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ON 26/11/93

but was found to be unsuitable, and reiterated the assurances previously given to the Solicitor for the Protesters.

SYMPATHY.

Resolutions of Sympathy were passed with the following:

Bernard and Ann Stankford, Georges Street, Gort.
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foy, Keamsella, Kilcolgan.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted APPROVED & CONFIRMED.

Seep J. J. J.
(Chairman)

20/12/93
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

22nd November, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

The Adjourned Estimates Meeting of Galway County Council will be held in the County Buildings, Galway on Friday, 26th November, 1993 commencing at 3.00 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 22nd
NOVEMBER, 1993.

IN THE CHAIR:- Councillor J. Burke.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Councillor J. Brennan, W. Burke
T. Byrne J. Callanan, Deputies
P. Connaughton, E. O'Cuiv,
Councillors M. Cunningham, M.
Fahy P. Finnegan, M. Finnerty,
S. Gavin, T. Hussey, M.
Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn,
Deputy P. McCormack, Senator. J.
McDonagh, P. McHugh, M. Mullins,
C. Ni Fhatharta, S. O'Neachtain,
M. O'Neill, P. O'Sullivan, P.
O'Tuathail, K. Quinn, M. Regan,
M. Ryan, E. Varley, and T.
Walsh.

Officials:

Messrs. P.J. Gavin, County
Manager, P. Flood, County
Engineer, T. Kavanagh, Acting
Asst. Co. Manager, E. Lusby,
Finance Officer, J. McGovern,
Admin. Officer, T. Murphy
S.S.O., and T. Coughlan,
Acting County Secretary.??????

The Opening Prayer was recited.

GOOD WISHES

1934

The Good Wishes of the Council were extended to Mr. Paddy Ruane, a former Member of the Council.

MINUTES.

1935

On the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, the Minutes of Special Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 8th October, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

On the proposition of Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Ryan, the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 29th October, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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DISPOSAL OF LAND.

1936

It was proposed by Councillor Gavin, seconded by Councillor O'Neachtain, and resolved that Galway County Council approve the Disposal of .34 acres of land at Gortyloughlin, Moycullen to Mr. Thomas Acton, Moycullen in accordance with Notice dated 29th October, 1993 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 which had been circulated to the Members of the Council.

SALE OF SITE

1937

It was proposed by Councillor Loughnane, seconded by Councillor Quinn and resolved, that Galway County Council approve the sale of Site No. 13, Ard Aoibhinn, Athenry to Mr. Thomas Killeen, Carnaun, Athenry in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 3rd November, 1993 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 which had been circulated to the Members of the Council.

DISPOSAL OF LAND

1938

It was proposed by Councillor Finnegan, seconded by Councillor Regan and resolved, that Galway County Council approve the disposal of plot of land (56 sq. ft) at Market Street, Clifden to E.S.B., Sean Mulvoy Road, Galway in accordance with Notice dated 4th November, 1993 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 which had been circulated to the Members of the Council.

SALE OF SITE

1939

It was proposed by Councillor Loughnane, seconded by Councillor Callanan, and resolved, that Galway County Council approve the sale of Site No. 27 Ard Aoibhinn, Athenry to Mr. Jarlath Quinn, 8, Blakes Court, Clonsilla, Blakestown, Dublin 15, in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 10th November, 1993 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

AUDITORS REPORT - LOUGH CORRIB NAVIGATION TRUSTEES.

1940

The Auditor's Report on the Audit of Accounts for Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for the Year Ended

31st December, 1992 was noted.

AUDITOR'S REPORT - VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE 1941

The Auditor's Report on the Audit of Accounts of the Vocational Education Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1992 was noted.

AMENITY GRANTS 1942

The List of recommended Amenity Grants, as circulated to Members of the Council on the 16th November, 1993, was unanimously adopted. It was proposed by Senator McDonagh, seconded by Councillor Fahy and agreed that the provision for Amenity Grants be increased to £30,000 in the 1994 Estimate of Expenses.

OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION 1943

It was proposed by Councillor M. Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Callanan, and agreed, that the Council approve Overdraft Accommodation in the sum of £3 M for the 6 months ending 30th June, 1994. It was proposed by Councillor Callanan, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and unanimously agreed, that the Minister for the Environment be requested to provide additional funds for Disabled Persons Grants. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan, and agreed, that the Minister for Health be requested to transfer the funding allocated to Health Boards for Housing Repair Purposes to Local Authorities.

BALLYQUIRKE LAKE. 1944

In reply to questions raised in connection with the Western Fisheries Board development at Ballyquirke Lake, the County Manager informed the Meeting that the Council had contacted the Board and requested that the work cease. The Manager understood that a Planning Application would be submitted at which stage a decision would be taken as to whether or not the development is exempted.

LITTER 1945

Councillor Quinn requested that provision be made in the 1994 Estimates for the Employment of Litter Wardens throughout the County. The County Manager stated that local communities should become more involved in dealing with this problem as it would not

be possible for Litter Wardens to cover the complete County.

