

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 12th
JANUARY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Canon Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary.
Rev. M. Coen, Councillor M. Ryan,
Prof. E. Rynne, Monsignor E. Mac Fhinn,

Apology received from Dr. Claffey, V. Rev. Dr. Egan,
M. J. Molloy.

1. Killora Church: **Deferred.**
2. Clonkeenkerill: Deferred.
3. Mullaghmore: No reply from National Monuments Advisory Council.
4. Dennis Mausoleum: Deferred.
5. Athenry Walls: Secretary, Councillor Ryan and Fr. Coen met County Manager before Meeting. Mr. Joyce made the case for consultation with National Monuments Advisory Committee where planning permission was sought in proximity to historic and archaeological sites. County Manager was sympathetic and understanding. He pointed out difficulty of contacting Committee as about 300 planning applications are received each year. He could not guarantee but would do all possible to seek the National Monuments Advisory Committee's advice. He suggested that where members see planning permission notices near archaeological sites they should take initiative and contact the Planning Authority. With reference to planning permission at Knockaunmore, Athenry, he had discussed the matter with members of the National Monuments Advisory Council who were to contact him again but had not done so.

NEXT MEETING -

4.15 p.m. Friday, 14th September, 1979.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER, 1979.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. J. Joyce, Secretary.
Messrs. Jas. Joyce, Co.C., M. J. Molloy, D. J. Murphy,
Mr. Bermingham, Mr. O'Loughlin, Rev. M. Coen, Dr. Claffey.

Apologies from Canon Quinn and Mr. N. Morgan.

1. Kilnalahan:- Letter received from Commissioner of Public Works stated that they the Commissioners were undertaking the guardianship of Kilnalahan Friary.
2. Killora:- Mr. Conway reported that a headstone had been broken by fallen masonry from walls which were in a dangerous condition. Councillor Joyce undertook to ask County Council to restore the walls.
3. Mullaghmore - No reply from Commissioners of Public Works. Secretary instructed to write again.
4. Cloonkeen-kerril:- Concern was expressed at condition of walls which were a danger to the public.
5. Dennis Mausoleum:- Mr. Bermingham undertook to enquire if local effort be made available to restore Mausoleum, and McEgan Tomb.
6. Dunmore Abbey:- Mr. O'Loughlin complained of dumping near Dunmore Abbey. Agreed to ask Secretary of County Council to bring the matter to the attention of O.P.W. Gate unlocked and O.P.W. should be asked to provide lock and key. Secretary of County Council asked to write to Mr. T. Dewley, Barrack Street, Dunmore, to have the refuse removed.

NEXT MEETING: 14th December, 1979 at 4.15 p.m.

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Pádraig C. MacAodáigáin S.P.
CATHAOIRLEACH

DATA: 14/12/79

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 14TH DECEMBER, 1979.

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

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen; Dr. Claffey,
Prof. E. Rynne, Councillor J. Joyce, Mr. H. Bermingham,
Mr. M. J. Molloy, Mr. D. J. Murphy.

Apologies received from Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.

1. KILNALAHAN: Concluded.
2. KILLORA: County Engineer reported he had examined the walls but couldn't determine if they were in a dangerous condition because of ivy. Councillor Joyce to raise the matter at the County Council meeting.
3. MULLAGHMORE: Office of Public Works had examined the site following which the Monument was listed under the Subsection (2) of Section 8 of the National Monuments Act, 1954.
4. CLONKEENKERRIL: Councillor Joyce to give notice of motion for next meeting of County Council.
5. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM
- MAC AOGHAN TOMB: Mr. Bermingham to see if local help could be enlisted.
6. DUNMORE ABBEY: Refuse removed. Mr. Molloy to see if plaque removed.
7. MARBLEHILL: Portal-tomb not yet signposted. Secretary to write to Bord Failte re outstanding plaques.
8. ATHENRY WALLS: Professor Rynne informed meeting that Mid-West County had given Planning Permission for grain silos and associate buildings near Athenry Walls thus destroying the view of the best Medieval Walls in these islands. Following discussion, Secretary was instructed to send the following letter to Mr. S. Keating, County Manager:

"Dear Mr. Keating,

At a Meeting of National Monuments Advisory Committee, it was brought to the notice of the Members that major works, silos and associated buildings, have recently been erected in the townland of Bawnmore immediately outside the Town Walls of Athenry.

The Committee takes strong exception to the fact that it was not consulted before Planning Permission (No. 27599) was given. We consider great damage visually and archaeologically has been done to this most important Monument - unique in this island.

We advised and request that no further Planning Permission be given in the vicinity of Athenry Town Walls."

A copy of above to be sent to (O.P.) National Monuments Advisory Council.

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1980, AT 4.15 P.M.

Sinithe: *Eric Mac Fhinn*
CATHAOR LEACH

DATA: *15 Feb 1980*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 1980

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.
Mr. J. Joyce, Secretary.

ALSO PRESENT: Rev. M. Coen; V. Rev. P. K. Egan; Dr. Claffey;
Prof. E. Rynne; H. Bermingham; D. J. Murphy;
Councillor Jas. Moyce; Mr. M. J. Molloy.

1. KILLORA CHURCH: Finished.
2. MULLAGHMORE: Finished.
3. CLOONKEENKERRIL: Councillor Joyce reported that Co. Engineer said work would cost £3,000 and money was not at present available.
4. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM & MAC AODHAGAN TOMB: Secretary instructed to write to Secretary, Clonberne Festival Committee.
5. DUNMORE ABBEY: No information re plaque, Mr. Bermingham to report next Meeting.
6. MARBLEHILL (WEDGE TOMB): Ballinakill (Stone Circle) sign posts not yet received. Local efforts being made to clear site.
7. ATHENRY WALLS: Prof. Rynne and M. J. Joyce met Chief Planning Officer re buildings erected near walls. Chief Planning Officer, Mr. Cahill said local Engineer said there was no interference with walls. Prof. Rynne asserted buildings interfered with external view of walls, a view unique in these Islands. Professor Rynne asked that planning permission for houses inside walls be revoked. Planning Officer said this could not be done without compensating owners.
8. AUGHRIM FORTS: Secretary reported that a silage pit built beside St. Ruth's Fort denied access to fort which was listed as a National Monument.

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1980 AT 4.15 P.M.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 18th APRIL, 1980.

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Dr. Egan, Rev. M. Coen, H. Bermingham,
D. J. Murphy, M. J. Molloy, Councillor J. Joyce, Prof. E. Rynne.

