNAGH - Mr. Joyce, Secretary, reported the discovery of a Passage Grave at Annagh during road widening operations the partial destruction of which high-lighted the necessity for an archaeological survey throughout Co. Galway. The Committee expressed its appreciation of the co-operation of the County Council Engineering staff, Mr. P. O'Connor, B.E., Asst. Co. Surveyor, Ballinasloe in particular, in preserving the site when its importance was pointed out.

7. KILMACDUAGH - Work progressing. Moladh An Canonach Mac Chuinn as ucht na hoibre a chuir se ar bun.

8. KILNALAHAN - Co. Council staff could find no open graves there.

9. SIGN POSTS - were received for, Aughamore, Clontuskert Abbey, and Bishop's Chair, but none for Teach Ruairi Ui Fhathartaigh or Caislean na Pairce.

10. TERRYLAND - Mr. Rynne said student from U.C.G. would do plans & drawings.

N.B. NEXT MEETING - 4.15 p.m. FRIDAY, 27th JANUARY, 1978.

Signed Pádraig C. Mac Ardhaigh S.P.  
Chairman

Date 27 Jan. 1978

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON  
FRIDAY, 27th JANUARY, 1978.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. Dr. P. K. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Councillors J. Joyce, M. Ryan;  
Messrs. M. J. Molloy, D. J. Murphy, E. Rynne.

Apologies were received from Mons. E. Mac Fhinn, Dr. T. Claffey,  
and Rev. M. Coen.

1. KILLORA CHURCH: Secretary instructed to write to Engineering Department for report.
2. DENIS MAUSOLEUM: Mr. Murphy and Councillor Ryan to report on possibility of local help in restoration.
3. ATHENRY WALLS: Mr. Rynne reported that work was carried out.

4. APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL OFFICER:

Mr. Rynne said that the County Manager had accepted the appointment in principle.

5. KILNALAHAN: Dr. Egan to inspect and report.

6. PLAQUES: Secretary reported that all plaques applied for had been supplied except that for Teach Ruairi Ui Fhlathartaigh. Instructed to write again to Bord Failte re delay and ask for plaques for Cloonkeenkeril, Gallagher Ui Cheallaigh, Augustinian Friary Durmore.

7. FERRYLAND: Deferred.

8. SILAGE PITS: Reported that silage pits were being erected beside archaeological sites such as ring forts and the attention of County Council was directed to this.

N.B. NEXT MEETING - 4.15 p.m. FRIDAY, 14th APRIL, 1978.

Signed *P. J. Joyce*  
Chairman

Date: *14 April 1978*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 14th APRIL, 1978.

In the Chair: Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.

Also Present: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; V. Rev. Dr. P.K. Egan, Councillors - M. Ryan, Jas. Joyce, Messrs E. Rynne, D.J. Murphy, M.J. Molloy, Fr. Coen.

Apology: V. Rev. Canon Quinn.

1. Killora Church: Co. Engineer reported not possible to gauge condition of walls due to ivy. Recommended that Office of Public Works be asked to declare building a National Monument. Failing this, recommends that Council undertake repairs under expert guidance.
2. Mullaghmore Mionlach Ui Mhaire: Mr. Rynne to inspect and report.
3. Dennis Mausoleum, Clonberne: Mr. Rynne to contact L.B. Mayor-Jones re Mausoleum. McEgan Tomb in need of repair. Mr. Rynne thought more information re tomb necessary before approaching Council. Mr. Ryan thought plaque desirable.
4. Athenry Walls: Mr. Rynne said people of Athenry were grateful for work carried out by Council and pleased to hear similar work will be carried out on wall tower.
5. Appointment of Co. Archaeological Officer: Mr. Rynne reported that Co. Manager was satisfied to sponsor a baronial survey carried out by students of Dept. of Archaeology, U.C.G.
6. Kilnalahan: Fr. Egan to interview Mr. O'Leary, Ass. Sec. Eng.
7. Plaques: Fr. Coen reported that he had received permission for right of way to site of Teach Ruairi Ui Fhlatheartaigh. Mr. M.J. Molloy undertook to write script for plaques at Dunmore Abbey. Fr. Egan to prepare same for Clonkeenkerriil and Abbeygormican.
8. Terryland: Deferred.
9. Cartymore Coolarne: Secretary to write to Town Clerk to have plaque inscribed in Irish. *Secretary to write to thank Co. Engineering staff for work carried out on Oliver Bram Memorial.*
10. Lynch's Window Galway: *Lynch's Window Galway*

N.B. NEXT MEETING - 4.15 p.m. FRIDAY, 16th June, 1978.

Signed: Padhraic T. MacDonoghain  
Chairman.

Date: 16/6/78

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD  
IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 16th JUNE, 1978.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. Dr. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary. D. J. Murphy, Dr. Claffey, M. J. Molloy, Cannon Quinn, Fr. Coen, Councillor James Joyce, Councillor M. Ryan.

APOLOGIES: Rev. Mons. McFhinn. Mr. E. Rynne.

1. KILLORA CHURCH

Fr. Egan reported that Mr. Johnson, Office of Public Works, wasn't interested in taking over Killora Church but was prepared to give expert advice to Galway Co. Engineering staff on its preservation.

2. MULLAGHMORE AND MIONLOCH UI MHAIDE *Miamhín*

Deferred pending report from Mr. E. Rynne.

3. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM AND MAC AODHAGAN TOMB

Letter read from Mr. Meyer Jones stating he was prepared to supervise repairs carried out by local voluntary help which Councillor Ryan said would be forthcoming. Secretary asked to write to have repairs to Mac Aodhagan Tomb included.

4. ATHENRY WALLS

No. reply from Office of Public Works.

5. COUNTY ARCHAEOLOGICAL OFFICER

Mr. Coady, U.C.G. engaged in field work. Co. Manager thanked for his help.

6. KILNALAHAN

Office of Public Works prepared to take over.

7. PLAQUES

Plaques to be provided for Dunmore Abbey, Cloonkeenerril and Caislean na Pairce.

8. TERRYLAND

Secretary instructed to write to Mr. G. Lee, B.E., U.C.G. and to President, U.C.G. asking that consideration be given to preservation and if not possible, to have its historical significance recorded.

9. COUNTY PLAN

Agreed to hold special meeting to discuss Plan with regard to archaeological and historical sites and buildings.

M. J. Joyce.  
Hon. Secretary.

*Símithe* *Pádraig MacFhinn*  
*Cathaoirleach*

*Data 15 Measafoimh 1978*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD  
IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 21st JULY, 1978.

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. McFhinn.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary. Dr. Egan. Dr. Coen. D. J. Murphy.  
E. Rynne. Mr. Comerford, newly elected member was welcomed.

*COUNC. JAS JOYCE.*

1. Agreed that the following recommendations be made:

P. 88, Appendix H

Line 1: "Examples of such" be inserted before "Sites, Items, etc."

Line 5 (c): Add "or destruction" after "alteration, reconstruction".

Line 9: Insert "destruction" after "reconstruction".

As a point of information could the prescribed bodies be identified?

Line 5 (b): After prescribed bodies insert "who will be put on notice of such applications".

2. Mr. E. Rynne was congratulated on his appointment as Professor of Archaeology, U.C.G..

M. Joyce.  
HON. SECRETARY.

Next Meeting: Friday, 15th September, 1978.

*Símithe Pádraig Ó Súilleabháin  
Cathaoirleach*

*Data 15 Mairis Fómhair 1978*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 15th SEPT. 1978

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. MacFhinn

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce; M. J. Molloy; D. J. Murphy;  
Clr. Jas. Joyce; Prof. E. Rynne; Rev. Dr. P.K. Egan, P.P.,  
Apologies received from Rev. M. Coen; Dr. Claffey

1. KILLORA CHURCH: Query received from Co. Council enquiring if Church was in a dangerous condition. Secretary instructed to reply stating it was.
2. CLONKEENKERRILL: Reported that walls were becoming more dangerous and because of this and apart from their archaeological and historical importance the County Council was asked to carry out immediate and essential repairs.
3. MULLAGHMORE: Secretary instructed to write again to National Monuments Advisory Committee asking the matter received urgent attention.  
*Council*
4. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM: Mr. Mayer-Jones to be asked if any progress had been made.
5. ATHENRY WALLS: Prof. Rynne complained that matters had reached a critical stage. Planning Authority had given planning permission for eight sites at Knockauglass, Athenry, some over the remains of the ancient Athenry walls.

It was unanimously agreed that the County Manager and Chief Planning Officer be asked to meet the National Monuments Advisory Committee as soon as possible to discuss the question of planning permission at or adjacent to historical or archaeological sites.

The following resolutions were (unanimously) adopted;

- (i) That this Committee objects to planning permission granted at sites 1-8 at Knockauglass, Athenry.
  - (ii) That the area between all roads and outer walls in Athenry be kept clear of buildings with a view to preserving a green belt around the walls.
6. SIGN POSTS: Secretary instructed to ask Bord Failte to provide sign posts at;
    - (a) Commons East, Ballinakill (site of prehistoric Stone Circle)
    - (b) Marblehill, Loughrea (Wedge Tomb.)
  7. BALLAGH CASTLE: Prof. Rynne and M. J. Joyce, who examined the site agreed that in the interests of archaeological preservation the amended application of Mr. V. Jennings for planning permission at Ballagh East be granted.

NEXT MEETING - 4.15 p.m. FRIDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1978

Signed Padraig C. MacAedhagáin S.P.  
Chairman  
Dáta 1 Mí na Nollag 1978.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 1st  
DECEMBER, 1978.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. Dr. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary.  
Messrs. M. J. Molloy, D. J. Murphy.  
Councillor James Joyce and Professor E. Rynne.

1. Killora Church: No reply from County Council.
2. Clonkeenkerrill: No reply from County Council.  
Secretary instructed to write again and  
Councillor Joyce undertook to enquire into the matter.
3. Mullaghmore: No reply from National Monuments Advisory  
Council. Secretary instructed to write again.
4. Dennis Mausoleum: Deferred.
5. Athenry Walls: Disappointment expressed that County Manager  
hadn't arranged meeting. Councillor Joyce  
said that County Manager was very busy with preparation of  
Estimates and suggested Committee ask for January Meeting.
6. Plaques: Plaques for "Teach Ruairi Uí Fheathartaigh,  
Laurencetown" received.
7. Menlo Castle: Secretary informed that building was in  
danger of demolition. Deferred pending  
further information.

NEXT MEETING - FRIDAY, JANUARY 12TH, 1979.

Síniú: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cathaoirleach.

Dáta: \_\_\_\_\_