

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

15 Mhean Fomhair, 1967

Ghuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 25adh lá de Mhean Fomhair, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDH

Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
 - (a) Patrick Joseph Maloney, N.T., Cappatagle, Ballinasloe -
Damage to motor car, 9/8/1967 £350.
 - (b) Thomas Nannon, Vicar Street, Tuam -
Damage to 2 Plate Glass shop windows and shop goods £150.
 - (c) Eamon L. Hynes, Devon Park, Salthill, Galway -
Damage to motor boat between 27/7/1967 and 15/8/1967 £50.
 - (d) Delia McDonagh, Barna -
Damage to six cocks of hay, 15/8/1967 £90.
 - (e) Martin Maher, Beaghmore, Donaghpatrick -
Damage to cock of hay, 21/8/1967 £35.
 - (f) Walter Curran, Grattan Road, Galway -
Damage to motor car, 23/8/1967 £13.
 - (g) W. P. Higgins Ltd., Headford Road, Galway -
Damage to glass in Showroom window, 3/9/1967 £6. 10. 0.
3. Delegates to Conference of Library Association in Dublin, 25th/28th September, 1967.
4. Sale of plot of land at Rossaveal - notice dated 6th September, 1967.
5. Mass Radiography Service.
6. Auditor's Report on Audit of accounts of Galway Roscommon Mental Health Board for the 3 years ended 31st March, 1966.
7. Loans - Sanitary Services Schemes.
8. Housing Programme.
9. Loan £5,100 - Water Tender Fire Appliance, Galway.

10. Local Improvement Schemes.
11. Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.
12. Remuneration Increases:
Salaries and on-call allowances, Laboratory Technicians.
13. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.
14. Members notices of motion:-

(a) Clr. F. Glynn:

- (1) That portion of the money now being spent on super Main Roads, be diverted to County Roads.
- (2) What is the position regarding the proposed new cemetery for Addergoole, Milltown.
- (3) That a view be created at the Kilclooney (Milltown) Crossroads for traffic approaching from the Dunmore Road.
- (4) That the footpath from Dalgin School to Dalgin Bridge be repaired and made safe for children.
- (5) That special consideration be given to removing the double bend at Hynses', Lissconly, Milltown, at an early date.

Clr. M. Croffy:

- (b) (1) I will ask the County Manager at the next meeting of the County Council the prospects of extending the water supply south and west of the Urban Boundary of Ballinasloe, namely, Moher, Mackney and Nutfield Cross.
- (2) I will ask the County Manager at the next meeting of the Galway County Council how soon will there be a piped water supply in the Kiltormer-Laurencetown area.
- (3) I will request at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that a refuse collection be provided for the village of Ahascragh.

Clr. J. Callanan:

- (c) (1) At the next meeting of Galway County Council I propose to ask the Council to arrange with Ballinasloe Urban Council to extend the Ballinasloe Water Supply to Derrymullen, Kilclooney and Poolboy area.

Clr. P. Fahy:

- (d) (1) I intend to propose at the next County Council meeting that the vacancy created on the Vocational Educational Committee by my resignation therefrom, be filled by Tomás Uas. O'Domhnaillain, O.S., Cinn Mhara, Co. na Gaillimhe.

Clr. T. Byrne:

- (e) (1) That speed limit signs be erected to serve the village of Ballindereen.
- (2) I will ask the County Manager when the erection of the sanctioned pump for the village of Bolag, Woodford, is to commence.
- (3) I will also ask when the provision of a new engine for the Portumna Water Supply will be provided.
- (4) We the members of Galway County Council request the Land Commission to acquire lands more vigorously for the benefit of congested farmers in South Galway.
- (5) I will ask the County Manager when it is intended to complete the improvement scheme on the Portumna-Loughrea road.

Clr. J. Lambert:

- (f) (1) I will ask what is the position of the Ardrahan pump which is out of order.
- (2) When will the new houses proposed for Gort be built.
- (3) That the bad crossroads at Greenhouse, Craughwell, be made safe.
- (4) That Old Age Pensioners have their houses Rates free.
- (5) That this Council requests the Department of Education to provide free transport for children from all areas attending schools in Gort.

Senator M. Killilea:

- (g) (1) I will move at the next meeting "that the Galway County Council agree to and recommend the submissions of the Dunmore representatives and the alternatives put forward re the by-passing of Dunmore."

15. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
25TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

In the Chair: Senator Mark Killilea.

Also present: Members.

Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ridge, Ruane and Ryan.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanagh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer and M. S. O'Maolruanaidh, Acting County Secretary.

119. Minutes:

The Minutes of previous meetings to 118 inclusive, having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

120. Malicious Damage Claims:

It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 - (a) to (g) on the Agenda had been received.

121. Conference of Library Association - Appointment of Delegates:

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council confirmed the County Library's Committee nominations, viz: Deputy M. F. Kitt, Lehenagh, Castleblakeney and Clr. John Donnellan, Dove Park, Moycullen, as delegates to the conference of the Library Association to be held in Dublin from the 25th to the 28th September, 1967.

122. Sale of plot of land at Rossaveal:

Clr. Clarke said the Galway County Council itself was looking for land in this area for housing and he could not understand why they should propose to sell this plot to the Land Commission. He therefore proposed that this matter be adjourned to the next meeting of the Council.- Deputy Molloy seconded and this was agreed to.

123. Mass Radiography Service:

Circular 28/67 of the 11 Mhean Fomhair, 1967, from the Department of Health was submitted, reporting on the activities of the Mass Radiography Board for year ended 31st December, 1966. The report was noted.

124. Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board - Auditor's Report for three years ended 31st March, 1966:

The Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board for three years ended 31st March, 1966, was submitted and noted.

125. Loan - Excess Expenditure £79,000 for Aran, Barna, Oughterard Water Supply and Ahascragh, Eyrecourt, Carraroe, Mountbellew, Woodford, Athenry, Gort and Loughrea Sewerage Schemes:

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £79,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such

other source and over such period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray excess expenditure on the following schemes:-

Aran Regional Water Supply and extension to Kilronan Water Supply, Barna Water Supply, Ahascragh, Eyrecourt, Carraroe, Mountbellew and Woodford Sewerage Schemes, Sewerage extensions at Athenry, Gort and Loughrea, Sewerage extensions at Ennis Road and Garrabeg, Gort, and water extension at Glebe, Oughterard."

- 126. Loan £3,000 - Excess Expenditure - Ahascragh and Oughterard Water Supply and Ballygar Sewerage Schemes:

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £3,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source, and over such period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray excess expenditure on the following schemes:-

Ahascragh and Oughterard Water Supply Schemes and Ballygar Sewerage Scheme."

- 127. Housing Programme:

The Assistant County Manager submitted and circulated to the members the following report dated the 19th instant -

"The Housing Survey of the County recently completed reveals that the present building needs of the County are 3,493 houses, classified as follows:-

- 1. Unfit dwellings which cannot be economically repaired - 2961
2. Families living in overcrowded conditions - 412
3. Families living involuntarily with other households - 85
4. Families otherwise in need of housing on compassionate, medical, or other similar grounds - 35
3493

It is estimated that a further 650 houses will be required during the period ended March, 1971, to provide for dwellings which will be lost through demolition, re-development, conversion to other uses and obsolescence, bringing the total number of houses required to 4143. It is considered that 467 unfit houses will not need to be renewed due to the age and marital status of the occupiers and that vacancies which will arise in private and local authority houses during the period will total 550. This reduces the total requirements to 3126.

Based on existing building activities in the private sector it is anticipated that approximately one-third of the nett needs up to March 1971 will be met by private enterprise and that the bulk of the County's requirements which is of the type which would normally be dealt with by private enterprise should be met in a period of ten to twelve years. The Council's supplementary grants scheme acts

as an incentive to people to build their own houses, and its success to date may be judged by the fact that 4,300 grants have been paid at a cost of £1,10r,000 for new houses since the commencement of housing grants schemes.

It is considered that the Council should embark on a programme of construction of 150 houses in the period from now to March 1971. It would be desirable to increase, if possible, this number, but it is unlikely that more than 150 houses could be provided in the period.

Details of the proposed programme are as follows:-

Table with 2 columns: Category and Count. Rows include Rural Houses (79), Towns (Athensry 5, Eyrecourt 6, Gort 6, Loughrea 10, Portumna 6, Tuam 15), Mobile homes for old persons (estimated) 23, and Total: 150.

After a discussion, the Council, on the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Molloy adopted the report.

- 128. Loan £5,100 - Water Tender Fire Appliance, Galway:

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £5,100 from the National Bank of Ireland Limited, Eyre Square, Galway, or such other source and over such period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray the cost of purchasing a Water Tender Fire Appliance for Galway."

- 129. Local Improvement Schemes:

Circular letter, ref. S.W.23/1/1 of the 14th August, 1967, (copy herewith) was submitted and circulated.

Also submitted and circulated was County Engineer's report of 27th August, 1967. (copy also herewith).

The County Manager said that the following three points had to be considered:-

- (a) Did the Council want to operate the Scheme.
(b) If so, what staffing arrangements were necessary therefor, and
(c) If so, where exactly the present system for adopting notices of motion (roads) would fit in.

Deputy Geoghegan proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded, the the Council agree to operate the proposed Local Improvement Scheme and that consideration of the other two points mentioned by the County Manager, be adjourned for one month.

Deputy Geoghegan also requested that a list of the Engineers employed by the Council and the exact duties carried out by each be circulated to the members before then.

Clr. Callanan suggested that consideration of the matter be adjourned until the members had an opportunity to study the Department's Circular and the County Engineer's report.

Clr. Joyce proposed and Clr. Collins seconded, that the proposed Local Improvements Schemes be considered at a special meeting of the Council in two weeks time.

Clr. Burke proposed and Clr. Glynn seconded, that consideration of the Department's circular and the County Engineer's report be adjourned to the next monthly meeting of the Council to be held on the 23rd October, 1967.

A vote taken on Clr. Burke's proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Coogan, Cunningham, Fahy, Glynn, Holland, Hussey, Killilea, Melvin, Molloy, Ridge and Ruane (14).

Against: Clrs. Clarke, Collins, Croffy, John Donnellan (Dunmore), Pat Donnellan, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverly, Joyce, Lambert, Mannion, Raftery and Ryan (12).

Clr. Burke's proposal was declared carried and Clr. Joyce's proposal was declared defeated. The voting for the latter being the same in reverse, viz. 12 for, and 14 against.

130. Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963: The County Manager suggested that a special meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 30th October, 1967, at 3.30 p.m. to consider objections to the Draft Development Plan for the county and this was agreed to.

131. Remuneration Increases - Technicians in Galway Regional Hospital:

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council approved the following revised salaries and allowances for Technicians at Galway Regional Hospital:-

(a) From the 1st June, 1966:

Senior 1. Laboratory Technicians:- £1120 x £35 - £1260 x £40 - £1300 per annum plus 10th round increase where appropriate.

Senior 2. Laboratory Technician:- £1205 x £35 - £1380 x £40 - £1420 per annum plus 10th round increase where appropriate.

(b) From the 1st October, 1966:

On-call allowances for Laboratory Technicians

Monday - Friday 15/-

Saturday ... 20/-

Sunday ... 30/-

Public Holiday ... 30/-

Plus a fee per call per patient of 15/-.

(c) From the 1st October, 1967:

Dark Room Technician:- £390 x £34 - £560 x £56 - £616 x £39 - £694 per annum plus 10th round increase - the existing officer to enter the scale at the point nearest to but not lower than his present remuneration.

It was noted that the estimated cost of (a) would be £300 per annum.

132. Joint Committee on Itinerary: It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Joint Committee on Itinerary on Friday, 27th October, 1967, at 4 p.m. in the County Buildings, Galway.

133. Road Safety Competition for Children: It was noted that the following were the winners of the Road Safety Competition for children in primary schools in the county Galway.

(a) FIVE 1ST PRIZES OF £2. 2. 0 EACH:

Declan Barrett, Boys' National School, Killimor, Co. Galway.
Mícheál Séan Mac Aodgáin, Scoil Náisiunta, Coaltrach, Beal Atha na Sluagh.

Mícheál MacGlionn, Scoil Náisiunta, Cnoc Maoidris, Gaillimh.
Cait Ní Neachtain, Scoil Mhuire, An Spidéal.
Seán Taniane, Lettera National School, Glenamaddy.

(b) TEN 2ND PRIZES OF £1. 1. 0. EACH:

Caitlín Breathnach, Scoil Náisiunta, Tamhain, Uaran Mor, Co. na Gaillimhe
Brid Clarke, Killyan National School, Ballinamore Bridge, Ballinasloe.
Angela Donohue, Esker National School, Athony.
Josephine Healy, Newtown Girls' National School, Ballyglunin.
Ann Joyce, Kilmilkin National School, Maam, Co. Galway.
Jacinta King, Kilnadeema National School, Loughrea.
Michael King, Brierhill National School, Galway.
Mairtín Ó Dabhorain, Scoil Náisiunta, Tuíríní, Maghcuillin.
Marian Shiel, Mullagh National School, Loughrea.
Alphonsus Tully, Killure National School, Ahasragh, Ballinasloe.

(c) TEN 3RD PRIZES OF 10/6d. EACH:

Bernadette Glynn, Corofin Girls' National School, Cumber, Ballyglunin.
Máire Ní Ghoill, Scoil Náisiunta na gGaillíní, Baile Cláir, Co. na Gaillimhe.

Barry Horgan, St. Brendan's Boys' National School, Loughrea.
John Kilcommons, Killyan National School, Ballinamore Bridge, B'sloe.
Gerard Lahart, Boys' National School, Eyrecourt.
James O'Brien, Boys' National School, Clonbur.
Nicky O'Malley, Oranmore Boys' National School, Oranmore.
Padraic Seóige, Scoil Náisiunta, Tuáirín, Béaladangan.
Noreen Shiel, Coolagh National School, Killimor.
Assumpta Tully, Castlefrench National School, Ballinamore Bridge, Ballinasloe.

It was noted that there were approximately 23,000 entries.

134. Consultative Health Committee: The appointment of the following two members of the Consultative Health Committee was approved by the Council on the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Melvin, viz:-

Dr. Sean F. O'Beirn, Surgeon, Galway Regional Hospital.

Dr. Martin J. Dyar, District Medical Officer, Loughrea.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Consultative Health Committee on Friday, 13th October, 1967, at 4 p.m. in the County Buildings, Galway.

135. Standing Orders: It was agreed that the Chairman and County Manager would examine the Council's Standing Orders with a view to having them revised and brought up to date.
136. Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote 1967/68: Letter dated 21st September, 1967, from the County Engineer was submitted stating that one of these schemes - Ahascragh - covered the extension of a county road No. 514 - Cloonrannon for £265 - 800 lin. yds.; that it was the only suitable scheme near Ahascragh and that he recommended that the Council would formally adopt this extension as a public road.
- On the proposition of Mrs. Croffy and seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), the Council approved of the County Engineer's recommendation.
137. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees: On the proposition of Clr. Callanan, seconded by Clr. Galvin, the Council approved the appointment of the following to be members of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees:-
- Ballinasloe Sub-Committee:
James Joyce, N.T., Eyrecourt.
Dermot Staunton, Creagh, Ballinasloe.
- Portumna Sub-Committee:
Gerry Byrnes, Boula, Portumna.
Connie Donnelly, Conicore, Abbey, Loughrea.
James O'Mara, Cappagh, Abbcy, Loughrea.
- Oranmore Sub-Committee:
Terry Connolly, Oranmore.
T. Byrne, Co.C., Kinvara.
- Ardrahan Sub-Committee:
T. Byrne, Co.C., Kinvara.
Michael Silver, Rathbane, Ardrahan.
- Spiddal Sub-Committee:
Paddy Ridge, Cornarone, Inverin.
Thomas Malone, Cornarone, Inverin.
- Oughterard Sub-Committee:
Paddy Walsh, Oughterard.
138. Diversion of Main Road Grants to County Roads: The Chairman told Clr. Glynn that this matter would be considered at the next meeting of the General Council of County Councils.
139. Proposed New Cemetary for Addergoole, Milltown: The County Manager informed Clr. Glynn that agreement had been reached with the landowner for the purchase of the site and the transfer of the land is in the hands of the Solicitor; that there had been some delay on the part of the vendor's Solicitor in finalising the matter.
140. Kilclooney (Milltown) Crossroads: Clr. Glynn proposed that a view be created at the Kilclooney (Milltown) Crossroads for traffic approaching from the Dunmore Road and the County Engineer confirmed that this work would be done in the present financial year.
141. Dalgin Footpath: The County Engineer advised Clr. Glynn that the footpath from Dalgin School to Dalgin Bridge would be repaired and made safe for children in the near future.

142. Double Bend at Hynses', Lissconly, Milltown: Clr. Glynn proposed that special consideration be given to the removing of the double bend at Hynses', Lissconly, Milltown, at an early date and the County Engineer stated that it was unlikely that this work would be carried out in the near future.
143. Water Supply extensions to Moher, Mackney and Nutfield Cross, Ballinasloe:
Mrs. Croffy asked what were the prospects of extending the water supply south and west of the urban boundary of Ballinasloe, namely, Moher, Mackney and Nutfield Cross.
The County Manager stated that these extensions were not on the priority list but that he would have the matter examined.
144. Piped Water Supply - Kiltorner-Laurencetown area: The County Manager stated that the only source being gauged was at Steele's Well which was capable of supplying the village of Laurencetown and its immediate environs; that no reports or estimates had been prepared for the scheme.
145. Ahascragh Refuse Collection: The County Manager informed Mrs. Croffy that he was arranging to have an estimate prepared for the provision of a refuse collection service in Ahascragh and that it would be considered for inclusion in next year's estimates.
146. Extension of Ballinasloe Urban Water Supply to Derrymullen, Kilclooney and Poolboy Area:
Clr. Callanan proposed that the Council arrange with Ballinasloe Urban Council to extend the Ballinasloe Water Supply to Derrymullen, Kilclooney and Poolboy areas and the County Manager stated that this request would be examined.
147. County Galway Vocational Education Committee Vacancy: It was proposed by Clr. Fahy, seconded by Clr. Callanan and resolved:-
"That Tomás Uas. O'Donnahillain, O.S., Cinn Mhara, Co. na Gaillimhe, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee."
148. Speed Limit Signs for Ballindereen: The County Engineer informed Clr. Byrne that the erection of speed limit signs in the village of Ballindereen was a matter for the Minister for Local Government.
149. Bolag, Woodford, Pump: The County Manager advised Clr. Byrne that this pump had been nominated on the current priority list; that the County Medical Officer was being asked to suggest a suitable site and on agreement being reached on a site, the pump boring would be advertised for tender.
150. Portumna Water Supply Engine: The County Manager told Clr. Byrne that a tender had been accepted on the 22nd instant for the provision of a new engine for the Portumna Water Supply.
151. Land Commission and congested farmers in South Galway: It was proposed by Clr. Byrne, seconded by Deputy John Donnellan and resolved:-
"That we the members of the Galway County Council request the Land Commission to acquire lands more vigorously for the benefit of congested farmers in South Galway."
152. Road Improvement Scheme - Portumna/Loughrea Road: Clr. Byrne asked when it was intended to complete the improvement scheme on the Portumna/Loughrea road and the County Engineer stated that this would depend on a substantial increase in the present grant allocation.

153. Ardrahan Pump: In reply to Clr. Lambert's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that agreement had been reached with the Office of Public Works, giving permission to the County Council to test the yield of water from the new pump at the Garda Barracks, Ardrahan; that if the yield was satisfactory, further negotiations would be carried out with the Office of Public Works with a view to obtaining a public supply from this bore hole for the village; that the tests would be carried out in the next few weeks.
154. New Houses for Gort: The County Manager informed Clr. Lambert that consideration was being given to the building of four new houses at Crowe Street, Gort.
155. Greenhouse, Craughwell Crossroads: Clr. Lambert proposed that the bad crossroads at Greenhouse, Craughwell be made safe and the County Engineer replied that the cross was adequately sign-posted and that it was not proposed to do any further work there.
156. Remission of Rates for Old Age Pensioners: Clr. Lambert proposed that Old Age Pensioners have their houses rates free and the County Manager stated that any hardship cases were dealt with sympathetically when the Rates Arrears List were being examined at the close of the financial year.
157. Free Transport for Gort School Children: It was proposed by Clr. Lambert and seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) and resolved:-
 "That this Council request the Department of Education to provide free transport for children from all areas attending schools in Gort."
158. Bye-passing of Dunmore: The Chairman adjourned his notice of motion re the bye-passing of Dunmore, to the meeting of the Council to be held on the 30th October, 1967, to consider objections to the Draft Development Plan.
159. Sympathy: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-
 Mr. Michael Glynn, Model View, Newcastle Road, Galway, on the death of his father-in-law.
 Mrs. Keogh, Ballyconneely, Co. Galway, on the death of her husband, Mr. Edward Keogh.
 Mrs. Broderick, University Road, Galway, on the death of her husband, Mr. Sean Broderick.
 Mr. John Hanley, Corrigan, Craughwell, on the death of his father.
 Mr. Paddy Connell, Corrigan, Craughwell, on the death of his sister, Mrs. Flanagan.
 Mr. Paddy Connors, Greenhouse, Craughwell, on the death of his mother.
 Mr. Michael Raftery, Iaraghra, Kylebrack, Ballinakill, Loughrea, on the death of his father.
 Mr. Michael Hennelly, Killafin, Gort, on the death of his mother.
 Mr. John R. King, Claddaghduff, Clifden, on the death of his wife.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. Keene

CHAIRMAN

DATE: 23rd OCTOBER 1967.

County Buildings,
GALWAY

22nd August, 1967.

County Manager/

Proposed Local Improvement Schemes

I wish to refer to your memo. of the 16th August with enclosure which I have read. My opinion is that there is considerable justification for the Council dealing with the improvement of roads which it is likely will be adopted by the Council as public roads (but not in the way set out); little justification for dealing with other roads; and none whatever for dealing with the repair or improvement of minor drains. In the scheme, no provision is made for maintenance, but rather the contrary, and this has been a predominant defect of schemes of this type in the past. Further, once the Council carries out works of this type it is virtually impossible to convince anyone that the Council has not been saddled with their maintenance, and of course, with defending actions for flooding. There are other details in the memo, which would need careful consideration but I am not advertising to them at present. If the scheme is implemented (and please see the foregoing) the following staff arrangements would need to be made.

- (1) Chief Assistant in Charge.
- (2) Two Asst. Co. Engineers.
- (3) Staff Officer.
- (4) Clerical Officer.
- (5) Clerk Typist.
- (6) Three Offices.

The foregoing would be subject to review after a period of 12 months working. I advised the County Manager on the 25th Feb. 1965 that because of the spread of work, I considered that the appointment of a Deputy County Engineer would be needed. If the present scheme is adopted this will be necessary under the title, Chief Assistant in Charge, (of which another County has three). Approximately 20% of his salary and expenses would be chargeable to the scheme. 50% of the salary and expenses of the Staff Officer should likewise be chargeable. This would result in the County Engineer dealing with 4 Chief Assistants, 1 Assist. Design, and two staff Officers covering, Roads, Design, Planning and Machinery. His Deputy would deal with Piers and Harbours, Local Improvement Schemes, Water Survey, Fire Fighting, Health, Housing and Stores. The Staff for the latter (Deputy) would consist of 3 Chief Assistants 2 A.C.E.'s, 1 Staff Officer and the Storekeeper.

Consideration would need to be given by the Council to where exactly the present system for adopting Notice of Motion roads would fit in.

C. A. WARNER
County Engineer

Department of Local Government,
Special Employment Schemes Section,
30, Earlsfort Terrace,
Dublin 2.

Ref: S.W.23/1/1

14th August, 1967

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME

A Chara.

1. I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to inform you that the Government have decided to introduce a new scheme of grants (entitled the "Local Improvements Scheme") to replace the Minor Employment, Bog Development and Rural Improvements Schemes hitherto administered by the Special Employment Schemes Office. The Government propose that the Scheme should be operated by the County Councils. It is intended that the new Scheme will come into operation as from 1st April, 1968, and the purpose of this letter is to advise you in advance of the system envisaged so that it will be open to you to make the necessary arrangements in good time for the operation of the scheme. The County Council will be entirely free to operate the Scheme or not, but since substantial State grants will be available to meet the net expense falling on the local authority, it is expected that the Council will be anxious to operate it.

2. The Scheme will involve the execution of works for the repair or improvement of roads (other than public roads) used jointly by two or more landholders for the purpose of access to agricultural land or turbary, (or, in appropriate cases, of non-public roads serving beaches and the like, over which in effect there is a public right-of-way), and for the repair or improvement of minor drains serving the agricultural lands or turbary of two or more landholders. All works (and State grants therefor) will be conditional on a joint cash contribution payable in advance by the benefiting landholders, calculated on a sliding scale related to their average valuation (lands only). The scale of contribution will be :-

| <u>Average Rateable valuation (lands only)</u> | <u>Local Contribution</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Under £5 | 2½% |
| £5 and under £7 | 5% |
| £7 and under £10 | 10% |
| £10 and under £15 | 15% |
| £15 and under £25 | 20% |
| £25 and under £50 | 30% |
| £50 and under £75 | 40% |
| £75 and under £100 | 50% |
| £100 and over | 60% |

The County Council will collect this joint contribution and, in doing so, may find it desirable to follow the practice of the Special Employment Schemes Office of dealing with one of the landholders as agent for the others in all matters relating to a particular scheme. It will be noted that one scale of grants applies to all schemes.

3. It is intended that the cash contribution, together with the State grant, will meet the County Council's expenditure on the following basis. The Council will take the actual expenditure on wages, materials and plant, add 10% for their "overheads" (salaries, stationery, etc.) and divide the total cost so calculated between the cash contribution (2½%, etc. of total cost) and the State grant (97½% etc.). Expenditure on each scheme would be limited to the amount of the grant plus the cash contribution.

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4. The annual allocation to a County Council will depend on the total amount voted by the Dail for the service in a particular year, the general intention being to divide the total sum available amongst the counties according to the total of the grants allocated over a period of years in the past under Minor Employment, Bog Development and Rural Improvements Schemes. Assuming that the Dail makes approximately the same provision for 1968/69 as it did for this year, the County Council can expect a total allocation in the region of £49,000 for 1968/69 and can plan ahead for that year on that basis.

5. The procedure envisaged is as follows:-

- allocation of the year's grant to the County Council;
- receipt by the Council of applications from landholders, assessment of the merits of the proposals and the selection of schemes;
- consultation with the local officer of the Land Project, Department of Agriculture, in regard to drainage applications;
- for the schemes selected, preparation of estimates of cost, issue of offers of grant (subject to cash contribution), receipt of contribution and execution of works;
- advising the Department of the progress of work (returns at end of each month), submission of final claim for recoupment following certification by the Local Government Auditor - interim payments will be made as the work progresses.

The Department will not normally carry out engineering inspection of individual schemes.

The design of individual schemes will rest with the local authority. Over-elaborate and costly improvements should be avoided. In the case of road works the width, bearing capacity and finished surface should be related to the needs of the local agricultural community, with particular regard to the type of farm machinery using the road and the extent of lorry traffic in delivering fertilisers or removing sugar beet, etc. Drainage schemes should be selected and designed in full consultation with the local officer of the Land Project. Drainage work will in general be confined to minor streams whose discharging capacity has decreased through natural deterioration over many years. A typical scheme would cost £400/500 and would provide for cleaning, widening, deepening and regrading the channel, including where necessary the lowering of inverts of bridges.

6. Grants will not be limited (as Minor Employment Schemes grants have hitherto been limited) to areas of high unemployment but the relief of unemployment is one of the objectives of the Scheme and, when unskilled workers are being recruited, preference should be given to :-

- unemployment assistance recipients
- unemployment insurance claimants
- (a) beneficiaries who have contributed to the cost of the scheme, and
(b) "non-claimants" registered at Employment Exchanges.

Furthermore, in the recruitment of gangers and other supervisory workers for the scheme, the Council should give priority to persons formerly employed by the Special Employment Schemes Office on Minor Employment, Bog Development and Rural Improvements Schemes if such persons are available and suitable. A list of the persons employed by the Special Employment Schemes Office in the County will be forwarded to you later.

7. Legislation will be introduced with the object of authorising County Councils to undertake relevant road schemes, i.e. on roads which are not public roads; it will seek to ensure that the undertaking of such a scheme does not involve any responsibility for future maintenance by the Council. It is considered that the Local Authorities (Works) Acts, 1949, confers adequate power to undertake drainage schemes. In the case of drainage works it will be necessary to get the landholders to sign undertakings accepting liability for future maintenance.

8. In addition to administering the Minor Employment, Bog Development and Rural Improvements Schemes the Special Employment Schemes Office has also in the past carried out works of a similar type on behalf of other Departments, e.g., Roinn na Gaeltachta schemes for accommodation and bog roads in the Gaeltacht, and schemes sponsored by the Department of Transport and Power for bog development works (roads and drains) in bogs supplying the hand-won turf fired E.S.B. Stations. The legislation to be introduced will propose to confer powers on County Councils enabling them to do these works at the request and the expense of such Departments.

9. It is hoped that the above information is sufficient to enable you to proceed with the necessary preparations to enable the County Council to undertake the new schemes in 1968/69. It will be for each local authority to decide on the particular arrangements to be made, but if any advice is required the Department's Special Employment Schemes Section will be glad to afford it. A note is attached of the procedure employed by that Section in administering the Rural Improvements Scheme. You may wish to consider advising now the Council of what is proposed and the arrangements which you intend to make for the execution of the work. A discussion by the Council would bring the Scheme to the notice of the public. Your particular attention is directed to the need for framing a procedure for selecting schemes for execution in the likely event of total applications exceeding the grant, etc. available.

10. The Special Employment Schemes Section of this Department will deal with any Minor Employment, Bog Development and Rural Improvements Schemes for which grants have been approved this year and will arrange to forward to each County Council particulars of any outstanding applications not dealt with by the Section. Priority should be given to these applications under the new Local Improvements Scheme.

Mise, le meas,

G.O'Gara

To each County Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

12 Dheireadh Fomhair, 1967.

Chuíg Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 23adh lá de Dheireadh Fomhair, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-

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|---|--------|------------|
| (a) Martin Maher, Cloonascragh, Belclare - Cock of hay destroyed, 21/8/1967 | | £35 |
| (b) Stephen Walsh, Maree, Oranmore - Boat rope destroyed, 9/9/1967 | | £10 |
| (c) Patrick Thornton, 80 Renmore Park, Galway - Damage to Motor Cycle, 9/9/1967 | | £50 |
| (d) James Lohan, Lissavalley, Barnaderg - 3 Iron gates destroyed, 13/9/1967 | | £15 |
| (e) Mary Swords, Mount Carmel, Salthill, Galway - Plate Glass window destroyed, 14/9/1967 | | £30 |
| (f) James Keane, Boyhill, Athenry - 8½ tons of hay burned, 14/9/1967 | | £85 |
| (g) Michael Mullins, Moyveela, Oranmore - Two-bay Hayshed with leanto burned, 14/9/1967 | | £304. |
| (h) Laurence O'Toole, Henry Street, Galway - Fishing boat planks smashed, 17/9/1967 | | £10. |
| (i) Patrick Nolan, 7 O'Donoghue's Tce., Woodquay, Galway - Damage to Motor Car, 23/9/1967 | | £26. 5. 0. |
| (j) Western Motors Limited, Tuam Road, Galway - Windows, Desk, and Cash Boxes damaged and Stamps and Cash stolen, 26/9/1967 | | £15. 7. 0. |
| (k) Laurence O'Toole, Henry Street, Galway - Fishing Boat planks and ribs smashed, 4/6/1967 | | £20. 0. 0. |

3. Pension increases.
4. Local Improvement Schemes.
5. Consultative Health Committee - filling of vacancy.
6. Bealadangan Bridge.
7. Creation of two offices of Clerk/Typist.
8. Introduction of 42½ hour week for road workers and non-nursing staffs.
9. Improvement of Public Lighting Systems.
10. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads (schedule attached).
11. County Councils' General Council - matters for agenda for next meeting.
12. Notice of motion Roads 1967/68.
13. Members notices of motion:-
 - (a) Deputy R. Molloy:
 - (1) That the Council agree to bear the cost of erecting a glass back-wall in the Ball Alley at Barna, Galway.
 - (2) That public lighting be provided on the road leading from Barna Village to the Ball Alley.
 - (3) That special attention be given to the removal of grass and weeds growing on the side of the roads and footpaths throughout the Borough of Galway.
 - (4) That necessary repairs be carried out to Whitestrand Avenue, Lower Salthill.
 - (5) That an explanation be given of the cause of the delay in commencing work on the Knocknacarra Sewerage.
 - (6) That a refuse collection service be provided at Knocknacarra.
 - (7) That the remaining portion of the footpath at Glenard Crescent be provided where the new school wall has been constructed leading onto Dr. Mannix Road, Salthill.
 - (8) That Rockbarton North Road, Salthill be re-surfaced at an early date and that the grass margins be removed.
 - (9) That the opening in the Traffic Island opposite the Petrol Station at Upper Salthill be increased to twice its present size to allow for the easy passage of motor cars wishing to call to the Petrol Station while travelling from Galway City to Salthill.
 - (10) That the road outside the main entrance to the Pearse Stadium be declared a Public Road and surfaced with tarmacadam.
 - (11) That the Department of Local Government Inspectors report on the condition of the Renmore Road, Galway, be read out to the members present and a report given on what action has been taken to date on the Inspector's recommendation, if any,
 - (12) That improvements be carried out immediately to the corner in Lower Salthill near Madden's Garage where Fr. Griffin Road, Lr. Salthill Road and Whitestrand Avenue meet.
 - (13) That improvements be carried out to the corner where Grattan Rd. and Fr. Burke Road meet.

- (14) That a report be given on the proposal to erect Traffic Lights at Moneenageisha Crossroads and Cemetery Crossroads, Galway.
 - (15) That an explanation be given of the cause of the delay in signing the Agreement for the maintenance of the proposed improvements and extension to Kilronan Pier, Aran Islands - to state the date of receipt of the proposed agreement from Department of Finance and the date it was finally sent back to that Department completed.
 - (16) That a report be given on the present position regarding the proposed Doctor's Residence and Dispensary for Kilronan, Aran Islands.
 - (17) That a report be given on the proposal to erect a Cottage Hospital on Inishmore, Aran Islands.
 - (18) That necessary repairs be carried out to the Boat Slip leading from the Boat Shed which houses one of the life boats at Kilronan, Aran Islands.
 - (19) That the Council undertake as urgent work the widening, straightening and repairing of the road leading from Kilronan to Kilmurvey, Aran Islands.
 - (20) That repairs be carried out to the beach road at Kilmurvey, Aran Islands and that seats be provided along this road.
 - (21) That a public toilet be provided at Kilronan Pier, Aran Islands.
- (b) Deputy John Donnellan:
- (1) I would like to know if the Galway County Council have made any attempt to provide a Childrens' Playground in the town of Tuam.
 - (2) To ask the County Manager what steps are being taken to repair the pump at Cloonagh, Milltown.
 - (3) I would like to know what are the prospects of providing sewerage facilities for the Demesne Cottages, Tuam.
 - (4) I would like to ask the County Council if it is their intention to erect a public light between Mooney's and Gannon's at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam.
 - (5) To ask the County Council what are the prospects of providing a Telephone Kiosk at Athenny Road, Tuam and at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam.
 - (6) The Gortbeg Road, Ballyglunin, which is at present being maintained by the County Council and is a very busy road - what are the chances that the County Council will tar this road in the near future.
 - (7) To ask the County Manager if he is aware that the triangle at Newtownmorris, Tuam, which is supposed to be a tar road is littered with broken stones and if it is his intention to do anything about it.
 - (8) I would like to know the position regarding the provision of sewerage facilities for the residents of the Demesne Cottages, Tuam and the surrounding area. When will the County Council provide these sewerage facilities.
- (c) Clr. Patrick Fahy:
- (1) Considering that 3,126 houses are now needed in County Galway according to Circular re Housing Programme issued by Assistant County Manager and considering that 2,048 of these unfit dwellings will not be built by private enterprise by March, 1971, I intend to propose at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the proposed Council house building programme of 42 houses (approx) per

- year be increased to 100 houses per year, half of which should be small pre-fab. dwellings, built in rural areas.
- (2) I intend to ask the County Manager to state the total cost to the rates of the Fire Fighting services in Co. Galway and I intend to propose -
 - (a) that Insurance Companies operating Fire Insurance in the county be asked to contribute to this cost, pro rata their Fire Insurance Premiums collected in the county and
 - (b) that the Forestry Division be asked to recoup to the Council all expenses incurred in fighting forest fires.
 - (3) I intend to propose at next County Council meeting that the Local Improvements Scheme as outlined in Circular S.W.23/1/1 from the Department of Local Government be accepted by the Council provided that -
 - (a) Legislation is introduced making it obligatory on the Council to maintain out of Departmental Grants all roads and drains improved by the Council and that Section 7 be amended accordingly, and
 - (b) that no employee of the Board of Works becomes unemployed as a result of the Council's acceptance of this Scheme.
- (d) Clr. Sean Donnellan:
- (1) At the next meeting of the County Council I will ask why the Consulting Engineers preliminary report in connection with Moycullen sewerage has not yet (after over a year's waiting) been submitted to Department of Local Government.
 - (2) That the Baile an tSagairt Road, Spiddal be tarred and bridge be widened and straightened.
- (e) Clr. W. Burke:
- (1) That the road through Glisavally be rolled.
 - (2) That the Marley Road be rolled without delay.
 - (3) That the road through the village of Glann be rolled.
 - (4) That the road from Curraghderg to Coole (Milltown) be rolled as soon as possible.
 - (5) That the road through the village of Doogra, Tuam be rolled.
- (f) Clr. F. Glynn:
- (1) That a public telephone kiosk be provided in Milltown.
 - (2) I will ask the County Manager if he has yet got a reply from the Minister whether or not grants are available for the erection of Social Centres.
- (g) Clr. P. Donnellan:
- (1) At the next meeting I will ask what steps are being taken to relieve the flooding on the Galway/Tuam Road at Castlegar (Two-mile-ditch).
 - (2) I will ask that the pump at Knockroon, Headford, be repaired by the County Council.

- (3) I will ask the County Council to take some steps to make safer the dangerous crossroads at Carnmore.

Deputy John Donnellan and Clr. Pat Donnellan:

- (4) We will ask the County Council to run the main Galway/Sligo Road through the town of Dunmore.

(h) Cls. Paddy Ruane and Frank Glynn:

- (1) That this Council request the Department of Education to have all old schools replaced or brought to a reasonable standard of repairs at an early date.
- (2) That running water be provided in all schools.
- (3) That central heating be provided in all schools.

(i) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (1) I will ask at the next meeting of the County Council that consideration be given to provide a public sewerage scheme for Kilkerrin/Moylough and Barnaderg villages.
- (2) I will ask the County Council to make safe a dangerous drain at the entrance to the National School at Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy.
- (3) I will ask the County Council to repair the footpath outside the National Bank in Glenamaddy, where there has been a few minor accidents.
- (4) I will ask the County Council to repair the entrance to Lavally National School where the water runs off the public road on to the playground causing great concern to the parents.
- (5) I will ask the County Council to make available a public tap in the village of Moylough.
- (6) I will ask the County Council again to have the grass cut in Kilkerrin graveyard where people have difficulty in locating their own graves.

14. Other business.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

Notice is hereby given that the Galway County Council will, at a meeting which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 23rd October, 1967, commencing at 3.30 p.m. consider the making of a declaration that the following roads shall be public roads, viz:-

| From | To | Location | Length perches |
|--------------------------|--|-------------|----------------|
| Main Rd. Loughaunbeg | Point 350 perches north. | Oughterard | 350 |
| Co. Road 261 | McLoughlin's gate Lehurick | Mt. Bellew | 220 |
| Co. Road 95 | P. Coyne's, Knock | Galway | 145 |
| Coen's | T. Mahon's, Larragan | Galway | 320 |
| Hannon's | M. Cahill's gate, Crogduff. | Galway | 159 |
| Main Road 120 | W. Kelly's gate, Bracklagh | Milltown | 113 |
| Co. Road 193 | Caulfield's Farravaun. | Athenry | 36 |
| Co. Road 197 | M. Lane's, Oakwood North | Athenry | 122 |
| Co. Road 132 | D. Mohan's, Skeaghbeg. | Tuam | 97 |
| Co. Road 432 | Patk. Ruane's, Lenamore | Athenry | 140 |
| Co. Road 513 | P. J. Devine's, Shrahaunfusta | Ballinasloe | 96 |
| Main Rd. Cummer | Patk. Mahon's | Tuam | 166 |
| Main Road | J. J. Crehan's, Cloonavihony | Mt. Bellew | 110 |
| Co. Road 483 | J. Mitchell's Brooklawn and to P. Stankard's | Loughrea | 322 |
| Co. Road 164 | M. Joyce's gate, Cloonkeen N. | Tuam | 55 |
| Main Rd. at Monaghans | Eastwards, Benmore | Loughrea | 99 |
| Main Rd. Ardeevin | E. Higgins, Cloonlara N. | Milltown | 176 |
| Co. Road 264 | J. Mannion's, Boyounaghmore | Milltown | 48 |
| Co. Road 244 | J. B. Kelly's, Cloondahamper | Milltown | 104 |
| Co. Road 252 | R. Canney's, Lisheenaheltia | Milltown | 431 |
| Co. Rd. 51, Derryvoreada | Finisglin | Clifden | 650 |
| Co. Road 76 | M. McMahon's, Ballard | Oughterard | 291 |
| Main Rd. 500 | P. Grady's, Course | Ballinasloe | 100 |

| From | To | Location | Length perches |
|----------------------------|---|-------------|-------------------|
| Co. Road 398 | Maher's Isertkelly S. | Gort | 250 |
| Co. Road 552 | Mrs. Kenny's, Kylemore | Portumna | 91 |
| Main Rd. 390 | J. Kelly's and M. Kelly's Derrybrien W. | Gort | 145 |
| Co. Road 369 | J. Diviney's, Ballynakill | Gort | 100 |
| Co. Road 403 Hynes' | P. McLoughlin's Sonnagh Old | Loughrea | 140 |
| Main Road | J. Landers Bunnasrah | Gort | 120 |
| Co. Road 438 | W. Creaven's, Cloonsheecahill | Athenry | 80 |
| Co. Road 493 | P. Shiels', Drumskeary W. | Loughrea | 56 |
| Co. Road 429 Moyardwood | Co. Road 436 Carrownea Upr. | Ballinasloe | 332 |

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
23RD OCTOBER, 1967

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Ctrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Ctrs. Raftery, Ruane and Ryan.

Officials:- Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E., and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

160. MINUTES: The minutes of previous meeting to 159 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

161. Congratulations: On the proposition of the Chairman and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council congratulated Mr. Liam O'Luanaigh, County Secretary and Acting Assistant County Manager on his appointment as permanent Assistant County Manager.

Mr. O'Luanaigh thanked the members.

162. Malicious Damage Claims: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 - (a) to (k) on the Agenda had been received.

The County Manager told Ctrs. Runne, J. Donnellan (Moycullen) and Deputy Geoghegan that ratepayers with evidence regarding malicious damage claims should communicate with the County Solicitor who would welcome any help they could give him. He added that at the annual Estimates Meeting the members were notified of Decrees awarded by the Court.

163. Pension Increases: Circular E.L.10/67 of the 11th September, 1967, from the Secretary, Department of Local Government was submitted, awarding further increases in local authority pensions from the 1st August, 1967.

On the proposition of Ctr. King, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council approved payment of the increases authorised in Circular E.L.10/67 of the 11th September, 1967 and the excess expenditure of £4,000 incurred thereby for year ended 31st March, 1968.

164. Local Improvement Schemes: The County Manager referred to minute number 129 of meeting held on the 25th September, 1967 and stated that he had conveyed the Council's views as expressed therein to the Department of Local Government, Special Employment Schemes Section, more especially regarding where exactly the present system for adopting notices of motion roads would fit into the proposed revised arrangements. He said that he had received a reply thereto, reference S.W.23/1/1 dated 9th instant, which stated inter alia.

The Local Improvement Scheme is designed to succeed the Rural Improvements, Minor Employment and Bog Development Schemes and to serve the same purposes, i.e. in regard to roads to assist landholders to improve roads which while serving more than an individual holding are not public roads. The contribution from the landholders is an essential element of the scheme. The rate of contribution is fixed at a very low level in respect of areas where the average holding is very small. The Council are at present

authorised by law to spend money only on public roads and to take over roads as public roads only within the limits imposed by the Local Government Act, 1953, and it is assumed that they are satisfied that their scheme of Notices of Motion Roads is within their legal powers and operated accordingly. There is nothing to prevent the Council continuing so to operate such a scheme and at the same time operating the Local Improvements Scheme for the type of road for which it is designed. It should be noted that as from the 1st April, 1968, the schemes formerly administered by the Special Employment Schemes Office will be operated only by the County Councils and there will be no other machinery in operation from that date in any area for the administration of the grants."

A lengthy discussion ensued to which the following members participated, viz:-

Senator Killilea, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Ruane, King, Callanan, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Byrne, Collins, Glynn, Fahy, Lambert, Deputy John Donnellan, Clrs. Pat Donnellan and Ryan.

On the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Melvin, it was decided to ask the Minister for Local Government, to reconsider the decision conveyed in letter of the 9th instant from the Special Employment Schemes Section and to allow the Galway County Council to make the necessary contribution where the people benefiting were unable to put up the money themselves.

It was also agreed to point out that the 10% proposed to cover staff, administration, etc. would not be sufficient to meet the cost of the staff proposed by the County Engineer and other expenses and the Council decided to request the Minister to increase the percentage allowed to 15%.

165. Consultative Health Committee: The appointment of the following member of the Consultative Health Committee was approved by the Council, on the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen), viz:-

Dr. H. K. O'Beirn, 3 Devon Place, Galway.

166. Bealadangan Bridge: The County Manager stated that the Minister for Local Government some time ago made an Order entitled "Bealadangan Bridge Order 1967" which enabled the Council to replace the existing bridge at an estimated cost of £30,000; that application was made to the Department of Local Government for a grant of 75% of the estimated cost but this grant had not been forthcoming; that a suggestion was also made to the Department of Local Government that the erection of the bridge should be financed by way of loan. The Department have replied pointing out that reconstruction works and bridges on county roads should be met out of the County Road Improvement Grant and that the question of financing the work by means of a loan had been considered but in view of the present capital position, there could be no guarantee that sanction to the raising of a loan from the Local Loans Fund or other source would readily be forthcoming. The Department suggested that the Council should consider the feasibility of financing this work out of County Road Improvement Grant. It was referred back to the Department of Local Government pointing out that it was unlikely that any of the grants would be required before the next financial year and that it would be preferable to finance the work by way of loan rather than through County Road Improvement Grant, which had already been considerably reduced this year. The Department in reply strongly recommended that the Council should give further consideration to the question of financing the project from the County Road Improvement Grant as the work was appropriate to that grant and because of the condition of the bridge.

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Clarke and

resolved:-

"That the cost of construction of the new bridge at Bealadangan be financed out of the County Road Improvement Grant."

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. Lambert that the construction of the new bridge at Bealadangan be financed out of the amount of the County Road Improvement Grant allocated for that engineering area.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. Clarke that the construction of the new bridge at Bealadangan be financed out of the total County Road Improvement Grant allocated to the county at large.

A vote taken on Deputy Kitt's proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Collins, Croffy, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Fahy, Galvin, Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Raftery, Ruane and Ryan (19).

Against: Clrs. Clarke, Deputy Coogan, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Joyce, King, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy (9).

Clr. Pat Donnellan did not vote.

Deputy Kitt's proposal was declared carried, and Deputy Geoghegan's proposal was declared defeated. The voting for the latter being the same in reverse, viz: 9 for and 19 against.

167. Creation of two offices of Clerk/Typist: On the proposition of Deputy Molloy and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved the creation of two additional offices of Clerk/Typists.

It was noted that one office was a replacement of a machine operator formerly employed at the Galway Regional Hospital and the other was in connection with the Cancer Survey.

168. 42½ Hour Working Week: On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), the Council approved a reduction in the working hours to 42½ hours per week for roadworkers from the 30th October, 1967 and for non-nursing staffs from the 1st November, 1967.
169. Improvement of Public Lighting Systems: On the proposition of Deputy Molloy and seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council approved the "Improved Public Lighting System" outlined in letter dated 4th August, 1967, from the Electricity Supply Board, Galway, and recommended by the County Engineer in his report dated the 20th Sept., 1967.
170. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Croffy, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads:-

| From | To | Location | Length Perches |
|---------------------|----------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Main Rd. Loughaubeg | Point 350 perches north. | Oughterard | 350 |
| Co. Road 261 | McLoughlin's gate Lehurick | Mt. Bellew | 220 |
| Co. Road 95 | P. Coyne's, Knock | Galway | 145 |

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| Hannon's | M. Cahill's gate, Crogduff. | Galway | 159 |
| Main Road 120 | W. Kelly's gate, Bracklagh | Milltown | 113 |
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| Main Rd. 500 | P. Grady's, Course | Ballinasloe | 100 |
| Co. Road 398 | Maher's Isertkelly S. | Gort | 250 |
| Co. Road 552 | Mrs. Kenny's, Kylemore | Portumna | 91 |
| Main Rd. 390 | J. Kelly's and M. Kelly's, Derrybrien W. | Gort | 145 |
| Co. Road 369 | J. Diviney's, Ballynakill | Gort | 100 |

| From | To | Location | Length perches |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Co. Road 403 Hynes' | P. McLoughlin's, Sonnagh Old | Loughrea | 140 |
| Main Road | J. Landers Bunnasrah | Gort | 120 |
| Co. Road 438 | W. Creaven's, Cloonsheecahill | Athenry | 80 |
| Co. Road 493 | P. Shiels', Drumskeary W. | Loughrea | 56 |
| Co. Road 429 Moyardwood | Co. Road 436 Carrownea Upr. | Ballinasloe | 332 |

171. County Councils' General Council: It was noted that the resolution passed by the Council requesting the Minister for Local Government to have portion of the money now being spent on main roads diverted to county roads had been forwarded to the County Councils' General Council for consideration at its next meeting.