Dr. Claffey

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL: Councillor Joyce suggested the County Engineer be contacted in September asking that some of the Environmental Grants be spent on the Abbey.
 2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM & MAC AODHAGAN TOMB: Professor Rynne and Mr. D. J. Murphy to discuss preservation with Mr. M. Devaney, Secretary, Clonberne Festival Committee.
 3. PLAQUES: Secretary said plaques had been received for Abbeygormican, Dunmore, Cloonkeenkeril, Caislean na Pairce. Secretary to ask for signposting of Aughrim Battlefield.
 4. MARBLEHILL (CREIGIN) WEDGE TOMB BALLINAKILL (STONE CIRCLE): Sign posts not yet received.
 5. ATHENRY WALLS: Secretary to ask O.P.W. to inspect walls with Professor Rynne.
 6. CLONFERT & MEELICK: Councillor Joyce felt Eyrecourt, Meelick, Clonfert area had been neglected as regards signposting.
 7. SYMPATHY: Vote of sympathy was passed with Mr. M. J. Molloy on the death of his brother, Very Rev. Fr. Molloy, P.P. Kilmeena.
- NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 12th June, 1980 at 4.15 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 12TH JUNE, 1980

IN THE CHAIR: Mons. E. Mac Fhinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Dr. P. K. Egan; Prof. E. Rynne;
M/s D. J. Murphy; M. J. Molloy; Rev. M. Coen, Councillor
J. Joyce, H. Bermingham.

Run Comhbhroin: Ritheadh run-chomhbroin le gaolta an Ollainn Sile Ni Chinneide.

1. CLOONKEENKERRILL: Councillor Joyce reported that Environmental Grants had already been allocated to other projects.
2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM: Prof. Rynne, D. J. Murphy & Secretary to advise local Committee and report back.
3. DUNMORE ABBEY: Mr. Bermingham reported that sand had been dumped before walls.
4. MARTELLO TOWER: Plaques not yet received.
5. ATHENRY WALLS: Prof. Rynne had got grant for survey of walls. More damage had recently been done. Secretary instructed to write to National Parks & Monuments Branch, Office of Public Works to ask why no reply had been received to his recent letter.
6. PLAQUES: Councillor Joyce asked that plaques be provided at Old Protestant Church, Eyrecourt; Martello Tower, Banagher, Brackloon, Longford Ui Mhaidin and Eyrecourt House.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1980 at 4.15 p.m.

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Síne: M. J. Molloy
CATHAIR LEACH
11th Sept 1980
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1980

IN THE CHAIR: Mr. M. J. Molloy.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mr. D. J. Murphy,
Mr. M. Bermingham, Professor E. Rynne, Rev. M.
Coen and Councillor Jas. ~~Burke~~ ^{Joyce}.

Apologies received from Mons. E. MacFhinn and
Dr. Claffey.

1. Clonkeenkerril: Letter from An Runai, Galway County Council stated it was intended to include work on Clonkeenkerril in current year's Environmental Improvement Schemes but money was not made available. Hoped to carry out some work in 1981 if finance will be available.
2. Denis Mausoleum: Prof. Rynne, M. J. Joyce and D. J. Murphy met local Clonberne Committee (15/6) who seemed willing to carry out repairs advised by Prof. Rynne. ^{Committee} National Monuments Advisory to seek provision of road signs and plaques when repairs are completed.
3. Plaques: Secretary to ask County Council why plaques and road signs for Clonkeenkerril, Teac Ruairi O'Flathartaigh, Burren, etc.
4. Athenry Walls: Professor Rynne reported County Council were carrying out works on Walls; Committee grateful for this. He regretted Sunday Press article on walls didn't appear in Dublin Edition
5. Bellview: On proposition of Councillor Joyce, it was agreed to ask County Council that Bellview Gate and two adjoining lodges be taken under Council's care and that lodges be restored as dwellings.
6. Doon Lacken: Agreed to ask O.P.W to have a preservation order made on triple-banked Ring Fort at Doon, Lacken, near Ardrahan.
7. Co-Option: Professor Rynne proposed that Mr. Tom Fanning, Lecturer U.C.G. be co-opted on National Monuments Advisory Committee. Deferred pending information on Committee's power to do so.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1980 at 4.15 p.m.

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Patrick K. Egan P.P.

13 November 1980.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1980.

IN THE CHAIR:

Mons. E. McFhinn and later Dr. K. Egan, P.P.

ALSO PRESENT:

M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Rev. M. Coen, M. J. Molloy,
D. J. Murphy, Jas. Joyce, Prof. E. Rynne.

1. Clonkeenkerril:

Deferred.

2. Dennis Mausoleum:

Deferred.

3. Plaques:

Bord Failte to be asked to provide a road sign
at Ballymore Castle (Laurencetown) and a plaque
at Athenry Cross.

4. Athenry Walls:

Prof. Rynne said he had visited O.P.W. He had
been informed that no town walls would be taken
into State care; their preservation should be the
concern of Local Council or Community.

Had been further informed that:

1. it was planned to move out of Athenry Castle.
2. to take over old Parish Church and declare
it a National Monument.
3. to put a stop to the building of a house against
the curtain walls of the Castle.
4. planning permission for houses across old walls to
lapse in November, 1981.

5. Doon Lacken:

O.P.W. to put a preservation order on triple ring
fort and discuss the appointment of a caretaker with
the owner.

6. Athenry Golf Course:

Prof. Rynne reported discovery of Bronze-Age Barrow,
and Early Iron-Age Ring-Barrow on Athenry Golf Course.

7. Belview Gate:

Councillor Joyce informed meeting that Mr. Keating,
County Manager, had suggested by-passing gate.

8. Appointment:

Councillor Joyce informed meeting that Mr. Thos
Fanning, Dept. of Archaeology, U.C.G., had been
elected a member of National Monuments Advisory
Committee.

9. Travelling Expenses:

Prof. Rynne expressed dissatisfaction with County
Council's refusal to grant expenses incurred in
travelling to examine and advise on historical and
archaeological sites on behalf of National Monuments
Advisory Committee.

NEXT MEETING:

THURSDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1981, AT 4.15 P.M.

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12 Feb. 1981

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1981.

IN THE CHAIR:

Dr. P. K. Egan - elected Chairman.

ALSO PRESENT:

M.J. Joyce, Secretary; Councillor J. Joyce,
M. J. Molloy, D.J. Murphy, M. Bermingham,
Dr. A. Claffey.

1. An Mons E. Mac Fhinn:

Leadh litir on Mhonsignor Mac Fhinn ag cur in iul narbhfhfeidir leis bheith in a bhall den gCoiste feasta. Iarradh ar an Runai chur in iul do go raibh an bhron ar na baill go raibh se ag eiri as an gCoiste agus a mbuiochais gabhail leis as ucht seirbhise fhada dutharatach a thug se mar bhall agus mar Chathaoirleach an Choiste le blianta fada. Moladh blianta fada faoi shlainte agus faoi mhaise do.

2. Ball Nua:

Cuireadh failte roimh Tomas Uas.O Fainnin, Colaiste na hollscoile, Gailleamh a toghadh in a bhall den gCoiste ar 24 Deire Fomhair ag cruinniú den Chomhairle Condae.

