

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)  
DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

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Mountbellew	M. R. 370	Quinn's, Crow Village	880
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Mountbellew	C. R. 455	Healy's, Newgrove	300
Mountbellew	C. R. 281	Murray's, Kilclough	290
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Loughrea	C. R. 397	Geoghegan's, Roo Village	620
Loughrea	C. R. 393 Ballymoneen	Towards Mitchell's	720
Loughrea	Jnc. 388/391 St. Clerans'	Corbett's	750
Athenry	Lecarrow	Callonan's, Lickerrig	400
Galway	Galway/Headford Rd. N.E.	Michael Small's house	700
Galway	Corbally Lynch westwards	Ml. Faherty's and B. Faherty's	270
Milltown	Ballinlass Rd. End of present C. R. 263 at Clooncun	for a distance of 380 yds.	380
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J. HOWLETT, County Secretary.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION 1968/69 - SECOND LIST

NO.	COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT £	AREA	From	TO	LENGTH L. YDS.
1	Fahy	460	Gort	Riordan's, Keelderry	McInerney's Cross, Hollymount	1312
2	Fahy	40	Gort	Gortacarnaun	O'Neill's house.	260
3	Ruane	500	Galway	Co. Rd. 139	Killoughter Village	1300
4	Croffy	50	Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. 517	Donnellan's, Castlegar.	260
5	Lambert	265	Loughrea	C.R. 401 at Ballynacurragh	Kelly's, Gorteenanillaun	1000
6	Kitt	30	Mountbellew	C.R. 421 at Egan's	Noonan's, Ballinlaghy.	100
7	Kitt	125	Mountbellew	C.R. 513 Shanballymore	Brannelly's house	270
8	Kitt	75	Ballinasloe	C.R. 513	Finnerty's, Latoon.	265
9	Donnellan S.	100	Galway	Spiddal Dispensary Residence	Co. Rd. 93	260
10	Donnellan P.	500	Tuam	Joyce's Park, Gortluggagh	for a distance of 400 yds.	400
11	Donnellan J.	250	Milltown	Co. Rd. 217	east to Patrick Healy's house.	880
12	Donnellan J.	250	Milltown	C.R. 245 at Slieve	for a distance of 305 yds.	305
13	Mannion J.	500	Clifden	Completion of Fountain Hill, Road	-	1060
14	Coogan	500	Galway	J. Clancy's house	J. Clancy's house, Lealetter.	1760
15	Melvin	100	Loughrea	C.R. Derryhoyle by Stratford's & Brennans	Boreen leading to Jos. Fahy's lands.	860
16	Callanan	70	Ballinasloe	Jnc. M.R. 310 at Killaan	Mullin's & Cannon's	500
17	Callanan	100	Portumna	C.R. 581 S. of Lismany Pump	Kylemore Bog Rd.	352
18	Callanan	80	Athenry	C.R. at Mannion's, Cloonbenes.	Murray's, Derrynamanagh	1606

COMHAIRLE CONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

County Buildings,  
Galway.

13th January, 1969.

To: Each Member Galway County Council.

Re/Proposed Sale of land at Spiddle  
West, 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 plot of land, particulars of which are given hereunder.

Land:

Plot of land at Spiddle West, Co. Galway.

Area - 1 Rood 28 Perches.

From Whom Acquired:

Patrick Conneely, Spiddle West, Spiddal, Co. Galway.

Person to whom land is Proposed to be sold:

Messrs. Hunter's Galway Ltd, Galway.

Consideration In Respect of Disposal:

£80 plus all costs of transfer including the Council's costs.

Other Covenants or Conditions in Connection with Disposal:

The Purchaser to erect a fence between the portion being sold and the remaining portion of the cottage plot - concrete posts and chain fence 4 ft. high.

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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Land:

2 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:

Michael Keary, Barrack Street, Loughrea  
Myles F. McKiernan, Bride Street, Loughrea

Areas of Plots  
18.55 sq.perches  
23.61 sq.perches.

Consideration In Respect of Disposal:

£310 per site.

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.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

21st January, 1969.

Dear Sir,

Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 is hereby given of the intention to sell a plot of land at Aille, for use as a site for a school, viz:-

Land:

Plot of land area 1 acre 2 roods 7 sq. perches in the townland of Aille and district electoral division of Selerna.

Acquired from:

The several owners of the commonage on which this plot is situated - as listed in schedule to the Galway County Council (Aille) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1966.

To be disposed of:

To Most Rev. Dr. Joseph Walsh, )  
Rev. Dermot Moloney, ) all of Tuam  
Rev. Patrick O'Connor. )

Consideration:

All costs incurred by the Council Council including costs of conveyance to purchasers.

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JOHN HOWLETT  
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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 "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.

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 be given to an applicant 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.
- (ii) second preference shall 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 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 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 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, including a person displaced or about to be displaced by any operation of the local authority under the Housing Act 1966, Section 3 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1964, or Section 77 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act 1963.
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.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 3RD FEBRUARY, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, E. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. P. Donnellan, I. Fahey, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, Padraic D. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. P. Raftery, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. L. O'Lunaigh, Deputy County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, Dr. F. Fower, County Medical Officer and J. Howlett, County Secretary.

Mr. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, was absent due to illness.

818 - MINUTES: It was agreed that minutes of meetings held on the 16th December, 1968, (Nos. 800 to 817) be approved and signed.

The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the minutes, Deputy Coogan proposed that legal opinion should be sought regarding the abandonment of action on a certain resolution passed by the Council. The Chairman stated that the member who had proposed this resolution, had subsequently withdrawn it, and he ruled out any further discussion on this matter.

819 - NEW CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER: The Chairman and members welcomed Dr. F. Fower, who had taken up duty as Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Fower thanked the Council and expressed his pleasure at returning to work in Galway.

820 - SYMPATHY: A minute's silence was observed as an expression of sympathy on the death of the late Mr. Patrick Cawley and in respect of the following bereavements:-

Thomas McInerney, Southpark, Ardrahan.

Sister Una (Mary Broderick, Cork) a member of the Little Company of Mary, Calvary Hospital, Renmore.

James O'Connor, George Street, Gort.

Andrew Ferguson, Woodquay, Galway.

821 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that claims in respect of malicious damage which had been listed at 2 (a) to (k) on the Agenda had been received.

A discussion took place on the very high rate of incidents involving malicious damage.

822 - ARDRAHAN DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: The Chairman gave leave to Cirs. Lambert, Byrne and Fahey to introduce an emergency motion, viz., seeking information on the Council's intentions with regard to Ardrahan Dispensary residence, following the prospective departure of the present occupant.

The Deputy County Manager stated that it was premature to consider this matter, as the Council had not received notice of an intended vacation of the premises. In reply to a question, he confirmed that the premises could not be sold without the consent of the Council.

823 - OVERDRAFT ON ACCOUNTS TO 31/3/1969: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Clr. Mannion and resolved:-

"that subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, temporary overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £750,000 be borrowed from the Council's treasurer in respect of quarter ending 31/3/69."

824 - AUDITOR'S REPORTS: The following reports of the Local Government Auditor were submitted and noted:-

- (i) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee
- (ii) Tuam Town Commissioners.
- (iii) Loughrea Town Commissioners.
- (iv) Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.
- (v) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee.
- (vi) Lough Corrib Navigations.

There was a discussion on the proposition that in the interest of good river drainage, it was undesirable that strict boundaries should be imposed on the areas of operation of certain drainage committees. It was agreed that the following resolution, which was proposed by Clr. Fahey and seconded by Clr. Lambert, should be forwarded to the River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee and to the Office of Public Works:-

"that Galway County Council would be willing to increase its rate contribution to the River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee, if the Office of Public Works would agree to maintain the portion of the River Fergus which lies in County Galway."

825 - DISPOSAL OF LAND: The Council unanimously agreed to the following disposals of land in accordance with the conditions of the relevant notices -

- (i) Proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and resolved:-

"that a plot of land at Spiddal West be sold in accordance with the terms and conditions of Notice dated 13th January, 1969, which had been circulated to each member of the Council."

- (ii) Proposed by Clr. Melvin, seconded by Clr. Croffy and resolved:-

"that plot of land at Cosmona, Loughrea, be sold in accordance with the terms and conditions of Notice dated 13th January, 1969, which had been circulated to each member of the Council."

- (iii) Proposed by Clr. Clarke, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that plot of land at Aille, be disposed of in accordance with the terms and conditions of Notice dated 21st January, 1969, which had been circulated to each member of the Council."

826 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

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"that the following roads be declared public roads"-

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- 827 - NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS 1968/69: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved:-

"that expenditure on the improvement of specified roads be authorised in accordance with schedule submitted and that arrangements be made to have the roads declared to be public roads."

- 828 - REVISIONS OF REMUNERATION: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that the Council approves of the revisions of remuneration specified in the following cases."

(i) County Secretary:

A revised scale of £2,470 x £126 - £3,100 per year (excluding 11th round increase) with effect from the 1st April, 1968.

Additional expenditure of £520 is approved in respect of this proposal for year ended 31/3/69.

(ii) County Librarian:

A revised scale of £1379 x £54 - £1757 per year (exclusive of 11th round increase) with effect from the 1st April, 1968.

(iii) Electricians:

Revised wages of £19/10/0 per week with effect from the 1st October, 1968. Extra remuneration of £160 is approved in respect of this proposal for year ending 31/3/69.