172. Notice of Motion Roads 1967/68: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. Melvin the Council agreed to deal immediately with selections already submitted.

173. Roadworkers' Wages: The County Manager advised Clr. Lambert that he was awaiting the result of the recent Labour Court hearing on the application for increased wages for roadworkers in County Galway.

174. Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme: The County Manager stated that during recent months he had received staff claims totalling approximately £65,000 per annum for increased remuneration and that they were being dealt with under the provisions of the Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme.

175. University Scholarship Scheme: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Croffy, the Council approved the granting of permission to the following students to defer for the period stated their availing of the University Scholarships awarded to them in 1967 as they had entered religious Orders and would require this time to complete their novitiates, viz:-

1. Thomas Hynes, Millyan, Newbridge, Ballinasloe - One Year
2. Michael J. Casey, Clifden - One Year
3. Margaret Keane, Roundstone - One Year
4. David Tuohy, "Summerville", Newcastle, Galway - Two Years

176. Torloughcor Lake Drainage: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council request the Office of Public Works to proceed with the drainage of Torloughcor Lake in the Headford Corrib area as visualised in the original exhibited scheme."

It was directed that a copy of this resolution be also sent to the Minister for Lands for his attention.

177. Barna Ball Alley: Deputy Molloy proposed that the Council agree to bear the cost of erecting a glass back-wall in the Ball Alley at Barna and that they give the local committee an amenity grant of £100 towards the cost

of a wall and Deputy Coogan seconded.

The County Engineer stated that it had not been established who owned this piece of land and that it is beside a very busy road where it was undesirable to have large numbers of people congregating.

The County Manager said that it was not clear if this work would qualify for an amenity grant and he added that there was no provision for it in the current year's estimates.

178. Public Lighting - Barna Village to Ball Alley Road: The County Manager advised Deputy Molloy that while an extension of the Barna public lighting system along the main road towards Galway was desirable, it was not necessary to extend it to the Ball Alley. He added that no provision had been made in the current year's estimates for such an extension and he suggested that it be deferred to the Estimates meeting.

179. Roads and Footpaths - Galway Borough: Deputy Molloy proposed that special attention be given to the removal of grass and weeds growing on the side of the roads and footpaths throughout the Borough of Galway. He added that failure to do so had resulted in a loss of marks in the recent Tidy Towns Competition.

The County Manager said that there was a gang of eight men, full time, on this work, that in addition, for four months during the summertime a further three men and a carter were employed moving margins and carting away cuttings; that the work was done on a rota basis and naturally all margins could not be neat and trim at the one particular time; that all margins receive attention five times a year.

180. Whitestrand Avenue, Lower Salthill: Deputy Molloy asked that necessary repairs be carried out to Whitestrand Avenue, Lower Salthill.

The County Manager said that an E.S.V. Scheme had been submitted for this work and he expected early sanction thereto.

181. Knocknacarra Sewerage: Deputy Molloy asked for an explanation of the delay in commencing work on the Knocknacarra Sewerage.

The County Manager stated that the contract documents were approved by the Department of Local Government as was the draft of the proposed licence under the 1933 Foreshore Act, in July, 1967; that before advertising the work it was necessary to obtain the Wayleave Rights to enable the pipes to be laid, and that the owners were interviewed in August and September; that 11 owners had signed the Wayleave Agreement but 11 others had refused to sign and that negotiations were in progress with them; that ownership of the property between the tidal tanks and the outfall point was being sought since March, 1967 and that this matter would also have to be disposed of before the work could be advertised. He added that the carrying out of the work would be dependent on the availability of finance.

182. Knocknacarra Refuse Collection Service: Deputy Molloy requested that a refuse collection service be provided at Knocknacarra.

The County Manager stated that the introduction of this service had already been agreed upon but it was not found possible for the Corporation to extend their service to this county area. He added that the County Council propose to advertise in the very near future for tenders for the collection of the refuse on a contract basis.

183. Glenard Crescent Footpath: The County Manager advised Deputy Molloy that the remaining portion of the footpath at Glenard Crescent had been constructed where the new school wall had been built leading on to Dr. Mannix Road, Salthill.

184. Rockbarton North Road, Salthill: Deputy Molloy asked that Rockbarton North Road, Salthill, be resurfaced at an early date and that the grass margins be removed.

The County Manager stated that it was hoped to re-surface this road during the coming year when the removal of the margins would be considered.

185. Traffic Island opposite Petrol Station at Upper Salthill: Deputy Molloy proposed that the opening in the traffic island opposite the petrol station at Upper Salthill be increased to twice its present size to allow for the easy passage of motor cars wishing to call to the petrol station while travelling from Galway city to Salthill and Clr. Holland seconded.

The County Manager stated that the gap in the traffic island to which the motion referred was rather reluctantly made to facilitate the garage owner and he agreed with its size and location; that a bigger gap would tend to create a traffic hazard as it would be used by vehicles going from one lane to another rather than the very much fewer vehicles which at present use it to enter or leave the filling station; that as the widening of the gap would constitute a traffic hazard it was not proposed to widen it. He however, agreed to have Deputy Molloy's motion re-examined.

186. Pearse Stadium Main Entrance Road: Deputy Molloy proposed that the road outside the main entrance to the Pearse Stadium be declared a public road and surfaced with tarmac, and Clr. Ruane seconded.

The County Manager asked for more specific information regarding the road in question, more especially the terminal points. Deputy Molloy said that the road referred to was the road from Bothar O'h-Uiginn to Rockbarton Road and the County Manager agreed to have the request examined.

187. Renmore Road, Galway: Deputy Molloy asked that the Department of Local Government Inspectors' report on the condition of the Renmore Road, Galway, be read to the meeting and a report given on what action had been taken to date on the Inspector's recommendation, if any.

The County Manager said that he could not trace any report from the Department of Local Government on the condition of the Renmore Road.

188. Corner near Madden's Garage, Fr. Griffin Road and Whitestrand Avenue, Lower Salthill:

Deputy Molloy requested that improvements be carried out immediately to the corner in Lower Salthill near Madden's Garage where Fr. Griffin Road, Lower Salthill Road and Whitestrand Avenue meet.

The County Manager said that he did not see any urgency in carrying out the work at this corner which should in his opinion await the Buchanan recommendations.

189. Grattan Road and Fr. Burke Road Corner: Deputy Molloy asked that improvements be carried out to the corner where Grattan Road and Fr. Burke Road meet.

The County Manager stated that a central white line had recently been laid at this point on the Grattan Road and that this should give further warning to the users of Grattan Road to keep on the correct side.

190. Moneenageisha and Cemetery Crossroads, Galway: The County Manager advised Deputy Molloy that he had sent to the Department of Local Government his proposals for the erection of traffic lights at Moneenageisha crossroads and Cemetery crossroads, Galway.

191. Extension to Kilonan Pier, Aran Islands: The County Manager informed Deputy Molloy that there had not been any avoidable delay in dealing with the agreement for the maintenance of the proposed improvements and extension to Kilonan Pier, Aran Islands.

192. Proposed Doctor's Residence and Dispensary, Kilonan, Aran Islands:

The County Manager advised Deputy Molloy that an architect had been appointed to prepare plans for a Dispensary Residence, Dispensary and a Nurse's Home incorporating beds for patients at Kilonan, Aran Islands and it was hoped to have preliminary sketch plans at an early date.

193. Cottage Hospital, Inishmore, Aran Islands: Deputy Molloy asked for a report on the proposal to erect a Cottage Hospital on Inishmore, Aran Islands, and the County Manager referred him to minute number 192.
194. Kilronan, Aran Islands Lifeboat Boat Slip: Deputy Molloy asked that the necessary repairs be carried out to the Boat Slip leading from the Boat Shed which housed one of the Life Boats at Kilronan, Aran Islands, and the County Manager promised that this request would be investigated when the District Engineer next visited Kilronan.
195. Kilronan to Kilmurvey, Aran Islands Road: Deputy Molloy asked that the Council undertake as a matter of urgency the widening, straightening and repairing of the road leading from Kilronan to Kilmurvey, Aran Islands.
- The County Manager stated that this was a major work for which the necessary finances were not available.
196. Beach Road at Kilmurvey, Aran Islands: Deputy Molloy asked that repairs be carried out to the beach road at Kilmurvey, Aran Islands and that seats be provided along the road.
- The County Manager stated that it was intended to carry out repairs, etc. on this road under an E.S.V. Scheme during the winter and that the provision of seats would be taken up with Bord Failte.
197. Public Toilet, Kilronan Pier, Aran Islands: Deputy Molloy asked that a public toilet be provided at Kilronan Pier, Aran Islands and the County Manager stated that plans had been prepared for this work but provision had been deferred pending the availability of capital.
198. Cloonagh, Milltown Pump: The County Manager informed Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), that the repair of the pump at Cloonagh, Milltown, was in hands and would be finished within the week.
199. Sewerage Facilities Demesne Cottages, Tuam: The County Manager informed Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) that contract documents for the provision of sewerage facilities for the Demesne Cottages, Tuam, had been submitted to the Department of Local Government and when approved the Bill of Quantities would be prepared and tenders invited, on the assumption that the necessary finance would be made available.
200. Public Light between Mooney's and Gannon's at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam:
Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked that a public light be erected between Mooney's and Gannons at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam.
The County Manager stated that this request would be considered at the Estimates meeting when a report would be available.
201. Telephone Kiosk, Athenry Road, Tuam and Tullinadaly Road, Tuam:
On the proposition of Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) and seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council agreed to request the Minister for Posts & Telegraphs to provide a Telephone Kiosk at Athenry Road, Tuam and at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam.
202. Gortbeg Road, Ballyglunin: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) requested that the Gortbeg Road, Ballyglunin, which was at present being maintained by the County Council and was a very busy road be tarred in the near future.
The County Manager stated that it was unlikely that it would be black-topped in the near future.
203. Road Triangle at Newtownmorris, Tuam: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked the County Manager if he was aware that the triangle at Newtownmorris, Tuam, which was supposed to be a tarred road was littered with broken stones and if it was his intention to do anything about it.

- The County Manager stated that the triangle referred to was an accommodation road to Town Commissioners' houses in Tuam and that as far as he was aware this was not a Council road; that there was a patch on County Road 211 which passed the triangle in question which rivelled badly after a bonfire had been lit in it but that the patch had now been repaired.
204. Miscellaneous: Clr. Fahy requested that consideration of his Notices of Motion Nos. 13 (c) 1, 2, 3 be adjourned until the next meeting and this was done.
205. Moycullen Sewerage: Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen) asked why the Consulting Engineers preliminary report in connection with Moycullen Sewerage had not yet, after a year's waiting, been submitted to the Department of Local Government.
- The County Manager stated that in September, 1966, a discussion re priorities was held with the Consulting Engineer, Mr. P. J. Tobin when it was agreed that the priority should be - (a) Knocknacarra Sewerage Scheme, (b) Clarenbridge Regional Water Supply Scheme and (c) Moycullen Sewerage Scheme, and that in July, 1967, Mr. Tobin had been requested to give Moycullen Sewerage Scheme top priority; that on the 25th August, 1967, Mr. Tobin promised the report on Moycullen Sewerage Scheme within a few weeks; that he had now informed him that the area had to be re-surveyed and that he expected to have the report submitted within a month.
206. Baile an tSagairt Road, Spiddal: Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen) asked that the Baile an tSagairt Road, Spiddal, be tarred and the bridge be widened and straightened.
- The County Manager stated that two bridges on this road required reconstruction before the road itself was reconstructed and that work on the reconstruction of the first bridge would commence within a fortnight.
207. Lisavally Road: Clr. Burke requested that the road through Lisavally be rolled.
The County Manager said that this referred to County Road 231 which would be given due consideration when proposals for County Road Grants 1968/69 were being prepared; that this was not however an undertaking that the road would be rolled that year.
208. Marley Road: Clr. Burke asked that the Marley Road be rolled without delay.
The County Manager stated that this road had already been scheduled for rolling under County Road Grant 1968/69 as a result of representations made by Senator Killilea on the 11th May, 1967.
209. Glann Village Road: Clr. Burke asked that the road through the village of Glann be rolled.
The County Manager stated that this referred to County Road 211 which would be considered on its merits in conjunction with many others for rolling under the County Road Grant 1968/69 programme; that this however was not an undertaking that the road would be rolled during that year.
210. Road from Curraghderg to Coole (Milltown): Clr. Burke asked that the road from Curraghderg to Coole (Milltown) be rolled as soon as possible.
The County Manager said that this referred to County Road No. 226 which would be considered on its merits in conjunction with many others for rolling under the County Road Grant 1968/69 programme; that this was not however an undertaking that the road would be rolled during that year.
211. Doogra (Tuam) Village Road: Clr. Burke asked that the road through the village of Doogra (Tuam) be rolled.
The County Manager said that this referred to County Road No. 162 which

would be considered on its merits in conjunction with many others for rolling under the County Road Grant 1968/69 programme; that this should not however be taken as an undertaking that the road would be rolled during that year.

212. Public Telephone Kiosk at Milltown: On the proposition of Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council requested the Minister for Posts & Telegraphs to provide a public telephone kiosk in Milltown.

213. Grants for Social Centres: The County Manager advised Clr. Glynn that he had not received any reply from the Department of Finance regarding the availability of grants for the erection of Social Centres.

214. Flooding at Two-mile-ditch, Castlegar - Galway/Tuam Road: Clr. Pat Donnellan asked what steps were being taken to relieve the flooding on the Galway/Tuam Road at Two-mile-ditch, Castlegar.

The County Manager stated that this matter was still under investigation and it was hoped that the position would be eased in the near future.

215. Knockroon, Headford Pump: Clr. Pat Donnellan asked that the pump at Knockroon, Headford be repaired.

The County Manager stated that this was an Irish Land Commission pump which gave a negligible water supply in winter and was dry for long periods during the summer and that he did not think it advisable that the County Council should take over this pump.

216. Dangerous Crossroads at Carnmore: Clr. Pat Donnellan asked that some steps be taken to make the dangerous crossroads at Carnmore safe.

The County Manager stated that the cross was adequately signposted, that stop signs, stop lines and advance warning signs, were all perfectly visible; that any improvement there involve re-alignment of the Galway/Monivea Road by moving the carriageway about 50 ft. towards Claregalway and that the estimated cost of this would be about £4,500; that no funds were available for this work and that the only alternative was demolition of buildings which would cost more.

217. Galway/Sligo Road through Town of Dunmore: It was decided to refer the Notice of Motion received from Deputy John Donnellan and Clr. Pat Donnellan to the special meeting to be held on the 30th October, 1967.

218. Replacement of Old Schools: On the proposition of Clr. Ruane and seconded by Clr. Glynn, the Council requested the Department of Education have all old schools replaced or brought to a reasonable standard of repair at an early date.

219. Running Water in Schools: On the proposition of Clr. Ruane and seconded by Clr. Glynn, the Council requested the Department of Education provide to running water in all schools.

220. Central Heating in Schools: On the proposition of Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Glynn, the Council requested the Department of Education provide to central heating in all schools.

221. Public Sewerage Scheme for Kilkerrin/Moylough and Barnaderg Villages:

Clr. Ryan requested that consideration be given to the provision of a public sewerage scheme for Kilkerrin/Moylough and Barnaderg Villages.

The County Manager explained that in the programme adopted by the County Council on the 11th September, 1967, Kilkerrin/Moylough and Barnaderg were not in the list of sewerage schemes and that until progress is made on the towns included in the programme, no other places would be considered for investigation.

222. Drain at National School, Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy: Clr. Ryan asked that the County Council would make safe the dangerous drain at the entrance to the National School at Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy.

The County Manager stated that this was raised before by Clr. Hussey and previous to that by the school manager at the time the school was being built; that the latter was informed that the necessity for piping the drain arose out of the erection of a school there and that no objection would be raised to his piping it; from a roads point of view, there was no necessity for piping; that the stretch of drain was only a small part of the drain along this road which was deeper and closer to the road in other parts.

223. Footpath at National Bank, Glenamaddy: Clr. Ryan asked that the footpath outside the National Bank at Glenamaddy where there have been a few minor accidents be repaired.

The County Manager stated that this work would be put in hands without delay.

224. Entrance to Lavally National School: Clr. Ryan asked that the entrance to Lavally National School be repaired where the water ran off the public road on to the playground causing great concern to the parents.

The County Manager said that this work would be put in hands without delay.

225. Public Water Tap at Moylough: Clr. Ryan asked that a public water tap be made available in the village of Moylough to aid tourists passing through.

The County Manager said it had been the policy to omit as far as possible the erection of public fountains or taps on water supplies in order to encourage every householder to take a private supply; that he did not know of any special consideration which would warrant a change of policy in regard to the village of Moylough.

226. Kilkerrin Graveyard: Clr. Ryan asked that the grass be cut in the Kilkerrin graveyard because the people had difficulty in locating their own graves there.

The County Manager said that due to pressure of work on our maintenance staff on surface dressing and flood alleviation, the carrying out of the necessary maintenance work at the Kilkerrin graveyard had had to be postponed but would be carried out within the next ten days.

227. Childrens' Playground: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), asked if the County Council had made any attempt to provide a childrens' playground in the town of Tuam.

The Chief Assistant County Engineer said that a playground had been developed at Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, and that plans were being prepared for the development of the Palace Grounds, Tuam, as a public park which would include a childrens' playground; that in any future planning for housing development, utilising the old Childrens' Home site at Tuam, playground facilities would be incorporated.

228. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee: On the proposition of Senator Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council approved the appointment of Rev. D. Fitzsimons, C.C., Mountbellew, to be a member of the Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

229. Sympathy: A vote of sympathy was adopted with the following:-

The Lohan Family, Curraghaderry, on the death of Mr. Thomas Lohan.

The Meeting then terminated.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED
M. Killilea
CHAIRMAN
DATE: 27. 11. 67

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

23 Dheireadh Fomhair, 1967.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae Gaillimh, De Luain, 30adh lá de Dheireadh Fomhair, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANÁIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

Further consideration of Draft Development Plan - Summary of Representations and Objections relating to the County Plan (excluding scheduled towns) is enclosed. Also enclosed is copy of letter P.D.5/7, dated 22nd September, 1967, received from the Department of Local Government, regarding the Draft Plan.

Department of Local Government,
Custom House,

Dublin 1

22 Meán Fómhair, 1967.

P.D.5/7

Secretary,
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to the draft development plan for County Galway and to make the following comment.

The Minister notes the objective at 2.1(a) to preserve and conserve the amenities and scenic landscape of the County; the objective at 2.1(b) to provide for the development of the recreational amenity and tourist potential of the county, and the attraction of private development, including housing development, to existing tourist centres; the objective at 2.1(e) to restrict undesirable ribbon development and encourage development in existing centres; the objective at 2.5(3) to protect the traffic capacity of the public roads and to restrict new access points and development likely to give rise to traffic hazard; the objective in paragraph 2.6 to prevent undesirable ribbon development in housing and to gather new housing into existing towns and villages where services exist and in the absence of services to encourage development in villages which would form suitable centres for the surrounding rural area. It is pointed out that certain provisions of the development control policy as envisaged in the draft plan are inconsistent with these objectives and inadequate. The provisions are -

Areas of Special Development Control (Par. 2.18)

Areas at (1) and (2) at Table 3: It is considered that the provision at (d) in each case is seriously inadequate in terms of minimum frontage and acreage for the achievement of the general objectives referred to. This provision would lead to ribbon development followed by demand for services and amenities.

Area at (3) in Table 3: On the coast road it is considered that the proper solution would be to develop villages or other centres and leave the intervening areas free of development, but in the absence of adequate services in centres this may be difficult to achieve fully at once. The principle of concentrating development in suitable centres and keeping the remainder of the area free of development, so preserving its character, has, however, been the basis of Ministerial decisions on appeals relating to development in this area. Development in the intervening areas, between centres should be reduced to such a density in frontage terms as will not, in the period of the plan, lead to any significant change in the existing character of the landscape.

Areas at (4) at Table 3: Attention is drawn to the considerations under "Planning for more traffic" in the booklet "Your Development Plan". It is considered that the minimum frontage figure at (d) should be reconsidered with a view to upward adjustment. In regard to frontage standards generally, however, it should be considered whether they might be re-phrased to allow of a reduction of frontage with a compensating sterilisation, in appropriate circumstances.

Areas of high amenity and scenic importance (Par.2.21)

It is not clear whether the exclusion from these areas of the "sites of scientific interest" on Map 1 is intentional. Areas referred to at (3) (e) (1): It is recognised that in the absence of a detailed survey it is difficult to frame a condition which protects the amenity of this type of landscape but it is suggested that the wording of the clause should be reviewed and mention made also of planting and screening.

Areas at (3) (e) (2): It is pointed out that this provision is in conflict with a number of the development policies in the plan already referred to. It is considered that the provision is inappropriate and inadequate in relation, particularly, to the North shore of Lough Corrib. Ribbon development at frontages of 60 feet is quite inappropriate in an area which is declared to be an area of high amenity and scenic importance. Density in the area should be reduced to a level whereby the character of the landscape will not be affected.

The probably effect of the foregoing provisions over a period on the important amenity areas concerned give grounds for serious concern, and accordingly it is considered that the provisions should be fully reviewed and appropriate adjustments made before the plan is made. It should also be made clear that minimum standards indicated for development in particular areas are without prejudice to the application to such development of the general principles of development policy indicated in the plan.

If the objective of securing a concentration in housing development is to be realistically promoted there must be early attention to the provision or extension of essential services in the designated centres and to such further measures, including the provision of sites by the Council, as will ensure that a supply of building land commensurate with need is available at reasonable prices. The Council's proposals in this regard should also be indicated in the plan.

It is essential that the plan should envisage early examination in detail by the Council of the important amenity areas of the county with a view to indicating, whether by way of special amenity area order or otherwise the policies of control and development appropriate to particular areas. It is essential to bring out when it is possible to carry out development.

Attention is drawn also to the following additional considerations:-

Paragraph 2.13.(6). It is assumed that the word "not" is inadvertently omitted before "normally".

Paragraph 2.17. The initial statement needs to be re-worded to make the meaning clearer.

The minimum (normal) house frontage of 35 feet could give rise to difficulty (e.g. terraced or local authority housing) and might be further considered.

Paragraph 2.18. Area of Knocknacarra. Planning policy and objectives for this area would need to be determined in consultation with the Galway City Planning Authority.

Paragraph 2.18(3). Map 1 is inconsistent with the written statement; and the North side of the road in question is indicated on the Map as an area of special development control.

Paragraph 2.18(4). There needs to be a policy on the control of development on the seaward side of the coast road and not adjoining the road; on the protection of views and prospects from the road and on the protection of beaches. It might be considered whether there might be provision for development on the landward side of the coast road which will not be visible from the road and will not destroy the character of the area.

Paragraph 2.21(b). This objective would seem to be capable of achievement only by restricting development in areas where services are not available or will not be made available in the foreseeable future.

Paragraph 3.8. The last sentence could possibly be construed as countenancing building development in rural areas which would be in contradiction with the policy for housing expressed in paragraph 2.1(e). Re-wording of the sentence is suggested.

Details of the housing programme would be appropriate for inclusion.

Paragraph 3.9. The particular road improvement schemes to be undertaken during the period of the plan must be indicated and shown on the objectives map.

There is confusion in the numbering of Tables. Tables in the plan proper are numbered 1-15; the first Table in the appendices is No. 8 and various Tables referred to in the appendices text are missing.

Appendix B.1. The problem referred to here is of particular importance and can only be resolved by joint discussions between the City and County planning authorities.

The problem of development outside the boundaries of towns generally does not appear to be adequately treated. It is to be expected that site seekers will look to these areas if there is no density control imposed (beyond that imposed by public health requirements and those designed to protect road frontages). There should be an appropriate control of development in these areas in order, in particular, to prevent ribbon development.

Paragraph 2.20. It is suggested that the provisions on advertising might be reviewed in the light of the considerations in the Department's booklet on "Outdoor Advertising" which was issued in May 1967.

Attention is drawn to the considerations under "Prescribed Authorities" in Circular P.D. 16 of 6th June, 1967.

Two further general aspects of the draft plan call for comment and for consideration, if not now, then in the process of reviewing the plan in due course. It is important that the plan should emphasise and reflect the positive and creative function of planning; that necessary controls should be presented in the context of an overall design the basic purpose of which is to encourage and facilitate development. From the public relations point of view this concept is very important and should be clearly presented.

Proposals and policies affecting particular areas appear in different parts of the written statement and it is difficult to get any overall impression of the expectations of the plan for a particular town or village. It would be worth considering whether this could be remedied - possibly by making available separate statements which would not necessarily be part of the plan itself, on the implications and prospects for particular areas under the plan.

Mise, le meas,

J. McGrath

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 30th OCTOBER, 1967.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, ^{Deputy} Garty, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Croffy, Cunningham, ^{Deputy} Donnellan (Dunmore), John Donnellan (Moycullen) Fahy, Deputy Geoghegan, Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Raftery, Ruane, Ridge, Ryan, Pat Donnellan.

OFFICIALS:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, C.A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E.(H), R. Lee, C.A.C.E.(P), A. Smyth, Staff Officer, and M.S. O'Maolrunaigh, Acting County Secretary.

230. In Committee: The County Manager said he would like to make a statement in Committee and this was agreed to. The meeting then went into Committee.

231. Draft Development Plan: The County Manager read the following report to the meeting:-

"The purpose of this meeting is to consider the representations and objections received in connection with the draft development plan.

Representations and objections received in connection with the scheduled towns will be dealt with at a future meeting.

A summary of the objections submitted by ratepayers and other organisations has been circulated to the Council. Broadly speaking the objections deal with the following:-

1. Advertising.
2. Proposed by-passing of Towns of Dunmore, Oranmore, and Labane.
3. Water Supplies.
4. Gaeltacht Area.
5. Miscellaneous matters.

A copy of a letter from the Department of Local Government, submitting the Department's representations has been circulated. Many of the suggestions made in the Department's letter are drafting clarifications of the proposals already adopted in the draft plan, and it is suggested that these can be left to the Council's officers to incorporate in the final plan.

The Department's representations, other than those relating to the drafting of the plan deal with the following:-

1. Density restrictions.
2. Knocknacarra and other areas adjacent to Galway City.
3. Sea-side of the coast-road.
4. Restrictions of development where services are not available, or will not be available in the foreseeable future.
5. Incorporation of housing programme in the draft.
6. Development outside town boundaries.

It is suggested that the Council might deal with the objections and representations in the order set out in the foregoing. The appropriate portion of the draft plan would be read as each heading is taken and clarification given of the matters which may not be clear to members. The planning principles and detailed considerations involved in the matters incorporated in the plan will be outlined to enable the Council to consider the points made in the representations and objections in proper context.

"Certain developments which have taken place since the draft was published may involve changes in the draft. I refer in particular to the adoption by the Council of a new policy in regard to water and sewerage schemes. It would seem that it would only be proper to incorporate this new policy in the County Development Plan.

The Department of Local Government have suggested that the housing programme which has been formulated since the publication of the draft might also be included in a new plan.

Members will, I am sure, have seen Press reports in regard to the case of Finn -V- Bray Urban District Council, and may be aware that the President of the High Court granted an Interlocutory Injunction until the 5/12/1967 restraining the Bray Urban District Council from including certain provisions in the development plan, which had not been included in the draft plan, notice of which had been published on May 27th, 1967.

This case calls into question the extent to which changes can be made in a draft plan once it has been put on public display.

Section 21 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963, provides that the draft development plan must be put on public display for at least 3 months. It also provides that objections or representations in respect of the draft made to the Planning Authority within the said period would be taken into consideration before the making of the plan, or variations (and any such objections or representations shall be taken into consideration accordingly).

Since the Section provides that objections or representations in relation to the draft plan must be taken into consideration it would seem to imply that the provisions of the draft can be altered, modified etc., in the light of objections and representations made. If however, the making of amendments in the draft, even amendments inserted to meet objections and representations made was to involve going through the process of public notice and display etc., again, the Planning Authority would find itself involved in an ever-ending process. Each time the draft would be put on display, representations and objections made could involve the planning authority in a decision to make some change in the draft, however minor, and this would involve repeating the process of public notice and so on indefinitely. This interpretation which could render the Act unworkable is not accepted.

On the other hand, proposed changes in the draft plan which are not related to representations or objections made would appear to require that the process of public notice etc., be followed especially if the changes are of a major character. Otherwise, major policy of the planning authority could be incorporated in the plan without public notice, or giving the public or the prescribed authorities an opportunity of making representations or objections, if this could happen, one of the main ideas behind the making of the development plan, i.e., that the public would be given an opportunity to examine and comment would be defeated.

It would appear therefore, that where the proposed change in the draft plan arises from representations or objections made, the process of public notice etc., need not be repeated where the proposed change does not so arise, it would appear necessary that the proposed change should be published in accordance with the provisions of Section 21 of the Act. Counsel's opinion which I have obtained in regard to the matter, confirms what I have said in the foregoing paragraphs, and it would appear to be reasonable that if substantial changes are made in the draft even arising from objections or representations received that the best course for the Council to follow would be to publish a new draft before adopting a plan"

After a short discussion the Council agreed on the proposition of the Chairman and seconded by Clr. Melvin to prepare a new draft plan and publish it in accordance with the Provisions of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.

On the proposition of the Chairman and seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council also agreed to consider the representations/objections received to-date and to incorporate the Council's decision on them in the new draft to be published.

The County Manager advised Clr. Holland that the Council could introduce new and extraneous matters into the proposed new draft, but he suggested that these might be left over for consideration until the objections and representations already received had been considered and decided on.

THE MEETING NOW WENT INTO PUBLIC SESSION

232. Advertising: The objection of the Irish Outdoor Advisory Council on behalf of Messrs. David Allen & Sons, Arthur Maiden Ltd., and Moore O'Farrell and Company was now considered, and the observations of the Planning Officer thereon were noted.

On the proposition of Deputy Molloy and seconded by Clr. Melvin, it was decided to include a definition of the term 'hoarding' more especially as regards size in the new draft plan.

The County Manager stated that the Minister had requested that the whole section on advertising should be re-appraised before the final plan was made, and he agreed to submit a re-draft of the section to a later meeting of the Council.

233. By-Passing of Dunmore Town: The objection of Mr. Kevin A. Bowman, Hon. Secretary, Dunmore Tidy Towns Committee to the proposal to take route A.12 around Oranmore Village on its West side was considered.

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) proposed and Clr. Hussey seconded that the draft plan be amended so as to allow the Galway/Sligo road to continue to pass through the Town of Dunmore through High Street and Bridge Street.

Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Burke, Glynn, and Ryan spoke in favour of the proposal.

Clr. Collins proposed and Clr. Pat Donnellan seconded that the draft plan be amended so that no town in the county be by-passed.

Deputy Carty proposed and Clr. Melvin seconded that the Planning Staff give more adequate consideration to the integration of traffic with present street-structure of the towns in the county, more especially by the use of roundabouts.

Clr. Holland proposed and Clr. Croffy seconded that the Social Research Unit at U.C.G., be asked to make a survey of the Social and Economic aspects of the proposed by-pass.

Senator Killilea proposed, and Clr. Hussey seconded that the Galway County Council agree to, and recommend the submissions of the Dunmore representatives, and the alternatives put forward re. the by-passing of Dunmore.

The County Manager referred the members to the Planning Officer's comments on the submissions made by the Dunmore Tidy Towns Committee. He suggested that while detailed studies of the alternative suggestions by the Tidy Towns Committee were being made, development control be exercised over the proposed by-pass route as shown on Map 1.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Melvin, the County Manager's suggestion was agreed to; Deputy Coogan dissenting.

234. By-passing of Oranmore: The objection of Mr. C. T. Luby, Hon. Secretary Oranmore Development Association to the proposal to take route A.6 around the Northern side of Oranmore, and route A.12 around the Eastern side of Oranmore was considered.

Clr. Byrne proposed, and Deputy Coogan seconded that the draft plan be rejected in so far as it proposed to by-pass Oranmore, and that the proposal submitted by the Oranmore Development Association be substituted therefor, and adopted.

Clrs. Fahy, Deputy Donnellan (Dunmore), Ruane, Lambert, Melvin, Pat Donnellan, and Collins, spoke in favour of this proposal.

The County Manager referred members to the Planning Officer's comments on the submissions made by the Oranmore Development Association, and he suggested that while detailed studies of the alternatives suggested by the Oranmore Development Association were being made, development control be exercised over the proposed by-pass route.

On the proposition of Deputy Carty, seconded by Deputy Molloy, the County Manager's suggestion was agreed to; Deputy Coogan dissenting.

235. By-Passing of Labane: The objection of Messrs. A. Quinn and J. Quinn, Labane, and C. Burns and C. Bradley, Ardahan, to the proposal to bring route A.12 around the Eastern side of Labane was considered. Clr. Lambert proposed, and Clr. Fahy seconded that the draft plan be rejected in so far as it proposed to by-pass Labane, and that the proposals submitted by Messrs. Quinn, Burns, and Bradley be substituted therefor and adopted. Clr. Byrne also spoke in favour of this proposal.

The County Manager referred the members to the Planning Officer's comments on the submissions made by Messrs. Quinn, Burns, and Bradley, and he suggested that while detailed studies of the alternatives suggested were being made development control be exercised over the proposed by-pass route.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Melvin, the County Manager's suggestion was agreed to; Deputy Coogan dissenting.

236. Adjournment: Consideration of the other representations and objections was adjourned to a further special meeting to be held at 3.30 p.m. on Friday, 3rd November, 1967, at the County Buildings, Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M Killilea CHAIRMAN

DATE: 27. 11/67

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

31 Dheireadh Fomhair, 1967.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae Gaillimh, De h-Aoine, 3ú lá de Shamhain, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

Further consideration of Draft Development Plan - Summary of Representations and Objections.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 3rd NOVEMBER, 1967

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Raftery, and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E.(H), R. Lee, C.A.C.E.(P), A. Smyth, Staff Officer, and M. S. O'Maolrunaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

237 - Draft Development Plan:

Consideration of the representations and objections relating to the draft development plan were continued.

238 - Eagrais na Gaeltachta, An Spideal:

The representations received from Bartley O'Connaire, Runai, Eagrais na Gaeltachta, An Spideal, re. Par. 3.12.

The County Manager suggested that this portion of the plan be re-drafted and the water and sewerage programme adopted by the Council at meeting held on the 11th September, 1967, incorporated therein, and this was agreed to.

239 - Eagrais na Gaeltachta, Rossaveal

The representations received from Miceal Mac Con Iomaire, Runai Eagrais na Gaeltachta, Rossaveal were considered, - re. Par. 3.12.

The County Manager pointed out that these would be covered by the decision taken in the previous minute, and this was noted and approved.

240 - Water Supply - Rossaveal-Cashla Area, Par. 3.12.

The representations received from Miceal Mac Con Iomaire, Runai Eagrais na Gaeltachta, Rossaveal, relating to the above Water Supply were considered.

The County Manager pointed out that these representations would be covered by the decision taken in minute No. 238 and this was noted and approved.

241 - Omission of Cashla:

The representations received from Cait Bean Mhic Con Iomaire, and Miceal Mac Con Iomaire, Derrynea, Cashla, re. omission of Cashla from paragraph 2 (6) were considered.

The Planning Officer pointed out that the draft plan proposed that a special study be made of the whole area of Connemara, and that Roinn na Gaeltachta was carrying out a study with a view to establishing a growth centre in the Gaeltacht, probably at or near Carraroe; that Cashla was situated in the area, and that it would be necessary to await the result of the study in order to ascertain the special part to be played by each district or township.

The Planning Officer's observations were noted and approved.

242 - Ballinahown Water Supply: Par. 3.12.

The representations received from Mairiad Bean Ní Briain, Na Doireadha, Ballinahown, re. water supply were considered.

The County Manager pointed out that these representations would be covered by the decision taken in minute No. 238 and this was noted and approved.

243 - Rossaveal Water Supply: Par. 3.12.

The representations received from Patrick McDonagh (John) Rossaveal relating to the Rossaveal Water Supply were considered.

The County Manager pointed out that these representations would be covered by the decision taken in minute No. 238 and this was noted and approved.

244 - Solathar Uisce - gConnamara Teas: Par. 3.12.

The representations received from Sean O'Conghaola, Cnoc na hAille, relating to the South Connemara Water Supply were considered.

The County Manager pointed out that these representations would be covered by the decision taken in minute No. 238 and this was noted and approved.

245 - Connemara Water Supply Schemes: Par. 3.13

The representations received from an tOllamh Gearaid S. MacEoin, Roinn na Sean-Ghaelge, Colaiste na hOllscoile, Gaillimh, and D.O'Lobhlar, Runai, Comhcoiste na gColaisti Gaeilge i gConnacht, relating to the delay in providing water supply schemes for Connemara were considered.

The County Manager pointed out that these representations were already covered by Minute No. 238 and this was noted and approved.

246 - Costello Water Supply: Par. 3.12.

The representations received from Mrs. Kathleen O'Flaherty, Derrynea, Costello, objecting to the provision of water for Carraroe in the coming year, while Costello had to wait until 1972 were considered.

It was noted that these representations were covered by minute No. 238.

247 - Mountbellew By-pass:

The objection received from Peter Briggs, Hon. Secretary, Mountbellew Development Association, to the by-passing of Mountbellew as shown on Map 1 of the draft county development plan was considered.

The Planning Officer stated that it was not intended to by-pass Mountbellew and that the drafting error on Map 1 would be corrected in the final draft.

248 - By-passing of Oranmore:

Representations received from Joseph Green, T.C., Main Street, Loughrea, re. by-passing of Oranmore were considered.

It was pointed out that this matter was already dealt with in minute No. 234 of the 30th October, 1967.

249 - Amenity Facilities, Woodford:

The representations received from Gerard O'Reilly, Chairman, Woodford Guild of Muintir na Tire relating to the non-inclusion of Woodford localities in paragraphs 3.2 page 13 and 3.6 page 15 of the county plan were considered.

The Planning Officer's comments thereon were noted and approved.

250 - Oranmore:

Representations received from Dr. S. UaConchubhar, Oranmore, were considered.

It was decided to adjourn representation No. 1 to a later meeting when density restrictions would be considered.

It was decided to note representation No. 2.

251 - Comhdail Naisuinta na Gaeilge:

Representations received from An Col. Eoghan O'Neill, Stuirteoir, Comhdail Naisuinta na Gaeilge, were considered.

The County Manager stated that the draft plan proposed that a special study be made of Connemara; that the special importance of the Gaeltacht was referred to in page 36 of the Schedule to the Plan; that it was considered that physical planning could only set the pattern to achieve the objectives mentioned; that the draft plan proposed that the activities of all bodies - State, semi-State, etc., in this area should be co-ordinated.

252 - Miscellaneous:

The submissions received from Simon J. Kelly, & Co. Architects re. various aspects of the draft plan were considered.

The Planning Officer's observations thereon were noted.

Representations received from Cait Ní Mainnin, Indreabhan, Rosmuc, relating to various aspects of the draft plan were submitted, and the Planning Officer's observations thereon were noted.

Submissions received from Peter Moylan, Loughrea, relating to various aspects of the draft plan were considered and the planning Officer's observations thereon noted.

253 - Kinvara Area:

Representations received from Toddie Byrne, Secretary, Kinvara Guild of Muintir na Tire, relating to the Kinvara Area were submitted.

Also submitted were the Planning Officer's observations on these representations.

Clr. Byrne (Secretary, Kinvara Guild of Muintir na Tire) proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded that the draft plan be amended to include provision for the improvement of Kinvara from a tourist viewpoint by -

- (a) bathing facilities, and general development of Parkmore.
- (b) improvement of road on North side of Kinvara Bay to give access to scenic view, and -
- (c) improvement of approach roads to the town.

Clr. Melvin also supported the proposal.

Clr. Fahy said that the whole Dooras peninsula had been neglected.

Deputy Coogan said the 'Lady Gregory Country' should be included in the draft plan, as it was of major tourist and historic interest.

It was decided to carry out an investigation of the Kinvara/Dooras area and to submit a report to a later meeting of the Council.

254 - Meelick Area on River Shannon:

Clr. Callanan requested that consideration be given to the inclusion in the draft plan of the Meelick Area on the River Shannon in East Galway which was another area of major tourist interest.

255 - Knocknacarra and other areas adjacent to Galway City:

Letter P.D.5/7 of the 22 Mean Fomair, 1967 from the Department of Local Government, Dublin, was considered in relation to its comments concerning Knocknacarra and other areas adjacent to Galway City. The County Manager pointed out that the draft development plan for Galway City had not yet been prepared; and pending its preparation, it was agreed to defer

further consideration of this matter.

256 - Housing Programme:

In accordance with the recommendation contained in letter P.D.5/7 of the 22nd Mean Fomair, 1967, from the Department of Local Government, it was decided to include in the new draft development plan the housing programme approved by the Council in Minute No. 127 of the 25th September, 1967.

257 - Density Restrictions:

The County Manager stated that he would submit a special report to the next meeting of the Council on the question of density restrictions in the draft development plan.

258 - Sympathy:

A vote of sympathy was adopted with the following :-

Mrs. Tully, Barrack Street, Athenry, on the death of her husband Mr. John Tully.

259 - Adjournment:

Further consideration of the draft development plan was adjourned to a special meeting to be held at 3.0 p.m. on Friday, 17th November, 1967, at the County Buildings, Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. Keene. CHAIRMAN

DATE: 27. 11. 67.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh

10ú lá de Shabhain, 1967

Chuibh Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle,

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae Gaillimh de Luain, 20ú lá de Shabhain, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.0 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

Further consideration of Draft Development Plan.

N.B. PLEASE NOTE DATE OF MEETING:-

MONDAY 20th NOVEMBER, 1967 (in lieu of Friday 17th November, 1967, as originally fixed.)

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh.

14u Samhain, 1967.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle,

A Chara,

Further to my notice of the 10th November, 1967. I wish to inform you that it has been found necessary to again change the dates of forthcoming meetings.

The special meeting proposed to be held on Monday next the 20th November, 1967 has to be cancelled and the following meeting arrangements will apply for the month of November:

Friday November 24th at 3p.m. -

Special meeting re Draft Development Plan.

Monday November 27th -

Ordinary Council meeting - Agenda will be circulated later.

Mise, le meas,

M.S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 24th NOVEMBER, 1967.

In the Chair: Senator Mark Killilea.

Also Present:

Members: Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Cllrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Cllrs. Raftery, Ruane and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), R. Lee, C.A.C.E. (P), A. Smyth, Staff Officer and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

260. Amendments - Draft County Development Plan: The following amendments (copies attached hereto) to the draft county development plan were circulated to the members at the beginning of the meeting.

- (1) Amendments of paragraph 2.4 and 3.12 relating to services - water and sewerage.
- (2) Amendments of paragraphs 2.20 relating to advertising structures.
- (3) Amendments of paragraphs 2.5 (1) relating to arterial routes.
- (4) Amendments of paragraphs 2.6, 3.8 and appendix A (5) relating to housing.

261. Areas of special development control and areas of high amenity and scenic importance.

Letter P.D.5/7 of the 22nd Meán Fomhair, 1967, from the Department of Local Government which had been circulated to the members with Agenda for meeting of the 23rd October, 1967, was considered.

The County Manager pointed out that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the representations of the Department in connection with areas of special development control and areas of high amenity and scenic importance, as conveyed in the letter. He outlined the provisions which were contained in the original draft plan, the amendments made by the Council and the Department's observations on these amendments and he repeated the various considerations which had been submitted to the Council in the course of the consideration of the draft plan before publication. He pointed out to the Council that the Department's representations could be reduced to the statement that the steps being taken by the Council to deal with areas of special development control and areas of high amenity and scenic importance, etc., were ineffective and would not achieve the planning objectives set out by the Council in paragraph 2 of the draft plan. He urged the Council to consider the matter very carefully and to re-instate the proposals which were contained in the original draft plan in relation to new housing in these areas. During a lengthy discussion on the contents of the letter, the County Manager, County Engineer and the Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning) replied to questions from the members clarifying the various points raised and in which the need for ensuring that there would be control of new housing in these areas was emphasised.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Cllr. Joyce, that the Council adhere to the decision which they had already made regarding housing densities and road frontages in these areas.

It was proposed by Clr. Holland and seconded by Clr. Ryan, that consideration of the matter be deferred for a period of one month.

The Chairman gave notice of his intention to move a further amendment.

A vote taken on Clr. Holland's proposal, resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Holland, Lambert and Ryan (3).

Against: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery and Ruane (24).

The Chairman declared Clr. Holland's proposal defeated.

The Chairman then proposed that the Council include in the new draft development plan the densities and road frontages recommended by the officers when they submitted the original plan.

Deputy Geoghegan pointed out to the Chairman that this was a direct negative and a vote then taken on Deputy Geoghegan's proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Mannion, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane (22).

Against: Senator Killilea and Clr. Ryan (2).

Clrs. Holland, Lambert and Melvin did not vote.

The Chairman declared Deputy Geoghegan's proposal carried.

The meeting then terminated.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

M. Killie CHAIRMAN

DATE: 18/12/67.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

17ú lá de Shabhain, 1967.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 27adh lá de Shabhain, 1967, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
 - (a) Thomas O'Neill, Woodquay, Galway -
Damage to motor car, 22/9/1967 £ 9. 10. 0.
 - (b) Patrick O'Toole, Cashel, Co. Galway -
Damage to motor car, 7/10/1967 £20. 0. 0.
 - (c) Electricity Supply Board -
Damage to two low tension poles and net works, 14/10/1967 - £50. 0. 0.
 - (d) W. P. Higgins Ltd., Headford Road, Galway -
Damage to Showroom and Garage windows and
motor car, 15/10/1967 £15. 0. 0.
 - (e) Cashel Bay Estates Co. Ltd., Dublin -
Damage to windows in Doonreaghan House, Cashel,
Co. Galway, 25/10/1967 £48. 10. 0.
 - (f) Philip McCartan and Patrick McInerney -
Damage to water tank boundary walls and land, 8/11/1967 - £570. approx.
3. Overdraft for Quarter to 31st March, 1968.
4. Local Improvement Schemes.
5. Election of Representative of the Galway County Council on the Governing Body of University College, Galway.
6. Joint Committee on Itinerancy - minutes of Committee Meeting held on 27th October, 1967.
7. Consultative Health Committee - minutes of Committee Meeting held on 13th October, 1967.

8. Home Assistance - Estimated expenditure for year to 31st March, 1968.
9. Creation of additional office of Surgeon to the Galway County Council.
10. Water and Sewerage Schemes - Priority lists.
11. Local Authorities (Acceptance of Gifts) Act, 1945, County Galway Civic Improvement Scheme.
12. Wages of Roadworkers - Labour Court recommendation.
13. Galway Swimming Pool.
14. Grants for Social Centres.
15. New Machinery - Loan £68,000.
16. Remuneration increases:
 - (a) Engineers' Clerks (Engineers' Office Assistants) - 10th Round Wage increase from 1st April, 1966, in lieu of from 1st May, 1966.
 - (b) Home Assistance Officers.
 - (c) Dispensary Caretakers.
17. Purchase Scheme for cottages under the Housing Act, 1966 - copy herewith.
18. Carraroe Regional Water Supply Scheme - making of proposal under the Water Supplies Act, 1942.
19. Lease of portion of the former Portumna Workhouse premises to Portumna Packers Co-Op. Ltd. - Notice dated 14th November, 1967.
20. Sale of plot of land at Rossaveal - minute No. 122 of 25/9/1967.
21. Road Safety Campaign - December, 1967.
22. Declaration of Roads to be public roads:-

| From | To | Location | Length perches |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| End of County Road No. 514. | Clooncannon | Ballinasloe | 800 |

23. Draft Standing Orders.
24. Members Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. Patrick Fahy:

- (1) Considering that 3,126 houses are now needed in County Galway according to Circular re Housing Programme issued by Assistant County Manager and considering that 2,048 of these unfit dwellings will not be built by private enterprise by March, 1971, I intend to propose at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the proposed Council house building programme of 42 houses (approx.) per year be increased to 100 houses per year, half of which should be small pre-fab. dwellings, built in rural areas.
- (2) I intend to ask the County Manager to state the total cost to the rates of the Fire Fighting services in County Galway and I intend to propose -
 - (a) that Insurance Companies operating Fire Insurance in the county be asked to contribute to this cost, pro rata their Fire Insurance Premiums collected in the county and

- (b) that the Forestry Division be asked to recoup to the County Council all expenses incurred in fighting forest fires.
- (3) I intend to propose at next County Council meeting that the Local Improvements Scheme as outlined in Circular S.W.23/1/1 from the Department of Local Government be accepted by the Council provided that -
 - (a) Legislation is introduced making it obligatory on the Council to maintain out of Departmental Grants all roads and drains improved by the Council and that Section 7 be amended accordingly, and
 - (b) that no employee of the Board of Works becomes unemployed as a result of the Council's acceptance of this Scheme.
- (b) Clr. Toddie Byrne:
 - (1) That a pump be provided in the Treanlaur area of Maree, Oranmore.
 - (2) That we the members of the Galway County Council request the Board of Works that the Oranhill drainage scheme be carried out immediately.
 - (3) That the Galway County Council attend to the necessary improvements at the entrance to the Kinvara Parish Church.
 - (4) I will ask the County Manager to have repairs carried out to the Caheravoneen and Crushoa pumps, Kinvara, before next summer.
 - (5) That we the members of Galway County Council request the Board of Works to have improvements carried out at Ballinacourty Pier immediately.
- (c) Clr. John Callanan:
 - (1) I propose to ask the Council to arrange to have the Beach along the Shannon at Meelick levelled and have seats and litter bins erected.
 - (2) I propose to ask the Council to have the following extra work carried out at Eyrecourt -
 - (i) extra street lights.
 - (ii) extra litter bins.
 - (iii) clean sand from Square.
 - (iv) erect seats in Square.
 - (3) That the Council direct its Engineering staff to arrange with the Local Government Engineer in the county to jointly supervise and finally inspect all voluntary Group Water Schemes in the county with a view to having the Council take over said water schemes and maintain them.
- (d) Deputy John Donnellan:
 - (1) I will ask the County Engineer the position regarding the Ballinlough Road, Milltown, Co. Galway. The road in question connects the Diskeary Road to the Belmont Road.
- (e) Clrs. Frank Glynn and Paddy Ruane:
 - (1) That the present rates and valuation system be abolished and that the revenue required by local authorities be raised by a more equitable taxation system based on incomes.
 - (2) That all ground rents be abolished immediately without compensation unless very exceptional circumstances exist.
 - (3) That legislation be introduced appointing all local authorities

as sole agents for the purchase and sale of all building land in their areas and they also be empowered to purchase such land at a price not in excess of its agricultural value.