3. Comhbhron:

Moladh run comhbhron leis an Ollamh E. Rinne agus
muinntir ar bhas a nathair.

4. Clonkeenkeril:

Deferred

5. Dennis Mausoleum:

Mr. Murphy stated that a certain amount of cleaning up had been done.

6. Athenry Walls:

Mr. Fanning reported a change of Office of Public Works Policy in regards to National Monuments. They were now prepared to grant money for "rescue-operations"

7. Belview Gate:

Councillor J. Joyce stated owner was willing to sell land to bye-pass the Gates.

8. Athenry Golf-Course:

Mr. Fanning said O.P.W. were to put a Preservation Order on Early Iron and Bronze Age Ring Barrows. Secretary instructed to write to County Council alerting it of the existence of ring-barrows etc., in the townlands of Palmerstown, Derrydonnell and surrounding areas should planning applications be made in these areas.

9. Preservation Orders:

Preservation orders have been made of Ringfort (Triple banked) in townland of Lacken, Parish of Ardrahan and of moated site of castle and 2 ringforts at Clonigney Parish of Fohena.

10. Plaques

Bord Failte to be asked for a plaque for Castleblakeney. (O Ceallaigh Family).

11. National Monuments Act:

Mr. Fanning informed meeting that a new National Monuments Act was before Dail Eireann. Prof. Rynne and Mr. T. Fanning asked to prepare submissions for New Act.

NEXT MEETING:

SPECIAL MEETING TO CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS FOR NEW NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT.

THURSDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1981, AT 4.15 P.M.

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SIGNED:

Pádraig C. Mac Aodáin S.P.
CATHLAÓIREACH

DATE:

12 March 1981

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1981.

- IN THE CHAIR: Dr. P. K. Egan.
- ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Councillor J. Joyce, Dr. Claffey; Prof. Rynne; T. Fanning; M. Bermingham; M. J. Molloy;
1. CLOONKEENKERRILL: Secretary to write to County Engineer asking that promised work be done.
2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM: Deferred.
3. BELVIEW GATE: Councillor Joyce to ask County Engineer to visit Bellview.
4. NEW NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT: Submissions for New National Monuments Acts made by Prof. Rynne, Mr. T. Fanning, Mr. M. J. Molloy were discussed and with amendments, were approved. Copies to be sent to the Minister for Finance and to the Office of Public Works.
- NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 21st May, 1981, at 4.15 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 12TH MARCH, 1981.

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

ALSO PRESENT: M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Councillor J. Joyce,
Dr. Claffey; Prof. Rynne; T. Fanning; M.
Birmingham; M. J. Molloy; *D. J. Murphy*

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NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 21st May, 1981, at 4.15 p.m.

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Patrick K. Egan P.P.
Signed: 21 May 1981
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DATE: _____

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 21ST MAY, 1981.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. P.K. Egan, PH.D.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. J. J. Joyce, Secretary; Mr. M. J. Molloy;
Mr. H. Bermingham; Mr. D. J. Murphy;
Mr. Jas. Joyce; Rev. M. Coen.

Apology received from Dr. A. Claffey.

1. CLOONKEENKERRILL: Secretary instructed to write to County Council asking to have repairs carried out immediately.
2. DENNIS MAUSOLEUM: Mr. D. J. Murphy informed the Meeting that local people had done some repair works.
3. BELVIEW GATE: Councillor Joyce informed the Meeting that he had tabled a Notice of Motion to have work carried out. County Engineer wasn't sure if an amenity grant would be available.
4. BALLINDUFF CASTLE: Owner wanted to know if he were liable for accidents to visitors to the ruins. Advised to consult his Solicitor.
(Near Headford)

NEXT MEETING: 4.15 p.m. Thursday, 13th August, 1981.

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Signed: Seamus C. MacArdagh S.P.
CATHAOILLEACH

DATE: 13/8/81

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 13th AUGUST, 1981

IN THE CHAIR:

Very Rev. P.K. Egan, Ph.D.

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. M.J. Joyce, Secretary, Cllr. James Joyce,
Rev. M. Coen, Mr. D. J. Murphy, Mr. P. Holland
and Professor E. Rynne.

1. WELCOME:

Father Egan welcomed Mr. P. Holland, Department
Of Archaeology, University College, Galway to
the National Monuments Advisory Committee.

2. CLOONKEENKERRILL:

Letter from County Engineer stated that County
Council had not received Environmental Grant.
Work would be done when Grant was available.

3. BELVIEW GATE:

Cllr. Joyce said Estimated Cost of carrying out
work involved was £3,000. Council willing to
carry out work when funds became available.

4. MISSING CROSS HEAD:

Inscribed Stone from Mill Museum, Tuam.

Professor Rynne and Mr. D. J. Murphy reported that a
Cross Head and Inscribed Stone had been removed from
the Mill Museum, Tuam. Agreed to ask County Council
to take these two Monuments into its charge and
place them permanently on Display in appropriate
places.

5. APPLICATION:

Application to erect stand in Kenny Memorial Park,
Athenry. Professor Rynne raised the matter of
appeal against refusal to grant permission to
erect a stand at Kenny Memorial Park, Athenry.
Agreed that his recommendations be sent to the County
Manager.

6. KILMALLINOGUE:

Mr. Egan informed meeting that earthworks
surrounding Cemetery at Kilmallinogue, Boula, Portumna
were in danger of demolition. Secretary to write
to Chairman, National Monuments Branch, Office of
Public Works, asking to have earthworks investigated.

NEXT MEETING 4.15 p.m. Thursday, 22nd October, 1981.

SIGNED: Dathi S. ÓMurchú DATE: 22-10-81
CATHAIRLEACH

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1981

IN THE CHAIR:-

Mr. D. J. Murphy.

ALSO PRESENT:-

Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Cllr. James Joyce,
Mr. P. Holland, Mr. H. Bermingham, Professor
E. Rynne.

1. CLOONKEENKERRILL:-

Cllr. Joyce informed Meeting that Environmental
Grants had arrived and promised to propose
that part of Grant be allocated to Cloonkeenkerill

2. BELLVIEW GATE:-

Cllr. Joyce said Bi-Centenary of it's erection
occurs in 1982. Hoped work would be carried
out before then.

3. INSCRIBED STONE IN TUAM:-

Letter from County Manager stated that Council's
Local Engineer had been asked to look into the
situation and advise him on the matter. Secretary
instructed to ask if there had been any developmen

4. ATHENRY TOWN WALLS:-

Letter from County Manager also stated that
Office of Public Works had been consulted in
connection with Application to erect Stand at
Kenny Memorial Park, Athenry and stated he would
be happy to consult with National Monuments
Advisory Committee in any case where another
Archaeological Authority was not involved and when
time allowed the discussions in question. He would
remind the Planning Staff to bear this commitment
in mind in all cases

Professor Rynne thanked County Manager for his
letter but would remind him that one of the main
reasons for the existence of National Monuments
Advisory Committee is to advise on such matters
and were more readily available for such advice.

