

Minute Book.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

22u la Marta, 1994.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Míoisíul de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De Luain, an 28u la Marta, 1994, 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. 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 for a 4 Bed Bungalow and Septic Tank at Stradbally North, Clarenbridge to Mr. and Mrs. John Keane, Stradbally, Clarenbridge, Co. Galway - Planning Ref. No. 70008

M. Cunningham M Fahy M. Regan T. Byrne
M. Loughnane.

2. That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager cead teach ar bothar Brid Naofa, Port Omna d'athru o phríomhairdeach go Oifig an Phost agus siopa agus e a meadu do Agnes Murray - Uimhir Pleanala - 69720

M. Regan T. Byrne M. Fahy M. Loughnane
M. Cunningham

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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 for the erection of dwellinghouse, garage and septic tank at Corboley (Lynch) to Sean Murray - Planning Ref. No. 70509

P. McHugh E. Varley S. O'Neachtain.
S. Gavin P. McCoramack J. McDonagh.

4. 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 dwellinghouse, garage and septic at Corboley (Lynch) to Sean Murray - Planning Ref. No. 70510

P. McHugh E. Varley S. O'Neachtain.
S. Gavin P. McCoramack J. McDonagh.

5. Consideration of Minutes for the following Meetings:-

- (a) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 11th February, 1994
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 21st February, 1994.
- (c) Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 28th February, 1994.

6. Abstract of Accounts 1993 - Report of Finance Officer attached.

7. Auditors Report for Year ended 31/12/92.

8. Rate Collection Report 1993.

9. Adoption of 1993 Annual Report.

10. Sale of land, including Pumphouse thereon, at Kinnincha, Gort to Mr. Sean Duffy, Gort, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 24th February, 1994 already circulated.

11. Lease of premises known as Town Hall, Galway (formerly known as City Court), to Galway Corporation, City Hall College Road, Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 15th March, 1994 already circulated.

12. Sale of Site at Ballinahown, Furbo to Finbarr and Karen Colfer, c/o Smyth's, Park, Spiddal - Section 83 Notice dated 15th March, 1994 already circulated.

13. Change of name of General Council of County Councils - (documentation attached)

- 14. Housing Construction Programme 1994 (Report attached).
- 15. Cluain Mhuire.
- 16. Oranmore Junction (Report attached)
- 17. Casual Trading Bill (Documentation attached).
- 18. Business submitted by the Chairman.
- 19. Business submitted by the Manager.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Adjourned From Previous Meeting :

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :

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Iarraim go bhfiosroth Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe fadht
taillte ar an bfríomh-bhothar i dtreo an Spideal ag Baille
an tSleibhe. Fresin go ndeiseofai an bothar chuig Roilig
an Choillegh

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

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That Galway County Council take in charge the Green Area
and Play Equipment at Cahernaun Park, Loughrea as already
promised.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

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That Galway County Council take road in charge at
Glenside, Claregalway.

COUNCILLORS - NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

- 23 CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :
What is the present position with Cluain Mhuire.
- 24 CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :
I request that the Moyvilla Road (at the two bad bends) be included in the 1994 Road Programme.
- 25 CLR. TODDIE BYRNE
- I will propose :
That a road/wall at Aggard, Craughwell, where there is a sharp bend, with a steep drop inside, be strengthened.
- 26 CLR. TODDIE BYRNE
- I will propose :
That Section of County Road at Cahermore, Kinvara which is subject to flooding be raised.
- 27 CLR. TODDIE BYRNE
- I will propose :
That a sign indicating "Low Bridge" be erected at entrance to Craughwell/Ardrahan County road, at Craughwell
- 28 CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :
I am requesting the Galway County Council to examine and see if the following family (details enclosed) would be eligible to qualify for a house. It might relieve the difficulties which the Council are encountering at the Hardshoulder at Kiltiernan, Kilcolgan.
- 29 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council erect Flashing Lights outside Kiltiernan National School, Kilcolgan on the N.18 National Primary Road.
- 30 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council purchase lands from the Department of Defence in Oranmore for a Community

Sportsfield for Oranmore where such an amenity is urgently required.

- 31 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council remove a Claybank on entrance to a Co. Road (details supplied)
- 32 CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :
That repairs be carried out immediately to this road (details supplied)
- 33 CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :
That repairs be carried out to this road (details supplied).
- 34 CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :
That this County Council investigate what the possibility is of involving Social or Community Community Employment Schemes in such works as - 1. The relief of roadside Flooding, 2. Hedge Cutting, and 3. the relocation of fences at bad bends.
- 35 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
Molaim go gcuirfeadh an Comhairle Chontae caoi ar Bhothar Teach Mor in Indreabhán go luath.
- 36 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council position a number of "Cosc ar Bhruascar" (No Dumping) signs on the Poul-na-clough/Barna Road, where dumping of litter is taking place and the local Committee are cleaning it up at the present time.
- 37 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
That repairs are carried out at the Doon East and Gorthacarnaun Roads in Rosscahill. Drainage difficulties should be examined along these roads. The roads are in a very bad condition.

38 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :

That the road from Athenry to Rafterys Cross, Coshla be strengthened and surface dressed.

39 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :

That steps be taken to eliminate running water from a road surface at a given location (details attached).

40 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :

That the following safety measures be taken at Kilteskil Cross, Loughrea. (i) Provide unbroken white line to avoid overtaking, and (ii) Erect "Concealed Entrance" sign.

41 CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council erect various signs near dangerous bends at Kilcoolley, Loughrea on the N65.

42 CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council repair the roadside wall adjacent to Ryans land at Mount Pleasant, Loughrea.

43 CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council take steps to relieve flooding on the road between Liam Connaires house and Mrs. Spains house at Lagoo, Kylebrack, Loughrea.

44 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

Carry out hedge trimming operation in Annaghdown area before Xmas - hedges are particularly bad in Cloonboo Village, Lisheenoran, Ballroebuck etc., Glenrevagh.

45 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council have the Council's Road Design Team carry out an in-depth study at Cussaun Crossroads, Athenry with a view to implementing major safety measures at this highly dangerous junction - where there have been many serious accidents in recent years and a tragic fatal accident this month

46 CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

That Galway county Council level road margins from Annagh Cross to Lackagh to protect pedestrians. Sixty five householders have agreed to help with the work (names enclosed).

47 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

- additional warning signs on the approach to Cossaun Cross before the series of bends approaching the junction from the Galway direction - (a) That signs be painted on the roadway "Prepare to Stop" type signs particularly on the approach road from the Galway Direction (b) That Galway Co. Co. undertake a study to improve safety at the junction

48 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

That Galway Co. Co. provide warning signs on road and that laybys also be provided (details below)

49 CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council provide a footpath and traffic route lighting at location (details below).

50 CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe tuille airgead ar fail le haghaidh cosan ar An Cheathru Rua. Ta go leor obair maith deanta ach ta roinnt eile le deanamh fos.

51 CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe caoi ar an bothar o An Tulach go Ros-a-Mhil (an bothar ar taobh an fharrage). Ta go leor daoine ina gconai ar an mbothar ata go dona ar feadh

52 CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae an Gaillimhe comharthai boithre "Dangerous Bends" ar an casamh idir an droichead agus Paire Maimin. Ta an casach seo an contuirteach.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

53 CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

That Water Scheme in the Village of Roundstone would be renewed and upgraded.

54 CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

That danger sign would be erected at Bunowen Pier, Ballyconneely, Co. Galway warning people of the Pier.

55 CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfear fogra ag cosc ar carabhain agus campail ag deireadh Bothar na h-Aille Thoir, in Indreabhan, Co. na Gaillimhe.

56 CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfeadh Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe deisiu laithreach ar Bhothar Shaillethuna Thiar. Ta an bothar seo titithe as a cheile agus nior cuireadh aon chaoi ar leis na blianta.

57 CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

Go gcuirfeadh Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe deisiu agus caoi ar an mbothar ag Cre Dubh, An Spideal, ata ag dul go dti teach Beartla O Fainin. Chuir an Chomhairle Condae in iul i 1982 gur bothar e seo ata faoi churam Chomhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe. Ta loch nior anois i lar an bhothair agus ni feidir le duine na ainmhi an bothar a thaistéal

58 CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

Go nglacfadh an Chomhairle Condae ar lamh an bothar a theann on bprionm bhothar ag Cill Ronain, Inis Mor, Oilean Arainn go dti bialann an Dun Aengus. Is bothar an ghnothach e seo agus ta droch bhail air faoi lathair. Ta chuig theach ar an mbothar.

59 CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

That two signs be erected showing the location of Clontuskert Church. One sign to be at "Stapletons Cross and the other at the road to the Church itself between Clontuskert School and Mike Shiels Shop"

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN
- I will propose :

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That a public light be erected at this location particulars below.

61 CLR. EVELYN VARLEY
- I will propose :

Galway County Council to lower the footpath at the entrance of the GAA Pitch in Headford.

62 CLR. EVELYN VARLEY
- I will propose :

Galway County Council to close the unauthorised access on County Council property near Joyce's Hardware, Headford on the Galway Road and to have this unsightly property screened as soon as possible.

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CLR. EVELYN VARLEY
- I will propose :

That Galway County Council have public lights erected at the beach at Furbo and also that seating be provided at the beach.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 11th
MARCH, 1994.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, W. Burke
T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputies P.
Connaughton, E. O Cuiv, Councillors
M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, M. Finnerty,
S.Gavin, J. McClearn, Deputy P.
McCormack, 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,
T. Kavanagh, Acting Assistant County
Manager, E. Lusby, Finance Officer,
J. McGovern, Admin. Officer, L.
Kavanagh, S.E.E., T. Murphy, Acting
Admin. Officer, J. Forde, Acting
S.S.O., and T. Coughlan,

The Opening Prayer was recited.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING 2184
APPLICATION NO. 70027 - APPLICANT - MARTIN MAHON.

It was proposed by Councillor T. Byrne, and agreed, that this motion be deferred to the next Meeting of the Council, and that a meeting be held between the applicant and planning officials on site if considered necessary.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY 2185
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NO NO. 70008 - APPLICANT - MR. & MRS.
JOHN KEANE.

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, and agreed, that this item be deferred to the next Meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY 2186
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NO. 69720 - APPLICANT - AGNES MURRAY.

It was proposed by Councillor Regan, and agreed, that

this motion be deferred to the next Meeting of the Council.
ADVANCE NOTICE - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69251 2187

Councillor Gavin informed the Meeting that this application has been refused on a number of occasions due to inadequate site distance, that an agricultural entrance already exists at the location and, therefore, no extra traffic would be generated, that the trees which the applicant has been advised to remove are not owned by the applicant, that there is 40 yds distance from the entrance on each side, and that this a genuine case as the applicant wishes to return and live in the area. Clr. McCormack also spoke in favour of the applicant.

The County Manager stated that the bushes are on private land, and if they are not interfering with the public road, the owner cannot be required to remove them. The County Manager stated that the application had been turned down for traffic safety reasons, and that it will be examined.

TUAM BOUNDARY EXTENSION. 2188

The County Manager referred to report dated 3rd March, 1994 which had previously been circulated to the Members of the Council regarding the proposed Extension of the Tuam Town Boundary. It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Deputy P. Connaughton, and agreed that Galway County Council adopt the report as circulated and that the proposed extension be submitted to the Minister for the Environment.

BALLINASLOE BOUNDARY EXTENSION. 2189

The County Manager referred to a report dated 10/3/94 which had previously been circulated to each Member of the Council. It was proposed by Councillor Finnerty, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and agreed, that Galway County Council adopt the report as circulated, and that the proposed boundary extension be submitted to the Minister for the Environment.

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the proposed boundary extension is for franchise purposes only.