TEAGASC. 1946

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Deputy McCormack and unanimously agreed that Galway County Council recommends to the Minister for Agriculture that the proposed Teagasc Rural Enterprise Service be implemented in its totality without delay.

FINGER POST SIGNS 1947

It was agreed that this item be discussed at the next Planning Meeting of the Council.

GLENAMADDY SQUARE 1948

Councillor Walsh was informed by the County Engineer that the erection of "Stop" signs at the Square in Glenamaddy would be re-examined.

FOOTPATHS. 1949

It was proposed by Councillor Loughnane, and seconded by Councillor W. Burke that the Footpath be provided from the Boys National School to the Lady's Well Junction, perhaps in co-operation with FAS.

WOOL PROCESSING 1950

It was proposed by Councillor Mullins, seconded by Councillor Ryan and agreed that the Council approve a contribution of £1,000 to Galway Wool Processing Co-operative to part fund Research Project on alternative uses for Wool.

CONFERENCES 1951

It was agreed that Councillor J. Mannion replace Councillor M. Ryan at the Sherkin Island Conference on the 4th/5th November, 1993 and that Senator McDonagh replace Councillor Finnerty at the recent Conference in Mullingar. The attendance of Councillor J. Callanan at the All Ireland Sheep Dipping Meeting was proposed by Councillor Fahy and seconded by Councillor Regan.

FINANCE.

1952

The resolution received from Offaly County Council requesting a Meeting between the General Council of County Councils' and the Minister for the Environment to discuss the Financing of Local Authorities was approved by the Council.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION.

N.O.M. NO. 12 - FLOODING - CLR. P. FINNEGAN

1953

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"This location was recently inspected and the culvert was working satisfactorily."

N.O.M. NO. 13 - ROAD - CLR. P. FINNEGAN

1954

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"This is a private housing estate and the provision of a rear access is not the responsibility of Galway County Council. However, if the local residence association were to submit detailed drawings, wayleaves etc. the Council would consider sending a request to FAS to see if the work could be carried out under an S.E.S."

N.O.M. NO. 14 - ROAD - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN

1955

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Neachtain.

"There are no funds available to carry out this work in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 15 - CARPARK - CLR. W. BURKE

1956

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

"No further progress has been made in relation to the acquisition of land for a car park at Main Street, Loughrea. The price being sought by the owners was considered to be totally excessive. The Council has been in correspondence with the owners representative in recent times and has invited him to put forward a more realistic proposal which the

Council would be prepared to consider further."

N.O.M. NO. 16 - CARPARK - DEPUTY P. CONNAUGHTON.

1957

The following written reply was given to Councillor Connaughton.

"No further progress has been made in relation to the acquisition of land for a car park at Main Street, Loughrea. The price being sought by the owners was considered to be totally excessive. The Council has been in correspondence with the owners representative in recent times and has invited him to put forward a more realistic proposal which the Council would be prepared to consider further."

N.O.M. NO. 17 - ROAD - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM

1958

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"Work was recently carried out at the above location."

N.O.M. NO. 18 - ROAD - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM

1959

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The carrying out of above works is dependant on funds being made available by the Department of the Environment. This location will be included in the 1994 proposals to the Department."

N.O.M. NO. 19 - LIGHTING - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM

1960

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The above location will be considered along with others in the preparation of the 1994 Public Lighting Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 20 - FAS SCHEME - CLR. M. FAHY

1961

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"An application for an S.E.S. has been submitted to FAS for the carrying out of works at above location. Approval has not been received to date."

N.O.M. NO. 21 - FAS SCHEME - CLR. M. FAHY. 1962

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"An S.E.S. recently commenced at the above location."

N.O.M. NO. 22 - CARPARK - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 1963

The following written reply was given to Clr. Loughnane.

"This is a private car park which is located approximately three miles from Loughrea in a rural area and it is not Council policy to take such car parks in charge."

N.O.M. NO. 23 - WATER SUPPLY - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 1964

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

The Preliminary Report for Mid Galway Zone 3 Phase 2 has been approved by the Department of the Environment. Galway County Council are currently preparing site investigation contracts. It is anticipated that the site investigation contracts will be submitted to the Department of the Environment early in 1994.

N.O.M. NO. 24 - FOOTPATH - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE. 1965

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"There are no funds available to carry out this work in addition land acquisition would be required."

N.O.M. NO. 26 - ROAD - DEPUTY P. McCORMACK 1966

The following written reply was given to Deputy McCormack.

"The above route is the National Secondary route N.59. The carrying out of improvement works on such routes is 100% Exchequer funded. No funds were made available for the carrying out of works for this

section of road in the current year. Detailed design will be carried out if a commitment regarding funding is received from the Department of the Environment."

N.O.M. NO. 27 - FLOODING - SENATOR J. McDONAGH 1967

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"Water tables will be cleared at the above location in the coming weeks which should alleviate the flooding problem."

