

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)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

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.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 12TH
NOVEMBER, 1993.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

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

Officials Messrs. P.J. Gavin, County Manager,
J. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer,
T. Kavanagh, Acting Assistant County
Manager, E. Lusby, Finance Officer,
J. McGovern, B. Doyle, Admin.
Officers, L. Kavanagh, S.E.E.,
C. Wallace, S.S.O., J. Forde, Acting
S.S.O., and T. Coughlan, Acting
County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

ADDRESS BY MR. M. KILLILEA, M.E.P.:

1904

Mr. Killilea was welcomed to the Meeting by the
Chairman. Mr. Killilea thanked the Council for the
invitation to address the meeting and circulated
documentation setting out projects approved in County
Galway for E.C. grant aid. Mr. Killilea welcomed
the initiative of the Council in preparing a Leader
application and welcomed the fact that the Council
has become involved with the N.A.S.C. Office in
Brussels. The Members of the Council raised a
number of queries, to which Mr. Killilea replied,
including the farm retirement scheme, milk quota
scheme, funding of roads, severe handicapped areas,
water pollution directives, and the provision of
sewerage schemes.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Killilea for his address and
contribution to the meeting.

DEPUTATION FROM MOYVILLA ACTION GROUP:

1905

Ms. Ann Hogan and Mr. Billy McGrath of the Moyvilla
Action Group addressed the Meeting and requested that
the Councillors make provision for the improvement of

the road at Moyvilla in the 1994 Estimates.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1906
APPLICATION NUMBER 69154 - APPLICANT: KATHLEEN
MANNION.

The Meeting was informed that this application had
been withdrawn by the applicant and the Section 4
Resolution did not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1907
APPLICATION NUMBER 69183 - APPLICANT: MRS. BRIDGE
HANLEY

It was agreed that this resolution be deferred to the
next meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1908
APPLICATION NUMBER 69100 - APPLICANT: HENRY WHITE.

It was agreed that this resolution be deferred to the
next meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1909
APPLICATION NUMBER 69173 - APPLICANT: NOIRIN
NI FRIGHIL.

The meeting was informed that Further Information had
been sought in relation to this application and it
was agreed that the resolution not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1910
APPLICATION NUMBER 68425 - APPLICANT: MR & MRS.
PETER BARRETT.

The meeting was informed that this application had
been granted and it was agreed that the resolution
not proceed.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1911
APPLICATION NUMBER 69152 - APPLICANT: PADDY EGAN.

It was agreed that this resolution be deferred to
the next meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 1912
APPLICATION NUMBER 69123 - APPLICANT: CATHERINE
COOPER.

It was agreed that this resolution be deferred to the
next meeting of the Council.

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

1913

The meeting was informed that an alternative site is under consideration and it was agreed that this resolution not proceed.

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

1914

The meeting was informed that the Council has indicated that a single storey house would be allowed on the lands, and it was agreed that this resolution not proceed.

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

1915

The meeting was informed that this application had been granted, and it was agreed that the resolution not proceed.

REVIEW OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

1916

The County Manager suggested that the new Plan consist of a smaller document with a number of appendices. It was proposed by Councillor O'Neill, and seconded by Councillor Burke that the suggestion be adopted. Deputy McCormack requested that the submissions of the Councillors be discussed during the preparing of the Plan, and it was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Gavin, and agreed, that the County Secretary request all Councillors to make submissions before the 23rd November, 1993, and that all submissions be circulated to the Members of the Council. The County Manager stated that the submissions of the Councillors will be helpful in reviewing the Plan, and informed the Members that it is envisaged that local communities will have a role in the review and be allowed to make submissions.

SYMPATHY.

1917

Resolutions of Sympathy were passed with the following:

Mr. Martin and Ms. Assumpta Ward, Ballymoe, Co. Galway.
Mrs. Mary Conneely & Family, Oldtown, Moycullen.
Mrs. Elizabeth Forde & Family, Drumgriffin, Corrandulla.
Mrs. Mary Corrigan, Bridge Street, Ballinasloe.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed Joseph Walsh
Date: 20/12/93 (Chairman)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

Su la Samhain, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De h-Aoine, an 12u la Samhain, 1993, ag tosnu ar a 3.00 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. Address by Mr. Mark Killilea, M.E.P.
2. Deputation - Moyvilla Action Group.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

5u la Samhain, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De h-Aoine, an 12u la Samhain, 1993, ag tosnu ar a 4.00 a chlog sa trathnona.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant full planning permission to Kathleen Mannion for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank at Rinville West - Planning Ref. No. 69154".

Matt Loughnane Michael Regan Michael Cunningham
Michael Fahy Toddie Byrne.

2. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant Permission for the erection of dwellinghouse and septic tank and permission for B & B and 3 No. bedrooms in the townland of Rinville West for Mrs. Bridge Hanley - Planning Ref. No. 69183".

Matt Loughnane Michael Regan Michael Cunningham
Michael Fahy Toddie Byrne.

3. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant permission to Henry Whyte, Shangort, Galway for dwellinghouse, septic tank, percolation area at Corbally (Morgan) Barna - Planning Ref. No. 69100".

Sean O'Neachtain Paddy McHugh Jarlath McDonagh
Padraic McCormack.

4. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager cead a thabhairt do Noirin Ni Fhrighil, Coismeighmor, Na Forbacha, Garaiste a athru go seomra gruaigiadoireachta. - Planning Ref. No. 69173

Sean O'Neachtain Padraic McCormack Seamus Gavin
Evelyn Varley.

5. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant permission to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barrett, c/o Popular Homes Ltd., Ballygar, Co. Galway to erect bungalow and septic tank in the townland of Slieveaneena, Moycullen, Co. Galway - Planning Ref. No. 68425.

Sean O'Neachtain Padraic McCormack Seamus Gavin
Evelyn Varley.

6. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant full permission to Paddy Egan to construct a dwellinghouse and septic tank at Cahercrea East, Loughrea - Planning Ref. No. 69152.

Matt Loughnane Michael Fahy Michael Regan
Toddie Byrne Michel Cunningham.

7. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant outline permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank at Middle Quarter, Inis Boffin to Catherine Cooper - Planning Ref. No. 69123"

Connie Ni Fhatharta Eamon O Cuiv Peadar O Tuathail
John M. Mannion.

8. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant permission to John Casey for the erection of a farm building at Letternoosh - Planning Ref. No. 69171

Connie Ni Fhatharta Eamon O Cuiv Peadar O Tuathail
John M. Mannion.

9. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant permission to Mary Walsh, Farrivane Glenn for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank in the townland of Farrivane - Planning Ref. No. 68579

Connie Ni Fhatharta Eamon O Cuiv Peadar O Tuathail
John M. Mannion.

10. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant permission to Tomas A O Gallchoir for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank at Knockavoddy - Planning Ref. No. 69053.

Sean O'Neachtain Paddy McHugh Evelyn Varley
Seamus Gavin.

11. Review of County Development Plan.
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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 29th
OCTOBER, 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, 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, J. Crotty, Acting County
Engineer, T. Kavanagh, Acting
Asst. Co. Manager, E. Lusby,
Finance Officer, R. Killeen,
S.E.E., J. McGovern, Admin.
Officer, and T. Coughlan,
Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

VISIT BY THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.

1848

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Micahel Smith T.D., Minister for the Environment to the Meeting, and proposed that a number of Members of the Council address the Minister.

Councillor W. Burke, informed the Minister that the Report of the Institute of Fiscal Studies had identified that Galway County Council should receive a minimum of £1.4 M extra per annum, and that as a result, the services in the County are deteriorating due to lack of funds and increasing needs. Councillor Burke proposed a compromise whereby the Urban District Council's would be excluded from the calculations, grants to authorities which are presently overfunded should be frozen, and the grants to other authorities should be adjusted to

provide funding in accordance with Model 4 of the report. Councillor Burke estimated that this would cost the Exchequer £7 M in 1994 and £3.50 M in 1995.

Councillor Gavin informed the Minister that the Council is of the opinion that there is too much emphasis on National Roads at the expense of County Roads, that the proportion of funding for non-national roads is decreasing, that the Council requires £2.50 M per annum over 10 years instead of £0.4 M as was allocated in the current year, and that re-alignment and pavement works are urgently required. Councillor Gavin referred to specific roads in the County which urgently require remedial action. Councillor Gavin stated that employment in the Council has dropped by 60% over the last ten years, and requested that more funding be available for Local Improvement Schemes with a specific allocation for Islands.

Councillor P. McHugh welcomed the increase in housing starts for 1993, and requested that at least 100 starts per annum be allocated to Galway County Council on the basis of a three year plan. Councillor McHugh informed the Minister that a House Improvement Grant, administered by Local Authorities is required to deal with essential improvements, and recommended that this scheme be means tested. Councillor McHugh also requested that the floor area limits for New House Grants be extended, that a grant of £200,000 be allocated in the current year for the provision of water and sewerage facilities to demountable dwellings, that a special grant of £200,000 be made available for the refurbishment of group housing schemes for travellers, and that a once off allocation be granted to Galway County Council to clear the backlog of applications for Disable Persons Grants. Councillor McHugh also stated that powers should be devolved to Housing Authorities, particularly in the area of New House Grants and Design Approvals.

Councillor M. Mullins informed the Minister that the Council has, for some time, been requesting a transfer of funds from the Department of Social Welfare to the Department of the Environment so that people can be employed by Local Authorities to do work which is badly needed. Councillor Mullins stated that this scheme would reduce unemployment levels and have consequent social and economic benefits, would increase overall productivity, would allow for roadworks and amenity works to be

undertaken, and would possibly generate income tax revenue to the State. Councillor Mullins stated that the Council considers that a fundamental re-appraisal of policies is necessary to deal with the unemployment problem which is restricting the development of County Galway. Councillor Mullins also stated that the Council should seek to restore the level of outdoor staff to previous levels.