ATHENRY HERITAGE CENTRE. 2190

The County Manager informed the Meeting that Athenry has been approved as a Heritage Town, that the Heritage Group have a number of proposals, including the provision of a Heritage Centre in the Protestant Church, that Bord Failte have indicated that a Grant will be made available, and that £60,000 must be raised locally. The Manager recommended that the County Council agree in principle to a £30,000

contribution subject to the local group raising the £30,000 balance. It was proposed by Deputy McCormack, seconded by Councillor Regan and agreed, that the Council approve this contribution in principle.

DISABLED PERSONS GRANTS.

2191

The County Manager informed the Meeting that, having considered Annuity Income available and projected for 1994, funding of £200,000 has been authorised to clear the backlog of disabled persons grants. The Members of the Council welcomed this decision.

CLOONFAD ROAD.

2192

It was proposed by Councillor Finnegan, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, and agreed, that the Council discuss the Cloonfad/Dunmore Road. The Chairman requested the support of the Council to ensure that funding is made available for this road, and requested details of submissions made to the Department of the Environment for funding. The County Engineer informed the Chairman that the Council has sought £300,000 each year over the last number of years, but funding has not been forthcoming from the Department. It was proposed by Deputy O Cuiv and seconded by Councillor Regan, that the Council seek a Meeting with the National Roads Authority and that the Council request other Local Authorities, particularly those on the West Coast, to make submissions to the National Roads Authority requesting that due recognition be given to the importance of National Secondary Roads for long term development.

TELECOM EIREANN.

2193

Councillor Fahy requested that Telecom Eireann transfer the Burren Area of County Galway to the 091 area.

TRAVELLERS.

2194

In response to Councillor Regan, the Manager stated that a problem exists at Portumna due to the fact that there is no alternative location for traveller caravans, and that he is in contact with the Garda Authorities regarding the parking of Caravans in the Town.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

2195

Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

Mr. Paddy Feeney, Danesfield, Moycullen, Co. Galway.
Brid Bn Ui Fhatharta, Tuairin, Beal a Daingean.
Nora Bleahen, Society Street, Ballinasloe.

Liam Goode, Duneeda, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Donlon, Esker, Glenamaddy, Co. Galway.
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Brehony, Cregg, Kylebrack, Loughrea.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.

[Signature]
(Chairman)

25/4/94
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

7 u la Marta, 1994.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

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Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

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T. Byrne M. Cunningham M. Regan. M. Fahy
J. McClearn.

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 Full Planning Permission for a 4 Bed Bungalow and Septic Tank at Stradbally North, Clarenbridge to Mr. and Mrs. John Keane, Stradbally, Clarenbridge, Co. Galway - Planning Ref. No. 70008.

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M. Regan T. Byrne M. Fahy M. Loughnane
M. Cunningham.

4. Advance Notice - Planning Application No. 69251 - Francis Joyce, Ardnasella, Oughterard - Councillor Seamus Gavin.

5. To consider Tuam Town Boundary Extension. (Report enclosed).

6. Athenry Heritage Centre.

7. Disabled Persons Grants.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 28th
FEBRUARY, 1994.

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, 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, T. Kavanagh, Acting
Asst. Co. Manager, E. Lusby,
Finance Officer, J. McGovern,
Admin. Officer, T. Murphy,
Acting Admin. Officer, and T.
Coughlan, Acting County
Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

COUNTY BUILDINGS

2129

The Members of the Council paid tribute to Mr. Joe Boyle who had recently retired as Caretaker of the County Buildings. The Members also welcomed the appointment of a new Caretaker and thanked Mr. R. Collins for his services.

COOLARNE DRAINAGE.

2130

The Members of the Council considered correspondence dated the 24th February, 1994 from the Coolarne Drainage Committee which had been previously circulated, and it was proposed by Senator J. McDonagh, and seconded by Councillor T. Byrne, and agreed, that the Council pay a grant of £6,000 to the

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 28/02/94

Coolarne Drainage Committee for the use of land and voluntary labour contributed by the Committee to the Drainage project. The Members pointed out that the Council had, in fact, saved money by this scheme being completed, due to the fact that the flooding of County roads had been eliminated. Deputy P. McCormack paid tribute to the excellent job which had been undertaken by the Group.

MINUTES.

2131

On the proposition of Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Callanan, the Minutes of Special Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 14th January, 1994 were approved and signed by the Chairman. In relation to Minute No. 2089, it was agreed that the area of Hard Shoulder will be marked out on site to demonstrate the distance and that Members of the Council can then inspect the Council's proposal.

On the proposition of Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Regan, the Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 24th January, 1994 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Mhol an Chomhairleoir O'Rian agus cuidigh and Teachta McCormack leis, go nglacfar Miontuairisci Chruinniú llú la Deireadh Fomhair idir Udaras na Gaeltachta agus Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe.

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE.

2132

It was agreed that the Employment Committee meet at 2.15 p.m on the 28th March, 1994.

CONFERENCES.

2133

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Regan, and agreed that the attendance at Conferences as adopted at the Finance Committee Meeting of the Council be approved.

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Byrne, and agreed that Councillor J. Mannion replace Councillor T. Byrne at the Garton Conference.

SALE OF SITE

2134

It was proposed by Councillor Regan, seconded by Councillor Cunningham and resolved that Galway County

Council approve the sale of site at St. Laurences Fields, Loughrea to Sr. Brid Carty, Mercy Order, Loughrea, Co. Galway in accordance with the Terms of Notice dated 1st February, 1994 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.

SALE OF HOUSE

2135

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Burke, and resolved that Galway County Council approve the sale of house at Ahgloragh, Tuam, Co. Galway to Joan and Bob Hammond, 57, High Street, Leatherhead, Surrey, England in accordance with the Terms of Notice dated 10th February, 1994 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as substituted by Section 26 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992 which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

SALE OF HOUSE

2136

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Burke and resolved that Galway County Council approve the sale of house at Ower, Headford to Frank Moran, Ower, Headford, Co. Galway in accordance with the terms of Notice 10th February, 1994 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as substituted by Section 26 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992 which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC

2137

It was proposed by Councillor Hussey, seconded by Councillor McClearn and agreed, that Galway County Council declare the following roads to be public.

Engineering Area:

Description.

Gort	Road from junction connecting with N.66 in Cloon Townland and extending west for a distance of 302 metres.
Gort	Road from junction commencing with the N.67 in Ballyclery Townland and extending west

for a distance of 250 metres.

Gort

Road from junction commencing with the N.18 in Glenbrack Townland and extending west for a distance of 110 metres.

Mountbellew

Road from Junction with Co. Road 464 and extending south for a distance of 328 metres in Townland of Gallagher.

DISABLED PERSONS GRANTS.

2138

The Meeting discussed Report dated the 18th February, 1994 which had been circulated prior to the Meeting. The Members of the Council expressed deep concern at the lack of funding for Disabled Persons Grants particularly as these grants are made available for one of the weaker sections of society. The Members requested that funding be made available to deal with the backlog of applications, and it was proposed by Councillor Callanan and seconded by Councillor McClearn that the Council seek a once off grant from the Department of the Environment. It was proposed by Deputy McCormack, seconded by Councillor McClearn that the Council also request the Department to re-introduce housing repair grants.

The County Manager informed the Meeting that the number of applicants for Disabled Persons Grants is increasing due to an increasing awareness, that the Department of the Environment has requested details of the backlog of Disabled Persons Grants, and that the number of occupied Demountable Dwellings has decreased from 450 to 353. It was agreed that Disabled Persons Grants be included on the Agenda for the March Meeting of the Council.

LOUGHREA PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

2139

The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the proposal for a Pedestrian Crossing at Loughrea will be included in the Roads Programme when grants are received, but that funding must be made available within the criteria set out by the Department of the Environment. The County Manager stated that a warrant exists under the current requirements and that the possibility of using the Discretionary Grant will be investigated. Councillor Cunningham requested a Pedestrian Crossing in Gort.

ORANMORE JUNCTION

2140

It was agreed that this matter be deferred to the next Meeting of the Council.

ATHENRY WATER SUPPLY

2141

The County Manager informed the Meeting that pumps will be installed and operational within two months, and that there may then be a 24 hour supply. The installation of pumps will also allow for testing of the mains.

ROADS.

2142

The County Manager informed the Members that at a recent Meeting with the Minister for the Environment, the Minister had indicated that legal responsibility for Regional and County Roads rests with the local authorities in law, that local authorities should be aware of the need for Value for Money in relation to strengthening rather than filling potholes, that it had been suggested that communities should become more involved in the maintenance of Regional and County Roads, and that the Minister had pointed out that, although the Department had increased funds for roads, some local authorities had reduced their own allocations.

The Members of the Council expressed the view that the Council needs more money for roads, additional money to employ additional manpower, and funding to purchase necessary equipment. The Members also expressed concern at the proposal that people living on non-national roads would be required to pay for the maintenance of such roads, and requested that funding be equitably distributed among local authorities.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

2143

A Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

Mrs. Patrick Haverty, Craughwell, Co. Galway.
Mr. Denis Hardiman, Newtowndaly, Loughrea, Co. Galway.
Mr. & Mrs. Mattie Walsh, Cloonabinna, Moycullen, Co. Galway.
Fr. Declan Gordon, Portumna, Co. Galway.

Mary and Susan Fraughan, Coscorrig Crescent, Loughrea, Co. Galway.
Mr. & Mrs. John Conway, Curra, Kylebrack, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

N.O.M. NO. 13 - HOUSING - CLR. W. BURKE.

2144

The following written reply was given to Councillor W. Burke.

This applicant, is an approved applicant for re-housing with Galway County Council. Casual vacancies or newly constructed house are allocated in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities as adopted by the Council and this application will be considered with others in accordance with that Scheme as vacancies arise.

N.O.M. NO. 14 - HOUSING - CLR. W. BURKE.

2145

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

This applicant is an approved applicant for re-housing with Galway County Council. Casual vacancies or newly constructed house are allocated in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities as adopted by the Council and this application will be considered with others in accordance with that Scheme as vacancies arise.

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

2146

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

"It is not possible to provide a specific reply to your query as you have not specified the types of claims for which you require information. Please let me have specific details of the types of claim referred to in order that your query may be further investigated."

N.O.M. NO. 16 - FLOODING - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM

2147

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"It is hoped to have remedial works carried out at the above location during 1994 to alleviate flooding of the road."

N.O.M. NO. 17 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM 2148

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The carrying out of works at above location is dependent on specific funds being made available by the Department of the Environment. The Council has sought an allocation from the Department to provide for the alleviation of road flooding in this area, and notification of grants is awaited."

N.O.M. NO. 18 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. M. CUNNINGHAM 2149

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham.

"The carrying out of works at above location is dependent on specific funds being made available by the Department of the Environment. The Council has sought an allocation from the Department to provide for the alleviation of road flooding in this area, and notification of grants is awaited."

N.O.M. NO. 19 - GORT FIRE STATION - CLR. M. FAHY 2150

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"Galway County Council have received approval in principal for the construction of a new fire station at Gort. Galway County Council have currently appointed an architect to prepare preliminary drawings for submission to the Department of the Environment. It is anticipated that these drawings will be forwarded to the Department of the Environment in March, 1994."

N.O.M. NO. 20 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. M. FAHY 2151

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"The carrying out of works at above location is dependent on specific funds being made available by the Department of the Environment. The Council has sought an allocation from the Department for the carrying out of improvement works at this location and notification of grants is awaited."

N.O.M. NO. 21 - SEWERAGE PLANTS - CLR. M. FAHY 2152

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"As you are aware, the Council has a long list of towns and villages where sewerage schemes would be desirable. Some of those schemes are at the planning stage where some preliminary work has been carried out. The total value of those schemes at the planning stage is in excess of £140m., and all advance planning costs and fees have to be carried by the Council. The Preliminary Report for Craughwell will be completed shortly."

Peterswell is not in the list of schemes which have reached the preliminary stage. While there is a need for a comprehensive plan for sewerage schemes in Villages throughout the County, the Council does not have the finance at the present time to fund the costs that would be involved in the planning work for additional schemes. The matter, however, will be kept under review.