5. KILMALINOGUE:-

Secretary informed meeting that earthworks had
been investigated.

6. CLONBERNE - DENNIS MAUSOLEUM:-

Deferred.

7. LEITRIM CASTLE:-

Mr. Holland reported that Castle was in some
danger of demolition. Secretary instructed
to write to County Manager for permission to
send Professor Rynne and Mr. Holland officially
to inspect Site on behalf of the National
Monuments Advisory Committee.

NEXT MEETING:-

Thursday, 10th December, 1981 at 4.15 p.m.

D. J. Murphy

10-12-81

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1981.

In the Chair: Mr. D. J. Murphy

Also Present: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen, Mr. M. J. Molloy,
Prof. E. Rynne, Clr. James Joyce and Mr. T. Fanning.

1. Cloonkeenkerrill: Disappointment was expressed that no part of Environmental Grant was allocated to Cloonkeenkerrill as promised in letter of June, 17th 1981. Secretary instructed to remind County Engineer of this.
2. Inscribed Stone: Deferred.
(Tuam).
3. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
4. Belview Gate: Committee expressed grave disappointment at the failure and apparent lack of interest in preservation of this monument of historical and architectural importance.
5. Kilmalinoque: Deferred.
6. Clonberne Tomb: Dennis Mausoleum, Mac Aodhagain deferred.
7. Leitrim Castle: Secretary instructed to write again to ask if travelling expenses be allowed to Prof. E. Rynne and Mr. P. Holland to inspect this ruin which is in some danger of destruction.
7. Kilclooney Bardic School: Mr. Molloy informed meeting that office of Public Works were prepared to take this monument under its care.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 11th February, 1982.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.

11 February 1982.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,
GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR:-

Very Rev. P. K. Egan, Ph.D.

ALSO PRESENT:-

Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Prof.
E. Rynne, Mr. P. Holland, Mr. M. J.
Molloy, Clr. James Joyce, Mr. T.
Fanning, Mr. A. T. Claffey.

APOLOGIES:-

Mr. D. J. Murphy.

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL.

Secretary informed Meeting that he had
been informed locally that after recent
frost and snow buildings were in grave
danger of collapse. Secretary
instructed to write to County Council
informing them of position.

2. INSCRIBED STONE AND CROSS
HEAD, (Tuam).

Dr. Claffey said this was a subject of
dispute. Stone and Cross Head were in
possession of Members of Old Tuam Society.
Diplomacy required. Undertook to have
matter solved locally.

3. ATHENRY TOWN WALLS.

Deferred.

4. BELLVIEW GATE

Clr. Joyce said he had contacted new
Engineer who was prepared to
co-operate in preservation of Gate.
Meeting suggested adjoining gables
of lodges be preserved.

Prof. Rynne expressed gratitude to
Clr. Joyce for his efforts.

5. KILMALLINOUE:-

Dr. Egan said officials of Office of
Public Works had surveyed site.
Secretary instructed to ask Office
of Public Works for a copy of their
Report on Site.

6. CLONBERNE TOMB AND
MAUSOLEUM:-

Deferred.

7. LEITRIM CASTLE:-

Mr. Holland said Owner was willing to
hand over Castle as a National Monument.

Letter from County Manager stated
there were no provisions for the
payment of travelling expenses to
Committee Members who travel to
undertake inspection in their capacity
as Committee Members. Was asking
Council's Engineer to examine position.
Clr. Joyce agreed to put down Notice of
Motion re expenses of Committee Members
sent to examine Sites.

8. KILCLOONEY BARDIC SCHOOL.

Mr. M. J. Molloy to contact Office of
Public Works and report to Committee.

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9. CHILDREN'S BURIAL GROUND -
LARAGH, KILTULLA.

Prof. Rynne informed Meeting that there had been interference with a Children's Burial Ground on lands recently allocated by Irish Land Commission to a Mr. Ryan. Secretary instructed to write to Irish Land Commission and ask that such sites should be referred to Office of Public Works as well as to National Monuments Advisory Committee.

10. KILLIMORDALY STONE.

Secretary asked to contact Parish Priest to have the Daly Stone re-sited.

11. OMEY ISLAND:-

Deferred.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, 22nd April, 1982 at 4.15 p.m.

D. S. Ó Murchú

22-4-82.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1982

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

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Professor E. Rynne, Rev. M. Coen, Mr. M. J. Molloy, Mr. M. Bermingham, Mr. J. Joyce, Mr. P. Holland.

Apologies received from V. Rev. P. K. Egan PH.D and Mr. T. Fanning.

1. Cloonkeenkerril: Secretary said he had no reply to his last letter. Instructed to write again.
2. Inscribed Stone and Cross Head (Tuam): Secretary instructed to write to Dr. Claffey to ask if any progress had been made in the matter.
3. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
4. Bellview Gate: Professor Rynne submitted report which stressed the architectural, historical and touristic value of Bellview. Secretary asked to send (copy) copies of report to County Council and Bord Failte asking that they give the matter special attention as this (1982) is bi-centennial year of its erection. Councillor Joyce thanked Professor Rynne for coming to Bellview.
5. Killmalinogue: Secretary had no reply from Office of Public Works. Professor Rynne had inspected site. The ruined church dates from Transitional Period, i.e. it can be dated to C. 1200. Church built on a much earlier (7th - 8th century) site. Felt whole site should be photographed aerially and deserved Preservation Order. Undertook to contact Office of Public Works.
6. Clonberne: Mr. D. J. Murphy to report back to next meeting on repairs carried out.
7. Leitrim Castle: Letter from County Manager - stated County Council had no responsibility in the matter. Secretary instructed to write to National Monuments Advisory Council stating that owner was willing to hand over castle as a National Monument.
8. Kilclooney Castle: Deferred.
9. Omev Island: Professor Rynne to contact Office of Public Works.
10. Attendance of County Engineer at Committee Meetings: Councillor Joyce proposed and Professor Rynne seconded that County Engineer be asked to attend National Monuments Advisory Committee Meetings.

SIGNED: D. J. Ó Murchú DATE: 24-6-82.
CATHADIR LEACH

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 24th JUNE, 1982

IN THE CHAIR: Mr. D. J. Murphy
ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary; Rev. M. Coen;
Mr. M. J. Molloy; Clr. Jas. Joyce; Prof. E. Rhyne
APOLOGIES: Mr. T. Fanning; Mr. P. Holland.