- 829 - EMPLOYMENT OF ADDITIONAL DRIVER/ASSISTANT IN LIBRARY SERVICE:

It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"that approval be given to a proposal for the employment of an additional driver/assistant for the County Library at a wage of £13/18/6 per week."

- 830 - CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF RADIOGRAPHER: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. King and resolved:-

"that the Council approves of the creation of a permanent office of Radiographer. Salary and conditions of office are to be determined by the County Manager, subject to the approval of the Minister for Health."

- 831 - REMISSION OF RATES - UNDEVELOPED AREAS ACTS, 1952-1966: It was proposed by Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Croffy and resolved:-

"that remission of rates under the Undeveloped Areas Acts, 1952-1966, be allowed to Batchelors' Limited, Cabra West, Dublin, in respect of factory premises provided by means of a grant from An Foras Tionscail and situated at Esker, Banagher."

- 832 - ANNUAL CONGRESS - INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HOUSING AND PLANNING:

The following councillors were nominated to attend the Annual Congress of the International Federation for Housing and Planning, which is to be held in Dublin from the 19th to the 24th May, 1969:-

Councillors Mrs. M. Croffy, J. Lambert, J. Donnellan (Moycullen) W. Burke and I. Joyce.

- 833 - LOAN FOR EXTENSION TO TUAM SEWERAGE SCHEME: It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan and resolved:-

"that the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £10,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works or from 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 County Council, to defray expenditure on the Tuam Sewerage extensions."

- 834 - CARE OF THE AGED - CIRCULAR NO. 40/68 of 6 Samhain, 1968:

The Council considered Circular from the Department of Health, regarding the care of the aged and it was agreed to provide in the Estimates for the coming year for the full amount of £4,400 authorised by the Minister for the purposes specified in this circular. The Deputy County Manager outlined the steps already taken by the Council to assist in the welfare of old people and said that the Council would welcome proposals from voluntary bodies, who might be in a position, with assistance from the Council, to implement suggestions made in this circular. Action on these lines was approved on the proposal of Clr. Burke, seconded by Deputy Coogan.

- 835 - MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY HELD ON 29TH NOVEMBER, 1968:

The Council adopted the minutes of meeting of the Joint Committee on Itinerancy held on 29th November, 1968. During the course of a discussion on the deferment of the development of site at Merlin Park, Clr. Ridge suggested that land was available at Renmore Barracks which could be allocated for the re-housing of itinerants.

- 836 - CURRAGHMORE BRIDGE: Read was letter dated 10th December, 1968, from the Department of Local Government, with regard to resolution by the Council at meeting of the 25th November, 1968, on the subject of Curraghmore Bridge. During the course of a discussion on this matter, Clr. King stated that this letter should have been sent to him when it was received and he objected to the delay in arriving at a solution to the problems caused by this bridge. Deputy Coogan and Clr. Collins also objected to the procedures adopted to deal with this matter.

- 837 - DRAFT SCHEME - Priorities to be accorded in the letting of Dwellings:

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

"that the Council approves of Draft Scheme of priorities to be accorded in the letting of dwellings provided by the Galway County Council under the Housing Act, 1966."

- 838 - DUNLING GROUND AT CLIFDEN: It was agreed, on the proposal of Clr. Joyce that this matter should be deferred to the next meeting at which the County Manager was present.

- 839 - SPORTS CENTRE - PALACE GROUNDS, TUAM: Read correspondence regarding the provision of a Sports Centre at the Palace Grounds, Tuam. It was agreed that the promoters of this undertaking could be allowed proceed with the lay-out and development of a golf course, on condition that this proposal was examined in detail and that no objection was seen to it.

- 840 - BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

(a) Estimates Committee Meetings: The Council agreed to a suggestion

by the Deputy County Manager, that the first Estimates Committee meeting should be deferred until the 14th February, 1969. It was decided that this meeting should start at 11 a.m.

- (b) Public Lighting - Weir Road, Tuam: Submitted estimate for the lighting of the Weir Road, Tuam. Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that provision be made in the Estimates for the coming year for the provision of additional public lights at Weir Road, Tuam, for which the E.S.B. have quoted a sum of £950. by way of capital contribution, together with a maintenance charge of £8. 9. 6. per lamp in respect of the 15 extra lights required."

841 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

Development of property at the County Home, Tuam: Following a discussion on this matter, the Chairman amended motion of which he had given notice. The amended motion was seconded by Clr. Burke and was passed by the Council in the following form:-

"that the Council take the necessary steps to transfer the remainder of the property in the County Home, Tuam, to the Christian Brothers for school building purposes."

A lengthy discussion took place during which various members pointed out the grave needs of the Christian Brothers for a school site. The Deputy County Manager informed the Council that proposals for the development of the site at the County Home for housing had reached an advanced stage. The matter could be reviewed in the light of the Council's resolution, but he could see considerable difficulty in accommodating the needs of the Christian Brothers at this stage. It was agreed that this matter should be investigated to see what was feasible.

842 - Motions by Clr. L. Ruane: Motions by Clr. L. Ruane were moved in his absence by Clr. F. Glynn, in regard to the following matters:-

- (i) New School at Corofin: With regard to the expedition of plans for the erection of a new school at Corofin, it was pointed out that arrangements were being made concerning water supply. It was also pointed out by one of the members that the school had now been advertised for tenders.

- (ii) Traffic lights at Moneenageisha and at the Tower House:

Sanction in principle had been received from the Department of Local Government with regard to the provision of traffic lights and revised quotations had been sought for these installations.

- (iii) Payments to landowners: Clr. Ruane had submitted the names of landowners who alleged delay in the payment of compensation for road widening. This matter was being investigated.

843 - NEW DISPENSARY AT CRAUGHWELL: In reply to a motion by Clr. Lambert,

- (i) the Deputy County Manager stated that alternative premises were being considered for renting for a dispensary at Craughwell.

- (ii) Refusals of planning applications at Gort: The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. Lambert that two applications for the erection of dwellinghouses had been refused on the Galway Road, outside the town boundary.

An existing application for the erection of a number of houses was being considered and a request had been made for further information. Clr. Lambert protested at refusal of the two applications on the Galway Road.

- (iii) Gort Waterworks: Clr. Lambert was informed that provision had been made in the Estimates for the installation of new pumping plant in the Gort Waterworks. A discussion took place on this matter and it was pointed out by Clr. Fahey that the improvement of the water supply was very urgent as the present position could have an adverse effect on factory production in the town. Following some further discussion, the Council agreed to authorise expenditure on this project in advance of the Estimate and confirmed that they would approve of the amounts to be included in the Estimates to finance the scheme. The proposal in this regard was made by Clr. Lambert, seconded by Clr. Fahey.

844 - FIRE BRIGADE SERVICE:

In reply to a motion by Clr. Collins, regarding the use of the Fire Brigade services for certain emergencies, the Deputy County Manager stated that while firefighting remains the main purpose of the service, assistance could be given, within certain limits, in the case of other disasters and the question of the use of fire brigades to rescue persons at road accidents was at present being studied by An Foras Forbartha. Clr. Kitt congratulated the Ballinasloe Fire Brigade and the Assistant County Engineer, Mr. O'Connor, for help given during serious flooding at Castleblakeney.

- 845 - (i) Road from Castle Ellen to Caurnaun (Turloughmore):

Clr. E. Donnellan was informed that the above road was included in the 1969/70 County Road Reconstruction Grant Scheme.

- (ii) Light at Brooklodge Church, Turloughmore: The provision of a light at Brooklodge Church was not recommended, as it was not in accordance with the general policy on public lighting.

- (iii) Surfacing of area outside new schools at Annagh (Turloughmore):

The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. E. Donnellan that if land outside new schools in Annagh was dedicated to the public use, without cost to the Council, arrangements could be made to have the area black-topped.

- 846 - (i) Liability for level crossings: A lengthy discussion took place on Clr. Fahey's motion, that senior counsel's opinion should be sought on the question of liability for level crossings as between the Council and Coras Iompair Eireann. It was finally pointed out by the Chairman that since the Council appeared to have no liability in this matter, action could not be taken on the lines suggested by Clr. Fahey, to promote a case on behalf of a woman whose husband had been killed in a railway crossing accident.

- (ii) Rolling of road into Coole: Motion by Clr. Fahey, that Bord Failte should be requested to give a grant for the rolling of road into Coole, was supported by Clr. E. Donnellan and Clr. J. Lambert. It was agreed to write to Bord Failte on this matter.

- (iii) Sick Calls - Dispensary Doctors: The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. Fahey of the duties of District Medical Officers with regard to attendance to sick calls. A discussion followed with regard to difficulty stated to have been experienced by persons who are not Medical Card holders in getting attendance by any doctor in some of the more remote areas.