N.O.M. NO. 22 - FLOODING - CLR. P. FINNEGAN 2153

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"This is a land drainage problem and is not a matter for Galway County Council."

N.O.M. NO. 23 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. P. FINNEGAN 2154

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"Repairs have now been carried out to the above road."

N.O.M. NO. 24 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. P. FINNEGAN 2155

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at above locations in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 25 - SUIOCHAIN - AN COMH. S. O GABHAIN 2156

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir O Gabhain.

"Nil aon airgead ar fail faoi lathair chun suiochain a chuir ar fail ag an lathair thuasluaite."

N.O.M. NO. 26 - FADHB TUILLTE - AN COMH S. O GABHAIN 2157

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir O Gabhain.

"Ta muid ag scrudu an cas seo faoi lathair agus beidh freagra againn le haghaidh an chead chruinniu eile."

N.O.M. NO. 27 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE. 2158

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"This road will be subject to routine maintenance in order of priority and as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 28 - SOCCER CLUB - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 2159

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"The Council proposes to carry out a study in regard to the landscaping and use of the land at this location. On completion of this Study, a decision will be made on the availability and further use of these lands."

N.O.M. NO. 29 - LOUGHREA FAIRGREEN - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 2160

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"Landscape development proposals for Loughrea town and environs have been submitted by the Loughrea Heritage Development Association which includes the Fairgreen. This plan is being examined at present and it is intended to make an application to FAS for an S.E.S. to carry out some of the work at both locations in due course."

N.O.M. NO. 30 - CAHERONAUN PARK, LOUGHREA - CLR. J. McCLEARN. 2161

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

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

N.O.M. NO. 31 - WATER TABLES - CLR. J. McCLEARN 2162

The following written reply was given to Councillor McClearn.

"Water tables at above location will be attended to as part of routine maintenance in order of priority and as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 32 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. J. McCLEARN 2163

The following written reply was given to Councillor McClearn.

"The carrying out of the above works is not considered a priority while funds remain scarce."

N.O.M. NO. 33 - ORANMORE/DERRYDONNELL ROAD - DEPUTY P. McCORMACK. 2164

The following written reply was given to Deputy McCormack.

"The total estimated expenditure on the project is £1.6m."

The Contract was designed and supervised by the Transportation Section, Galway County Council. The work is 100% funded through the Department of the Environment.

The expenditure to date is approximately £1.1m."

N.O.M. NO. 34 - WATER SUPPLY - DEPUTY P. McCORMACK 2165

The following written reply was given to Deputy McCormack.

"A Preliminary report for the improvement of the Roundstone Water Supply is currently nearing completion. This work is being completed as part of our Village Scheme Programme for water and sewerage improvements. I would point out that the water supply to the Village is satisfactory, however the Errisbeg Group Water Scheme which is served by Roundstone supply is experiencing some difficulties. This problem could be overcome by the relocation of a booster pump which is currently serving the group"

N.O.M. NO. 35 - HAZARD LIGHTS - SENATOR J. McDONAGH 2166

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"Galway County council provided school flashing lights at three locations in 1993. It is hoped to provide a similar number in 1994 and the above location will be considered along with others in the preparation of this programme."

N.O.M. NO. 36 - ROAD - SENATOR J. McDONAGH. 2167

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

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

N.O.M. NO. 37 - ROAD - SENATOR J. McDONAGH 2168

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"A sum of £15,000 has been provided in the 1994 Draft Road Works Programme for Athenry Town."

N.O.M. NO. 38 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. P. McHUGH 2169

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"The above works will be carried out during 1994 provided resources allow."

N.O.M. NO. 39 - FLOODING - CLR. P. McHUGH 2170

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"It is hoped to have remedial works carried out at the above location during 1994 to alleviate flooding of the road."

N.O.M. NO. 40 - ROAD WORKS - CLR. P. McHUGH 2171

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above location in the near future."

N.O.M. NO. 41 - PROTECTION BARRIERS - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA 2172

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta.

"Beidh muid ag cuir comharthai feiliunach suas ag an lathar seo go gairid."

N.O.M. NO. 42 - COSAN - AN COMH. C. NIFHATHARTA 2173

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairle Ni Fhatharta.

"Nil muid inan an cosan ata ag an Minna a dheisiu faoi lathair."

Da bhri sin is ar eigin go mbeidh muid inan cosan nua a chuir ar fail."

N.O.M. NO. 43 - BALLA - AN COMH. C. NIFHATHARTA. 2174

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairle Ni Fhatharta.

"Nil aon airgead an fail faoi lathair le haghaidh an obair seo a dheanamh."

N.O.M. NO. 44 - PATCHING EQUIPMENT - DEPUTY E. O CUIV 2175

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

"Purchase of the above equipment will be considered when the full 1994 grant allocation is known."

N.O.M. NO. 45 - WATER SUPPLY - DEPUTY E. O CUIV 2176

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

"Galway County Council have forwarded the Preliminary Report for the Carna/Cill Chiarain Regional Water Supply Scheme to the Department of the Environment for their approval. The Department's approval to prepare contract documents is awaited."

The Preliminary Report for the Rosmuc Regional Water Scheme is with the Department of the Environment. A certificate of planning for the scheme will issue to

the Department in the near future.

N.O.M. NO. 46 - DROICHEAD - AN TEACHTA E. O CUIV 2177

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Teachta O Cuiv.

"Beidh muid ag cuir comharthai feiliunach suas ag an ionad seo go gairid.

Ta iarratas curtha againn chuig an Roinn comhshaol le haghaidh deontas chun droichead nua a thogail ag an lathar seo."

N.O.M. NO. 47 - ROAD - CLR. S. O'NEACTAIN 2178

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

"It was not possible to include the above road in the 1994 Draft Road Works Programme due to lack of funds. However, routine maintenance will be carried out in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 48 - HEDGE CUTTING - CLR. S. O'NEACTAIN 2179

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

"The above location will be considered along with others under the 1994 Hedge Cutting Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 49 - WATER SUPPLY - CLR. M. O'NEILL 2180

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

A Preliminary Report for the Improvement of the Roundstone Water Supply is currently nearing completion. This work is being completed as part of our Village Scheme Programme for water and sewerage improvements. I would point out that the water supply to the Village is satisfactory; however the Errisbeg Group Water Scheme which is served by Roundstone supply is experiencing some difficulties. This problem could be overcome by the relocation of a booster pump which is currently serving the group.

N.O.M. NO. 50 - SIGNS - CLR. M. O'NEILL 2181

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

"There are three beaches at above location with no direct access from the public road.

The Council therefore has no authority to direct people through private property.

The Council had a sign at this location approximately two years ago which had to be removed at the request of the land owner."

N.O.M. NO. 51 - ROAD - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 2182

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

"Works will be carried out at the above location under the 1994 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 52 - ROAD - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 2183

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

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above location in order of priority and as resources permit."

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.

John G. L.
(Chairman)

28/3/94

(Date)

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

21u u la Feabhra, 1994.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Miosiuil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De Luain, an 28 u la Feabhra, 1994, 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. Consideration of Minutes for the following Meetings:-
 - (a) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 14th January, 1994.
 - (b) Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 24th January, 1994.
 - (c) Mionntuairiscí an Chruinniú ar an 11ú lá de Deireadh Fomhair idir Udaras na Gaeltachta agus Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe.
2. Sale of Site at St. Laurence's Fields, Loughrea - area 0.13 acres to Sr. Brid Carty, Mercy Order, Loughrea, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 1st February, 1994 already circulated.
3. Sale of house at Ahgloragh, Tuam, Co. Galway to Joan and Bob Hammond, 57, High Street, Leatherhead, Surrey, England - Section 83 Notice dated 10th February, 1994 already circulated.

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4. Sale of house at Ower, Headford, Co. Galway to Frank Moran, Ower, Headford, Co. Galway - Section 83 Notice dated 10th February, 1994 already circulated.
5. To consider payment of Grant to Coolarne Drainage Committee.
6. Declaration of Roads to be public (Notice enclosed).
7. Disabled Persons Grants (Report enclosed).
8. Provision of Pedestrian Crossing at Loughrea.
9. Oranmore Junction.
10. Athenry Water Supply Scheme.
11. Business submitted by the Chairman.
12. Business submitted by the Manager.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

- 13 CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :
That a house be allocated to family (details attached)
- 14 CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :
That a house be allocated to a family (details attached)
- 15 CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :
How much did Galway County Council pay out in Claims in 1993.
- 16 CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council raise portion of the road, outside the residence of Mr. Anthony Thompson, Cregclare, Ardrahan, Co. Galway , to prevent flooding on same.
- 17 CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council raise the road at Tarmon, leading to Keely's Saw Mills, which is now under-water and this was the same four years ago, which results in great hardship to people travelling and children going to school.
- 18 CLR. MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council raise the road leading to Rathorpe from Gort, which is subject to flooding now.
- 19 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council provide an extension on the present Fire Station at Georges Street, Gort, to facilitate for Tea Room, and shower after works for employees. Also County Council provide rostering, and give payment to employees, same as all other Fire Stations in Galway County.
- 20 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council carry out improvement works on a dangerous bend.

- 21 CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council prepare plans for a sewerage scheme for Craughwell Village, and Peterswell Village as both these villages urgently require Sewerage Treatment Plants.
- 22 CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :
That repairs be carried out to relieve flooding at (details supplied). What is the difficulty in relieving this flooding.
- 23 CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :
That urgent repairs be carried out to the road (details enclosed).
- 24 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
That Galway County Council carry out urgently needed repairs to the Slieveeneena-Thullanooone Road as well as the Cloonabinna-Collinamuck Roads in Moycullen.
- 25 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
Iarraim ar an gComhairle Chontae suiochain a chur ar fail ar Thra na bhForbacha (Furbo Beach).
- 26 CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN
- I will propose :
Iarraim go bhfiosroth Comhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe fadht tailte ar an bhfriomh-bhothar i dtreo an Spideal ag Bailie an tSleibhe. Fresin go ndeiseofai an bothar chuig Roilig an Choillegh
- 27 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :
That the road at specific location be repaired.
- 28 CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE
- I will propose :
That the County Manager indicate whether he is prepared to accede to the request from Loughrea Soccer Club for use of the field beside the Waterworks at Knockanima as a

training ground.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNAME
- I will propose :

29

That the Council be updated on plans and that a timescale for effecting same be given in relation to the Fairgreen and the new acquired Corrys Field, Loughrea.

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

30

That Galway County Council take in charge the Green Area and Play Equipment at Caheronaun Park, Loughrea as already promised.

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

31

That Galway County Council open watertables at the following location - details attached.

CLR. JIMMY MC CLEARN
- I will propose :

32

That Galway County Council carry out surface dressing of the parking area at Fahy Church, Eyrecourt, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

CLR. PADRAIC MC CORMACK
- I will propose :

33

What is the total expenditure on the realignment and resurfacing of the Oranmore/Derrydonnell Road on work which is being carried out over the past number of months; who supervised this work, from what source was this work funded; what is the total expenditure on the road so far.

CLR. PADRAIC MC CORMACK
- I will propose :

34

What plans Galway County Council has to improve the water supply at Roundstone as the present supply is unsatisfactory and which is being disconnected for 3 days per week.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

35

That Galway County Council provide from this years Estimates a Warning Hazard Light at Shcool (details supplied)

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

36

That Galway County Council take road in charge at Glenside, Claregalwly.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH
- I will propose :

37

That Galway County Council surface dress street (details enclosed)

CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

38

That Galway County Council when carrying out the road works programme already agreed would incorporate the following improvement works as part of same (Details enclosed).

CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

39

That Galway County council carry out improvement works to alleviate flooding at the following location. (Details enclosed)

CLR. PADDY MC HUGH
- I will propose :

40

That Galway County Council carry out pothole filling on the roads (details enclosed)

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

41

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe "protection barrier" ar an gcoirneal trasna o ti Johnny Donaghue ar An Cheathru Rua. Ta an coirneal seo an-contuirteach.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

42

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe cosan idir An Tulach agus Na Minna. Bionn go leor tracht ar an mbothar seo agus ta an cosan ag teastail.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA
- I will propose :

43

Go deanfaidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe an balla ar taobh na farraige ag Uaimini, Cnoc, Leitirmeallain a thoghail. Ta an balla ar an mbothar agus ceapann muintir na haite go bhfuil se contuirteach.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

44 That proper patching and pot holes maintenance equipment be provided for the Casla, Clifden and Oughterard Engineering Area.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

45 Please put the following matter on the Agenda - "The Rosmuc and Acran/Cill Chiarain Regional Water Supply Scheme.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

46 Molaim go gcuirfear suas comharthaí contuirte ag Droichead Chamuis mar go bhfuil se an contuireach agus i bhfad níos caoile na an bothar ar gach aon taobh do. Molaim freisin go ndeanfar iarratas ar deontas specialta chuig an Roinn Comhshaoil le Droichead nua a thogail ann mar go bhfuil an ceann ata ann i lathair na huaire an chung.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN

- I will propose :

47 That Galway County Council would make special provision to have this road improved (details supplied). Its present condition is totally unsatisfactory and considering its important linkage with other roads in the area it should be given special consideration.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN

- I will propose :

48 That Galway County Council would ensure that hedgecutting is carried out on a regular basis in this area (details supplied). There is great local dissatisfaction with the growth of briars etc., on the roadsides which greatly effects traffic movement in the area.

CLR. MICHAEL O'NEILL

- I will propose :

49 Urgent improvements be carried out to Roundstone Water Supply, which has been defective during and since last Summer, to ensure that a satisfactory water supply is available to a very important tourist resort.

CLR. MICHAEL O'NEILL

- I will propose :

50 A Beach Sign removed by the County Council from the Rossadilish, Cleggan Road be replaced as there are there important beaches on this road.

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN

- I will propose :

51 That the road (particulars below) be given immediate attention.

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN

- I will propose :

52 That immediate work be carried out on the road (particulars below)

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN

- I will propose :

53 That immediate steps be taken to remove unsightly walls and repair footpahts (particulars below)

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 21st
FEBRUARY, 1994

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Councillors 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
J. Mannion, M. McClearn, Deputy P. McCormack, Senator J. McDonagh, Councillors P. McHugh, M. Mullins, C. Ni Fhatharta, S. O'Neachtain, M. O'Neill, P. O'Sullivan, 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 Assistant County Manager, M. Dolly, P. Martyn, R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineers, T. Coughlan, Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

2126

A Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:

Mr. Tom Conroy, Main Street, Headford.
Mr. James Monaghan and Family, Rosslodge, Headford.
John Joe O Tuathail, Casla P.O., Connemara.
Mrs. Mary Lynch, 17, St. Josephs Place, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Hanna Keane, Ballinamore Bridge, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Sarah Dervan, Allygoola, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
Mrs. Kathleen Comer, Moyglass, Loughrea.

Senator J. McDonagh proposed a Vote of Sympathy to the Widow and Family of the later Paddy Haverty, Craughwell. This proposal was seconded by Councillor

K. Quinn, and the Meeting adjourned for a short period as a Mark of Respect.

CONGRATULATIONS.

2127

A Vote of Congratulations was extended to Macra na Feirme on their 50th Anniversary, and to the Galway Hurling Team and the Irish Rugby Team on recent victories.

ROADS.

2128

The County Engineer referred to Report which had been previously circulated to each Member of the Council setting out proposals for expenditure on Non-National Roads in the sum of £4.5 M. The County Engineer explained the rationale behind each proposal.

In reply to Councillor O'Neachtain, the County Engineer stated that the R336 cannot be improved at reasonable cost. The Members of the Council expressed concern that the proposals did not address the problem of County Roads serving a small number of houses, and referred to a number of roads which they considered were in need of repair, including the Tuam/Clonbern Road, Tuam/Horsleap Crossroads, Moyvilla, R336, Tuam/Headford, R340, Aughrim Battle Field, Lough Calla, Cappataggle/Kilconnell, Loughrea/Athenry, Labane/Ardrahan, Craughwell/Bookeen Oranmore/Maree, Ballyconneely/Roundstone, Claregalway/Oranmore.

It was proposed by Deputy O Cuiv, and seconded by Councillor Mannion, that, on receipt of an allocation for Non-National Roads, the Council should prepare a 5 year plan for roads. It was proposed by Councillor Gavin, and seconded by Councillor J. Burke, that the Council apply for a pilot scheme as referred to in Circular RW1/94. It was agreed that interaction between the Council and Community Groups be included in a future agenda for further discussion.

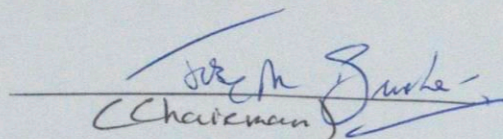
The County Engineer informed the Members that the criteria used in selecting the roads as proposed was in accordance with that set out in the Circular, that funds had to be used as a catalyst to assist job creation, and that he hoped that a better balance in expenditure of the Discretionary Grant might be achieved to deal with smaller jobs if the Council received a reasonable allocation. The County Engineer also stated that the Council is trying to improve the spinal roads in Connemara, that he did

not consider the Moyvilla Road to be a priority, and that, as strengthening jobs have a labour content of approximately 20%, the proposed funding will not be a major boost for employment.

The County Manager stated that the proposed new road for Tuam is to facilitate a particular industry as a result of a commitment given by the Council for job creation.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.


(Chairman)

28/3/94
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

14u u la Feabhra, 1994.

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 Luain, an 21 u la Feabhra, 1994, ag tosnu ar a 3.00 a chlog sa trathnona.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. Roads - Copy of Circular RW 1/94 of the 4th February, 1994 - Grants got the Improvement work on Non-National Roads (enclosed).

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 11th
FEBRUARY, 1994.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors 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, 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,
T. Kavanagh, Acting Assistant County
Manager, E. Lusby, Finance Officer,
L. Kavanagh, S.E.E., B. Doyle, A.O.,
J. Murphy, S.S.O., and T. Coughlan,
Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

2114

A Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

Mary Ann Bn Ui Dhomhnaill, Caoran Beag, An Cheathru
Rua, Co. na Gaillimhe.
Mrs. Moira Forde & Family, Rathbane, Ardrahan.
Mr. Padraic Burke, St. Josephs Place, Ballinasloe.
Paddy Murray, Liscune, Ballymacward, Ballinasloe.
Willie Silke, Cloonkell, Moylough, Co. Galway.
Anthony Rice, Woodford, Co. Galway.
Jimmy Nevin, Easterfield, Ballyshrulie, Ballinasloe.

It was proposed by the Chairman, and agreed, that the
Council extend a Vote of Sympathy to Mr. Brian Doyle,
Administrative Officer on the recent death of his
Father.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY & COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NO. 66785 - MICHAEL MURPHY.

2115

The Resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed
by Councillor Byrne and seconded by Councillor Regan.

Councillor Byrne stated that the applicant has
constructed a house since 1984, that he had the use
of a Septic Tank from an adjoining shop, and that when
the shop was sold, the applicant found it necessary
to provide a septic tank. The applicant is seeking
to regularise the position, understands that the
proposal is acceptable to the C.M.O., and although
the applicant wants to install the sewerage treatment
plant, he is unemployed and he feels that he cannot
afford it. This Section 4 is proposed to speed up
the process in order that the applicant may have a
septic tank.

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

Proposed Development: Retention of dwellinghouse as
built and relocation of existing septic tank.

Townland: Garraun Lower

Planning Ref. No.: 66785

LOCATION:

The site is located opposite the Maree Community
Centre and immediately adjacent to - and to the north
of the shop and petrol pumps.

PLANNING HISTORY:

Pr. Ref. No. 47940 - Permission was granted to the
applicant on the 8.9.1984 for erection of a
dwellinghouse on a larger site which included the
site of the adjacent shop which was also owned by the
applicant. The sewer was to connect to the septic
tank serving the existing shop and this septic tank
was owned by the applicant.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The difficulties in this application relate to the
siting of the septic tank and percolation area.

The applicant sold the adjacent shop, including the
septic tank serving his own dwellinghouse, in 1988.
Subsequently he built a septic tank without planning
permission which is located half-way in his own
property and half-way into a neighbours property.

His application now requires permission to relocate
the septic tank within his site and also to construct
a percolation area within his site. The dimension
from the house to the rear boundary is 18 metres.
The required distance of a percolation area from a
dwellinghouse is 20 metres (as set out in SR6 1991)
and this distance cannot be achieved. In addition
there is limestone rock within 650mm of the surface.

The proposal as outlined is unacceptable to the Chief Medical Officer however, he has indicated that a domestic sewage type treatment plant may be acceptable.

The applicant is aware of this possible solution but apparently he considers it to be too costly.

RECOMMENDATION: It is proposed to refuse the application for the following reason;

The site is substandard in size to accommodate a percolation area located in accordance with the recommendations of S.R.6 1991 and public health requirements, and would, if permitted, constitute substandard development which would be prejudicial to public health.

The Chairman enquired as to the possibility of imposing a time limit for the installation of a sewerage treatment plant, and the County Engineer in response stated that the Septic Tank may not function in the meantime. The County Manager stated that a Puraflo could work at this location, but the problem for the applicant is of his own making. The applicant sold the land adjoining his house and the Council now require him to instal a Puraflo System to regularise the situation. The County Manager pointed out that if the existing system does not function properly this situation cannot be allowed to continue, that the applicant should submit a proposal that would comply with SR6, and that the Council would not take any action for two to three weeks if such a proposal is submitted. Councillor Byrne pointed out that there would still be the problem in achieving the required distance, but the Chairman stated that an application should be submitted.

Councillor Byrne proposed that the Section 4 Notice be withdrawn, and this was agreed by the Member.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69420 - JOHN DUGGAN. 2116

The Meeting was informed that this application had been granted and it was agreed that the Section 4 Notice be withdrawn.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69865 - APPLICANT - DERMOT FORDE. 2117

The resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor McHugh and seconded by Senator McDonagh.

Councillor McHugh informed the Meeting that this site is not backlands in the extreme sense, that there is

an existing access even though it is not taken in charge, that a niece of the Applicant wishes to build the house, and that there is, therefore, a housing need. Councillor McHugh also stated that there is no health or traffic hazard. Senator McDonagh agreed with Councillor McHugh stating that there is an existing access and a housing need.

The County Engineer read the following Report which had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located in the townland of Cregboy on the County Road linking the N17 Galway - Claregalway road and the N64 Claregalway - Oranmore Road. The site is located approximately 300 yards from the junction with the N17 National Primary Route.

PLANNING HISTORY:

PR. 66955 - A similar application by the same applicant was refused by the Planning Authority on the 19/8/92, on grounds of undesirable development of backlands and inadequate site size having regard to the requirements of the County Development Plan.

Subsequent to this refusal, the applicant developed the access way to the site without the benefit of planning permission. A Warning Notice issued on the 30/11/92 in relation to this unauthorised development.

PR. 67663 - A similar application was again refused by the Planning Authority on the 26/2/93 on the same grounds as previously refused.

PR. 68372 - Outline Permission was again refused by the Planning Authority on the 14/9/93 on the same grounds as previously refused. A Section 4 Motion to grant Outline Planning Permission failed because the required number of members did not vote in favour. An objection was lodged in respect of this application.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed site has no direct frontage onto the public road but is accessed by a right of way approximately 8 metres wide and is located approximately 110 metres from the public roadway.

It is a development objective of the County Development Plan, as set out in Chapter 7.1 (vi) to control backlands development.

The site is also located within the urban environs of Galway city where it is the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in Chapter 7.2.6 of the County

Development Plan to exercise strict development control. The minimum site frontage required onto a public road is 30 metres. It is also the policy of the Planning Authority within this area to prohibit backlands development, as contained in Chapter 7.2.8 (ii) of the County Development Plan.