N.O.M. NO. 28 - WATER SUPPLY - SEN. J. McDONAGH 1968

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

The Preliminary Report for Mid Galway Zone 3 Phase 2 has been approved by the Department of the Environment. Galway County Council are currently preparing site investigation contracts. It is anticipated that the site investigation contracts will be submitted to the Department of the Environment early in 1994.

N.O.M. NO. 29 - PLAYING AREA - SENATOR J. McDONAGH 1969

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"There are no funds available to carry out this work in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 30 - HOUSING - CLR. P. McHUGH 1970

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"This house will be inspected by the Council's Engineering Staff and a report will be prepared for the next meeting of the Council."

N.O.M. NO. 31 - LIGHTING - CLR. P. McHUGH 1971

The following written reply was given to Councillor

McHugh.

"The above location will be included in the 1994 proposals to the Department of the Environment."

N.O.M. NO. 32 - ROAD - CLR. P. MCHUGH 1972

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"Work has recently been carried out on this road by land owners. This location was recently inspected and it was established that there was still drainage problems. Surface water is likely to enter the driveway and cause flooding. The road is also flooded. These matters require attention before the Council can consider taking the estate in charge."

N.O.M. NO. 34 - SIGNS - AN COMH C. NI FHATHARTA 1973

The following written reply was given to An Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"Signs will be provided at the above locations as soon as possible."

N.O.M. NO. 35 - FOOTPATH - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 1974

The following written reply was given to An Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"There are no funds available to carry out this work in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 36 - SIGNS - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 1975

The following written reply was given to An Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"This matter is being investigated at present and it is hoped to have a reply available for the next meeting."

N.O.M. NO. 37 - SIGNS - DEPUTY E. O CUIV. 1976

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

"The above sign will be provided under the 1994 Road

Works Programme."

N.O.M. 38 - SEWERAGE SCHEME - DEPUTY E. O CUIV 1977

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

Lemonfield is an old County Council housing estate on the outskirts of Oughterard, consisting of 16 houses. There are approximately 11 private houses in the area. To connect the area to the main sewer would involve the laying of approximately 1 km of pipe. There are no capital funds available at present to carry out this work.

N.O.M. NO. 39 - SOILSE POIBLI - AN COMH. S. O'NEACTAIN 1978

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir O Neachtain.

Ni raibh muid inan an lathar seo a chur san chlar soilse poibli 1993 toisc easpa airgid. Beidh muid ag feachtaint aris ar an lathair seo nuair a bheidh muid ag cuir an clar soilse poibli 1994 le cheile.

N.O.M. NO. 40 - SEWERAGE SCHEME - CLR. S. O'NEACTAIN 1979

The following written reply was given to councillor O'Neachtain.

SYMPATHY

1980

Resolutions of Sympathy were passed with the following:-

Mrs. Sarah McEvilly & Family, Esker, Roscahill.
Mary Bn Ui Dhonncha, Cladhnach, An Cheathru Rua.
Tomas Malone, Doire Fhearta Mor, An Cheathru Rua.
Peig Ni Dhonncha, Doire Fhearta Mor An Cheathru Rua.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.

Joseph J. [Signature]
(Chairman)

20/12/93
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

16 u la Samhain, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu miosiuil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De Luain, an 22 u la Samhain, 1993, ag tosnú ar a 3.30 a chlog sa trathnona.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. Consideration of Minutes of the following Meetings:
 - (a) Minutes of Special Meeting of 8th October, 1993.
 - (b) Minutes of Monthly Meeting of 29th October, 1993.
2. Sale of Plot of Land at Gortyloughlin, Moycullen to Mr. Thomas Acton, Moycullen, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 29th October, 1993 already circulated.
3. Sale of Site (No. 13), at Ard Aoibhinn, Athenry, Co. Galway to Mr. Thomas Killeen, Carnaun, Athenry, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 3rd November, 1993 already circulated.
4. Disposal of Plot of Land for the provision of an Electrical Transformer Station (56 sq. ft.) to E.S.B., Sean Mulvoy Road, Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 4th November, 1993 already circulated.

5. Sale of Site (No. 27), at Ard Aoibhinn, Athenry, Co. Galway to Mr. Jarlath Quinn, 8, Blakes Court, Clonsilla, Blakestown, Dublin 15 - Section 83 Notice dated 10th November, 1993 already circulated.
6. To note Auditor's Report on the Audit of Accounts of Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for the year ended 31st December, 1992.
7. To note Auditor's Report on the Audit of Accounts of the Vocational Education Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1992.
8. To approve Amenity Grants, 1993 (List attached).
9. To approve Overdraft Accommodation for the 6 months ending 30th June, 1994.
10. Business submitted by the County Manager.
11. Business submitted by the Chairman.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS : NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING.

