

Special Meeting - 11/12/95

accommodated. Deputy O'Cuiv stated that he would like to see that a person could have a site 100 or 200 yards back from the road and that the land to the front, fronting the road be frozen. The Acting County Manager informed the Deputy that there were numerous difficulties with this provision which operated previously. Cllr. Byrne proposed that Table 7B be substituted with Table 9B and this was seconded by Cllr. Callanan.

CHAPTER 8 - MAJOR TRAFFIC ROUTES

Mr. Callagy proceeded to outline the changes which had been proposed at previous meetings. Deputy Connaughton stated that he required to lessen the restrictions on Class II Roads, in particular, the Ballinasloe/Portumna and Ballinasloe/Athenry roads. These roads have much less vehicular capacity. He stated that the Government requires that enterprises be encouraged and unless people have access to such routes, their business will not develop. He added that these routes are too restrictive and it is unlikely that money will be spent on these roads in the near future. He therefore felt that there should be a lessening of restrictions on a commercial indigenous activity associated with agriculture.

Cllr. Callanan expressed his support with Deputy Connaughton on this matter and in turn was supported by Cllr. Mullins. He added that there must be support for the local industry. Mr. Liam Kavanagh referred to the restrictions on the Ballinasloe/Portumna road. He stated that a planning application would be considered on its merits and that the traffic safety is a primary objective. The applicant must make a case to substantiate his need for siting at such locations. The Acting County Manager advised the members that nine out of ten planning applications are granted.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3458

The Members agreed that legal opinion be sought in connection with the sale of houses originally provided for tourism development in Furbo which had been provided under the Beneficial Tourism Provision which will now be sold as private houses.

It was also agreed that the Meeting of the Council in Committee to consider the final chapters of the Development Plan be fixed at the December Meeting.

CHRIOCHNAIGH AN CRUINNIU ANSIN

Submitted, Approved + Signed:
John M. Morrison
Chairman
21/11/96
DATE

CHOMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig An Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

4 Nollaig, 1995

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Council **In Committee** which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on **Monday, 11th December, 1995,** commencing at **2.00 p.m.**

Mise, le meas,

B. DOYLE,
A/County Secretary.

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1. Review of the County Development Plan.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN COMMITTEE AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 1ST
DECEMBER, 1995**

Cathaoirleach:- Councillor J. Mannion

Baill:- Cllrs. J. Burke, W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan,
Deputy E. O'Cuiv, Cllrs. M. Cunningham, M. Fahy,
P. Finnegan, M. Finnerty, S. Gavin, T. Hussey, M.
Loughnane, J. McClearn, M. Mullins, C. Ni Fhatharta,
S. O'Neachtain, M. O'Neill, P. O'Tuathail, M. Ryan,
E. Varley & T. Walsh.

Oifigigh:- Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, Co. Manager, P. Flood,
Co. Engineer, B. Callagy & L. Kavanagh, S.E.E.'s,
T. Connell, S.S.O., B. Ginnelly, C.T. & B. Doyle,
A/Co. Secretary.

Thosnaigh an crinniu leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

3454

A Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

Mrs. Mary D'arcy & Family, Claghanna, Moycullen, Co. Galway.
Mrs. Margaret Geraghty & Family, Corrinredra, Ower, Co. Galway.
Mr. Syd Keeley, Skehana, Peterswell, Co. Galway.

REVIEW OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 3455

CHAPTER 9

SCENIC AND RECREATIONAL AMENITY AREAS

At the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman requested the inclusion in the draft plan an objective for an airstrip at Clifden and Inisbofin.

The development control policies as outlined in Chapter 9 were commented on by Mr. Callagy. He referred to the landscape classification and in doing so pointed out on a display map the various designations throughout the County. He spoke on the proposed 3 categories for the designation:

- Category 1 for Areas of Outstanding Scenic Amenity
- Category 2 for High Scenic Amenity Areas
- Category 3 for High Visual Amenity Areas.

He proceeded to explain these classifications to the members and outlined the various controls and restrictions that apply to each area.

Cllr. O'Tuathail stated that there were areas within the various designations which should be allowed to develop.