Councillor Sean O'Neachtain informed that Minister that there are a large number of small towns and villages in the County which require sewerage disposal systems, and while funding is being provided for a number of major water and sewerage schemes, the Council is requesting that special funding be provided for small schemes to enable such schemes to proceed in parallel with the major schemes. Councillor O'Neachtain also informed the Minister that the Council faces a major problem in the funding of annual maintenance costs of new major sanitary services schemes, and that the cost of planning new major schemes is placing a severe restriction on the finances of the Council. Councillor O'Neachtain stated that there is an urgent need for the improvement of the water supply systems on the three Aran Islands, and asked that the Minister give special consideration to proposals which the Council has put forward for these Islands. Councillor O'Neachtain also requested the Minister to consider a number of specific schemes throughout the County.

The Minister for the Environment informed the Council that he is anxious to build a partnership between local authorities and the Department of the Environment to determine priorities at local level, that limited resources are available to meet demands, and that services must, therefore, be delivered as efficiently as possible. The Minister referred to the lack of positive publicity about local authority achievements, and the need for local authorities to express a positive attitude in relation to developments and services. The Minister stated that £180,000 is being made available for refurbishment of Gilmartin Road, and that group sewerage schemes will be introduced with revised local contribution levels.

The Minister stated that it is clear from the report of the Institute of Fiscal Studies that Galway County Council should benefit from a revised system of grant equalisation, and that the observations received from local authorities are being considered at present. The Minister also stated that there is substantial

provision in the National Plan for the funding of County Roads, but this would be expended on the provision of new roads rather than maintenance. The Minister did not consider that local authorities will, in future, be able to maintain roads if they are also responsible for hedges, drains, etc. The Minister pointed out that County Roads are owned by the local community and that the local communities should maintain the roads either on their own or in conjunction with the local authorities. The Minister stated that there must be a radical re-appraisal, not just of County Roads, but for other services, and that the public should only seek services which can be afforded.

The Minister informed the Meeting that there is no scope for increasing permanent employment in the public sector, and that Trade Unions should co-operate with local authorities for the promotion of FAS and Social Employment Schemes, particularly in the light of the increase of funding available by way of Structural Funds.

The Minister stated that powers are being devolved to local authorities, and that this process will continue. Mr. Smith pointed out that a large number of housing applicants are single and lone parents and stated that the needs of these applicants will not be met solely by the provision of houses. The Minister paid tribute to Galway County Council for the progress achieved on the Improvements in Lieu Scheme, stated that small developments are required rather than large sprawling estates, and informed the Meeting that all the schemes in the Plan for Social Housing must be used and integrated. The Minister confirmed that a New Housing Grant Scheme will be considered, but it is not envisaged increasing the floor area for New House Grants. The Minister also confirmed that the problem relating to the servicing of demountable dwellings will be considered and Disabled Persons Grants, Water and Sewerage Schemes and Roads, referred to by the Members will be considered in the context of the 1994 Estimates.

In relation to employment, the Minister stated that studies carried out to date indicate that a Scheme as proposed by Councillor Mullins would be very expensive due to the difference between the rates of Social Welfare and the average Industrial Wage, but this scheme would be further examined.

The Minister informed the Meeting that the public must hear the real facts, i.e. that taxes have to be raised to fund increasing services. The Minister stated that local authorities should be positive about the work which is being undertaken, and that the public should be made aware of the benefits being produced. The Minister also informed the Members that, with the resources available from the EC, there is now an opportunity to improve infrastructure and to promote community development.

The Chairman thanked the Minister for attending the Meeting and addressing the Members of the Council.

MINUTES

1849

On the proposition of Councillor Fahy, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 10th September, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

On the proposition of Councillor Mullins, seconded by Councillor Quinn, the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 27th September, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

REMISSION OF RATES

1850

On the proposition of Councillor Hussey, seconded by Senator McDonagh, the Council approved the application for remission of County Rates in accordance with I.D.A. Act, 1986 in respect of Cashla Timber Industries Ltd, Carnmore.

SALE OF HOUSE

1851

It was proposed by Councillor Quinn, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and resolved

"that Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of house at Gortnagoyme, Dunmore, Co. Galway to Mary Molloy, Gortnagoyme, Dunmore, in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 12th October, 1993 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978 which had been circulated to each Member of the Council.

SALE OF SITE

1852

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan, and resolved that Galway County Council approve the sale of site "G" Garbally Drive, Ballinasloe (0.116 acres) to Miss Carolyn Kelleher, 6, Church Hill, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 12th 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 LAND.

1853

It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor Hussey, and resolved, that Galway County Council approve the sale of land at Parkmore, Tuam (1.15 acres) to the Tuam Voluntary Housing Agency, Social Services Centre, Dublin Road, Tuam in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 12th 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.