The applicants response to the question of housing need indicates that a housing need does not exist.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

1. The proposed development, without any direct access onto a public roadway would constitute undesirable development of backlands which would be contrary to a development objective of the County Development Plan as indicated at Chapter 7.1. (vi) and would be contrary to the provisions of Chapter 7.2.6 and 7.2.8 of the County Development Plan which seek to prohibit such development.
2. The proposed development would contravene Chapter 7, Table 7A of the County Development Plan which requires a minimum site frontage of 30 metres onto a public road, because the site proposed to be developed has no frontage onto a public road.

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

FOR:- Councillors Byrne, Callanan, Deputies Connaughton, O Cuiv, Councillors Cunningham, Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Mullins, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Regan, Ryan, Varley and Walsh
(25)

AGAINST:- Councillors Brennan, J. Burke. (2)

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY & COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69130 - DES JOYCE.

2118

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

Deputy O Cuiv stated that this is a case of essential housing need, that the applicant and his wife are working in the area and wish to provide a house for

themselves, but the problem has arisen due to the site selected on the family farm. Deputy O Cuiv informed the Meeting that the Section 4 was lodged before a Site Meeting took place, and that there is no point in having site meetings if they don't resolve problems. Deputy O Cuiv stated that he understood that a final conclusion was not reached at the Meeting, requested that the applicant be met in the Office for a further meeting, and stated that the Section 4 would then be withdrawn.

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

LOCATION:

The site is located in the townland Cloughbrack Upper about three miles north of Cor na Mona c. 200 metres west of the Cloughbrack - Cor na Mona road.

PLANNING HISTORY:

There are no previous applications on the site or on adjoining sites.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

This would appear to be a case of genuine housing need. The site borders an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and High Scenic Amenity. It undulates very severely and the proposal is to site the dwelling at the highest point, which is at the top of a ridge. This is an extremely elevated and exposed site and the proposed development would form a prominent and highly obtrusive feature on the landscape. There are views and prospects of Special Amenity Value from the Cloughbrack - Cor na Mona road towards the east of the Maumturks which would be seriously obstructed by the proposed development.

From the map of the landholding it would appear that a more suitable site could be found which would not obstruct any view/prospect of Special Amenity Value.

RECOMMENDATION: It is proposed to refuse the application on the following grounds;

1. The proposed development would interfere with a view of special amenity value which it is necessary to preserve, because it would be located on an elevated site in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and could not be assimilated into its surroundings.

The County Engineer stated that the applicant was adamant that he wanted to build on top of a ridge, and the County Engineer also confirmed that there is no problem regarding qualification for housing need.

Deputy O Cuiv stated that he had serious reason to

believe, that having spoken to the applicant, they would be willing to relocate and that this matter could be resolved by discussion. The County Manager stated that this is an important case. The Manager informed the Meeting that it is the objective of the County Council to provide for essential housing need, that at the last meeting he had indicated that the Council would assist in site selection where possible, but it would be necessary for applicants to co-operate. The County Manager stated that the Planning Officer must have independence to express his/her views, and that unfortunately, Planning Officers are sometimes abused. The Manager stated that Meetings will be arranged in Offices, and where necessary, on site, and that a Meeting in the Offices will be arranged for this case. The County Engineer stated that an Office Meeting may not be practical, and it was agreed that a Meeting be held before the 21st February, 1993, and that the Section 4 be withdrawn.

**RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY & COUNTY
MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING
APPLICATION NO. 69316 - ARMIN BRUHIN.**

2119

The resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Fahy and seconded by Councillor Cunningham.

Councillor Fahy stated that there is a Family need for this house, that he regretted that it had to come to the Section 4 because the Application should have been granted, that 4/5 families have built houses at this location and that this proposed house is only an addition, that there is a need for a house for this family and that it would be unfair to discuss openly the details of the case in an open Meeting.

The following Report had been circulated to each Member prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located close to the Environs of the Kilmacduagh Round Tower and monastic settlement which is in full state care, being National Monument No. 51.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The policy of the Planning Authority, as expressed in Chapter 10.2.1 of the County Development Plan, is to control development adjoining such sites in the light of the appropriateness of such development to the area. Chapter 7.2.8 of the Plan restricts ribbonised housing in rural areas, particularly where it would impair the visual amenity or essential character of the area.

The farmholders family has been accommodated nearby

and four houses have been constructed facing across the monastic site. The proposed site is to be sold to a person who is not related to the family and who has no particular need to construct a house at this location.

It is considered that further suburban ribbonisation along this road would seriously detract from the scenic amenity of the monastic site and would be at odds with its architectural character and its cultural ethos.

There would be no objections in principle to the applicant building a house in this general area but sufficiently removed from the environs so as not to be intrusive or to constitute ribbonised development.

RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed development would contravene Section 7.2.8 of the County Development Plan because, in conjunction with existing adjacent houses, it would constitute ribbon development which is generally prohibited in rural areas and which in this particular instance, because of its proximity to Kilmacduagh Round Tower and churches which are National Monuments, would contribute to the erosion of the scenic and environmental amenity of the area.

Councillor Gavin pointed out that the report states that the site is to be sold, and it would seem, therefore, that there is no housing need. Councillor Brennan stated that the Office of Public Works would not allow the development proceed.

The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the applicant did not substantiate housing need. The County Engineer also stated that, with the exception of Connemara, this location is probably one of the most beautiful places in County Galway, but it has been a bit spoilt due to the fact that 4/5 houses have been built there. The farmholders families have been accommodated at this location, and the applicant would get sympathetic consideration for development in the general area.

Councillor Cunningham stated that the existing houses have not detracted from the Monastic Site, that it is proposed that a Golf Course will be developed a few hundred yards from the Site, that the Applicant had come to Ireland for a number of years and had stayed with the Finnegan Family during his visits over a 10 year period, that the Applicant had proposed to move to Orammore Golf and Country Club but would now prefer to build on this site due to his contacts with the family, and that one extra house would not damage the area. Councillor Byrne stated that there is no dwelling on the West side of the road where the Round Tower and Cathedral is situated, and did not consider that this proposal would detract from the archaeological value. Councillor Byrne referred to

developments such as the Spanish Arch and in Dublin, and stated that the problem being discussed only seems to arise in rural areas.

In response to Councillor McClearn, Councillor Fahy stated that the proposed house will not be a Holiday Home but will be a Family Home. Councillor Fahy also informed the Meeting that a letter had been delivered to the Planning Section on the 10th February, 1994. The County Manager stated that the letter was of a personal nature and did not affect the application before the County Council.

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

FOR:- Councillors Byrne, Callanan, Deputies Connaughton, O Cuiv, Councillors Cunningham, Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Mullins, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, Quinn, Regan, Ryan, Varley and Walsh. (23)

AGAINST:- Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, W. Burke, Gavin, O'Tuathail. (5).

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

N.18 RE-ALIGNMENT 2120

Councillors Cunningham and Loughnane expressed reservations following public meetings regarding the N18 Re-alignment. It was agreed that this matter would be discussed with the County Engineer.

BRIDGE ROAD, PORTUMNA 2121

Councillor W. Burke alleged that the construction of Council houses at Bridge Road, Portumna is not in accordance with the County Development Plan, and requested that this development cease. The County Manager refuted allegations relating to a breach of the Plan by the County Council, and pointed out that the Council is building one house for a traveller family and another for a settled family, that the houses are at roof level, that the Council own the land and demolished two old houses and is replacing them with two new houses. The Manager pointed out that the fact that two houses previously existed had established residential use, that the Council will be using the Main Drainage Scheme, that the development is within the 30 mile zone, and that the problem in this case is that people do not want the house for the traveller at this location. The Manager reiterated that the Development Plan had not been breached, and informed the Meeting that the Council upholds the Development Plan. Councillor W. Burke stated that legal action will be taken in this

matter.

SALE OF SITE 2122

It was proposed by Councillor Mullins, and seconded by Deputy Connaughton that the Council approve in principle the sale of a site at Loughrea to Sr. Brid subject to confirmation at the next meeting of the Council.

ADVANCE NOTICE - PLANNING REF. 69939 - SEAMUS GRADY 2123

Councillor Walsh stated that the applicant in this case did not have the required frontage, that there is sufficient land at the rear of the development, that it is the applicant's own house, and asked that discretion be used in this case. Councillor Quinn supported Councillor Walsh. The County Engineer stated that Councillor Walsh's comments would be taken into consideration.

PUBLIC LIGHTING PROGRAMME, 1994. 2124

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Regan, and agreed, that the Council adopt the Public Lighting Programme 1994 as circulated. The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the Light at Bridge Road, Portumna would be substituted by a light at St. Joseph's Road, Portumna.

The Members of the Council requested that more lights be provided in each area, and requested that the lights be provided as soon as possible in the current year.

ROADS 2125

The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the Council had been requested to make a submission for funding of Non-National Roads, and that work had commenced on the preparation of a submission.

The Members expressed concern at the expenditure on the Oranmore/Derrydonnel Repavement, the condition of the R366, N59, N63, N17, N65, N84 and the N64. It was proposed by Councillor Byrne, seconded by Senator McDonagh, that the Council prepare a proposal for the re-alignment of the Moyvilla Road. The County Engineer informed the Meeting that the Council does not have funds to maintain services, and there are, therefore, no funds available for re-alignment. It was proposed by Councillor Byrne, seconded by Senator McDonagh, that proposals for the re-alignment of National Secondary Roads in South Galway be submitted to the Department of the Environment and it was proposed by Councillor P. O'Tuathail and seconded by Councillor NiFhatharta that the Council seek a Special Grant for Footpaths from Tully to Galway. It was proposed by Senator McDonagh, and seconded by Councillor Quinn, that the N.R.A. be informed about

the fears of residents along the N63, and that the road be upgraded to National Primary status. It was agreed that roads be discussed at a Special Roads Meeting to be held at 3.00 p.m. on the 21st February, 1994.

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed.

Joseph J. [Signature]
Chairman

28/3/94

(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

7 u la Feabhra, 1994.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Miosiuil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De hAoine, an 11 u la Feabhra, 1994, 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. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant retention of dwellinghouse as built and relocation of existing Septic Tank at Garraun Lower to Michael Murphy - Planning Ref. No. 66785.

T. Byrne J. McClearn M. Regan
M. Cunningham M. Loughnane M. Fahy

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 to demolish existing sub-standard dwellinghouse and outline permission for erection of dwellinghouse, garage and Septic Tank in the townland of Cregboy to John Duggan - Planning Ref. No. 69420

P. McHugh S. O'Neachtain J. McDonagh
P. McCormack.

3. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant outline permission for dwellinghouse and septic tank at Cregboy, - to Dermot Forde - Planning Ref. No. 69865.

P. McHugh J. McDonagh E. Varley,
P. McCormack.

4. "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 Des Joyce, Rusheen East, Clonbur, Co. Galway for the erection of a dwellinghouse and Septic Tank at Cloughbrack Upper - Planning Ref. No. 69130

M. Fahy M. Regan T. Byrne
M. Cunningham M. Loughnane

5. "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant full planning permission for the erection of a Bungalow Garage and Septic Tank at Tawnagh East, Gort to Mr. Armin Bruhim - Planning Ref. No. 69316.

M. Fahy M. Regan. T. Byrne
M. Cunningham M. Loughnane.

6. Advance Notice - Planning Application Ref. No. 69939 - Seamus Grady - Councillor T. Walsh.
7. Public Lighting Programme, 1994 (Attached).
8. Road Proposals, 1994 (Attached).
9. Sceim na mBoithre Aise - Deontais (le seo)
10. Afforestation Policy.
11. E.C. Briefing Session - Brussels Conference.
12. Review of County Development Plan.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 24th
JANUARY, 1994.