- (4) That all local authorities be given authority to use any vacant building in their area that is considered suitable as temporary accommodation for families on the housing list.
 - (5) That legislation be enacted enabling all local authorities to give tenants of furnished and unfurnished rooms and flats security of tenure and fair rent.
 - (6) That central Government assume full responsibility for financing and maintenance of arterial roads and arterial drainage schemes.
 - (7) That health charges be removed from the rates and become the responsibility of central government with administration remaining as the responsibility of the local authorities.
 - (8) That malicious injuries claims be removed from the rates.
 - (9) That tenants of local authorities be given the same rights as private householders by -
 - (i) being allowed to vote on all issues at Council meetings if they are councillors.
 - (ii) being allowed to serve on juries if they wish.
 - (iii) being allowed to join libraries without having to have a guarantor.
 - (10) That all connected with teaching should be eligible for membership of Vocational Education committees.
 - (11) That the maximum number of councillors eligible for membership of Municipal Vocational Education Committees be three.
- (f) Clr. Frank Glynn:
- (1) I will ask the County Manager to make a statement on a press report of a meeting of the Tuam Chamber of Commerce which appeared in the October 28 edition of the Tuam Herald, regarding prescriptions from private doctors to medical card holders.
 - (2) That the County Council provide a zebra crossing at Bishop Street, Tuam, from the Cathedral entrance to the Car Park.
- (g) Clr. P. Cunningham:
- (1) That County Council relieve the present sewerage problem at Newbridge.
 - (2) Is it possible to have the quality of water in pump at Boherbannagh improved.
 - (3) Will the Council take steps to have pumps at Ballinacor, Newbridge and Lisquell, Newbridge, cleaned.
 - (4) That the Council try to relieve the problem in areas where surface water from roads flow into and around dwelling houses and outhouses.
 - (5) That in the event of Galway County Council providing amenity grants, the village of Newbridge get special consideration in assisting local organisations to erect a suitable building in which meetings could be held. There is no such accommodation there at present.
 - (6) That the Council provide an extra street light in Newbridge.

- (7) I will ask the County Council when the repairs being carried out on the road through the villages of Clooncunore and Cooragh-lehanagh will be completed
- (h) Clr. J. Lambert:
- (1) I will ask if there is a change in the Tax collection (P.A.Y.E.) for Roadworkers.
 - (2) I will propose that this Council provide more roadside water pumps due to the delay in the proposed rural water schemes.
 - (3) I will propose that the Gort town Water and Sewerage Works be extended to the houses on the Galway Road.
 - (4) I will propose that a lay-bye be provided at the top of Benn Hill near Woodford.
 - (5) I will propose that this Council requests the Department of Local Government, Special Employment Schemes Section, for the following information:-
 - (i) The total amount of money spent on works in this county last year - 1966.
 - (ii) The total list of applications turned down last year - 1966 - and the applications in hand to date.
- (i) Clr. Patrick Ruane:
- (1) That state aid be asked from the Department to assist small farmers who suffered tragic losses in their potato and corn crops during the recent flooding and bad harvest.
 - (2) I will ask an explanation from the County Manager regarding the Regional Water Scheme for the Ballybritt and Race Course Cottages and a general view on Group Water Schemes for this county.
 - (3) To request the C.I.E. and C.E.O. or whoever is concerned:-
 - (i) to take the rural schoolchildren travelling by bus, to the nearest bus stop from the school or direct to the schools in Galway City.
 - (ii) to extend also the bus service to Kenny's Cross, Carnmore.
 - (4) That warning signs be erected at each entrance of the Gurrane Road, Oranmore, such as "Railway Gates unattended" or "Beware of Trains".
 - (5) That the following roads be tarred this coming year:-

Carnaun Road, Athenry.
Waterdale/Cloonbiggen and Gortcloonmore Road.
Ballindooley Road.
Carrabrown Road.
Monument Road at Menlo.
Ardgaineen Road.
Lackaghbeg Road.
- (j) Clr. T. Clarke:
- (1) I will ask the County Manager to outline the present position regarding Beeladangan Bridge.
 - (2) I will move that the County Manager get in touch with the Office

of Public Works, the Tourist Board and any other body that may be concerned for the purpose of drawing up a joint scheme to improve the amenities of the Coral Strand, Carraroe.

(k) Clr. Patrick Fahy:

- (1) That the Council Building proposed for Crow Street, Gort, be delayed until such time as the following works have been carried out:-
 - (i) 15 houses built.
 - (ii) 15 derelict sites acquired, paid for and built upon.
 - (iii) Footpaths leading from town along Galway, Ennis and Loughrea Roads restored.
 - (iv) Town lighting improved and night pilot lights installed.
 - (v) Water and sewerage extended to all houses in the town, giving a priority to an adequate water supply to the only factory in the town which pays £500 a year rates and has an 1" pipe water supply.
 - (vi) Garbage collection extended to this factory.
 - (vii) Roads, such as those leading -
 - (a) to the Cloughnaceeva circuit,
 - (b) to the Waterworks,
 - (c) to Childrens' Graveyard,
 - (d) to the river at Crow Street, etc.in the immediate vicinity of the town be rolled without expecting portion of monies allocated to Councillors to do this work.
 - (viii) Fire Brigade properly housed and bells installed in firemens' houses.
 - (ix) All Council work noted as substandard by Tidy Towns Committee, be brought up to standard.

(l) Clr. Tommie Hussey:

- (1) That the County Engineer be asked to prepare plans for the construction of a new bridge at Mahanagh, Clonberne, to replace existing one which is extremely hazardous for present day traffic.

(m) Clr. P. T. Galvin:

- (1) That the County Council take over, repair and maintain the road leading to Kilclooney cemetery (Ballinasloe). Length 500 yds. approx.
- (2) To ask the County Manager and/or the County Engineer what is the explanation for the inordinate delay in the repair of County Council cottages.

(n) Clr. William Burke:

- (1) That road leading through the village of Davris to Russellstown be rolled.
- (2) Road through Carrowreagh to Knock be rolled.
- (3) Road from Brennan's, Lisheavy to Belmont, be rolled.
- (4) That road from the Square, Tuam to Bridge in Shop Street, be improved so as to prevent hall doors and walls from being soiled.

- (5) That E.S.B. be requested to give light to people living in isolated areas and as a result of isolation they should not be refused light or be asked to bear additional cost of isolation.

(o) Senator Mark Killilea:

- (1) I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that immediate steps be taken to put the road into Abbeyknockmoy Cemetery in a proper state of repair.

25. Councillors Notices of Motion (Roads) - First List.

26. Other business.

FORM NO. C.P. 1.

(PURCHASE SCHEME)

Scheme for the purchase of Cottages under the Labourers Act, 1936, as amended by the Housing Act, 1966, entitled the Galway County Health District Additional Cottages Purchase Scheme, 1968, made by the Galway County Council on the 4th day of March, 1968.

The terms of purchase for every cottage described in the annexed Table shall be those set forth in the said Table for such cottage.

TABLE

| Number of Cottage | Townland where situated | Date of erection | Present Weekly Rent | Amount of terminable annuity | Number of years during which annuity is to be paid | Whether annuity is to be paid in one annual sum or in weekly, monthly, quarterly, or half-yearly instalments |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| 1/612 | Moher | 15/10/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | Monthly |
| 2/607 | Bunowen | 25/7/1964 | 9/- | £17.11.0. | 31 | |
| 3/613 | Mincloon | 4/6/1965 | £3.5.0. | £84.10.0. | 32 | |
| 3/614 | Spiddle West | 21/9/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6. | 33 | |
| 3/615 | Rossaveel | 24/11/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 3/616 | Barnaboy | 17/11/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 5/609 | Gardenblake Commons | 11/1/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 32 | |
| 5/610 | Bullaunagh | 3/9/1965 | 9/- | £17.11.0. | 32 | |
| 5/611 | Bullaunagh | 1/9/1965 | 9/- | £17.11.0. | 32 | |
| 6/613 | Cullenagh | 26/3/1964 | 9/- | £17.11.0. | 31 | |
| 6/614 | Bellayarha North | 18/6/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 32 | |
| 6/615 | Templemartin | 15/6/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 32 | |
| 6/616 | Slievedotia | 25/10/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 7/605 | Gorteenlahard | 15/10/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 7/606 | Ballinroaun | 18/10/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 8/602 | Burnthouse | 18/6/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 32 | |
| 10/611 | Russelstown | 11/12/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 10/613 | Clogh South | 22/12/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 10/614 | Cloonkeen North | 30/12/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |
| 10/615 | Cloonkeen North | 30/12/1965 | 12/6d. | £24.7.6d. | 33 | |

The above Purchase Scheme has been made by the Galway County Council this day,

Given under the Seal of the Council and signed by us this 4th day of March, 1968.

Chairman.

Assistant County Manager.

Secretary.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,
Co. Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

14th November, 1967.

To Each Member of the Galway County Council.

EXPENDITURE ON HOME ASSISTANCE

A Chara,

The actual expenditure on Home Assistance for the year ending 31st March, 1968 will be approximately £92,200. as compared with the amount £74,000. provided for this service in the annual estimate. The excess will be £18,200.

The main reasons for the increase as compared with the estimate are:-

Payment of allowances to old persons, who might otherwise have to be accommodated in St. Brendan's Home (£20,700. for year 1967/68) .. £11,000.

Increase of 5/- per week approved in Minute 5148 of 16/6/1967 (with effect from 1/8/1967) for persons receiving Home Assistance only .. 2,700.

53 weeks expenditure will be included in this year compared with the normal 52 weeks 1,850.
£15,550.

The remainder of the estimated increase is due to a greater amount of assistance provided for itinerants and for persons who have lost their employment.

The approval of the Council is requested to the excess expenditure of £18,200.

Mise, le meas,
L. O'LUANAIGH
Assistant County Manager.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

22/11/1967

To Each Member of the Council/

A Chara,

Further to mine of the 17th instant, enclosing Agenda for Meeting to be held on the 27th instant, I enclose herewith for your information copy of Draft Standing Orders -- Item No. 23.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe
Runai Sealadach

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STANDING ORDERS

1. In these Orders "Council" means the Council of the Administrative County of Galway.
2. "Councillor" means a person elected or chosen to the office of Councillor of the Administrative County of Galway.
3. "Chairman" means the Councillor presiding at any Meeting of the Council or of a Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council except in Standing Orders Numbers 12. 13. 15. 19. when it means the Chairman so elected at the Annual Meeting.
4. "The County Manager" means the County Manager for the Administrative County of Galway or, in his absence, his duly appointed deputy.
5. "Secretary" means the Secretary to the Council, or in his absence, his duly appointed Deputy.
6. In counting clear days, where the number of days' notice does not exceed seven, Sundays and ~~Sundays and Christmas Day~~ ^{Christmas Day} are not to be reckoned in the computation. If notice exceeds seven days Sundays and Christmas Day are to be reckoned.

Unless otherwise specifically provided, the word "month" when used in resolutions of the Council, Standing Orders, and regulations of the Council, shall be deemed to mean a calendar month.
7. Throughout the Standing Orders, unless the contrary intention is shown, the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine, and words in the singular shall include the plural, and vice versa.
8. At meetings of the Council, or at a Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council one-fourth of the total number of members shall constitute a quorum. When the Council is acting in Committee, the quorum shall also be one-fourth of the total number of members.
9. The Annual Meeting shall, in the year of an Election, be held on the fourteenth day after the day on which the Poll is completed. In every other year it shall be held on a day fixed by Resolution of the Council not being more than four days before or after the anniversary of first annual meeting.
10. The Estimates Meeting of the Council shall be held on a day, within the prescribed period, fixed in advance, in each year, by Resolution of the Council.

11. The Council shall meet as summoned by the Secretary according to the volume and urgency of business, and not less frequently than once every month. The meeting shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month, except when that day falls on a Church Holiday or Public Holiday, when an alternative date for the holding of the meeting will be fixed in advance by the Council.
12. A Special Meeting of the Council may be called at any time by the Chairman, or upon a requisition addressed to him, and signed by at least five members of the Council; or should the Chairman not act on such requisition within seven days after its presentation, a Special Meeting for the purpose defined in it may be called by any five Councillors on the expiration of those seven days, provided that not less than three clear days shall elapse between that of the summons convening a Special Meeting and the day of the Special Meeting, and such Meeting may be called for such hour as the Chairman or Councillors summoning same shall order.
13. An Agenda Paper setting out the place, date and time of the meeting and the business to be transacted shall be posted so as to reach each member three clear days before the day of the meeting. Any Notice, which obviously is out of order, or contains unbecoming expressions, may be expunged from the Agenda Paper by order of the Chairman. In any case, in which a Notice of Motion is in his opinion irregular or illegal, the Secretary to the Council shall communicate that opinion to the Chairman and to the Councillor giving notice.
14. The hour of the meeting shall be 3.30 except when it is otherwise fixed in accordance with Order No. 12 or by Resolution of the Council, or by an Order of the Chairman.
15. The Chair at each Meeting shall be taken within a quarter of an hour after the time appointed for the start of the meeting. In the absence of the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman, a member chosen by a majority of the members present at the commencement of business shall preside as Chairman, of the Meeting, and while so presiding shall have the same powers, rights and duties as are, under Standing Orders, or Statutes possessed by the Chairman of a Meeting.

16. If, after the expiration of sixty minutes after the time for which a Meeting has been summoned, a quorum shall not be present, the business shall stand postponed to the next meeting.
17. The place of Meeting of the Council shall be at the County Council Offices or, at such other place within the County as the Council shall direct, or failing such directions, as the Council may agree upon.
18. A Meeting to be valid must be:-
 - (a) properly convened after proper notice;
 - (b) properly constituted, that is -
 - (i) with a properly appointed person in the Chair
 - (ii) with a quorum present.
 - (iii) must be held in accordance with Standing Orders, Articles or Regulations governing its Constitution.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

19. The Order of Business at all but Special Meetings or Annual Meetings shall be as herein set down, and shall only be altered in cases of special emergency, and only then by a majority vote of the County Council:
 - (a) Confirmation of Minutes of previous Meeting or Meetings.
 - (b) Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders, or resolution of the Council for transaction at that Meeting;
 - (c) Business submitted by the Chairman or the Chairman of the day;
 - (d) Business submitted by the County Manager;
 - (e) Notices of Motion by Councillors;
 - (f) Letters and matters not requiring discussion;
 - (g) Other business as set forth in the Agenda Paper;
20. An item which is not included on the Agenda Paper shall not be considered at a Meeting except with the consent of the Chairman.
21. At the Annual Meeting of the Council:
 - (a) The first business shall be the choice of the Chairman, and
 - (b) The procedure to be followed shall be that set out in Section 43 of the Local Government Act, 1941.
22. The election of Vice-Chairman, Standing Committees, delegates to the County Councils' General Council etc., and other bodies shall follow immediately after the election of the Chairman.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

23. The Minutes of every Meeting shall after confirmation be signed by the Presiding Chairman, at the next Ordinary Meeting, and shall be kept and certified by the Secretary of the Council, and the Minutes shall not be submitted for confirmation unless a copy thereof shall have been previously and at least three days before the Council Meeting at which they are

submitted by the Secretary to every member of the Council, after which such Minutes shall be taken as read when the question that they be confirmed shall be put from the Chair, unless a member requests that any part be read in order to determine whether it is an accurate record.

24. Any discussion of the Minutes except as to their accuracy shall be out of order, and the Chairman shall rule accordingly. Questions are only permissible on matters arising out of the Minutes, if for information only and not for discussion. Questions arising out of the Minutes subsequent to their confirmation shall be restricted to requests for information on matters mentioned in the Minutes.

NOTICE OF MOTION

25. Any member of the Council may submit an original motion relevant to the business of the Council on giving notice in writing, signed by himself to the Secretary of the Council. Only those Notices of Motion which are received by the Secretary 10 days before the date of the Council Meeting shall appear on the Agenda Paper.
26. Every Notice of Motion (and any notice of Amendment thereto) shall be relevant to some question which affects, or may affect, the business of the Council, the administration of the County, or the interests of the people in the County.
27. The Agenda Paper shall not contain more than four notices of motion from any one Councillor, including adjourned motions.
28. Every question at a Meeting of the Council shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Councillors voting on the question, and, in the case of an equal division of votes, the Chairman of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, except when the question is the election of a Chairman of the Council or Committee.
29. Every original Motion or amendment shall be read by the mover before he speaks upon it, and no other member shall speak thereon until it has been seconded.
30. No speech at a Meeting shall exceed ten minutes in length without the consent of the Chairman, which shall be given only where the question under discussion is of exceptional importance. The said consent shall enable the members to continue speaking for an additional five minutes.

Any further extension shall require the consent of the Council, and shall be for a definite period.

31. No motion or amendment shall be put to the Council unless it has been duly seconded.

32. When a motion has been duly moved and seconded the discussion may be interrupted by some or all of the following motions:

- (a) to amend the Motion.
- (b) to move that the meeting move to the next business. When this is proposed and seconded a vote must be taken without any discussion. If lost, a similar motion concerning the same subject of debate cannot be moved until 15 minutes have elapsed.
- (c) to move the closure. After a debate has continued for not less than an hour a Member may ask leave to move "that the question be put" and if such leave be given by the assent of the Chairman, the Motion shall be forthwith put, and, if carried, any Questions then before the Chair shall be forthwith put to the Council.
- (d) to postpone consideration of the Question sine die or to a fixed date.
- (e) to adjourn the subject under discussion to a later hour or to a further meeting.

33. The following Motions may be made without notice at a meeting:

- (a) On matters expressly required by Statute to be done at the meeting;
- (b) On matters arising directly out of a Report presented at the meeting;
- (c) For, or on, the appointment of a Committee to which specific business is to be referred.
- (d) For the resolution of the Council into a Committee of the whole Council;
- (e) For the variation of the order of business;
- (f) For the adjournment of the Meeting;
- (g) For the suspension of Standing Orders in respect of any specified rule or rules.
- (h) For the appointment of a Chairman of the day, the Chairman, and Vice-Chairman being absent.
- (i) For the adoption, amendment, or referring back any report;
- (j) Relating to business of a formal or unimportant character, provided no member present objects;
- (k) Relating to any business provided all the members are present and no one objects to the informality; want of notice in this case can be excused and the proceedings are valid;
- (l) Declaring a vacancy on the Council;
- (m) For referring business to a Committee for inquiry, action and/or report.

34. The proposer of a Motion or an Amendment, not printed in the Agenda Paper, shall, upon moving the same, deliver a copy to the Chair.

35. A Motion may be proposed either by the member in whose name it stands, or in his absence, by any Member authorised by him to propose it on his behalf, but unless so proposed, it shall not be considered, and shall not again be set down on the Agenda Paper except upon fresh Notice.
36. A Motion may be withdrawn by leave of the Meeting.
37. It shall not be competent for a Councillor under cover of any Motions authorised by these Orders to discuss any other subject.

A M E N D M E N T S

38. An Amendment may:
- (a) omit certain words;
 - (b) omit certain words and insert or add others;
 - (c) insert certain words;
 - (d) add certain words.
39. An Amendment shall be relevant to the Motion and within the scope of the Notice covering the Motion.
40. An Amendment shall not involve such substantial alterations of the Motion as to make it a new Motion.
41. An Amendment must not be merely negative (the result can be attained by challenging a division and voting against the Motion).
42. An Amendment must be formally moved and seconded before any discussion or vote can be taken.
43. An Amendment must be in writing clearly stating the proposed alteration and signed by the mover and handed to the Chairman.
44. An Amendment shall not be moved after the question is put,
45. The mover of an Amendment may be permitted by the Chair to reply.
46. If there is an equality of votes and the Chairman does not exercise his casting vote the Amendment is deemed not carried, and the Motion stands.
47. No member shall move more than one Amendment to the same Motion.
48. When an Amendment which has been carried is put as a Substantive Motion any Amendment that so amends the Substantive Motion that it becomes the original shall not be allowed.
49. When an Amendment which has been carried is lost as a Substantive Motion the Original Motion is not revived.

50. When a Motion and an Amendment remain before the Chair, the Amendment shall be first put, and shall be disposed of before any other Amendments can be moved. When an Amendment is affirmed, the original Motion shall disappear, and the Amendment shall become a Motion, upon which an Amendment may be moved. When an Amendment is lost, another Amendment to the original Motion may be proposed, but only one Amendment shall be at any one time before the Chair. Notice of any number of Amendments may, however, be given.
51. An Amendment shall not be substantially the same as an Amendment already lost.

R E S C I N D I N G R E S O L U T I O N S

52. No Notice to rescind any Resolution which has been passed within the preceding six months, nor any Motion to the same effect as any Motion which has been negatived within the preceding six months, shall be in order unless the Notice thereof shall have been given and specified in the Notice convening the Meeting, and the Notice shall have, in addition to the name of the Member who proposes the Motion, the names of five other members and the Resolution shall not be rescinded without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, and when any such Motion has been disposed of by the Council, it shall not be competent for any member to propose a Motion that is substantially the same within a further period of six months.

R U L E S O F D E B A T E

53. A Councillor while speaking shall stand with head uncovered and shall address himself to the Chair.
54. A Councillor speaking is not to be interrupted except on a question of order, but he may give way to a Councillor desiring to make a personal explanation. A Councillor who speaks shall confine his speech strictly to the business under discussion, or to a personal explanation, or to a point of Order.
55. When two or more Councillors rise at the same time to speak, the Councillor called upon by the Chair shall have precedence.

56. At a Meeting of the Council any Councillor whether he has spoken on the matter under discussion or not, may rise to a point of order, or to make a personal explanation necessitated by the course of the discussion. A Councillor so rising shall be entitled to be heard forthwith. The ruling of the Chairman at a Meeting of the Council on a point of order, or on the admissibility of a personal explanation, shall be final and shall not be open to discussion.
57. When during a debate, the Chairman rises, any Councillor then standing shall resume his seat, and no Councillor shall rise until the Chairman is seated.
58. Councillors shall address and speak of each other in the Council by the respective titles of "Mr. Chairman" or "Councillor".
59. No Councillor may impute improper motives or use offensive or unbecoming words in reference to any Councillor. Any Councillor having used objectionable words, and not explaining or retracting the same, or offering apologies for the use thereof when requested by the Chairman to do so shall be called upon by the Chairman to withdraw from the Meeting.
60. A Councillor may speak once upon any Motion, except a Motion which is to be put without debate. A Councillor shall not be deemed to have spoken if he has formally seconded a Motion or an Amendment, and he shall be permitted to speak on it afterwards. The mover of an Original Motion shall have the right of replying whilst his motion is before the Chair, but he shall strictly confine himself to answering previous speakers, and shall not introduce any new matter into the debate. After the reply the question shall be put forthwith. When an Amendment is moved, a Councillor who has spoken to the original Motion may speak to the Amendment. When the Amendment has been affirmed, and so becomes an Original Motion, the proposer of it shall have the right of replying at the close of the debate, but no other Councillor who has spoken to it as an Amendment may speak to it again after it has become a Motion, unless a further Amendment is moved. Nothing herein contained shall, however, preclude a Councillor from at any time submitting a point of Order or making a personal explanation.

61. There is no right of reply for the mover in the following cases:-

Amendments!
Motions for!

- Adjournment of the Meeting.
Adjournment of debate.
Continuation of sitting.
Extension of speech.
Postponement of Question.
Proceeding to next business.
Putting the Question.
Question of Privilege.
Suspension of sitting for short period.
Withdrawal of Motion or Amendment.
62. The Chairman shall have discretionary power to allow a Councillor to speak a second time but such permission shall be given only after every Member who desires to do so shall have spoken once.
63. Every Councillor shall be seated during the transaction of business, except the Councillor who shall be addressing the Council.
64. Whenever any Member shall be called to order by the Chairman, the Councillor so called shall immediately resume his seat and shall not again address the Council until the Chairman shall have disposed of the question of order.
65. The Chairman shall call a Councillor to order for irrelevance, repetition, unbecoming language, imputations of motives, reflections of a personal character upon another Councillor, or any breach of order, and may direct such Councillor, if speaking, to discontinue his speech. In the event of grave disorder in the Council, or of persistent disregard of the authority of the Chair, the Chairman shall protect the Council in the conduct of its business by directing the Councillor or Councillors causing such disorder, or disregarding such authority to retire for the remainder of the sitting or for any less period. When the Chairman so directs a Councillor to retire and the Councillor does not retire forthwith, the Chairman shall give directions for the removal of the Councillor, and such other directions as are necessary for restoring order to the proceedings.
66. If the Chairman considers that the Meeting, owing to disorder, cannot continue he shall have power to adjourn the Meeting for such period as he shall determine.

67. Voting may, subject to Statutory requirements be:-
- (a) by voice when it is obvious that the Meeting is practically unanimous, and no Member dissenting (nem con);
 - (b) by show of hands. If any objections to correctness of result, a poll may be demanded;
 - (c) by a division, i.e., a regular count of the members for or against the Motion.
68. When the Chairman has not formally declared the result of a vote, or is in doubt as to whether his declaration is right or wrong, he is entitled, if he thinks well, to take a second vote on the matter, especially if he considers that through some misunderstanding the first vote did not properly represent the sense of the Meeting.
69. In the case of equality of votes the Chairman of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, except when the question is the election of a Chairman of the Council.
70. The Chairman cannot give his first vote after he has ascertained the number of votes for or against a Motion. He can only then give his casting vote, if there is an equal division of votes.
71. No officer or servant of the Council shall remain present at any meeting while any matter relating to him is being discussed unless by special leave of such Meeting.
72. When at a Meeting of the Council the whole of the business set down for such Meeting has been transacted, the Meeting shall thereupon conclude without any question from the Chair.
73. When, during any Meeting, it is stated by a member to the Chair that less than one-fourth members of the whole Council are present, the Secretary, shall call the roll, and shall record the names of the members in attendance, and when it appears that the number of members present is less than one-fourth, then the Council shall rise, and the business not completed by such Meeting of the Council shall be set down to be disposed of at the next Meeting of the Council.
74. Every Councillor attending a Meeting of the Council shall sign his name in the Attendance Book for the purpose, and such Book shall be the official record of such attendance

DEPUTATIONS

75. Subject to the direction of the Chair, any person who is not a Councillor may speak, for not more than five minutes, at a Meeting of the Council, by leave of the Council granted by resolution.
76. Requests for the reception of deputations from any meeting or Association of Rate Payers or from any Public Body or from any individual Rate Payer shall be submitted by the County Secretary to the next Meeting of the Council held after the date of the request. The Council will then decide whether to receive the deputation or not. The privilege of a deputation shall be confined to the presentation of a memorial, statement or copy of resolution and the making of two short addresses, the total time taken not to exceed fifteen minutes.
77. The deputation may be questioned by members of the Council but shall not be entitled to ask questions. No discussion of matters raised by a deputation shall be allowed until Notices of Motion tabled by members are reached.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

78. Any Standing Order or Standing Orders may at any meeting of the Council by consent of not less than three-fourths of the Members present at the said meeting, such Meeting consisting of not less than one-half of the members of the whole Council be suspended, on a Motion duly made for the purpose of any specific business then before the Council and defined in the Suspensory Motion.

INTERPRETATION OF STANDING ORDERS

79. The Chairman's ruling on any question or his interpretation of the Standing Orders shall be final.

MATTERS NOT COVERED BY STANDING ORDERS

80. The Chairman shall have power to deal with any matter not covered by Standing Orders.

DURATION OF STANDING ORDERS

81. The foregoing Standing Orders shall continue in force until altered, amended, or repealed on Notice of Motion duly given and carried by a majority of the Council, at a meeting of which at least three-fourths of the members are present.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
27th NOVEMBER, 1967.

In the Chair: (1) Senator Mark Killilea
(2) Clr. Thomas King

Also Present:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clr. Clarke, Clr. Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverly, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane and Ridge.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E., and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

262. MINUTES: The minutes of previous meetings to 259 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

263. SYMPATHY: On the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Deputy Coogan, a vote of sympathy was adopted with the Walsh family, formerly of Old Malt House, Galway, on the death of Mrs. Henderson.

On the proposition of Clr. Ridge, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, a vote of sympathy was adopted with Mrs. O'Duignan, Ballinahown, on the death of her son.

264. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 - (a) to (f) on the Agenda had been received.

265. OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on the Council's General Account not exceeding £750,000 for the quarter ending 31st March, 1968."

266. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES: Letter dated 16th November, 1967, ref.S.W.23/1/1 from the Department of Local Government, Special Employment Schemes Section, Dublin, was submitted regarding the Local Improvement Scheme. It stated that the local contribution was an essential part of the Scheme and could not be dispensed with and it added that an administrative charge of 10% for over-head expenses was considered reasonable and sufficient.

A lengthy discussion ensued in which all members present participated.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Joyce and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council agrees to operate the Local Improvement Scheme from the 1st April, 1968, in accordance with Circular S.W. 23/1/1 of the 14th August, 1967, from the Department of Local Government, Special Employment Schemes Section, Dublin, and approves the additional staff outlined by the County Engineer, in his report of the 22nd August, 1967."

267. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GALWAY: The notice sent to each member of the Council on the 12th October, 1967, regarding the election of a representative on the Governing Body of University College, Galway, was submitted.

The Acting County Secretary stated that only one nomination was received, viz; the existing representative, Deputy Michael Carty, Abbey Street, Loughrea.

On the proposition of Clr. King, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council unanimously appointed, Deputy Michael Carty, County Councillor, Abbey Street, Loughrea, as its representative on the Governing Body of University College, Galway, for the period of office, commencing the 1st February, 1968.

268. JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY: The minutes of Committee meeting held on the 27th October, 1967, were noted.

269. CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE: The minutes of Committee meeting held on the 13th October, 1967, were noted.

270. EXPENDITURE ON HOME ASSISTANCE: The Assistant County Manager's report, dated 14th November, 1967, having been circulated to the members, was considered. It stated that the actual expenditure on Home Assistance for the year ending 31st March, 1968, will be approximately £92,200 as compared with the amount £74,000 provided for in the annual estimates, an excess expenditure of £18,200.

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved an excess expenditure of £18,200 on Home Assistance for year ending 31st March, 1968.

271. CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF SURGEON TO THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL:

The County Manager stated that it was proposed to create two additional offices of Surgeon and not one as listed on the Agenda and that these would be whole-time posts to replace two part-time posts.

Deputy Geoghegan proposed and Clr. King seconded:-

"that the Galway County Council hereby approves the creation of two additional offices of whole-time Surgeons to the Galway County Council."

Deputy Carty proposed and Clr. Joyce seconded:-

"that the Galway County Council do not approve the creation of two additional offices of whole-time Surgeons to the Galway County Council."

A vote taken on Deputy Geoghegan's proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Croffy, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Senator Killilea, Clrs. King, Lambert, Mannion, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ridge and Ruane (23).

Against: Deputy Carty, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. John Donnellan (Moycullen), Clrs. Fahy, Joyce, Deputy Kitt and Clr. Melvin (7).

Deputy Geoghegan's proposal was declared carried.

272. WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES - PRIORITY LISTS: The County Manager submitted the following priority lists for approval:-

(a) Water Schemes planned:

1. Carraroe
2. Clarenbridge/Kilcolgan
3. Ahascragh
4. Clifden
5. Tuam
6. Kilconnell
7. Inishboffin

(b) Water Schemes proposed:

1. Kinvara
2. Moycullen
3. Corrandulla
4. Milltown
5. Carna/Kilkerrin
6. Caltra/Castleblakeney

(c) Sewerage Schemes:

1. Knocknacarra
2. Moycullen
3. Oranmore
4. Barna
5. Kilonan

Clr. Fahy proposed and Clr. Holland seconded that the priority lists submitted by the County Manager be approved.

Clr. Burke proposed and Clr. Glynn seconded, that the priority lists be altered and that Milltown Water Supply Scheme be placed at the top of the list.

A vote taken on Clr. Burke's proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Glynn, Hussey, Deputy Kitt and Clr. Ruane (8).

Against: Clrs. Byrne, Clarke, Collins, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Holland, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clrs. King, Lambert, Mannion, Melvin and Ridge (16).

Clr. Callanan, Deputy Coogan and Deputy Molloy did not vote.

Clr. Burke's proposal was declared defeated and Clr. Fahy's proposal was declared carried, the voting for the latter being the same in reverse, viz: 16 for and 8 against.

273. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS) ACT, 1945. COUNTY GALWAY CIVIC IMPROVEMENT SCHEME:

The County Manager made the following statement to the meeting:-

"On the 20th October, 1967, a cheque for 20,070 dollars and 80 cents - equivalent to £7,202. 7. 2. was received via the Council's Solicitor from the estate of Catherine Connolly, deceased. The Council previously considered this matter on the 29th December, 1964,

in Minute No. 4091 which reads as follows:-

"The Secretary submitted correspondence relating to a bequest by the late Catherine Connolly of Wellesely in Norfolk County, Mass., U.S.A. The bequest consisted of 1,500 dollars for building a water fountain in the Town of Carraroe and the residue of testator's estate for the provision of a fund to buy lunches and clothing for the needy school children of the Town of Carraroe.

The location of the fountain and management of the fund was stated in the Will to be within the sole discretion of the Mayor of the Town of Carraroe.

The Secretary stated that the necessary steps are being taken to satisfy the American authorities that the Galway County Council should be substituted for the 'Mayor of Carraroe' in this case.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council formally accepts the bequest of the late Catherine Connolly, late of Wellesely in the County of Norfolk, Mass., U.S.A., who died on the 28th November, 1962, as described above, viz., 1,500 dollars for a water fountain for the Town of Carraroe and the residue of the testator's estate for the provision of a fund to buy lunches and clothing for the needy school children of the Town of Carraroe.

The Council approved the utilisation of the bequest for such other similar purposes as may be proposed by the Galway County Manager and as may be approved by the appropriate authorities in the United States of America."

Subsequently the provisions of the Will were questioned in the Courts in America and it was held that the bequest in clause 1.W. to the Town of Carraroe lapses for uncertainty and becomes part of the residue of the estate as provided for in the Court Decree and that the bequest in clause 1.W. to the Town of Carraroe payable to the Galway County Council and County Manager lapses and becomes part of the residue of the estate as herein provided. This in effect means that the clause providing a sum of 1,500 dollars for the provision of a fountain, etc., no longer effective.

The Court Decree further provided that 50% of the said residue which is the amount now received shall be paid to the Galway County Council of Galway, Ireland, to be held by the said Council for the purposes of assisting the needy children of the Village of Carraroe and the receipt by the Chairman of the said Council acknowledging that the fund will be held in accordance with this Decree shall exonerate the Executor from any liability as to the application of the said fund.

The money received falls to be dealt with under the County Galway Civic Improvement Scheme. Pending consideration of the matter, I considered it advisable to invest the amount received in the recent National Loan and stock to the value of £7,340 has been purchased. This will give an annual income of £510 from the investment.

It is a matter for the Council to decide as to whether the investment should be allowed to stand, or whether the original capital should be spent, for the purpose given. It would appear to me, however, that the investment of the amount in the National Loan - securing an annual income of £510 to be applied for the purposes for which the capital sum was received would be the best method of using the bequest. The concurrence of the Council to this proposal is requested.

It will be necessary for the Council to decide the manner in which the interest from the capital is utilised for the purpose of assisting the needy children of the Village of Carraroe. Any suggestions which the members of the Council wish to make will be considered. The Galway Civic Improvement Scheme under which the fund has to be administered, provides for the provision of money, lands, buildings, or other facilities for the advancement or improvement of the education of persons residing in the functional area of the Council and it occurred to me that a scheme might be devised whereby grants could be made available to the parents of children, who due to the necessitous circumstances of the parents would not normally be able to continue their post primary education. Even though post primary education is now free, the keeping of young boys and girls at school for a further four or five years represents a considerable sacrifice in some cases by the parents of the child and the payment of a grant towards such families would fulfill the terms of the bequest and would be a source of encouragement to parents to keep the children at school.

If the Council are in agreement in principle with the suggestion, a detailed scheme can be worked out for their approval at a later date.

There are no official boundaries to the Town of Carraroe and it is suggested that the fund might be applied to the parish of Carraroe.

On the proposition of Clr. Clarke and seconded by Clr. Ridge it was decided to defer further consideration for one month to give the local people a chance to consider what to do with the money.

274.

WAGES OF ROADWORKERS - LABOUR COURT RECOMMENDATION:

In accordance with the Labour Court recommendation of the 25th October, 1967.

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Glynn, the Council approved a revised rate of wages for roadworkers of £9. 1. 6 per week as from the 2nd October, 1967.

275.

GALWAY SWIMMING POOL: Letter dated 13th October, 1967, ref. L.61/48/2 from the Department of Local Government, Dublin, was submitted stating that the Minister had no objection in principle to the making of contributions by Galway County Council and Galway Corporation towards the cost of a swimming pool of the standard proposed; that the Minister would be prepared to agree to a reduction in the time of two years, re. making available of necessary capital, if it appeared that the project would be unduly delayed on this account, and enquiring whether any arrangements had yet been made as to the authority who would be responsible for the supervision of the construction of the pool.

It was proposed by Deputy Holloy, seconded by Clr. Pat Donnellan and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £30,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other sources and over such a period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray the costs of the Council's contribution to the construction of a swimming pool in Galway City."

Clrs. Collins and Burke dissented from this resolution.

276.

GRANTS FOR SOCIAL CENTRES: Letter dated 11th November, 1967, from the Department of Finance was submitted stating that grants would not be made available from the Special Regional Development Fund for Community Centres.

The contents were noted.

- 277 - NEW MACHINERY - LOAN £68,000: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £68,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source and over such a period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray the cost of purchasing new machinery."

- 278 - REMUNERATION INCREASES - ENGINEERS' CLERKS (ENGINEERS' OFFICE ASSISTANTS):

On the proposition of Clr. Croffy and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved payment of the 10th round wage increase to Engineers' Clerks (Engineers' Office Assistants) from the 1st April, 1966, in lieu of from the 1st May, 1966.

- 279 - REMUNERATION INCREASES - HOME ASSISTANCE OFFICERS: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves, with effect from the 1st January, 1967, inclusive, a salary scale of £722 x £42 - £1184 x £44 - £1228 per annum, for whole-time Assistance Officers under the Galway County Council, with a proportionate salary scale for part-time Assistance Officers.

- 280 - REMUNERATION INCREASES - DISPENSARY CARETAKERS: On the proposition of Clr. Callanan, seconded by Clr. Lambert, the Council approved the following revised salaries to Dispensary caretakers for caretaking, viz:-
£39 per annum where one dispensary per week is held in the Dispensary and
£45 per annum where two dispensaries per week are held in the Dispensary.

- 281 - PURCHASE SCHEME FOR COTTAGES UNDER THE HOUSING ACT, 1966: The purchase scheme for cottages under the Housing Act, 1966, as circulated to the members, was approved on the proposition of Clr. Burke and seconded by Clr. Hussey.

- 282 - CARRAROE REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - MAKING OF PROPOSAL UNDER THE WATER SUPPLIES ACT, 1942:

It was proposed by Clr. Clarke, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council as Sanitary Authority for the County Health District of Galway being desirous to take a supply of water from a lake known as Loughauwillin in the townlands of Carrowroe North, Carrowroe South, Barraderry and Clynagh all in the District Electoral Division of Crumpaun in the said County Health District of Galway, for the purpose of improving and extending the Carraroe Water Supply Scheme, and of providing an adequate supply of water for the inhabitants of the town of Carraroe and the townlands of Barraderry, Keeraunbeg, Carrowroe South, part of Carrowroe North and part of Carrowroe West, under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1878 - 1964, under a scheme to be called and known as the "Carraroe Regional Water Supply Scheme", hereby make this Proposal under and by virtue of Section 2 of the Water Supplies Act, 1942, for so taking such supply of water from the said lake known as Loughauwillin, sufficient for the requirements of the said inhabitants of the said town of Carraroe and of the aforesaid townlands. The said supply is to be taken from the said lake at a place in the lake approximately 230 feet from the Galway/Carraroe

road, approximately 570 feet north/northeast from the entrance to St. McDara's Church, and marked 'A' on a Drawing number '2' made for the purpose of the said Scheme by Mr. Patrick J. Tobin, M.E., Consulting Engineer, 22 Eyre Square, Galway.

Only part of the water in the said lake is to be taken. The maximum rate at which water is proposed to be taken is 120,000 gallons per day. This amount is proposed to be taken in a 12 hour pumping period at a rate of 10,000 gallons per hour.

The estimated lowest summer level of the lake which has an area of approximately 100 acres and storage of approximately 2,270,000 gals. of water per inch depth is between 17.50. O.D. and 19.30. O.D. The taking of 120,000 gallons of water per day from the lake, is estimated to have the effect of lowering the level of the lake by .0529 of one inch in a period of twenty-four hours or .3700 of one inch in a period of 7 days - or 1.5859 inches in a period of 30 days, assuming that there is neither rainfall nor inflow to the lake during the aforesaid periods.

The only ancillary operation to be carried out for the purposes of the Scheme is the construction of a suction main from the point in the lake marked 'A' on Drawing number '2' aforesaid to a pumping station proposed to be erected at the place near the point of intake as shown in the said Drawing number '2'."

- 283 - LEASE OF PORTION OF THE FORMER FORTUMNA WORKHOUSE PREMISES TO FORTUMNA PACKERS CO-OP. LTD.

The notice dated 14th November, 1967, sent to each member of the Council was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the leasing of block marked 'c' on the map of the premises at Fortumna Workhouse, to Fortumna Packers Co-Op. Ltd. at an annual rent of £12, lessees to pay all rates, taxes and outgoings in respect of the premises and also to pay all the costs of transfer of the premises, including the Council's costs and all costs incurred to date."

- 284 - SALE OF PLOT OF LAND AT ROSSAVEAL: The notice dated 6th September, 1967, sent to each member of the Council was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Clarke, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the sale of plot of land in the townland of Rossaveal, Electoral Division of Kilmummin, containing 1 rood 22 perches acquired under the Labourers' Acts, to the Land Commission, Merrion Street, Dublin, for the sum of £70 (which includes costs of acquisition). purchasers to be responsible for all costs of transfer of the site to them, including the Council's costs."

- 285 - ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN - DECEMBER, 1967: Letter dated the 14th November, 1967, ref. R.T.7/9 from the Department of Local Government, outlining the features of the Road Safety Campaign, was submitted and noted.

Clr. Thomas King now took the chair.

286 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS: On the proposition of Clr. Collins and seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), the Council declared the following road to be a public road:-

| From | To | Location | Length Yds. |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| End of County Road No. 514 | Clooncannon | Ballinasloe | 800 |

287 - DRAFT STANDING ORDERS: The draft Standing Orders as circulated to the members were submitted and considered.

After a discussion it was decided to have a small sub-committee of the Council consider the draft Standing Orders and make their recommendations thereon to the Council at its next meeting.

The following sub-committee was appointed:-

Cirs. Byrne, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cirs. Holland, Hussey, Senator Killilea and Deputy Kitt.

288 - GALWAY BUILDING WORKERS' GROUP: On the proposition of Deputy Molloy, seconded by Deputy Coogan, it was decided to receive a deputation from the Galway Building Workers' Group at the next meeting of the Council, as requested in their letter of the 19th November, 1967.

289 - DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: It was proposed by Clr. Lambert, seconded by Deputy Coogan and unanimously resolved:-

"That Galway County Council ask the Minister for Local Government to change from the 1st January, 1968, to the 1st July, 1968, the latest date for making of the Development Plan indicating development objectives for their area."

290 - SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION- APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES:

On the proposition of Clr. Callanan and seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council appointed Cirs. Croffy and Clarke as delegates to a special general meeting of the Library Association in mid December in Dublin.

291 - DRUGS & MEDICINES FOR CERTAIN MEDICAL CARD HOLDERS & HARDSHIP CASES:

The County Manager advised Clr. Glynn that he had made an arrangement as from the 1st December, 1967, with the Galway City and County Chemists' Association, whereby prescriptions from private medical practitioners for the supply of drugs and medicines to certain medical card holders and hardship cases will be dispensed by the chemists - the drugs and medicines so dispensed to be replaced by the County Council.

292 - BALLINAFAD NATIONAL SCHOOL: It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Deputy Coogan and resolved:-

"That this Council request the Minister for Education to pass the site for Ballinafad National School at Goroman, Ballinafad."

293 - OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEE: On the proposition of Clr. Hussey, seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council approved the appointment of Rev. Louis Hennelly, C.C., Glenamaddy, to be a member of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions' Sub-Committee.

294 - SYMPATHY: A vote of sympathy was adopted with the following:-

Mr. Michael Noonan, Springfield House, Williamstown, on the death of his wife.

Mrs. K. Gilligan, Acres, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. C. Long, Oranmore, on the death of her husband.

295 - NEXT MEETING: It was decided to hold the December meeting of the Council on Monday, 18th December, 1967, at 3.30 p.m. in the County Buildings, Galway.

296 - ADJOURNMENT: On a show of hands, it was decided to adjourn consideration of the other items on the Agenda to the next monthly meeting of the Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

H. Keenan

CHAIRMAN

DATE: 18/12/67

Minutes of proceedings at Meeting of a sub-committee of the Galway County Council, held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 11th December, 1967, to consider the Draft Standing Orders and make recommendations thereon to the Council.

In the Chair: Senator Mark Killilea

Also Present:

Members: Cllrs. Byrne, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Holland, Hussey and Deputy Kitt.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

The Draft Standing Orders were considered in detail and the following alterations were recommended, viz.,

Standing Order No. 6:

Substitute Public Holidays for Christmas Day.

Standing Order No. 16:

Substitute thirty minutes for sixty minutes. - Deputy Kitt dissented from this recommendation.

Standing Order No. 26:

To be amended to read as follows:-

"Every Notice of Motion (and any notice of Amendment thereto) shall be relevant to some question which affects, or may affect the business of the Council or the administration of the County".

Standing Order No. 27:

To be amended to read as follows:-

"The Agenda Paper shall not contain more than four notices of motion from any one Councillor including adjourned motions: each section of a multiple motion to be considered as constituting a separate motion".

Standing Order No. 30:

Substitute five minutes for ten minutes.

Standing Order No. 77:

To be amended to read as follows:-

"The deputation may be questioned by members of the Council but shall not be entitled to ask questions. The members of the deputation shall retire as soon as questions are concluded and no discussion of matters raised by a deputation shall be allowed until the following meeting when the reports of the officers of the Council in regard to the matters raised by the deputation will be submitted."

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

11ú lá de Mhí na Nollag, 1967.

Chuíg Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Larrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 18ú lá de Mhí na Nollag, 1967, ag tosú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-

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| (a) Patrick Comer, Clonfert, Ballinasloe - | | | |
| Damage to motor car, 12/11/1967 | ... | ... | £10. 0. 0. |
| (b) Martin J. Codyre, Freeport, Barna - | | | |
| Damage to Petrol Pump, 26/11/1967 | ... | ... | £296. 0. 0. |
| (c) James Kenny, Kilmacshane, Banagher - | | | |
| Damage by fire to haybarn, hay and straw | ... | ... | £900. 0. 0. |
3. Deputation from Galway Building Workers Group.
4. Roads Estimates 1968/1969 - copy herewith.
5. Draft County Development Plan.
6. Scheduled Towns Plans.
7. Application of 10th Round Increase to officers whose salaries exceed £1200 p.a.
8. Remuneration of trainee draughtsman.
9. Consideration of the weekly payment of roadworkers.
10. Creation of office of Deputy Public Analyst.
11. Raising of loan of £10,000 for extension to Public Analyst's Laboratory.
12. Local Authorities (Acceptance of Gifts) Act, 1945, County Galway Civic Improvements Scheme - Minute No. 273 of 27th November, 1967.
13. Standing Orders - Sub-Committee's recommendation herewith.