Mr. Callagy stated that it was very difficult to identify such areas and added that the more exceptions you make, the more pressure there would be for further exceptions.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that quite a lot of development had taken place in the Category 2 and possible Category 1 areas and requested that a clause be inserted to state that development will continue to take place in such areas. He added that the road R336 on the seaside is full of houses and that it would not make a major difference to the landscape to allow development where there are other houses already.

Mr. Callagy stated that there was a policy statement where development did not interfere with the scenic amenity it would be allowed and added that to define areas where there is a high density of development would be a major task.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that if visual amenity could be defined in a proper way it would lead to the avoidance of a lot of difficulties.

Deputy O'Cuiv requested to know what happens to people who get sites from parents or grandparents and want to build on this land. He stated that there are a lot of people who are not farmholders living in the areas and he added that people should be allowed to live in the area in which they work and where they are from.

Mr. Callagy stated that the value of the landscape must be protected and that controls have to be kept in place.

The Chairman stated that people getting married should be able to buy a site and added that there are some ideal places available for the development of dwelling-houses.

Mr. Callagy stated that there were so many exceptions being brought in that it will result in the erection of dwelling-houses at every location.

Cllr. Mannion stated that the roads around Clifden were ideal for in-fill and permission should be allowed in such cases.

Mr. Callagy, referring to the maps in East Galway stated that as long as the development does not detract from the scenic amenity then it would be allowed.

The definition of Rural Essential Family Housing Need Categories was then discussed by the members.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that he accepted the restrictions to a son or daughter but requested that farmholder should also include landholder.

Mr. Callagy stated that the word landowner/landholder would have to be defined.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that certain people would have used up all of their family land.

Deputy O'Cuiv stated that he had made a submission on this issue and requested that it be looked at. He added that if you carried out a survey of Connemara, you would find that the problem with housing is that they are sited in areas that cause maximum obstruction. He stated that people should be allowed to build on sites which are not obtrusive and are kept off the Regional Roads. Special consideration should be given to people with bona fide employment in the area and people permanently living in an area should be allowed build in their native homeland.

Cllr. O'Neill stated that all the Councillors in Connemara want control of the area to protect the scenic amenity. They do not want planning permission to be available to everyone. However, he does not agree with the blanket cover of areas of outstanding scenic amenity and added that there should be something in the plan to allow a local person to build a house for tourism purposes. He stated that there are hundreds of sites which do not pose any threat to the visual amenity and he added that he finds it difficult to see why these areas cannot be catered for. The areas of outstanding scenic amenity are the areas of greatest potential but local people cannot take advantage of this aspect. He added that outsiders are coming in and building 20 to 30 houses for holiday purposes. He stated that there should be something in the plan for the local person and that beneficial tourism is beneficial only if it benefits local people. He also stated that emigrants have a right to build a house on returning home and their case must be addressed.

Cllr. W. Burke stated that there should be planning control and, therefore, there must be a balance struck. He stated that Mr. Callagy was a very experienced planning officer and had defended his position admirably. With a balance being struck, he stated that there must be a policy for the development of towns. He agreed with Cllr. O'Neill's statement and added that people are not able to afford the prices of sites in certain areas and that this must be looked at. He added that tourism is the major industry and that the protection of the environment was vital. He requested that an impact study report be prepared for the members reflecting the position of the proposed changes to the draft County Development Plan.

Mr. Callagy informed the Councillor that such a study can be prepared.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that the problem in areas with a definition of a farmholder is that it does not qualify 90% of the cases that he is aware of. He requested that something be inserted in the plan that would cater for local people with bona fide housing and added that Mr. Callagy's request to direct people into towns and villages was taking away peoples natural rights.

Mr. Callagy stated that people should not purchase a site without first obtaining planning permission.

Cllr. O'Tuathail stated that the members set out to solve a lot of problems but everyone cannot be satisfied. He added that he foresees further problems if areas cannot be categorised and released for further development.

Deputy O'Cuiv referred to the Donegal County Development Plan from which he quoted and expressed his agreement with same. He stated that we were following Europe in directing people into towns and villages which he did not agree with. There must be an official recognition of rural depopulation.