1. Cloonkeenerril: Secretary informed meeting that Mr. P. O'Connor, Senior Executive Engineer, had inspected ruins and agreed they should be preserved. This couldn't be done under Amenity Grants Scheme as youths under 25 couldn't do the work and County Council had no skilled staff to do such work. Secretary to write to National Monuments Advisory Council asking it to advise on the matter.
2. Inscribed Stone & Cross Head (Tuam): Mr. Murphy produced a letter from Secretary Old Tuam Society dated January, 1970, confirming his custody of the inscribed Stone and Cross Head. Secretary instructed to write to Dr. A. Claffey informing him of this.
3. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred.
4. Belview Gate: Clr. Joyce to interview County Manager.
5. Kilmalinoque: Preservation Order made.
6. Clonberne: Mr. Murphy submitted a report on his visit to Clonberne. Secretary to send copy of report to Fr. Kilkelly, Clonberne, and thank him for work being done and offer any advice needed in carrying it out. Copy of report to be sent also.
7. Leitrim Castle: Prof. Rhyne to inquire if O.P.W. would be interested.
8. Kilclooney Castle: Deferred.
9. Omev Island: Concluded.
10. Attendance of County Engineer at National Monuments Advisory Committee Meetings. Secretary had interviewed Mr. Kevin Doyle, County Secretary who said matter would be considered.
11. Enclosure and Souterrain, Ballybane, Mervue: Meeting learned from Prof. Rhyne that enclosure and souterrain were deteriorating and recommended that the ^{site} souterrain be excavated and enclosure be preserved as an amenity. Recommendation to be sent to Mr. Peter Kearns, Asst. County Manager.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING 3.30 p.m. THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1982

Patrick K. Egan P.P.
26/8/82

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 26TH AUGUST, 1982

IN THE CHAIR: Rev. P. K. Egan

ALSO PRESENT: Messrs. M. J. Joyce, Secretary; A Claffey;
M. J. Molloy; Prof. E. Rynne; N. Morgan;
P. Bermingham; Rev. M. Coen; D. J. Murphy.

Apologies were received from Messrs. P. Holland, and
Thos. Fanning.

1 - CLOONKEENKERRIL: Prof. Rynne to contact O.P.W. Secretary to write to
County Council asking who owns building and commemorative
plaque and who is responsible if an accident occurs as a
result of the unstable condition of the walls and windows.

2 - INSCRIBED STONE & CROSS HEAD, TUAM: Dr. Claffey had interviewed
Chairman of the Old Tuam Society,
who said stones were removed on the occasion of Mr. Murphy's
removal of his artefacts from the Mill Museum.

Prof. Rynne suggested writing to the Chairman, Old Tuam
Society asking the stones to be returned to Mill Museum
pending their re-erection. National Monuments Advisory
Committee would be glad to advise on the matter.

3 - ATHENRY TOWN WALLS: Prof. Rynne said G.A.A. had agreed to his suggestion
for the building of a grand stand supervised by an Archaeologist.

4 - BELVIEW GATE: Deferred.

5 - KILMALLINOGUE: Concluded.

6 - CLONBERNE: Mr. Murphy reported that good progress was being made in work.

7 - LEITRIM CASTLE: Deferred.

8 - KILCLOONEY CASTLE: Deferred.

9 - ATTENDANCE OF COUNTY ENGINEER at Committee meetings.

Mr. Murphy (Co. Council staff) said County Engineer felt he
would be of no help and said any matter requiring his attention
could be dealt with as it arose.

10 - ENCLOSURE AND SOUTERRAIN, BALLYBANE: Letter from Town Clerk, Galway Corp.
asked by whom was it suggested the
excavation work should be undertaken. Secretary instructed to
reply that excavation be carried out by a qualified Archaeologist.

11 - SYMPATHY: Vote of sympathy passed with Dr. A. T. Lucas on the death of
his wife.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 28th OCT. 1982 at 3.30 p.m.

*Patrick K. Egan P.P.
28/10/82*

Martin J. Joyce,
Hon. Sec.
Nat. Monuments Adv. Cmte.
Aughrim,
BALLINASLOE

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY on THURSDAY, 28th OCTOBER, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR:- Very Rev. P. K. Egan, Ph.D.

ALSO PRESENT:- Messrs. Mr. J. Joyce, Secretary, M.J. Molloy, P. Holland,
D.J. Murphy, Professor Rynne, Mr. James Joyce.

Apology received from Mr. T. Fanning.

Vote of Sympathy passed with Dr. Egan on the death of his
Sister.

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL:- Prof. Rynne to contact Office of Public Works. Secretary
to write to the County Engineer asking him to include work
in the list of works to be carried out under the next
Amenity Grant.

2. INSCRIBED STONE AND
CROSS HEAD, TUAM:- Secretary said he hadn't received a reply to his letter to
the Editor of Tuam Herald. Fr. Egan to contact Editor.

3. ATHENRY TOWN WALLS:- Professor Rynne said he approved of work done last year but
disappointed with the capping put on Walls this year. Asked
that stones inserted in the capping be removed or if this
is not possible to discontinue their use as they are
unsuitable architecturally and aesthetically. Secretary
to convey Professor Rynne's recommendations to District
Engineer, Athenry.

4. BELVIEW GATE:- Deferred.

5. CLONBERNE:- Deferred.

6. KILCLOONEY CASTLE:- Professor Rynne reported that Office of Public Works are
dealing with matter.

7. BALLYBANE:- Professor Rynne reported Galway Corporation was investigating
possibility of having Site excavated before turning it into
an Amenity Area.

NEXT MEETING - 3.30 p.m. - Thursday, 27th January, 1983.

Martin J. Joyce,
Hon. Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

M. J. Molloy
27th Jan. 1983

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD
IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY 27th JANUARY, 1983

- IN THE CHAIR: Mr. M.J. Molloy and later V. Rev P.K. Egan, Phd.
- ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M.J. Joyce, Secretary; Mr. Jas. Joyce; Mr. D.J. Murphy;
Mr. D. Holland; Prof. E. Rynne; Rev. M. Coen;
Dr. A. Claffey.
- APOLOGIES: Mr. T. Fanning.
- MINUTES: On proposition of Dr. A. Claffey seconded by
Mr. D.J. Murphy, minutes of previous meeting were
adopted and signed.
- SYMPATHY: A vote of sympathy was passed with Mr. D.J. Murphy
on the death of his wife.
1. Cloonkeenkeril: No reply from County Engineer. Mr. Murphy informed
meeting that list of projects for Amenity Grants had
not been finalised.
2. Inscribed Stone and Cross Heads (Tuam): Letter from Mr. J.P. Burke, Chairman
of Old Tuam Society, stated "these
relics of Old Tuam were removed from the Mill Museum
because it was felt they were no longer safe there".
Dr. Claffey felt there were some crumbs of comfort in
knowing where ^{the} relics are; he said it was obvious this
was a local dispute and should be left as such.
Mr. Holland said arguing will not settle anything.
Dr. D.J. Murphy dissented. *and Professor Rynne*
3. Athenny Town Walls: Letter from local Engineer stated that Engineers from
the office of Public Works had advised the form of
capping used as it helped to eliminate the "hair" cracks
in the mortar, capping previously used.
Prof. Rynne said he was disappointed and had not seen
such capping anywhere else.
4. Belview Gate: Deferred.
5. Clonberne: Deferred.
6. Ballybane: Deferred.
7. Kilclooney Castle: Deferred.
8. Ardrahan Castle: Prof. Rynne informed the meeting that a large portion
of 13th Century Castle had fallen and asked that O.P.W.
have the damage investigated.