- 847 - (i) College Road, Galway: The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. Holland that path at College Road was not considered to be in need of repairs.
- (ii) Path at St. Nicholas' Avenue: Clr. Holland was informed that portion of St. Nicholas' Road adjoining New Docks, would be considered for repair. Pathways in this area appear to be in a reasonably good condition.
- (iii) Pedestrian Crossing at Fr. Griffin Road: Clr. Holland was informed that the provision of a pedestrian crossing at Fr. Griffin Road would have to be examined in conjunction with the over-all traffic situation in the city of Galway. The County Engineer stated that the Corporation had appointed traffic consultants and that it was assumed that a general plan for traffic management was being drawn up by the Corporation.
- 848 - (i) Road through the village of Oldtown to Knockauranny (Moycullen):  
Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen) was informed that road through the village of Oldtown to Knockauranny could be blacktopped during the coming financial year by way of County Road Maintenance (Special Improvements).
- (ii) Dangerous turns on road near village of Moycullen West:  
Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen) was informed that major road re-alignment would be involved and that it was unlikely that work on the removal of dangerous bends at the above location would be undertaken for a few years.
- (iii) Sewerage Scheme at Moycullen: The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen) that a preliminary report on the Moycullen Sewerage Scheme had been sent to the Department of Local Government in March, 1968. The report was approved in principle and there had recently been some further correspondence with regard to technical details.
- 849 - (i) New Lighting System at Moylough: Clr. M. Ryan was informed that an order had been placed for the change over to new lighting system at Moylough and that additional lights could be considered in conjunction with the coming year's Estimates.
- (ii) Flooding at Abbeyknockmoy: The Deputy County Manager informed Clr. Ryan that work was in progress to relieve flooding on the property of Mr. Bartley Synnott, Abbeyknockmoy.
- (iii) Water supply for the villages of Shannaghbeg and Shannaghmore:  
This matter had been referred to the Consulting Engineer with reference to an extension of the Kilkerrin/Moylough Water Supply Scheme.
- 850 - (i) Extension of Pilot area: It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and resolved:-  
"that the Minister for Agriculture be requested by the Council to include the parishes of Milltown and Kilconly in the Pilot area."
- (ii) Milltown Water Scheme: Clr. Glynn was informed that the Milltown Water Scheme had not sufficient priority to allow any progress to be made for the present.
- (iii) Kilclooney (Milltown) Cemetery: Clr. Glynn was informed that the question of extending Kilclooney Burial ground was being considered and that it might be necessary to acquire extra land.

- 851 - (i) Water Supply in the villages of Turla, Ussey and Keellogues Beg, Ballymoe:  
Deputy Donnellan was informed that the provision of a water supply to the villages in question had proved to be difficult in view of the nature of the terrain. Difficulties had arisen in maintaining the supply for this reason but complaints were being attended to as far as possible.
- (ii) Sewerage Scheme for Ballymoe:  
It was pointed out to Deputy Donnellan that Ballymoe was not on the priority list for sewerage schemes.
- (iii) Road through the Weir Village to Kilbannon: The Deputy County Manager informed Deputy Donnellan that the above road, County Road No. 218, was scheduled for surfacing under County Road Grant in 1969/70.
- 852 - (i) Lortiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe: The Council approved the following motion which stood in the names of Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, J. Callanan, H. Melvin, L. Fahey, L. Raftery and L. Collins:-  
"that the Galway County Council recommend to the Minister for Health, that Lortiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe, be classified as a General Hospital in any future plans for Hospital Services."
- 853 - (i) Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee:  
It was agreed on the proposition of Clr. Hm Melvin, that Mr. Henry Quinn, Roo, Gort, be made a member of the Kinvara Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.
- (ii) Oranmore Sewerage Scheme: Clr. Melvin was informed that the Department of Local Government had requested further information on the extent of proposed sewerage scheme for Oranmore, before approving the appointment of a consultant. The information requested had been supplied to the Department.
- 854 - Motions by Clr. T. Hussey: Three motions standing in the name of Clr. T. Hussey were adjourned to the next meeting, in view of the absence of Clr. Hussey.
- 855 - (i) Public Water Supply for the townland of Billamore, Oughterard:  
Deputy Geoghegan was informed that it would not be possible to provide for further extensions from the Oughterard Water Supply Scheme, as the existing extensions to Cregg and Lortacarron had taxed the capacity of the supply to the utmost. Deputy Geoghegan requested that this matter might be re-examined.
- 856 - (i) Water Supply to villages adjoining Galway City: Deputy Molloy was informed that consulting engineers had been appointed to prepare a preliminary report on the provision of water supplies to areas including the areas of Ballybane, Ballybrit, Castlegar, Ballinfolyle, Menlo, Bushypark and Knocknacarra.
- (ii) Claregalway Burial Ground: The Deputy County Manager informed Deputy Molloy that it was not possible to proceed with an extension to the Claregalway Burial Ground due to an objection received from Movie News Limited, owners of a house within a hundred yards of the proposed extension. An alternative site for a new burial ground was now being sought.
- (iii) Refuse Collection for the Furbo Area: Deputy Molloy was informed that it was not proposed to provide a refuse collection for the Furbo area.



- 857 - (i) Clr. Melvin moved motion submitted by Deputy Carty and was informed that work was now in progress on a cottage for an applicant in the Loughrea area. Difficulties had been experienced in starting this work any earlier.
- 858 - (i) Road between Milltown and Carrowreagh School: Clr. Burke was informed that it was hoped to start work to remove clay banks from the sides of road between Milltown and Carrowreagh school in the interests of the safety of school children.
- 859 - (ii) Sites at the Palace Grounds, Tuam: Clr. Burke was informed by the Deputy County Manager that a decision not to proceed with the development of the Palace Grounds, Tuam, for private housing, had already been taken by the Council. Plans were now being prepared for similar developments at Tuam Fairgreen.
- (iii) Extension of Addergoole Burial Ground: Clr. Burke was informed that agreement had been reached with a landowner, concerning the terms on which he would sell land to the Council for the extension of the Addergoole Burial Ground.
- 860 - (i) Parking and turning facilities at Drumacoo Graveyard, Ballindereen:  
 Clr. T. Byrne was informed that a proposal to provide parking and turning facilities at Drumacoo Graveyard was being considered. Progress with the matter would depend on whether the necessary land could be acquired.
- (ii) Sewerage nuisance at Crowe Street, Gort: Clr. T. Byrne was informed by the Deputy County Manager that there had been a marked improvement in conditions in the area of Crowe Street, Gort, since improvements had been carried out by the County Council some years ago. The flooding which had occurred in December last could be regarded as exceptional and any further major drainage of the Gort River would be a matter for the Office of Public Works.
- (iii) Fairgreen at Fortumna: Clr. T. Byrne stated that he was withdrawing motion with regard to the use of the Fairgreen at Fortumna.
- 861 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-  
 Mr. Sean Folan, 15 O'Donoghue's Terrace, Woodquay, Galway, on the death of his nephew.  
 Mrs. Thomas Cormacan, Corskagh, Gurteen, Woodlawn, on the death of her husband.  
 Mrs. Thomas Terrance, Kilcolgan, on the death of her sister.  
 Messrs. Thomas and Lawrence Crehan, Ballinacor, Newbridge, on the death of their mother.  
 The Garvey Family, Dillon Brook, Milltown, on the death of Mrs. Nora Garvey.  
 Mrs. I. Curran, Cappamoyal, Newcastle, Athenry, on the death of her husband.  
 Mrs. John J. Casey, Main Street, Clifden, on the death of her husband.  
 Mrs. J. O'Grady, Market Street, Clifden, on the death of her niece.  
 Mrs. Timothy Mitchell, Killelooney, Ballinasloe, on the death of her father.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

Submitted, approved and confirmed

*M. Killilea*

Chairman

24<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1969

SCHEDULE REFERRED TO IN MINUTE NO. 827.  
 COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION 1968/69 - SECOND LIST

NO.	COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT	AREA	From	TO	LENGTH L.YDS.
1	Fahy	460	Gort	Riordan's, Keelderry	McInerney's Cross, Hollymount	1312
2	Fahy	40	Gort	Gortacarnaun	O'Neill's house.	260
3	Ruane	500	Galway	Co. Rd. 139	Killougher Village	1300
4	Croffy	50	Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. 517	Donnellan's, Castlegar.	260
5	Lambert	265	Loughrea	C.R. 401 at Ballynacurragh	Kelly's, Gorteananillaun	1000
6	Kitt	30	Mountbellew	C.R. 421 at Egan's	Noonan's, Ballinlaghy.	100
7	Kitt	125	Mountbellew	C.R. 513 Shanballymore	Brannelly's house	270
8	Kitt	75	Ballinasloe	C.R. 513	Finnerty's, Latoon.	265
9	Donnellan S.	100	Galway	Spiddal Dispensary Residence	Co. Rd. 93	260
10	Donnellan P.	500	Tuam	Joyce's Park, Gortluggagh	for a distance of 400 yds.	400
11	Donnellan J.	250	Milltown	Co. Rd. 217	east to Patrick Healy's house.	880
12	Donnellan J.	250	Milltown	C.R. 245 at Slieve	for a distance of 305 yds.	305
13	Mannion J.	500	Clifden	Completion of Fountain Hill, Road	-	1060
14	Coogan	500	Galway	J. Clancy's house	J. Clancy's house, Lealetter.	1760
15	Melvin	100	Loughrea	C.R. Derryhoyle by Stratford's & Brennards	Boreen leading to Jos. Fahy's lands.	360
16	Callanan	70	Ballinasloe	Jnc. M.R. 310 at Killaan	Mullin's & Cannon's	500
17	Callanan	100	Portumna	C.R. 581 S. of Lismany Pump	Kylemore Bog Rd.	352
18	Callanan	80	Athenry	C.R. at Mannion's, Cloonbena.	Murray's, Derrynamanagh	1606

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

7th February, 1969.

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, 14th February, 1969, commencing at 11 a.m.

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RUNAI.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1970 - copy herewith.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD IN COMMITTEE, AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY 14th FEBRUARY, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Croffy, Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Movcullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Heverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion, Melvin, Raftery, Ridge and Ryan.

An apology for inability to attend due to illness was received from Clr. Ruane.