14. University Scholarships - Awards and Renewals.
15. Making of Scheme of Priorities for letting of houses under Section 60 of the Housing Act, 1966.
16. Auditor's Reports:-
Loughrea Town Commissioners
Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.
17. Seeds and Fertilisers Loan Scheme 1968.
18. Members Notices of Motion:-

(a) Clr. Patrick Fahy:

- (1) Considering that 3,126 houses are now needed in County Galway according to Circular re Housing Programme issued by Assistant County Manager and considering that 2,048 of these unfit dwellings will not be built by private enterprise by March, 1971, I intend to propose at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the proposed Council house building programme of 42 houses (approx.) per year be increased to 100 houses per year, half of which should be small pre-fab. dwellings, built in rural areas.
- (2) I intend to ask the County Manager to state the total cost to the rates of the Fire Fighting services in County Galway and I intend to propose -

(a) that Insurance Companies operating Fire Insurance in the county be asked to contribute to this cost, pro rata their Fire Insurance Premiums collected in the county and

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(b) that the Forestry Division be asked to recoup to the County Council all expenses incurred in fighting forest fires.

- (3) I intend to propose at next County Council meeting that the Local Improvements Scheme as outlined in Circular S.W.23/1/1 from the Department of Local Government be accepted by the Council provided that -
 - (a) Legislation is introduced making it obligatory on the Council to maintain out of Departmental Grants all roads and drains improved by the Council and that Section 7 be amended accordingly, and
 - (b) that no employee of the Board of Works becomes unemployed as a result of the Council's acceptance of this Scheme.

(b) Clr. Toddie Byrne:

- (1) That a pump be provided in the Treanlaur area of Marea, Oranmore.
- (2) That we the members of the Galway County Council request the Board of Works that the Oranhill drainage scheme be carried out immediately.
- (3) That the Galway County Council attend to the necessary improvements at the entrance to the Kinvara Parish Church.
- (4) I will ask the County Manager to have repairs carried out to the Caheravoneen and Crusha pumps, Kinvara, before next summer.
- (5) That we the members of Galway County Council request the Board of Works to have improvements carried out at Ballinacourt Pier immediately.

(c) Clr. John Callahan:

- (1) I propose to ask the Council to arrange to have the Beach along the Shannon at Meelirk levelled and have seats and litter bins erected.
- (2) I propose to ask the Council to have the following extra work carried out at Eyrecourt -
 - (i) extra street lights.
 - (ii) extra litter bins.
 - (iii) clean sand from Square.
 - (iv) erect seats in Square.
- (3) That the Council direct its Engineering staff to arrange with the Local Government Engineer in the county to jointly supervise and finally inspect all voluntary Group Water Schemes in the county with a view to having the Council take over said water schemes and maintain them.

(d) Deputy John Donnellan:

- (1) I will ask the County Engineer the position regarding the Ballinlough Road, Milltown, Co. Galway. The road in question connects the Liskeary Road to the Belmont Road.

(e) Clrs. Frank Glynn and Paddy Ruane:

- (1) That the present rates and valuation system be abolished and that the revenue required by local authorities be raised by a more equitable taxation system based on incomes.
- (2) That all ground rents be abolished immediately without compensation unless very exceptional circumstances exist.
- (3) That legislation be introduced appointing all local authorities

as sole agents for the purchase and sale of all building land in their areas and they also be empowered to purchase such land at a price not in excess of its agricultural value.

- (4) That all local authorities be given authority to use any vacant building in their area that is considered suitable as temporary accommodation for families on the housing list.
 - (5) That legislation be enacted enabling all local authorities to give tenants of furnished and unfurnished rooms and flats security of tenure and fair rent.
 - (6) That central Government assume full responsibility for financing and maintenance of arterial roads and arterial drainage schemes.
 - (7) That health charges be removed from the rates and become the responsibility of central government with administration remaining as the responsibility of the local authorities.
 - (8) That malicious injuries claims be removed from the rates.
 - (9) That tenants of local authorities be given the same rights as private householders by -
 - (i) being allowed to vote on all issues at Council meetings if they are councillors.
 - (ii) being allowed to serve on juries if they wish.
 - (iii) being allowed to join libraries without having to have a guarantor.
 - (10) That all connected with teaching should be eligible for membership of Vocational Education committees.
 - (11) That the maximum number of councillors eligible for membership of Municipal Vocational Education Committees be three.
- (f) Clr. Frank Glynn:
- (1) I will ask the County Manager to make a statement on a press report of a meeting of the Tuam Chamber of Commerce which appeared in the October 28 edition of the Tuam Herald, regarding prescriptions from private doctors to medical card holders.
 - (2) That the County Council provide a zebra crossing at Bishop Street, Tuam, from the Cathedral entrance to the Car Park.
- (g) Clr. P. Cunningham:
- (1) That County Council relieve the present sewerage problem at Newbridge.
 - (2) Is it possible to have the quality of water in pump at Boherbannagh improved.
 - (3) Will the Council take steps to have pumps at Ballinacor, Newbridge and Lisquell, Newbridge, cleaned.
 - (4) That the Council try to relieve the problem in areas where surface water from roads flow into and around dwelling houses and outhouses.
 - (5) That in the event of Galway County Council providing amenity grants, the village of Newbridge get special consideration in assisting local organisations to erect a suitable building in which meetings could be held. There is no such accommodation there at present.
 - (6) That the Council provide an extra street light in Newbridge.

- (7) I will ask the County Council when the repairs being carried out on the road through the villages of Clooncunore and Cooragh-lehanagh will be completed

(h) Clr. J. Lambert:

- (1) I will ask if there is a change in the Tax collection (P.A.Y.E.) for Roadworkers.
- (2) I will propose that this Council provide more roadside water pumps due to the delay in the proposed rural water schemes.
- (3) I will propose that the Gort town Water and Sewerage Works be extended to the houses on the Galway Road.
- (4) I will propose that a lay-bye be provided at the top of Benn Hill near Woodford.
- (5) I will propose that this Council requests the Department of Local Government, Special Employment Schemes Section, for the following information:-
 - (i) The total amount of money spent on works in this county last year - 1966.
 - (ii) The total list of applications turned down last year - 1966 - and the applications in hand to date.

(i) Clr. Patrick Ruane:

- (1) That state aid be asked from the Department to assist small farmers who suffered tragic losses in their potato and corn crops during the recent flooding and bad harvest.
- (2) I will ask an explanation from the County Manager regarding the Regional Water Scheme for the Ballybritt and Race Course Cottages and a general view on Group Water Schemes for this county.
- (3) To request the C.I.E. and C.E.O. or whoever is concerned:-
 - (i) to take the rural schoolchildren travelling by bus, to the nearest bus stop from the school or direct to the schools in Galway City.
 - (ii) to extend also the bus service to Kenny's Cross, Carnmore.
- (4) That warning signs be erected at each entrance of the Gurrane Road, Oranmore, such as "Railway Gates unattended" or "Beware of Trains".
- (5) That the following roads be tarred this coming year:-
 - Carnaun Road, Athenry.
 - Waterdale/Cloonbiggen and Gortcloonmore Road.
 - Ballindoooley Road.
 - Carrabrown Road.
 - Monument Road at Merlo.
 - Ardgaineen Road.
 - Lackaghbeg Road.

(j) Clr. T. Clarke:

- (1) I will ask the County Manager to outline the present position regarding Beeladangan Bridge.
- (2) I will move that the County Manager get in touch with the Office

of Public Works, the Tourist Board and any other body that may be concerned for the purpose of drawing up a joint scheme to improve the amenities of the Coral Strand, Carraroe.

(k) Clr. Patrick Fahy:

- (1) That the Council Building proposed for Crow Street, Gort, be delayed until such time as the following works have been carried out:-
 - (i) 15 houses built.
 - (ii) 15 derelict sites acquired, paid for and built upon.
 - (iii) Footpaths leading from town along Galway, Ennis and Loughrea Roads restored.
 - (iv) Town lighting improved and night pilot lights installed.
 - (v) Water and sewerage extended to all houses in the town, giving a priority to an adequate water supply to the only factory in the town which pays £500 a year rates and has an 1" pipe water supply.
 - (vi) Garbage collection extended to this factory.
 - (vii) Roads, such as those leading -
 - (a) to the Cloughnaceeva circuit,
 - (b) to the Waterworks,
 - (c) to Childrens' Graveyard,
 - (d) to the river at Crow Street, etc.in the immediate vicinity of the town be rolled without expecting portion of monies allocated to Councillors to do this work.
 - (viii) Fire Brigade properly housed and bells installed in firemens' houses.
 - (ix) All Council work noted as substandard by Tidy Towns Committee, be brought up to standard.

(l) Clr. Tommie Hussey:

- (1) That the County Engineer be asked to prepare plans for the construction of a new bridge at Mahanagh, Clonberne, to replace existing one which is extremely hazardous for present day traffic.

(m) Clr. P. T. Galvin:

- (1) That the County Council take over, repair and maintain the road leading to Kilclooney cemetery (Ballinasloe). Length 500 yds. approx.
- (2) To ask the County Manager and/or the County Engineer what is the explanation for the inordinate delay in the repair of County Council cottages.

(n) Clr. William Burke:

- (1) That road leading through the village of Davris to Russellstown be rolled.
- (2) Road through Carrowreagh to Knock be rolled.
- (3) Road from Brennan's, Lisheavy to Belmont, be rolled.
- (4) That road from the Square, Tuam to Bridge in Shop Street, be improved so as to prevent hall doors and walls from being soiled.

- (5) That E.S.B. be requested to give light to people living in isolated areas and as a result of isolation they should not be refused light or be asked to bear additional cost of isolation.

(o) Senator Mark Killilea:

- (1) I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that immediate steps be taken to put the road into Abboyknockmoy Cemetery in a proper state of repair.

(p) Clr. J. Lambert:

- (1) I will propose that the following roads be reconstructed and tarred:-

- (1) Branch of road 355 at Lisbrien, Gort.
- (2) " " " 365 at Fiddaun, Gort.
- (3) " " " 369 at Reekhill, Gort.
- (4) " " " 342 at Dromore, Peterswell.
- (5) Road 312 at Kilcolgan.
- (6) Road 311 between Aran and Kilcolgan.
- (7) Road leading from Brogue - Matt Dervans to Drimkeary Cross, Matt O'Rourke, Ballinakil, Loughrea.
- (8) Remove bends and widen road Cranmore to Ballymarkahan (Road 341) at Coolfinn, Ardrahan.
- (9) Remove bad bend on road outside Thompsons' house, Cregaclare, Ardrahan.
- (10) Road 188 from Ballinacourty to Blackweir Pier for tarring.

(q) Deputy J. Donnellan (Dunmore):

- (1) I would like to know if the Galway County Council have any plans for the appointment of a Resident Dispensary Doctor to Williamstown.

(r) Deputy R. Molloy:

- (1) That this Council strongly recommend that the gap in the traffic island outside the Galway Bay Petrol Station at Salthill be increased to twice its present size.

(s) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

- (1) I will propose that we ask Bord Failte for a substantial grant for the widening of the road leading to Pearse's cottage and also for a turning table and car park near the cottage.

(t) Deputy J. Donnellan (Dunmore):

- (1) I would like to know when the Galway County Council intend to tar the Carrarea Road, Ballyglunin, Co. Galway. This road is already being maintained by the County Council but the people who use the road are not satisfied with the way it is being maintained. This road is a link between the Tuam/Monivea road and the Tuam/Athenry road.
- (2) To ask the Galway County Council to appeal to the Minister for Health to appoint a Resident Dispensary doctor in Williamstown.
- (3) To ask the Galway County Council to provide the necessary funds for the erection of an electric light outside the new Church at Dunmore.
- (4) I would like to ask the County Engineer when it is proposed to tar the Meelick/Mountkelly road which is now being maintained by the County Council.

- (5) I would like to ask the County Manager if it is the intention of the Galway County Council to appoint a resident Dispensary doctor in Glenamaddy.
 - (6) To ask the County Manager if it is the intention of the Galway County Council to erect a water pump for the village of Woodfield, Dunmore.
 - (7) To ask the Galway County Council if it is their intention to tar the Woodbed/Ballintava road, Dunmore. The road in question leads from the Dunmore, Williamstown road to the Carrowmanagh road.
 - (8) To ask the Galway County Council to provide a light outside the Glenamaddy Cemetery.
 - (9) To ask the Galway County Council to repair the footpath in Williamstown outside the Garda Station and on that side of the street.
 - (10) To ask the Galway County Council to remove the derelict site beside the old church at Church Street, Dunmore.
- (u) Deputy M. Carty:
- (1) At the next meeting of Galway County Council I or some other member acting for me shall ask the County Engineer to have County Road No. 338 listed for tarring in the Roads Programme for 1968/1969.

Road at Cahermore, Gort.

- (2) At the next ordinary meeting of Galway County Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall propose that: "That the resolution of this Council at its meeting of November 27, 1967, authorising the creation of two posts as whole-time surgeons to Galway Regional Hospital does not operate to suppress the two existing part-time surgeons and that the two whole-time posts are in addition to and not in substitution for, the two part-time posts."

19. Other business.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Engineer's Department,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

13th December, 1967.

To Each County Councillor/

ROAD ESTIMATES 1968/69

I attach a statement showing the main headings of Road Estimates and beside them the corresponding amount passed by the Council at their Estimates Meeting for the current year, to which were added sums for the increased wages granted, and also an allowance for the maintenance of the county roads adopted year ended 31st March, 1967.

Included in the Estimates is the same amount as in the current year, £500 per Councillor, £15,500 for roads to be adopted as public roads. As you are aware, it is not clear yet how this will be interlocked with the provisions which may be made under the Local Improvement Schemes Grants.

I also attach list of the works which I consider should be carried out under our grants to the same total as the amounts allowed by the Department in the current year. Included is an allocation of £12,975 for the part cost during the year, of Bealadangan Bridge.

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|----------|
| Main Road Grant | ... | ... | £136,500 |
| Tourist Road Grant... | ... | ... | £-55,000 |
| Arterial Road Grant.. | ... | ... | £-30,000 |
| County Road Grant | ... | ... | £161,420 |
| Galway Urban Grant... | ... | ... | £--3,872 |
| Ballinasloe Urban Grant | ... | ... | £--1,089 |

Yours faithfully,

C. A. Warner
COUNTY ENGINEER

MAIN ROADS

| | 1968/69 | | 1967/68 | | TOTAL ESTIMATE |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|
| | RATES | GRANT | RATES | GRANT | |
| Maintenance | 70,517 | 70,517 | 68,724 | 68,724 | 137,448 |
| Surface Dressing | 34,509 | 34,509 | 34,509 | 34,509 | 69,018 |
| Improvements | - | - | - | - | - |
| Contingencies | 1,092 | - | 1,092 | - | 1,092 |
| Acquisition of Land | 2,684 | 2,683 | 2,684 | 2,683 | 5,367 |
| Loan Charges | 2,520 | - | 4,110 | - | 4,110 |
| TOTALS: | 111,322 | 107,709 | 111,119 | 105,916 | 217,035 |

COUNTY ROADS

| | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---|---------|---|---------|
| Maintenance | 212,835 | - | 202,972 | - | 202,972 |
| Surface Dressing | 50,959 | - | 50,959 | - | 50,959 |
| Improvements | - | - | - | - | - |
| Contingencies | 1,092 | - | 1,092 | - | 1,092 |
| Acquisition of Land | 2,201 | - | 2,201 | - | 2,201 |
| Notices of Motion | 15,500 | - | 15,500 | - | 15,500 |
| Loan Charges | 4,753 | - | 4,920 | - | 4,920 |
| TOTALS: | 287,340 | - | 277,644 | - | 277,644 |

GALWAY URBAN

| | 1968/69 | 1967/68 | 1968/69 | 1967/68 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Maintenance | 7,106 | 6,924 | 1,451 | 1,399 |
| Surface Dressing | 2,500 | 2,500 | 522 | 522 |
| Improvements | 200 | 200 | - | - |
| Acquisition of Land | 150 | 150 | - | - |
| Loan Charges | - | - | - | - |
| TOTALS: | 9,956 | 9,774 | 1,973 | 1,921 |

BALLINASLOE URBAN

ROADS SUMMARY 1968/69

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Main Roads | £219,031 |
| County Roads | £287,340 |
| Galway Urban | £-9,956 |
| Ballinasloe Urban | £-1,973 |
| GROSS TOTAL: | £518,300 |

MAIN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT, 1968/69

| | | | £ | |
|----|-----------------------------|----------|----------------|--------|
| 1. | Milltown/Ballindine | Milltown | L13/210 | 2,000 |
| 2. | Salthill / Grattan Road | Galway | L100b/190 | 35,000 |
| 3. | Newcastle / University Road | Galway | T71/50 | 5,000 |
| 4. | Labane / Gort | Gort | T11/350 | 25,000 |
| 5. | Tuam / Claretuam | Tuam | T11/90 | 15,000 |
| 6. | Tuam / Loughgeorge | Tuam | T11/90 | 20,000 |
| 7. | Galway / Loughgeorge | Galway | T11/90 | 15,000 |
| 8. | Loughrea / Portumna | Loughrea | T21/330 | 11,500 |
| 9. | Loughrea / Woodford | Loughrea | L99/380 | 8,000 |
| | | | <u>136,500</u> | |

ARTERIAL GRANT

| | | | | |
|----|-----------------------|----------|---------|----------------|
| 1. | Loughrea / Craughwell | Loughrea | T21/320 | <u>£30,000</u> |
|----|-----------------------|----------|---------|----------------|

TOURIST ROAD GRANT

| | | | | |
|----|----------------------|------------|----------------|--------|
| 1. | Maam Cross / Leenane | Oughterard | L100/140 | 7,000 |
| 2. | Maam Cross / Recess | Oughterard | T71/30 | 25,000 |
| 3. | Clifden / Recess | Clifden | T71/20 | 18,000 |
| 4. | Carna / Screebe | Clifden | L102/170 | 5,000 |
| | | | <u>£55,000</u> | |

GALWAY URBAN ROAD GRANT

| | | | | |
|----|---------------------------|--------|--|---------------|
| 1. | Taylor's Hill / Newcastle | Galway | | <u>£3,872</u> |
|----|---------------------------|--------|--|---------------|

BALLINASLOE URBAN ROAD GRANT

| | | | | |
|----|--------------|-------------|--|---------------|
| 1. | Poolboy Road | Ballinasloe | | <u>£1,089</u> |
|----|--------------|-------------|--|---------------|

COUNTY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION GRANTS 1968/69.

| WORK NO. | ROAD NO. | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT | |
|-----------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------------|
| | | | MILES | £ |
| <u>CLIFDEN</u> | | | | |
| ACG1 | 5 | Lower Sky Road. | 1.07 | 1,600 |
| ACG2 | 51 | Derryvoreeda. | 1.00 | 1,500 |
| ACG3 | 25 | Derryinver - Rusheen. | 1.00 | 1,500 |
| ACG4 | 4 | Dunloughan. | 2.50 | 3,550 |
| | | | | <u>8,154</u> |
| <u>GALWAY</u> | | | | |
| BCG1 | 94 | Ballintaggart - Melmore. | 1.25 | 1,875 |
| BCG2 | 148 | Waterdale - Gortcloonmore. | 1.50 | 2,250 |
| BCG3 | 113 | Truskey W. - Lough Inch. | 1.25 | 1,875 |
| BCG4 | 287 | Rahoon - Towards Newcastle. | .25 | 3,462 |
| | | | | <u>9,462</u> |
| <u>TUAM</u> | | | | |
| KCG1 | 199 | Moyne - Clogherboy. | 1.50 | 1,500 |
| KCG2 | 205 | Doonbeg - Gortbeg. | 1.25 | 1,222 |
| KCG3 | 133 | Kilcoona-Bredagh-Manusflynn. | 1.25 | 1,250 |
| KCG4 | 117 | C.R. 117 to C.R. 119 via Carnakib. | 1.00 | 1,000 |
| KCG5 | 154 | Ardrumkilla - Killower. | 1.00 | 1,000 |
| KCG6 | 134 | Ardgaíneen. | 1.25 | 1,260 |
| | | | | <u>7,232</u> |
| <u>MILLTOWN</u> | | | | |
| HCG1 | 213 | Marley Rd. -Ballytrasna-Garrauns. | 1.25 | 1,298 |
| HCG2 | 222 | Liskeavy - Belmont. | 1.20 | 1,200 |
| HCG3 | 223 | Burreish - Garaun Village - Belmont. | 2.25 | 2,250 |
| HCG4 | 239 | Ballagh E. - Lissybroder. | 1.50 | 1,500 |
| HCG5 | 228 | Cloonacross - Ballymarey. | 1.00 | 1,260 |
| | | | | <u>7,508</u> |

| WORK NO. | ROAD NO. | DESCRIPTION | MILES | AMOUNT £ |
|---------------------|----------|---|-------|---------------|
| <u>LOUGHREA</u> | | | | |
| DCG1 | 538 | From Cloonlee Church thro' Ranamacken to Streamstown. | 2.0 | 2,500 |
| DCG2 | 496 | From M.R. 380, Cappacon E. through Tulla to C.R. 496 at Ballinlough. | 1.5 | 2,200 |
| DCG3 | 445 | From Rathruddy to C.R. 445 Ballybaun. | 2.5 | 3,035 |
| | | | | <u>7,735</u> |
| <u>GORT</u> | | | | |
| CCG1 | 369 | Laughil to Ballynakill. | 2.0 | 2,000 |
| CCG2 | 303/302 | Killeeneenmore to Toberbracken. | 2.4 | 2,400 |
| CCG3 | 322/317 | Cloghballymore to Tarrea. | 2.4 | 2,400 |
| CCG4 | 351 | Castledaly towards Boleenadorrish River. | 2.0 | 2,800 |
| | | | | <u>9,600</u> |
| <u>PORTUMNA</u> | | | | |
| ECG1 | 556 | Ballyterrim Jnc. to Duane's Gate. | 1.0 | 1,200 |
| ECG2 | 546 | Hanley's Gate to Shiel's Shop | 2.0 | 2,400 |
| ECG3 | 581 | Lismanny X to Poland's House incl. branch to Oghilbeg Village. | 3.0 | 3,400 |
| ECG4 | 575 | Graigueakilleen to Graigueagowan, incl. Coolnageera Branch. | 2.5 | 2,700 |
| ECG5 | 558 | Sommerset Jnc. northwards $\frac{1}{2}$ ml. | 0.5 | 640 |
| | | | | <u>10,340</u> |
| <u>BALLINASLOE.</u> | | | | |
| FCG1 | 472 | Curragh to Monaveen. | 1.0 | 1,040 |
| FCG2 | 557 | Abbeypark - Clontuskert - Drum. | 2.36 | 2,400 |
| FCG3 | 433 | Corskeagh - Shanballard. | 1.66 | 1,660 |
| FCG4 | 468 | Clonbrock Demesne Road. | 1.76 | 1,780 |
| | | | | <u>6,880</u> |

| WORK NO. | ROAD NO. | DESCRIPTION | MILES | AMOUNT £ |
|--|----------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------|
| <u>ATHENRY</u> | | | | |
| LCG1 | 169 | Ballybaun - Ballynamona | 1.0 | 1,200 |
| LCG2 | 431 | Cuddoo West | 0.75 | 900 |
| LCG3 | 183 | Oranbeg - Frenchfort | 1.75 | 2,100 |
| LCG4 | 145 | Lydican - Cregboy | 1.00 | 1,200 |
| LCG5 | 432 | Clough - Shudane | 2.50 | 3,000 |
| LCG6 | 431 | Leneragh - Temple | 0.50 | 600 |
| | | | | <u>9,000</u> |
| <u>MOUNTBELLEW</u> | | | | |
| GCG1 | 421 | Raheen to Fairhill | 1.50 | 1,800 |
| GCG2 | 407 | Lecarrow to Cooloo | 3.50 | 4,400 |
| GCG3 | 505 | Creeveroe to M.R. 370 | 1.00 | 1,300 |
| GCG4 | 505 | Ballinacor to M.R. 370 | 1.00 | 1,300 |
| GCG5 | 417 | Derrylyssane to Ballinruane | 1.50 | 1,800 |
| | | | | <u>10,600</u> |
| IMPROVEMENT WORKS TOTAL. | | | | £86,511 |
| SURFACE DRESSING | | | | £61,934 |
| BEALADANGAN BRIDGE (part cost) | | | | £12,975 |
| GRAND TOTAL. | | | | <u>£161,420</u> |

SCHEME OF PRIORITIES TO BE ACCORDED IN THE
LETTING OF DWELLINGS PROVIDED BY THE GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL

1. In this scheme:-

the word "applicant" means a person who is residing or employed in the county of Galway and who has made application to the housing authority for the tenancy of a house provided by the housing authority under the Housing Act 1966.

the expression "displaced person" means a person displaced or about to be displaced by the collapse or destruction of his dwelling or by any operation of a housing authority under the Housing Act, 1966 or under section 77 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963 or under section 3 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1964.

This expression shall include a person living in a dwelling which, in the opinion of the housing authority, is unfit for human habitation and is incapable of being rendered so fit at a reasonable expense.

the expression "the housing authority" means the Galway County Council.

the expression "overcrowded conditions" means conditions in which at any time the number of persons ordinarily sleeping in a house and the number of rooms therein either -

- (i) are such that any two of those persons being persons of ten years of age or more of opposite sexes and not being persons living together as husband and wife must sleep in the same room; or
- (ii) are such that the free air space in any room used as a sleeping apartment for any person is less than four hundred cubic feet (the height of the room, if it exceeds eight feet, being taken to be eight feet for the purpose of calculating free air space).

2. The primary objectives of this scheme shall be:-

- (i) the repair, closure or demolition of houses which are unfit in any respect for human habitation;
- (ii) the elimination of overcrowding;
- (iii) the provision of adequate and suitable housing accommodation for persons (including elderly or disabled persons) who, in the opinion of the housing authority, are in need of and are unable to provide such accommodation from their own resources.
- (iv) the provision of adequate and suitable housing accommodation for persons suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis.

3. For the purpose of determining the order of priority to be followed in the making of a letting to a person in accordance with this scheme, the housing authority shall obtain and have regard to a report from the county medical officer for the county of Galway.

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4. In making the first and any subsequent letting of a house other than a house provided for a specific class of person, the housing authority shall have regard to the character, industry, occupation, family circumstances and existing housing conditions of the applicants, and subject thereto -

- (i) first preference shall, wherever practicable, be given to an applicant who is a displaced person;
- (ii) second preference shall, wherever practicable, be given to an applicant who is living in overcrowded conditions where the applicant or one or more than one member of the applicant's family is suffering from tuberculosis;
- (iii) third preference shall, wherever practicable be given to an applicant living in conditions in which at any time, the number of persons ordinarily sleeping in a house and the number of rooms therein are such that any two of those persons being ten years of age or more of opposite sexes and not being persons living together as husband and wife must sleep in the same room;
- (iv) fourth preference shall wherever practicable be given to an applicant living in conditions in which at any time, the number of persons ordinarily sleeping in a house and the number of rooms therein are such that the free air space in any room used as a sleeping apartment for any person is less than four hundred cubic feet (the height of the room, if it exceeds eight feet, being taken to be eight feet, for the purpose of calculating free air space).
- (v) fifth preference shall, where practicable, be given to an applicant who lacks adequate and suitable housing accommodation and who is unable to provide such accommodation from his own resources.
- (vi) sixth preference shall be given to an applicant who is in need of housing on medical, compassionate or other similar grounds.

5. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this scheme, the housing authority shall be entitled:-

- (i) to let to a person a house provided specifically for that person;
- (ii) to transfer a tenant of a house to the tenancy of another house;
- (iii) to let a mobile or demountable dwelling to a specific person;
- (iv) to let a house to a person who through no fault of his own is, in an emergency, in need of housing accommodation;
- (v) where a waiting list of applicants exists immediately before the coming into operation of this scheme, to have regard to the placing of applicants in order of priority on the said waiting list in the making of a letting of a house during the period ending on 31st December, 1968.

6. The housing authority may from time to time, revise, alter or amend this scheme.

7. This scheme and any revision, alteration or amendment of this scheme shall have effect only when approved by the Minister for Local Government.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

STANDING ORDERS

1. In these Orders "Council" means the Council of the Administrative County of Galway.
2. "Councillor" means a person elected or chosen to the office of Councillor of the Administrative County of Galway.
3. "Chairman" means the Councillor presiding at any Meeting of the Council or of a Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council except in Standing Orders Numbers 12. 13. 15. 19. when it means the Chairman so elected at the Annual Meeting.
4. "The County Manager" means the County Manager for the Administrative County of Galway or, in his absence, his duly appointed deputy.
5. "Secretary" means the Secretary to the Council, or in his absence, his duly appointed Deputy.
6. In counting clear days, where the number of days' notice does not exceed seven, Sundays and Public Holidays are not to be reckoned in the computation. If notice exceeds seven days Sundays and Public Holidays are to be reckoned.
Unless otherwise specifically provided, the word "month" when used in resolutions of the Council, Standing Orders, and regulations of the Council, shall be deemed to mean a calendar month.
7. Throughout the Standing Orders, unless the contrary intention is shown, the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine, and words in the singular shall include the plural, and vice versa.
8. At meetings of the Council, or at a Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council one-fourth of the total number of members shall constitute a quorum. When the Council is acting in Committee, the quorum shall also be one-fourth of the total number of members.
9. The Annual Meeting shall, in the year of an Election, be held on the fourteenth day after the day on which the Poll is completed. In every other year it shall be held on a day fixed by Resolution of the Council not being more than four days before or after the anniversary of first annual meeting.
10. The Estimates Meeting of the Council shall be held on a day, within the prescribed period, fixed in advance, in each year, by Resolution of the Council.

11. The Council shall meet as summoned by the Secretary according to the volume and urgency of business, and not less frequently than once every month. The meeting shall be held on the fourth Monday of each month, except when that day falls on a Church Holiday or Public Holiday, when an alternative date for the holding of the meeting will be fixed in advance by the Council.
12. A Special Meeting of the Council may be called at any time by the Chairman, or upon a requisition addressed to him, and signed by at least five members of the Council; or should the Chairman not act on such requisition within seven days after its presentation, a Special Meeting for the purpose defined in it may be called by any five Councillors on the expiration of those seven days, provided that not less than three clear days shall elapse between that of the summons convening a Special Meeting and the day of the Special Meeting, and such Meeting may be called for such hour as the Chairman or Councillors summoning same shall order.
13. An Agenda Paper setting out the place, date and time of the meeting and the business to be transacted shall be posted so as to reach each member three clear days before the day of the meeting. Any Notice, which obviously is out of order, or contains unbecoming expressions, may be expunged from the Agenda Paper by order of the Chairman. In any case, in which a Notice of Motion is in his opinion irregular or illegal, the Secretary to the Council shall communicate that opinion to the Chairman and to the Councillor giving notice.
14. The hour of the meeting shall be 3.30^{p.m.} except when it is otherwise fixed in accordance with Order No. 12 or by Resolution of the Council, or by an Order of the Chairman.
15. The Chair at each Meeting shall be taken within a quarter of an hour after the time appointed for the start of the meeting. In the absence of the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman, a member chosen by a majority of the members present at the commencement of business shall preside as Chairman, of the Meeting, and while so presiding shall have the same powers, rights and duties as are, under Standing Orders, or Statutes possessed by the Chairman of a Meeting.

16. If, after the expiration of thirty minutes after the time for which a Meeting has been summoned, a quorum shall not be present, the business shall stand postponed to the next meeting.
17. The place of Meeting of the Council shall be at the County Council Offices or, at such other place within the County as the Council shall direct, or failing such directions, as the Council may agree upon.
18. A Meeting to be valid must be:-
- (a) properly convened after proper notice;
 - (b) properly constituted, that is -
 - (i) with a properly appointed person in the Chair
 - (ii) with a quorum present.
 - (iii) must be held in accordance with Standing Orders, Articles or Regulations governing its Constitution.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

19. The Order of Business at all but Special Meetings or Annual Meetings shall be as herein set down, and shall only be altered in cases of special emergency, and only then by a majority vote of the County Council:
- (a) Confirmation of Minutes of previous Meeting or Meetings.
 - (b) Business prescribed by Statute, Standing Orders, or resolution of the Council for transaction at that Meeting;
 - (c) Business submitted by the Chairman or the Chairman of the day;
 - (d) Business submitted by the County Manager;
 - (e) Notices of Motion by Councillors;
 - (f) Letters and matters not requiring discussion;
 - (g) Other business as set forth in the Agenda Paper;
20. An item which is not included on the Agenda Paper shall not be considered at a Meeting except with the consent of the Chairman.
21. At the Annual Meeting of the Council:
- (a) The first business shall be the choice of the Chairman, and
 - (b) The procedure to be followed shall be that set out in Section 43 of the Local Government Act, 1941.
22. The election of Vice-Chairman, Standing Committees, delegates to the County Councils' General Council etc., and other bodies shall follow immediately after the election of the Chairman.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

23. The Minutes of every Meeting shall after confirmation be signed by the Presiding Chairman, at the next Ordinary Meeting, and shall be kept and certified by the Secretary of the Council, and the Minutes shall not be submitted for confirmation unless a copy thereof shall have been previously
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at least three days before the Council Meeting at which they are

- submitted by the Secretary to every member of the Council, after which such Minutes shall be taken as read when the question that they be confirmed shall be put from the Chair, unless a member requests that any part be read in order to determine whether it is an accurate record.
24. Any discussion of the Minutes except as to their accuracy shall be out of order, and the Chairman shall rule accordingly. Questions are only permissible on matters arising out of the Minutes, if for information only and not for discussion. Questions arising out of the Minutes subsequent to their confirmation shall be restricted to requests for information on matters mentioned in the Minutes.

NOTICE OF MOTION

25. Any member of the Council may submit an original motion relevant to the business of the Council on giving notice in writing signed by himself to the Secretary of the Council. Only those Notices of Motion which are received by the Secretary 10 days before the date of the Council Meeting shall appear on the Agenda Paper.
26. Every notice of Motion (and any notice of Amendment thereto) shall be relevant to some question which affects, or may affect, the business of the Council, or the administration of the County.
27. The Agenda Paper shall not contain more than three notices of motion from any one Councillor, including adjourned motions; each section of a multiple motion to be considered as constituting a separate motion.
28. Every question at a Meeting of the Council shall be determined by a majority of the votes of the Councillors voting on the question, and, in the case of an equal division of votes, the Chairman of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, except when the question is the election of a Chairman of the Council or Committee.
29. Every original Motion or amendment shall be read by the mover before he speaks upon it, and no other member shall speak thereon until it has been seconded.
30. No speech at a Meeting shall exceed five minutes in length without the consent of the Chairman, which shall be given only where the question under discussion is of exceptional importance. The said consent shall enable the members to continue speaking for an additional five minutes.

Any further extension shall require the consent of the Council, and shall be for a definite period.

31. No motion or amendment shall be put to the Council unless it has been duly seconded.

32. When a motion has been duly moved and seconded the discussion may be interrupted by some or all of the following motions:

- (a) to amend the Motion.
- (b) to move that the meeting move to the next business. When this is proposed and seconded a vote must be taken without any discussion. If lost, a similar motion concerning the same subject of debate cannot be moved until 15 minutes have elapsed.
- (c) to move the closure. After a debate has continued for not less than an hour a Member may ask leave to move "that the question be put" and if such leave be given by the assent of the Chairman, the Motion shall be forthwith put, and, if carried, any Questions then before the Chair shall be forthwith put to the Council.
- (d) to postpone consideration of the Question sine die or to a fixed date.
- (e) to adjourn the subject under discussion to a later hour or to a further meeting.

33. The following Motions may be made without notice at a meeting:

- (a) On matters expressly required by Statute to be done at the meeting;
- (b) On matters arising directly out of a Report presented at the meeting.
- (c) For, or on, the appointment of a Committee to which specific business is to be referred.
- (d) For the resolution of the Council into a Committee of the whole Council;
- (e) For the variation of the order of business;
- (f) For the adjournment of the Meeting;
- (g) For the suspension of Standing Orders in respect of any specified rule or rules.
- (h) For the appointment of a Chairman of the day, the Chairman, and Vice-Chairman being absent.
- (i) For the adoption, amendment, or referring back any report;
- (j) Relating to business of a formal or unimportant character, provided no member present objects;
- (k) Relating to any business provided all the members are present and no one objects to the informality; want of notice in this case can be excused and the proceedings are valid;
- (l) Declaring a vacancy on the Council;
- (m) For referring business to a Committee for inquiry, action and/or report.

34. The proposer of a Motion or an Amendment, not printed in the Agenda Paper, shall, upon moving the same, deliver a copy to the Chair.

35. A Motion may be proposed either by the member in whose name it stands, or in his absence, by any Member authorised by him to propose it on his behalf, but unless so proposed, it shall not be considered, and shall not again be set down on the Agenda Paper except upon fresh Notice.

36. A Motion may be withdrawn by leave of the Meeting.

37. It shall not be competent for a Councillor under cover of any Motions authorised by these Orders to discuss any other subject.

A M E N D M E N T S

38. An Amendment may:

- (a) omit certain words;
- (b) omit certain words and insert or add others;
- (c) insert certain words;
- (d) add certain words.

39. An Amendment shall be relevant to the Motion and within the scope of the Notice covering the Motion.

40. An Amendment shall not involve such substantial alterations of the Motion as to make it a new Motion.

41. An Amendment must not be merely negative (the result can be attained by challenging a division and voting against the Motion).

42. An Amendment must be formally moved and seconded before any discussion or vote can be taken.

43. An Amendment must be in writing clearly stating the proposed alteration and signed by the mover and handed to the Chairman.

44. An Amendment shall not be moved after the question is put,

45. The mover of an Amendment may be permitted by the Chair to reply.

46. If there is an equality of votes and the Chairman does not exercise his casting vote the Amendment is deemed not carried, and the Motion stands.

47. No member shall move more than one Amendment to the same Motion.

48. When an Amendment which has been carried is put as a Substantive Motion any Amendment that so amends the Substantive Motion that it becomes the original shall not be allowed.

49. When an Amendment which has been carried is lost as a Substantive Motion the Original Motion is not revived.

50. When a Motion and an Amendment remain before the Chair, the Amendment shall be first put, and shall be disposed of before any other Amendments can be moved. When an Amendment is affirmed, the original Motion shall disappear, and the Amendment shall become a Motion, upon which an Amendment may be moved. When an Amendment is lost, another Amendment to the original Motion may be proposed, but only one Amendment shall be at any one time before the Chair. Notice of any number of Amendments may, however, be given.
51. An Amendment shall not be substantially the same as an Amendment already lost.

RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS

52. No Notice to rescind any Resolution which has been passed within the preceding six months, nor any Motion to the same effect as any Motion which has been negatived within the preceding six months, shall be in order unless the Notice thereof shall have been given and specified in the Notice convening the Meeting, and the Notice shall have, in addition to the name of the Member who proposes the Motion, the names of five other members and the Resolution shall not be rescinded without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, and when any such Motion has been disposed of by the Council, it shall not be competent for any member to propose a Motion that is substantially the same within a further period of six months.

RULES OF DEBATE

53. A Councillor while speaking shall stand with head uncovered and shall address himself to the Chair.
54. A Councillor speaking is not to be interrupted except on a question of order, but he may give way to a Councillor desiring to make a personal explanation. A Councillor who speaks shall confine his speech strictly to the business under discussion, or to a personal explanation, or to a point of Order.
55. When two or more Councillors rise at the same time to speak, the Councillor called upon by the Chair shall have precedence.

56. At a Meeting of the Council any Councillor whether he has spoken on the matter under discussion or not, may rise to a point of order, or to make a personal explanation necessitated by the course of the discussion. A Councillor so rising shall be entitled to be heard forthwith. The ruling of the Chairman at a Meeting of the Council on a point of order, or on the admissibility of a personal explanation, shall be final and shall not be open to discussion.
57. When during a debate, the Chairman rises, any Councillor then standing shall resume his seat, and no Councillor shall rise until the Chairman is seated.
58. Councillors shall address and speak of each other in the Council by the respective titles of "Mr. Chairman" or "Councillor".
59. No Councillor may impute improper motives or use offensive or unbecoming words in reference to any Councillor. Any Councillor having used objectionable words, and not explaining or retracting the same, or offering apologies for the use thereof when requested by the Chairman to do so shall be called upon by the Chairman to withdraw from the Meeting.
60. A Councillor may speak once upon any Motion, except a Motion which is to be put without debate. A Councillor shall not be deemed to have spoken if he has formally seconded a Motion or an Amendment, and he shall be permitted to speak on it afterwards. The mover of an Original Motion shall have the right of replying whilst his motion is before the Chair, but he shall strictly confine himself to answering previous speakers, and shall not introduce any new matter into the debate. After the reply the question shall be put forthwith. When an Amendment is moved, a Councillor who has spoken to the original Motion may speak to the Amendment. When the Amendment has been affirmed, and so becomes an Original Motion, the proposer of it shall have the right of replying at the close of the debate, but no other Councillor who has spoken to it as an Amendment may speak to it again after it has become a Motion, unless a further Amendment is moved. Nothing herein contained shall, however, preclude a Councillor from at any time submitting a point of Order or making a personal explanation.

61. There is no right of reply for the mover in the following cases:-

Amendments:
Motions for:

Adjournment of the Meeting.
Adjournment of debate.
Continuation of sitting.
Extension of speech.
Postponement of Question.
Proceeding to next business.
Putting the Question.
Question of Privilege.
Suspension of sitting for short period.
Withdrawal of Motion or Amendment.

62. The Chairman shall have discretionary power to allow a Councillor to speak a second time but such permission shall be given only after every Member who desires to do so shall have spoken once.

63. Every Councillor shall be seated during the transaction of business, except the Councillor who shall be addressing the Council.

64. Whenever any Member shall be called to order by the Chairman, the Councillor so called shall immediately resume his seat and shall not again address the Council until the Chairman shall have disposed of the question of order.

65. The Chairman shall call a Councillor to order for irrelevance, repetition, unbecoming language, imputations of motives, reflections of a personal character upon another Councillor, or any breach of order, and may direct such Councillor, if speaking, to discontinue his speech. In the event of grave disorder in the Council, or of persistent disregard of the authority of the Chair, the Chairman shall protect the Council in the conduct of its business by directing the Councillor or Councillors causing such disorder, or disregarding such authority to retire for the remainder of the sitting or for any less period. When the Chairman so directs a Councillor to retire and the Councillor does not retire forthwith, the Chairman shall give directions for the removal of the Councillor, and such other directions as are necessary for restoring order to the proceedings.

66. If the Chairman considers that the Meeting, owing to disorder, cannot continue he shall have power to adjourn the Meeting for such period as he shall determine.

67. Voting may, subject to Statutory requirements be:-

- (a) by voice when it is obvious that the Meeting is practically unanimous, and no Member dissenting (nem con);
- (b) by show of hands. If any objections to correctness of result, a poll may be demanded;
- (c) by a division, i.e., a regular count of the members for or against the Motion.

68. When the Chairman has not formally declared the result of a vote, or is in doubt as to whether his declaration is right or wrong, he is entitled, if he thinks well, to take a second vote on the matter, especially if he considers that through some misunderstanding the first vote did not properly represent the sense of the Meeting.

69. In the case of equality of votes the Chairman of the Meeting shall have a second or casting vote, except when the question is the election of a Chairman of the Council.

70. The Chairman cannot give his first vote after he has ascertained the number of votes for or against a Motion. He can only then give his casting vote, if there is an equal division of votes.

71. No officer or servant of the Council shall remain present at any meeting while any matter relating to him is being discussed unless by special leave of such Meeting.

72. When at a Meeting of the Council the whole of the business set down for such Meeting has been transacted, the Meeting shall thereupon conclude without any question from the Chair.

73. When, during any Meeting, it is stated by a member to the Chair that less than one-fourth members of the whole Council are present, the Secretary, shall call the roll, and shall record the names of the members in attendance, and when it appears that the number of members present is less than one-fourth, then the Council shall rise, and the business not completed by such Meeting of the Council shall be set down to be disposed of at the next Meeting of the Council.

74. Every Councillor attending a Meeting of the Council shall sign his name in the Attendance Book for the purpose, and such Book shall be the official record of such attendance

DEPUTATIONS

- 75. Subject to the direction of the Chair, any person who is not a Councillor may speak, for not more than five minutes, at a Meeting of the Council, by leave of the Council granted by resolution.
- 76. Requests for the reception of deputations from any meeting or Association of Rate Payers or from any Public Body or from any individual Rate Payer shall be submitted by the County Secretary, to the next meeting of the Council held after the date of the request. The Council will then decide whether to receive the deputation or not. The privilege of a deputation shall be confined to the presentation of a memorial, statement or copy of resolution and the making of two short addresses, the total time taken not to exceed fifteen minutes.
- 77. The deputation may be questioned by members of the Council but shall not be entitled to ask questions. The members of the deputation shall retire as soon as questions are concluded and no discussion of matters raised by a deputation shall be allowed until the following meeting when the reports of the officers of the Council in regard to the matters raised by the deputation will be submitted.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

- 78. Any Standing Order or Standing Orders may at any meeting of the Council by consent of not less than three-fourths of the Members present at the said meeting, such Meeting consisting of not less than one-half of the members of the whole Council be suspended, on a Motion duly made for the purpose of any specific business then before the Council and defined in the Suspensory Motion.

INTERPRETATION OF STANDING ORDERS

- 79. The Chairman's ruling on any question or his interpretation of the Standing Orders shall be final.

MATTERS NOT COVERED BY STANDING ORDERS

- 80. The Chairman shall have power to deal with any matter not covered by Standing Orders.

DURATION OF STANDING ORDERS

- 81. The foregoing Standing Orders shall continue in force until altered, amended, or repealed on Notice of Motion duly given and carried by a majority of the Council, at a meeting of which at least three-fourths of the members are present.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1967.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane, Ridge and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), R. Lee, C.A.C.E. (P), A. Smyth, Staff Officer and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

- 297. - RETIREMENT: Clr. Collins referred to the retirement of Mr. Pat O'Brien, Caretaker, County Buildings, Galway, on the 1st January, 1968, and he paid tribute to his long and faithful service and his unfailing courtesy to the members of the Council and to the general public over the years. He wished him many years of health and happiness in his retirement.

Clr. Ruane and the Chairman associated themselves with the good wishes which were passed unanimously.

- 298 - MINUTES: The minutes of previous meetings to 296 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted.

Clr. Mannion referred to minute No. 292 and asked that the Minister for Local Government be substituted for the Minister for Education therein, and this was agreed to.

The Minutes were then approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

- 299 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 (a) to (c) on the Agenda had been received.

- 300 - APPLICATION OF 10TH ROUND INCREASE TO OFFICERS WHOSE SALARIES EXCEED £1,200 PER ANNUM:

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Deputy Molloy, the Council approved payment of the 10th round increase to officers whose salaries exceeded £1,200 per annum, as from the 1st May, 1966,

Clrs. Callanan and Lambert objected to this proposal.

It was noted that the cost involved was £10,000 - £1, 200 of which would be recouped by way of grant and the excess expenditure was approved.

- 301 - DEPUTATION FROM GALWAY BUILDING WORKERS GROUP: A deputation from the Galway Building Workers Group consisting of Messrs. P. Flaherty, S. Meade and J. Cox, was received.

Messrs. Flaherty and Meade addressed the meeting and asked the Council to provide the necessary funds so as to allow the County Manager

to include maintenance labourers in the Craftsmen's Maintenance Agreement so that the Labourer/Craftsmen differentials obtaining prior to the implementation of the agreement would be maintained.

After answering some questions from the members, the deputation thanked the Chairman and members for their kind attention and then withdrew.

The Chairman said that no discussion of the matters raised by the deputation would be allowed until the next monthly meeting.

- 302 - ROADS ESTIMATES 1968/69: On the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, it was decided that the Roads Estimates for 1968/69 would be considered at a special meeting to be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Friday, 29th December, 1967, commencing at 11.30 a.m.

It was also decided to deal with all notices of motion on the Agenda relating to roads at that meeting.

- 303 - DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: It was decided to adjourn this item to the special meeting to be held on Friday, 29th December, 1967,

- 304 - SCHEDULED TOWNS PLANS: The County Manager said that this item related to the consideration of objections to the Draft Development Plans for the scheduled towns of Loughrea and Tuam, as no objections had been received to the Draft Development Plans for the other scheduled towns.

He suggested that these objections be considered in the first instance by the respective sub-committees which had already considered the Draft Plans for these towns, and that they could then make the recommendations thereon to the Council.

The Council agreed to have these objections considered by the respective sub-committees - all members of the Council to be notified of the dates, etc. of the meetings and to be entitled to attend, if interested.

The County Manager promised to arrange these meetings as early as possible.

- 305 - REMUNERATION OF TRAINEE DRAUGHTSMAN: On the proposition of Clr. Burke, seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved the following revised remuneration for Trainee Draughtsmen as from the 1st June, 1967, viz.,

£560 x £52 x £612 x £78 x £690 x £80 x £770 per annum.

- 306 - CONSIDERATION OF THE WEEKLY PAYMENT OF ROADWORKERS: Consideration of this item was adjourned to the Roads meeting to be held on the 29th December, 1967.

- 307 - CREATION OF OFFICE OF DEPUTY PUBLIC ANALYST: On the proposition of Deputy Carty, seconded by Deputy Coogan, this item was adjourned to the next monthly meeting of the Council and the County Manager was requested to circulate to the members in the meantime, a statement giving all details regarding the office proposed to be created.