- Adjourned From Previous Meeting :

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

- 12 That this Council carry out minor repairs to relieve flooding at location (details supplied)

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

- 13 That this Council gives permission for a pedestrian access from Millstream Park to Galway Road, Tuam as requested by residents of Millstream Park.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

- 14 That the road junction at Lippra, Spiddal with the main Galway Road be examined as to ascertain the best way to avoid the danger involved when traffic comes onto the main road from this by road. This road comes out on a blind corner. It is virtually impossible to avoid an accident when turning from the Lippra Road on to the main Galway Spiddal Road. Something must be done to improve the line of vision or elst an acciedent with fatal consequence

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :

- 15 I will propose that the O'Malley property at Main Street, Loughrea be purchased by Galway County Council for the purpose of a Carpark.

CLR. PAUL CONNAUGHTON
- I will propose :

- 16 What progress has been made concerning the provision of better car parking facilities in Loughrea, in particular by its co-operation and involvement with Loughrea Town Commissioners and to state what is the up to date position.

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

- 17 That Galway County Council make safe the Dangerous Turn at or near th residence of Leo Keane, Crannagh, Gort where accidents have occurred.

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

- 18 That Galway County Council include in the Estimates Monies for 1994 Pedestrian Crossing at Gort which has been sanctioned.

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

- 19 That Galway County Council include in the Estimates for 1994 to extend lighting at Church Street, Gort, which was requested on a number of occasions before.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

- 20 That Fas Scheme be provided in 1994 for Peterswell on entrance to this Village.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

- 21 That FAS Scheme be provided in 1994 for Ballinderreen on entrance to this Village.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

- 22 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :
That the Council take in charge the recently developed car parking area at a designated location (see attached particulars).
- 23 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :
That the County Manager bring Members up to date on plans to provide an adequate water supply for the town of Athenry: such information to include planning details and indications, if any, from Department of the Environment of when it will provide adequate funding.
- 24 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :
That a footpath be provided from the Boys National School Athenry to the Lady's Well Junction; perhaps in co-operation with F.A.S.
- 25 CLR. JOHN M MANNION
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council recommends to the Minister for Agriculture that the proposed Teagasc Rural Enterprise Service be implemented in its totality, without delay.
- 26 CLR. PADRAIC MC CORMACK
- I will propose :
What plans Galway County Council have for the improvement of the Galway/Moycullen Road, particularly at the Clydagh Bridge section of the road.
- 27 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council carry out improvement works to alleviate flooding problem adjacent to homes in Ballinvoher (details supplied)
- 28 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council inform me of their plans to provide proper and adequate water supply for towns: 1. When can Town expect to have proper water supply on a 24

hour basis? 2. Is there a plan to mend corroded pipes, or 3. Is there a plan to provide this service.

- 29 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council provide - even on a temporary basis, playing area for Housing Estate - details herewith.
- 30 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council carry out immediate inspection and necessary improvement works to Council house (Details enclosed)
- 31 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council apply to Department of the Environment to have Traffic Route Lighting at (details enclosed)
- 32 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council would let me know what works need to be carried out on road to bring it up to standard to enable the County Council take this road in charge (Details enclosed)
- 33 CLR. MICHAEL MULLINS
- I will propose :
To approve contribution of £1,000 to Galway Wool Processing Co-operative to part fund Research Project on alternative uses for wool.
- 34 CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :
That Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe erect signs "dangerous bends" at these locations in An Cheathru Rua area. (a) The bend at Mr. Johynny Donoghues, Gleann Mor. (b) The bend at Peter Uas Folan (N) in Cladhnach.
- 35 CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :
That Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe provide a footpath at Leitir Moir Church. Local people are worried as it is a busy regional road.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

36 That Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe erect a number of "No Overtaking" signs along the Regional Road between Cnoc Indreabhán and An Tulach.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

37 I propose that a name sign with "An Caiseal/Cashel" be erected at either side of Cashel Village, in Connemara, Co. Galway.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

38 That the sewerage scheme in Oughterard would be extended to the Lemonfield area of Oughterard. Twenty seven houses could be facilitated by such an extension.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

39 Go gcuirfeadh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe soilse poiblí ar fail taobh amuigh de Ionad Pobail na bhForbacha ar bhun prainne. Tá an áit seo an chontuirteach san oíche go hairithe nuair a bhíonn go leor ghluastáin ag stopadh taobh amuigh den áras pobail agus gan fí solas amháin poibhí ann.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

40 That Galway County Council would take immediate steps to improve the treatment plant that serves this sewerage works (details supplied), and that a request would be made to the Department of the Environment for grant aid to upgrade the plant and works to a standard befitting the present day usage.

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HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 15TH
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IN THE CHAIR:- Councillor J. Burke.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Councillor J. Brennan, W. Burke
T. Byrne J. Callanan, Deputies
P. Connaughton, E. O'Cuiv,
Councillors M. Fahy P. Finnegan,
M. Finnerty, S. Gavin, T. Hussey,
M. Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn,
Deputy P. McCormack, Senator. J.
McDonagh, P. McHugh, M. Mullins,
C. NiFhatharta, S. O'Neachtain,
M. O'Neill, P. O'Sullivan, P.
O'Tuathail, K. Quinn, M. Regan,
M. Ryan, E. Varley, and T.
Walsh.