Officials: Messrs. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Asst. County Manager, C.A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Asst. County Engineer, T.P. Griffin, Acting County Accountant and K. Doyle, Acting County Secretary.

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SYMPATHY: The Chairman and members expressed their sympathy with the wife and family of the late Mr. Seamus O'Donoghue, Chief Agriculture Officer, and it was agreed that as a mark of respect the meeting adjourn for one hour.

On resumption of the meeting, Senator M. Killilea again took the chair.

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ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1970:

The estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1970, prepared by the County Manager, was submitted. A long discussion took place on the estimates, during which the County Manager and Asst. County Manager replied to various questions from members.

Road Services Estimate: The Road Services Estimate having already been considered by the Council was approved.

Public Assistance Services Estimate:

In reply to queries from members the Asst. County Manager gave particulars of the free footwear scheme, and of the persons who were entitled to free footwear under the scheme.

Health Services Estimate: A long discussion took place on the increase of £30,800 provided for medicines in the general medical services portion of this estimate, and the County Manager gave particulars of the steps which had been and are being taken to keep expenditure on such medicines to reasonable portions. He stated that investigations which had been carried out regarding the level of stocks indicate that there is no large scale waste of medicines in dispensaries. Deputy Kitt proposed and Clr. Callanan seconded that the estimate for medicines in the general medical services section be reduced by £10,000. The County Manager stated that to make this reduction would amount to budgeting for a deficiency in next years accounts, and that the estimate is based on the experience of the Council, on the cost of medicines for the current year. He further stated that 44.8 per cent of the population or 66,425 people are now covered by medical cards, that the estimate also made provision for medicines for

hardship cases and also for psychiatric medicines which were previously given by the mental hospital. It was agreed that a vote would be taken after 4.30 p.m. on Deputy Kitt's proposal.

When the matter came up for discussion after 4.30 p.m., the County Manager stated that if the estimates were reduced by £10,000 it would mean a reduction of only approximately 2d. in the £, after taking account of the Health Services Grant. In the circumstances Deputy Kitt agreed to withdraw his proposal and the estimate for Health Services was approved.

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: Clr. Ridge proposed and Clr. Mannion seconded that the sum of £4,000 provided for school meals (Gaeltacht) be increased to £6,000.

Clr. Callanan proposed and Clr. Croffy seconded that the increase be not approved for this year until the Council has an opportunity of investigating the matter further.

A vote taken on Clr. Ridge's proposal by a show of hands after 4.30 p.m., resulted as follows - for the proposal 7 against - 16. The Chairman declared Clr. Ridge's proposal lost and the General Purposes Estimate was approved.

864 - TOLL RIGHTS, HEADFORD: Clr. King stated that the estimate did not make any provision for purchase of toll rights in Headford, and he asked the Council to approve the raising of a loan of £3,000 for the purchase of those rights. It was unanimously agreed that the Council raise a loan for this purpose.

865 - SYMPATHY: Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:

Mr. Joseph Murphy, Claddaghduff, Co. Galway, on the death of his father.

Mr. Jerry Hogg, Dunlo Street, Ballinasloe, on the death of his mother.

Mrs. Fleming, Kiltulla, Attymon, Co. Galway, on the death of her husband.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

Submitted, approved and confirmed

*M. Killalea*  
Chairman

24<sup>th</sup> Feb 1969

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY

21st February, 1969

To Each Member of the Galway County Council/

A Chara,

It is requested that you will attend a Special Meeting of the Galway County Council to be held in committee at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 24th February, 1969, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

J. HOWLETT  
County Secretary

A G E N D A

1. Consideration of Circular No. HSG.221 of 12th February, 1969, from the Department of Health (copy of Circular, together with copy of County Manager's reply dated 13th February, 1969 enclosed herewith.)

Telephone 42961  
Seol aon (freagra chun:—  
(Address any reply to:—)

AN RÚNAÍ  
(The Secretary)

fé'n uimhir seo:—  
(quoting:—)



AN ROINN SLAINTE  
(Department of Health)

TEACH AN CHUSTAIM  
(Custom House)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 1.  
(Dublin 1.)

HSG 221

12 Feabhra, 1969

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Health to state that he has had under consideration the question of the incidence of the cost of the health services in the year 1969/70. The matter has been the subject of discussion with his colleagues in the Government and, while the question of sources of financing the services additional to the Exchequer and the Rates continues to be examined, he wishes to indicate to health authorities the situation which will obtain in the coming financial year.

On the basis of the estimates submitted by health authorities, the total cost of the services in the year 1969/70 will show an unprecedented increase over the costs in the current year. The total revenue expenditure of health authorities in 1969/70 would be in the neighbourhood of £49 million as compared with a figure of £41 million as originally estimated in respect of the current year. It is particularly disturbing that this situation should be expected to develop in a year in which no substantial extensions to services are being budgetted for.

The Minister for Finance shares with the Minister the consciousness of the very heavy burden which the local rates impose and of the requests from many sources that the Exchequer come to the assistance of the ratepayer by extending existing subventions towards the health services for the relief of rates. The Minister for Finance has, however, already made known publicly that the Exchequer is facing a very difficult situation in the coming Budget. Substantial increases in the Estimates for the public services as a whole indicate a level of expenditure for 1969/70 which altogether outstrips estimated revenue. Unless very large economies are

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effected further increases in taxation will be necessary. Such increases are unpleasant in themselves but, more importantly, they could at this stage put a serious restraint on growth in the national economy. He is loth therefore to add to the existing high share of national income taken by taxation. The most effective way however of reducing the burden on the ratepayer, without transferring a corresponding burden on to the taxpayer, is to reduce the level of local expenditure.

The Minister feels that in the health services substantial economies can be found without detriment to the efficiency or availability of the present services. He accordingly asks that each health authority should examine critically their forecasts of expenditure for the coming year and that they should endeavour to achieve substantial reductions in their projected expenditure. It is only on the basis of such a reduction the Minister is hopeful that the contribution from the Health Vote can be adjusted so as to avoid an undue increase in the health rates in any area. The actual supplementary grant to be paid to each health authority can be determined only when the preparation of the estimates in each case has been advanced to the stage where it can be ascertained what the impact on the rates would be if the current basis of recoupment were to be continued in the coming year.

I am to request that you will examine the estimates in respect of your health authority as a matter of urgency with a view to securing substantial economies on the lines indicated above. The results of such examination should be reported to the Department as soon as possible. Officers of this Department will be available for discussion on any matters of difficulty which may arise.

Mise, le meas,

Manager,  
Galway Health Authority.

AAS/IMcD

13th February, 1969.

Secretary,  
Department of Health,  
Custom House,  
DUBLIN.

Dear Sir,

With reference to Circular HSG.221 of the 12th instant I wish to state that the estimate of expenses of year ending 31st March, 1970, has been completed, circulated to the members of the Council and the first meeting of the Council in Committee to consider the estimates will be held on 21st instant. I enclose herewith copy of the report on the estimates which has been circulated to the members of the Council and in which the increases in the health services are outlined. The actual increase in the health services is equivalent to a rate of 67.4 pence in the pound. The principal causes of the increases as set out in the estimates are:-

Provision for the payment of the 11th round to the staff.  
The increased staff in the Regional Hospital.  
The purchase of additional equipment consequent on consultants taking up duty.  
The increase in x-ray equipment.

In the preparation of the estimates all the officers concerned were informed of the need to ensure that the amounts provided were realistic and were kept as low as possible having regard to the likelihood of a substantial increase in the general rates. You will notice the increase in the general rate is 14/6d. in the £.

The estimates will be reviewed in detail with the Council and in his review the considerations outlined in the Department's circular will be kept in mind. I cannot see, however, that any substantial reductions can be made in the figures included in the estimate.

Yours faithfully

A. A. Sharkey  
County Manager

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY  
COUNCIL, HELD IN COMMITTEE AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,  
GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1969.

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IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, E. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, I. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Clr. E. Fahey, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, E. Holland, T. Hussey, E. D. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. E. Raftery, E. Ruane, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Lunaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, J. Howlett, County Secretary, T. L. Griffin, Acting County Accountant.

866 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES - Circular No. HSG.221 of 12th February, 1969, from the Department of Health:

The Council considered the above Circular, copy of which had been sent to each member.

During the course of the discussion members complained that the circular had been issued at an inopportune time, that the rates for Health Services had increased far in excess of original Ministerial forecasts and that the bulk of such increases had been caused by following directions from the Department of Health in regard to the extension and improvement of the service.

Clr. King pointed out that the increase of 5/8d for health services was not excessive in relation to the overall increase of 14/6d shown in the Estimate.

In reply to a question by Clr. Holland, the County Manager stated that it was difficult to draw any valid conclusions from variations in the number of medical cards issued. At any particular time, persons who were eligible might not yet have applied for medical cards, while applications received might not be significant in regard to use of the Health Services.- a case in point was the number of applications received from persons who wished to obtain medical cards in order to qualify under the scheme for free school books for their children. Clr. Collins was informed that the amounts provided under Health Services in the estimate to cover increases in salaries were equivalent to a rate of approximately 1/6d in the £. The County Manager also informed the Council, that in the absence of information on the exact basis on which the Health Services Grant would be paid during the coming year, it had been assumed in the estimates that payments would be made on the same basis as that adopted during the current year. A similar assumption had to be made in respect of Road Grants. There was a statutory entitlement to a 50% recoupment for Health Services.