Cllr. Byrne, referring to South Galway stated that there were many side roads from Kinvara to Clarinbridge where you enter the scenic amenity zoning. He stated that development should be allowed on one side of the road and not on the other so as to distinguish clearly the difference in the areas. He requested that consideration be given restricting development on the seaside of the road and allowing development on the opposite site. He added that he was in favour of the beneficial tourism provision.

Cllr. Cunningham stated that he was in agreement with Cllr. Byrne in his submission and requested that the matter on site frontage be clarified and consideration be given to smaller site sizes.

Deputy O'Cuiv stated that he proposed the insertion of an extra criteria to encourage people not to build on tourist routes where there was an alternative site available on a County Road.

Mr. Callagy stated that the plan was being dissected and that all restrictions were being removed. He added that the second family housing need definition was getting more and more abused. He stated that the Council must realise that the plan cannot

cater for every exception. Cllr. W. Burke stated that the development plan was being watered down completely.

Deputy O'Cuiv stated that all the Councillors were looking for was that for someone who was working and living permanently in a rural area would be able to get planning permission in that area. He added that he was opposed to allowing outsiders into an area and building holiday homes.

On the definition for rural essential family housing need category, (i) was agreed, (ii) was agreed subject to the inclusion of farmholder/landholder and (iii)(b) would be revised and resubmitted to the members.

Mr. Callagy stated that in an area of medium density in-fill may be allowed. He added that the County Development Plan was a policy document.

Deputy O'Cuiv referred to the word emigrant. He stated that this word should be people instead of emigrant. Cllr. Byrne requested to know how the Council would deal with unemployed persons.

Mr. Callagy stated that if a person was unemployed, he would not be in a position to build a house.

Item (iv) under Rural Essential Family Housing Need Category was then agreed together with item (v). Category 2 on High Scenic Amenity was then agreed by the members. Category 3 on High Visual Amenity Areas was then considered.

Cllr. O'Neachtain stated that there were areas which were built up and which could take in-fill. He added that no one wants to destroy the plan but they must give local people an outlet. Deputy O'Cuiv referring to this category stated that houses along tourist routes spoil the landscape and that he would be in favour of directing the construction of houses off such routes. He added that in his view a house constructed at the bottom of a hill was acceptable and that it gives Connemara its quality. Cllr. W. Burke stated that Deputy O'Cuiv's comment that houses make a landscape more attractive was new to him. He added that it shows the difference in interpretation and stated that Mr. Callagy had an impossible task to satisfy everyone.

Mr. Callagy stated that in Maam Cross, Recess there are one off houses on the hillside which look attractive but you could not add more houses. The scale of development is what is important.

Cllr. W. Burke on refereeing to Deputy O'Cuiv's comments on the Donegal County Development Plan stated that if it is the type of development that is in Gweedore then he does not want Galway County Council to go down that road.

Category 3 was then agreed by the members.

Mr. Callagy then referred to 9.3.5 which deals with views of Special Amenity Value and Special Interest. Deputy O'Cuiv stated that he was totally in favour of this

provision and added that the Council should do everything to encourage people not to build on tourist routes. This paragraph was then agreed by the members.

Cllr. Callanan referred to a submission that himself and Deputy Connaughton had made in respect of development on the Portumna/Ballinasloe Road. He would like to know if a decision had been made on their proposal. Mr. Callagy stated that policy in this case is already contained in the County Development Plan and a planning application would be considered on its merits. Cllr. O'Neachtain, referring to Class 2 areas, stated that he would not be in favour of allowing people from outside into this area. Deputy O'Cuiv stated that he wanted restrictions in Class 1 Category to also apply to Class 2 Category and in this respect, essential housing need requirements should apply to Class 2.

The members dealt then with the redraft of the definition for development centres. A revised paragraph was agreed by the members. The Council members then considered the paragraph on rural tourism. Cllr. Cunningham stated that he welcomed this provision. Cllr. Loughnane requested that the word farmhouse be replaced with the term "old buildings". Mr. Callagy stated that he did not want the definition to be too loose and added that he would reconsider the matter and revert to the members.