- 308 - CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICES: On the proposition of Deputy Carty and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council requested the County Manager to circulate to the members in future, in advance of a meeting, a statement giving all details regarding any additional office proposed to be created at that meeting.

- 309 - LOAN £10,000 - EXTENSION TO PUBLIC ANALYST LABORATORY:

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of

a loan of £10,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source and over such a period of years as the Minister for Health may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray the cost of an extension to the Public Analyst Laboratory in Galway.

- 310 - LOCAL AUTHORITIES (ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS) ACT, 1945, COUNTY GALWAY CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME:

The County Manager referred to Minute No. 273 of the 27th November, 1967, and asked if there were any suggestions as to the manner in which the interest from the capital should be utilised.

Clr. Clarke said that there were at least 18 mentally retarded children in the parish of Carraroe and that the money should be used to help them and Deputy Geoghegan seconded.

Deputy Coogan suggested that the money be used to build a causeway to the island of Incheakinn where there are twelve children.

Clr. Ridge proposed that the money be used for the provision of hot mid-day meals for the children of the parish of Carraroe and Clr. Mannion seconded.

It was decided to defer further consideration until the next monthly meeting of the Council.

- 311 - STANDING ORDERS - SUB-COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON:

The minutes of proceedings at meeting of the Sub-Committee held on the 11th December, 1967, to consider the Draft Standing Orders and make recommendations thereon, having been circulated to the members, were submitted.

Deputy Carty proposed and Clr. Mannion seconded:-

"That draft Standing Order No. 27 be amended to read -

"The Agenda shall not contain more than two notices of motion from any one Councillor, including adjourned motions; each section of a multiple motion to be considered as constituting a separate motion."

Clr. Collins proposed and Clr. Byrne seconded:-

"That draft Standing Order No. 27 as amended by the Sub-Committee be adopted."

After a discussion, it was proposed by Clr. Galvin, seconded by Senator Killilea and unanimously resolved:-

"That draft Standing Order No. 27 be amended to read as follows:-

"The Agenda paper shall not contain more than three notices of motion from any one Councillor, including adjourned motions; each section of a multiple motion to be considered as constituting a separate motion."

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. Joyce:

"That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee regarding draft Standing Order No. 16 be not accepted and that the original draft containing the words '60 minutes' be adhered to."

The Chairman put Deputy Kitt's proposal regarding draft Standing Order No. 16 to the meeting and it was defeated on a show of hands.

The Chairman then declared the Sub-Committee's recommendation regarding draft Standing Order No. 16 carried.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"That the Sub-Committee's recommendations regarding draft Standing Orders Nos. 6, 26, 30 and 77 be accepted."

It was then proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"That the existing Standing Orders made by the Galway County Council be and are hereby revoked and that the Standing Orders as set out in the schedule hereto, be and are hereby adopted."

It was proposed by Deputy Carty and seconded by Clr. Melvin:

"That these Standing Orders shall come into operation forthwith on this 18th day of December, 1967, and that all Standing Orders previously made by the Council and not already revoked, shall be revoked as from this date."

Clr. Lambert objected to Deputy Carty's proposal and said that the notices of motion on the Agenda should be dealt with before the Standing Orders were put into operation, and Clr. Glynn agreed with this view.

The Chairman put Deputy Carty's proposal to the meeting and it was passed on a show of hands.

The Chairman then declared Deputy Carty's proposal carried.

The Chairman said he would now apply Standing Order No. 27 to the notices of motion on the Agenda for the meeting, and limit each Councillor to three notices of motion.

312 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS - AWARDS AND RENEWALS: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen), the Council approved payment of University Scholarship (Agricultural) for the college year 1966/67 to William J. Cormacan, Gurteenpadder, Ballyshrule.

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen), the Council approved the awarding of the following University Scholarships, under the University Scholarship Scheme 1967:-

/p.t.o.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIPS

| Place | Name | Address | Means | Non-Means | |
|------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------------|
| 5 | John A. Ryan | Clonkell, Moylough | £150 | | |
| 6 | Joseph G. Burke | Clonavodogue, Ballyglunin | £150 £300 | | |
| <u>ORDINARY SCHOLARSHIPS</u> | | | | | |
| 1 | Thomas Hynes | Killyan, Newbridge, Ballinasloe | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 3 | Michael J. Gasey | Clifden | | £150 | To be deferred |
| 4 | Liam M. Kelly | Society Street, Ballinasloe | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 5 | Margt. M. Keane | Roundstone | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 7 | John G. Shiel | Coolagh, Killimor | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 9 | Ann O'Sullivan | Main Street, Oranmore | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 14 | David G. Tuohy | Somerhill, Newcastle | £150 | | To be deferred |
| 16 | Francis Thornton | 12 McDonagh Avenue, Merryc | £100 | | To be deferred |
| 20 | Patrick Farrell | Mountbellew | | £150 | |
| 24 | Martin J. Flynn | Norbrook, Lower Salthill, Galway | £100 | | |
| 27 | Thomas G. Clarke | Rossmac | £1,100 | | |
| | | | £1,100 | | |
| | | | | £400 | |

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|---|-----|--|
| University College, Dublin | | |
| <u>4th Year</u> | 2 | |
| Thomas Albert Curran, Irospect, Athenny | 150 | |
| James S. Rabbittie, Killekeagh Hill, Athenny | 150 | |
| <u>3rd Year</u> | | |
| Gyrril Garvey, Clearraddy | 150 | |
| Michael M. Martin, Urrane, Ballygar | 150 | |
| Thomas G. Fahy, Lillooley, Kiltormer, Ballinasloe | 150 | |
| John J. Mannion, Langan, Derrreen, Ballyglunin | 150 | |
| <u>University College, Cork</u> | | |
| John Murray, 55 Glendar Avenue, Salthill | 150 | |

- RENEWALS 1967/68 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS -

On the proposition of Clr. Croffy and seconded by Clr. Collins, the Council approved the renewals of the following University Scholarships for the school year 1967/68:-

| | | |
|---|-----|--|
| University College, Galway | | |
| <u>4th Year</u> | £ | |
| Donal Wynne, Kilrickle, Loughrea | 150 | |
| Thomas G. Glynn, St. Brigids Place, Prospect Hill, Galway | 100 | |
| Patrick M. Burke, 8 Colman's Rd., Shantalla, Galway | 100 | |
| Larguerite M. Burke, St. Rita's, Shantalla Road, Galway | 100 | |
| Patrick McCarthy, 3 Lr. St. Brigids Place, Woodquay, " | 100 | |
| Michael O. Ryan, Bus-in-Urbe, Bride Street, Loughrea | 88 | (Awarded College Scholarship of £112). |
| Teresa M. Callanan, Colla, Killoconnell, Ballinasloe | 150 | |
| Edmund D. Ryan, 2 Upper Newcastle, Galway | 100 | |
| <u>3rd Year</u> | | |
| Robert M. Dolan, Shangort, Galway | 100 | |
| Patrick Finnegan, Castletogher, Williamstown | 88 | (Awarded College Scholarship of £112). |
| Donal Igoe, Church View, Tuam | 88 | do |
| Charles Copeland, New Docks, Galway | 38 | do |
| Bonaventure Crosbie, Society Street, Ballinasloe | 150 | |
| Padraic C. Thornton, Windfort, Headford | 150 | |
| William J. Ryan, Upper Newcastle, Galway | 100 | |
| <u>2nd Year</u> | | |
| Sr. M. Pauline O'Connell, Presentation Convent, Tuam | 150 | |
| Brian D. O'Rourke, Newcastle Lodge, Galway | 38 | (Awarded College Scholarship of £112). |
| Anne I. Gannon, Newline, Athenny | 150 | |
| Lane M. O'Healy, 17 Montrea Road, Galway | 38 | (Awarded College Scholarship of £112). |
| Noel O'Toole, 2 Rahoon Road, Galway | 100 | |
| Seamus Kelly, Craughwell | 100 | |
| John S. Coogan, Gavernie, Newcastle, Galway | 20 | (Awarded College Scholarship of £130). |
| Eugene McDonagh, Central House, Lr. Salthill, Galway | 100 | |
| Kathleen Flaherty, Belville, Athenny | 150 | |
| Garnet Brannelly, Greggs, Co. Galway | 150 | |
| John Dervan, Kylebrack, Loughrea | 150 | |
| Raresa B. Keane, St. Aidan's, Newcastle, Galway | 100 | |
| Patrick Holland, Lisheenkyle, Oranmore | 150 | |

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313 - MAKING OF SCHEME OF PRIORITIES FOR LETTING OF HOUSES UNDER SECTION 60 OF THE HOUSING ACT, 1966:

The Scheme of priorities for letting of houses under Section 60 of the Housing Act, 1966, having been circulated to the members were submitted and approved by the Council on the proposition of Deputy Carty and seconded by Deputy Coogan.

314 - AUDITOR'S REPORTS: The following Auditor's reports were submitted and noted:-

Loughrea Town Commissioners for the two years ended 31st March, 1967.

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31st March, 1967.

Shrule Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1967.

315 - SEEDS & FERTILISERS LOAN SCHEME 1968: It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves and makes a scheme for the supply of seeds and/or fertilisers on loan terms for the year 1968 similar to the scheme made by the Council for the year 1967 and that the scheme as so made be sealed with the seal of the Council."

The Scheme was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

316 - KILKELLY DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION: On the proposition of Clr. Collins and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved payment of an additional grant of £300 to the Kilkelly District Nursing Association in respect of the current year, pending receipt of the Association's statement of Receipts and Expenditure up to the 31st December, 1967, when the position will be reviewed.

317 - KINVARA PIER: It was proposed by Clr. Lambert, seconded by Clr. Byrne and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the transfer by way of lease to the Council of Kinvara Pier in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in letters D.87/13/1 of the 31st December, 1965, 20th December, 1966 and 9th May, 1967, from the Office of Public Works, Dublin."

318 - BUILDING WORKERS: On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council approved the terms of the phased agreement of the Construction Industry Joint Industrial Council, operative from the 7th November, 1967, for building workers employed by the Council.

319 - GALWAY ASSOCIATION FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN: Deputy Carty asked why the Council's grant to the Galway Association for mentally handicapped children had been reduced by 50% and the County Manager said that he would submit a report on the grant to the next meeting of the Council.

320 - TRAFFIC ISLAND - SALTHILL: On the proposition of Deputy Molloy and seconded by Clr. Fahy, the Council strongly recommended that the gap in the traffic island outside the Galway Bay Petrol Station at Salthill be increased to twice its present size.

321 - HOUSING PROGRAMME: Clr. Fahy stated that considering that 3126 houses are now needed in County Galway according to Circular re Housing Programme issued by Assistant County Manager and considering that 2,048 of these unfit dwellings will not be built by private enterprise by March, 1971, he proposed that the proposed Council house building programme of 42 houses (approx.) per year be increased to 100 houses per year, half of which should be small pre-fab. dwellings, built in rural areas.

The County Manager said that the housing programme adopted by the Council outlined the minimum number of dwellings that would be built and there was nothing against increasing that number if conditions were favourable. He added that the Council had encouraged almost 5,000 persons to build their own houses through its Supplementary Grants Scheme at a cost of over £1,200,000.

322 - FIRE FIGHTING SERVICE: The County Manager advised Clr. Fahy that the total estimated expenditure on the Fire Fighting Service for County Galway for 1967/68 was £28,150 which included loan charges of £7,000 and that this represented a rate of approximately 1s. 2d. in the £.

Clr. Fahy proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded that insurance companies operating Fire Insurance in the County Galway be asked to contribute to the cost of the Fire Fighting Services, pro rata their Fire Insurance Premiums collected in the county Galway.

Deputy Carty stated that this was a most short-sighted proposal which would only increase the cost of premiums to property and house-owners.

Clr. Fahy proposed that the Forestry Division be asked to recoup to the County Council all expenses incurred in fighting forest fires.

The County Manager stated that the Government paid the County Council a bounty in lieu of rates for State Forestry lands which was in effect a contribution also towards the Fire Service.

323 - LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES: The Chairman advised Clr. Fahy that his notice of motion regarding Local Improvement Scheme had been dealt with at the last meeting of the Council.

324 - ORANHILL DRAINAGE SCHEME: On the proposition of Clr. Byrne and seconded by Clr. Lambert, the Council requested the Board of Works that the Oranhill Drainage Scheme be carried out immediately.

325 - PUMP AT TREANLAUR, MAREE, ORANMORE: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded that a pump be provided in the Treanlaur area of Maree, Oranmore.

The County Manager stated that pumps are only provided when they are nominated by a County Councillor on to the priority list; that Treanlaur was not included in the current list and the new lists would not be opened for about two years.

326 - CAHERAVONEEN AND CRUSHOA PUMPS, KINVARA: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Pat Donnellan seconded, that repairs be carried out to the Caheravoneen and Crushoa pumps, Kinvara, before next summer.

The County Manager stated that Caheravoneen Pump is now in perfect repair; that it does go dry in a fine summer but there was little that could be done about that problem in this particular locality.

He added that the same remarks applied as regards Crushoa Pump and that a defect in the platform of the pump was being attended to.

327 - MEELICK BEACH - RIVER SHANNON: Clr. Callanan proposed and Clr. Collins seconded that the Council arrange to have the beach along the Shannon at Meelick levelled and to have seats and litter bins erected there.

The County Manager said that Bord Failte had been approached for a grant for this purpose recently.

328 - EYRECOURT: Clr. Callanan proposed and Clr. Haverty seconded that the following extra work be carried out at Eyrecourt, viz:-

Extra street lights; extra litter bins; clean sand from the Square and erect seats in the Square.

The County Manager stated that a quotation was being sought from the Electricity Supply Board for the provision of three additional lights and the alteration of two existing lights at Eyrecourt and that the quotation will be brought before the Council at its Estimates meeting; that it was proposed to provide additional litter bins at an early date; that the clearing of the sand from the Square was being attended to and that consideration was being given to the erection of one seat in the Square, Eyrecourt, at an estimated cost of £20.

- 329 - GROUP WATER SCHEMES: Clr. Callanan proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that the Council direct its Engineering staff to arrange with the Local Government Engineer in the county to jointly supervise and to finally inspect all voluntary Group Water Schemes in the county with a view to having the Council take over these water schemes and maintain them.

The County Manager said that he saw no necessity at present for joint supervision of Group Schemes as the demand for group schemes appeared to be small.

- 330 - BALLINLOUGH ROAD, MILLTOWN: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked the County Engineer the position regarding the Ballinlough Road, Milltown. He said the road in question connects the Liskeary Road to the Belmont Road.

The County Engineer said that this was part of County Road No. 222 which was untarred; that it was at the moment in need of grading and that this would be done as soon as possible.

- 331 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL: Consideration of the notices of motion of Clrs. Glynn and Ruane for submission to the County Councils' General Council was adjourned to the next monthly meeting of the Council.

- 332 - ZEBRA CROSSING, BISHOP STREET, TUAM: The Chairman adjourned Clr. Glynn's notice of motion to the special Roads meeting.

- 333 - NEWBRIDGE SEWERAGE: Clr. Cunningham proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded that the Council relieve the present sewerage problem at Newbridge and that the work be given priority.

The County Manager said that the problem was being examined and he would report back to the Council thereon at a later date.

- 334 - SURFACE WATER FROM ROADS: The Chairman adjourned Clr. Cunningham's notice of motion to the special Roads meeting.

- 335 - NEWBRIDGE PUBLIC LIGHTING: Clr. Cunningham proposed and Deputy John Donnellan seconded that the Council provide an extra street light in Newbridge.

The County Manager stated the E.S.B. had been asked to quote for the provision of one additional light at the crossroads in Newbridge on an existing pole at the Ballygar/Ballyforan road junction and that the quotation would be brought before the Estimates meeting of the Council.

- 336 - BOHERBANNAGH PUMP: Clr. Cunningham asked if it was possible to have the quality of water in the pump at Boherbannagh improved.

The County Manager stated that the quality of the water is due to underground conditions causing particularly high iron and sulphate pollution of the water; that it was not possible to eliminate these constituents without an elaborate treatment process which was obviously not possible with an ordinary rural hand pump.

Clr. Cunningham asked if the source would be suitable for a group water scheme and the Chief Assistant County Engineer (Mr. Silke) said it would not be very suitable.

- 337 - ROADWORKERS' P.A.Y.E.: The Chairman adjourned Clr. Lambert's notice of motion to the special Roads meeting.

- 338 - ROADSIDE WATER PUMP: Clr. Lambert proposed and Clr. Byrne seconded, that the Council provide more roadside water pumps due to the delay in the proposed rural water schemes.

The County Manager said that the Council had already decided on their priority lists for pumps.

- 339 - BENN HILL LAY-BYE: The Chairman adjourned Clr. Lambert's notice of motion to the special Roads meeting.

- 340 - GORT WATER AND SEWERAGE WORKS: Clr. Lambert proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded, that the Gort town Water and Sewerage Works be extended to the houses on the Galway Road.

The County Manager stated that these extensions were not on the Council's programme for Water and Sewerage Schemes.

- 341 - STATE AID FOR SMALL FARMERS: It was proposed by Clr. Ruane and seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council request the Government to provide state aid to assist small farmers who suffered tragic losses in their potato and corn crops during the recent flooding and bad harvest."

- 342 - BALLYBRIT AND RACE COURSE COTTAGES WATER SUPPLY: Clr. Ruane asked the County Manager what was the position regarding the Regional Water Supply Scheme for the Ballybrit and Race Course cottages and Group Water Schemes generally in the county.

The County Manager stated that the present water supply programme approved by the Council did not include the Ballybrit area. He added that group water supply schemes are administered by the Department of Local Government and that the Council co-operated with the Department as far as possible.

- 343 - TRANSPORT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN: Clr. Ruane proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that the Council request C.I.E. to take the rural school children travelling by bus to the nearest bus stop from the school or direct to the schools in Galway City and this was agreed to.

- 344 - CREATION OF TWO ADDITIONAL OFFICES OF SURGEON TO THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL:

It was proposed by Deputy Carty, seconded by Deputy Coogan and unanimously resolved:-

"That the resolution of this Council at its meeting of November 27, 1967, authorising the creation of two posts as whole-time surgeons to Galway Regional Hospital, does not operate to suppress the two existing part-time surgeons and that the two whole-time posts are in addition to and not in substitution for the two part-time posts."

- 345 - CORAL STRAND, CARRAROE: On the proposition of Clr. Clarke and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council asked the County Manager to get in touch with the Office of Public Works, the Tourist Board and any other body concerned for the purpose of drawing up a joint scheme to improve the amenities of the Coral Strand, Carraroe.

The County Manager said that the only development envisaged here

was a small car park at the end of the county road but it had not been possible to acquire the land at a reasonable price.

- 346 - RURAL ELECTRIC LIGHTING: It was proposed by Clr. Burke, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council request the Government to direct the E.S.B. to provide electric lighting for people living in rural areas and that these people should not, as a result of the isolation of their homes, be refused electric lighting or asked to bear the additional installation cost thereof.

- 347 - COTTAGE REPAIR - DELAY: Clr. Galvin asked the County Manager and the County Engineer to explain the inordinate delay in the repair of County Council cottages.

The County Manager pointed out that repairs would be carried out at an accelerated rate if more money were made available and a very much increased estimate will be put before the Council at its Estimates meeting. He added that despite isolated cases of complaint, very good progress was being maintained as is evidenced by the fact that since the 1st April, 1960, 549 cottages had been thoroughly repaired and vested in the tenants and that of a total of 1,770 cottages built in the county, 1,095, had now been vested in the tenants leaving only 675 non-vested.

- 348 - WILLIAMSTOWN DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked if the Council had any plans for the appointment of a resident dispensary doctor to Williamstown.

The County Manager stated that after the death of Dr. Roland, the permanent District Medical Officer at Williamstown on the 15th July, '67, Dr. F. Murphy was appointed temporary District Medical Officer and acted until the 30th September, 1967, when he resigned; that it was necessary to arrange for Dr. Farrell, Tuam, to cover the district since then until the 7th December last when Dr. Maureen Flynn took up duty; that the post was advertised and three applicants attended for interview - one withdrew his application and the other two refused to take up duty when asked to do so; that the position had been re-advertised. He added that pending consideration of the question of choice of doctor for patients availing themselves of services under Section 14 of the Health Act, 1953, vacancies for district medical officers were not being filled on a permanent basis for the present.

- 349 - CARRAREA ROAD, BALLYGLUNIN: Deputy John Donnellan proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded that the Carrarea Road at Ballyglunin, be tarred.

The County Manager said that it was programmed for reconstruction under the County Road Grant but it was doubtful if it could be reached next year.

- 350 - ELECTRIC LIGHT OUTSIDE NEW CHURCH, DUNMORE: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) proposed and Clr. Pat Donnellan seconded, that the Council provide the necessary funds for the erection of an electric light outside the new church at Dunmore.

The County Manager said that an order had been given to the E.S.B. last June for the erection of this light and two other additional lights in Dunmore; that he was asking the E.S.B. to expedite their erection.

- 351 - DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER, GLENAMADDY: The County Manager advised Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), that there was a temporary District Medical Officer appointed to Glenamaddy Dispensary District.

- 352 - PUMP AT WOODFIELD, DUNMORE: The County Manager informed Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) that there was no provision made for the erection of a pump in the village of Woodfield, Dunmore.

- 353 - PUBLIC LIGHT OUTSIDE GLENAMADDY CEMETERY: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded that a light be provided outside the Glenamaddy Cemetery.

The County Manager stated that the need for this additional light was not apparent and that the general standard of public lighting in Glenamaddy was similar to towns of equal size throughout the county.

Deputy Donnellan said that this area was extensively used on fair mornings and the County Manager promised to re-examine the position.

- 354 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

Mr. Joseph Brennan, Railway Road, Ballinasloe, on the death of his father.

Miss Ita Brennan, Tuam, on the death of her father.

- 355 - ADJOURNMENT: It was decided to adjourn consideration of the items relating to roads to the special meeting to be held on Friday, 29th December, 1967.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *[Signature]*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

[Signature] CHAIRMAN

DATE: 22.12.68

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

21 lá de Mhí na Nollag, 1967.

Chuíg Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, de h-Aoine, 29adh lá de Mhí na Nollag, 1967, ag tosú ar 11.30 a.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Road Works Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1969.
2. Consideration of the weekly payment of roadworkers - memo thereon herewith.
3. Draft County Development Plan.
4. Notices of motion adjourned from the meeting on the 18th instant, viz.,
18 (f) (2); (g) (4), (7); (h) (1), (4); (i) (4), (5);
(l) & (m), (1); (n), (o), (p), (s), (t), (u)-(1);
5. Members Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. Toddie Byrne:
 - (1) I shall ask the County Engineer to have the following County Roads listed for reconstruction and tarred in the Roads Programme for 1968/69:
 - (i) County Road through Parkmore, Kinvara.
 - (ii) County Road through Castletaylor joining the Ardrahan/Kilcolgan and Ardrahan/Craughwell roads.
 - (iii) County Road through village of Toureen, Kilcolgan.
6. Presentation to Mr. Pat O'Brien, Caretaker, County Buildings, Galway.
7. Other business.

WEEKLY PAYMENT OF ROADWORKERS

At meeting held on the 28th August, 1967, I undertook to submit to the Council a report on the cost of introducing a system for the weekly payment of roadworkers (Minute No. 91 refers). The estimated cost of introducing weekly pay on the basis of present arrangements would be as follows:-

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| Additional postage and stationery: | - | £1,220 |
| Additional clerical staff: | - | £6,000 |
| New accounting machine: | - | £2,500 |
| | | <u>£9,720</u> |

The additional cost after the first year would be £7,220.

In connection with the examination of the matter, I circularised a number of County Councils - 20 of whom replied to me. Nine of these Councils are paying wages weekly and eleven are paying wages fortnightly. An examination of the returns which I received showed that where wages are being paid weekly, the staff employed is almost double the staffs where fortnightly wages are being paid. The staff employed on the work in Galway County compares favourably with the staff engaged in other counties.

It must be appreciated that the introduction of a weekly system of payment would mean twice as many paying orders as at present and would also mean that twice as many entries in the various ledger cards and records of the Council for the purpose of controlling expenditure. The present system for the payment of roadworkers appears to operate very satisfactorily and there have not been any serious complaints in regard to it. As I mentioned when the matter was raised at the Council meeting, application had been made by the Unions representing the workers for this facility, but on it being explained to them of the difficulties involved, they had not pressed the matter.

COUNTY MANAGER

22/11/1967.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,
GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 29th DECEMBER, 1967

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan, (Moycullen), Clrs. Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Raftery, Ruane, Ridge and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, S. Cullinan, M. J. Dunne, Chief Assistant County Engineers (Roads) and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

356 - ROAD WORKS ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31st March, 1969: The Road Works Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1969, as already circulated to the members was submitted showing total expenditure as follows:-

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| Main Roads | £219,031. |
| County Roads | £287,340. |
| Galway Urban Roads | £9,956. |
| Ballinasloe Urban Roads | £1,973 |

The County Manager pointed out that this estimate was £9,866. higher in net expenditure than that originally approved by the Council for the current year, representing an increased rate of 4.727 pence in the pound; that the excess in actual expenditure for the current year over the amount originally approved by the Council for the current year was £3,880. representing an increased rate of 1.86 pence in the pound; that the total increased rate for year ended 31st March, 1969, would therefore be 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ pence in the pound in respect of road works; that this increase was due to the increased wages approved by the Council in the current year.

On the proposition of Clr. Collins, and seconded by Clr. Burke the County Engineer was complimented on the fact that apart from the increase in wages the road works estimate did not show any increase as compared with the previous year.

Deputy Geoghegan proposed and Clr. Clarke seconded -

That the Council's Standing Orders be suspended to allow him to move that the Council ask -

1. The Minister for Local Government to provide a loan for the erection of the new bridge at Bealadangan, and -
2. Roinn na Gaeltachta to assist the project by a grant.

The County Manager read to the meeting Minute No. 166 of the 23rd October, 1967, and he said that in accordance with Standing Order No. 78 Deputy Geoghegan's proposal required the consent of not less than three-fourths of the members present at the meeting.

The Chairman put Deputy Geoghegan's proposal to the meeting, and a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:-
For: Clrs. Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Holland, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, and Clr. Ryan. (16)

Against: Clrs. Burke, Fahy, Galvin, Hussey, Senator Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Lambert, and Raftery. (9).

Clr. Haverty did not vote.

The Chairman said that there were 26 members present, and three-fourths thereof would be 18; that as only 16 had voted for Deputy

Geoghegan's proposal he declared the proposal to suspend Standing Orders defeated.

It was proposed by Clr. Hussey, seconded by Clr. Collins, and unanimously resolved.

"that the Galway County Council request the Minister for Local Government to provide a Special Road Works Grants for year ending 31st March, 1969, equal to the total amount allocated for year ended 31st March, 1967"

Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Galvin seconded that the notices of Motion as listed at 4 and 5 on the Agenda be considered in conjunction with the Road Works Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1969.

357 - WEEKLY PAYMENT OF ROADWORKERS: The County Manager's memo dated the 22nd November, 1967, regarding the weekly payment of Roadworkers having been circulated to the members was submitted.

On the proposition of Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Burke the Council unanimously decided to continue the present system of fortnightly payment of roadworkers wages.

358 - FAIRS: Clr. King said that at a Council Meeting some time ago, when the draft County Development Plan was being considered, he stated that he felt that any long-term plan for County should include the removal of fairs from streets; that what he had visualised for fairs were proper fairgreens with concrete yards and pens with steel bars, and that half an acre of land would be adequate for this in most towns where fairs were held. He added that there had been some misunderstanding about what he had said, and that some people thought he advocated the removal of fairs completely whereas he was in fact a firm believer in fairs. He urged the Council take the initiative in purchasing any toll rights held by charter in the small towns as they had already done in places like Loughrea and Portumna. He said that he was very pleased to see his proposal get a fair share of publicity both adverse and favourable.

The meeting was then adjourned for lunch 2.15 p.m. and on resumption of the meeting, Senator Killilea again took the Chair.

359 - MEMBERS NOTICES OF MOTION: Clr. Galvin referred to the Notices of Motion listed at 4 on the Agenda, and he proposed that the produce of one penny in the pound be provided to carry them out by way of contingencies, and Clr. Ryan seconded.

Clr. Byrne proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that the Notices of Motion listed at 5 on the Agenda be also included in Clr. Galvin's proposal.

A discussion ensued in which all members present participated.

360 - BISHOP STREET, TUAM, CROSSING: Clr. Glynn proposed that the County Council provide an zebra crossing at Bishop Street, Tuam, from the Cathedral entrance to the carpark.

The County Manager stated that there was need for a marked crossing here, especially as school girls crossed over between these points; that zebra crossings were not favoured, but that a white line passage as had been done on several similar sites in Galway would be provided.

361 - SURFACE-WATER FROM ROADS: Clr. Cunningham proposed that the Council try to relieve the problem in areas where surface water from roads flows into and around dwelling houses, and out-houses.

The County Manager asked him to supply precise locations of the areas he had in mind, so that his proposal could be further examined.

362 - CLOONCUNORE & COORAGHLEHANAGH ROADS: Clr. Cunningham asked when the repairs being carried out on the road through the villages of Clooncunore and Cooraghlehanagh would be completed, and the County Engineer said that they would be finished within the financial year.

363- ROADWORKERS - P.A.Y.E.

The County Manager said that he was not aware of any change in the tax collection P.A.Y.E. for roadworkers. He added that many of the Council's employees had a three-yearly tax-free certificates and that the present period expired at the end of the current year; that income-tax claim forms may have been received by these people recently for completion in respect of the next three-yearly period, and that this may have caused some confusion as they had not received similar forms for the past three years.

364 - BENN HILL LAY-BYE: Clr. Lambert proposed that a lay-bye be provided at the top of Benn Hill, near Woodford. The County Engineer said that it would be provided in the next financial year.

365 - LEVEL CROSSING, GURRANE ROAD, ORANMORE: Clr. Ruane proposed that warning signs be erected at each entrance to the Gurrane Road, Oranmore, stating - "Railway Gates unattended", or "Beware of Trains". He added that if the signs were placed at the entrance to both ends of the road which is about a mile long, people would not use it, and that the present signs there could not be seen by the general public on the left hand side coming from Galway, as they were more or less hidden signs.

The County Manager said that official warning signs were already provided at the crossing, and it was felt that they were adequate. He pointed out that there was a special C.I.E., and Department of Local Government Committee studying the problem of unattended crossings, and he promised to re-examine the Gurrane Road Crossing.

366 - CARNAUN ROAD, ATHENRY: The County Manager informed Clr. Ruane, that the tarring of Carnaun Road, at Athenry, had been included in proposals for County Road reconstruction 1968/69. - Road No. 375 Carnaun/Castle-ellen.

367 - WATERDALE/CLOONBIGGEN & GORTCLOONMORE ROAD: The County Manager told Clr. Ruane, that it was intended if finances allowed to black-top portion of this road during the current year.

368 - BALLINDOOLEY ROAD: The County Manager told Clr. Ruane that the Ballindoolley Road was not a scheduled road.

369 - CARRABROWN ROAD: The County Manager advised Clr. Ruane that only portion of the Carrabrown Road recently taken over was a scheduled Road, and that there was no provision for black-topping it.

370 - MONUMENT ROAD AT MENLO: Clr. Ruane was informed that it was intended to black-top the Monument Road at Menlo during the current year.

371 - ARDGAINNEEN ROAD: Clr. Ruane was informed that the Ardgainneen Road would be black-topped this year.

372 - LACKAGHBEG ROAD: Clr. Ruane was informed that there was no prospects of black-topping the Lackaghbeg Road at present.

373 - MAHANAGH-CLONBERNE BRIDGE: Clr. Hussey proposed that the County Engineer be asked to prepare plans for the construction of a new bridge at Mahanagh, Clonberne, to replace the existing one which is extremely hazardous for present day traffic.

The County Manager said that the visibility would be improved in the coming year.

374 - KILCLOONEY CEMETERY ROAD: Clr. Galvin proposed that the County Council take over, repair, and maintain the road leading to Kilclooney cemetery (Ballinasloe) which had a length of 500 yrd. approximately, and Clr. Croffy seconded.

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The County Manager said that Clr. Galvin's allocation had been fully expended by him and Clr. Galvin suggested that this work should be done out of the Sanitary Services Account rather than the Roads Account.

Clr. Callanan proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded that Bord Failte be asked to provide a Tourist Road Grant to carry out this work.

375 - DAVRIS/RUSSELLSTOWN ROAD: Clr. Burke proposed that the road leading to the village of Davris to Russellstown be rolled.

The County Manager said that the black-topping of this road would be considered in the next financial year.

376 - CARROWREAGH/KNOCK ROAD: Clr. Burke proposed that the road through Carrowreagh to Knock be rolled.

The County Manager stated that it was expected that this road would be black-topped this year.

377 - LISHEAVY TO BELMONT ROAD: Clr. Burke proposed that the road from Brennan's, Lisheavy to Belmont be rolled, and he was advised that the black-topping of this road would be considered in the next financial year.

378 - THE SQUARE/SHOP STREET ROAD, TUAM: Clr. Burke proposed that the road from the Square, Tuam to the Bridge in Shop Street be improved so as to prevent hall doors and walls from being soiled.

The County Manager said that he would consider any suggestions from Clr. Burke as to how this might be achieved.

379 - ABBEEKNOCKMOY CEMETERY ROAD: Senator Killilea proposed that immediate steps be taken to put the road into the Abbeyknockmoy Cemetery in a proper state of repair.

The County Manager said that the road leading by the Abbeyknockmoy Cemetery was now a County Road, and received normal maintenance attention, as, and when required; the short length of road from the County Road to the burial ground itself did require attention, and would be put into good repair during the present Winter.

380 - LISBRINE/GORT ROAD: Clr. Lambert proposed that the branch of road 355 at Lisbrine, Gort, be reconstructed and tarred, and he was advised that this was a cul-de-sac branch of County Road No. 355 carrying little traffic, and that there were no proposals for tarring it at present.

381 - ROAD AT FIDDAUN, GORT: Clr. Lambert proposed that branch of road 365 at Fiddaun, Gort, be reconstructed and tarred, and he was informed that the branch was suitable for black-topping, but that there were no proposals for this work this year.

382 - ROAD AT REEKHILL, GORT: Clr. Lambert proposed that branch of road 369 at Reekhill, Gort be reconstructed and tarred, and he was informed that this road would be one of the County Road Grant proposals for year 1968/69.

383 - ROAD AT DROMORE, PETERSWELL: Clr. Lambert proposed that branch of road 342 at Dromore, Peterswell be reconstructed and tarred, and he was advised that this road was suitable for black-topping, but that there were no proposals at present for carrying out the work.

384 - ROAD 312 - KILCOLGAN: Clr. Lambert proposed that Road No. 312 at Kilcolgan be reconstructed and tarred, and he was advised that the black-topping of this road would be carried out this year.

385 - ROAD 311 BETWEEN ARAN & KILCOLGAN: Clr. Lambert proposed that Road 311 between Aran and Kilcolgan be reconstructed and tarred, and he was informed that there were no proposals for tarring this road at present.

386 - ROAD FROM BROGUE TO DRIMKEARY CROSS: Clr. Lambert proposed that the road leading from Brogue - Matt Dervans to Drimkeary Cross, Matt O'Rourke, Ballinakill, Loughree, be reconstructed and tarred, and he was informed that this road was included in the proposals for the County Road Grant for 1968/69.

387 - ROAD CRANMORE TO BALLYMARKAHAN, COOLFINN, ARDRAHAN: Clr. Lambert proposed that the bends be removed and the road widened from Cranmore to Ballymarkahan (Road 341) at Coolfinn, Ardrahan, and was informed that it was proposed to provide passing places in the next financial year.

THE BAD BEND ON

388 - ROAD OUTSIDE THOMPSONS' HOUSE, CREGACLARE, ARDRAHAN: Clr. Lambert proposed that the road outside Thompson's house, Cregaclare, Ardrahan, be removed, and was informed that this would be done in the next financial year.

389 - BALLINACOURTY TO BLACKWEIR PIER ROAD: Clr. Lambert proposed that Road 188 from Ballinacourty to Blackweir Pier be reconstructed and tarred, and was informed that there were no proposals at present for carrying out this work.

390 - ROAD AT PEARSE'S COTTAGE, ROSMUCK: Deputy Geoghegan proposed and Clr. Clarke seconded that Bord Failte be asked for a substantial grant for the widening of the road leading to Pearse's cottage at Rosmuck, and also for a turning table and carpark near the cottage. This was agreed to.

391 - MEELICK/MOUNTKELLY ROAD: Clr. Ryan on behalf of Deputy J. Donnellan asked when it was proposed to tar the Meelick/Mountkelly Road which is now being maintained by the County Council, and he was informed that it was not proposed to tar it this year or next year as no funds were available.

392 - WOODBED/BALLINTAVA ROAD, DUNMORE: Clr. Ryan on behalf of Deputy John Donnellan, Dunmore, asked if it was intended to tar the Woodbed-Ballintava Road, Dunmore, which lead from the Dunmore-Williamstown road to the Carrowmanagh Road, and he was informed that it was not proposed to tar it this year or next year as no funds were available.

393 - FOOTPATH - WILLIAMSTOWN GARDA STATION: Clr. Ryan on behalf of Deputy John Donnellan, Dunmore, asked that the footpath outside the Garda Station at Williamstown be repaired, and was informed that it would be constructed out of main road improvement in the present financial year.

394 - ROAD AT CAHERMORE, GORT: Clr Melvin on behalf of Deputy Michael Carty, asked the County Engineer to have road at Cahermore, Gort, (County Road No. 338) listed for tarring in the Roads Programme for 1968/69, and he was informed that it was not listed.

395 - ROAD AT TOOREEN KILCOLGAN: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Fahy seconded that County Road through the Village of Tooreen, Kilcolgan be listed for reconstruction and tarred in the roads programme for 1968/69.

The County Managersaid that this road was not included in our proposals under the County Road Grant for 1968/69, but he promised to re-examine the position.

396 - PARKMORE ROAD KINVARA: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Fahy seconded that the County Road through Parkmore, Kinvara, be listed for reconstruction and tarred in the Roads Programme for 1968/69.

The County Manager said that this road was not included in the proposals under the County Road Grant for 1968/69.

397 - CASTLETAYLOR ROAD: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Fahy seconded that the County Road through Castletaylor joining the Ardrahan-Kilcolgan and Ardrahan-Craughwell Roads be listed for reconstruction and tarred in the Roads Programme for 1968/69.

The County Manager said that this road was not included in our proposals under the County Road Grant 1968/69.

398 - ROAD WORKS ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31st March, 1969:

It was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Burke that the Road Works Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1969 as submitted to the Council be approved.

Clr. Fahy said he dissented from this proposal as £30,000 of the Arterial Road Grant should have been devoted towards the members' notices of motion.

The Chairman put Clr. Kings proposal to the meeting and it was passed on a show of hands.

The Chairman then declared Clr. King's proposal carried.

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. Clarke / it was agreed that application be made to the Minister for Local Government for a loan to finance the erection of the new bridge at Bealadangan, and to request *Roinn na Gaeltachta* to assist the project by way of a substantial grant.

It was also agreed to re-allocate the £12,955. provided in the estimates for Bealadangan Bridge under the County Roads Reconstruction Grants, 1968/69 amongst other works in the Oughterard Area, if the application for a loan and grant were successful.

399 - DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: A memorandum setting out the proposed revision of paragraph 2.18 relating to areas of special development control and 2.21 and appendix B page 41 relating to areas of high amenity and scenic importance of the draft county development plan having been circulated to the members was submitted.

Consideration thereof was adjourned to the next monthly meeting of the Council.

400 - SCHEDULED TOWN PLAN TUAM: It was decided to hold a meeting of the sub-committee to consider objections to the draft development plan for the scheduled town of Tuam at 7.0 p.m. on Friday, 5th January, 1968 in the County Buildings, Galway.

401 - SCHEDULED TOWN PLAN - GORT: Clr. Fahy asked that a meeting be held to consider objections to the draft development plan for the scheduled town of Gort, and the County Manager promised to look into the matter.

402 - PRESENTATION TO MR. PAT O'BRIEN: CARETAKER, COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY:

The Chairman proposed that a presentation/^{be made} to Mr. Pat O'Brien, Caretaker, County Buildings, Galway, and this was agreed to, Messrs. Geoghegan and Byrne being appointed collectors.

403 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Mrs. Sarah Rabitte, Craughwell on the death of her son.
- Mr. Patrick Connolly, Ballymore, Craughwell, on the death of his son.
- Mrs. Hynes, Lisduff, Craughwell, on the death of her husband.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED CERTIFIED CORRECT.

Michael ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY
SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED
Michael CHAIRMAN. DATE: 22. 1. 68

COMHAIRLE CONNTAE NA GAILLEBHE

County Buildings,
Galway.

1st January, 1968.

To each member of the County Council

Dear Sir,

You are hereby notified that a meeting of the Planning Sub Committee for Tuam will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Friday, the 5th January, 1968 at 7.00 P.M.

Yours faithfully,

M.S. O'Maolrunaidhe,
Munai Sealadach.

A G E N D A.

1. To consider the representations and objections to the Draft Development Plan for the town of Tuam.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDING OF MEETING OF THE PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE FOR TUAM, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, THE 5th JANUARY, 1968 AT 7.00 P.M. TO CONSIDER OBJECTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS TO THE DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE TOWN OF TUAM.

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS:

W. Burke, T.V. Clarke, P. Collins, F. Coogan, J. Donnellan, Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, P. Fahy, F. Glynn, P. Galvin, T. Hussey, M. Killilea, M. Kitt, J. Lambert, J.M. Mannion, P. Raftery, P. Ruane

OFFICIALS

Mr. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager.
Mr. R. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer, (Planning)
Mr. M. Browne, Assistant County Engineer (Planning)
Mr. K. Doyle, Staff Officer
Mr. T. Smyth, Staff Officer (Planning).

IN THE CHAIR.

Senator M. Killilea, Chairman, Galway County Council.

A summary of the representations/objections, together with minutes of the Oral Hearings, were circulated to those present. At the outset, the County Manager, Mr. A.A. Sharkey, informed the meeting that a total of only 5 representations/objections to the Draft Development Plan for Tuam were received, viz:- from the Convent of Mercy, Tuam, Christian Brothers, Tuam, Bon-Secour Sisters, Tuam, Presentation Convent, Tuam, and from the Tuam Town Commissioners.

1. The submissions from the Convent of Mercy, Christian Brothers and Bon-Secour Sisters, were in relation to the zoning proposed for the lands of the Deanery. It was proposed, in the Draft Plan, to zone this land unit for the expansion needs of Housing and Education of the town, but both the Convent of Mercy and the Bon-Secour Sisters submitted that all the land in their ownership was required for their own expansion/extension programme; the Christian Brothers, who submitted that they need approximately 5 acres for their expansion programme, have no land to meet this expansion and submitted that 5 acres should be allocated to meet their expansion programme. In preparing the original Draft zoning, it was considered that this land unit could accommodate both the Educational expansion need and the private Housing expansion needs of the town. Individual Oral Hearings on the submissions were held and a joint conference was also held in Tuam, to endeavour to get agreement on the proposed zoning. Arising out of these hearings and conference, it now appears that the private Housing need will have to be accommodated elsewhere, and it is accordingly proposed to amend the zoning in the Draft Plan and to zone this land unit for 'educational expansion needs only; this will meet the objections of the Convent of Mercy and Bon-Secour Sisters to the present zoning proposals.

The meeting agreed to the proposed amended zoning and recommended that Mr. Lee, the Chief Assistant County Engineer, select and zone a further area to meet the Private Housing expansion needs of the town.

2. The County Manager informed the meeting that the original objection submitted by the Presentation Nuns was to the proposal for a new through route, as the Nuns proposed to build a new school which they thought they would be prevented from doing, if the new route was implemented. On examination, it was found that it was not the route of the proposed new road that would interfere with the proposed

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new school so much as a proposed new link road connecting the proposed new road with the town centre. An Oral Hearing on the submission was held and the Planning Officer and the County Manager had several conferences with the Presentation Nuns, the latest of these having been at 4.00 P.M. on 5/1/68. As a result of these conferences, it was now proposed (a) to extinguish an existing right of way and (b) cede the land thereof to the Nuns, in return the Nuns would (c) cede to the Council land over which the Council would create a right of way (to the proposed new Swimming Pool) (d) plus a sum of £800 for the making of a right of way on this land, and (e) agree in principle to cede further land sufficient for the new link road; (f) The Nuns would further agree that no work on their new school would commence until (e) above had been executed; all this being contingent on the Architect to the Presentation Nuns being satisfied that the proposed new school can be accommodated on the lands available to the Nuns as a result.

Deputy Kitt asked would the Nuns be held up in the erection of the new school. The County Manager informed the Deputy that subject to the necessary legal procedure in extinguishing and creating the rights of ways, there would be no delays. If the Architects report was unfavourable the matters would be brought again before the Council.

The meeting approved of the above proposals.

3. Representations by Tuam Town Commissioners

- (1) 'That an alternative area be provided for private housing development' - the meeting had already dealt with this in connection with the representations re. the lands at the Deanery (see 1 above).
- (2) 'Prevention of speculation in private dwelling house etc. The County Manager informed the meeting that it was intended that the Council would, where necessary) acquire lands for private housing and other development in all the towns and that this, it was considered, was the best means of preventing speculation in sites.

(3) Extension of Sewer along Ballygaddy Road.

It was proposed in the Draft Plan not to extend the services beyond their present limits, within the period of the Plan. It was considered that the public sewer in the Ballygaddy Road could not be extended without pumping, beyond its present limits.

(4) Facilitation of Educational Authorities in Tuam.

This recommendation had been met in the procedures set out in regard to previous representations.

4. The County Manager informed the meeting that representations regarding the Draft Plan for the Town of Loughrea and Gort would be dealt with at a meeting on the sub-committees for these towns, on Friday, 12th January, 1968.

The meeting then terminated.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: M. S. O'Maolruaidhe

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. Hillier CHAIRMAN

DATE: 22. 1. 68

COMHAIRLE CONNTA NA GAILLIMHE

County Buildings,
GALWAY.

8th January, 1968.

To each member of the County Council

Dear Sir,

You are hereby notified that meetings of the Planning Sub-Committee for Loughrea will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway on Friday the 12th January, 1968 at 7.00 p.m. to consider objections and representations to the draft Development Plan for Loughrea, and at 8.00 p.m. to consider the draft Development Plan for Gort.

Yours faithfully,

M. S. O'MAOIRUNAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

AGENDA FOR MEETING AT 7.00 p.m.

1. To consider the representations and objections to the draft Development Plan for the town of Loughrea

AGENDA FOR MEETING AT 8.00 p.m.

1. To consider the draft Development Plan for the town of Gort.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Planning Sub-committee for Loughrea, held at the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Friday the 12th January 1968, at 7.00 P.M. to consider the representations and objections to the Draft Development Plan for the Town of Loughrea,

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS:-

W. Burke, T. Byrnes, M. Carty, T.V. Clarke, P. Collins, Mrs. M. Croffy, J. Donnellan, P. Donnellan, P. Fahy, P. Galvin, B. Holland, T. Hussey, M. Kitt, J. Lambert, J. Mannion, H. Melvin, J. Raftery, M. Ryan.

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager
Mr. R. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning).
Mr. M. Browne, Assistant County Engineer (Planning).
Mr. T. Smyth, Staff Officer (Planning).

IN THE CHAIR:

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Mr. Michael Carty, T.D., was elected to the chair.

A summary of the representations and objections to the Draft Plan for Loughrea, together with minutes of Oral Hearings held in connection with these representations, was circulated to the meeting.

At the outset, the County Manager, Mr. A. A. Sharkey, read to the meeting a summary of the objections and representations received to objectives T.1. and T.2 Paragraph 3.3. in the Draft Plan, which reads:-

'T.2. Investigate and study the desirability and feasibility of constructing a new route from the main Galway road at St. Laurence's fields, through Barrack Street, and connecting with the main route east of the town, as shown on Map 4, and in the meantime control development which would prejudice the establishment of this route.'

T.1. Control development on approach routes to conform with improvement lines shown on Map No. 4.

The County Manager emphasised that the objective, as set out in the Plan was 'to study and investigate' - this did not mean the work would commence on the new road or that there would be interference, now, with any existing building, but pending the results of the study and investigations and the Council's decision thereon, development, which would interfere with the proposed new route, would be controlled. If and when the Council decided to proceed with the new road, the property owners affected would have an opportunity to make objections which could then be more appropriately dealt with.

(2)

Mr. R. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning) told the meeting that in the operation of objective T.1. (set out above) each application for permission for development, which might be affected by the objective, would be considered on its individual merits.

The Chairman, Mr. Michael Carty, stated that some people had a misconception as regards the proposal for the new road - they think that it is proposed to commence work on the new road, whereas the proposals in the Draft Plan are for an 'investigation and study' only.

The meeting was also informed by the Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning), Mr. R. Lee, that following the representation of the Loughrea Traders Association, it is proposed to insert a further objective in the Plan, to the effect of incorporating in the studies and investigation, a proposal to examine the feasibility and advisability of the improvement of the existing main route through the town, to cater for future anticipated traffic flow, as an alternative to the proposed new east/west route through Barrack Street. This proposal met the objections of the Loughrea Traders Association and was approved of by the meeting. No other amendment of these objections was proposed.