NEXT MEETING AT 3.30 p.m. 21st APRIL, 1983.

Pádraig C. Mac Aodáin S.P.
CATHAOIRLEACH

21/4/83
DATE

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1983.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. P.K. Egan, Ph.d.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M.J. Joyce, Secretary, Rev. M. Coen, Mr. M.J. Molloy,
Mr. N. Morgan, Mr. D.J. Murphy, Prof. E. Rynne,
Mr. T. Fanning, Mr. Jas. Joyce, Mr. M. Bermingham.

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL:

Secretary reported that portion of the walls and eastern window had collapsed. O'Kelly effigy had been broken. County Council staff had partially restored walls and had undertaken to have O'Kelly effigy repaired.

2. TUAM (Inscribed Stone and Cross Heads): Concluded.

3. ATHENRY TOWN WALLS: Deferred.

4. BELLVIEW GATE:

Councillor Joyce said County Council had put kerbing around Gate. Secretary to write to County Council asking that a "Stop" sign be put inside Gate and that an "anti-dumping" sign be erected.

5. KILCLOONEY CASTLE: Deferred.

6. ARDARA:

Prof. Rynne had contacted Office of Public Works who had inspected site; hopeful of having a preservation order made.

7. MERLIN PARK: ~~SECRETARY~~ said tower house had many unusual features including crypt. Tower House was owned by Forestry Department who were willing to hand it over to the Office of Public Works. Secretary to write to Office of Public Works informing them of this and asking them to take Tower House into their care.

8. KILBOUGHT:

Mr. Morgan said Church had many interesting features. Secretary to write to Office of Public Works. *Mr Fanning asked to inspect the site.*

NEXT MEETING - 3.30 P.M., 9TH JUNE, 1983.

Martin J. Joyce,
Honorary Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe,
CO. GALWAY.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.
CATHAoir LEACH

9/6/83
DATE

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 9TH JUNE, 1983.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. P.K. Egan, Ph.d.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M.J. Joyce, Secretary; Mr. M.J. Molloy,
Mr. D.J. Murphy, Mr. P. Holland, Mr. T. Fanning,
Mr. N. Morgan, Prof. E. Rynne, Dr. A. Claffey.
Mr F. Burke

1. Cloonkeenkeril: Deferred.

2. Athenry Town Walls: Deferred

3. Ardrahan Castle:

Prof. Rynne said he had contacted Office of Public Works who said there was nothing of architectural or archaeological importance at the site. Mr. Fanning said there was evidence that the castle ruins and associated earthworks constitute a major monument of the Early Medieval period in Connacht and hoped that eventual full state care be provided. Secretary instructed to ask Office of Public Works to make castle ruins and associated works the subject of a Preservation Order.

4. Merlin Park Tower House:

Prof. Rynne reported that Tower House would be taken into state care.

5. Kilbought:

Mr. Fanning said there were parallels with Clontuskert. Walls were in no danger. Windows in good state. Committee expressed appreciation of work done by Mr. Morgan in removing ivy. Discussion deferred pending further investigation by Mr. Fanning.

6. Terryland Castle:

~~Mr. Fanning pointed out that the construction of the new bridge~~
Mr. Fanning pointed out that the construction of the new bridge ~~over the Corrib River~~ could result in the total destruction of Terryland Castle and suggested that the south gable be lowered by the Corporation to avoid this destruction. Secretary instructed to convey Mr. Fanning's views to Mr. Leyden, Borough Engineer, Galway Corporation.

7. Kiltulla Castle:

Castle had been struck by lightning. Owner considering demolition. Secretary to ask Office of Public Works to inspect the buildings before the owner demolishes them.

8. Re-establishment of National Monuments Advisory Council:

Agreed that Committee ask for the re-establishment of National Monuments Advisory Committee.

N.B. NEXT MEETING: 3.30 p.m., THURSDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1983.

Martin J. Joyce,
Honorary Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe,
CO. GALWAY.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.
29/3/84

M. J. Molloy
CATHAIC LEACH

27th Oct 1983
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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER, 1983.

- IN THE CHAIR. Very Rev. P. K. Egan, Ph.d.
- ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mr. M.J. Molloy, Mr. T. Welby, Councillor James Joyce, Mr. T. Fanning, Professor E. Rynne.
Apologies were received from Dr. A. Claffey.
- RESIGNATION:- Letter received from Rev. Martin Coen, Craughwell tendering his Resignation. Members regretted Fr. Coens resignation.
- CLOONKEENKERRIL:- Dr. Egan reported that O'Kelly effigy had been satisfactorily repaired.
- ATHENRY TOWN WALLS:- Deferred.
- ARDRAHAN:- Letter from Mr. Berkery, National Parks and Monuments Branch, O.P.W., stated that National Monuments Committee would examine suggestion that Ardrahan Castle be made the subject of a Preservation Order.
- MERLIN PARK:- Concluded.
- TERRYLAND CASTLE:- Project Engineers stated they were prepared to liaise with Mr. Fanning. Professor Rynne suggested interior be excavated. Committee appointed Professor Rynne and Mr. Fanning to meet County Manager and Project Engineers.
- CLOGHAREVAN CASTLE:- Deferred pending reply from O.P.W.
- COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN:- Councillor Joyce informed Meeting that County Development Plan was being revised. Plan to be inspected by Committee Members for discussion at next Meeting.
- KILCUMMIN CHURCH.
QUARTER Councillor Welby raised the question of preservation of...
- ABBAYKNOCKMOY:- Meeting informed that complaints had been (received) made about the insensitive treatment of Graves at Abbeyknockmoy while work was being carried out by the O.P.W.

NEXT MEETING 3.30 p.m. THURSDAY, 27th OCTOBER, 1983.

Martin Joyce,
Honorary Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe,
CO. GALWAY.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 27th OCTOBER, 1983.

IN THE CHAIR:

Mr. M. J. Molloy

ALSO PRESENT.

Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mr. P. Holland, Mr. D. J. Murphy, Mr. F. Burke, Mr. H. Birmingham, Dr. A. Claffey, Professor E. Rynne and Mr. James Joyce.

Apologies were received from Very Rev. P. K. Egan and Mr. T. Fanning.

NEW MEMBER

Mr. Frank Burke, N.T. Abbey welcomed to Committee.

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL

Deferred, pending information regarding re-erection of O'Kelly Plaque.