Deputy O'Cuiv stated that there must be control under this heading. The developed building would have to be kept in local ownership and the whole idea was that the local person would benefit from tourism by developing an old ruin and the ownership must be retained locally. He requested to know if the definition could include consultation with leader under this heading. He also added that there must be rule on the septic tank requirements in this case. It was decided that it would be examined again and the matter be referred back to the Council.

Section 9.2.9 on Site Requirements was then considered by the members and agreed acceptable.

Cllr. O'Tuathail referred to backlands development and stated that there are areas in certain places which are suitable for this type of development.

Cllr. O'Neachtain expressed his agreement with the Councillor and stated that by allowing such development, this would avoid ribbon development along roads and should be examined.

Deputy O'Cuiv stated the house away from the road was less restrictive and he expressed his disagreement with the term road frontage.

The County Manager stated that this topic had been discussed and debated previously under Chapter 7 which deals with rural areas.

The beneficial tourism provision was then discussed by the members.

Cllr. Byrne requested to know if the Council could attach an emurement clause as a condition in this type of development. Mr. Callagy warned the members that this

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1995

CATHAOIRLEACH:

An Comhairleoir J. Mannion

I LATHAIR FREISIN:

Bail:

Cllrs. J. Brennan, J. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputies P. Connaughton & E. O'Cuiv, Cllrs. M. Cunningham, M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, M. Finnerty, S. Gavin, T. Hussey, M. Loughnane, J. McClearn, Deputy P. McCormack, Cllrs. P. McHugh, M. Mullins, C. Ni Fhatharta, S. O'Neachtain, M. O'Neill, P. O'Sullivan, P. O'Tuathail, M. Ryan, M. Regan, E. Varley & T. Walsh.

Oifigigh:

Messrs. D. O'Donoghue, Co. Manager, P. Flood, Co. Engineer, E. Power, A/Co. Secretary, E. Lusby, Co. Finance Officer, & E. Hourigan, A.S.O.

Thosnaigh an crinniu leis an paidir.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

3403

A Resolution of Sympathy was passed with the following:-

The Family of the late Mr. Tom McDonagh, County Secretary, Meath County Council.
The Regan Family, Abbeylands, Mountbellew, Co. Galway.
Mrs. Angela Holian, Tuam, Co. Galway.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS

3404

Congratulations were passed to the Sarsfields Hurling Club on the winning of the Connacht Cup and also to the Hurling Teams of Loughrea and Kilconieran on winning the County and Junior Championships.

MINUTES

3405

The Minutes of the Special Meeting held In Committee on 13th October, 1995 were approved and signed by the Chairman, on the proposal of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Fahy.

On the proposal of Councillor Hussey, seconded by Deputy Connaughton the Minutes of the Special Meeting held In Committee on the 20th October, 1995 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 23rd October, 1995 were approved and signed by the Chairman on the proposal of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Ryan.

The Minutes of the National Monuments Advisory Committee held on the 10th October, 1995 were noted, on the proposal of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Callanan.

The Minutes of the Connemara Electoral Area Committee held on 16th October, 1995 were noted, on the proposal of Councillor O'Tuathail, seconded by Councillor Ryan.

On the proposal of Councillor Fahy, seconded by Councillor Ryan, the Minutes of the Protocol Committee Meeting held on the 20th October, 1995 were noted.

On the proposal of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, the Minutes of the Tuam Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on the 20th October, 1995 were noted.

The Minutes of the Galway Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on the 20th October, 1995 were noted on the proposal of Councillor McHugh, seconded by Deputy McCormack.

The Minutes of the Accommodation Committee Meeting held on the 23rd October, 1995 were noted, on the proposal of the Councillor, O'Tuathail, seconded by Councillor Fahy.

On the proposal of Councillor Finnerty, seconded by Councillor Callanan, the Minutes of the Ballinasloe Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on the 24th October, 1995 were noted.

On the proposal of Councillor Loughane, seconded by Councillor Fahy, the Minutes of the Loughrea Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on the 26th October, 1995 were noted.