Officials:

Messrs. P.J. Gavin, County
Manager, P. Flood, County
Engineer, T. Kavanagh, Acting
Asst. Co. Manager, E. Lusby,
Finance Officer, R. Killeen,
S.E.E., L. Kavanagh, S.E.E.,
B. Doyle, J. McGovern,
Administrative Officers,
T. Murphy, Acting Administrative
Officer, J. Murphy, S.S.O.,
Planning, and T. Coughlan,
Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

ESTIMATES MEETING:

1918

It was proposed by the Chairman and agreed that the Estimates Meeting commence following discussion of Section 4 Motions.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NUMBER 69154 - APPLICANT: KATHLEEN
MANNION:

1919

It was noted by the Council that this application had been withdrawn.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION
NUMBER 69183 - MRS. BRIDGET HANLEY:

1920

The resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Loughnane and seconded by Deputy McCormack.

Councillor Loughnane informed the Meeting that Mrs. Hanley and her family require a dwellinghouse as they have no home of their own and are living in rented accommodation in Oranmore, that the applicant obtained the site and is a native of Oranmore, that the area of the proposed development is designated as amenity, but could be designated otherwise, i.e., as a residential area, as a number of houses are already built, and that there is a demand for Bed and Breakfast facilities as the site is close to the Oranmore Golf Club.

Councillor T. Byrne stated that he did not know the applicant but had met her prior to the meeting and was impressed with her application, that he could not understand how this application could not be granted due to the fact that, while the area is one of outstanding scenic amenity, to refuse on these grounds would be an abuse of the clause in this case. Councillor Byrne stated that there is no view from this road, that the bias against development in rural areas must be eliminated from the Development Plan, and that the application relates to a tourism related business. Councillor Byrne also stated that if the application was for a large hotel, Permission would be granted, and that the County Development Plan states that cognisance will be taken of tourism developments in areas of high amenity.

Deputy McCormack stated that he is familiar with the area, that granting planning permission in this case would be proper planning and development, that the site is bounded by a 6 to 7 foot high wall, that the development would benefit the amenity of the area as it would open up the view, and as there is no problem with the septic tank, the proposed site is most suited for this development.

The County Engineer referred to the following report which had been circulated to each Member prior to the meeting:

LOCATION:

The site is located on the Maree Road in the townland

of Rinville West. It is situated approximately half-way between the junction to Tawin and the old gateway and Lodge to Rinville House on the Northern side of the roadway.

PLANNING HISTORY:

No previous applications.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity as set out in Map No. 9B of the County Development Plan. It is the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in Section 9.2.1 (iii) of the County Development Plan to prohibit development in such areas other than development in the essential housing need category. The applicant is a prospective buyer of the site and a case of housing need does not exist. The applicant has an existing dwellinghouse in Oranmore. In addition, the applicant is proposing a partly commercial development of Bed & Breakfast use.

The site is located within the rural environs of Galway City as set out in Map No. 7A of the County Development Plan. It is the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in Chapter 7.2.6 to strictly control development in this area. It is also the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in Chapter 7.2.8 (i) of the County Development Plan to prohibit the growth of groups of housing in rural areas. This policy is reinforced as a development objective in Chapter 7.1 (vi). There are 8 No. existing dwellinghouses and 2 No. permitted dwellinghouses on adjacent and contiguous sites. In addition, there are 3 No. existing dwellinghouses and 2 No. permitted dwellinghouse immediately across the road from the proposed development as well as 32 No. dwellinghouses within a half a mile in either direction.

There is an immediately adjacent current application, Planning Reference Number 69154.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse this application on the grounds: -

1. The proposed development in conjunction with existing and permitted development on adjacent sites would constitute ribbon development in the rural environs of Galway City, as defined in 7.2.6 (i) and

Map No. 7.A of the County Development Plan, and would contravene Chapter 7.2.8 of the said development plan which precludes such development so as to preserve the visual amenity and essential rural character of such areas and avoid sub-urban type sprawl.

2. The site proposed to be developed is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity where it is the policy of the Planning Authority, as set out in the County Development Plan, to restrict development to particular cases of substantiated housing need. No such need exists and the proposed development would, if permitted, be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan.

The County Engineer understands the applicant is a prospective buyer, and therefore, housing need has not been established. The County Engineer also stated that three questions had not been answered on the application form. The County Engineer confirmed that there is provision in the Plan to allow for major tourist development as requested by the Council, and as a housing need had not been established in this case, the Council had no option but to refuse the application.