Deputy Kitt pointed out that a large number of farm holdings were exempt from rates by reason of the relief afforded under the Agricultural Grant. He said that the heaviest burden of rates fell on property and that any representations being made for relief by way of further grants, should take this into account.

There was a discussion on proposals by Clr. Collins for a scheme of discounts to secure prompt payment of rates and for efforts to speed up the payment of State grants. Clr. Collins held that these proposals would reduce the expense of maintaining overdrafts but Clr. King objected to the proposal for rate discounts, on the grounds that it would impose hardship on ratepayers who could not afford to pay in advance. Following amendments to these proposals, it was agreed on the proposal of Clr. Collins, seconded by Deputy Coogan, that the Minister for Local

Government should be asked to consider legislation which would enable local authorities to provide additional discounts for prompt payment of rates and that efforts should be made by the Minister to secure that instalments of all state grants were paid in advance, in order to avoid payment of overdraft interest by local authorities who had to carry expenditure pending the receipt of such grants.

The Chairman stated that the Council had very carefully considered the Estimate and that it had not been possible to affect any reductions. He was gravely concerned with the huge increase in expenditure on medicines and in order to make a constructive suggestion for economies in this regard, he proposed that the Council should request the Minister for Health to introduce legislation to enable a small charge to be made for medical prescriptions, such as were issued free of charge at present. The Chairman stated that such a scheme would not impose any hardship and that it would introduce considerable economies and prevent the wastage of medicines. The proposal which was supported by Cllrs. Melvin and Hussey, was adopted by the Council.

The Meeting then terminated

Submitted, approved and confirmed  
*Tomás Mac Fíneáin*  
Chairman

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GALLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY

14th February, 1969.

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, 24th February, 1969, 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, 1970, and to determine the rate in the £ for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges.

Copies of the Estimates and County Manager's report thereon have already been circulated.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL,  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY,  
1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, I. Collins,  
Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, I. Cunningham,  
J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Clr. T. Fahey,  
Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland,  
T. Hussey, I. D. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt,  
Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy K. Molloy,  
Cirs. T. Raftery, I. Ruane, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant  
County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief  
Assistant County Engineer, J. Howlett, County Secretary,  
T. I. Griffin, Acting County Accountant.

867 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1970:

The Chairman stated that the Council had by now examined the Estimate in great detail. They had spent a full day at Estimates Committee Meeting, held on 14th February, 1969, and they had also reviewed the situation in detail at Committee Meeting, held immediately before this meeting. It had not been possible to effect any reductions in the Estimate but it should be borne in mind that before presenting the estimate to the Council, the County Manager had himself conducted a thorough review so as to ensure that the sums included were kept to a minimum consonant with the Council's responsibilities for the provision of services.

Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Molloy, proposed that the estimate presented should be adopted by the Council.

Following some further discussion, Clr. Callanan, seconded by Clr. Collins, proposed that from the 1st May next, the Council should not approve of any salary increases made on a percentage basis. He said that he strongly objected to this method of paying increases, in view of the amounts which were thereby awarded to higher officials. Deputy Coogan attributed increases in costs to the imposition of turnover tax.

Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Clr. Collins, proposed that the meeting should be adjourned for two weeks, pending the receipt of information on the amount of Health Services grant which would be available for the coming year. Cirs. Collins and Glynn proposed separate motions, seeking an increase in the amount of the Health Services grant.

Following a lengthy discussion on the basis on which an increase in the Health Services grant should be sought, the following amended motion which was proposed by Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Lambert, was unanimously adopted by the Council:

"that the Minister for Health be requested to increase the Council's allocation of the Health Services Grant, in order to offset an increase in the rate for Health Services and that, pending a decision on this resolution, the Estimates Meeting be adjourned until the 10th March next."

The Meeting then terminated

Submitted, approved and confirmed

*Tomás Mac an Ríordáil*  
Chairman

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

17u la de Feabhra, 1969.

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, 24u la de Feabhra, 1969, ag tosnu nuair a bheidh deire le cruinniú na meastachan.

Mise, le meas,

S. hUileid  
Runai

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:
  - (a) McDonagh Milling & Trading Co. Ltd.  
- windows broken in flour mills, 26/1/69 ... £28. 10. 0.
  - (b) Western Motors Limited.  
- door of petrol kiosk broken on  
31st Jan./1st Feb., 1969 ... £10. 0. 0.
  - (c) Mrs. Bridget McInerney, The Golden Key, Prospect Hill,  
Galway.  
- three glass doors and one glass window broken,  
2nd/3rd February, 1969 ... £140. 0. 0.
3. Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Act, 1967.
4. Dumping ground at Clifden.
5. Auditor's Report - County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
6. Raising of loan of £39,600 for the erection of a Swimming Pool in Tuam.
7. Revision of remuneration - proposed payment of 9% to Engineering and Medical staff.
8. Confirmation to appointment of temporary Rate Collector for district No. 36.
9. Fier at Muighros, Cnoc Bui - letter dated 14u Feabhra, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta.
10. Submission for approval of minutes of meeting of the Education (Grants) Committee of the 21st February, 1969.

11. Business submitted by County Manager.

12. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:-

(a) Clr. T. Hussey:

- (i) At the next meeting of Galway County Council, I will move - that additional lights be installed on the Glenamaddy Road, Williamstown.
- (ii) that the street lights in Glenamaddy be switched on for fair mornings.
- (iii) that in the event of any extensions to Glenamaddy water supply being carried out, priority be given to Dunmore Road extension to Stoolpark and Parkroe.

(b) Deputy J. Donnellan:

- (i) The road from Donnellan's house which is a County Council road - when will it be blacktopped.
- (ii) To ask the County Manager what is the hold up in providing an alternative water supply for the town of Tuam and if he is aware that farmers in the Levally and Ballaghalode district are awaiting a drainage scheme to be completed.
- (iii) To ask the County Manager to give the Council full information on any grants that are available for the establishment of a community centre and if grants are available, under what conditions are they granted.

(c) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

- (i) I will propose that the main water supply be extended from the main road to the townland of Ailwee, Rosmuck.

(d) Clr. T. King:

- (i) I will propose that the purchase of the Toll Rights of Headford approved by the County Council be financed by way of loan.

(e) Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen):

- (i) At the next meeting of the County Council, I will ask the County Engineer of the cause of flooding in and around the factory in Moycullen village.

(f) Clr. F. Joyce:

- (i) That Cleggan water supply be extended to a point at Rossadillisk near Mark Feeney's house.
- (ii) That the defective surface water drain opposite Joyce's licensed premises at Cleggan be repaired.
- (iii) That erosion by the sea in the immediate area of Cleggan Docks be examined.

(g) Clr. W. Burke:

- (i) I will propose at the next meeting that the property at Childrens' Home be made available to Christian Brothers for a site for a new secondary school and playground.
- (ii) What is the borrowing power of the Galway County Council.
- (iii) I will propose that radio telephone be installed in each dispensary doctor's car.

(h) Clr. F. Cunningham:

- (i) That a new fire station be built in Mountbellew without further delay and that an efficient fire engine be provided to service that area in general.
- (ii) That this Council press the Minister for Health to appoint Public Health Nurses in the Mountbellew and Ballygar Dispensary districts.
- (iii) That this Council devote more attention to the great need for piped water in the following areas - Newbridge, Clooncunore, Timicat, Glinsk, Creggs, Ballygar, Ballinamore Bridge, Killasolan and Mountbellew.

(i) Clr. T. Byrne:

- (i) That the Galway County Council take over remaining quay area (between old quay and county road) Kinvara and extend the much appreciated work lately executed by this Council in that area. The owner of the ground in question is prepared to hand over same.
- (ii) I will ask the County Manager when it is intended to commence the Clarenbridge Water Scheme.

(j) Clr. J. Lambert:

- (i) That public lights be provided in Tubber village, Gort.
- (ii) That the clause in Rural Improvements Scheme which states that subscribers be held liable for maintenance be deleted.

(k) Clrs. J. Lambert and T. Byrne: (supported by F. Fahey)

- (i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, we will propose that in view of the forthcoming re-organisation of the dispensary system, that a resident doctor be installed in Ardahan Dispensary residence.

(l) Deputy R. Molloy:

- (i) That more than one entrance be provided to car park on the sea front at Salthill.

(m) Deputies J. Donnellan, F. Coogan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, P. Collins, F. Cunningham, T. Byrne, J. Lambert, M. Ryan, F. Galvin, J. M. Mannion and B. Holland:

- (i) We the members of Galway County Council request the Minister for Health to receive a deputation from this Council with a view to having the Health Grant increased and thus alleviate the ever increasing burden on the ratepayers.



(n) Clr. E. Fahey:

- (i) That this Council requests the County Manager to implement the Labour Court award (No. 2102) made to Council overseers.
- (ii) That in view of the forthcoming re-organisation of the present Dispensary system in the new Health Bill, the County Manager circulate to Councillors the following information:
  - (a) Number of dispensary districts in Co. Galway;
  - (b) population and approximate area of each;
  - (c) the percentage of Medical Card holders in each;
  - (d) the percentage of people receiving allowances for keeping old people out of County Home in each;
  - (e) the percentage of people receiving Council disability allowance in each, and
  - (f) the provision made for medical attention to non-Medical Card holders in each; so as to enable Councillors to judge the adequacy or otherwise of Medical Services in each area
- (iii) That County Manager ask Council Law Agent if it is legal to hold Council meeting or Council sub-Committee meeting at times which make it impossible for elected representatives to attend these meetings, and that said reply be circulated to Councillors who ask for it.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF EDUCATION (GRANTS) COMMITTEE HELD  
IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON 21ST FEBRUARY,

1969

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen)

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

An t-Ath. Oir, O Bhroin, Rev. Dr. Mooney, Rev. Brother Valerian, Rev. Fergus O'Keefe, S.J., Rev. Fr. Burke, Rev. J. A. O'Halloran, An Br. Cillin O Cearnaigh, Clrs. Pat Donnellan, E. Fahey, Deputies F. Coogan, M. F. Kitt, Messrs. F. Mullins, M. Hogan, M. Lohan, M. Lenihan, Mrs. J. Burke, Clrs. E. D. Joyce, T. King.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, J. Howlett, County Secretary, Miss O'Grady.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.