IN THE CHAIR:- Councillor J. Burke.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Councillor J. Brennan, W. Burke
T. Byrne J. Callanan, Deputy
E. O'Cuiv, Councillors M.
Cunningham, M. Fahy P. Finnegan,
M. Finnerty, S. Gavin, T.
Hussey, M. Loughnane, J. Mannion,
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
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, R. Killeen,
S.E.E. and T. Coughlan, Acting
County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

SYMPATHY

2067

Resolutions of Sympathy were passed with the following:

Mr. & Mrs. Derek Whyte, Ballycorban, Abbey, Loughrea.
Mrs Corbett & Family, Cloonboo, Corrandulla.
Mr. Sean Brien, Ellagh, Kilconnell, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Patricia Reilly, Moore Street, Loughrea.
Mr. Jim Burke, Kilgarve, Creagh, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Geraldine Lyons, Rea, Woodford.
Mr. & Mrs. Doughlan Whelan, Shanaglish, Gort.
Mrs. Marie Staunton, Church Street, Creagh,
Ballinasloe.

MINUTES.

2068

On the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Regan, the Minutes of Adjourned Estimates

Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 3rd December, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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

On the proposition of Councillor Finnerty, seconded by Councillor Callanan, the Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 20th December, 1993 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY MANAGER.

2069

It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor J. Mannion, and agreed, that Mr. Donal O'Donoghue be appointed to the Wholetime Post of Galway County Manager with effect from the 5th April, 1994 in accordance with Section 6 of the Local Authority (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926 as amended by Section 5 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955.

RAISING OF LOAN

2070

It was proposed by Councillor Fahy, seconded by Councillor Quinn, and agreed, that Galway County Council approve the raising of loan of £2 M from the Housing Finance Agency for Housing Purposes.

EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE

2071

It was unanimously agreed that Councillors McHugh, Varley and Fahy be appointed to the Employment Committee of Galway County Council. It was agreed that the Employment Committee meet at 2.15 p.m. on the 28th February, 1994.

EXPENSES OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS.

2072

It was proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Fahy, and agreed, that Galway County Council adopt the terms of Circular L.G. 49/2 - Expenses of Local Authority Members.

BURIAL GROUNDS.

2073

The Acting Assistant County Manager referred to a report dated the 20th January, 1994 which had

previously been circulated to each Member of the Council, setting out the present position in relation to the acquisition and development of Burial Grounds. It was proposed by Councillor Mannion and unanimously agreed, that the Report be adopted. The Acting Assistant County Manager informed the Members of the present position in relation to a number of Burial Grounds throughout the County, and undertook to issue written replies in relation to various matters raised by the Members.

GALWAY COURTHOUSE.

2074

The County Manager referred to a Report dated the 24th January, 1994 which had previously been circulated to the Members relating to the Refurbishment of Galway Courthouse. The County Manager informed the Meeting that a Report would be prepared and circulated setting out the present position in relation to negotiations on the sale of Cluain Mhuire.

TRAVELLERS TRAINING CENTRE AT TUAM

2075

The County Manager referred to a Report dated the 24th January, 1994 which had been circulated to each Member of the Council prior to the Meeting. It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor M. Finnerty, and agreed, that the County Council adopt the Report as circulated.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AT LOUGHREA.

2076

It was proposed by Councillor Regan, and seconded by Councillor McClearn, that the Council provide a Pedestrian Crossing at Loughrea. The County Engineer informed the Members that a Report would be prepared for the February Monthly Meeting which would deal with the provision of a Pedestrian Crossing and Carparking in Loughrea.

JUNCTION AT THE SQUARE, GLENAMADDY.

2077

The Members of the Council expressed their gratitude for the proposal which had been circulated to the Members by the County Engineer, prior to the Meeting. It was proposed by Councillor T. Walsh, and agreed that consideration of the proposals be adjourned pending local consultation.

RECEPTION AND EXAMINATION OF TENDERS.

2078

The County Manager informed the Members that it was necessary to formalise the present arrangements for the Reception and Examination of Tenders. It was proposed by Councillor J. Mannion, and agreed that the Council adopt the Regulations as circulated.

AGRICULTURE

2079

The Members of the Council expressed concern due to the fact that Farmers are not receiving correct maps of their land holdings which are necessary to qualify for E.C Grants, that the Ordnance Sheets being supplied are out of date, that there are delays in the Department of Agriculture in dealing with phonecalls and that these delays are causing financial difficulties for Farmers. It was proposed by Councillor J. Brennan, and agreed that the Minister for Agriculture be informed of the situation and requested to extend the deadline.

PORTUMNA SEWERAGE

2080

Councillor W. Burke informed the Meeting that due to deficiencies in the existing Portumna Sewerage Scheme, raw sewerage is entering the Lake at Portumna. The County Manager informed the Meeting that the Council is very concerned about pollution, but difficulties arise from time to time due to overloading, that the Council has submitted the necessary documentation to the Department for the new Portumna Sewerage Scheme and is pressing for approval, and the County Manager refuted any suggestion that the County Council is lax in pollution control. Councillor McClearn stated that it is necessary to impress the urgency of the situation on the Department of the Environment and proposed that a Deputation go to the Department regarding this matter. This proposal was agreed.

ROADS.

2081

Councillor Brennan proposed that Roads Monies should be allocated on the basis of monies required to pay employees, that a special allocation be made available for footpaths, and that a Sub-Committee from each area meet with the County Engineer to ensure an equitable distribution of money. This proposal was seconded by Councillor J. Callanan. The Chairman informed the Meeting that the Council had decided last year to adopt the present formula, and that this system will continue until changed by the Council. A number of Members disagreed with

Councillor Brennan's proposal and it was agreed that this matter be discussed at the Roads Meeting.

It was agreed that the Programme for National Primary/National Secondary Roads be circulated to the Members, and that this be discussed at the February Planning Meeting.

SPIDDAL CARPARK

2082

It was proposed by Councillor O'Neachtain, seconded by Councillor Ni Fhatharta, and agreed, that the provision of a carpark at Spiddal be placed on the Agenda for a future Meeting of the Council.

SIGN POSTS

2083

In response to Senator McDonagh, the County Manager undertook to review the situation regarding the provision of Sign Posts for Cregmore.

CONFERENCES

2084

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, and agreed, that Senator McConagh and Councillor McClearn attend the A.M.A.I., Conference to be held in Bundoran on the 11th and 12th February, 1994. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey that Councillor Cunningham also attend.

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan and agreed, that Councillors Varley and Mannion attend the Killarney U.D.C. Conference to be held in Killarney on the 3rd and 4th February, 1994. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey and agreed, that Councillor Callanan also attend.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION.

N.O.M. NO. 13 - CARPARKING - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN

2085

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

"It is understood that the school authorities are willing to provide the land in front of the Boys National School free of charge and the Council will be contacting them in this regard during the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 14 - ROAD - CLR. W. BURKE.

2086

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

"This is a C.R. and is in need of major reconstruction. Due to the limited amount of funding available such works on county roads cannot be undertaken.

Water tables are being attended to and routine maintenance is being carried out in order of priority and as resources permit. We have recently served a notice on a land owner requesting him to open water tables."

N.O.M. NO. 15 - HEDGES - CLR. W. BURKE. 2087

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

"Hedge cutting will be carried out at the above locations under the 1994 hedge cutting programme in order of priority and as resources permit.

There was no evidence of flooding during a recent inspection."

N.O.M. NO. 16 - ROAD - CLR. W. BURKE. 2088

The following written reply was given to Councillor Burke.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at Ballydoogan Cemetery in order of priority and as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 17 - ROAD - CLR. M. FAHY 2089

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"Hardshoulders have been installed on the N18 over the last few years in order to enhance the safe movement of traffic along the road. Our proposal for the works is shown on the accompanying drawing. We intend to construct a hardshoulder of width 2.5 m. in from the house, rather than the normal 3 m. This will leave a minimum distance from the back of hard shoulder to the face of the building of 3.5 m. We would also intend to install a number of kerbs north of the house to funnel traffic away from the building. This will allow sufficient space for

parking vehicles in front of the premises. Mr. Meehan also has facility for parking to the rear of the premises. The existing situation is in our opinion a potential hazard to the general public, as the absence of hardshoulder in this section immediately after a horizontal bend in the road may catch a driver unaware. We believe that the solution we are advising is the best in the circumstances.

It is not considered that the installation of the hardshoulder will significantly increase any risks to which Mr. Meehan is subjected, and the question of purchasing the property is not being considered.

N.O.M. 18 - FLOODING - CLR. M. FAHY. 2090

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"Water tables are being attended to as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 19 - WATER SUPPLY - CLR. M. FAHY. 2091

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy.

"I wish to inform you that Helebert house is located along the section of roadway as set out in the proposed Ballymore Group Water Supply Scheme. The Heleberts should contact the Organiser, Mr. Patrick Linnane, Gortroe, Ballinderreen, to ensure that they are included on the survey sheets for this section.

N.O.M. NO. 20 - FLOODING - CLR. P. FINNEGAN. 2092

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"Work will be carried out at above location in the current year."

N.O.M. NO. 21 - ROAD - CLR. P. FINNEGAN 2093

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at above location in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 22 - ROAD - CLR. P. FINNEGAN. 2094

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at above location in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 23 - AREA PLANS - CLR. S. GAVIN 2095

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"(a) Village Plans for Spiddal, Barna, Moycullen and Oranmore were prepared in 1970. These were subsumed into subsequent County Development Plans as zoning plans. Variations to these plans have been carried out in conjunction with the five year County Development Plan Reviews. In the case of Spiddal an integrated amenity development plan was prepared in 1982. Small schemes in accordance with the plan have been carried out by the County Council and the local development association.

(b) The cost of preparing new detailed plans for each would be about £20,000 per plan.

(c) Local communities can be of great assistance in preparing such detailed plans and would be consulted as a matter of course.

N.O.M. NO. 24 - ROAD - CLR. S. GAVIN. 2096

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above location in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 25 - ROAD - CLR. S. GAVIN 2097

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above location in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 26 - PUBLIC LIGHTING - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE. 2098

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"Provision of a light at above location will be

considered in the preparation of the 1994 Public Lighting Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 27 - HEDGES - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 2099

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"Hedge cutting was carried out in the Tynagh Nutgrove road during 1993. The other locations will be attended to along with other areas in order of priority and as resources permit."

N.O.M. NO. 28 - ROAD - CLR. M. LOUGHNANE 2100

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane.

"Routine maintenance will be carried out at the above location."

N.O.M. NO. 29 - SIGNS - SEN. J. McDONAGH 2101

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"As there is no such statutory sign, it is not considered that control of animals on the road is a matter for the Council."

N.O.M. NO. 30 - FIRE - SEN. J. McDONAGH 2102

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"Periodic checks are carried out on fire hydrants within the county by the Fire Service and the Sanitary Services Maintenance Section. All defects noted are repaired."

N.O.M. NO. 31 - SIGNPOSTS - SEN. J. McDONAGH 2103

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh.

"Signposting is restricted to destinations of interest or importance outside of the immediate locality. A proliferation of road signs is unacceptable on grounds of costs of erection and maintenance, but more importantly on grounds of road safety. It is not proposed to erect any direction signs for Cregmore, as it is a rural area and signage

does not satisfy the necessary criteria."

N.O.M. NO. 32 - DROICHEAD - AN COMH. C. NIFHATHARTA 2104

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir NiFhatharta.

"Deanamh roinnt mhath obair ag an lathair seo roimh an Nolaig, agus beidh muid ag deanamh an chuid eile go gairid."

N.O.M. NO. 33 - REILIG - AN COMH. C. NIFHATHARTA. 2105

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir NiFhatharta.

"Beidh an Comhairle Chontae ag dul ag aghaidh le forbairt ar an reilig nua i Leitir Moir i mbliana. Beidh spas adhlacadh ar fail i gceann mi no dho.