In regard to the representation by Loughrea Cottons Ltd., Mr. R. Lee informed the meeting that it was proposed to amend the zoning table in the Draft Plan to permit the consideration of the entry of 'general industry' to lands owned by Loughrea Cottons, and which were at present zoned for 'residential use'. This amendment, which met the objections of Loughrea Cottons, was approved of by the meeting.

In order to meet a further objection by Loughrea Traders, it was decided, and approved of by the meeting, to insert the word 'extremities' in lieu of the word 'limits' in paragraph 1.3. (b) relating to non extension of sewerage services.

In regard to submission by Loughrea Traders and Mr. Peter Moylan, regarding selection of site for Fair Green, it was agreed by the meeting not to select a precise location for this, but to leave the matter in the hands of the Planning Officer.

This concluded the business of the meeting which then terminated.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *M. R. Lee*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. R. Lee CHAIRMAN

DATE 28. 1. 69

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Proceedings of Meeting of the Planning Sub-committee for Gort held at the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Friday the 12th January, 1968 at 8.00. P.M. to consider the Draft Plan for the town of Gort.

PRESENT:

COUNCILLORS:-

M. Burke, T. Byrne, M. Carty, T.V. Clarke, P. Collins, Mrs. M. Croffy, J. Donnellan, P. Donnellan, P. Fahy, P. Galvin, B. Holland, T. Hussey, M. Kitt, J. Lambert, J. Mannion, H. Melvin, P. Raftery.

ALSO PRESENT:-

Mr. A. A. Sharkey, Galway County Manager.
Mr. R. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning).
Mr. M. Browne, Assistant County Engineer (Planning).
Mr. T. Smyth, Staff Officer (Planning).

IN THE CHAIR:-

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Mr. Michael Carty, T.D., was elected to the chair.

The County Manager informed the meeting that no representations or objections had been received to the Draft Plan adopted by the Council in June 1967.

The provisions of the Draft Plan were considered in turn and explained to the meeting by Mr. R. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning).

When Councillor Lambert said that the water system of the town should be improved, it was pointed out by the County Manager that objective S.1. paragraph 3.2. of the Draft Plan proposed to 'install additional pumping facilities in the water supply system to cater for immediate and future needs'. Councillor Fahy pointed out that some houses in the town (e.g. 4 cottages on Galway Road) which had not already got a water supply might be prevented from getting such a supply by reason of the statement in paragraph 1.4. (a) - 'It is not intended to extend the supply beyond present extremities' and Paragraph 3.2. S.4. - 'Restrict water supply services to their present limits'; he thought that when the additional pumping facilities had been provided, such houses could be allowed to have water supply; he proposed that the Draft Plan be amended accordingly and this was agreed to.

The Chairman, Mr. M. Carty, asked could anything be done in regard to the right angle bend on the approach to the town and the Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning) informed the meeting that the bend would be eased, but it was not proposed to take the road to the rear of the houses at this bend.

Councillor Fahy said that there were a lot of derelict sites in the town which might be taken over and given to persons for private housing development. He was informed that it was proposed in the Plan to pursue a vigorous policy in the matter of removal of derelict sites, but not all of these sites would be suitable for housing development.

The meeting was informed that while the Council would assist in the creation of community facilities, grants for the erection of community Halls would not be available for the Council.

This concluded the business of the meeting which then terminated.

CERTIFIED CORRECT: M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. Kitt CHAIRMAN

DATE: 22/1/68

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

23ú d' Eanáir, 1968.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú i gCoisde de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae Gaillimh, De Luain, 29ú lá d' Eanáir, 1968, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Draft County Development Plan - copy of letter P.D.5/7 of 5th January, 1968, from Department of Local Government herewith.
2. Deputy Coogan's notice of motion adjourned from meeting of 22/1/1968:-
Draft County Development Plan - "I propose that under Table 3 - No. 4 (d) be deleted from same."
3. Deputy Geoghegan's notice of motion adjourned from meeting of 22/1/1968:-

"I will propose that the following be substituted for Table 3 - No. 4 (d) Areas of Special Development Control of the Draft County Development Plan. "In all other cases to a density of not greater than one house to one acre, having a road frontage of not less than 100 feet along a public road."

4. Review of Water Charges.
5. Other business.

Department of Local Government,
Custom House,

Ref: P.D.5/7

Dublin 1

5th January, 1968.

County Manager,
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to your letter of the 20th ultimo in connection with the draft development plan and to state that the proposed revisions in paragraphs 2.18 and 2.21 have been considered.

The provisions regarding frontages and densities are not considered adequate in the areas of special development control - paragraph 2.18 Table 3, 1 (d), 2 (d), 3 (d) and 4 (d) and the relevant observations made in this Department's letter of 22 Meán Fómhair, 1967, still apply. The reference to such generally inadequate densities and frontages may in fact be a source of difficulty rather than an advantage in dealing with development control as it may give a misleading impression that applications for development which comply with these requirements will normally be given permission even though they may be very much at variance with the general policies of the Planning Authority e.g. as set out in paragraph 2.13 of the draft plan. It is requested that further consideration be given to this matter in the circumstances. The areas of special development control are the areas within reasonable distance of Galway City as indicated on Map No. 3. The necessity for joint discussions between City and County Planning authorities in relation to these areas was mentioned in this Department's letter of 22 Meán Fómhair. It is suggested again that a joint approach by both Planning Authorities is very desirable and even essential if there is to be a consistent policy towards development both within the city boundary and in the areas of special development control outside it.

The provisions in regard to frontage and density at (vi) of Table 3A of paragraph 2.21 are also considered very inadequate and should be further reviewed. It is suggested that the proposals for development in these areas of high amenity and scenic importance should be dealt with on their merits within the framework of development policy set out in the draft plan pending the recommendations of the Planning Consultant appointed by An Foras Forbartha in regard to planning control principles. The Consultant is being requested to submit his recommendations in this connection as soon as possible.

It is again urged that the Planning Authority should in general adopt a positive and helpful policy by indicating, when it is possible to do so, places where development would be acceptable and by the provision of sites where that is feasible.

Mise, le meas,

S. O'Hanlon

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

12ú lá d' Eanáir, 1968.

Chuaig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 22adh lá d' Eanáir, 1968, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
 - (a) Patrick Kirrane, Derryvode, Williamstown -
Two cocks of hay burned, 21/12/1967 ... £150. 0. 0.
 - (b) Brennan & O'Dea Ltd. and Evan Choi & Wang Young Fong,
Mainguard Street, Galway -
Plate Glass window and Curtain damaged, 15/12/67 £200. 0. 0.
 - (c) Martin Connolly, Innis Barra, Leitir Mor -
Dwellinghouse burned, 14/12/1967 £800. 0. 0.
 - (d) Padraic Raftery, Coshla, Athenry -
Death of three cows, 15/12/1967 ... £350. 0. 0.
 - (e) Thomas Raftery, Kilcolum, Cloonminda -
Glass, timber and slates of old schoolhouse
damaged, 19/12/1967 ... £140. 0. 0.
 - (f) Ellen Moynihan, 3 Shantalla Road, Galway -
Shop-front plate glass window broken, 23/12/1967 £35. 10. 0.
 - (g) The Mayer Co. Ltd., Weir Mills, Weir Road, Tuam -
2 Windows and Hall Door glass panel in Staff Houses
damaged, 29/12/1967 £10. 0. 0.
 - (h) Francis Flannery, 32 College Road, Galway -
Motor car damaged, 5/1/1968 ... £185. 0. 0.
 - (i) John Kenny, Kilmacshane, Banagher -
Injury to self, overcoat and wellington boot,
5/1/1968 ... £1010. 0. 0.

3. Councillors' Notices of Motion Roads - 2nd List.
4. Deputy Public Analyst - memo thereon herewith.
5. Sealing of Standing Orders.
6. Declaration of Roads to be public roads - schedule attached.
7. County Councils' General Council - Minute No. 331 of 18/12/1967, notices of motion from Clrs. Frank Glynn and Patrick Ruane.
8. Bealadangan Bridge.
9. Auditor's Reports:-

Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees - Y/E 31st March, 1967.
Western Health Institutions Board Y/E 31st March, 1967.

10. Loan £140,000 - erection of 54 houses.

11. Members Notices of Motion:-

(a) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (1) I will ask the County Manager to have a derelict site removed by demolition at Kilkerrin Road, Glenamaddy town.
- (2) I will ask the County Manager to have some repairs done to a well at the village of Cloonboo, Lavally, Tuam, which supplies water to sixteen houses.
- (3) I will ask the Council how soon they will be in a position to blacktop the road leading to Kiltullagh between Kilkerrin and Glenamaddy.

(b) Deputy F. Coogan:

- (1) Draft County Development Plan - I propose that under Table 3 - No. 4 (d) be deleted from same.

(c) Clr. F. Glynn:

- (1) I propose that one of the two new Fire Stations for County Galway be built in Mountbellew.
- (2) That Galway County Council give consideration to the provision of a garage for the Tuam Knights of Malta free ambulance service.

(d) Clr. J. Geoghegan:

- (1) I will propose that the following be substituted for Table 3 - No. 4 (d) Areas of Special Development Control of the Draft County Development Plan "In all other cases to a density of not greater than one house to one acre, having a road frontage of not less than 100 feet along a public road."

(e) Clr. T. Byrne:

- (1) That we the members of Galway County Council request the Board of Works to have improvements carried out at Ballinacourty Pier immediately.
- (2) I will ask the County Engineer to explain the position of the Ardahan pump problem.
- (3) That we the members of Galway County Council request the Minister for Agriculture to introduce legislation to amend the constitution of the County Committees of Agriculture by

making provision for the inclusion of members from the major farming organisations within each county.

(f) Clr. W. Burke:

- (1) That concrete path be laid between Egan's Garage, Bishop Street and Dwyer's Bridge, Tuam.
- (2) What progress has been made to eliminate derelict sites in Tuam.
- (3) I will ask when will work commence on the sewerage scheme for Demesne Cottages.

(g) Clr. John M. Mannion:

- (1) I will ask the Galway County Council to acquire a new dumping site for the refuse of Clifden immediately.
- (2) I will ask the Galway County Council why permission was refused to the Aughrismore Water Group Scheme.
- (3) I will ask Galway County Council to deplore the attitude of the Minister for Local Government in repealing the decision of Co. Planning Authority in relation to site at Errisbeg, Roundstone - Planning reference No. 3167.

12. Other business.

| NO. | COUNCILLOR | AMOUNT £ | AREA | FROM | TO | LENGTH L. YDS. |
|-----|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 72 | Ryan | 80 | Milltown | County Rd. 252 | Haverty's, Lishenahiltia | 187 |
| 73 | Ryan | 60 | Milltown | Co. Rd. 264 | Southwards, Bushtown | 260 |
| 74 | Callanan | 120 | Ballinasloe | Co. Rd. 474 | Towards Larkins, Carrowreagh | 550 |
| 75 | Callanan | 120 | Ballinasloe | Main Rd. 500 | Towards Lynskey's, Carrowmore | 360 |
| 76 | Molloy | 500 | Galway | Co. Rd. 284 Killeany | Killeany Village | 1,320 |

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION 1967/68 - SECOND LIST

| NO. | COUNCILLOR | AMOUNT £ | AREA | FROM | TO | LENGTH L. YDS. |
|-----|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 53 | Coogan | 200 | Galway | Tullokyme Castle | Lake Shore | 1,230 |
| 54 | Cunningham | 230 | Mountbellew | Co. Road 419 | M. Carroll's, Eskerow | 370 |
| 55 | Cunningham | 200 | Mountbellew | Co. Road 277 | Derreen Village | 530 |
| 56 | Cunningham | 70 | Mountbellew | Main Rd. 370 | J. Donnellan's | 470 |
| 57 | Donnellan, S | 500 | Galway | Co. Rd. 109 Tooreeney | Towards Poulinaclough | 800 |
| 58 | Donnellan, J | 150 | Tuam | Main Rd. 220 | Towards Toghermore | 900 |
| 59 | Donnellan, J | 200 | Milltown | Co. Road 252 | Towards Boyounagh | 350 |
| 60 | Donnellan, J Ryan, M | 150 | Milltown | Co. Road 239 | P. Mullin's, Lomanagh | 535 |
| 61 | Fahy | 73 | Gort | Co. Road 367 | O'Brien's, Curtain | 350 |
| 62 | Fahy | 70 | Loughrea | Co. Road 491 | Geraghty's, Kylebrack | 1,050 |
| 63 | Geoghegan | 70 | Clifden | Main Rd., Athry | Athry Lough | 1,283 |
| 64 | Hussey | 20 | Milltown | Co. Road 254 | Cummin's, Patch | 70 |
| 65 | Hussey | 100 | Mountbellew | Main Rd., Culladoire | Walsh's | 450 |
| 66 | Hussey | 175 | Milltown | Co. Road 266 | Smith's, Cloonminda | 250 |
| 67 | Mannion | 400 | Clifden | Co. Road 13 | Pryce's, Coolacloy | 940 |
| 68 | Mannion | 100 | Clifden | Co. Road 12 | Towards Fountain Hill | 200 |
| 69 | Melvin | 173 | Athry | Co. Road 181 | M. Ruane's, Glenascaul E. | 528 |
| 70 | Melvin | 52 | Athry | Co. Road 188 | Monahan's, Blackweir | 88 |
| 71 | Ryan | 80 | Mountbellew | Co. Road 412 | Healy's, Gatestown | 130 |

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Galway

15th January, 1968.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL/

Creation of Office of Deputy Public Analyst

A Chara,

I wish to make application for the consent of the Council to the creation of an office of Deputy Public Analyst. The salary scale applicable to the office will be as follows:-

£2,000 x £80 - £2,400

where a person possesses on appointment or subsequently obtains a qualification in the Chemistry (including Microscopy) of food, drugs and water approved by the Minister for Health. Where a person does not possess such a qualification-

£1,800 x £75 - £2,175

The need for this office arises from the increased staff and work in the Public Analyst's Laboratory. The present staff is comprised of two permanent Analytical Chemists; one temporary Analytical Chemist; one Laboratory Technician, and one trainee Laboratory Technician.

For the past twelve months, the Department has been carrying out analytical work on Food and Drugs samples in accordance with the British Food Regulations on metallic contamination, colouring matter, anti-oxidants, labelling, meat products etc., and submitting monthly reports thereon to the Department of Health.

Modern drug tablets are being tested in accordance with British Pharmacopoeia Standards per month for the Department of Local Government. In addition to instrumental techniques, there is a bacteriological unit for assaying anti-biotics. The laboratory is in a position to undertake the general examination of drugs for quality control and also the testing of anti-biotics in milk.

A large-scale programme on the investigation of lead contamination in mine workers has also been undertaken. Food, milk, and herbage are also being analysed for lead contamination. The viscera of animals are analysed for poisons.


The total number of samples has increased from 2,546 in 1965 to 3,522 in 1966. The increase in numbers however, cannot be taken as a sound scientific basis for evaluation of work as it is the level of performance and the quality of analytical service demanded that determines the critical requirements of a laboratory.

Due to the amount of work which is undertaken on behalf of other counties and on behalf of private persons, the no-charge falls on the rates in respect of the Public Analyst's Laboratory, and the creation of this new post will not alter the situation.

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It is important to have a Deputy Public Analyst in charge of the Laboratory when it is necessary for the Public Analyst, to be away attending conferences, international meetings, etc., that the Council consent to the creation of the office.

Mise, le meas,


A. A. Sharkey
County Manager

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 22nd JANUARY, 1968.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clr. Clarke, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, John Donnellan, (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane, Ridge, and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Lunaigh, Assistant Co. Manager, C.A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E.(H), and M.S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting Co. Secretary.

404 - MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meetings to 403 inclusive and of Planning Sub-Committee Meetings of the 5th January, 1968, and 12th January, 1968, to consider the Draft Development Plans for the scheduled towns of Tuam, Loughrea, and Gort respectively having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

405 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2(a) to (i) on the Agenda had been received.

Clr. Holland was informed that Mr. Padraic Raftery's claim Item 2(d) stated that three cows were wantonly and maliciously deprived of water with fatal results.

406 - COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION ROADS - 2nd List. On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. Raftery, the Council approved the Councillors' Notices of Motion Roads - 2nd List.

407 - DEPUTY PUBLIC ANALYST: Memo dated the 15th January, 1968, from the County Manager re. the creation of office of Deputy Public Analyst having been circulated to the members was submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy Carty, seconded by Deputy Molloy, the Council approved the creation of the office of Deputy Public Analyst with salary at the rate of £2,000 x 80 to £2,400 per annum where a person possesses on appointment or subsequently obtains a qualification in the Chemistry (including Microscopy) of food, drugs and water approved by the Minister for Health, and a salary of £1,800 x 75 to £2,175 per annum where a person does not possess such a qualification.

408 - SEALING OF STANDING ORDERS: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. Burke, it was decided that the Standing Orders approved by the Council at meeting held on the 18th December, 1967, be Sealed with the Seal of the Council.

The Standing Orders were then Sealed with the Seal of the Council.

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409 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS: On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads:

| Area | From | To | Length L. Yds. |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Tuam | Co. Rd. 163 | St. Francis Tce., Tuam | 100✓ |
| Tuam | Main Rd. Danganbeg | C.Rd. 202 Dangan Cughter | 2200 |
| Gort | Co. Rd. 346 | Ballinastague | 1950 |
| Athenry | M.R. 80 | J. Burke's, Tonroe | 264 |
| Gort | Co. Rd. 334 | P. Donohue's Funshinmore | 792 |
| Loughrea | C. Rd. 399 | Brady's Castleboy | 1230 |
| Loughrea | M.R. 400 | Near side Ballingarry Bridge | 540 |
| Loughrea | M.R. 400 | J. Joyce's, Cloghaun | 800 |
| Loughrea | M.R. 380 | Dalystown Rd. near Halloran's | 1600 |
| Loughrea | C.R. 397 | M. Daly's Ballyshea | 330 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 475 | Lecarrowmactually | 320 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 517 | Castlegar | 500 |
| Gort | C.R.355 | T. Grimes', Lisbrien | 530 |
| Gort | C.R. 362 | Donnellan's, Cloughnakeava | 1060 |
| Gort | George's St., Gort | Culleen Lane | 140 |
| Oughterard | C.R. 51 | P. Joyce's, Caher | 350 |
| Clifden | C.R. 47 | Malroe, Mynish | 1250 |
| Milltown | M.R. 210 | Illaune | 300 |
| Loughrea | M.R.380 | Brogan's, Gurteeny | 480 |
| Portumna | C.R.566 | Gibbon's Gate | 440 |
| Portumna | M.R. 430 | Lynch's, Derryhivney N. | 1232 |
| Galway | C.R. 115 | Towards Barna Main Rd. | 880 |
| Clifden | C.R. 21 | Towards Moyard Bridge | 264 |
| Clifden | C.R. 21 | Towards Ard Kyle | 264 |
| Tuam | C.R. 152 | Keane's, Kilcurriv E. | 1600 |
| Mountbellew | C.R. 512 | River Suck | 500 |
| Mountbellew | M.R. 500 | Ballynahattina | 400 |
| Mountbellew | C.R. 602 | T. Carthy's | 260 |
| Mountbellew | C.R. 421 | Cunniffe's | 140 |
| Gort | C.R. 352 | Fahy's Annagh | 720 |
| Gort | M.R. 400 | Mehon's, Ardnamullivan | 980 |
| Gort | C.R.397 | Fahy's, Roo | 1220 |
| Gort | C.R. 401 | Callinan's, Ballingarry | 350 |
| Athenry | C.R. 378 | Rahard Village Junction | 670 |
| Athenry | C.R. 377 | Gloves | 1600 |
| Mountbellew | M.R. 270 | Annaghmore Loop M.R. 270 | 1700 |
| Mountbellew | C.R. 512 | O'Brien's, Ruane | 270 |
| Mountbellew | C.R. 513 | Kennedy's, Derrymore | 600 |
| Mountbellew | M.R. 370 | Hughes', Ballinlass | 880 |
| Tuam | M.R. 90 | Morris', Tavanaghmore | 450 |
| Galway | C.R. 141 | Flynn's, Ballygurrane | 176 |
| Athenry | C.R. 177 | Fox's, Carnmore West | 530 |
| Athenry | M.R. 210 | Loughnane's, Ballydavid North | 590 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 517 Eglis | Towards Croffy's Gate | 200 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 517 Lissyegan | For 260 L. Yds. of loop | 260 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 513 | Towards Connor's Loonaghton | 900 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 514 Ch. 1500 | Ch. 1900 Clooncannon | 400 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 521 | Towards C.R. 473, Lowville | 360 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 473 | Cahill's, Lisnascreena | 420 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 519 | Cloonigney | 800 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 522 | Wakefields, Urrachree | 357 |
| Ballinasloe | C.R. 554 | Curley's, Ballagh | 260 |

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- 410 - SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS: On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Molloy the Council decided to suspend Standing Orders to consider the eleven notices of motion submitted by Clrs. Glynn and Ruane for submission to the County Councils' General Council - Minute No. 331 of the 18/12/1967.
- 411 - RATES & VALUATION SYSTEM: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that the present rates and valuation system be abolished and that the revenue required by Local Authorities be raised by a more equitable taxation system based on incomes.
- Deputy Carty said, that a Government Commission had been sitting for the past 3 years studying this question, and had issued 2 interim reports, and he advised Clr. Glynn to study these.
- After a discussion, the motion was withdrawn.
- 412 - GROUND RENTS: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that all ground rents be abolished immediately without compensation, unless very exceptional circumstances existed.
- Deputy Carty stated, that legislation had been enacted enabling people to buy out their own ground rents.
- The Chairman put the motion to the meeting, and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 413 - PURCHASE & SALE OF BUILDING LAND: Clr. Glynn proposed, and Clr. Ruane seconded that legislation be introduced appointing all Local Authorities as sole agents for the purchase and sale of all building land in their areas, and that they also be empowered to purchase such land at a price not in excess of its agricultural value.
- The County Manager said that Local Authorities had adequate powers already under the Housing & Planning Acts.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting, and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 414 - VACANT BUILDINGS: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that all Local Authorities be given authority to use any vacant building in their area that was considered suitable as temporary accommodation for families on the housing list.
- Deputy Carty and Deputy Geoghegan opposed the proposal.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 415 - TENANTS OF FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED ROOMS AND FLATS: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that legislation be enacted enabling all Local Authorities to give tenants of furnished and unfurnished rooms and flats security of tenure and fair rent. Deputy Molloy stated that this question was investigated by a Commission presided over by Judge Conroy recently, and he suggested that Clrs. Glynn and Ruane study the resultant report.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting and it was defeated on a show of hands.

- 416 - ARTERIAL ROADS & ARTERIAL DRAINAGE SCHEMES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that the Central Government assume full responsibility/and maintenance of arterial roads, and arterial drainage schemes. ^{for financing}
- Deputy Carty said that he opposed this proposal and after a discussion it was withdrawn.
- 417 - HEALTH CHARGES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that health charges be removed from the rates and become the responsibility of central government with administration remaining as the responsibility of the local authorities.
- Deputy Carty opposed the motion, saying that the State was already paying over 55% of the Local Authority Health Charges.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting, and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 418 - MALICIOUS INJURIES CLAIMS: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that Malicious Injuries Claims be removed from the rates and this was agreed to.
- 419 - TENANTS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that tenants of Local Authorities be given the same rights as private householders by -
- (a) being allowed to vote on all issues at Council meetings if they are Councillors.
- (b) being allowed to serve on juries if they wished.
- (c) being allowed to join libraries without having to have a guarantor.
- As regards (a) the County Manager stated that the Section of the Housing Act, 1966, obviously referred to had not been put into operation, and the proposal was put to the meeting, and defeated on a show of hands.
- As regards (b) it was pointed out that a report on the question was at present being considered by the Minister for Justice, and the proposal was put before the meeting and defeated on a show of hands.
- As regards (c) Clr. Glynn was advised that this was not enforced in Galway.
- 420 - VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that all connected with teaching should be eligible for membership of Vocational Education Committees.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 421 - MUNICIPAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded that the maximum number of Councillors eligible for membership of Municipal Vocational Education Committees be three.
- The Chairman put the proposal to the meeting, and it was defeated on a show of hands.
- 422 - NOTICES OF MOTION-MISCELLANEOUS: Clr. Fahy referred to his notices of motion 24(k) which had been on the Agenda for meeting of the 27th November, 1967, and which had never been dealt with, and the County Manager advised him that they would be put on the Agenda for the next monthly meeting of the Council.
- 423 - BEALADANGAN BRIDGE: Letter dated 12 Eanáir, 1968, ref. G.2 from Roinn na Gaeltachta, Baile Átha Cliath was submitted, notifying as a very special case a grant of £25,000. towards the cost of the erection of the new bridge at Bealadangan.
- On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. Clarke, the Council thanked the Minister for Roinn na Gaeltachta for this very substantial grant.
- On the proposition of Clr. King, and seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council thanked Deputy Geoghegan for his great work in securing this grant.

424 - ROAD WORKS ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR ENDING THE 31st March, 1969. The County Manager referred to Minute No. 398 of ^{meeting} held on the 29th December, 1967, and said that in view of the Roinn na Gaeltachta notification of the grant for Bealadangan Bridge, it was proposed to re-allocate the £12,955. provided in the estimates for Bealadangan Bridge under the County Roads Reconstruction Grants 1968/69 as follows. -

COUNTY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION GRANTS 1968/69

| WORK NO. | ROAD NO. | DESCRIPTION | MILES | AMOUNT £ |
|--------------------------|----------|------------------|-------|----------------|
| <u>DOUGHTERARD AREA:</u> | | | | |
| JCG1 | 66 | Camus Loop | | |
| JCG2 | 67 | Glenicmurrin | 2.50 | 2,760 |
| JCG3 | 58 | Rosakeeda | 1.00 | 1,000 |
| JCG4 | 72 | Drumsnaub | 1.10 | 1,055 |
| JCG5 | 81 | Derrybeg | 1.50 | 1,500 |
| | | | 0.75 | 1,000 |
| | | | | 7,315 |
| | | Surface Dressing | | 5,660 |
| | | TOTAL | | £12,975 |

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. Clarke, these proposals were agreed to.

425 - AUDITOR'S REPORTS. The following Auditor's reports were submitted and noted. (a) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees, year ended 31st March, 1967. (b) Western Health Institutions Board year ended 31st March, 1967.

426 - LOAN - £140,000 - ERECTION OF 54 Houses: It was proposed by Deputy Molloy, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved - "That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £140,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works, or such other source and over such a period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council to defray the cost of erection of 54 houses".

427 - DERELICT SITE - KILKERRIN ROAD, GLENAMADDY: Clr. Ryan proposed, and Clr. Hussey seconded that the Derelict Site at Kilkerrin Road, Glenamaddy Town, be removed by demolition.

The County Manager stated that a Notice under Section 3 of the Derelict Sites Act was posted on this site in January, 1967, but that no action had been taken by the owners; that there had been a dispute regarding the ownership of part of the site, and that this had not so far been resolved; that it would now be necessary for the County Council to enter on the site to have the work carried out and the cost charged to the owners.

428 - WELL AT CLOONBOO, LAVALLY, TUAM: Clr. Ryan asked the County Manager to have some repairs done to the well at the Village of Cloonboo, Lavally, Tuam, which supplied water to 16 houses.

The County Manager stated that he was arranging to have an inspection carried out at this well, and a report and estimate submitted.

429 - ROAD LEADING TO KILTULLA: Clr. Ryan asked how soon the Council would be in a position to black-top the road leading to Kiltulla between Kilkerrin and Glenamaddy, and the County Manager said that there were no proposals for surfacing this road in the immediate future.

430 - DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Deputy Coogan's notice of motion was adjourned to a special meeting of the Council to be held in Committee on Monday 29th January, 1968 in the County Buildings, Galway, at 3.30 p.m.

431 - MOUNTBELLEW FIRE STATION: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Raftery seconded that one of the two new fire stations for County Galway be built in Mountbellew.

The County Manager agreed that the existing fire station in Mountbellew was very unsuitable, and added that an alternative site was under active consideration.

432 - GARAGE FOR TUAM KNIGHTS OF MALTA AMBULANCE: Clr. Glynn proposed that the Galway County Council give consideration to the provision of a garage for the Tuan Knights of Malta free ambulance service.

The County Manager said that the Chairman (Senator M. Killilea) had already made representations regarding this matter, and he hoped to be in touch with the people concerned shortly.

433 - DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Deputy Geoghegan's notice of motion was adjourned to the special meeting of the Council to be held in Committee on Monday 29th January, 1968.

434 - BALLINACOURTY PIER: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded that the Galway County Council request the Board of Works to have improvements carried out at Ballinacourty Pier immediately, and this was agreed to.

Clr. John Donnellan, (Moycullen) proposed and Clr. Fahy seconded - (a) that a wall be built to prevent shingle from the Western shore at Ballinacourty Pier being carried in, shallowing the main entrance of the pier, so as to keep the channel clear, and - (b) that a wall be built on the right-hand side of the Ballinacourty Pier - say, 6 ft. high to prevent waves and seaweed being washed over the boats anchored on the other side, and this was agreed to.

435 - ARDRAHAN PUMP: Clr. Byrne asked the County Engineer to explain the position regarding the Ardrahan Pump.

Mr. Silke, C.A.C.E.(H) stated that a yield test was being carried out on the borehole in the Guards' Barracks, and the solution of the Ardrahan water-supply problem would depend on the success or failure of this test.

436 - COUNTY COMMITTEES OF AGRICULTURE: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Ruane seconded.

"That we the members of Galway County Council request the Minister for Agriculture to introduce legislation to amend the constitution of the County Committees of Agriculture by making provision for the inclusion of members from the major farming organisations within each county".

Clr. Hussey proposed a direct negative and Clr. Joyce seconded.

The Chairman put Clr.'s Byrne's proposal to the meeting and a vote taken thereon resulted as follows:-

FOR:

Clrs. Byrne, Burke, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Galvin, Glynn, Lambert, Mannion, Ridge, Ruane and Ryan (10).

AGAINST:

Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahy, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Raftery. (14).

Clr. Holland did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Byrne's proposal defeated.

437 - FOOTPATH - BISHOP'S STREET/DWYER'S BRIDGE, TUAM: Clr. Burke proposed that a concrete path be laid between Egan's Garage, Bishop's Street, and Dwyer's Bridge, Tuam.

The County Manager said that at present the paths in this locality were in rather a bad state, due to work being carried out by the Department of Posts & Telegraphs; that these cuttings would be re-instated when the P & T work was completed, and that it was hoped to re-surface the section mentioned during the next financial year.

438 - TUAM DERELICT SITES: Clr. Burke asked what progress had been made to eliminate derelict sites in Tuam, and the County Manager referred him to the attached memo which had already been circulated to the members at the meeting, showing the position regarding derelict sites at Tuam on the 17th January, 1968.

439 - SEWERAGE SCHEME - DEMESNE COTTAGES, TUAM: Clr. Burke asked when would the work commence on the Sewerage Scheme for the Demesne Cottages, Tuam,

The County Manager stated that this scheme had not so far been sanctioned by the Department of Local Government; that they had asked for amendments to the specification, and that these were now being furnished.

440 - CLIFDEN DUMPING GROUND: Clr. Mannion proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that the Galway Co. Council acquire a new dumping site for the refuse of Clifden immediately.

Clr. Joyce proposed a direct negative, and Deputy Geoghegan seconded.

After a discussion the Chairman put Clr. Mannion's proposal to the meeting, and a vote thereon resulted as follows:-

FOR: Clr. Byrne, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Galvin, Clr. Lambert, Clr. Mannion, Clr. Ridge and Clr. Ryan. (7).

AGAINST: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen) Fahy, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Hussey, Joyce, Senator M. Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Raftery (14).

Clrs. Glynn, Holland, and Ruane did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Mannion's proposal defeated.

441 - AUGHRISHMORE WATER GROUP SCHEME: Clr. Mannion asked, why permission was refused to Aughrishmore Water Supply Group Scheme.

The County Manager stated that at the request of the Department of Local Government, a sample of water from the lake at Aughrishbeg was taken and submitted for bacteriological examination; it was understood that this was the lake which was intended to be the source for the proposed Group Water Supply Scheme for the area; that the County M.O. reported that the bacteriological report indicated that the water was unsuitable for the purposes of a Group Water Supply Scheme, as it showed not only contamination, but stagnation; that even with full treatment it was doubtful if it could ever be made suitable, and the County M.O. would not consider it a suitable source for the proposed scheme, that he had informed the Department of Local Government of this on the 26th September, last.

Clr. Mannion said that a sample taken by an independent Engineer from the centre of the lake was, on examination found to be suitable, and the County Manager promised to have the matter re-examined, if Clr. Mannion would supply further details.

442 - SITE AT ERRISBEG, ROUNDSTONE PLANNING REFERENCE NO. 3167: Clr. Mannion asked the Council to deplore the attitude of the Minister for Local Government in repealing the decision of the County Planning Authority in relation to site at Errisbeg, Roundstone, - Planning Reference No. 3167, and Clr. Glynn supported him.

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It was pointed out that the permission granted by the Minister for Local Government on appeal was only an outline permission, and that an application for general permission was still required to be made.

443 - MEETINGS: The Council unanimously fixed dates and times for meetings as set out hereunder:-

(a) a special meeting of the Galway Co. Council in Committee to consider the draft Development Plan - Monday, the 29th January, 1968, at 3.30 p.m.

(b) Estimates Committee Meeting of the entire Council to consider the estimate of expenses for 1968/69 - Monday, 12th February, 1968, at 3.30 p.m.

(c) Formal Estimates Meeting of the Council to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending the 31st March, 1969, to be held on Monday, 26th February, 1967, at 3.30 p.m.

444 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following -

Dr. Eamon Scully, Moycullen, on the death of his brother, Rev. Fr. Scully, S.J.

Mr. Josie Gallagher, Gort, on the death of his brother.

Mr. William Coyne, Leam, Oughterard, on the death of his wife.

Mr. Devine, Drenane, Ballygar on his brother's death.

Mr. Martin Furey, C/o Corkery's, Merlin Park, Galway, on the death of his brother.

Mrs. Brody, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

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ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

[Signature] CHAIRMAN

DATE: 26/2/68

PROPOSED LOAN OF £140,000 FOR ERECTION OF

54 HOUSES

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|------------------------|----|-------------|
| Houses in Rural Areas: | | 18 |
| Town Schemes: | | |
| Athenry | 5 | |
| Gort | 6 | |
| Loughrea | 10 | |
| Portumna | 6 | |
| Tuam | 9 | 36 |
| | | <hr/> |
| TOTAL: | | 54 |
| | | <hr/> <hr/> |

January 1968.

DERELICT SITES AT TUAM

Position on 17/1/1968

T. 53 - Galway Road: Owner - Mr. P. J. Connolly.

The County Council has obtained a grant for the rendering of this site non-derelect and work will be commencing in about two weeks.

T.54 - Galway Road: Owner - Mr. B. Nolan.

Work carried out by owner. Site now non-derelect.

T.55 - Church View: Owner - T. Forde.

The County Council will be entering on this site within the next month to carry out the work under Section 3 of the Derelect Sites Act. A grant has been obtained.

T.56 - Galway Road: Owner - Mr. M. F. Kitt.

Notice under Section 2 of the Derelect Sites Act was served on the owner in this case. I understand that plans are being prepared for the submission of a proposal in this case for the consideration of the County Council.

T.57 - The Mall: Owner - Mr. J. Hession.

This site is under reconstruction. May now be considered as non-derelect.

T.58 - Circular Road: Owner - Mr. Albert Cummins.

A notice under Section 2 of the Derelect Sites Act was served on the owner in August last but there has been no work carried out in the meantime. Action under Section 3 of the Act will now be taken.

T.59 - Circular Road: Owner - Mr. A. Joyce.

The owner has proposed to convert this building into a garage this Spring and this proposal is acceptable to the County Council.

- Site at Dublin Road: Owner - Mr. J. Tighe.

A notice under Section 2 of the Act has been served on the owner and he has been allocated a grant by the Department of Local Government.

- Site at The Mall: Owners - The Daly Sisters.

A notice under Section 3 of the Derelect Sites Act was served on the owners on 21/8/67 but no work has been carried out by the owners. The County Council will now apply for a grant and have the work carried out by direct labour. The balance of the cost over and above the grant will be recouped from the owners.

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
29th JANUARY, 1968.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Croffy, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) Cllrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Haverty, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Cllrs. Raftery, Ruane, Ryan, Ridge.

Officials: Messrs. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager, C.A. Warner, County Engineer, R. Lee, C.A.C.E., (P), A. Smyth, Staff Officer K. Doyle, Acting County Secretary.

SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

Mr. Thomas Fahy, Oranmore on the death of Mrs. Fahy.

Miss Maureen Feeney, Rates Department, on the death of her sister.

DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN - At the outset the County Manager made the following statement:-

"In the original Draft Plan submitted to the Council for consideration, proposals for the restriction of the erection of houses in the areas of high amenity and scenic importance and in areas of special control were included.

The proposals were not accepted by the Council. Revised and less stringent restrictions were published by the Council in the Draft Plan, these proposals were re-examined by the Council, in the light of the representations submitted by the Department of Local Government in the letter PD.5/7 of the 22/9/67 and the Council decided to make no change in the decisions already published.

A draft of the Revisions as decided by the Council was submitted for consideration at the December Meeting, but consideration was adjourned. At the same time the drafts were forwarded to the Department of Local Government and the comments to the Department are contained in Circular PD.5/57 of the 5th January, 1968, copy of which has been circulated to the Council with the Agenda for this meeting, which reads as follows:-

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to your letter of the 20th ultimo in connection with the draft development plan and to state that the proposed revisions in paragraphs 2.18 and 2.21 have been considered.

The provisions regarding frontages and densities are not considered adequate in the areas of special development control - paragraph 2.18 Table 3, 1 (d), 2 (d), 3 (d) and 4 (d) and the relevant observations made in this Department's letter of 22 Mean Fomhair, 1967, still apply. The reference to such generally inadequate densities and frontages may in fact be a source of difficulty rather than an advantage in dealing with development control as it may give a misleading impression that applications for development which comply with these requirements will normally be given permission even though they may be very much at variance with the general policies of the Planning Authority e.g. as set out in paragraph 2.13 of the draft plan. It is requested that further consideration be given to this matter in the circumstances. The areas of special development control are the areas within reasonable distance of Galway City as indicated on Map No. 3. The necessity for joint discussions between City and County Planning authorities in relation to these areas was mentioned in this Department's letter of 22 Mean Fomhair. It is suggested again that

a joint approach by both Planning Authorities is very desirable and even essential if there is to be a consistent policy towards development both within the city boundary and in the areas of special development control outside it.

The provisions in regard to frontage and density at (vi) of Table 3A of paragraph 2.21 are also considered very inadequate and should be further reviewed. It is suggested that the proposals for development in these areas of high amenity and scenic importance should be dealt with on their merits within the framework of development policy set out in the draft plan pending the recommendations of the Planning Consultant appointed by An Foras Forbartha in regard to planning control principles. The Consultant is being requested to submit his recommendations in this connection as soon as possible.

It is again urged that the Planning Authority should in general adopt a positive and helpful policy by indicating, when it is possible to do so, places where development would be acceptable and by the provision of sites where that is feasible."

The Department pointed out that the inclusion of the densities, road-frontages, etc., proposed by the Council may give rise to difficulties by misleading applicants, and they suggest that no reference should be made in the new Draft Plan to densities.

In an effort to reconcile the conflicting approaches in the matter, a re-draft of the relevant sections of the plan is submitted herewith for the Council's consideration.

The re-draft of Paragraph 2.18 of the Draft Development Plan would read as follows:-

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AREAS OF SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT CONTROL:

The Areas of Special Development Control are indicated on Map 1 and comprise :-

- (A) An area surrounding Galway City stretching from Oranmore and Claregalway on the east side of the city to Spiddal and Moycullen on the west side and bounded by Lough Corrib on the north side.
- (B) The area adjacent to and along both sides of the coastal main road from Spiddal to Ballinahown.
- (C) Lands adjacent to arterial and main trunk roads.

The necessity for the declaration of these areas to be Areas of Special Development Control arises from the following factors:-

AREA (A) The rapid growth of Galway City has created a heavy demand for the development of lands for housing and other needs in the County area outside the City. The proper planning of the area should seek to co-ordinate and integrate the planning needs of the area and the planning needs of the city. For this reason a special Development Plan for the area will be prepared in consultation with the Galway Borough Planning Authority.

Pending the preparation of such a Plan, development control will operate, within the framework of development policy, so as to restrict or limit development which is not related to the need or for the beneficial development of this area.

AREA (B) Housing development in this area has tended to concentrate along the main roads and in recent years has occurred at a rapid rate. This trend is partly due to local and non-local population movement into this area.

The location of extensive linear development along a heavily trafficked route, the concentration of septic tanks which would thus arise and the unsuitable nature of the soil, warrant the restriction of development for the proper planning of the area. Development Control will operate within the framework of Development Policy, so as to restrict or limit development which is not related to the need or for the beneficial development of this area.

AREA (C) For the protection of the traffic capacity and avoidance of elements of traffic hazard on these routes, development control will operate, within the framework of Development Policy, to limit or restrict development which is not related to the need or for the beneficial development or these areas.

In the interests of public safety, it is unlikely that development will be permitted on the approaches to the flight path of the air field at Oranmore.

Applications for development will be considered on their merits, within the framework of development policy, in the villages of Oranmore, Claregalway, Moycullen, Spiddal and Barna. The boundaries of these villages are delineated on Map No. 3.

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Notwithstanding the non-publication of any density provisions in the plan, regard will be had by the officers of the Council in dealing with individual planning applications to the decisions of the Council in regard to densities, and inquirers will be advised that the densities decided by the Council will be the minimum requirements for consideration of an application. These arrangements would, of course, operate during the period from the adoption of the plan until the final report of the proposed Planning Consultants is accepted by the Council.

It is recommended that Planning Consultants be employed to plan the area of special control around the city of Galway. If this recommendation is accepted, it would fit in with the decision already made by the Galway Corporation to employ Planning Consultants to plan certain 'action areas' in the city. It is likely that the same Consultants will be employed by both bodies, and thus, the planning of the two areas will be fully co-ordinated as is suggested in the Department's letter.

In this connection, it is suggested that a small sub-committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council, The Mayor, the County Manager, and the Planning Officers of both authorities should be set up, so that the Planning Consultants could confer with them when necessary.

One of the first things which the Planning Consultants would be asked to do would be to indicate places where development would be acceptable, and the Council would be asked to authorise the provision of sites in areas where this is feasible."

The following proposed amendments of Paragraphs 2.21 and 2.13 (2) of the Draft County Development Plan have been circulated to the members of the Council present were submitted.

(A) Proposed amendments of Paragraph 2.21 :-

"AREAS OF HIGH AMENITY AND SCENIC IMPORTANCE.

These areas are shown on Map 1 and are areas of High Amenity and/or Scenic Importance, because of their scenic and/or landscape qualities, recreational or other attractions.

Outside towns and villages in these areas, development will be allowed, within the framework of development policy, which

- (1) does not impair the amenity of the area, or is not prominent on the landscape, and

- (2) in design, materials and finishes, is capable of being assimilated into the surroundings."

(B) Proposed Amendment of Paragraph 2.13 (2) :-

- "(2) Applications for development will be considered in the light of
 - (a) the reasons for its establishment,
 - (b) the effects on the safety and free flow of traffic and the traffic capacity of roads.
 - (c) the effects of the development on Local Authority services, works and proposals.
 - (d) the effects on adjoining uses, public health and amenities.
 - (e) the beneficial development of the area."

In reply to several questions by members, the County Manager emphasised that compliance with density requirements did not mean that permission would automatically be granted for particular development, that each application would have to be considered in the light of the policy adopted by the Council as set out in Paragraph 2.1 of the Draft Development Plan, which reads as follows:-

"2.1. It is the policy of the Planning Authority to provide for:-

- (a) the preservation and conservation of the amenities and scenic landscape of the County
- (b) the development of the recreational amenity and tourist potential of the County, and the attraction of private development, including housing development into existing tourist centres
- (c) the relationship of planning needs to the development forces arising from the growth of Galway city as a tourist and industrial centre
- (d) assistance in the integration of planned agricultural development policy, and industrial development policy for the revitalisation of rural areas in so far as it is within the function of the Planning Authority, and further as is consistent with good planning
- (e) the restriction upon desirable urban development, and the encouragement of development into existing centres, where utility and community facilities exist or can be provided."

A long discussion followed during which the following points were made:-

Clr. Callanan enquired who is to interpret policy in the Draft Development Plan, he stated that he did not agree that interpretation should be left solely to officials, and suggested that some few members of the Council should be on a committee who would work with the Planning Officials. He mentioned the difficulty in explaining the word 'amenities' in cases where interference with amenities is given as the reason for refusal of a planning application.

Deputy Kitt suggested that all applications for planning permission together with proposed decisions on them be brought before the County Council at each monthly meeting.

Deputy Molloy stated that he considered it necessary to bring before the Council only those applications which are proposed to be refused.

The County Manager pointed out that there are particular difficulties in bringing applications before the County Council due to the necessity to obtain reports from the various officers of the Council concerned and conveying decisions to applicants within the prescribed time limit. The County Manager also pointed out that the making of decisions on planning applications is an executive function and as such he must bear responsibility for all decisions made. He pointed out also that the Council has authority to require him to inform the Council of the manner in which he proposes to discharge executive functions and if the Council is dis-satisfied with such proposals, there is a procedure laid down by law whereby he can be compelled to adopt a particular course.

Clr. Glynn proposed that the density requirements proposed in the original draft be accepted, provided that the Council make arrangements for the provision of building sites at reasonable prices in the various centres.

The County Manager stated that the Draft Development Plan makes provision for acquisition of land for building purposes, but that he could not give a guarantee as to how soon that would be available.

Clr. Burke stated that densities provision in the Draft Development Plan will have the effect of restricting house building.

Deputy Coogan proposed and Clr. Mannion seconded that the Minister's recommendations as set out in his letter of the 5th January, 1968, be rejected.

After discussion Deputy Molloy proposed that the recommendations in the Department's letter be rejected with the exception of the recommendation for joint discussions by the City and County Planning Authorities, in relation to those areas

This was agreed to by the Council.

Following a discussion on Deputy Coogan's Notice of Motion it was agreed that Deputy Geoghagan's Notice of Motion, Item No. 3 on the Agenda be dealt with as an amendment of Deputy Coogan's Motion.

Deputy Geoghagan stated that the population movement in the Spiddal-Tully area was from the hinterland to sites adjoining the main road, - because the holdings of land in this area run in narrow strips from the sea to the hinterland. It would not be possible for them to conform to the frontage requirements in the draft plan, thus preventing them from building beside the main road. He stated that some of those people in that area were now keeping guests, and if they were not allowed to build beside the main road, it would be impossible for them to cater for tourists.

Deputy Geoghagan also asked if the provisions of Paragraph 2.18 4.d of the Draft Development Plan applied to the Spiddal-Tully road and it was agreed that they would.

Deputy Geoghagan then proposed, Deputy Molloy seconded that the following be substituted for Table 3- No. 4 (d) Areas of special development control of the Draft County Development Plan

"In all other cases to/density of not greater than one house to one acre, having a road frontage of not less than 100 feet along a public road".

This Motion was passed by the County Council on a show of hands.

The County Manager stated at this stage that application had been made to the Minister for an extension of the time for adoption of the development plan to the 30th June, 1968, but that this application had not yet been sanctioned by the Minister. He asked the Council if they wished that a revised draft plan be prepared for consideration at the February meeting embodying decisions taking by the Council, or whether they wished at this stage to apply for a further extension beyond the 30th June, 1968.

He stated that the draft plan if adopted at the February meeting would be published by the 1st March, would be on display after publication of notices for three months, during which time interested parties could submit objections or representations, and the Council would then have the month of June to consider the objections or representations and adopt the plan.

At this stage Deputy Molloy stated that he raised at previous meetings, the question of the boundaries for Knocknacarra village, and that he had been promised that these would be discussed before a draft plan would be adopted. He asked what were the provisions in the plan for the area in the centre of the village of Knocknacarra, and also for two fields on the eastern side of the village between the village boundary, and the borough boundary.

He stated that sites available for housing around Galway city are very scarce, and that a requirement of two acres for a house is too strict. He stated that the policy outlined in the draft would leave very few sites available, and the exclusion of the areas referred to above would involve more restrictions on building.

In reply to Deputy Molloy's enquiry, the Chief Asst. County Engineer (Planning) stated that the density for permissible housing development in the areas referred to (west of the Corrib but outside the village boundaries of Knocknacarra) is as set out in Paragraph 2(d) of Table 3 i.e., not greater than one house per acre, and having a road frontage not less than 100 feet.

He further stated that the reasons for those provisions are set out in Appendix B Paragraph 1 in page 40 of the Draft Development Plan.

Deputy Molloy proposed that the existing boundaries of the Knocknacarra village, on Map 3, be extended to include the central area at present excluded, and also the two fields to the east of the existing boundary, to the borough boundary.

This proposal was seconded by Clr. Fahy.

The County Engineer stated that he considered it unwise to do this at present - and that it was obvious for a long time that there should be unified approach by the Galway County Council and the Galway Corporation to the planning of this area, which is a vital one. He suggested that this matter be deferred until there are consultations with the Galway Corporation.

Deputy Molloy's proposal was approved by the Council on a show of hands.