SCHEME OF HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS, 1969: Draft Scheme of Higher Education Grants, 1969, had been circulated to members, together with letter dated 10th January, 1969, from the Department of Education. Deputy Kitt drew attention to Clause 2 (b) and stated that the qualifying age for grants appeared to be different from the age prescribed by university authorities. He recommended that this matter be brought to the attention of the Department of Education, with a view to having a consistent age specified in the future.

The Chairman referred to agitation by students and enquired whether conditions could be imposed to regulate the conduct of students who were in receipt of scholarships. Following a discussion on this matter, it was agreed that Clause 7 of the scheme should be brought to the attention of students who qualify for grants.

Mrs. J. Burke was informed by the County Manager that there appeared to be little prospect of having Clause 3 (f) amended to provide that dependent children who were apprentices would rank with those attending full-time courses of studies. It was agreed on the proposal of Mrs. J. Burke, that the Department of Education should be asked to include within the grants scheme, courses for teacher training, domestic science, music and physical education. Clr. Fahey protested strongly against the exclusion of teacher training courses from the scheme and was informed that this matter had already been taken up by the Committee without result.

The following amendments were made in the draft scheme:-

1. It was unanimously agreed that one half of each annual grant should be paid in November and that the instalments in February and May should each comprise one quarter of the amount of the annual grant. It was decided that a similar amendment to the above be made in the 1968 scheme.
2. It was agreed to extend the latest date for receipt of completed application forms to the 30th June, 1969.

Subject to the above changes, the draft scheme was unanimously adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Abatement of Scholarship - Sean Mannion: Deputy Kitt referred to the case of Sean Mannion whose present address was 11 Ballymun Park, Ballymun, Dublin. He said that Mr. Mannion's scholarship had been abated in pursuance of a rule in the 1965 Scholarship Scheme whereby the total amount from all scholarship sources should not exceed £200 per annum. As a result of the award by University College, Dublin, of a scholarship to Mr. Mannion of £120, the Council's scholarship has been reduced

by £70. This had happened in respect of the 4th year only, Mr. Mannion badly needed the total amount of the scholarships which he had been awarded and the County Council should be asked to waive the rule concerning abatement. The County Manager stated that he was having this case examined and that he hoped to submit proposals to the County Council, if the scheme could be amended so as not to leave the Council open to claims by other scholarship holders in similar circumstances. It might be necessary to obtain legal advice on this matter.

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

"that an effort should be made to find some means of restoring the abatement in Mr. Mannion's scholarship."

This concluded the business of the meeting.

DRAFT SCHEME

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME

1969

1. Provision of Funds

The Galway County Council shall award grants for higher education to eligible candidates in the year 1969 in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Higher Education Grants) Act, 1968 and the terms of this scheme.

2. Eligibility of Candidates

To be eligible for the receipt of a grant under this scheme, a candidate must fulfil the following conditions as to residence, attainments and age:-

(a) Residence

(i) Save in exceptional circumstances, no candidate will be eligible for the award of a grant unless his/her parents or guardians were ordinarily resident in the administrative area of the County of Galway on 1st October, 1968.

(ii) A candidate shall not be eligible to apply for a grant in the administrative area of more than one local authority.

(b) Attainments

(i) A candidate must comply with the entrance requirements laid down by the university, university college or other approved institution of higher education in respect of the course which the candidate wishes to attend.

(ii) A candidate must obtain Grade D or a higher grade at the Leaving Certificate Examination in the number of subjects necessary to qualify for the award of the Leaving Certificate. He must also obtain Grade C or a higher grade in four or more matriculation subjects in Honours papers, or alternatively, Grade C or a higher grade in Honours Mathematics and in two other Matriculation subjects at Honours level at that examination.

(c) Age

To be eligible under this scheme, a candidate shall normally be not less than 17 years of age on the first day of January, 1970.

3. Value of Grants and Assessment of Means

(a) The value of a full grant under this scheme shall be £175 per annum in the case of a candidate whose normal family residence is adjacent to a university, university college or other approved institution of higher education. In other cases, the value of a full grant shall be £300 per annum.

(b) (i) For a candidate to be eligible for the award of a grant, the total income of the candidate's parents or guardians shall conform to the means categories in the attached schedule.

(ii) Income shall be determined in relation to the year ended 31/3/69.

- (c) The amount of the grant to be awarded in any particular case shall also be determined in accordance with the schedule.
- (d) Any means possessed by a candidate shall be included for the purpose of calculating the means of his parents or guardians.
- (e) Where income is derived partly from lands and partly from other sources, the income from such lands shall be reckoned on the basis that £1 rateable valuation is the equivalent of £20 cash income.
- (f) The children to be included for the purpose of determining the amount of grant to be awarded in accordance with the attached schedule, must be under 16 years of age on 1st October, 1968, or be 16 years of age or over on that date and attending a full-time course of studies at a school approved by the Minister for Education.
- (g) In the calculation of income, Children's Allowances paid under the Social Welfare Acts may be disregarded.
- (h) In making a declaration of total income, the candidate or the candidate's parents or guardians shall submit to the County Council such information and make such declaration as may be required by it to determine the amount of the income and the number of dependent children.

#### 4. Tenure of Grants

- (a) Grants shall be tenable at a university or at a university college or at any other institution of higher education in Ireland in so far as it provides courses leading to a qualification equivalent to a university degree.

The following are the non-university courses approved for grant purposes:-

National College of Art: Course leading to the Diploma (not the teaching Diploma).

Honorable Society of King's Inns: Course leading to the degree of Barrister-at-law.

Solicitors (Incorporated Law Society of Ireland).

Grant payable only if student is following a university degree course and limited to the duration of that course.

Dublin City V.E.C.: Whole-time courses leading to a full professional qualification in:-

Architecture.  
Engineering.  
Quantity Surveying.  
Electrical Engineering.

- (b) Subject to satisfactory progress by the recipient and the provisions of this scheme, a grant shall be tenable for the normal duration of the degree or other approved course selected.
- (c) All grant-aided courses shall be full-time courses. Persons following part-time courses or evening lectures, shall not be eligible for aid under this scheme.

#### 5. Acceptance and Continuance of Grants

- (a) Every successful candidate shall inform Galway County Council of his acceptance of the grant within such period after notification as the Council may stipulate.

- (b) Every grant holder shall become a registered student of the approved institution of higher education selected by him at the commencement of the academic year immediately following the award of the grant. In certain cases, at the discretion of the local authority and with the approval of the Minister, a candidate who has qualified for a grant may defer availing himself of the grant for a reasonable period. A grant shall not be postponed to enable a candidate to follow a course of training as a teacher.
- (c) A grant is renewable annually subject to the approval of the Galway County Council and the Minister for Education. Where a grant-holder's attainment or conduct is unsatisfactory, the amount of the grant may be reduced or the grant may be discontinued at the discretion of the County Council.
- (d) A grant-holder shall not change from the original faculty or course selected to another faculty or course without the prior approval of the appropriate institution or institutions of higher education and of the Galway County Council.
- (e) A grant-holder shall not be entitled to continue to hold a grant should he obtain any office of profit or be employed for remuneration or transfer to evening or part-time classes or lectures.
- (f) Should a grant-holder's normal family residence remove from a place adjacent to the institution of higher education at which he is availing himself of the grant to a place not adjacent, the amount of the grant shall be adjusted to the sum appropriate to his category in Part One of the schedule.
- (g) Should a grant-holder's normal family residence remove to a place adjacent to the institution of higher education at which he is availing himself of the grant from a place not adjacent, the amount of the grant shall be adjusted to the sum appropriate to his category in Part Two of the schedule.
- (h) If the County Council is satisfied that the income of the grant-holder's parents or guardians has decreased during the period of tenure of the grant to the extent that the amount of the grant held no longer corresponds to the income category in the schedule in relation to which it was originally determined, the amount of the grant shall be adjusted to that appropriate to the category corresponding to the new income.
- (i) Should the number of eligible dependent children of a grant-holder's parents or guardians increase during the period of tenure of the grant, the amount of the grant shall be adjusted to that appropriate to the category in the schedule corresponding to the new number of eligible dependent children.
- (j) In all cases, the appropriate adjustment in the amount of the grant shall be made in and from the next payment immediately following the occurrence occasioning the adjustment.
- (k) Where a student is following a course of studies which could be approved of under the scheme and where such student had not qualified for the award of a grant, solely on the ground of means, a grant may be awarded with effect from the beginning of the first academic year following the end of the year in respect of which evidence has been produced to show that the means requirements of the scheme have been fulfilled in his case.
- (l) A student may not be in receipt of a scholarship and a grant simultaneously.

#### 6. Post-Graduate Courses

A grant-holder who has obtained a primary degree may, on the recommendation of the authorities of the college in which the degree has been obtained, have the grant continued for a further period in order to complete a post-



PART II.