N.O.M. NO. 34 - BALLA - AN COMH. C. NIFHATHARTA. 2106

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Comhairleoir NiFhatharta.

"Cosnoidh se thart ar £15,000 an obair thuasluaite a dheanamh. Nil aon airgead an fail faoi lathair le haghaidh an obair seo a dheanamh."

N.O.M. NO. 35 - SOLAS SRAID - AN TEACHTA E. O'CUIV 2107

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh don Teachta O Cuiv.

"Beidh muid ag feachaint ar an gcas seo chomh maith le cinn eile nuair a bheidh muid ag cuir an clar soilse poibli 1994 le cheile."

N.O.M. NO. 36 - BRIDGE - DEPUTY E. O CUIV. 2108

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

"A submission will be sent to the Department of the Environment in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 37 - LIGHTING - DEPUTY E. O CUIV. 2109

The following written reply was given to Deputy O Cuiv.

"Application has been made to the Department of the Environment for the provision of Traffic Route Lighting at Clifden. However, the Council has not

yet been notified of the 1994 Road Grants Allocations."

N.O.M. NO. 38 - FLASHING LIGHT - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN 2110

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

"The provision of flashing yellow lights at above location will be considered along with others when the 1994 programme is being prepared. Three locations were selected in 1993 and it is hoped to select a similar number in 1994."

N.O.M. 39 - FOOTPATHS - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN 2111

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

"There are no funds available at present to carry out the above works. However, the matter will be reconsidered when the 1994 Road Grants are notified by the Department of the Environment."

N.O.M. 40 - ROADS - CLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN 2112

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

"Repairs were recently carried out to the Drimaoohan Road. Routine maintenance will be carried out to the Cloonabinna road in the coming weeks."

N.O.M. NO. 41 - FOOTPATHS - CLR. P. O'SULLIVAN 2113

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

"Works at above location are included in the 1994 Draft Road Works Programme."

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed,

John Smith
CChairman
28/2/94
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

17 u la Eanair, 1994.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Míosiúil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a thionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar De Luain, an 24 u la Eanair, 1994, ag tosnu ar a 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

T. O COCHLAN
RUNAI SEALADACH

A G E N D A

1. Consideration of Minutes for the following Meetings.
 - (a) Minutes of Adjourned Estimates Meeting held on 3rd December, 1993.
 - (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 10th December, 1993.
 - (c) Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 20th December, 1993.
2. Appointment of County Manager - to appoint, pursuant to Section 6 of the Local Authority (Officers and Employees) Act, 1926, as amended by Section 5 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Mr. Donal O'Donoghue to the Wholetime Post of Galway County Manager with effect from the 5th April, 1994.
3. To approve the raising of Loan of £2 M from the Housing Finance Agency for Housing Purposes.

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4. Set date for Meeting of Employment Committee.
5. Adoption of Terms of Circular L.G. 49/2 - Expenses of Local Authority Members (previously circulated).
6. To note Progress Report on the Acquisition of Land for Burial Grounds.
7. To note Progress Report on the Refurbishment of Galway Courthouse.
8. Provision of Travellers Training Centre at Weir Road, Tuam.
9. Provision of Pedestrian Crossing at Main Street, Loughrea.
10. To consider proposals for Junction at the Square, Glenamaddy.
11. Business submitted by the County Manager.
12. Business submitted by the Chairman.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Adjourned From Previous Meeting :

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN
- I will propose :

13

That Galway County Council would take control of the carparking area in front of the Boys National School in Spiddal and develop it as a carpark which would provide a much needed facility in the area. Furthermore, that carparking would be provided between the school and the Ceardlann by obtaining the land on the road front. This would go some way in alleviating the parking problems.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTIONS :

- Other Motions Received :

CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :

14

That major works be carried out on the Gortanumera Road between Gortanumera School and Killimor. The flooding on this road is causing extreme hardship on school going children.

CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :

15

That hedges on the Annaghbride/Ballydangan/Traskernagh Road be trimmed and the flooding problem resolved.

CLR. WILLIE BURKE
- I will propose :

16

That the driveways within the Ballydangan Cemetery be repaired.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

17

That Galway County Council build a dwellinghouse for a family to have them rehoused (details supplied)

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

18

That Galway County Council remove flooding on County Roads in South Galway by opening Water Tables to remove water.

CLR. MICHAEL FAHY
- I will propose :

19

That Galway County Council allocate a Water Supply to a family (details supplied).

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

20

What is the present position regarding the relief of flooding at Polredmond Crossroads, Williamstown.

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN
- I will propose :

21

That repairs be carried out to the road - details attached.

CLR. PATRICK FINNEGAN

- I will propose :

22

That urgent repairs be carried out to the road at Imanemore, Barnadery.

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

23

I request to know (a) as to what are Galway County Council's intentions regarding the preparation of plans for such areas as Barna, Moycullen, An Spideal and Orammore, (b) what are the costs involved in such plans and (c) can the local communities be of any assistance to the County Council in the provision of plans.

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

24

That urgent road repairs be carried out on the Gorthacharnaun and Ower Road (towards Mullins') in Rosscahill.

CLR. SEAMUS GAVIN

- I will propose :

25

That road repairs be carried out on the Home Farm Road, (beside Grotto) in Moycullen.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

26

That a public light be provided at a location, the details of which are attached.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

That hedges be trimmed at the locations referred to in attached note.

CLR. MATT LOUGHNANE

- I will propose :

28

That repairs be carried out to the Greeneenagh Road, Loughrea.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

29

That Galway County Council provide cow crossing signs at areas listed herewith.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

30

That Galway County Council inform me if all fire hydrant connection points in my Council area are in working order and can be linked up to the Fire Brigade when the occasion demands.

CLR. JARLATH MC DONAGH

- I will propose :

31

I wish to propose that Galway County Council provide transport for Cregmore.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA

- I will propose :

32

Go gcuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe caoi ar an droichead i Fhoirnis, Leitirmeallain. Ta an droichead an-contuirteach.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA

- I will propose :

33

Cen fhorbairt ata deanta ag an Comhairle Chontae ar an Reilig nua i Leitir Moir. Ta an reilig seo ag teastail go gear sa gceantar.

CLR. CONNIE NI FHATHARTA

- I will propose :

34

Go cuirfidh Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe balla ar an bothar isteach ag Oilean an Rosa, An Cheathru Rua. Ta an balla ag teastail ar feadh tamaill fada.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

Go gcuirfear solas sraide breise ar fail i gCorr na Mona, ar aghaidh tigh Mhac agus Siopa Ui Mhealoid.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

36

That a submission be made to the Department of the Environment in Dublin for money to replace the bridge from the mainland into Inishnee Island in Roundstone.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

- I will propose :

37

That traffic route lighting would be provided for the N59 on the Galway Road and also on the Leenane Road and that improved lighting would be provided also throughout the town.

CLR. EAMONN O'CUIV

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN

- I will propose :

38

That Galway County Council would erect a "flashing light" school sign at Furbo, Co. Galway. This a particularly dangerous stretch at Furbo National School and on the busy Galway Spiddal Road.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN

- I will propose :

39

That Galway County Council would take immediate steps to repair the footpaths from Spiddal Village to 'Coill Rua. This is the responsibility of the Costello Engineering Area. The footpaths are in atrocious conditions and despite numerous requests and promises that they would be repaired nothing has happened.

CLR. SEAN O'NEACHTAIN

- I will propose :

That Galway County Council would repair the following roads in the Moycullen area (details supplied).

CLR. PAT O'SULLIVAN

- I will propose :

41

That the footpaths in Eyrecourt Village be upgraded. If sufficient funds are not available from Council that a FAS Scheme be used for the works.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 14TH
JANUARY, 1994.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Burke

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, W. Burke
T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputy, 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, 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,
J. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer,
T. Kavanagh, Acting Assistant County
Manager, E. Lusby, Finance Officer,
J. McGovern, A.O., L. Kavanagh,
S.E.E., J. Murphy, S.S.O., and T.
Coughlan, Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

A resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

Mr. Mick Molloy, Birchall, Oughterard.

The Chairman proposed that the Meeting Adjourn for a Short Period as a Mark of Respect to former Councillor Padraic O Ceallaigh, Ballygar, who died recently. This proposal was seconded by Councillor T. Hussey.

The Sympathy of the Council was also extended to Councillor Peadar O'Tuathail, on the recent death of his Father.

The County Manager, on behalf of the Management and Staff of the Council joined in the expression of Sympathy to Councillor O'Tuathail.

The Meeting Adjourned for a Short Period.

CONGRATULATIONS

A vote of Congratulations was extended to Mr. L. Kavanagh, S.E.E., on receiving the Dedication Award

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for Services to Sport sponsored by the Connacht Tribune and the Galway Lawn Tennis Club.

The Chairman proposed a Vote of Congratulations to Mr. J. Gavin on his appointment as Galway City Manager, and to Mr. Donal O'Donoghue on the recommendation for his Appointment as Galway County Manager. The Members of the Council paid tributes to Mr. Gavin on his work in the County and wished Mr. Gavin and his family every success in the future. The County Manager associated himself with the Vote of Congratulations to Mr. Kavanagh. Mr. Gavin also thanked the Chairman and Members for their kind remarks, spoke of the high potential in the County, and paid tribute to the Team Work of the Staff of the Council. The Manager also emphasised the importance of co-operation between the County and City at both political and Management Level.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69009 - APPLICANT - HENRY AND MARIA LUPTON.

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The resolution as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Byrne and seconded by Councillor Cunningham.

The following report had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located in the townland of Rinville West, to the North of the Galway Bay Golf and Country Club and is served by a non public roadway.

PLANNING HISTORY:

A similar application Planning Reference No. 67196, by Ms Furey (now Mrs. Marina Lupton) was refused by the Planning Authority and on appeal by An Bord Pleanala because the site is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and the development would be contrary to the policy of the Planning Authority to limit development to cases of essential housing need.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to limit development to the essential housing need of a farmholders immediate family i.e sons & daughters. One of the applicants Mrs. Marina Lupton is a niece of the landowner and she does not come within the category of persons eligible for consideration for housing development in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity. In addition the applicants have failed to demonstrate any essential housing need in relation to the

farmholding. Both applicants are engineers employed in Galway City and the site chosen is the most extreme location on the farm away from the farmhouse. There is no indication that the applicants intend to work as farmers.

In addition there are locations on the family holding of land adjacent to the farmhouse which are served by a County road and which would be suitable for development as a housing site in accordance with the provisions of the County Development Plan.

Mr Lupton is a native of Galway City and Mrs. Lupton is a native of Oranmore Village.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse the application as follows;

1. The site proposed to be developed is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity where it is the stated policy of the Planning Authority, as set out in Chapter 9.2.1 (iii) of the County Development Plan, to prohibit development other than development in the essential housing need category. The applicant has failed to demonstrate an essential housing need and the proposed development, located on a visually exposed site, would detract from the scenic character of the area and would contravene materially the policy of the Planning Authority and would therefore be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

2. The proposed development, without any frontage onto a public road, would constitute inappropriate and disorderly development of backlands in a rural area within the Environs of Galway City and would, if permitted, be contrary to Chapter 7.1 (vi), 7.2.6 and 7.2.8 (ii) of the County Development Plan which seek to restrict such development and would accordingly be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

Councillor Byrne stated that the case for this Section 4 rests on its own merits. Councillor Cunningham agreed with Councillor Byrne. Councillor Brennan referred to the number of houses shown on the Site Map as circulated whereas the report states that there are no houses in the area. Councillor Brennan also understood that a niece would qualify for a second family dwelling. Mr. Kavanagh informed Councillor Brennan that the map does not show the site in question. Councillor Loughnane stated that this married couple have no house, and, therefore, qualify for essential housing need. The County Manager informed Councillor Loughnane that this does not meet the requirements of the Development Plan. In response to a query from Councillor Brennan that he understood a large number of houses were planned for the area, the Manager stated that permission for that development was granted as part of an overall large scale plan.