The Council also unanimously agreed that a revised draft development plan be prepared for consideration at the February meeting of the Council.

WATER CHARGES: The County Manager referred to his Circular letter to each member of the Council, dated 26th January, 1968, which was handed out at the meeting, pointing out that since water charges were last fixed on the 1st April, 1964, the cost of maintenance of water supplies had increased by/

approx. 20%, and he suggested that a new scale of charges be fixed for water for various purposes, with effect as from the 1st April, 1968, as set out in his letter.

Clr. Raftery objected to the rate proposed to be charged for business premises and private apartments attached where no water was installed, or used, in the business premises.

Deputy Coogan stated that he considered the rates of charge for dance halls to be too low.

Clr. Ryan stated that the charge proposed for watertroughs in cow byres was too high, and that this could result in a very considerable charge where drinking bowls were provided in cow byres.

The County Manager stated that the maximum charge for any one cow byre would be £1.

It was proposed by Clr. Fahy, seconded by Clr. Mannion, and resolved that the following scale of charges be adopted as from 1st April, 1968.

SCALE OF CHARGES -- NON-METERED SUPPLIES

- 1. Private house, where water is used for domestic purposes only. 35/- p.a.
- 2. Business premises, other than public houses, with private apartments attached. 60/- p.a.
- 3. (a) Public House, with or without private apartments; registered Guest Houses, Cafes and Restaurants 95/- p.a.
- (b) Registered Hotels 120/- p.a.
- 4. Lock-up shop 35/- p.a.
- 5. Outside tap for general use 35/- p.a.
- 6. Drinking troughs in fields for cattle (per trough) 20/- p.a.
- 7. Drinking troughs in cow byres (per trough) 10/- p.a.
- 8. Residential Schools 60/- p.a.
- Non-residential Schools and Churches 15/- p.a.
- 9. Dance, Parochial and other halls and cinemas 25/- p.a.
- 10. Garages, slaughter houses, factories not using water for manufacturing purposes (The Council reserves the right to supply water by meter). 60/- p.a.
- 50/- p.a.
- 11. Building in course of erection.

METERED SUPPLIES

- Manufacturing purposes. 2/6d. per 1,000 gals.
- Domestic: e.g., Hotels, caravan parks, etc. 2/- per 1,000 gals.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *[Signature]*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

[Signature] CHAIRMAN

DATE: 26/2/68

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

7th February, 1968.

To: Each member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

It is requested that you will attend a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 12th February, 1968, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE
Runaí Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

- 1. Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1969 - copy herewith.
- 2. Agricultural Grant 1967/68.
- 3. Contribution to National Council for the Blind.
- 4. Minutes of Scholarships Committee Meeting held on 2nd February, 1968 - copy herewith.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY, 2nd
FEBRUARY, 1968.

PRESENT: An t-Ath. Oir. O Dhroin, Rev. Dr. Mooney, Rev. Brother Valerian, Councillors M. Kitt, T. King, J. Donnellan, P. Joyce, P. Fahy, P. Donnellan, Mrs. J. Burke. Messrs. F. Mullins, M. Hogan, T. Fitzgerald, M. Lohan.

OFFICIALS:

Mr. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager, Miss G. O'Grady, Staff Officer.

CHAIRMAN 1967/68: On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Mullins, Cllr. John Donnellan was unanimously elected Chairman of the Committee for the year 1967/68.

VICE - CHAIRMAN 1967/68: On the proposition of Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. King, Mr. Hans was elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the year 1967/68.

Mr. Donnellan thanked the members for his re-election and welcomed all the new members to the Committee.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Arising out of the minutes, a letter from the Department of Education, dated the 10th Samhain, 1966 was submitted, confirming that Latin and Modern Languages were included in the curriculum of the comprehensive schools established by the Department, at Carraroe, Cootehill and Shannon Airport.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME 1968: The Scheme for 1967 was submitted, and the committee recommended to the County Council the adoption of a scheme for Scholarships (Ordinary and Agricultural) for the year 1968, similar to the 1967 scheme, with the exception of the following amendments:

CLAUSE 1: £5,400 to be substituted for 1800.
£1,350 " " " " 450.
£4,050 " " " " 1350.

CLAUSE 2: £400 to be substituted for 300.
£5,400 to be substituted for 1800.

CLAUSE 6: (a) To a student in lodgings £200
to read: (b) To a student residing in own home £125 a year provided that no student coming under (a) be in receipt of more than £300 a year from all scholarship sources, and that no student coming under (b) be in receipt of more than £250 a year from all scholarship sources.

CLAUSE 9: Latest date for entry to be 22nd April, 1968.

CLAUSE 11: (a) The following addition to be made:
Honours in a modern language may be substituted for Irish

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where Rule 50 of the "Rules and Programme for Secondary Schools" applies to candidate.

CLAUSE 14: Candidates for Scholarships under this scheme can compete to read: for the entrance scholarships offered by the University Colleges. Full particulars regarding these scholarships may be obtained from the Registrars of the Colleges.

CLAUSE 15 (5) and 16 (2) and (5): The following to be added:
Unless exempted by Rule 50 of the "Rules and Programme" for Secondary Schools.

CLAUSE 19: To be deleted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Scheme for University Scholarships, 1968.

1. The County Council of Galway shall provide in the financial year commencing on the 1st April, 1968, a sum of £5,400 to be applied in carrying into effect the terms of this scheme subject to the following conditions:-
 - (a) Not more than £1,350 shall be awarded without regard to whether the parents or guardians of the persons to whom the scholarships are awarded comply with the means qualifications incorporated in the scheme.
 - (b) Not less than £4050 shall be allocated to persons whose parents or guardians comply with the means qualifications incorporated in the scheme.
2. (a) A sum of £400 being part of the total amount £5,400 provided, shall, subject to the provisions of Clause 1 and of the other provisions of the scheme be reserved for award of agricultural scholarships to qualified candidates, for an agricultural scholarship.

If sufficient candidates do not qualify for agricultural scholarships, the un-awarded part of the above amount £400 shall be treated as being available for award of ordinary scholarships.

(b) If the limit imposed by Clause 1 (a) results in a lesser amount remaining available than is required to grant a full scholarship, the next qualifying candidate shall be awarded a scholarship of the amount remaining available only.

(c) If the amount remaining available after all awards have been made in accordance with the scheme is less than the amount required to grant a full scholarship to the next candidate qualifying, such candidate shall be awarded a scholarship of the amount remaining available only.

3. Scholarships under this scheme will only be awarded to candidates intending to qualify in one or more of the following faculties, viz:-
Engineering, Architecture, Medicine, Law, Science, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine, Agricultural Science, Arts or Commerce.
4. The scholarships will, subject to the exceptions stated hereunder in this clause be tenable for four years in University College, Galway.

The Council may extend the period of tenure of any scholarship beyond the four year period in an individual case of exceptional hardship.

A student intending to qualify in the faculty of Engineering (Electrical or Mechanical) may avail of a scholarship under this scheme until such time as facilities for such courses will be available in University College, Galway, either entirely in University College, Dublin, or for the first year in University College, Galway, and for the remainder of the period in University College, Dublin.

Students intending to qualify in the faculties of Engineering (Chemical) and Architecture may avail of their scholarships under this scheme in University College, Dublin, until such time as facilities for these courses will be available in University College, Galway.

Scholarships in Dentistry and Agricultural Science are tenable in a recognised University for two years of the four-year period.

Scholarships in Veterinary Medicine and scholarships awarded to Ecclesiastical students will be tenable in a recognised University.

5. ORDINARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Subject to the provisions of Clause 1 of the Scheme, the

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Ordinary Scholarships are offered for competition among candidates of either sex, who:

- (a) will be not more than 21 years on 1st June, 1968, and
 - (b) have not pursued a course of study in any constituent college of the National University of Ireland or in any other University.
6. The value of the scholarship shall be as follows:-
 - (a) To a student in lodgings, £200 a year.
 - (b) To a student residing in own home, £125 a year, provided that no student coming under (a) be in receipt of more than £300 a year from all scholarship sources and that no student coming under (b) be in receipt of more than £250 a year from all scholarship sources.
 7. Scholarships will be awarded only to such candidates as furnish a medical certificate of good health (this certificate need not be furnished until the result of the scholarship examination has been made known).
 8. Means Qualification:
 - (a) For the purposes of clause 1 of the scheme, a person will be regarded as having complied with the means qualification whose parents' or guardians' income did not exceed £1,400 for the year ended 30th September, 1967 taken as basis of support of the parents and the applicant, with an addition to that limit of £90 respectively for each additional dependent child under 16 years of age on the 1st October, 1967, or for any child between 16 and 21 years of age on that date who is receiving whole-time education at a recognised educational establishment and who is not in receipt of an annual income exceeding £50.
 - (b) Where the parents or guardians livelihood is derived from farming, the Poor Law Valuation on land must not exceed a limit of £90 taken as the basis of support of the parents or guardians and the applicant, with an addition to that limit of £9 valuation in respect of each child under 16 years of age on the 1st October, 1967, or for any child between 16 and 21 years of age on that date who is receiving full-time education at a recognised educational establishment and who is not in receipt of an annual income exceeding £50.
 - (c) Allowances paid under the Childrens' Allowances Act, 1944, shall not be regarded as income for the purposes of this scheme.
 9. Every candidate for this scholarship must obtain an application form from the Secretary of the Galway County Council, with whom completed forms must be lodged not later than 22nd April, 1968.

A candidate who does not satisfy the conditions for admission to the leaving Certificate Examination as to pursuing an approved course of study as a pupil of a secondary school must also obtain from the Secretary a special form of notice of intention to present himself for examination and return the same duly completed to the Secretary before 8th April, 1968.
 10. The scholarships will be awarded in order of merit on the results of the Leaving Certificate Examination, 1968, on the following conditions:-
 - (a) A candidate may enter for the Leaving Certificate Examination as a scholarship examination even though he has not satisfied the condition for admission to the Leaving Certificate Examination.
 - (b) A candidate may select any centre for the Leaving Certificate Examination.
 - (c) The following are the subjects of examination which may be taken for scholarship purposes:-

Irish, English, Greek, Latin, French, German, Italian, Spanish, History, Geography, Commerce, Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Domestic Science, Botany, Physiology and Hygiene, Agricultural Science, General Science, Physics and Chemistry.

(d) The marks assigned to these subjects are the same as the marks assigned thereto at the Leaving Certificate Examination.

(e) (1) In awarding scholarships the marks that shall be taken into account shall be the honours marks awarded to a candidate in the four or more subjects in which he has obtained the highest percentages, and of which the possible maximum total does not exceed 2,000.

(2) If the possible maximum of the marks assigned to the four (or more) subjects in which he has obtained the highest percentages does not reach 2,000, and if the addition of the maximum marks assigned to a further subject which a candidate has presented, and in which he has obtained the highest percentage among his remaining subjects at this stage would bring his possible marks above 2,000, such proportion of the marks in that subjects as would bring the total possible maximum marks to 2,000 will be included in determining a candidate's place in order of merit.

(3) Where two or more candidates obtain the same total for the order of merit list, the order of merit shall be determined by the marks secured by the candidates in Irish.

11. To be eligible for a scholarship a candidate:-

(a) must have passed with honours at the Leaving Certificate Examination in Irish, and in at least two of the other subjects mentioned in Clause 10 (c). Honours in a modern language may be substituted for Irish where Rule 50 of the "Rules & Programme for Secondary Schools" applies to a candidate.

(b) must have passed the Matriculation Examination of the National University of Ireland before the 1st October, 1968.

12. Every successful candidate shall avail himself/herself immediately of the scholarship awarded to him/her under this scheme unless the Council agrees that acceptance may be postponed owing to illness or other exceptional cause: otherwise the candidate shall forfeit all right to the award.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIPS

13. The Agricultural Scholarships will be awarded on the same conditions as those governing the award of Ordinary Scholarships, subject to the following reservations, viz:-

(a) An Agricultural Scholarship shall be awarded only to a candidate, otherwise eligible, who has applied for an Agricultural Scholarship.

(b) In no case will an Agricultural Scholarship be awarded unless the County Council is satisfied that the candidate, being otherwise qualified, under the scheme, has practical experience of farming and has resided with parents or guardians who are engaged in actual farming operations from which they derive their principal means of livelihood.

GENERAL

14. Candidates for scholarships under this scheme can compete for the Entrance Scholarships, offered by the University Colleges. Full information regarding these scholarships may be obtained from the Registrars of the colleges.

15. A scholarship will be paid in instalments in November, February and May. No instalment, however, will be paid in the second or third term until the College Authorities inform the Secretary:-

(1) That they are satisfied with the conduct of the student during the preceding term.

(2) That the student has attended during the preceding term at least three-fourths of the lectures in each subject taken out by him at the beginning of the session.

(3) That he has presented himself for examination in each of the subjects referred to, held by the College Authorities at the end of the preceding term.

(4) That his answering at the examination referred to has been deemed satisfactory by the Professors.

(5) That the Standing Committee are satisfied that the students holding scholarships under this scheme have taken out lectures in Irish where possible, unless exempted by Rule 50 of the "Rules & Programme for Secondary Schools 1967/68".

(6) That the Standing Committee recommend such payment.

16. A student shall not be allowed to hold a scholarship for a second or higher year unless the College Authorities inform the Secretary of the Council:-

(1) That they are satisfied with the conduct of the student during the preceding year.

(2) That he has passed an oral examination in Irish at the end of the session, unless exempted by Rule 50 of the "Rules & Programme for Secondary Schools 1967/68". (These oral examinations are to be of such a nature and difficulty as to secure that students who complete their college courses shall leave the College as fluent Irish speakers, and in the case of medical students, should include the matter of Focloir and Leaga).

(3) That he has presented himself for, and passed in all subjects of his University or College Sessional Examination of the preceding year.

(4) That the Standing Committee of the College recommend such renewal.

(5) That the student has attended one year's course in Irish at the University, unless exempted by Rule 50 of the "Rules & Programme for Secondary Schools 1967/68".

17. The decision of the County Council on any point arising under the foregoing regulations or in regard to scholarships generally shall be final, and the County Council reserve the power to reduce or determine a scholarship at any time.

18. Candidates for scholarships under this scheme must be the children of parents whose homes have been situate in the County of Galway for at least one year previous to the 1st June immediately preceding the examination, and must be otherwise qualified under the Irish Universities Act, 1908, as amended by the Local Authorities (Education Scholarships) (Amendment) Act, 1961.

19. If a candidate who qualifies for a State Scholarship and a County Council Scholarship avails of the State Scholarship and subsequently fails to retain it, he/her shall not than be granted the County Council Scholarship.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN COMMITTEE AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON
MONDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY, 1968

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. Thomas King.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Ctrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Croffy, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Ctrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Ctrs. Raftery, Ridge and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

- 445 - AGRICULTURAL GRANT 1967/68: It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Deputy Coogan and resolved:-

"That subject to the consent of the Minister for Local Government, Galway County Council hereby determines in relation to the local financial year ending 31st March, 1968, that a person liable for rates on a tenement of agricultural land, in respect of which an allowance is made under the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief Acts) 1939 to 1967, shall be allowed credit for the Agricultural Grant notwithstanding the fact that the amount payable (after any abatement to give effect to such allowance) to the Council on foot of the rates in respect of the tenement for the service of the local financial year to which the allowance relates, is not paid by the appropriate date as defined in Section 7 (4) of the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act 1967, where the County Manager is satisfied that the rates are due owing to inability to pay and are not being deliberately withheld."

- 446 - CONTRIBUTION TO NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND:

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Lambert, the Council approved an increase in the contribution to the National Council for the Blind, from £350 per annum to £500 per annum for year ending 31st March, 1968 and subsequent years.

- 447 - MINUTES OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2ND FEBRUARY, 1968:

On the proposition of Clr. Ryan and seconded by Clr. Collins, the Council approved the minutes of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on 2nd February, 1968.

- 448 - ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1969:

The Estimate, as circulated, was submitted, showing Receipts and Expenditure as follows:-

COUNTY CHARGES:

Expenditure

£4,742,823

Receipts:

£2,313,825

SEPARATE CHARGES:

Expenditure

£84,687. 15. 10.

TOWN CHARGES:

Loughrea

£668

Tuam

£3,358.

The rate for County Charges based on this estimate would be 1011¹/₂d in the £ which is an increase of 56¹/₂d on the rate for County Charges for the year ending 31st March, 1968.

The rate for Separate Charges levied on the County Health District for the River Corrib Navigation, Galway Harbour, Vocational Education and Malicious Injury Decrees based on this estimate is 31d in the £ - a reduction of 3d in the £ as compared with the current year.

The total increase in the rate based on the estimate as submitted would therefore be 55¹/₂d in the £.

The Assistant County Manager explained to the members the details regarding the proposed increases in the various services.

The members then proceeded to examine the Estimate in detail.

ROAD SERVICES ESTIMATE: On the proposition of Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Burke, the Road Services Estimate was approved.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SERVICES ESTIMATE: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Molloy, the Public Assistance Services Estimate was approved.

Arising therefrom, on the proposition of Clr. Holland and seconded by Clr. Collins, it was suggested that the effect the Scheme for the Care of the Aged had in keeping people out of St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea, be considered at the next meeting of the Visiting Committee in St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea.

HEALTH SERVICES ESTIMATE: The General Medical Services, Galway Regional Hospital, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden and St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea, Estimates were considered in detail and a lengthy discussion thereon ensued.

Arising therefrom, Clr. Fahy asked how the rates for Health Services in Galway compared with that in places such as Cork and Limerick and he also asked how the receipts for offal at the Galway Regional Hospital compared with the amounts received in Merlin Park and Ballinasloe Mental Hospital.

- 449 - ADJOURNMENT: On the proposition of Clr. Holland and seconded by Clr. Haverty, further consideration of the Estimate was adjourned to a special meeting of the Council to be held in Committee on Friday, 23rd February, 1968, at 3.30 p.m. at the County Buildings, Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *[Signature]*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

[Signature] : CHAIRMAN

DATE: 26/2/68

GOMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Rúnai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH

16adh lá de Feabhra, 1968.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

The Chairman, Senator Mark Killilea requests that you attend a Special Meeting of the Galway County Council in the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 19th February, 1968, at 4 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANIDHE

Rúnai Sealadach

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY, 1968

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Croffy, Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Cllrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Raftery, Ruane and Ridge.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager and M. S. O'Maolruanidhe, Acting County Secretary.

450 - The Chairman and the members present expressed their deep sympathy with Mr. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, in his sad bereavement on the death of his eldest son.

Mr. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, joined in the expression of sympathy on behalf of the staff.

It was proposed by Senator Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"That as a mark of respect to Mr. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, in his bereavement, the meeting be adjourned."

Mr. Sharkey thanked the members for their expression of sympathy.

The Meeting then terminated

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *M. S. O'Maolruanidhe*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

M. Killilea : CHAIRMAN

DATE: 26/2/68

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

16th February, 1968.

To: Each member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

It is requested that you will attend a Special Meeting of the Council in Committee which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Friday, 23rd February, 1968, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. Ó MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Further consideration of the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1969.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD IN COMMITTEE, AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY,
23RD FEBRUARY, 1968.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clr. Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Lambert, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane and Ridge.

Officials: Messrs. L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary, T. P. Griffin, Acting County Accountant.

- 451 - COUNTY MANAGER - The Assistant County Manager apologised for the absence of the County Manager, saying that he was still ill.

On the proposition of the Chairman and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council sent their good wishes to the Manager for his speedy recovery.

- 452 - PAYMENT OF RATES: On the proposition of Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council asked the County Manager to extend the time for payment of the current year's rates by one month, viz. to the 30th April, 1968, in view of the difficulties experienced by farmers in selling cattle as a result of the out-break of the foot and mouth disease in England and the consequent restrictions on fairs here.

- 453 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1969:

The members then proceeded to continue examination of the Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1969, in detail.

HEALTH SERVICES ESTIMATE:

The Health Services Estimate was approved.

Arising therefrom, Deputy Molloy said he wishes to have the question of dental treatment for non-medical card holders at the Galway Regional Hospital examined.

SANITARY SERVICES ESTIMATE:

The Sanitary Services Estimate was considered and approved.

HOUSING SERVICES ESTIMATE:

The Housing Services Estimate was considered and approved.

GENERAL PURPOSES SERVICES ESTIMATE:

The General Purposes Services Estimate was considered.

Arising therefrom, Deputy Molloy referred to the provision for Tourist Development, viz. £2460 and he proposed that the amount provided be increased to the produce of 1d. in the £, viz. £2550 and Clr. Joyce seconded.

The Chairman put this proposal to the meeting and a vote taken thereon resulted as follows -

For: Deputy Coogan, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Joyce and Deputy Molloy. (4).

Against: Clrs. Byrne, Callanan, Collins, Glynn, Haverly, Hussey, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Raftery (9).

The Chairman declared Deputy Molloy's proposal defeated.

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved the Estimate as submitted, and recommended its adoption by the County Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *[Signature]*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

[Signature] : CHAIRMAN

DATE: 26/2/68.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

16th February, 1968.

To: Each member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 26th February, 1968, commencing at 3.30 p.m. to consider and adopt the Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1969, and to determine the Rate in the Pound for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. Ó MAOLRUANÁIDHE
Rúnaí Sealadach

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

16ú lá de Feabhra, 1968.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 26ú lá de Feabhra, 1968, ag tosú nuair a bheidh deire le cruinniú na meastachán.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. Ó'MAOLRUANÁIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:-
 - (a) Messrs. Anthony Ryan Ltd., Shop Street, Galway -
- Polished Plate Glass Window damaged, 7/1/1968 ... £59. 5. 0.
 - (b) E. F. Clancy, P.V. Ryan, E. B. Doyle -
Letterfrack Industrial School
- Storeroom and contents burned, 2/1/1968 ... £333. 0. 0.
 - (c) Galway Itinerants Settlement Council -
- Damage to Caravan, 15/1/1968 ... £155. 0. 0.
 - (d) Cashel Bay Estates Co. Ltd.,
1 & 2 South Frederick St., Dublin
- Damage to 71 panes of glass and 2 windows
sashes at Doonreaghan House, Cashal, Co. Galway,
19/1/1968. ... £250. 0. 0.
 - (e) Champion Stud Ltd., Renville House, Co. Galway
- Gates removed, telephone wires cut, walls
damaged at Renville Hall, 23/1/1968 ... £350. 0. 0.

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3. Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 - Draft Development Plan.
4. Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 -
 - (a) Elfriede M. H. Preger - permission for erection of house at Errisbeg, Roundstone.
 - (b) Susan and Philip Richardson, Curraunbeg, Glann, Oughterard - Arbitrator's Award.
5. Remuneration increase - Senior Dental Surgeon:-
£2,300 x £67 - £2,702 per annum pre 10th round increase from 1/6/1966.
(Present scale £1,895 x £67 - £2,230 x £65 - £2,295 per annum).
6. Creation of additional office of Pathologist to Galway County Council - County Manager's report thereon to follow.
7. Creation of additional office of Public Health Nurse to Galway County Council - County Manager's report thereon to follow.
8. Declaration of roads to be public roads - schedule attached.
- Objection from Mr. Martin Lyons, Gatestown, Moylough re County Road 412 - Mountbellew area.
9. Proposed sale of land at Cosmona, Loughrea - Notice dated 14th February, 1968.
10. MEMBERS NOTICES OF MOTION:

(a) Clr. P. Fahy:

"That the Council building proposed for Crow Street, Gort, be delayed until such time as the following works which directly affect the lives of the people of Gort have been carried out:-

- (1) 15 houses built.
- (2) 15 derelict sites be acquired, paid for and built upon.
- (3) Footpaths leading from the town along Galway, Ennis and Loughrea roads restored.
- (4) Town lighting improved and night pilot lights installed.
- (5) Water and sewerage extended to all houses in the town giving a priority to an adequate water supply to the only factory in the town which pays £500 a year rates and has a 1" water supply.
- (6) Garbage collection extended to this factory.
- (7) Roads, such as those leading (a) to the Cloughnaceva Circuit, (b) to the Waterworks, (c) to the Childrens' Graveyard, (d) to the river at Crow Street, etc., in the immediate vicinity of the town be rolled, without expecting portion of monies allocated to Councillors to do this work.
- (8) Fire Brigade properly housed and bells installed in Firemen's houses.
- (9) All Council work noted as sub-standard by Tidy Towns Committee be brought up to standard."

(b) Clr. J. Lambert:

"At the next meeting of the Council I will propose -

- (1) that night pilot lights be provided at Gort Town.
- (2) that public lighting be provided at Tubber Village, Gort

- (3) that houses unfit for reconstruction grants be repaired for people unable to provide new houses by their own means.

(c) Deputy J. Donnellan:

- (1) To ask the County Manager when will the Galway County Council carry out the necessary repairs on the Tuam Water Works so that the Levally/Cortoon Drainage Scheme can be completed.

(d) Clr. P. Fahy:

- (1) I intend to propose that the Departments of Health and Education co-operate with this Council in finding accommodation for some 50 children whose disability either mental or physical is such as to prevent them from attending special schools already established in the County Galway.

(e) Clr. F. Glynn:

At the next meeting of the Council I will propose -

- (1) That a sum of money be provided in the 1968/69 Estimates so that work can start at an early date on the proposed developments at the Palace Grounds, Tuam,
- (2) that the County Council request the Minister for Local Government to make an early decision on the tenders for the proposed new swimming pool for Tuam.

(f) Deputy J. Geoghegan and Clr. P. Joyce:

"That the Minister for Health be requested to sanction a special rate of pay applicable to the temporary post in Aran for all vacant posts of District Medical Officer in the county and that applications for the filling of all vacancies on the new basis of remuneration be invited as soon as sanction of the Minister has been received and that the Minister be requested to expedite the recruitment of permanent District Medical Officers for all the dispensary districts at present vacant in the county."

(g) Deputy M. F. Kitt and Clr. J. Callanan:

At the next meeting of Galway County Council we will propose that -

- (1) the proposed decision on Planning applications be placed before the members of the County Council at each ordinary monthly County Council meeting before the final decisions of the Planning Authority is approved.

(h) Clr. T. Byrne:

- (1) That we the members of Galway County Council instruct the County Engineer to investigate the feasibility of providing a sea wall along by the county road at Killeenaran, Kilcolgan.
- (2) That we the members of Galway County Council request the Minister for Finance to provide for relief of rates in the forthcoming Budget which would ease the burden on the small shopkeepers in rural Ireland.
- (3) That immediate consideration be given to improving the inadequate medical facilities within the present Kinvara/Gort dispensary areas.

(i) Clr. T. King:

"I will propose at the next County Council meeting that the County Manager be authorised to negotiate for the purchase of the Toll Rights in the town of Headford with a view to the establishment of a Fairgreen or Salesyard."

(j) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

"I will ask the County Manager to state what compensation has been paid to date resulting from claims made following refusal of Planning applications with particulars of the cases involved."

(k) Deputy J. Donnellan and Clr. P. Donnellan:

"At the next meeting of the County Council we will ask the members of this Council to deplore the proposed action of the Minister for Education in closing the Coolarne Secondary School."

(l) Clr. T. Hussey:

"At the next meeting of Galway County Council I will ask the County Manager -

- (1) To reconsider the possibility of extending the Regional Water Supply Scheme to householders not already supplied in the Clonberne Pilot Area.
- (2) When the refuse collection service will be started in Glenamaddy.
- (3) To consider including Ballymoe in the priority list prepared for Sewerage Schemes.

(m) Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. P. Collins, J. M. Mannion, P. Donnellan, T. Byrne, M. Ryan, J. Lambert, F. Glynn, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. P. T. Galvin, P. Cunningham, W. Burke, B. Holland:

To ask the County Manager -

- (1) Names of people who hold Medical Cards.
- (2) Names of people who receive Home Assistance and the amount each person receives.
- (3) Names of persons who receive Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowance and the amount they receive.
- (4) Names of persons who receive Blind Welfare Scheme.

A request that this Notice of Motion be held in committee.

11. Other business.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Galway

26th February, 1968

To Each Member of the Council/

CREATION OF POST OF PATHOLOGIST - REGIONAL HOSPITAL

The office of Assistant Pathologist in the Regional Hospital is vacant.

Following a review of the experience to-date it is apparent that a post of Assistant Pathologist is not a satisfactory one in the Hospital as the officer is required to discharge the full range of duties appropriate to a Pathologist. It is therefore recommended that an office of Pathologist be substituted for the existing office of Assistant Pathologist. The person to be appointed will be required to have experience in Haematology.

The salary for the post of Pathologist is £3,495 per annum with an abatement of 10% if a successful applicant gets a University Appointment. The salary for an Assistant Pathologist was £2,220 x £67 - £2,420 with appropriate abatement in respect of a University Appointment.

The department of Health has agreed in principle to the creation of the new post.

A. A. Sharkey
County Manager

26/2/1968

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Galway

26th February, 1968

To Each Member of the Council/

CYTOLOGY SERVICE

The present service is being provided on a temporary basis, and has been in operation for 4 years. The following report on the service has been submitted by the County Medical Officer -

"it is now in operation for the past 4 years and has contributed significantly to early diagnosis and treatment, to the detection of pre-cancerous states, and consequently to a reduction in the disease. It is essential that the total at risk female population have a smear test, and at least one repeat before the disease is effectively controlled. The detection of cervical cancer is definitely a sociological problem. The disease affects particularly young mothers and women of the lower social class. It is essential therefore, that the service be continued so that those entering this group be also examined. It is a preventative service, and is according to reports from various parts of the world akin to the methods applied for the prevention of infectious fevers".

It is recommended that the Council agree to the creation of a post of permanent Public Health Nurse for this service.

A. A. Sharkey
County Manager

Councillors' Notices of Motion 1967/68 - Second List

| <u>Area</u> | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> | <u>Length L. Yds.</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Galway | Tullokyne Castle | Lake Shore | 1,230 |
| Mountbellew | Co. Road 419 | M. Carroll's, Eskerow | 370 |
| Mountbellew | Co. Road 277 | Derreen Village | 530 |
| Mountbellew | Main Rd. 370 | J. Donnellan's | 470 |
| Galway | Co. Rd. 109 (Tooreeney) | Towards Poul-na-clough | 800 |
| Tuam | Main Rd. 220 | Towards Toghermore | 900 |
| Milltown | Co. Road 252 | Towards Boyounagh | 350 |
| Milltown | Co. Road 239 | P. Mullin's, Lomanagh | 535 |
| Gort | Co. Road 367 | O'Brien's, Curtain | 350 |
| Loughrea | Co. Road 491 | Geraghty's, Kylebrack | 1,050 |
| Clifden | Main Rd., Athry | Athry Lough | 1,283 |
| Milltown | Co. Road 254 | Cummin's, Patch | 70 |
| Mountbellew | Main Rd., Cuildoire | Walsh's | 450 |
| Milltown | Co. Road 266 | Smith's, Cloonminda | 250 |
| Clifden | Co. Road 13 | Fryce's, Coolacloy | 940 |
| Clifden | Co. Road 12 | Towards Fountain Hill | 200 |
| Athenry | Co. Road 181 | M. Ruane's, Glenascaul E. | 528 |
| Athenry | Co. Road 188 | Monahan's, Blackweir | 88 |
| Mountbellew | Co. Road 412 | Healy's, Gatestown | 130 |
| Milltown | County Rd. 252 | Haverty's, Lisheenahiltia | 187 |
| Milltown | Co. R. 264 | Southwards, Bushtown | 260 |
| Ballinasloe | Co. Rd. 474 | Towards Larkins, Carrowreagh | 550 |
| Ballinasloe | Main Rd. 500 | Towards Lynskey's, Carrowmore | 360 |
| Galway | Co. Rd. 284 Killeany | Killeany Village | 1,320. |

COMHAIRIE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

County Buildings,
GALWAY.

14th February, 1968.

To: Each Member Galway County Council.

Re/Proposed sale of land at Cosmona,
Loughrea, Co. Galway.

A Chara,

In accordance with the requirements of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, I have been requested by the Assistant County Manager to give you notice that it is proposed selling the plots of land, particulars of which are given hereunder.

Land:

Eight sites for houses at Cosmona, Loughrea, Co. Galway - areas as given hereunder.

From Whom Acquired:

John Coughlan, Dunkellin Street, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

Persons To Whom Land Is Proposed To Be Sold:

| | <u>Area of Plot</u> |
|---|---------------------|
| Gerard Broderick, Abbey Street, Loughrea | 20.9 sq. perches |
| Miss Maura Benson, Bride Street, Loughrea | 23.52 " " |
| Sean Glynn, Cross Street, Loughrea | 24.10 " " |
| Patrick J. Smith, Dunkellin Street, Loughrea | 24.0 " " |
| Patrick Fitzpatrick, Dunkellin Street, Loughrea | 22.81 " " |
| Michael Carty, Abbey Street, Loughrea | 22.8 " " |
| Colm O'Donnell, Mount Carmel Crescent, Loughrea | 17.14 " " |
| Peter Lynch, 10, Abbey Street, Loughrea | 18.04 " " |

Consideration In Respect of Disposal:

£310 per site plus all costs including the Council's costs.

Other Covenants or Conditions in connection with Disposal:

1. The title to be given by the Council will be a ninety-nine year lease at a yearly rent of 10/-
2. The lease will provide inter alia that:-
 - (a) The Lessee shall complete the erection of a house within 18 months from the date the lease is signed.
 - (b) The Lessee, or his successor in title shall reside in the house during the currency of the lease.
 - (c) The site (including the house) cannot be sold within a period of five years of the date on which erection of a house thereon is completed.

This matter will be placed on the Agenda for consideration at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of ten days from the date of this Notice.

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M. S. O'Maolrunaidhe,

Runai Seal.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
26TH FEBRUARY, 1968.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Cllrs. Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan, (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Cllrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Cllrs. Raftery, Ruane, Ridge and Ryan.

Officials:

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), T. P. Griffin, Acting County Accountant and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

454 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES - YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1969:

The Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1969, as recommended for adoption at the Special Meeting of the Council held in committee on the 23rd February, 1968, was submitted, showing as follows:-

COUNTY CHARGES:

| | | | | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Expenditure: | ... | ... | ... | £4,742,823. |
| Receipts: | ... | ... | ... | £2,313,825. |
| Urban Contributions: | ... | ... | ... | 277,447. |
| Debit Balance: | ... | ... | ... | 39,750. - £2,551,522. |
| Balance to be levied: | ... | ... | ... | £2,191,301. |
| Rate in the £ for County Charges: | ... | ... | ... | 1011 ³ / ₄ d. |
| Rate in £ for Separate Charges on County Health District: | ... | ... | ... | 31d. |
| Total Rate in £ - | | | | 1042 ³ / ₄ d. |

This is an increase of 55³/₄d. on the rate for the year ending 31st March, 1968, which is 987d. in the £.

The total amount of expenditure for Separate Charges in the Estimate as submitted is, £84,687.15.10d and the nett amount to be raised in respect of Separate Charges is, £67,214. 1. 1d.

The amounts to be raised for Town Charges are -

| | | | |
|----------|-----|-------|---|
| Loughrea | ... | £668 | equal rate of 20 ¹ / ₄ d. |
| Tuam | ... | £3358 | equal rate of 70 ¹ / ₄ d. |

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:-

"That the Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending the 31st March, 1969, as set forth in Tables A, B, C, and D, be adopted and

that the Galway County Council determines in accordance with the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1969, the rates set forth in the final column of Table C, column 13 of Table D and the final column of Table E, to be the rates in the £ to be levied for the several services specified in the said Estimate for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1969."

THE ESTIMATES MEETING THEN TERMINATED AND THE ORDINARY MEETING COMMENCED WITH SENATOR MARK KILLILEA IN THE CHAIR AND THE ATTENDANCE OF OTHERS BEING AS AT THE ESTIMATES MEETING.

- 455 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to - 453 inclusive and of Committee Meeting held on the 29th January, 1968, to consider the Draft Development Plan and Water Charges, having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
- 456 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that Malicious Damage Claims as listed at 2 (a) to (e) on the Agenda had been received.
- 457 - DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN: The Order of the Minister for Local Government, extending to the 30th day of June, 1968, the period within which the Council of the County of Galway shall make a Development Plan for their area, under Sub-Section 1 of Section 19 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963, was submitted and noted.

The revised Draft County Development Plan and the revised Draft Development Plans for the scheduled towns of, Athenry, Clifden, Gort, Loughrea and Tuam, having been circulated to the members, were submitted and the County Manager made the following statement thereon:-

"The Draft County Development Plan is submitted herewith. The following is a summary of the main alterations made in the Draft County Development Plan as a result of the consideration by the Council of the representations and objections received to the original.

ROADS:

Provision is made for the examination of bye-pass routes originally proposed and of the alternatives suggested in the representations submitted to the Council. Pending submission of reports on the feasibility, cost, etc., of these proposals, development along the likely routes of the roads will be controlled. The areas concerned are Oranmore, Labane, and Dunmore.

AREAS OF SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AND AREAS OF HIGH AMENITY & SCENIC IMPORTANCE:

The draft incorporates the decisions of the Council in regard to density restrictions to be observed in these areas. It has been pointed out to the Council that the density restrictions decided by them are not sufficiently stringent to ensure the implementation of the policies set out in the plan. The original densities recommended were designed to ensure compliance with the policy statement in the plan and it is necessary to make it clear that paragraphs 2.18 and 2.21 have been drafted in accordance with the decisions of the Council, and have not been, and are not being recommended for adoption by the appropriate officers of the Council.

ADVERTISING STRUCTURES:

The necessary re-drafting to meet the representations submitted and the recommendations of the Council in regard to advertising structures are incorporated in the plan.

HOUSING:

The plan set out the policy adopted by the Council for the next 5 years.

WATER & SEWERAGE SERVICES:

The revised programme for the provision of water and sewerage services is set out in the plan. It provides for the continued planning and implementation within the financial resources available of regional water supply schemes but priority will be given to the implementation of the village schemes listed in Tables 14 and 15. Co-operation in the provision of water supplies by way of group schemes is also provided for in the plan.

SPECIAL AMENITY PLANS:

Provision is made for the carrying out of detailed amenity surveys throughout the whole county.

VILLAGE OF KNOCKNACARRA:

In accordance with the wishes of the Council, the boundaries of the Village of Knocknacarra have been altered. This has been done despite the Planning Officer's advice that the original village boundaries should be adhered to, pending the publication of the Galway City Plan and further consultation with the City Planning Authority, in the light of their planning proposals.

As has already been outlined, it will be necessary, due to the substantial changes which have been made in the original draft, to re-publish the revised draft plan for public inspection. The revised draft will be available for inspection during normal office hours for a period of three months as from the date of publication in the following locations:-

- County Council Offices, Galway.
- Assistant Engineers' Offices throughout the County.
- County Library.
- Town Clerk's Offices.

At the end of the three month period of inspection, the Council will have to consider any objections and representations submitted in writing. Ratepayers submitting objections and representations will be given an opportunity, if they wish, to supplement their written submissions at an oral hearing.

The written statement has been circulated to all the members of the Council and anyone who wishes to do so may purchase it for a charge of 10/- for the draft county plan, plus 2/6d. for each of the plans in respect of the scheduled towns."

On the proposition of Clr. Melvin and seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), the Council decided to adopt the revised Draft County Development Plan and the revised Draft Development Plans for the scheduled towns of - Athenry, Clifden, Gort, Loughrea and Tuam and to seal them with the seal of the Council.

The revised Draft Development Plans were then sealed with the seal of the Council.

Deputy Coogan said that there were no Assistant County Engineers' Offices in the Cois Fharrige area and he asked that the plans be available for inspection in Post Offices and Garda Stations there for the information of the local people.

The County Manager said that this matter would be attended to.

458 -

ELFRIEDE M. H. PREGER - ERECTION OF HOUSE AT ERRISBEG, ROUNDSTONE: LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

The following letter from Mr. H. B. Naughton, County Solicitor, was submitted to the meeting:-

"I have perused your letter of even date and file in connection with above matter and note that the Council refused 'Outline Permission' to Mr. Preger for the erection of a dwellinghouse on his land at Errisbeg, Roundstone, but on appeal to the Minister for Local Government he was granted 'Outline Permission'.

The position now is that he must still furnish plans of the proposed dwellinghouse for consideration by the Planning Authority even though 'Outline Permission' has been granted by the Minister. In my opinion, the Planning Authority cannot refuse approval to build unless Mr. Preger does not comply with the conditions referred to in column 1 of the Minister's Order, dated 5th December, 1967.

However, under Section 30, the Council have power to revoke or modify any permission granted (which includes an outline permission), if they decide it is expedient to do so, having regard to the proper Planning and Development of the area and the provisions of the Development Plan. Of course, if the Council exercise their powers under Section 30, the question of compensation will arise.

I return your file."

Clr. Mannion proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded -

"that the Council revoke the outline permission granted by the Minister for Local Government, to Mr. Elfriede M. H. Preger for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Errisbeg, Roundstone.

Clr. Joyce said that Mr. Preger was now applying for approval to build the house, according to a recent newspaper notice and he would have to submit an application and house plans to the County Council therefor. He suggested that they await the result of this application before taking the action proposed by Clr. Mannion.

The County Manager promised to keep the members informed about the progress of the application for approval to build the house and it was agreed to defer further action in the meantime.

459 -

SUSAN AND PHILIP RICHARDSON, CURRAUNBEG, GLANN, OUGHTERARD - ARBITRATOR'S AWARD - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

The County Manager stated that the compensation awarded by the Arbitrator to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson was, £2,512. together with costs amounting to £294. 9. 0.

Deputy Geoghegan said that when this case came before the Council some years ago, they were told that no compensation would be payable.

The County Manager promised to prepare a report giving all the details of this case and have it circulated to the members before the next meeting of the Council when it would be considered.

460 -

COMPENSATION PAID - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

Deputy Geoghegan asked the County Manager what compensation had been paid to date resulting from claims made following refusal of planning applications, with particulars of the cases involved.

The County Manager stated that to date no compensation had been paid arising out of planning decisions under the 1963 Act.

Arising out of refusal of permission in the Richardson case, applicant served a Purchase Notice requiring the Planning Authority to purchase the site in question and this motion was rejected by the Planning Authority but was confirmed by the Minister for Local Government. The amount claimed by the applicant was £10,113. 15. 6. including expenses and the Arbitrator's Award was as stated in Minute No. 459. The lands acquired are situated at Curraunbeg, on the west shore of Lough Corrib about one mile from Glann Church and are approximately 4½ acres in extent. Payment had not been made yet in this case.

One further claim for compensation received was still unresolved - from Mr. J. G. Rawlinson for a site at Errisbeg West. The amount claimed by applicant for diminution of value in this case was £1, 450.

461 -

REMUNERATION INCREASE - SENIOR DENTAL SURGEON:

On the proposition of Deputy Molloy, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council approved the following revised remuneration for the Senior Dental Surgeon as from the 1st June, 1966, viz:

£2,300 x £67 - £2,702 per annum pre 10th round increase.

Clrs. Lambert and Callanan objected to the payment being made retrospective to the 1st June, 1966.

462 -

CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF PATHOLOGIST TO GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL:

The County Manager's report regarding the creation of this additional office, having been circulated to the members, was submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Fahy, the Council approved the creation of an additional office of Pathologist to the Galway County Council, with salary at the rate of £3,495 per annum with an abatement of 10% if a successful applicant gets a university appointment.

463 -

CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE TO GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL:

The County Manager's report regarding the creation of this additional office, having been circulated to the members, was submitted.

On the proposition of Clr. Croffy and seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council approved the creation of an additional office of Public Health Nurse to the Galway County Council, with salary at the rate of £909 x £20 - £1109 per annum.

464 -

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

The schedule of roads to be declared public roads, having been circulated to the members, was submitted.

The County Manager stated that an objection to the taking over

of the road in the Mountbellew area from County Road 412 to Hely's, Gatestown, had been received from Mr. Martin Lyons, Gatestown and Mr. Patrick Glynn, Gatestown, and it was decided to request the County Engineer to examine this road and submit a report to the next meeting of the Council.

On the proposition of Clr. Collins and seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads:-

| Area | From | To | Length L. Yds. |
|-------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Galway | Tullokyne Castle | Lake Shore | 1,230 |
| Mountbellew | Co. Road 419 | M. Carroll's, Eskerow | 370 |
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| Galway | Co. Rd. 284 Killeany | Killeany Village | 1,320. |

465 -

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION - ROADS: THIRD LIST.

On the proposition of Clr. Melvin and seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council approved the Councillors' Notices of Motion (Roads) Third List.

466 -

PROPOSED SALE OF LAND AT COSMONA, LOUGHREA:

The Notice dated 14th February, 1968, sent to each member of the Council, was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Holland, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"that the disposal shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in the Notice, dated 14th February, 1968."

467 - COUNCIL BUILDINGS PROPOSED AT CROW STREET, GORT:

The County Manager advised Clr. Fahy that plans had been prepared for the erection of a Fire Station, Engineer's Office and Branch Library at the site which the Council already owns in Crow Street, Gort.

468 - NIGHT PILOT LIGHTS - GORT TOWN:

Clr. Lambert proposed that Night Pilot lights be provided at Gort town.

The County Manager stated that a new lighting system will be installed in Gort shortly incorporating the new type mercury fluorescent fittings and the lighting hours will be extended from dusk to dawn instead of from dusk to midnight as at present for all lights and that the necessity for pilot lights would then not arise.

469 - PUBLIC LIGHTING AT TUBBER VILLAGE, GORT:

Clr. Lambert proposed that public lighting be provided at Tubber Village, Gort and the County Manager stated that this was being investigated and a report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Council.

470 - RECONSTRUCTION GRANTS:

Clr. Lambert proposed that houses unfit for reconstruction grants be repaired for people unable to provide new houses by their own means.

The County Manager stated that grants for essential repairs are approved in appropriate cases and the total of the state and County Council grants is allocated up to an amount which should enable all applicants, having regard to their means, to carry out the necessary repairs by arrangement with their own contractors.

471 - TUAM WATERWORKS IMPROVEMENTS:

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked when the Galway County Council could carry out the necessary repairs on the Tuam Waterworks, so that the Levally/Cortoon Drainage Scheme could be completed.

The County Manager stated that a preliminary report on the Tuam Waterworks improvements had been submitted to the Department of Local Government and that in August, 1967, they replied requesting further tests on the proposed new source; that these tests will cost approximately £1,700 and the consultants' further report of January, 1968, had been forwarded on the 5th February, 1968, to the Department of Local Government.

472 - MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN:

Clr. Fahy proposed that the Departments of Health and Education co-operate with the Galway County Council in finding accommodation for some 50 children whose disability, either mental or physical, is such as to prevent them from attending special schools already established in the County Galway.

The County Manager said that this matter was receiving constant attention in accordance with the availability of accommodation.

473 - PALACE GROUNDS, TUAM:

In a reply to Clr. Glynn's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that a sum of £1,000 had been included in next year's Estimates for development work at the Palace Grounds, Tuam.

474 - SWIMMING POOL, TUAM:

Clr. Glynn proposed that the Galway County Council request the Minister for Local Government to make an early decision on the tenders for the proposed new swimming pool for Tuam.

The County Manager stated that the tenders were submitted to the Department of Local Government on the 22nd December, 1967, and he was awaiting approval to same.

475 - VACANT POSTS OF DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICERS:

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Joyce and resolved:-

"That the Minister for Health be requested to sanction a special rate of pay applicable to the temporary post in Aran for all vacant posts of District Medical Officer in the county and that applications for the filling of all vacancies on the new basis of remuneration be invited as soon as sanction of the Minister has been received and that the Minister be requested to expedite the recruitment of permanent District Medical Officers for all the dispensary districts at present vacant in the county."

476 - PROPOSED DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Deputy Kitt proposed and Clr. Callanan seconded that the proposed decisions on planning applications be placed before the members of the County Council at each ordinary monthly County Council meeting before the final decisions of the planning authority is approved.

It was agreed to defer consideration of this proposal to the next monthly meeting of the Council to allow the County Manager to circulate a report thereon to the members in the meantime.

477 - SEA WALL BY COUNTY ROAD AT KILLEENARAN, KILCOLGAN:

Clr. Byrne proposed that we the members of Galway County Council instruct the County Engineer to investigate the feasibility of providing a sea wall along by the County Road at Killeenaran, Kilcolgan, and the County Manager suggested that this item be adjourned to the next monthly meeting of the Council.

This was agreed to.

478 - RATES RELIEF:

It was proposed by Clr. Byrne, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved:-

"That we the members of the Galway County Council request the Minister for Finance to provide for a relief of rates in the forthcoming Budget, which would ease the burden on the small shopkeepers in rural Ireland."

479 - MEDICAL FACILITIES - KINVARA/GORT DISPENSARY AREAS:

Clr. Byrne proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded that immediate consideration be given to improving the inadequate medical facilities within the present Kinvara/Gort Dispensary areas. He added that the people were not satisfied with the present arrangements, whereby two dispensary districts were substituted for the three former ones, resulting in only one doctor being available for the Kinvara/Gort dispensary areas when the other doctor was indisposed.

He stated that the failure to sanction the appointment of a Public Health Nurse in Kinvara was also a cause of great hardship to the people there.

480 - HEADFORD FAIRS:

Clr. King proposed and Senator Killilea seconded, that the County Manager be authorised to negotiate for the purchase of the Toll Rights in the town of Headford with a view to the establishment of a Fairgreen or Salesyard.

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) stated that the people of Headford were satisfied with the present position.