SCHEDULE

OF ANNUAL BENEFITS PAYABLE TO STUDENTS WHOSE NORMAL FAMILY RESIDENCE IS IN OR ADJACENT TO A UNIVERSITY TOWN

INCOME OF PARENT PER ANNUM	RATEABLE VALUATION	AMOUNT PAYABLE									
		Number of dependent Children in Family									
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Less than £1,200	Less than £60	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,200 or more but less than £1,300	£60 or more but less than £65	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,300 "	£65 "	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,400 "	£70 "	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,500 "	£75 "	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,600 "	£80 "	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,700 "	£85 "	-	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175	£175
£1,800 "	£90 "	-	-	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175	£175
£1,900 "	£95 "	-	-	-	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175	£175
£2,000 "	£100 "	-	-	-	-	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145	£175
£2,100 "	£105 "	-	-	-	-	-	£25	£55	£85	£115	£145
£2,200 "	£110 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	£25	£55	£85	£115
£2,300 "	£115 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£25	£55	£85
£2,400 "	£120 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£25	£55
£2,500 "	£125 "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	£25
£2,600 " or over "	£130 or over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 24TH FEBRUARY, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Senator M. Killilea.  
(2) Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, I. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, I. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. I. Fahey, I. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, T. Hussey, I. D. Joyce, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. I. Raftery, I. Ruane, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, J. Howlett, County Secretary.

868 - MINUTES: It was agreed that minutes of meetings held on the 3rd and 14th February, 1969, (Nos. 818 to 865) be approved and signed.

The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the minutes, Clr. Fahey referred to minute No. 846 (3) and stated that it should be made clear that non-medical card holders may have no service in certain rural districts. Clr. Lambert referred to minute No. 822 and said that he understood that the Assistant County Manager had undertaken to deal at to-day's meeting with a complaint relating to the Ardrahan Dispensary District. The Assistant County Manager stated that he did not recall giving such an undertaking.

869 - (a) VOTE OF SYMPATHY: The Chairman stated that he would like, at this meeting, to reiterate a vote of sympathy passed at recent committee meeting, with the wife and family of the late Mr. Seamus O'Donoghue, Chief Agricultural Officer.

(b) NEW ARCHBISHOP FOR TUAM: The Chairman stated that he would like the Council to convey a most hearty vote of congratulations to the Very Rev. Dr. Joseph Cunnane, C.C., Clifden, on the great honour which he had received by being nominated as Archbishop of Tuam. Dr. Cunnane would be a worthy successor to the former Archbishop.

All the members of the Council joined in congratulating Dr. Cunnane.

870 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that claims in respect of malicious damage which had been listed at 2 (a) to (c) on the Agenda had been received.

871 - RATES ON AGRICULTURAL LAND (RELIEF) ACT, 1967: Proposed by Clr. J. Callanan, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that subject to the consent of the Minister for Local Government, the Galway County Council hereby determines that allowances granted under the Rates on Agricultural Land (Relief) Acts, 1939-1967, in respect of land which is subject to assessment for rates by the Council, shall not be subject to the condition that the said rates are payable not later than the 31st March, 1969."

872 - DUMPING GROUND AT CLIFDEN: The County Manager read report dated 24th February, 1969, which outlined the difficulties experienced in regard to a dumping ground at Clifden. Having detailed complaints received from various sources in connection with the use of the dump, the County Manager recommended that dumping might be permitted to continue subject to the following conditions:-

(1) Wire netting screen to be erected by the Council, subject to a

contribution of £40 by the Town Park Committee.

- (2) Dumping to be allowed in future only on the days when the County Council operate their refuse collection.
- (3) Entrance gates to be erected and kept locked on all other days.
- (4) Application by the committee to extend the piping of the river to be granted, subject to a contribution by the committee of £100 towards this work.
- (5) A site for an alternative dump to be sought so that if the dumping has to cease as a result of the Council's decision on Planning Consultants' report, or because a public health nuisance arises, the Council will be able to deal with the matter at short notice.

With regard to the latter condition, the County Manager referred to objectives contained in the Development Plan for Clifden and stated that provision had been made in the 1969/70 Estimate for the employment of a Planning Consultant to undertake the planning studies recommended in the Development Plan.

Following some discussion, the County Manager's report was adopted by the Council on the proposal of Clr. Joyce, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan.

873. AUDITOR'S REPORT: County Galway Vocational Education Committee:

The Council noted report of Local Government Auditor on the accounts of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the three years ended 31st March, 1968.

874. LOAN FOR THE ERECTION OF A SWIMMING POOL IN TUAM:

Proposed by Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, a loan of £39,600 be borrowed from the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited for the erection of a swimming pool at Tuam. The loan is to be repayable by instalments over a period of 15 years with interest at the rate of 6%."

875. REVISION OF REMUNERATION - 11th Round increase for Engineering and Medical Staff.

It was unanimously agreed (save for dissent by Clr. J. Callanan) to apply the 11th round increase of 9% to medical and engineering officers (including grades allied to the engineering grades). The increase is to be applied from 1/6/1968 and is subject to a minimum of £1 per week for wholetime officers. Excess expenditure of £18,300 (gross) is hereby authorised to meet the cost of the increase during the year ending 31/3/1969.

876. CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY RATE COLLECTOR FOR DISTRICT NO. 36:

It was unanimously agreed that Mrs. Margaret Dermody, Kilshanvy, Kilconly, Tuam, be appointed as temporary Rate Collector, for Collection District No. 36. The appointment is to take effect from the 6th February, 1969, and is to be continued, pending the making of further arrangements, until the 30th June, 1969.

877. PIER AT MUIGHROS, CNOC BUI: It was noted from letter dated 14th February, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta, that a grant of £7,200 will be available for expenditure on the Pier at Muighros, Cnoc Bui, on condition that future maintenance is accepted by the Council. On the proposal of Deputy Molloy, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, it was agreed to accept this proposal.

878. HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME, 1969: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that the Council approves and confirms minutes of meeting of the Education (Grants) Committee, held on the 21st February, 1969, and that scheme of Higher Education Grants for 1969, incorporating the amendments suggested by the Committee, is hereby approved by the Council."

879. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER:

- (a) Purchase of Dispensary Residence at Ballygar: On the proposal of Clr. Raftery, seconded by Clr. Hussey and supported by Clr. Cunningham, it was agreed to authorise the County Manager to proceed with the purchase of house at Ballygar for use as a dispensary residence, on condition that the premises could be acquired at a reasonable price.
- (b) Amendment of Scheme for University Scholarships, 1965: The County Manager referred to recommendation contained in minutes of the Education (Grants) Committee meeting, held on the 21st February, 1969, with regard to the case of Mr. John Mannion.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan and resolved:-

"that Clause 6 (b) of the Council's Scheme for University Scholarships, 1965, be amended, so as to remove the limit of £200 per annum from all scholarship sources, in the case of a holder of a scholarship who has entered on his fourth year of university studies. This exemption is to apply only to the scholarships granted subject to a means qualification."

880. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

- (i) Additional lights - Glenamaddy Road, Williamstown: Clr. T. Hussey was informed that following examination of his proposal, that additional lights be installed on the Glenamaddy Road, Williamstown, it was considered that the road was adequately lighted and that additional lighting would not be justified.
- (ii) Lighting of streets in Glenamaddy on fair mornings: With regard to his request for the lighting of streets in Glenamaddy on fair mornings, it was pointed out to Clr. Hussey that at present early morning lighting had been arranged in all areas. Clr. Melvin referred to Ardrahan in the same context.
- (iii) Extensions to the Glenamaddy Water Supply: The County Manager informed Clr. Hussey that no further extensions to the Glenamaddy Water Supply could be considered until the effect of the linking up with the Kilkerrin/Moylough Scheme was fully analysed over a lengthy period. Consideration will be given to an extension along the Dunmore Road in due course.

881. (i) Blacktopping of road near Donnellan's house:

Deputy J. Donnellan was informed that the current estimate did not provide for the blacktopping of the above road but that the work might be done if there was a saving under other headings.

- (ii) Tuam Water Supply: The County Manager informed Deputy J. Donnellan that the report on improvements to Tuam Water Supply had been forwarded to the Department of Local Government but approval was awaited. Deputy Donnellan stated the position was unsatisfactory and that a drainage scheme in the area was being held up pending

the resolution of certain problems concerning water supply. He requested that the Department of Local Government should be asked to expedite their decision on this matter.

- (iii) Provision of Community Centres: It was pointed out to Deputy Donnellan that, outside of the Gaeltacht areas, state grants were not available for the provision of village halls. The Council had already considered whether they should provide such halls under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1941. It had been decided that it would not be feasible to proceed by this method because of the cost involved.

Deputy Donnellan, who was supported by Clr. Ryan, said that he thought that the Council should re-consider this matter. It was suggested that he might submit a notice of motion if he wished to have the matter considered at a future meeting.

- 882 - (1) Extension of water supply to the Town of Ailwee, Rosmuck:

Deputy Geoghegan was informed that his proposal for an extension of the water supply to the townland of Ailwee, Rosmuck, would be investigated. A report would be submitted in due course but provision had not been made for this extension in the Estimates.

- 883 - (1) Loan for the acquisition of Toll Rights of Headford:

It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, a loan of £3,000 be borrowed from the Council's treasurer for the acquisition of Toll Rights in the town of Headford. The loan is to be repayable by instalments over a period of five years with interest at the bank's rate for local authority borrowing!"