A vote taken for or against the resolution as set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillors Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Connaughton, Councillors Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Mullins, Ni Fhatharta, O Neachtain, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Regan, Ryan, and Varley. (22)

AGAINST: Councillor Brennan. (1)

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 69100 - APPLICANT: HENRY WHITE:

1921

The Resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor O'Neachtain and seconded by Councillor Gavin.

Councillor O'Neachtain stated that this application is being refused due to insufficient road frontage, that the site is problematic, and that while the

Councillor agrees with the requirement in the Development Plan for 100 ft. frontage, it is not possible to achieve this frontage in all cases. Councillor O'Neachtain stated that in this case adjacent sites have already been purchased and that the applicant is unable to purchase more land for frontage. Councillor O'Neachtain requested that an exception be made in this case, as the applicant cannot get additional land. Councillor O'Neachtain also stated that there is a similar development on the opposite side of the road, and that an avenue type frontage should suffice in this case. Councillor O'Neachtain informed the Meeting that there is an essential housing need and no other site available.

The County Engineer referred to the the following report which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located on the link road from Barna to Moycullen approximately 2.5 miles north of Barna.

PLANNING HISTORY:

Ref. No. 58676 : Permission refused for a house on this site in August, 1991. Applicant Mr. Henry Whyte.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The County Development Plan requires minimum road frontage for rural sites of 100 feet. It also prohibits the unco-ordinated development of backlands particularly in the rural environs of Galway City and where there is already a surfeit of unserviced housing development. The site in question has approximately 40 feet road frontage and the applicant was unable to acquire the extra frontage necessary to comply with the County Development Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse this application for the following reason.

1. The proposed development would contravene the County Development Plan which requires minimum 100 feet public road frontage. The site frontage does

not meet this requirement and the proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan and to the proper planning and development of the area.

The County Engineer informed the Meeting that only 40 ft. frontage is available. Councillor Gavin informed the Meeting that he had visited the site, that the applicant had bought land and wishes to build a house, that the applicant is involved in horses and therefore, has difficulties in town at present, that there is an established need for housing, that the applicant will not be seeking planning permission for further sites on this land, and that an application on this site was refused previously on septic tank grounds.

A vote taken for or against the resolution as set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: Councillors Brennan, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Connaughton, Councillors Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Mullins, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Regan, Ryan, and Varley. (25)

AGAINST. Councillor W. Burke (1).

The Chairman declared the Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 69173 - APPLICANT: NOIRIN NI FRIGHIL: 1922

The Meeting was informed that Further Information had been requested in this case and it was agreed that the Section 4 Motion not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 68425 - APPLICANT: MR. AND MRS. PETER BARRETT: 1923

The Meeting was informed that Planning Permission had been granted in this case, and it was agreed that the Section 4 Motion not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69152 - APPLICANT - PADDY EGAN. 1924

The Resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Loughnane and seconded by Councillor O'Neachtain.

Councillor Loughnane stated that this land is in the ownership of the Egan Family, that Planning Permission was granted in the past to the applicant's father, that this application has been submitted so that his son can build on the site, that Mr. Egan's son is in need of a house and intends to get married, and that the planning permission will be required for his own use.

The County Engineer referred to the following report which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located on the N66 (National Secondary Route) a half mile outside the town of Loughrea on the Gort Road in an area where the maximum speed limit applies.

PLANNING HISTORY:

PR No. 25392 - Planning Permission granted on the 10/10/77 for the erection of a dwellinghouse. This site overlaps the present site by approximately 15 metres on the western side.
Applicant: Vincent Prendergast, Cahercrea East, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

PR No. 53564 - Outline Planning Permission granted on the 11/05/87 for the erection of dwellinghouse.
Applicant: P. Egan, Coorleen, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

PR No. 58699 - Approval granted on the 19/06/89 for the erection of dwellinghouse and construction of septic tank. This site is the same site as Planning Reference No. 53564 and it overlaps the present site by 13 metres approximately along the road frontage.
Applicant: Miss Mary Clarke, c/o Vincent Sheils Solicitor, Athenry, Co. Galway.

PR No. 66318 - Planning Permission refused by An Bord

Pleanala on the 30/10/92 for the erection of a single storey dwellinghouse and septic tank because of traffic hazard as the site is located on a National Secondary route and because no essential housing need exists. Applicant: Patrick Egan, Coorleen, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

This site is located on the Gort/Loughrea Road (N66) which is a National Secondary Route and is on a section where the maximum speed limit applies. If a house was permitted on this site, it would endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard because of the traffic movements that would be generated.