Deputy Coogan alleged that he had been the subject of an attack by Clr. King at a meeting of Galway County Committee of Agriculture of which Clr. King is Chairman, because he had asked the Minister for Agriculture to ease restrictions on fairs during the Foot & Mouth epidemic in England and the Minister had agreed to his suggestion.

481 - COOLARNE SECONDARY SCHOOL:

Clr. Pat Donnellan proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded, that the members of the Galway County Council deplore the proposed action of the Minister for Education in closing the Coolarne Secondary School.

The Chairman ruled the proposal out of order, in accordance with Standing Order No. 26.

482 - CLONBERNE PILOT AREA - WATER SUPPLY:

Clr. Hussey proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded, that the Council ask the County Manager to reconsider the possibility of extending the Regional Water Supply Scheme to householders not already supplied in the Clonberne Pilot area.

The County Manager stated that the quantity of water required was 140,000 gallons per day to serve 240 houses and approximately 14,000 acres; that the estimated cost was £85,000 which included the cost of providing a new water tower at McCann's Cross. He added that there was no money available to carry out this work and that it was not on the Council's priority list.

On the proposition of Clr. Hussey, seconded by Clr. Ryan, it was decided to make an application to the Minister for Local Government for a special capital allocation of £85,000 to extend the Regional Water Supply Scheme to householders not already supplied in the Clonberne Pilot area.

483 - GLENAMADDY REFUSE COLLECTION:

Clr. Hussey asked when the refuse collection service would be started in Glenamaddy.

The County Manager stated that a site was being acquired for a dumping ground for Glenamaddy but the legal formalities had not yet been completed; that until such time as a dumping ground was available, no decision on the provision of a refuse collection service could be taken. He added that in any event, it was unlikely that such a service would be provided until such time as the proposed large refuse collecting vehicles were purchased.

484 - BALLYMOE SEWERAGE SCHEME:

Clr. Hussey asked the Council to consider including Ballymoe in the priority list prepared for Sewerage Schemes.

The County Manager stated that Ballymoe Sewerage Scheme was not included in the priority lists and it was undesirable to add to the existing priority list until further progress had been made on it.

485 - IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED:

On the proposition of Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Melvin, the Council appointed Senator Mark Killilea as the nominee of the Galway County Council on the Board of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited, for the year 1968/69.

486 - SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

Mr. Tom Donnellan, Brierhill, Galway, on the death of his brother, Mr. William Donnellan.

Mrs. Maria Sweeney, Abbey Terrace, Loughrea, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. M. Smyth, Killaspic, Kilchreest, Loughrea, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Forde, Caherdavine, Craughwell, on the death of her husband.

487 - MEDICAL CARDS, HOME ASSISTANCE, DISABLED PERSONS' MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES AND BLIND WELFARE SCHEME:

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded, that they ask the County Manager -

- (1) the names of people who hold Medical Cards.
- (2) the names of people who receive Home Assistance, and the amount each person receives.
- (3) the names of persons who receive Disabled Persons' Maintenance Allowance and the amount they receive.
- (4) the names of persons who receive Blind Welfare Scheme.

Deputy Molloy proposed and Clr. Melvin seconded a direct negative.

A discussion ensued which became over-heated and the Chairman decided to adjourn the meeting.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned and then left the chair.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *Melvin*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. Killilea CHAIRMAN

DATE: 1/4/68.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

15ú lá de Márta, 1968.

ChuiG Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i láthair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 25ú lá de Márta, 1968, ag tosnú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:-
 - (a) Galway Itinerants Settlement Council -
Damage to Caravan, 16/2/1968 ... £100.
 - (b) Hipps Limited, 10 William Street, Galway -
Damage to Plate Glass Window and Door, 28/2/1968 - £50.
3. Overdraft for Quarter to 30th June, 1968.
4. Expenditure in excess of amount already authorised for year to 31st March, 1968.
5. Inishboffin Assistance District:-
 - (a) Abolition of Inishboffin Assistance District and its inclusion in Clifden Assistance District.
 - (b) Abolition of office of Assistance Officer, Inishboffin District.
 - (c) Salary scale for the office of Assistance Officer for the enlarged Clifden Assistance District - memo thereon dated 12/3/1968 from the Assistant County Manager herewith.
6. Revision of remuneration of Ambulance Drivers.
7. Fixing dates and times of meetings, viz:-
 - (a) Annual Meeting.
 - (b) Meeting for making of rate for 1968/69.
8. Agricultural Grant 1967/68 - copy of letter dated 15th March, 1968, from the Department of Local Government herewith.

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9. Fire Brigades Advisory Committee - minutes of meeting held on 4/3/1968.
10. Susan and Philip Richardson, Curraunbeg, Glann, Oughterard - Arbitrator's Award - Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963 - minute No. 459 of 26th February, 1968. - copy of Manager's report to follow.
11. Proposed decisions on Planning applications - minute No. 476 of 26th February, 1968.
12. Sea wall by County Road at Killeenaran, Kilcolgan - minute No. 477 of 26/2/1968.
13. Auditor's Report - Fergus Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31st March, 1967.
14. Declaration of roads to be public roads - minute No. 464 of 26/2/1968 - objection to taking over of road in Mountbellew area from County Road 412 to Healy's, Gatestown.
15. Proposed sale of plot of ground at Crinnage, Craughwell - notice dated 12/3/1968.
16. Provision of Branch Library Building at Ballinasloe - Loan £18,600.
17. Regional Seminar for newly elected Councillors.
18. Meeting of County Councils' General Council - May, 1968 - Notices of Motion to be submitted before 26th April, 1968.
19. Members Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. V. Melvin:
 - (i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I will move that the sewerage be extended from Athenry Hotel Training School gate to the ten Council cottages at Park and four private houses.
 - (ii) I will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the dangerous corner at the Athenry Co-Op. Mart be removed.
 - (b) Clr. P. Ruane:
 - (i) To extend the piped water supply to Cartron /Oranmore serving houses along the Galway Road.
 - (ii) To assist in relieving flooding at Coolarne along County Road near John Morris' Shop, as there have been complaints from both school authorities and parents of children attending local school.
 - (iii) That this Council call on the Minister of Agriculture to lift the ban on fairs.
 - (c) Clr. W. Burke:
 - (i) That some 60 yard of road leading to Loftus Terrace, Tuam, be taken over by the Council.
 - (ii) Due to derating under £20, do Rate Collectors enjoy the same salary for less work.

(d) Deputy M. Carty:

'At the next meeting of Galway County Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the County Manager when he intends, in accordance with instructions from the Department of Local Government, to submit to the Council for approval a scheme for the payment of appropriate ex gratia retirement allowances to part-time retained firemen, employed by Galway County Council.

(e) Deputy John Donnellan:

- (i) To ask the County Manager the reason why so little money is being allocated in the Milltown, Tuam, Glenamaddy, Dunmore, Williamstown, Ballymoe areas on County Roads and Main Roads in comparison with the other districts.
- (ii) To ask the County Manager - The cost of convening a County Council meeting assuming that all elected County Councillors attend.

(f) Clr. P. Fahey:

- (i) That a County Council Engineer be sent to Kinvara with instructions to decide on the best site for a Ladies and Gents Toilet - that this site be acquired and the toilets built before the coming tourist season.
- (ii) That an interim report on finding a water source for Kinvara/Douras area be given.
- (iii) That the County Manager indicate how soon the following work may be carried out in Oranmore:-
 - (1) Litter collection and disposal.

(g) Clr. J. Ridge:

- (i) I will propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the Manager will let me know the expenses paid to each member for all meetings of the Galway County Council during 1967 as these members of the County Council are anxious to find out what the poor are getting through Medical Cards.

(h) Clr. Pat Donnellan:

- (i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I will ask that the Council acquire a site in a central position if possible, in Oughterard with a view to the erection of a public toilet.
- (ii) I will ask the Council to improve the lighting in Oughterard.
- (iii) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I intend to ask the County Council to relieve the flooding on the Carrick West Road, Cornamona - above the Post Office.

(i) Clr. P. Cunningham:

- (I) I will propose that Galway County Council give consideration to the provision of Flower Islands or some form of attraction at The Square in Ballygar Town.

- (ii) I will propose that the Council provide more powerful pumping equipment to improve the very inconsistent water supply in Mountbellew Town.

(j) Clr. J. Lambert:

At the next meeting of the Council I will request that speed limit signs be erected at Ardahan Village.

- 20. Resolutions from other Local Authorities.
- 21. Other business.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
CUSTOM HOUSE,
DUBLIN

15 Márta, 1968.

Secretary,
Galway County Council,
County Buildings,
Galway.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to your letter of the 27th ultimo regarding Section 7 of the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1967, and to state that the resolution passed by the Council in the matter has been noted. The Minister is advised that the Council's resolution, if approved by the Minister, would not have the effect of waiving the condition even in relation to the cases which the Council intended that it should cover. It does not seem to be possible in practice to grant the waiver in some cases and not in others as the Council apparently intend and it is, accordingly, suggested that the matter should be reconsidered by the Council as a matter of urgency, with a view to deciding whether or not the Minister's consent should be sought to the waiving of the condition without any limitation on the cases to which such a waiver would apply.

The full implications of any decision under Section 7 should be brought to the notice of the Council. If the Council decide not to grant a waiver, it should be clearly understood that each individual ratepayer who is in arrears with any portion of the net rates levied on a tenement of agricultural land on the 31st March becomes liable immediately for the balance of the gross rates on the tenement, i.e. the balance of the net rates plus the total amount of the allowances which would otherwise be given under the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Acts, and the local authority are obliged to take the necessary steps to collect the full amount of those rates. The amount of agricultural grant which the Council could otherwise claim in respect of each such tenement would, of course, cease to be payable and would have to be recovered from the Council in due course, irrespective of whether the Council succeeded in collecting the amount from the ratepayer concerned.

Particular attention is directed to the necessity for ensuring that in the event of the Council deciding to pass a resolution to waive the condition, the matter must be submitted to the Minister in good time to permit of any necessary action being taken by the Minister before the 31st March, 1968.

Mise, le meas,

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Galway.

12th March, 1968.

TO/

Each Member of the Galway County Council.

Abolition of Inishboffin Assistance District.

A Chara,

The approval of the Council is requested to the Abolition of Inishboffin Assistance District and its inclusion in Clifden Assistance District, with effect from the date on which the existing Assistance Officer in Innishboffin will cease to hold office.

Clifden District includes the Electoral Divisions of Bunowen, Cleggan, Clifden, Derrylea, Doonlaughan, Errislannon and Silerna. Total population is 3431.

Inishboffin District is the Electoral Division of Inishboffin. Population 247. In this district there are 106 Medical Cards, 3 Home Assistance cases, 1 blind Welfare case, 7 disablement Allowance recipients and 9 families receiving free milk. It is considered that the Assistance Officer in the Clifden District could carry out these additional duties efficiently.

The salaries of these two Assistance Officers are:-

Clifden: £530 x 22 - 772 x 23 - 795 a year.
Inishboffin: £330 a year.

The salary proposed for the enlarged Clifden district is £600 x 35 - £1020 a year plus an allowance of £12 a year for boat expenses - the existing Assistance Officer in Clifden to enter this scale at the maximum of £1020.

The existing Assistance Officer in Inishboffin is 72 years of age.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH,
Asst. Co. Manager.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE FIRE BRIGADES ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT
THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 4TH MARCH, 1968, AT 3.30 P.M.

Present:

Galway County Council:

Senator M. Killilea
Clrs. M. Croffy, P. Joyce and P. Fahy.

Galway Corporation:

Deputy F. Coogan
Clr. P. Walsh

Ballinasloe U.D.C

Clrs. L. Broderick and J. Hurley.

Loughrea Town Commissioners:

Mr. J. Devine

Tuam Town Commissioners:

Mr. E. Farrell

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager,
M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary,
P. B. Sugrue, Chief Fire Officer, and
T. Kavanagh, Staff Officer.

1. Chairman: Senator M. Killilea.
2. Minutes: The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 13th January, 1967, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.
3. Fire Brigades Report: The Chief Fire Officer's report to the Committee was submitted, a copy having been circulated to each member already.

- (a) Second Fire Station for Galway: The Manager said he would like to refer to part III of the report under the heading "Planning the Fire Service" and particularly to the question of a second Fire Station for Galway. He said the meeting should decide in principle whether to go ahead with a second fire station and pointed out that although it may not be required in the immediate future, it would be advisable to look out for a suitable site at this stage in view of the present demand for land.

The Chief Fire Officer said in his opinion a start should be made in relation to a second Fire Station for Galway, and there was also the question of whether a full-time fire service should be established or the present system expanded. He said that if it is decided to continue the present system, the provision of a number of houses adjacent to the new Fire Station should be borne in mind when selecting a site for it.

Mr. Devine said that before considering a second Fire Station for Galway, the existing Fire Stations in the county should be better maintained and improved. In particular he referred to the Station in Loughrea which required some repairs and redecoration and the protective clothing renewed. In dealing with the establishment of the fire service he said that tribute should be paid to those who formed the Voluntary Fire Service in the years prior to 1950, when the present system of part-time firemen was set up.

Deputy Coogan proposed that a site be acquired for a second Fire Station in Galway and Clr. Hurley seconded.

- (b) Communication: The Manager then referred to Part IV. of the report under the heading "Calling the Fire Brigade" and mentioned the difficulties which sometimes arise largely due to the new automatic

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exchanges. It was agreed to refer the matter to the Department with a view to establishing a recognised alerting system throughout the country.

- (c) Training Courses: Tribute was paid to Mr. Sugrue for organising a number of training courses at Galway Fire Station, including a course for Managers of Institutions.
- (d) Gort Fire Station: Clr. Fahy said that there were derelict sites in Gort which would be ideally suitable in his opinion for the new Fire Station and asked that steps be taken to acquire them. The Manager said that this question was already being examined by the County Engineer. Clr. Fahy asked if bells could be installed in the Firemen's homes instead of using the fire siren, and the Chief Fire Officer said that he had asked the Post Office Authorities for quotations for these.
- (e) Gratuity to Part-time Firemen: A number of the members felt that £100 was too small a gratuity to be paid to part-time firemen on retirement and also expressed a view that the remuneration payable to the retained Firemen at present was too low.

The Manager explained that both these items were the subject of negotiations between the Firemen's association and the Manager's association.

- (f) Walking out Uniforms: The Manager informed Clr. Hurley that there was a proposal to increase the present allowance of £5 in respect of walking out uniforms.
- (g) Cost of Fire Services: It was suggested that the Insurance Companies should be made contribute towards the cost of the fire services and the Manager reported that this question has already been taken up by the General Council of County Councils.

On the proposition of Clr. Fahy, seconded by Deputy Coogan, the report was adopted.

4. Civil Defence: The Civil Defence Officer's report which was issued to the members was noted. The Manager said that since the outbreak of Foot & Mouth Disease in England, the holding of training classes etc., had been abandoned, but on their resumption he urged the members to do their best to encourage people to join Civil Defence.
5. Vote of Sympathy: Mr. Farrell proposed a vote of sympathy to Mr. Sharkey on his recent bereavement. Clr. Hurley seconded.

The Meeting then terminated.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai

22nd March, 1968

To: Each member of the Council.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963

Philip G. and Susan R. Richardson - Sites at
Curraunbeg, Glann, Oughterard

The Town and Regional Planning Act, 1934-39 were adopted by the Council for the entire County Health District with effect as from the 21/1/64 (the Act had previously been in operation in relation to specified portions of the County Health District, prior to that date, but these portions did not include that portion of the County Health District in which the lands, the subject of this report, are situated.)

The Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, came into operation on the 1st October, 1964. The following Table shows the history and progress of this application:-

- 11/10 /63 - Application for permission to erect three cottages was received.
- 15/10/63 - Receipt of application was acknowledged. Plans and further particulars sought by Council.
- 15/11/63 - Plans and further particulars received.
- 5/12/63 - Applicants informed location not subject to Planning restrictions at present - that Council had given notice of its intention to adopt the Act within a few weeks. Applicants also informed -
- "in the meantime our intentions are, however, that no building should be allowed on the lake side of the public road at this and adjoining locations".
- 1/2/64 - Prohibition notice served by Council in respect of work then in progress.
- 2/7/64 - Following correspondence with Council, applicants re-apply for permission under Town and Regional Planning Acts.
- 25/7/64 - Permission refused on the following grounds:-
- "It is considered that this place should not have any buildings on the lake side of the public road as they would seriously impair one of the loveliest vistas in County Galway and also impede access to the shore from the road - now available by custom."
- 28/8/64 - Applicant appeals to Minister for Local Government against Council's decision.
- 31/5/65 - Appeal examined by Minister who confirmed refusal on the following grounds:-

"The site is of exceptionally high amenity value because of its location between the public road and the shore of Lough Corrib opposite the Hill of Doon and because its open character and configuration or such that it constitutes a natural and easy means of access to the lake shore. The proper planning and development of the area require that the site should be preserved in a natural and unspoiled state. The site should therefore be kept free of buildings and the right of the public to use the site and to traverse it to gain access to the shore which the public has enjoyed by custom, should be protected and should, if necessary, be more clearly established."

The applicant then served notice under Section 29 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963, requiring the Council to purchase its interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

Section 29(1) of the Act reads as follows:-

"Where, in a case determined on an appeal under this Part of this Act, permission to develop any land has been refused or has been granted subject to conditions, then, if the owner of the land claims-

- (a) that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state, and
- (b) that the land cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any other development for which permission has been granted under this Part of this Act, or for which the Planning Authority have undertaken to grant such permission, and
- (c) in a case where permission to develop the land was granted as aforesaid subject to conditions, that the land cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of the permitted development in accordance with those conditions,

he may, at any time within the period of six months after the decision (or such longer period as the Minister may allow) serve on the planning authority a notice (hereafter in this section referred to as a purchase notice) requiring the planning authority to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of this section."

The Council served notice of unwillingness to comply with the applicant's requirement to purchase and subsequently the Minister for Local Government confirmed the purchase notice requiring the Council to purchase the interest of the applicants in the lands.

The claim for the interests of the applicants in the lands amounted to £10,113. 15. 6. Agreement could not be reached and in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the dispute as to the amount to be paid was determined by arbitration. The amount awarded by the Arbitrator is, £2,806. 9. 0.

The Council at all stages following the service of the requirement to purchase, were advised by Senior Counsel as to the action to be taken by them in relation to the dispute.

Study of Section 29(1) as set out above, shows that where, in a case determined on an appeal, permission to develop any land has been refused, the owner of the land may require the Council to purchase, if the conditions set out at (a), (b) and (c) of the Section exist, provided he gives notice within six months or such longer periods as the Minister may

allow, by the service of a purchase notice on the planning authority. Within three months the planning authority must indicate their attitude to the purchase notice and if they are unwilling to comply, a copy of the notice saying so, must be sent to the Minister, who if he is satisfied that the conditions set out in Section 29(1) are fulfilled, may confirm the purchase order and the Council must then proceed to purchase the lands - the amount payable to be fixed by arbitration if agreement cannot be reached.

This procedure was followed in relation to the case now under review.

At the last meeting of the Council, when I was asked to circulate the history of the case, references were made to the circumstances in which the Council would be liable to pay compensation arising out of planning decisions. Part 6 of the Act deals with compensation and contains nineteen sections, setting out the various circumstances in which compensation may be claimed and also defining certain matters in respect of which compensation is excluded. It would be impossible to summarise these provisions in a general way and members who are interested in these provisions should study the relevant sections of the Act, viz. Sections 56 to 73.

It will be noted that the amount payable in the Richardson case does not come under these sections but has been dealt with under Section 29 and in fact the Council have purchased these lands at a price determined in accordance with arbitration procedure, for the purpose of ensuring that the view would be preserved and that there will be access to the shore from the road.

As was indicated at the last meeting, one claim for compensation is under consideration at present.

A. A. SHARKEY
County Manager

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY

12th March, 1968

Phone:
Galway 2055/9

A Chara,

Proposed Sale of Plot of Ground at Crinnage, Craughwell

In accordance with the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, I am directed by the Galway County Manager to give you notice that it is proposed to sell to Mr. John J. Shaughnessy, Craughwell, the plot of ground at Crinnage, Craughwell, particulars of which are given hereunder:-

LAND: Plot of ground at the junction of the Athenry Road with the Craughwell-Galway Road, area 1 rood 12 sq. perches.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED: Mr. John Bane, Moyveela.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF: Mr. John J. Shaughnessy, Craughwell.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL: £30.

OTHER COVENANTS OR CONDITIONS: None.

This matter will be placed on the Agenda for consideration at the first meeting of the Council which will be held after expiration of ten clear days from the date of this notice.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

21adh Márta, 1968.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Further to mine of the 15th instant enclosing Agenda for Meeting to be held on the 25th instant, the Chairman has altered the time of that meeting from 3.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. so as to allow him and the Chairman of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions to attend the opening of the Inter-Hospitals' Course for General and Psychiatric Nurses at the Galway Regional Hospital at 3 p.m. on that day.

He intends to adjourn the County Council meeting as a mark of respect to the late Mr. D. B. O'Malley, Minister for Education.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 25TH MARCH, 1968

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Deputy Carty, Cllrs. Clarke, Collins, Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clr. Fah Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion, Deputy Molloy, Cllrs. Raftery, Ruane, and Ridge.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager. L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

488 - AGRICULTURAL GRANT 1967/68: Letter dated 15 Márta, 1968, from the Department of Local Government, Dublin, was submitted referring to letter dated 27th ultimo, enclosing resolution of the Council regarding Section 7 of the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1967 and stating that the matter should be reconsidered by the Council as a matter of urgency with a view to deciding whether or not the Minister's consent should be sought to the waiving of the condition without any limitation on the cases to which such a waiver would apply.

It was proposed by Clr. Callanan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby rescinds minute No. 445 of 12th February, 1968".

It was proposed by Clr. Callanan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That subject to the consent of the Minister for Local Government, Galway County Council hereby determines in relation to the local financial year ending 31st March, 1968, that a person liable for rates on a tenement of agricultural land, in respect of which an allowance is made under the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1939 to 1967, shall be allowed credit for the Agricultural Grant notwithstanding the fact that the amount payable (after any abatement to give effect to such allowance) to the Council on foot of the rates in respect of the tenement for the service of the local financial year to which the allowance relates, is not paid by the appropriate date as defined in Section 7 (4) of the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1967."

489 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE 1967/68: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Molloy, the Council approved the following expenditure in excess of the amount already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1968, viz:-

ROADS:

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| Ordinary Road Works | C.A.L. | ... | £5,343. |
| " " " | C.H.D. | ... | £1,974. |
| Government Grants | C.A.L. | ... | £1,265. |
| " " " | C.H.D. | ... | £1,065. |
| Other Purposes | C.H.D. | ... | £2,074. |

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HEALTH:

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| General Medical Services | ... | £25,675. |
| Institutional Services | ... | £47,550. |
| Dental, Ophthalmic and Aural Services | ... | £1,245. |
| Specialists Services | ... | £2,100. |
| Other Purposes | ... | £6,550. |

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:

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| Government Grant Schemes | ... | £30. |
| Other Purposes | ... | £4,760. |

SANITARY:

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| Other Purposes | ... | £3,225. |
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HOUSING:

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| Local Grants & Assistance | ... | £4,310. |
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GENERAL PURPOSES:

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| Local Authorities Works Acts | ... | £350. |
| Fire Brigades | ... | £2,340. |
| Other Purposes | ... | £19510. |

490 - SYMPATHY:

The Chairman referred to the sudden death on the 10th instant of Deputy Donogh B. O'Malley, Minister for Education and said that Ireland had lost one of its most brilliant sons of this century. He added that his death was not alone a loss to his widow and family but to the Government and people of Ireland. He proposed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the widow and family of Mr. O'Malley and that as a mark of respect this meeting be adjourned to Monday, 1st April, 1968 at 3.30 p.m.

This proposal was seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan.

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) paid tribute to the late Mr. O'Malley and referred to him as a man of action rather than of words.

Clr. Holland associated himself with the vote of sympathy and recalled Mr. O'Malley's keen interest in Galway and the west of Ireland from his days as a student at University College, Galway. He also proposed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the people of Cork and to Aer Lingus on the fatal accident to their plane en route from Cork to London on the 24th instant.

These proposals were approved by the Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

CERTIFIED CORRECT *[Signature]*
ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY
SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED
[Signature] CHAIRMAN
DATE: 29.4.68

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,
 Bothar Mór,
 GAILLIMH

26adh Márta, 1968.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

The meeting of the Galway County Council on 25th instant was adjourned as a mark of respect to the late Deputy Donogh B. O'Malley, Minister for Education.

The adjourned meeting will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 1st April, 1968, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

The following item is added to the Agenda, viz:-

- 19 (k) Notice of Motion by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore),
Clrs. P. Collins, J. M. Mannion, P. Donnellan, T. Byrne,
M. Ryan, J. Lambert, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. P. T.
Galvin, P. Cunningham and B. Holland:

To ask the County Manager -

- (1) Names of people who hold Medical Cards.
- (2) Names of people who receive Home Assistance and the amount each person receives.
- (3) Names of persons who receive Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowance and the amount they receive.
- (4) Names of persons who receive Blind Welfare Scheme.

A request that this Notice of Motion be held in Committee.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,
1ST APRIL, 1968

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Fahy, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Ruane, Ridge and Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, C.A.C.E. (H), R. Lee, C.A.C.E. (P) and M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe, Acting County Secretary.

491 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meeting to 487 inclusive, having been circulated to the members, were submitted.

Clr. King referred to minute number 480 and he protested against the inclusion of the third paragraph thereof in the minutes and he proposed that it be deleted.

Deputy Kitt seconded.

The Acting County Secretary stated that the Chairman allowed Deputy Coogan to make this statement by way of a personal explanation and that therefore had to be recorded in the minutes in the absence of a direction to the contrary by the Chairman.

The Chairman explained that when he allowed Deputy Coogan to speak by way of a personal explanation, he did not know what subject he intended to raise.

As Deputy Coogan was not present at the meeting at this time, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) suggested that further discussion be adjourned until he arrived, and this was agreed to.

Deputy Kitt referred to Minute No. 487 and he said he left the meeting on the 26th February, 1968, in protest against this Notice of Motion, but that this fact was not recorded in the minutes, and he requested that it be included.

The Chairman agreed to Deputy Kitt's request.

492 - MEDICAL CARDS, HOME ASSISTANCE, DISABLED PERSONS' MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES AND BLIND WELFARE SCHEME:

The Chairman ^{proposed to deal with} said he / item 19 (k) on the Agenda now and he called on Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), to move the motion. Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded, that they ask the County Manager -

- (1) The names of people who held Medical Cards.
- (2) The names of people who receive Home Assistance and the amount each person receives.
- (3) The names of persons who receive Disabled Persons' Maintenance Allowance and the amount they receive.
- (4) The names of persons who receive Blind Welfare Scheme.

Clr. Collins supported them in their arguments in favour of the proposal.

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Clr. Burke now left the meeting explaining to the Chairman, that he had to attend an inquest.

Clr. King spoke against the proposal.

Deputy Molloy proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded, a direct negative.

A lengthy discussion then ensued in which the following members also participated, viz:-

Clrs. Byrne, Cunningham, Holland, Ryan, Callanan, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Pat Donnellan, Joyce, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Hussey and Fahy.

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) replied to the debate.

The Chairman then put Deputy John Donnellan's proposal to the meeting and a vote thereon, resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Galvin, Holland, Lambert, Mannion and Ryan. (11)

Against: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahy, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputies Kitt & Molloy Clrs. Melvin, Raftery, Ridge and Ruane. (18)

The Chairman declared Deputy John Donnellan's proposal defeated.

The County Manager stated that the percentage of the people in the county holding Medical Cards, viz. 44.8% covered men, women and children; that all factors were taken into account in determining eligibility, more especially, the personal individual circumstances and that it was endeavoured to ensure that people entitled to these services receive them; that if any case of a card holder not being entitled to a card was brought to his notice, he would have it investigated; that if people got in to poor circumstances, this was nothing to be ashamed of and that no useful purpose would be served by publishing the names.

493 - MINUTES: The Chairman referred to the earlier discussion on the minutes - minute number 491 - and Clr. King's objection regarding minute number 480. He advised Deputy Coogan that Clr. King had proposed and Deputy Kitt had seconded, that the third paragraph thereof be deleted from the minutes.

Deputy Coogan objected to this proposal.

The Chairman put Clr. King's proposal to the meeting and a vote thereon resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahy, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery and Ruane (17).

Against: Clrs. Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. Pat Donnellan, Galvin, Lambert, Mannion, Ridge and Ryan (11).

Clr. Glynn did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. King's proposal carried.

The minutes were then approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

494 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:

It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 (a) to (b) on the Agenda had been received.

495 - OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the obtaining of Overdraft accommodation on the Council's General Account, not exceeding £750,000 for the quarter ending 30th June, 1968."

496 - INISHBOFFIN ASSISTANCE DISTRICT: The letter sent to each member of the County Council on the 12th March, 1968, was submitted, requesting the Council to approve of the abolition of Inishboffin Assistance District and its inclusion in Clifden Assistance District, with effect from the date on which the existing Assistance Officer in Inishboffin will cease to hold office.

It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves, with effect from the date on which the existing Assistance Officer in Inishboffin will cease to hold office,

- (a) the abolition of the Inishboffin Assistance District and its inclusion in the Clifden Assistance District.
- (b) the abolition of the office of Assistance Officer in Inishboffin District.
- (c) the following salary scale for the office of Assistance Officer for the enlarged Clifden Assistance District, viz., £600 x £35 - £1,020 per annum plus an allowance of £12 per annum for boat expenses - the existing Assistance Officer in Clifden to enter this scale at the maximum of £1,020 per annum.

497 - REMUNERATION REVISION - AMBULANCE DRIVERS:

The County Manager told the Council that arrangements had been made to provide training courses for Ambulance drivers and that as a result, it had been agreed to adapt a national wage rate for Ambulance drivers.

This would mean that as from the 24th April, 1967, Ambulance drivers' pay would be £14 per week plus £2/10/0 per week in lieu of overtime.

Pending undergoing the training course, Ambulance drivers would be paid, with effect as from the 1st January, 1967, at the rate of £12 per week. On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Fahy, the Council approved of these arrangements.

498 - MEETINGS: The Council unanimously fixed dates and times for meetings as set out hereunder:-

- (a) Annual Meeting - Monday, 1st July, 1968, at 3.30 p.m.
- (b) Meeting for making of Rates for 1968/69 - Monday, 1st July, 1968, after the Annual Meeting.

499 - FIRE BRIGADES ADVISORY COMMITTEE: The minutes of meeting of the Fire Brigade Advisory Committee held on the 4th March, 1968, having been circulated to the members were submitted and noted.

500 - SUSAN AND PHILIP RICHARDSON, CURRAUNBEG, GLANN, OUGHTERARD - ARBITRATOR'S AWARD - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963:

The County Manager's report dated 22nd March, 1968, having been circulated to the members, was submitted and noted.

501 - PROPOSED DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Deputy Kitt said that Clr. Callanan and himself had discussed this with the County Manager before the meeting and they had agreed with the proposals he had in mind.

The County Manager said that a list of applications under consideration would be circulated to members of the Council, prior to each monthly meeting; that members could indicate at the meeting, the cases in respect of which they wished to be informed of the County Manager's intentions before decisions thereon were made.

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt and seconded by Clr. Callanan, it was agreed that members would be informed by letter of the County Manager's intentions and in the absence of any action by members, within a period of one week, the County Manager could go ahead and implement his proposals.

502 - SEA WALL BY COUNTY ROAD AT KILLEENARAN, KILCOLGAN:

The County Manager told Clr. Byrne that the County Road in question, was No. 312; that this area known as Brandy Harbour, is very sheltered and high tides do not damage the road; that the length of sea wall required would be 530 lineal yards and to be effective, the wall would require to be four to five feet high; that this area was a great seaweed ground and if a wall were provided complaints would certainly be made by the seaweed collectors; that it was not recommended that the Council would undertake this work.

503 - SUSAN AND PHILIP RICHARDSON, CURRAUNBEG, GLANN, OUGHTERARD:

Deputy Geoghegan said he had been called out of the meeting when this item on the Agenda was reached and he asked to be allowed to speak on it now.

The Chairman said the matter had been disposed of and he ruled out further discussion.

504 - AUDITOR'S REPORTS:

The following Auditor's Reports were submitted and noted:-

- (a) River Fergus Joint Drainage District Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1967.
- (b) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1967.

505 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

The County Engineer's report on the objection to the taking over of the road in the Mountbellew area from County Road 412 to Healy's, Gatestown, as directed in minute No. 464 of the 26th February, 1968, was submitted. It stated that he had since inspected this road with the Assistant County Engineer, Mountbellew; that he also had the opportunity of a joint discussion with the owners of the three houses on the road; that no agreement on

a 'modus vivendi' could be reached; that he recommended that the Council proceed with the adoption of the road and that he would take precautions to exclude or minimise cause for complaint.

On the proposition of Clr. Melvin and seconded by Clr. Lambert, the Council declared the following road to be a public road:-

| Area | From | To | Length lin. yds. |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Mountbellew | Co. Rd. 412 | Healy's, Gatestown | 130 |

506 - PROPOSED SALE OF PLOT OF GROUND AT CRINNAGE, CRAUGHWELL:

The notice dated 12th March, 1968, sent to each member of the Council was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Burke, Seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"That the disposal shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in the notice dated 12th March, 1968."

507 - LOAN £18,600 - PROVISION OF BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING AT BALLINASLOE:

It was proposed by Clr. Croffy, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £18,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source and over such a period of years as the Minister for Local Government may approve, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, to defray the costs of the provision of a branch library building at Ballinasloe."

508 - REGIONAL SEMINAR FOR NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLORS:

Correspondence received from the Institute of Public Administration regarding the Regional Seminar for newly elected Councillors at the Ardilaun House Hotel, Galway, on the 8th and 9th April, 1968, was submitted.

It was agreed that members who wished to attend the seminar should notify the County Manager as soon as possible so that he could make the necessary arrangements.

509 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL: It was noted that no notices of motion had been received for submission to the Spring meeting of the County Councils' General Council, to be held in May, 1968.

510 - SLIP-WAY AT PORTACH, MWEENISH, CARNA: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council agreed to take over the maintenance of the slip way at

Portach, Mweenish, Carna, on completion of the improvement works proposed to be carried out by the Office of Public Works on behalf of Roinn na Gaeltachta.

511 - PIER AT KILKERRIN, CARNA: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council agreed to take over the maintenance of the pier at Kilkerrin, Carna, on completion of the improvement works proposed to be carried out by the Office of Public Works on behalf of Roinn na Gaeltachta.

512 - ATHENRY SEWERAGE: Clr. Melvin proposed that the sewage be extended from Athenry Hotel Training School gate to the ten Council Cottages at Park and four private houses.

The County Manager stated that there was no money available at present for this extension but if the County Council approved an estimate would be prepared and included in the Estimates for 1969/70 financial year.

513 - DANGEROUS CORNER - ATHENRY CO-OP. MART: Clr. Melvin proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded that the dangerous corner at the Athenry Co-Op. Mart be removed.

The County Manager stated that the improvement of the bend at the Mart could only be dealt with as part of a major scheme for this stretch of road and that no such scheme was likely to be undertaken in the foreseeable future; that the bend was within the 30 m.p.h. zone; that any danger that existed was due to the presence of the Mart entrance and its elimination was a matter for the Mart Co.

Clr. Melvin agreed to discuss the question with the Mart Committee.

514 - CARTRON/ORANMORE WATER SUPPLY: Clr. Ruane proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded, that the piped water supply be extended to Cartron/Oranmore, serving houses along the Galway Road.

The County Manager said that no provision had been made in the Estimates for such an extension and that the further extension of the Oranmore Water Supply along the Galway Road by the County Council would not be merited, as the supply position would not justify further extensions.

515 - COOLARNE FLOODING: Clr. Ruane proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded, that the Council assist in relieving flooding at Coolarne, along County Road near John Morris' Shop as there had been complaints from both school authorities and parents of children attending the local school.

The County Manager stated that the relieving of the flooding on this road and on the adjoining lands was outside the scope of the County Council but that the Office of Public Works might be asked to look into the matter.

This suggestion was agreed to.

516 - BAN ON FAIRS: It was noted that the Minister for Agriculture had lifted the ban on fairs.

517 - ROAD LEADING TO LOFTUS TERRACE, TUAM: Clr. Burke proposed that some 60 yds. of road leading to Loftus Terrace, Tuam, be taken over by the Council.

The County Manager said that the road was 70 lin. yds. long and 12 to 15 feet wide; that foundations were sound; that to bring up to a reasonable standard with gravel surface and to include for one heavy man-hole cover, would cost approximately £47.

£47.

Clr. Burke said that it had appeared in the Tuam Herald in 1964, that the Council had agreed to take over this road.

- 518 - RATE COLLECTORS: Clr. Burke asked if due to derating under £20, Rate Collectors enjoy the same salary for less work.

The County Manager said that Rate Collectors who were paid on poundage had their warrants and earnings reduced; that Rate Collectors who were paid a salary had not had their salaries reduced.

- 519 - PART-TIME FIREMEN - EX GRATIA RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES:

Clr. Melvin on behalf of Deputy Carty, asked the County Manager when he intended, in accordance with instructions from the Department of Local Government, to submit to the Council for approval, a scheme for the payment of appropriate ex gratia retirement allowances to part-time retained firemen, employed by Galway County Council.

The County Manager said that this question was being discussed with the Unions concerned over the past six months and that agreement had been almost reached.

- 520 - MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD WORKS: Milltown, Tuam, Glenamaddy, Dunmore, Williamstown, Ballymoe Areas.

Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked the County Manager the reason why so little money was being allocated in the Milltown, Tuam, Glenamaddy, Dunmore, Williamstown, and Ballymoe areas, on County Roads and Main Roads, in comparison with the other districts.

The County Manager stated that the Arterial and Main Roads chosen, were the most important ones and the County Road Improvements were as far as possible chosen in engineering districts on relative importance.

- 521 - COST OF CONVENING COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked the County Manager the cost of convening a County Council meeting, assuming that all elected County Councillors attended.

The County Manager stated that the cost was £114/16/0.

- 522 - KINVARA TOILETS: Clr. Fahy proposed that a County Council Engineer be sent to Kinvara with instructions to decide on the best site for a Ladies' and Gents' toilet, that this site be acquired and the toilets built before the coming tourist season.

The County Manager stated that the Council had acquired a site for a public toilet at Kinvara and that the provision of a public convenience there was number 13 on the Priority List, and that he could not say when it would be built.

- 523 - KINVARA/DOURAS WATER SUPPLY: Clr. Fahy proposed and Clr. Byrne seconded that an interim report on finding a water source for Kinvara/Douras area be given.

The County Manager said that no suitable source for a Regional Scheme had been found in the Kinvara area.

Mr. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that a source to augment the town supply was under examination and this proved capable of supplying the needs of the Douras area in addition, a scheme for such an extension, would be submitted.

- 524 - ORANMORE LITTER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL:

Clr. Fahy asked the County Manager to indicate how soon litter collection and disposal would be carried out in Oranmore.

The County Manager stated that this would be considered when the proposed new refuse collecting vehicles were purchased.

- 525 - MEMBERS' TRAVELLING EXPENSES: Clr. Ridge proposed that the County Manager let him know the expenses paid to each member for all meetings of the Galway County Council during 1967, as these members of the County Council were anxious to find out what the poor were getting through Medical Cards and Clr. Clarke seconded.

The County Manager stated that he had the information but wanted the permission of the Council to give it.

Senator Killilea proposed that the information be refused and Clr. Melvin seconded.

Clr. Ridge said he demanded the information and Clr. Mannion seconded.

After a discussion the Council agreed that Clr. Ridge could have the information privately but not to give it publicly at the meeting.

- 526 - OUGHTERARD PUBLIC TOILET: Clr. Pat Donnellan proposed that the Council acquire site in a central position if possible in Oughterard with a view to the erection of a public toilet, and Deputy Geoghegan seconded.

The County Manager stated that the Council was refused a site in a central location in Oughterard and subsequently a site was selected at the Galway end of the town; that the site was the property of the Land Commission but formed part of lands which were allotted to Trustees in 1947 for the purposes of tillage allotments, sportsfields and car park; that the Land Commission had suggested that the Council first approach the Trustees with a view to getting their agreement to the acquisition of the site; that the Trustees had been asked if they would be willing to dispose of the site to the County Council but so far had not replied.

Clr. Pat Donnellan and Deputy Geoghegan asked that the provision of this public toilet be expedited.

- 527 - OUGHTERARD PUBLIC LIGHTING: Clr. Pat Donnellan asked the Council to improve the lighting in Oughterard.

The County Manager said that the E.S.B. had received instructions to have the new type mercury fluorescent lights provided in Oughterard and he understood that the change-over would be carried out shortly.

Clr. Pat Donnellan asked that additional lights be provided.

- 528 - FLOODING ON THE CARRICK WEST ROAD, CORNAMONA:

Clr. Pat Donnellan asked the County Council to relieve the flooding on the Carrick West Road, Cornamona, above the Post Office.

The County Manager stated that this referred to flash flooding caused by the backing up of the river at Cornamona after heavy rains; that these floods, although only lasting a few hours, occurred perhaps twice a year and covered about 50 yds. of County

Road 73 for a depth of up to 3 feet and necessitated a detour via Clonbur for the Cloughbrack people travelling to Cornamona or Maam, etc.; that the problem was really a river drainage one and perhaps the Corrib/Headford Drainage proposals might relieve it; that the County Council raised this hollow a few times but to eliminate the flooding permanently here, would cost about £1,500 as the road would have to be raised 3 to 4 feet, resurfaced tarred, fences etc. re-built for about a 100 yards; that the Drainage Scheme might cure it, and he suggested to wait and see.

529 - THE SQUARE, BALLYGAR:

Clr. Cunningham proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded that the Council give consideration to the provision of flower islands or some form of attraction at the Square, Ballygar.

The County Manager said that he agreed in principle, that some form of decorative islands be provided in the Square at Ballygar, and discussions were in progress with local interests with a view to deciding what form such islands would take.

530 - MOUNTBELLEW TOWN WATER SUPPLY:

Clr. Cunningham proposed that the Council provide more powerful pumping equipment to improve the very inconsistent water supply in Mountbellew town.

The County Manager stated that the main cause of the unsatisfactory water supply position in Mountbellew town had been leakage in supplies to various consumers in the town and the serious delays in having these leakages attended to. He added that there might be some merit in considering the replacement of the existing diesel pumping units with electric pumps of a higher output but this was a secondary consideration.

531 - ARDRAHAN VILLAGE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS:

Clr. Lambert proposed that speed limit signs be erected at Ardahan Village.

The County Manager stated that this was a matter for the Department of Local Government.

532 - SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Clr. T. King, on the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Lawless.
- Rev. D. Fitzsimons, C.C. Mountbellew, on the death of his mother Mrs. Fitzsimons.
- Mr. Stephen Jordan, Athenry, on the death of his sister.
- Mr. Paddy King, Boyhill, Athenry, on the death of his son.
- Mr. Matt Hackett, Prospect Hill, Galway, on the death of his sister Mrs. Furey.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

CERTIFIED CORRECT: *M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe*

ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

M. S. O'Maolruanaidhe CHAIRMAN

DATE: 29. 4. 68,

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH

19 Aibreáin, 1968.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 29 Aibreáin, 1968, ag tosú ar 3.30 p.m. a clog.

Mise, le meas,

M. S. O'MAOLRUANAIDHE
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:
 - (a) Patrick Roche, c/o O'Brien & O'Sullivan, Solicitors, Tipperary
- Damage to Anglia Motor Van and fittings, 1/2 and 7/3/68 ... £125.
 - (b) Michael Commins, Carnmore West, Oranmore
- Damage to Milk Stand 17/18 and 25th March, 1968 ... £24.
 - (c) Irish Crystal Glass Co. (Galway) Ltd., Galway.
- Damage to six panes in factory building, 3/4/68 ... £18.
 - (d) Sal O'Maille, Shop Street, Galway.
- Damage to Plate Glass window, 5/4/68 ... £60.
 - (e) Joseph Walsh, Kilkerrin, Carna
- Stable burned, 9/4/68 ... £250.
 - (f) Anne O'Brien, Turlagh, Ballymoe
- Damage to bridges on lands, 4/4/68 ... £100.
3. Creation of office of Assistant Matron, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea
4. Creation of additional offices of Clerk/Typists.

5. Revision of wages of semi-skilled workers.
6. Remuneration of Rate Collectors.
7. Revision of salaries of Staff Officers.
8. Loan £4,200 - Oughterard Water Supply extension to Portacarron Area.
9. Loan £70,000 - improvement works at Galway Harbour.
10. Merlin Park Bridge.
11. Declaration of Roads to be public roads - schedule attached.
12. Auditor's Report - Tuam Town Commissioners, 2 years ended 31st March, 1967.
13. County Councils' General Council - letter of 29th March, 1968.
14. Members Notices of Motion:-

(a) Clr. P. Fahy:

- (1) Extension of water supply to Oranbeg and Glenascaul.
- (2) Extension of town lighting in Oranmore.
- (3) Extension of footpath on the Dublin Road, Oranmore.

(b) Clr. W. Burke:

- (1) "At the next meeting of the Council I will ask the Galway County Council to request the Irish Land Commission to secure all materials for buildings within the province."

(c) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (1) "I will ask the County Manager at the next meeting of the Council, the reason for issuing circulars to farmers stating that the water rent is ten shillings per cow instead of stating that a £1 per byre was originally fixed."
- (2) "I will ask the County Engineer to see what he can do to make safe a dangerous bend near Mr. John Madden's Shop, Lerhin, Clonberne, where a number of accidents have occurred."
- (3) "I will ask the County Manager to have county road at Moyloughbeg leading from Moylough/Horseleap, main road to Horseleap/Kilkerrin main road, black topped in the coming year."

(d) Clr. F. Glynn:

"That provision be made in any development plans for St. Mary's Home, Tuam, to protect and leave accessible the Republican Memorial Site."

(e) Deputy M. F. Kitt:

- (1) "At the next meeting of Galway County Council I will propose that in connection with the Group Water Supply Scheme for Castleblakeney area which is at present being planned, that the Council would lay that portion of the scheme which would be ultimately part of the Caltra/Castleblakeney Regional Scheme."
- (2) "At the next meeting of Galway County Council I will propose that the villages of Caltra and Castleblakeney be put on the list for refuse collection and disposal."

(f) Clr. P. Raftery:

- (1) "That the water charge in respect of non-metered supplies to business premises, other than public houses, with private apartments attached, - (item No. 2, on recent circular) - be reduced to 35/- P.A., except where water is laid on in the business portion of said premises."
- (2) "That suitable concrete footpath be provided round the Dispensary at Ballygar, to enable patients to get to outdoor toilet on dispensary grounds at rear."

(g) Deputy M. Carty and Clr. H. Melvin:

- (1) "At the next meeting of the County Council one or other of the following shall move that the County Council provide public lighting on fair days in Ardahan."

(h) Clr. T. Byrne:

- (1) I will ask the County Manager -
 - (a) When the proposed Clarenbridge Water Scheme will commence.
 - (b) When it is proposed to build Council houses in Athenry to relieve the housing problem in the town.
 - (c) When a public health nurse will be appointed to the Kinvara Dispensary District.

(i) Clr. Clarke and Deputy Geoghegan:

- (1) "We will propose and second that the watermain be extended from Lettermore to the townland of Slate and we ask the Government for a Grant to cover same."
- (2) "We will propose and second that the water main be extended from Shruffane to Costello and we ask the Government for a Grant to cover same."

(j) Clr. P. Cunningham:

- (1) I will propose that Public Health Nurses be appointed in the Mountbellew and Ballygar Dispensary Districts as soon as possible.
- (2) I will propose that a more up-to-date Fire Engine be provided for the Brigade in Mountbellew.
- (3) I will propose that all particulars re the Local Improvements Scheme be made known to the members of the Council.

(k) Deputy John Donnellan:

- (1) "At the next meeting of Galway County Council, I propose to ask the County Manager what has happened to the £49,000 that was promised to us by the Department of Local Government to take the place of schemes formerly administered by the Board of Works, Minor Employment, Rural Improvement and Bog Development and when we are going to get this £49,000 promised and how exactly is it going to be spent."

- (2) At the next meeting of Galway County Council, I propose to ask the County Engineer would he consider widening or doing something about the dangerous junction at Ballintava Cross, Dunmore, Co. Galway. There have been quite a few serious accidents at this crossroads and it would be of great help to motorists and these people who live near that crossroads if something were done about this problem.
- (3) "That Michael John Keaveney, Clooncun, Glenamaddy, be appointed to the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

(1) Clr. T. King:

I will move at the next County Council meeting that the Council extend the water main at Ballyfoyle to the group of cottages outside the Corporation boundary.

15. Other business.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

Notice is hereby given that the Galway County Council will at a meeting which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 22nd April, 1968, commencing at 3.30 p.m., consider the making of a declaration that the following roads shall be public roads:-

| AREA | FROM | TO | LENGTH l. yds. |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Oughterard | Co. Rd. 68 Ballinahown | Banntrach Burial Ground | 1936 |
| Athenry | Main Rd. 410 Gorteen | Towards Connor's | 800 |
| Mountbellew | Co. Road 277 | J. Hegarty's | 250 |
| Tuam | Co. Road 132 | J. Naughton's, Ballycasey | 1800 |
| Portumna | Co. Road 565 | Co. Road 563 | 440 |
| Galway | Co. Road 137 | Drumgriffin | 400 |

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