TYNAGH DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY.

1854

It was proposed by Councillor Regan, seconded by Councillor W. Burke and agreed, that Galway County Council approve a contribution of £6,000 to the Tynagh Development Community for works undertaken in connection with the Visit of Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Paul Keating to Tynagh on the 21st September, 1993.

MR. MARK KILLILEA, M.E.P.

1855

It was agreed that Mr. Killilea address the Council on the 12th November, 1993 at 3.00 p.m.

DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS.

1856

It was proposed by Councillor Hussey, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan, and agreed that Galway County Council declare the following road shall be a public road:-

Engineering Area

Description

Mountbellew

Road commencing at Junction with Regional Road 364 and extending eastwards for a distance of 380 metres in the Townland of Castletown.

E.C. BRIEFING.

1857

It was agreed that the following Members of the Council attend the E.C. Briefing in Brussels on the 6th/10th November, 1993.

Councillors J. McClearn, J. Brennan, E. Varley, M. Loughnane, M. Regan, P. O'Sullivan, J. Callanan, K. Quinn, J. Burke.

CONFERENCES

1858

It was proposed by Senator McDonagh and agreed that Councillors Ryan and O'Neill attend the Tourism Conference in Ennis on 19th/20th November, 1993.

It was proposed by Councillor J. McClearn that Councillors Mannion and Senator McDonagh attend Arts Conference in Tralee on 2nd/4th November, 1993. It was proposed by Councillor T. Hussey, that Councillor P. McHugh also attend.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS.

1859

Councillor Loughnane referred to Notice of Motions No's 29 and 30 and proposed that the work requested be undertaken. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Regan.

CONGRATULATIONS

1860

It was proposed by Councillor E. Varley that the congratulations of the Council be extended to Mrs. Mary McHugh, Skegbeg, Headford on the occasion of her 100th Birthday. It was proposed by Councillor McClearn and agreed that the congratulations of the Council also be extended to Mr. Thomas Broderick, Derrew, Killimor, Ballinasloe, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION.

N.O.M. NO.14 - ROADS - SENATOR J.McDONAGH 1861

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"Improvement to sight distance could be achieved by the replacement of the existing stone wall on either side of the bend by a concrete post and chain link fence. The estimated cost of carrying out the above works is £1,500. There are no funds available to carry out this work in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 15 - WALL - CLR. C. NIFHATHARTA 1862

The following written reply was given to Councillor Ni Fhatharta.

"The estimated cost of carrying out the above works is £15,000."

N.O.M. NO. 16 - FLOODING - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 1863

The following written reply was given to Councillor P. O'Sullivan.

"The above location was recently inspected during wet conditions and there was no evidence of flooding which could in any way be attributed to any blockage."

N.O.M. NO. 17 - ROADS - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM. 1864

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The Council is not aware of any new Regulations regarding the widening of turns on County Roads."

N.O.M. NO. 18 - ROAD - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM. 1865

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"Improved sign posting will be installed at this location in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 19 - ROAD - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM 1866

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The above route is the National Secondary route N66 and the carrying out of works on such routes is 100% Exchequer funded. No funds were provided for this route by the Department of the Environment in 1993." The Council has not yet been notified of the 1994 Road Grants allocation.

N.O.M. NO. 20 - CARPARK - CLR. M. FAHY. 1867

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

Work is presently in progress at above location.

N.O.M. NO. 21 - FAS SCHEME - CLR. M. FAHY 1868

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

A FAS scheme is due to commence at above locations on 8th November, 1993.

N.O.M. NO. 22 - N.O.M. MONEY - CLR. M. FAHY. 1869

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"Councillors N.O.M. monies are inadequate for funding road realignments to proper design standards."

N.O.M. NO. 23 - ROAD - CLR. P. FINNEGAN. 1870

The following written reply was given to councillor Finnegan.

"Funding has been requested from the Department of the Environment for the carrying out of the above works."

N.O.M. NO. 25 - ROAD - CLR. P. FINNEGAN 1871

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"The above route is the National Secondary Route N.83. The carrying out of works on such routes is 100% Exchequer funded. No funds were provided for this location by the Department of the Environment in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 26 - ROAD - CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN 1872

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"Repairs will be carried out at above location under routine maintenance."

N.O.M. NO. 27 - ROAD - CLR. S. GAVIN 1873

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"Repairs will be carried out at above location under routine maintenance."

N.O.M. NO. 28 - HEDGE TRIMMING - CLR. S. GAVIN. 1874

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"Hedge cutting has commenced in the Oughterard Engineering Area and work will be carried out at the above locations funds permitting."

N.O.M. 29 - SIGNS - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE. 1875

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"The provision of village sign at above location is not recommended. This location consists of a G.A.A. pitch and some isolated houses."

N.O.M. NO. 30 - SIGNS - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE. 1876

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"The provision of village sign at above location is not recommended. This location consists of a church and some isolated houses."