The site is located on a route which has Class II Control where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to restrict housing development to the essential housing need category, i.e. a house for a member of a farmholders immediate family which may include a son, daughter, brother and sister. This does not arise in this case as Mr. Patrick Egan's holding is only approximately 3 acres and he has also stated that he is a builder and his son Patrick is a carpenter. Therefore this application does not qualify as any of the permitted categories for the essential housing need.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard as the site is located on a restricted National Secondary road at a point where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic movements generated by the development would be likely to interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic along the said road.
2. The site is located on a restricted National Secondary Road where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to limit housing development to the essential housing need of local farmholders and their families. No such need exists and the proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan (Chapter 8, Table 8B) and would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

In reply to Councillor Brennan, the County Engineer confirmed that no planning permission exists on this

site, that an application was previously refused by the County Council and this decision was upheld by an Bord Pleanala, that the site is on a National Secondary Road, and because of its location, the proposed development can endanger public safety. The County Engineer stated that no family need has been authenticated in this case, that the applicant is not farming, and that this road is generally unrealigned. The County Engineer also informed the Meeting that a recent accident in County Wexford was due to a right turning vehicle.

Councillor McClearn stated that this family is being discriminated against because they are not farmers, that it is unfortunate that the Council has an anomaly such as this in planning, and that family houses do not constitute a greater danger than farm houses.

The County Engineer informed the Meeting that Outline Permission had previously been granted on the basis of existing housing need, and that approval had subsequently been granted on this basis. Councillor Brennan referred to the fact that the County Development Plan should extend beyond farming need in that if a man has a son who wishes to construct a house, the Plan should facilitate such development. Councillor Brennan also stated that there is insufficient consultation between officials and applicants.

Councillor Loughnane stated that the application as submitted indicates that there is a housing need, and referred to the fact that in other E.C. Countries, acreage requirements for the definition of farming are much less than in Ireland. The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the Plan requires a substantiated housing need for farm holders, and pointed out to the Members that the major point at issue in this application is the danger of the development on a National Secondary Road.

A vote taken for or against the Resolution as set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR:

Councillors Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Connaughton, Councillors Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Mullins, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Regan, Ryan. (23).

AGAINST: Nil.

The Chairman declared the Resolution carried.

**RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NUMBER 69123 - APPLICANT: CATHERINE
COOPER:**

1925

The resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Mannion and seconded by Councillor Ni Fhatharta.

Councillor Mannion stated that this family were from Donegal, and had spent considerable time in Inishboffin, and he understands that it is not proposed that this house be used as a holiday home. Deputy McCormack stated that the Council should attempt to maintain population on the islands.

The County Engineer referred to report which had been previously circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting:

LOCATION:

The site is located on Inishboffin Island at Middlequarter.

PLANNING HISTORY:

Ref. No. 48887: Outline permission granted for a dwellinghouse on adjacent site but including rear portion of present site in February, 1985
- Applicant Kevin Ward.

Ref. No. 51187: Outline permission granted for a dwellinghouse on large site which included present site in January, 1986. Proposal was stated to be a substitution for Ref. No. 48887 which was incorrectly lodged. Applicant - Kevin Ward.

Ref. No. 67303 : Outline Permission refused for a house on a site which was smaller and was included in the present site. Date of Decision 20.4.1993.
Applicant - Mrs. A. McLoughlin.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site is located at Middlequarter, Inishboffin, an island which is zoned as an Area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and which has been under pressure for

holiday home development in recent years. Building development is restricted, in accordance with the County Development Plan, to the essential housing needs of farmholders families, so as to protect the relatively unspoilt nature of the island and conserve its visual and environmental amenity.

The applicant is presently living in Donegal but has lived on Inishboffin with her family for a few years in a caravan and rented accommodation. She has acquire this site from her mother, but there does not appear to be a farm holding involved and her mother also lives in Donegal. She has expressed a wish to live on the island with her husband and two children and make a living in the fishing industry.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended as follows;

The proposed development is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity where it is the stated policy (Chapter 9.2.1 of the County Development Plan) to restrict development to particular cases of substantiated housing need. No such need exists and the proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan and to the proper planning and development of the area.

The County Engineer also informed the Meeting that the site for the proposed development is an area of outstanding scenic amenity and that the Council is consistent in refusing this type of application.

A vote taken for or against the resolution as set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR:

Councillors Byrne, Callanan,
Deputy Connaughton, Councillors
Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin,
Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion,
McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator
McDonagh, Councillors McHugh,
Mullins, Ni Fhatharta, O'Neachtain,
O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail,
Quinn, Regan, Ryan. (23)

AGAINST:

Councillor W. Burke. (1)

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1926
APPLICATION NUMBER 69171 - APPLICANT: JOHN CASEY:

The Meeting noted that this application was withdrawn and it was agreed that the Section 4 motion would not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1927
APPLICATION NUMBER 68579 - APPLICANT: MARY WALSH.

The County Manager informed the meeting that the Planning Authority would consider allowing a single storey dwelling on the land and it was agreed that this Section 4 Motion not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1928
APPLICATION NUMBER 69053 - APPLICANT: TOMAS A.
O'GALLACHOIR.

The meeting was informed that this application had been granted and it was agreed not to proceed with the Section 4 Motion.