2. AITHENRY TOWN WALLS:

Deferred pending information from Office of Public Works.

3. ARDRAHAN.

Professor Rynne reported that Office of Public Works is actively considering taking Castle and surrounding area into State Care.

4. TERRYLAND:

Deferred, pending result of Meeting arranged with County Manager.

5. CLOGHAREVAN CASTLE.

To be inspected by Officials from the Office of Public Works on November 3rd.

6. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Councillor Joyce reported that County Council had held one or two meetings re Amenity Areas. Secretary to ask for Plans and if possible the presence of the Development Officer at the December Meeting of the Committee.

7. KILCUMMIN CHURCH:

Concluded.

8. ABBEYKNOCKMAY:

Reply from Office of Public Works regarding treatment of Graves, satisfactory.

9. LIMEPARK HOUSE.

Letter from Mr. Frank Fahey T.D., asking the National Monuments Committee to look into the possibility of having some work done on Limepark House - discussed. Meeting felt it had insufficient information to go on. Secretary to write seeking same.

10. RESIGNATION:

Mr. P. Holland tendered his Resignation. Resignation accepted with regret and tributes were paid to his valued assistance to the Committee.

Agreed to nominate Mr. Paul Gosling, Department of Archaeology, U.C.G. to succeed Mr. Holland.

11. BALLINDOOLEY CASTLE:

Professor Rynne felt Castle should not be demolished. He would get Office of Public Works to inspect the building.

12. PLANNING PERMISSION AT KILMACDUAGH.

Professor Rynne asked that Meeting express regret that as a result of Section iv Planning Permission had been granted for the erection of a Dwelling House which would interfere with the view of the National Monument and the Burren Hills at Tawnagh East, Kilmacduagh.

13. BRIDGE AT ROXBORO:

Agreed to ask County Council to have the Bridge (1783) on the Gregory Estate repaired.

14. ESKERS

Dr. Claffey raised question of violence being done to our Heritage in the case of eskers - discussion dererred.

NEXT MEETING 3.30 p.m. THURSDAY 15th DECEMBER, 1983.

15/12/83 JS O'Murphy

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY
8th MARCH, 1984.

IN THE CHAIR: Very Rev. P.K. Egan, Ph. d.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M.J. Joyce, Secretary; Mr. N. Morgan;
Mr. E. Kennedy; Mr. D.J. Murphy; Mr. Bermingham;
Dr. A. Claffey; Mr. M.J. Molloy; Mr. Gosling;
Mr. J. Joyce; Prof. E. Rynne; Mr. F. O'Gallachoir,
Planning Assistant.

APOLOGIES: Mr. Callagy, Planning Officer and Mr. T. Fanning.

Chairman said the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Review of
the County Development Plan regarding preservation of items of archaeological
interest in the County Plan.

Mr. O'Gallachoir said the major difference of the Report now in preparation
with that of 1979 was that it would include items of industrial archaeological
interest. The areas around Gort, Loughrea, Athenry, Clifden, Tuam and Ardahan
were most threatened and in need of urgent protection. He outlined plans for
Athenry and asked Mr. Gosling to provide a report on Tuam. Mr. Gosling
produced plans for Loughrea and Gort. He listed 9 sites for the Gort area,
44 sites for the Tuam area, 30 sites for Athenry area and 15 sites for the
Loughrea area. Foundations should not be more than three feet. In the
case of boreholes, the Archaeological Officer should be asked to inspect.

Prof. Rynne asked Mr. Morgan to prepare a list of sites in the Loughrea
area and he and Mr. Gosling would examine them and submit a report to the
County Planning Officer.

The Secretary instructed to write to Office of Public Works and ask what
is their policy as regards St. Mary's Cathedral, Tuam and Clonfert Cathedral,
both of which are in urgent need of repair.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 3.30 p.m. Thursday 29th March, 1984.

Martin J. Joyce,
Honorary Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe,
Co. Galway.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY
ON THURSDAY, 15th DECEMBER, 1983.

IN THE CHAIR:-

Mr. D. J. Murphy.

ALSO PRESENT.

Mr. M. Joyce, Mr. P. Gosling, Dr. Claffey, Prof Rynne, Mr. H. Bermingham, Mr. F. Burke, Mr. F. Fanning, Mr. James Joyce, Mr. B. Callagy, Chief Planning Officer.

APOLOGIES:-

V. Rev. P.K. Egan, and Mr. M. J. Molloy.

1. CLOONKEENKERIL:-

Deferred.

2. ATHENRY ^{CASTLE} TOWN WALLS:-

Meeting informed that Office of Public Works Staff were moving from Athenry Castle to Raheen. Secretary to ask what they proposed to do with Castle.

3. ARDRAHAN:-

Prof. Rynne presented a copy of Report on Ancient Ecclesiastical Site at Ballybaun near Ardrahan.

4. CLOGHREVAN.

Deferred pending report from Office of Public Works.

5. TERRYLAND:-

Deferred.

6. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Mr. Callagy, Chief Planning Officer said they hoped to concentrate on scenic amenities because of their importance to Tourism. Agreed that a special meeting be called to discuss County Development Plan.

7. BALLINDOLEY CASTLE:

Inspected by Mr. D. Johnston, Office of Public Works on 24th November, 1983. Secretary to write to County Council asking it to hold its hand until Office of Public Works reports. Office of Public Works to be asked for report as soon as possible.

Works asking for a list of Reynolds or Reynolds Monuments in Co. Galway.

9. BALLINASLOE CASTLE:-

Agreed that ^{The Corner} Tower and Curtain Walls were worthy of preservation.

10. KILNALAHAN:-

Mr. Burke complained that good work was being undone. Secretary to ask District Engineer, Portumna, to supervise burials there.

11. LIMEPARK HOUSE:-

County Engineer reported that County Council is not in any way responsible for the House.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.

10/15/84

MARTIN J. JOYCE
HON. SECRETARY,
NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 29th MARCH, 1984.

IN THE CHAIR:-

V. REV. P. K. EGAN.

ALSO PRESENT:-

Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mr. M. J. Molloy,
Mr. D. J. Murphy, Prof. Rynne, Dr. Claffey, Mr.
P. Gosling, Mr. James Joyce, Mr. H. Birmingham,
Mr. B. Callagy, Planning Officer, Mr. O' Gallachoir
Assistant Planning Officer.

APOLOGIES:-

Mr. T. Fanning.

NEW MEMBER:-

Chairman welcomed a new member - Mrs. McDonagh.

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS
MEETING.

Taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

2. PROTECTION AND
PRESERVATION ORDERS:

Mr. O Gallachoir explained that 'Protection' meant
Planning Authority would be aware of the existence
of an Archaeological Site in case a Planning Application
was received to build there.

A 'Preservation Order' meant that permission would be
required to build there.