AMENDMENT TO MINUTES OF 23/10/1995 3406

On the proposal of Councillor Walsh, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, the Council approved grants to the following Residents Associations:-

APPLICANT	AMOUNT
O'Keefe Park, Glenamaddy, Residents Association	£500
Gortnamona Residents Association, Headford	£150
Woodpark & District Residents Association, Portumna	£250
Shannon Park Residents Association, Portumna	£250
Fahy Gardens Residents Association, Loughrea	£250
St. Laurences Fields Residents Association, Loughrea	£150
Parkmore Tenants & House Owners Association, Tuam	£200
TOTAL	£1,750

PROFILE OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL TRAVELLER POPULATION AND PROJECTED ACCOMMODATION REQUIREMENTS 1995-2000 3407

It was agreed to defer, until Mr. Declan Nelson, Assistant County Manager returned, the discussion on the Profile of Galway County Council Traveller Population and Projected Accommodation Requirements 1995-2000.

DEVOLUTION COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM 3408

The Members had been circulated with the following documents:-

1. Statement of Minister for the Environment - May 1985.
2. Report to Council - 7/6/1990
3. General Council of County Councils - August 1990
4. Advisory Expert Committee - Local Government Re-Organisation & Reform - Chapter 4.

The document dated 7th June, 1990 under the heading Reform of Local Government was considered and it was agreed that this document would form the basis of the Council's submission to the Devolution Commission subject to the following changes:-

1. On the proposal of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor McHugh, it was agreed to remove the paragraph regarding Regional Considerations from the proposed submission.
2. Under the heading entitled Local Economic Development it was proposed by Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Regan to make the following adjustment:-

"It is desirable that local authorities should be concerned with the local economic development of their areas. Councils have been important agencies for keeping industrial promotion permanently to the forefront. Infrastructure for economic development is an important requisite. Local Authorities are in the position of framing and implementing the Development Plan to ensure that the requirements for economic development are properly reflected in the local authority's planning for, and investment in, infrastructure. The role therefore of local authorities in the furtherance of economic development in their areas should be strengthened. Local Authorities should become the focus for working through local partnerships involving local community based groupings, voluntary bodies, the private sector and public agencies and that a particular focus must be to co-ordinate the efforts of existing groups such as County Enterprise Boards, Leader and A.D.M. partnerships."

COUNCIL LOANS 3409

It was noted that the Government has decided to raise finance towards the cost of paying arrears to certain married women arising from the E.U. Equal Treatment Directive, by the sale of repayments due on some fixed interest rate local authority housing loans. Mr. Lusby, Finance Officer stated that these arrangements will not in any way change the terms and conditions of Borrowers' mortgages or the existing relationship between the Borrower and the Local Authority. He also pointed out that anyone who has a loan from Galway County Council has the same contract until the loan is repaid or until the person themselves redeem it. He pointed out that a lot of Loanees are on fixed interest rates of 12.5%. Given the current market interest rate, Mr. Lusby stated that in some cases Loanees may wish to consider taking out a loan from another financial institution at a lower interest rate. However, he stressed that it was a matter for each Loanee to decide. All Loanees are free to contact the Finance Section for any advice or help in this regard.

PUBLIC LIGHTING PROGRAMME 1996 3410

The Council agreed to refer the 1996 Public Lighting Programme to the relevant Area Committees for consideration.

**SALE OF HOUSE AT BRACKERNAGH,
BALLINASLOE 3411**

On the proposal of Councillor Finnerty, seconded by Councillor O'Sullivan, the Council approved the sale of house at Brackernagh, Ballinasloe to Joseph Hayes in accordance with Notice dated 8th November, 1995 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 which had been circulated to each Member.

CONSIDERATION OF REMISSION OF COUNTY RATES - CHILL CHIARAIN EISC TEORANTA - RATED OCCUPIER 3412

A notice had been circulated to each Member setting out details of the Rates Remission for Chill Chiarain Eisc Teoranta. On the proposal of Councillor Q'Neachtain, seconded by Councillor O'Tuathail, the Council approved the remission of county rates, in accordance with appropriate legislation.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS 1994 - CONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES UNDER THE 1995/96 HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME 3413

A report on the proposed development dated 22nd November, 1995 was circulated to each Member in accordance with the Local Government Planning & Development Regulations 1994. On the proposal of Councillor Regan, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, the Council agreed the construction of single rural houses at Cloughanover, Headford and Kilkerrin, Carna and also the provision of scheme houses at St. Brendan's Court, Loughrea.