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

FOR: Councillors Brennan, Byrne, Callanan, O'Cuiv, Cunningham, Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, McCormack, McDonagh, McHugh, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Ryan, and Walsh. (24).

AGAINST: Nil.

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 68928 - APPLICANT - MICHAEL BYRNE.

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

The following report had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The site is located in the townland of Carrownlisheen Inismaan and is on the Eastern side of the roadway between Moher Village and the airport.

PLANNING HISTORY:

No previous applications.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site is located in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and the proposed location of the dwellinghouse is at the meeting of two slopes. There is a relatively steep slope rising from the airport and sea to the proposed location and a more gentle slope in the direction of the village itself.

The proposed development would therefore be an obtrusive element on the landscape when viewed both from the village and from the sea because it would not have any background in which it might be assimilated.

There is one other dwellinghouse nearby but this is located at a lower level than the dwellinghouse proposed.

The Planning Authority have suggested to the applicant that he should consider an alternative location on the family lands. The remainder of the family holding is dispersed throughout the existing populated areas and it is considered that there are

suitable locations where a dwellinghouse could be sited which would not be obtrusive.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse the application as follows;

The proposed development would be located in an exposed, unrelieved and isolated position in an area of Outstanding Scenic Amenity and would, if permitted, be an extremely obtrusive feature on the landscape which would seriously detract from the scenic amenities of the area and would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

Councillor O'Neachtain informed the Meeting that this is a case of essential housing need, that this is the only site legally available to the applicant, that the applicant's wife is from Inishmean, and that the applicants have informed the Council that they are willing to site the house at a lower level. Councillor O'Neachtain stated that the Council should be encouraging people to stay on Inishmean, that while the site is in an area of outstanding scenic amenity, the proposed development would not be obtrusive on the area, that the other existing dwellings conform to the landscape as will this development, and that permission should, therefore, be granted.

Councillor Brennan referred to the fact that the report states that there is an alternative site available. The County Manager informed the Members that it is important to accommodate an essential family need, but this site is on an exposed plateau, that the Planning Officer believed that more suitable sites are available, and that the Council should have regard to the amenity of the Island. Councillor O'Neachtain reiterated that he had been given assurances that there is no other site available. Deputy O Cuiv stated that the Council should facilitate people who wish to live on the Islands, asked if a meeting had been held between the applicant and the Planning Officer to examine alternative sites, and stated that there could be problems relating to site distance, septic tanks, etc., in the populated areas of the Islands.

The County Manager stated that if the site in question is the only site available to the applicants, and if it is detracting from the amenity of the area, permission should not be allowed. The Manager also confirmed that, when Planning Officers meet with applicants, they regularly point out alternative sites, and that such meetings should take place with the support of the Members to identify reasonable alternative sites. Councillor O'Neachtain stated that the proposed site is not on top of a mountain, but is on a slope and that the applicants are willing to develop at a lower level.

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

FOR: Councillors Byrne, Callanan, O'Cuiv, Cunningham, Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, Deputy McCormack, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, Ni Fhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail, Quinn, O'Regan, Ryan and Walsh. (23)

AGAINST: Nil.

The Chairman declared the Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 69640 - APPLICANT - BURKE BROTHERS (COACHES).

2058

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

The following report had been circulated to the Members prior to the Meeting.

LOCATION:

The proposed site is located at the end of a cul de sac in the townland of Claretuam circa 3 miles southwest of Tuam.

PLANNING HISTORY:

- PR 60188 - A decision to grant planning permission to retain and use existing shed for the maintenance of buses and to retain and complete bus parking area now under construction was issued on 12/4/90, but refused on appeal by An Bord Pleanala on the 23/1/91.
- PR 61510 - Permission refused by the Planning Authority on 10/7/90 for retention and use of premises and site as a testing centre and upheld by An Bord Pleanala on 23/1/91.
- PR 63343 - Permission granted on 24/7/91 for change of use of agricultural shed to garage/workshop for the maintenance/testing of vehicles owned by applicants and revised parking bays. A contribution of £10,000 for roadwidening was paid on 27/1/92.
- PR 64527 - Permission granted by the Planning

Authority in January, 1992 for change of use of premises to vehicle testing centre. Appealed to An Bord Pleanala and refused on 15/7/92.

PR 67047 - Permission refused by the Planning Authority on 10/9/92 for provision of car parking, larger site than present application. Decision upheld by An Bord Pleanala on 5/2/93.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The applicant proposes to provide a car parking space for 12 cars approximately 170 feet from an objecting neighbours house. Permission was previously refused (67047) for a similar proposal on a larger site on the grounds that the noise and general disturbance would seriously injure the residential amenities of the adjacent house. The same considerations apply in this case. Such use would not be appropriate in close proximity to a private dwelling in view of the noise and general disturbance associated with vehicular operation and movement and in particular due to the extended hours of operation involved in the business. One of the earlier applications volunteered an alternative parking area to the rear of Mr. Burke's house and adjoining the permitted garage workshop.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse the application as follows:

The proposed development by reason of the noise and general disturbance it would generate would be liable to seriously injure the residential amenities of the adjacent property and would thus be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.

Councillor O'Neachtain stated that he was proposing this resolution in the interest of orderly development. Councillor McHugh stated that he regarded the development as being proper due to the fact that the employer is providing car parking facilities for employees. Mr. Kavanagh referred to the history of the planning application and stated that Burkes Buses is located at the end of a County Road, that the business has expanded and that the parking and service area is not sufficient. It is now considered that the development should be refused by reason of noise and general disruption.

Councillor Byrne stated that, in view of the fact that the Council had facilitated the Company in approving previous planning applications over the years, the Council should not refuse them permission to provide a carpark for employees. Councillor Finnerty asked if this application referred to Burkes

Buses which operate a Network of Bus Services in the West of Ireland and was informed in the affirmative by the Chairman. Councillor McClearn referred to the fact that the objection, as circulated, states that the site is to be used for washing vehicles, whereas the application is for the provision of a carpark, and asked if the location is being used as a pick-up point for passengers.

The County Manager stated that the application is solely for carparking for employees, that it will not constitute a pick-up point for passengers as it is on a County Road, that the application for 12 parking spaces is before the Council and that the letter of objection was circulated to make the members aware of all the facts.

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

FOR Councillors Brennan, Byrne, Callanan, O'Cuiv, Cunningham, Fahy, Finnegan, Finnerty, Gavin, Hussey, Loughnane, Mannion, McClearn, Senator McDonagh, Councillors McHugh, NiFhatharta, O'Neachtain, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, O'Tuathail, Quinn, Regan, Ryan and Walsh (24).

AGAINST Nil.

The Chairman declared the resolution carried.

PLANNING

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Deputy O Cuiv suggested that where an application goes on an extension of time, and where there is a proposed refusal, the applicant should be invited to attend a site meeting with Planning Officials. Councillor Mannion seconded this proposal.

The County Manager agreed that this proposal would be reasonable, and that the Council must be agreeable to support Planning Officials as otherwise, site meetings would become meaningless. The Manager also referred to the fact that site meetings would reduce the workload for the Planning Office, but guarantees could not be given that permission would be granted until a decision would be made on the application.

Councillor Walsh referred to a previous Section 4 resolution in the name of Mr. T. McHugh and stated that there seemed to be inconsistency in the Council's consideration of Section 4 Resolutions. Councillor Hussey refuted this allegation.

It was proposed by Deputy O Cuiv that, where a Notice of decision to refuse permission is issued, the applicant should be invited to attend a site meeting with Planning Officials to discuss alternative sites.

The County Manager confirmed that this will be incorporated in the relevant documentation.

ADVANCE NOTICE - PLANNING REFERENCE NO. 69661

2060

In reply to Senator McDonagh, Mr. L. Kavanagh confirmed that in the event of the access roadway being a public road, the application would be considered in a reasonable manner. Senator McDonagh stated that funding would be provided by way of Notice of Motion to have this road taken in charge.

REGIONAL AUTHORITIES.

2061

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and agreed, that Councillors Hussey, Regan, Quinn, Mannion, McClearn, W. Burke and P. O'Tuathail be appointed to the West Regional Authority in accordance with nominations agreed at the Monthly Meeting of Galway County Council held on the 20th December, 1993.

EXPENSES OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS.

2062

It was proposed by Councillor J. Mannion and agreed that this matter be adjourned to the February Monthly Meeting of the Council.

A.T. CROSS.

2063

It was proposed by Councillor O'Sullivan, seconded by Councillor Finnerty and agreed, that A.T. Cross be requested to make every effort to ensure the retention of all jobs at the Ballinasloe Plant, and that the Company be asked to indicate their future plans for the Plant.

CONFERENCES.

2064

Details of Conferences, including the approximate cost per Councillor, were circulated to the Members of the Council.

It was proposed by Senator McDonagh, and agreed, that Councillors Mannion and Ryan attend the 2nd Annual Conference of Environmental Recognition in Tralee on the 27th to 29th January, 1994. It was proposed by Councillor McHugh and agreed, that Councillor Hussey also attend.

It was proposed by Senator McDonagh that the three Council delegates to the General Council of County Councils attend the General Council of County Councils Semimar to be held in Jury's Hotel, Waterford on the 28th January, 1994. In addition it was proposed by Senator McDonagh that councillor McClearn attend. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey that Councillors Walsh and Quinn also attend.

It was proposed by Senator McDonagh, and agreed, that

Councillors Mannion and Ryan attend the Irish Planning Institute Conference in Jury's Hotel, Dublin on the 21st January, 1994. It was proposed by Councillor Hussey, and agreed, that Councillor Regan also attend.

CLONTUSKERT GROUP WATER SCHEME.

2065

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Callanan, and unanimously resolved that the Minister for the Environment be informed of the following resolution.

"That this Council is concerned at the delay in sanctioning the Clontuskert Group Water Scheme and calls on the Department of the Environment to advise the Council on its proposals relating to sanctioning of the Scheme".

SCHOOL TRANSPORT

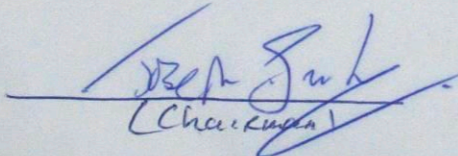
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It was proposed by Councillor Fahy, seconded by Deputy McCormack, and agreed, that:

"That the Minister for Education be requested to provide School Transport for the family of Laurence and Mary Kerans, Dunally, Peterswell, Co. Galway as their three children have been deprived of transport to Peterswell National School since last June"

THE MEETING THEN CONCLUDED.

Submitted, Approved & Confirmed,


(Chairman)
28/2/94
(Date)

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

10 u la Eanair, 1994.

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 14 u la Eanair, 1994, ag tosnu ar a 3.00 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 Permission for erection of House and Septic Tank at Rinville West, Oranmore to Henry and Maria Lupton - Planning Ref. 69009.

T. Byrne M. Fahy M. Cunningham. M. Loughnane
J. McClearn.

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 construction of a Dwellinghouse and Septic Tank to Michael Byrne, c/o. D.J. Bradley, Seapoint, Barna, Co. Galway at Carrownalisheen, Inish Meain, Aran Islands - Planning Ref. No. 68928.

S. O'Neachtain P. McHugh S. Gavin J. McDonagh

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 for the provision of carparking at Claretuam to Burke Brothers (Coaches) c/o John Mooney & Associates, Lough Corrib House, 5, Waterside, Galway - Planning Ref. No. 69640.

S. O'Neachtain. S. Gavin J. McDonagh E. Varley
P. McHugh

4. Advance Notice - Planning Application Ref. No. 69661 - Thomas Forde, Rooaunmore, Claregalway - Senator J. McDonagh.
 5. Appointment of Members to West Regional Authority (documentation enclosed.)
 6. Adoption of terms of Circular LG 49/2 - Expenses of Local Authority Members (previously circulated).
 6. Review of County Development Plan.
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