N.O.M. NO. 31 - ROAD - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 1877

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above

location in order of priority and as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 32 - ROAD - CLR. J. McCLEARN 1878

The following written reply was given to Councillor McClearn.

"Work was recently carried out at above location."

N.O.M. NO. 33 - ROAD MARKINGS - CLR. J. McCLEARN 1879

The following written reply was given to Councillor McClearn.

"The Statutory Signs are in place at the above location"

N.O.M. NO. 34 - ROAD - CLR. J. McCLEARN 1880

The following written reply was given to Councillor McClearn.

"Work is due to commence at the above location in the coming weeks".

N.O.M. NO. 35 - CEMETERY - DEPUTY P. McCORMACK. 1881

The following written reply was given to Deputy McCormack.

"The Council considers the location of the present burial ground at High Cashel unsuitable and we are seeking an alternative site to provide a new burial ground for the Cashel area."

N.O.M. NO. 36 - ROAD - SEN. J. McDONAGH. 1882

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"The Council has written to the Garda Authorities requesting permission to the replacement of the existing yield sign with a stop sign. You will be informed of developments in due course."

N.O.M. NO. 37 - SIGN - SEN. J. McDONAGH 1883

The following written reply was given to Senator

McDonagh.

"A Yield Right Of Way sign will be provided at the above location in due course."

N.O.M. NO. 38 - HEDGE CUTTING - SEN. J. McDONAGH 1884

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"There are no funds available for the carrying out of the above works in the current year. However, this location will be considered along with others in the preparation of the 1994 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. 39 - BOTHAR - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 1885

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"Nil aon airgead ar fail i mbliana le haghaidh an bothar seo a dheisiu.

Beidh muid ag breathnu ar cas an bhothar seo in eineacht le boithre eile nuair a bheidh muid ag cuir clar na mboithre 1994 le cheile."

N.O.M. NO. 40 - COMHARTHA - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 1886

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"Beidh muid ag cur na comharthai seo ar fail chomh luath agus is feidir."

N.O.M. NO. 41 - SOLAS POIBLI - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 1887

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

Ni raibh muid inan an lathar seo a chuir 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. 42 - FOOT BRIDGE - DEPUTY E. O CUIV 1888

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv

"Remedial works will be carried out at the above location in the coming months and arrangements will

be made for the taking in charge of the bridge when this work is completed."

N.O.M. NO. 43 - ROAD - DEPUTY E. O CUIV 1889

The following written reply was given to Deputy E. O Cuiv.

"Works were recently carried out at above location."

N.O.M. NO. 44 - ROAD MARKINGS - DEPUTY E. O'CUIV 1890

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv

"There are no funds available for the provision of delineators and chevrons at Inagh Valley in the current year. However, the matter will be reconsidered under the 1994 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 45 - ROADS - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN 1891

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

"The widening of road at Cill Einne, the completion of footpath at Bothuna, Spiddal, and the continuation of footpaths at Park, Spiddal, will be considered along with other works in the preparation of the 1994 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 47 - WATER SCHEME - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN 1892

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

"Galway County Council have submitted proposals to Department of the Environment in regard to improvements of the water supply on Inishmean. The County Council are currently investigating together with the Group Scheme Trustees, the possibility of taking over the Group Scheme on the island. The possibility of the Group Scheme getting secondary grants from the Department of the Environment to improve the existing scheme is being investigated by them."

N.O.M. NO. 48 - STREET LIGHTING - CLR. M. O'NEILL 1893

The following written reply was given to Councillor

O'Neill.

"Two defective lights in the village of Cleggan will be repaired shortly. The provision of additional public lights will be considered in the preparation of the 1994 Public Lighting Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 49 - HOUSE REPAIRS - CLR. M. O'NEILL 1894

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

"An inspection was carried out by the County Council during March, 1992 and it was deemed that repairs necessary are of a routine nature and will be included in the next years maintenance programme."

N.O.M. NO. 50 - STREET LIGHTING - CLR. M.O'NEILL 1895

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

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

N.O.M. NO. 51 - ROAD - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 1896

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

"There are no funds available to carry out this work in the current year. However, this location will be considered in the preparation of the 1994 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 52 - DRAINAGE - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 1897

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

"It is hoped to have works carried out at the above location with a view to have blockage removed. The drain along the road is the responsibility of the land owners."

N.O.M. NO. 53 - DRAINAGE - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 1898

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

"This location was recently inspected and there was no evidence of flooding."

N.O.M. 54 - DUMP - CLR. E. VARLEY 1899

The following written reply was given to Councillor Varley.

"The Council has no plans to close the above dump at present. The Council has recently provided two new gates and restricted opening hours have also been introduced. Arrangements are now being made for the provision of cover material."

N.O.M. NO. 55 - HEADFORD SQUARE - CLR. E. VARLEY 1900

The following written reply was given to Councillor Varley.

"The Council recently met a deputation regarding the above and a further meeting is due to take place shortly."