EXTENSION TO SEANBHAILE BURIAL GROUND 3414

A report dated 21st November, 1995 in accordance with Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 1994 in connection with the proposed extension to Seanbhaile Burial Ground in Lettermore was circulated to each Member. On the proposal of Councillor O'Tuathail, seconded by Councillor Gavin the Council approved the extension.

CASUAL TRADING ACT 1995 3415

The Council agreed to set up a sub-committee in order to consider the implications of the new Casual Trading Act 1995. It was agreed that two members from each electoral area would be on the Committee. The following Members were nominated to the sub-committee:-

Cllrs. M. Cunningham, J. Burke, M. Finnerty, P. O'Sullivan, M. Ryan, T. Byrne, P. McHugh, S. Gavin, M. O'Neill and Deputy E. O'Cuiv.

Councillor J. Mannion to Chair the meeting. It was agreed that the first meeting of the Sub-Committee would take place on Monday, 11th December, 1995 at 2.00 p.m. in the County Buildings.

MANAGER'S BUSINESS 3416

The County Manager informed the Members that the Minister for Justice, Nora Owen, T.D. will officially open the refurbished Galway Courthouse on Friday, 15th December, 1995 at 12.00 noon.

The Manager wished to inform the Members that Mr. Bryan Doyle had been offered an appointment as County Secretary with Wicklow County Council and he will take up duty in Wicklow on the 3rd January, 1996.

CLIFDEN DUMP

The Manager informed the Members that Clifden Dump will close in January, 1996. It was stated that the refuse normally sent to Clifden Dump will go to Carrowbrownne. He also stated that the Waste Bill which is now going through the Dail will have major implications on both householders and Local Authorities. In accordance with the Waste Management Strategy Plan which was drawn up earlier this year, dump charges currently being £5-£6 per tonne or less in the county, will as a result of the Directives and Regulations governing land-fill sites increase to approx. £25-£30 per tonne. There is a need for the introduction of waste minimisation and waste recycling and for people to apply other uses in regard to waste disposal. The private sector have been invited to submit proposals in regard to alternative methods of waste disposal.

It was pointed out that because of the closure of some of the smaller dumps, it will bring increased traffic problems etc. around the area of Ballinasloe. It was suggested that the Council should ensure that roads and accesses are upgraded and made passable and suitable for the increased traffic.

CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

3417

On the proposal of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor J. Burke, it was agreed to request the Taoiseach to nominate two Local Authority Members to the County Strategy Group.

It was agreed that the Office Accommodation Requirements for Galway County Council will be listed as an item on the December Agenda.

Councillor Ni Fhatharta requested that this Council invite Ireland West to address the Council early in the new year. It was agreed by the Council.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS**N.O.M. NO 15 - SIGNS - CLLR. S. GAVIN**

3418

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin:-

"A separate reply will issue on this within the next fortnight."

N.O.M. NO 16 - BOTHAR - AN COMH. C. NI FHATHARTA

3419

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta:-

"Nil aon airgead curtha ar fáil insna meastúcháin I mbliana le haghaidh an obair seo a dhéanamh, ach má bhíonn aon airgead le spáráil idir seo agus deire na mbliana déanfar obair deisiúchan."

N.O.M. NO 17 - FLOODING - CLLR. T. WALSH

3420

The following written reply was given to Councillor Walsh:-

"The road in question has been raised above the highest known flood levels and it is not considered necessary to construct a boundary wall for the purposes of delineating the road."

NO.M. NO. 18 - REMOVAL OF FENCE & IMPROVING OF SITE DISTANCE

3421

The following written reply was given to Councillor Walsh:-

"Improvement of sight distance opposite Maddens will require to be done to standard. Arrangements are being made to indicate the necessary sight distance lines following which an estimate of costs will be prepared. A further reply will issue as soon as possible."

N.O.M. NO. 19 - ROAD - CLLR. M. CUNNINGHAM

3422

The following written reply was given to Councillor Cunningham:-

"No provisions were made for the above works in the 1995 Road Works Programme. However, this location will be considered in the preparation of the 1996 programme."