MEETING WITH MINISTER FOR JUSTICE: 1929

It was agreed that the Minister for Justice be invited to attend a Council Meeting on the 10th or 20th Decembe, 1993, and that details of particular matters which members wish to raise at the meeting be submitted to the County Secretary.

HOUSE AT CAHERLISTRANE: 1930

The Chairman informed the Meeting that the Manager had received a notice under Section 3 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, relating to the proposed construction of a house at Caherlistrane.

The County Manager stated that details of the Council's housing construction programme had been circulated to the Members of the Council, that the subject of the Section 3 Notice was one of the houses listed in the Programme, that the site is opposite the National School at Caherlistrane and had been examined by the Technical Staff of the Council and found suitable for the construction of a house, that the family which the Council proposes to house is considered to be top priority applicants, and that three children of this family are attending the National School in Caherlistrane. The County

Manager informed the Meeting that he had met a Deputation from the area who were concerned at the possibility of scrap on the roadside, and that he had given an assurance that no scrap, caravans, etc., would be allowed on the roadside. The Manager stated that he wished to proceed with construction of the house immediately.

Councillor McHugh stated that he was not aware that the Section 3 Notice would be discussed at the Meeting and proposed that the discussion be suspended. Senator McDonagh also requested that the matter be deferred. The County Manager informed the Members that, as the Council was ready to commence construction immediately, and as there was a danger that the funding for the house may be lost to the Council if construction did not commence, he considered it necessary to inform the Members of the Council that the Section 3 Notice had been received. In reply to Councillor McClearn, the Manager stated that the Deputation did not offer an alternative site. Senator McDonagh seconded Councillor McHugh's proposal, Councillor J. Brennan proposed that the matter be dealt with immediately, and this proposal was seconded by Councillor S. Gavin. As the vote taken on Councillor Brennan's proposal resulted in a tie, the Chairman exercised his casting vote in favour of dealing with the Section 3 Notice immediately.

In reply to Deputy Connaughton, the Manager stated that he would seriously consider the views of the Council in the event of a Section 3 Notice being passed.

THE MEETING ADJOURNED FOR A SHORT PERIOD.

On the resumption of the Meeting, it was proposed by Councillor S. Gavin, and seconded by Councillor J. Brennan, that the Council proceed with the construction of the house at Caherlistrane. This proposal was agreed.

ESTIMATES MEETINGS. 1931

It was agreed that the Adjourned Estimate Meetings be held on the 26th November, 1993 and the 3rd December, 1993.

AREA ROADS MEETINGS. 1932

It was agreed that the Area Roads Meetings be held on the 13th December, 1993.

ESTIMATES

1933

The County Manager referred to the Book of Estimates and Report which had been circulated to the Members of the Council. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey, seconded by Councillor Mannion and agreed that the Council request the Minister for the Environment to impliment the Fiscal Studies Report on a phased basis over a five year period, and that 1/5 th of the shortfall to Galway County Council be paid in the current year with the balance being paid in subsequent years. Deputy Connaughton requested that further funding be allocated from the Department for County Roads and the Rate Support Grant. Councillor Willie Burke requested increased provision for public lighting, for pumps in Athenry, for the Moyvilla Road, and for the Portumna Sewerage Scheme. Councillor Finnerty requested that discounts be given to Group Water Schemes similar to those proposed for connections from Council mains.

The County Manager stated that there is provision in the National Plan for funding for County Roads but this money has not yet been allocated, that there is no indication of any further increase in Rate Support Grant for 1994, and that the proposed discounts apply to all connections.

Councillor Callinan requested the provision of £100,000 for Essential Repair Grants, Councillor Finnegan requested that the Council impliment more safety measures due to the fact that roads are not being improved, Councillor O'Neachtain requested an increased provision for public lighting and safety on Regional Roads, Councillor Ryan requested improvements to the Monairmore Springs and asked that the money due to the Ballyedmond Group Scheme be paid, Councillor Quinn requested an increase in the provision for public lighting, and Councillor O'Sullivan requested information on the Clontuskert Group Water Scheme.

The County Manager informed the Members of the need to increase income or reduce expenditure if extra provision is to be made for expenditure items in the Estimates. The Manager also stated that the payment to the Ballyedmond Group Scheme had been approved.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed Joseph J. Burke
(Chairman)
20/12/93
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

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2u 1a Samhain, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara:

You are requested to attend the Statutory Estimates Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 15th November, 1993, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

T. O'COCHLAN,
RUNAI SEALADACH.

A G E N D A

1. Consideration and adoption of Estimate of Expenses for year 1994. (Copy of Estimate and of County Manager's Report herewith).
2. Determination in accordance with the Estimate of Expenses adopted of the rates in the pound to be levied for the several purposes specified in the Estimate for the financial year ending 31st December, 1994.
3. Making of Charges for domestic purposes in respect of the period commencing 1st April, 1994, up to and including the 31st March, 1995.
4. Making and Sealing of Demand on Ballinasloe Urban District Council.