3. REPORT ON TUAM:

Mr. P. Gosling presented a report on Tuam. He
suggested that because of density of Archaeological
Sites in centre of Town the area should be regarded as
a high risk area. Any foundation under 3' should
be supervised by Archaeologist. Prof. Rynne said Mr.
Gosling had produced an excellent report and proposed
it be submitted to the Planning Authority for approval.
This was agreed. Mr. Gosling agreed to have copies
or Reports circulated to Members of National Monuments
Advisory Committee.

Mr. James Joyce suggested and it was agreed that
Committee recommend to County Council that County
Council Members be allowed to examine Plans for
their own areas so that Members of National Monuments
Advisory Committee could explain changes.

MARTIN J. JOYCE,
HON. SECRETARY,
NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.

10/5/84.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY, 10TH MAY, 1984.

IN THE CHAIR:- Very Rev. P.K. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT:- Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mrs. McDonagh,
Mr. M. J. Molloy, Mr. D. J. Murphy, Mr. E. Kennedy,
Mr. J. Joyce, Prof. E. Rynne, Mr. P. Gosling, Mr. H.
Birmingham.

APOLOGIES:- Mr. F. Burke, Mr. T. Fanning.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:- Taken as read and signed by the Chairman.
MEETING:-

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL:- Deferred.
2. ATHENRY CASTLE:- Secretary to write again to Office of Public Works.
3. CLOGHREVAN:- Secretary to write to Office of Public Works.
4. TERRYLAND:- Deferred.
5. BALLINDOOLEY CASTLE:- Prof. Rynne informed the Meeting that an Engineer experienced in restoring ancient buildings was prepared to testify to the strength of the Castle.
6. DUNMORE ABBEY:- Mr. Birmingham to write to local engineer.
7. LIMEPARK HOUSE:- Concluded.
8. ATHENRY DEVELOPMENT PLAN:- Mr. Gosling submitted a revised development plan of Athenry. He said he was finalising Tuam Plan in two or three weeks. Loughrea Plan to follow -
9. ROXBORO BRIDGE:- For discussion at next Meeting.
10. CLONFERT CATHEDRAL:- Mr. James Joyce reported that windows were broken in Cathedral.
11. SYMPATHY:- A vote of sympathy was passed with Mr. James Joyce on the death of his Mother.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

MARTIN J. JOYCE,
HON SECRETARY,
NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE,

NEXT MEETING 3.30 p.m. July, 12, 1984.

Patrick K. Egan P.P.
12/7/84

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON THURSDAY
12th JULY, 1984.

IN THE CHAIR:-

Very Rev. P. K. Egan.

ALSO PRESENT:-

Mr. M. J. Joyce, Secretary, Mr. D. J. Murphy, Mr. M.J. Molloy, Mr. H. Bermingham, Mr. James Joyce, Prof. E. Rynne, Mr. T. Fanning, Mr. E. Kennedy and Mr. P. Gosling

APOLOGIES:-

Mrs. McDonagh.

1. CLOONKEENKERRIL.

Deferred.

2. ATHENRY CASTLE:-

Letter from Office of Public Works (National Monuments Branch) stated that Castle was vested in Commissioners of Public Works. Intended to appoint a Caretaker/Keyholder at the Castle.

3. CLOGHREVAN:-

Prof. Rynne to contact Office of Public Works.

4. TERRYLAND:-

Mr. Fanning informed Meeting that no work is being carried out at present. He would keep an eye on situation.

5. BALLINDOOLEY CASTLE:

Letter from Office of Public Works stated Castle is not in the care of the Commissioners of Public Works. However, Mr. David Johnston had inspected outside of Castle as entrances were sealed. His report stated that it was a most important and interesting Tower House. Relying on the opinion of Prof. Rynne and on the reports of Messrs. Johnston and Raftery, the Members of the Committee present were of the opinion that this important monument should not be interfered with.

6. DUNMORE ABBEY:-

Plans had been inserted outside the walls.

7. ATHENRY DEVELOPMENT
PLAN:-

No further progress had been made. Prof. Rynne expressed appreciation of the G.A.A.'s employment of a professional archaeologist to supervise the digging of the foundations of the stand at Kenny Memorial Park, Athenry.

9. ROXBORO:-

Deferred.

9. CLONFERT CATHEDRAL:-

Agreed to offer advisory help to Bishop Empey re restoration of Clonfert Cathedral.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

NEXT MEETING - 3.30 p.m. Thursday, 11th October, 1984.

Martin J. Joyce,
Hon. Secretary, National Monuments Advisory Committee,
Aughrim,
Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

*Patrick K. Egan P.P.
11/10/84*

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 11TH OCTOBER, 1984.

IN THE CHAIR: V. Rev. P.K. Egan, Ph.d.

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. M.J. Moyce, Secretary;
Mr. D.J. Murphy, Mr. James Joyce, Mr. Micheal Breathnach, Mr. H. Bermingham, Prof. E. Rynne, Mr. T. Fanning.

Apologies: Mr. P. Gosling.

1. Cloonkeenkeril: Deferred.

2. Athenry Town Walls: A letter from An Taisce stated that pitch development being carried out by the G.A.A. beside the ancient Walls of Athenry was proceeding contrary to the conditions laid down by their planning permission. The spectator stand is 1½ metres above the walls.

Prof. Rynne said there was a state of shock in Athenry because of this. The G.A.A. had agreed to erect a parapet to conceal the projecting stand. He informed the meeting that portion of the Walls at Spittle Gate had recently been demolished by the County Council staff, and protested that this work was carried out without reference beforehand to this Committee which could have arranged archaeological supervision at minimal cost and would entail no delay in the work. Secretary to write to An Taisce and County Council conveying the Committee's concern with regard to developments at Athenry.

3. Cloghreyan Castle: Prof. Rynne informed the meeting that C.P.W. had inspected the Castle and had made a report.

4. Terryland: Deferred, pending re-activation of adjacent road-works.

5. Ballyindoooley Castle: Mr. Fanning said County Council should be written a strong letter asking that this important structure should not be interfered with.

6. Dunmore Abbey: Concluded.

7. Roxboro Bridge: Mr. Breathnach to investigate.

8. Clonfert Cathedral: Agreed to offer archaeological advice of two professional archaeologists, Prof. Rynne and Mr. T. Fanning.

9. Meelick Friary: Father Egan said friary was in a dangerous condition. Prof. Rynne and Mr. Fanning to inspect and advise.

10. Teampealleen: Mr. M. Joyce informed the meeting that the Lions club in Ballinasloe were agreeable to carry out "restorations" at the 13th Century Teampealleen at Poolboy. Prof. Rynne and Mr. T. Fanning agreed to inspect and advise.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Vatueh K. Egan P.P.
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Next Meeting: Thursday, 13th December, 1984, at 3.30 p.m.

Martin J. Joyce, Hon. Secretary,
National Monuments Advisory Committee.

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