N.O.M. NO 20 - ROAD - CLLR. M. FAHY

3423

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy:-

"This location will be investigated by the local Area Engineer during the coming weeks in order to establish the extent of the problem and you will be informed of developments in due course."

N.O.M. NO. 21 - S.E.S. SCHEME - CLLR. M. FAHY

3424

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy:-

"It is hoped to commence a Community Employment Scheme at above locations during April/May 1996."

N.O.M. NO. 22 - ROAD REPAIRS - CLLR. M. FAHY

3425

The following written reply was given to Councillor Fahy:-

"This location will be investigated within the next fortnight with a view to carrying out remedial action funds permitting."

N.O.M. NO. 23 - ROAD REPAIRS - CLLR. P. 3426
FINNEGAN

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan:-

"Resurfacing has already been carried out at the Ballygaddy road. Routine maintenance will be carried out at the junction between Cedar Court and the N17."

N.O.M. NO. 24 - WIDENING OF ROAD - CLLR P. 3427
FINNEGAN

The following written reply was given to Councillor Finnegan:-

"No provision has been made for the carrying out of the above works in the 1995 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO. 25 - FLOODING - CLLR. S. GAVIN 3428

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin:-

"This location will be investigated within the next few weeks and you will be informed of developments in due course."

N.O.M. NO. 26 - ROAD REPAIRS - CLLR. S. 3429
GAVIN

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin:-

"Work will commence on the Gortacleva road within the next week. Routine maintenance will be carried out to roads at Corcullen and Oranswell as soon as possible."

N.O.M. NO 27 - DRAINAGE - CLLR. S. GAVIN 3430

The following written reply was given to Councillor Gavin:-

"Drainage problems at the above location will be investigated as soon as possible and you will be informed of developments in due course. The road leading to Mrs. Gibbons houses in Parishtown will be patched as part of routine maintenance."

N.O.M. NO. 28 - JUNCTION - CLLR M. 3431
LOUGHNANE

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane:-

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

N.O.M. NO 29 - SEWERAGE SYSTEM 3432
- CLLR M LOUGHNANE

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane:-

"The existing sewerage scheme in Loughrea is over 40 years of age and has been both hydraulically and organically overloaded."

Contract documents have been submitted to the Department of Environment and approval to proceed to Tender document stage is awaited."

N.O.M. NO 30 - DRAINAGE WORKS 3433
- CLLR M LOUGHNANE

The following written reply was given to Councillor Loughnane:-

"This location does not form part of the Dunkellen drainage works. Accordingly, the carrying out of the above works is not the responsibility of Galway County Council."

N.O.M. NO 31 - ROAD WORKS - SEN. J 3434
MCDONAGH

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh:-

"As the above road is not in charge of Galway County Council the carrying out of improvement works is a matter for the land owners involved."

N.O.M. NO 32 - FLOODING - SEN. J MCDONAGH 3435

The following written reply was given to Senator McDonagh:-

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

N.O.M. NO 33 - ROAD WORKS - CLLR P. 3436
MCHUGH

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh:-

"This road is in need of strengthening works. However, no provision was made for same in the 1995 Road Works Programme. The road will be considered for inclusion in the 1996 Road Works Programme."

N.O.M. NO 34 - N 84 ROAD - CLLR. P. 3437
MCHUGH

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh:-

"The provision of white lining at the location is not recommended as this section of roadway is considered to be narrow for the provision of same."

N.O.M. NO 35 - ROAD IMPROVEMENTS 3438
- CLLR P MCHUGH

The following written reply was given to Councillor McHugh:-

"Emergency repairs will be carried out at the above location in the coming weeks. The question of overloading is a matter for the Garda Síochána. The Council has recently written to the Gardai requesting them to use the mobile weighpads on an even handed basis throughout the county."

N.O.M. NO 36 - REILG - AN COMH C NI 3439
FHATHARTA

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta:-

"Is mian liom a ra go bhfuil Annie Coyne, Derreengloss, Leitir Moir ina mhaor ar reilg Leitir Moir."

N.O.M. NO 37 - SOLAS POIBLI - AN 3440
COMH C NI FHATHARTA

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta:-

"Ni raibh muid indhan an lathair thuas luaite a chur sa chlár soilse poibli 1996 toisc ganntanas airgid."