N.O.M. NO. 56 - LIGHTING - CLR. P. McHUGH 1901

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

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

N.O.M. NO. 57 - WATER SUPPLY - CLR. P. McHUGH 1902

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"That the people seeking a connection to the 8" pipe on the route of the Crosswood Water Supply should form a Group Scheme. Galway County Council has no objection to a supply of water being made available."

N.O.M. NO 58 - ROADWORKS - CLR. P. McHUGH 1903

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"The above roads will be considered along with others in the preparation of the 1994 Road Works Programme."

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.

Date

22/11/93

John J. O'Connell
(Chairman)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

22 la Deire Fomhair, 1993.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu miosiuil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De h-Aoine, an 29u la Deire Fomhair, 1993, ag tosnu ar a 3.30 a chlog sa trathnona.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. Visit of Mr. Michael Smyth, T.D., Minister for the Environment.
2. Consideration of Minutes of the following Meetings:
 - (a) Minutes of Special Meeting of 10th September, 1993
 - (b) Minutes of Monthly Meeting of 27th September, 1993.
3. To consider remission of Rates in accordance with the Industrial Development Act, 1986 - Cashla Timber Industries Ltd., Carnmore.
4. Sale of house at Gortnagoyne, Dunmore, Co. Galway to Mary Molloy, Gortnagoyne, Dunmore, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 12th October, 1993 already circulated.

5. Sale of plot of land at Garbally Drive, Ballinasloe to Ms. Carolyn Kelleher, 6, Church Hill, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 12th October, 1993 already circulated.
6. Sale of plot of land at Parkmore, Tuam, Co. Galway to Tuam Voluntary Housing Agency, Social Services Centre, Dublin Road, Tuam, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 12th October, 1993 already circulated.
7. To approve contribution of £6,000 to Tynagh Development Community for works undertaken in connection with the visit of Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Paul Keating to Tynagh on 21/9/93.
8. To note dated for address by Mr. Mark Killilea M.E.P. (12/11/1993 at 3.00 p.m.)
9. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads (Notice enclosed).
10. To nominate 8 Members to attend the NASC E.C. Briefing on the 6th/10th November, 1993 in Brussels/Leuven in conjunction with Galway Corporation, Udaras na Gaeltachta and U.C.G
11. Business submitted by County Manager.
12. Business submitted by the Chairman.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Adjourned From Previous Meeting :

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

13

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

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

14

That Galway County Council create better sight distance at Laraghill, before a fatality occurs.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

15

That Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe prepare a report on the cost of rebuilding the wall beside the road into Ross Island, An Cheathru Rua. The road is beside the sea and local people are anxious that it be built before the winter storms.

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

16

That money be provided for renovation and freeing of the under road drain at Kinclare, Caltra near Michael Hogans house on lands of Mr. Kelly and Mr. Hogan are being constantly flooded due to blockage. Mr. Kelly has carried out extensive drainage but this is all to no avail due to the shore crossing the road being blocked.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

17

I would like clarification on the exact ruling on all Roads especially County Roads and if same applies to all categories of County Roads - New Regulations re Design for Widening of Turns in County Roads.

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

18

Request Galway County Council to look at a dangerous situation that exists at Lisatunna Cross on the Galway/Gort Road at Tannians Forge. Junction leading to Toorballylee and also to Skehana. Accidents have occurred there recently.

CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :

19

Request Galway County Council to include in the Estimates for 1994, the straightening and widening of the road at Sherry's, Peterswell where several fatal accidents have occurred.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

20

That Galway County Council provide a Carpark adjacent to Drumacoo Cemetery, Ballinderreen, Kilcolgan - where lands are presently available.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

21

That FAS Schemes be provided in 1994 for, Ardahan, Labane, on entrances to these Villages.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

22

That Galway County Council continue to allow Councillors nominate their Notice of Motion Money for the removal of dangerous bends on County Roads.

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

23

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

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN

- I will propose :

24

That this Council makes a special effort to complete the Link Road from Dublin Road, Tuam to Vicar Street immediately as the traffic situation in Tuam requires this greatly. What is the County Council's present position on this matter and what efforts are being made to get funds for this work.

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN

- I will propose :

25

That this Council takes urgent action to bring the Dunmore/Ballyhaunis Road (Galway Section) up to proper standard as a national Secondary Road. Its present condition must be the worst of any National Secondary in the Country

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

26

I request that repairs be carried out to the Gorthmore Road in Roscahill as promised earlier this year.

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

27

I propose that repairs be carried out to the Cloonabinna road, Moycullen as a section of the road is in a poor condition.

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

28

I request to know as to plans to carry out hedge-trimming in the Oughterard Engineering Area. Many roads in the Moycullen/Roscahill are in urgent need of improvements

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

29

That Village signs be erected at Carrabane, Loughrea.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

30

That Village signs be erected at Kilconieron in the Athenry Engineering Area.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

31

That repairs be carried out to the road from Slevins Cross to St. Clerans, Craughwell

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN

- I will propose :

32

That Galway County Council immediately restore Burroque Road, Kilnadeema, Loughrea which was damaged during pipelaying.