Dá mbeadh muintir na háite sásta na soilse a chur ar fáil iad fein bheadh muid sásta an costas cothaochta a ioc."

N.O.M. NO 38 - BOTHAR - AN COMH C NI 3441
FHATHARTA

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Comhairleoir Ni Fhatharta:-

Beidh muid ag déanamh obair deisiúchan ag an lathair thuas luaite chomh luath agus is feidir."

N.O.M. NO 39 - TEACH - AN TEACHTA E O'CUIV 3442

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Teachta O'Cuiv:-

"Cuireadh caoi ar an D/D seo I 1992 agus 1993 ar chostás £3,135. Tuigtear nar chonai an tinoint ann o shoin agus go bhfuil an D/D a usáid mar áit storail le h-aghaidh fatai, glasraí 7 rl. Da bhri sin, ní bheidh an Comhairle Chontae ag deanamh níos mo oibre air."

N.O.M. NO 40 - BOTHAR - AN TEACHTA E O'CUIV 3443
O'CUIV

Seo leanas an freagra a tugadh do'n Teachta O'Cuiv:-

"Beidh muid ag deanamh an obair seo roimh deire na bliana."

N.O.M. NO 41 - ESB POWER POINT - DEPUTY 3444
E O'CUIV

The following written reply was given to Deputy O'Cuiv:-

"The provision of power point at above location is not the responsibility of Galway County Council."

N.O.M. NO 42 - TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES 3445
- CLLR S O'NEACHTAIN

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Neachtain:-

"The N.R.A. at meeting held on 20/11/95, indicated that funding would be provided in 1996 for the carrying out of traffic calming measures at above location."

N.O.M. NO 43 - INIS MOR WATER SUPPLY - 3446
- CLLR. S. O'NEACHTAIN

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Neachtain:-

"The drilling programme has been successful and substantial quantities of water are available in the Turlough area.

We are awaiting the Hydrogeological report, and on receipt of same we will submit the report and documentation to the Department of the Environment for additional approval for the provision of reservoirs."

N.O.M. NO 44 - ROAD - CLLR S O'NEACHTAIN 3447

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Neachtain:-

"The road margins at this location are quite high and there are severe flooding problems due to water coming off the Gortatleva road. It is not possible therefore to reduce the width of the water tables as this would cause further clogging of water. The drain at Killeen will be cleaned as soon as possible. There are no funds available in the current year for the removal of grass margins on the county roads."

N.O.M. NO 45 - FLOODING - CLLR P. 3448
O'SULLIVAN

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Sullivan:-

"No provision for the carrying out of improvement works at the above location was made in the 1995 Road Works Programme. However, routine maintenance will be carried out in the near future."

N.O.M. NO 46 - ROAD - CLLR P O'SULLIVAN 3449

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Sullivan:-

"The above works will be carried out as soon as possible."

N.O.M. NO 47 - ROADSIDE PUMP - CLLR P. 3450
O'SULLIVAN

The following written reply was given to Councillor O'Sullivan:-

"This matter is being investigated at present and a full reply will issue in the next week."

N.O.M. NO 48 - HEADFORD COURTHOUSE - 3451
CLLR E. VARLEY

The following written reply was given to Councillor Varley:-

"It is intended to have the Contractors on site to commence these works within the next fortnight."

N.O.M. NO 49 - PUBLIC LIGHTING - CLLR E. 3452
VARLEY

The following written reply was given to Councillor Varley:-

"The draft 1996 public lighting programme allows for one light to be erected at Concamons, Bridge Street. New poles will be required at the other locations mentioned above and it was not possible therefore to include these locations in the draft programme due to shortage of funds."

N.O.M. NO 50 - FLASHING LIGHTS - CLLR E. 3453
VARLEY

The following written reply was given to Councillor Varley:-

"Enlarged school warning signs were recently erected on the approaches to the school which is located on the N18 Claregalway.

The provision of school flashing lights is not recommended at this location as the school is located within a speed control zone."

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Submitted, Approved + Signed:

John M. Harrison
 Chairman

18/12/95
 Date