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN

- I will propose :

33

That Galway County Council provide "CAUTION CHILDREN CROSSING" markings on the R351 at Leitrim National School or alternatively erect road signs conveying "CAUTION CHILDREN CROSSING".

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN

- I will propose :

34

That Galway County Council give starting date for improvement work at the junction of the N65 with the N6 at Kilmeen, Loughrea.

CLR. PADRAIC MC CORMACK

- I will propose :

35

That Galway County Council acquire land which is being made available beside the Cemetery at High Cashel, Connemara for a much needed extension to the graveyard at that is what the local community is seeking.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

36

That Galway County Council create proper view as people enter the Galway/Roscommon Road at Annagh Cross, coming from Athenry. It is highly dangerous on the right hand side.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

37

That Galway County Council erect proper "Yield Right of Way" signs at Lisheenoran, Corrandulla, Co. Galway.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

38

That Galway County Council carry out a surface dressing and a hedgecutting operation on a very neglected road in the Headford area (details supplied)

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

39 Go dheanfaidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe bothar Gleann Mor, An Cheathru Rua a dheisiu go luath.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

40 Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe dha comhartha "Cosc ar Dumpail" ar fail do cheantar Tir an Fhia. Ceann ar Bothar a' tSleibhe idir Tir an Fhia agus Tra Bhain. Ta an ceann eile ag teastail ar an mbothar trasna o seipeal Tir an Fhia ag dul go dti teach Coilin O Domhnaill.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

41 Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe solas poibli ar fail idir an scoil naisiunta agus an seipeal i Roa-a-Mhil.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

42 That Galway County Council would take the foot bridge in Oughterard in charge.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

43 That immediate repairs would be carried out to the National Secondary Road at Clifden Town, just at the junction of the Hospital Road. This area is subject to flooding and needs immediate remedial action.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

44 That delineators and chevrons would be provided where necessary on the Inagh Valley, and particularly on the bad corners, as an aid to motorists. This valley is very dangerous to drive on at night, and is in urgent need of these being provided.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

45 That the following projects be included in the 1994 Roads Programme as already promised in various Notices of Motion (details supplied)

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

46 That the road junction at Lippa, 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 Lippa 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

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

47 That Galway County Council would facilitate this water scheme (details given) so that the Department of the Environment could provide funds for extra storage. This situation is now extremely urgent..

CLR. MICHAEL O'NEILL
- I will propose :

4 Existing street lighting which is defective in the Village of Cleggan be renewed and additional lighting be provided in 1994.

CLR. MICHAEL O'NEILL
- I will propose :

49 That urgent repairs be carried out to local authority house (details enclosed) which was inspected a year and a half ago.

CLR. MICHAEL O'NEILL
- I will propose :

50 That two extra street lights be provided in Oughterard in 1994, one in Camp Street and the other in the Public Carpark.

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

51 That immediate works be carried out to the road surface and that the causes of the flooding be immediately eliminated. (Details enclosed).

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

52 That money be provided fro renovation and freeing of the under road drains - Shore crossing the road at lands belonging to Mr. Paddy Booth near house of Mr. Eddie Booth. Also in this area the drain along by the road would need clearing and probably need deepening.

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

53

That money be provided for renovation and freeing of the under road drains at the house of Mr. Eddie Booth - serious flooding occurs causing road to be closed quite often. This problem should be examined. I would like a report on this as it may be a bit problem.

CLR. EVELYN VARLEY
- I will propose :

54

That the Public Refuse Dump at Kilronan be closed down as the present location adjacent to the Public Water Storage is not suitable. The closure should involve sealing and capping or removal of entire amount of rubbish to a new landfill refuse dump to be established at a more suitable location where proper management procedures would be enforced on a daily basis.

CLR. EVELYN VARLEY
- I will propose :

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When will Galway County Council commence the proposed works on the Headford Square.

CLR. P. MCHUGH - I will propose.

56. That Galway County Council erect a public light adjacent to the new Day Care/Social Centre at Corofin.

57. That Galway County Council develop a system whereby people can get a Water Supply (Details enclosed).

58. That Galway County Council include the following roads in their Roadworks Programme for surface dressing and improvement as per attached details.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 8TH
OCTOBER, 1993.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, 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, J. Mannion, J. McClearn, Deputy P. McCormack, Senator J. McDonagh, Councillors 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, E. Lusby, Finance Officer, L. Kavanagh, S.E.E., J. Murphy, S.S.O., and T. Coughlan, Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS.

1833

The Chairman welcomed the students from the Applied Communications Course of University College, Galway, and a Vote of Congratulations was extended to the Galway Under 21 Hurling Team.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

1834

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with Mr. & Mrs. Noel Tierney, Carnageehy, Milltown, Co. Galway.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY & COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION
NO. 69154 - APPLICANT - KATHLEEN MANNION.

1835

It was proposed by Councillor Loughnane, and agreed that this Item be deferred to the November Planning Meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY & COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION
NO. 69183 - MRS. BRIDGE HANLEY.

1836

It was agreed that this matter be deferred to the

November Planning Meeting of the Council.

ADVANCE NOTICE - 65259

1837

Councillor S. Gavin, Senator J. McDonagh and Deputy E. O'Cuiv requested that this application be reviewed. The County Manager informed the Meeting that, if submissions are made with a view to resolving existing problems on the ground, the matter can be considered.

ADVANCE NOTICE - 68487

1838

Deputy McCormack informed the Meeting that this proposed development is causing concern in the Ballyconneely area, that a decision has yet to be made on a Discharge Licence, that the development cannot be assimilated into the surrounding area, that the elected members were not given an opportunity to express their views on the application, and that natives of the area have been refused planning permission for single houses. Councillors O'Neill and O'Neachtain raised similar queries.

The County Manager stated that Outline Planning Permission was granted for this development in 1992 and that no objections were lodged. The County Manager informed the Meeting that it was the policy of the County Council that where there is essential housing need, this need takes precedence over all other matters. The County Manager also informed the Members that he would examine any individual cases raised by the Members, and that the elected members sought in the last plan to include the provision for development of this nature in tourist areas. The development is within the natural growth area of the Village, is specifically for holiday use and, therefore, is in keeping with activities in the area, and that approval has been granted for this development.

Deputy O Cuiv stated that development of this type should be considered in the context of the Review of the Development Plan, and that, where essential housing need is accepted, the applicant should be invited to discuss the application with Planning Officials.

A Deputation from the Ballyconneely area addressed the Meeting.

ESTIMATES MEETING.

1839

It was agreed that the Estimates Meeting be held on the 15th November, 1993 and that the Roads Meetings be held on the 8th November, 1993.

VISIT OF THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT.

1840

The County Manager informed the Meeting that Briefing

Documents had been prepared for 5 topics - i.e., Sanitary Services, Roads, Institute of Fiscal Studies Report, Employment and Housing, and suggested that the Council nominate Members to speak. A number of Members proposed specific items for inclusion. It was agreed that the Briefing Documents, dealing with broad policy issues, be circulated to the Members of the Council, and that the individual members would discuss the content with the nominated speakers. It was agreed that Councillor Mullins speak on Employment, Councillor W. Burke speak on the Fiscal Studies Report, that Councillor Gavin speak on Roads, and that two nominated Members of the Fianna Fail Party deal with Housing and Sanitary Services respectively.

GORT DUMP.

1841

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the Gort Dump will close on the 1st November, 1993 and that alternative facilities are available at Carrabrowne and Ballinasloe.

TOWN HALL

1842

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the Town Hall has reverted to the County Council, that the building is in poor condition, that the building could be converted to a Theatre, and that the Council will be requested to transfer the building to the Corporation for this purpose. This proposal was unanimously agreed by the Council and the Manager stated that he would revert with further details in due course.

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1843

The County Manager informed the Meeting that arrangements are being made for a Briefing Visit to Brussels on the 6th/10th November, 1993 and requested the nomination, at the next Meeting, of 8 Councillors to attend.

MONTHLY MEETING.

1844

It was agreed that Mr. M. Killilea M.E.P., be requested to postpone his address, due to be given on the 22nd October, 1993, for a period of one month. It was agreed that, if M.E.P. Killilea replied in the affirmative, that no meeting be held on the 22nd as the Monthly Meeting would be held on the 29th October, 1993.

EFFLUENT FROM MEAT FACTORIES.

1845

The County Manager, in response to issues raised by Deputy Connaughton, stated that where planning applications are lodged for slaughter houses, the Council can deal with the disposal of effluent by way of conditions. The Manager also stated that part of the problem is due to the fact that effluent is

coming from other counties, that the only way to dispose of blood is by controlled land spreading, and that such control could be implemented by the introduction of by-laws. The Manager informed the Meeting that the Department of the Environment is carrying out an in depth investigation into waste disposal and that a central location may be proposed for dealing with this waste. The Manager also stated that the Council is monitoring ground water on an ongoing basis.

Councillor Walsh requested that the Council ask Teagasc to initiate a publicity campaign to deal with the concerns about slurry tanks, and the Manager confirmed that this would be done.

CONFERENCES.

1846

It was agreed that the Council approve the attendance of Councillor J. Mannion at the A.M.A.I., Conference in Wexford on 21st/23rd September, 1993, and that Councillor T. Walsh replace Councillor T. Byrne at the Housing Conference in Brighton.

LAW AND ORDER.

1847

The Council unanimously denounced the recent attack on four members of a Hurling Team in Galway City and requested the Minister for Justice to provide more Gardai for Galway. It was agreed that an Official Invitation issue to the Minister for Justice to address a Meeting of Galway County Council/

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed. *John J. Walsh*
Chairman
Date: 22/11/93