- 884 - (i) Flooding in Moycullen Village:

The County Manager informed Clr. J. Donnellan that complaint re flooding in and around the factory in Moycullen village had been investigated and that the County Council appeared to have no responsibility in the matter. Clr. Donnellan requested that this matter should be re-considered on the grounds that the pipe-line provided by the County Council was not adequate to cope with drainage.

- 885 - (i) Extension of Cleggan Water Supply: Clr. I. Joyce was informed that no provision had been made in the Estimate for an extension of the Cleggan Water Supply to a point at Rossadillisk near Mark Feeney's house. The matter would be investigated and a report submitted.

- (ii) Defective drain at Cleggan: The County Manager informed Clr. Joyce that repairs would be carried out in the near future to a defective drain opposite Joyce's licensed premises at Cleggan.

- (iii) Sea erosion at Cleggan Docks: The County Manager informed Clr. I. Joyce that the matter of sea erosion and the general condition of Cleggan pier was being examined at present.

- 886 - (i) Fire Brigade at Mountbellew: Clr. I. Cunningham was informed that it was not proposed to provide a new fire engine at Mountbellew until a building had been erected. The planning of the new fire station was proceeding.

- (ii) Appointment of Public Health Nurses in Mountbellew and Ballygar:

The County Manager informed Clr. Cunningham that the Chief

Medical Officer was at present conducting a thorough review into the public health nursing service. A report would shortly be submitted to the Council on this matter, but in the meantime it was suggested that requests for appointments in specific areas should be deferred.

- (iii) Water Supply extensions: Clr. I. Cunningham proposed that the Council should provide piped water in the areas of Newbridge, Clooncunore, Timicat, Glinsk, Creggs, Ballygar, Ballinamore Bridge, Killasolan and Mountbellew. The County Manager pointed out that none of the above areas were on the priority list. Following a detailed description on the needs of each area by Clr. Cunningham, Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, stated that people in the Shanakill area would not take a water supply when a nearby area was being serviced. He also stated that following the installation of a new pump at Ballygar, applicants who were refused a water supply could now re-apply and would be considered.

- 887 - (i) Kinvara Quay: Clr. T. Byrne congratulated the County Engineer on the work carried out at Kinvara Quay and requested that the Council should take over the remaining area between the old quay and the county road. The County Manager stated that he was willing to proceed with this proposal, provided the owner agreed to transfer title to the County Council. The area could then be declared public and would be maintained by the Council.

- (ii) Clarenbridge Water Supply Scheme: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. T. Byrne in regard to progress on the Clarenbridge/Kilcolgan Water Supply Scheme, the County Manager read letter, dated 20th February, 1969, received from the Department of Local Government. This letter stated that the Minister would be prepared to release the section of the scheme comprising the headworks and the trunk main to serve the towns of Kilcolgan and Clarenbridge in 1969/70 on the understanding that the section will be used to the fullest possible extent to develop the group supply movement in the area served by it.

- 888 - (i) Public Lights in Tubber Village: Clr. Lambert was informed that there appeared to be no public lights in the section of Tubber village which was in County Clare. As this comprised the main portion of the village, they would appear to be little point in the County Council providing public lighting for the few scattered houses in the County Galway section.

- (ii) Local Improvements Schemes: It was pointed out to Clr. Lambert that it was not possible to obtain the consent of the Department of Local Government for the deletion of Clause in Local Improvements Schemes whereby subscribers were held liable for maintenance.

A lengthy discussion took place on Local Improvement Schemes and on the procedure for taking over roads by the Council. Members expressed regret that the grant for the latter schemes would not be fully expended by the end of the financial year and it was also pointed out that it would work to the disadvantage of certain applicants if schemes were confined to the type of roads which could subsequently be taken over by the Council.

- 889 - ARDRAHAN DISPENSARY AREA:

Clr. Byrne moved resolution submitted by Clr. Lambert and himself and supported by Clr. I. Fahey, that in view of the forthcoming re-organisation of the dispensary system, that a resident doctor be installed in the Ardrahan Dispensary residence. It was agreed that this resolution would be submitted to the Department of Health.

890 - (i) Car Park at Salthill: Deputy Molloy proposed that more than one entrance be provided to car park on the sea front at Salthill. He said that at present the single small opening was leading to serious confusion, particularly at night and that there were numerous complaints from traders and residents of chaotic conditions. Cirs. Holland and L. Donnellan supported this motion. The County Engineer stated that subject to a review of the position at the end of the coming season, it was not proposed to provide a second entrance. He considered that it was essential to appoint a car park attendant, so as to secure orderly parking in this car park and he pointed out that the owner of Seapoint Ballroom had previously provided an attendant to endeavour to keep order in the immediate vicinity of the ballroom. The activities of this attendant did not extend to the car park proper. He also pointed out that further temporary car parking would be provided. Deputy Molloy stated that he strongly disagreed with the County Engineer's view in this matter and the County Manager undertook to have a further examination of the matter.

891 - (i) Increase in the Health Services Grant: It was agreed that it was not necessary to deal with a motion submitted in the names of 11 members of the Council regarding a proposed deputation to the Minister for Health. This matter had been dealt with by way of resolution to be submitted to the Minister from the Estimates Meeting.

892 - (i) Labour Court Award (No. 2102) re Council Overseers: Clr. Fahey, seconded by Deputy Kitt proposed that the County Manager should implement Labour Court Award (No. 2102) which referred to Council Overseers. The County Manager pointed out that the award in question was subject to certain conditions and he referred to a statement which he had made at previous meeting, indicating why he was not in a position, meetings of the Council, to deal with questions affecting the employment conditions of staff.

(ii) Information re Health Services: Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Lambert, proposed that the following information should be circulated to Councillors:-

- (a) Number of dispensary districts in County Galway;
- (b) population and approximate area of each;
- (c) the percentage of Medical Card holders in each;
- (d) the percentage of people receiving allowances for keeping old people out of County Home in each;
- (e) the percentage of people receiving Council disability allowance in each, and
- (f) the provision made for medical attention to non-medical card holders in each, so as to enable Councillors to judge the adequacy or otherwise of Medical Services in each area.

The County Manager stated that information was available on items (a) to (c). Data relating to (d) and (e) was not available in the form required and the analysis of the available data into the required classification would be a lengthy and difficult task. It was considered that the matter raised under item (f) was not the responsibility of the Council. In response to further argument by Councillors Fahey and Lambert that the classes of people who are paying for the health services might not have a doctor available in their own case, the County Manager pointed out that Dispensary Medical Officers were appointed by the Council to provide a service for the lower income group. Clr. King stated that he could not see the point of this discussion as all doctors were anxious to obtain private patients.

(iii) Time of Meetings: The County Manager informed Clr. Fahey that there was no need to obtain legal opinion in regard to the fixing of the times of meetings as this was a matter for the Chairman and members of the Council, subject to Standing Orders. He had no doubt that the times determined for holding meetings were within the law.

893 (i) CHILDRENS' HOME, TUAM: Clr. Burke agreed, on the suggestion of the County Manager, to postpone motion with regard to the disposal of site at the Childrens' Home, Tuam.

(ii) BORROWING POWER OF THE COUNCIL: Clr. Burke was informed that legal limitations on the borrowing power of the County Council had been removed.

(iii) RADIO TELEPHONES IN DISPENSARY DOCTORS' CARS: The County Manager informed Clr. Burke that the question of installing radio telephones in each dispensary doctors' car had not been considered, as it was likely to be too costly. Progress had been made in regard to such installations in ambulances.

The Meeting then terminated

Submitted, approved and confirmed

*Thomas W. Geary*  
Chairman



COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY

3rd March, 1969.

To Each Member of the Galway County Council/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 10th March, 1969, 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, 1970, and to determine the Rate in the £ for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges.

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TABLE A.  
ESTIMATES YEAR ENDING 31/3/1970.  
EXPENDITURE

Nature of Expenditure	County at Large £	County Health District £
<b>ROADS:</b>		
Ordinary Road Works.	241,420	308,884
Notices of Motion.	---	15,600
Special Grant Works.	166,500	161,420
Other Government Grants.	55,265	1,470
Other Expenses.	45,730	80,605
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>508,915</b>	<b>567,879</b>
<b>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:</b>		
Home Assistance.	96,000	
Other Expenses.	40,270	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>136,270</b>	
<b>HEALTH:</b>		
General.	2,150,529	
Western Health Board.	140,757	
Mental Health Services.	741,486	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>3,032,772</b>	
<b>SANITARY:</b>		
General.		249,980
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>249,980</b>
<b>HOUSING:</b>		
Labourers' Acts.		102,805
Housing Act Loans.		32,525
Local Assistance.		132,865
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>268,195</b>
<b>GENERAL PURPOSES:</b>		
L.A.W. Acts.	100	100
County Committee of Agriculture.	---	29,000
Public Libraries.	48,286	---
Tourist Development.	2,578	---
Higher Education Grants	55,050	---
Other Expenses.	167,727	428,065
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>277,741</b>	<b>457,165</b>

RECEIPTS

Nature of Receipts.	County at Large £	County Health District. £
<b>ROADS:</b>		
Grants from Road Fund.	286,460	161,420
Other Government Grants.	55,200	1,100
Other Receipts.	7,530	11,880
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>349,190</b>	<b>174,400</b>
<b>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:</b>		
General.	4,470	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>4,470</b>	
<b>HEALTH:</b>		
General.	1,742,919	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>1,742,919</b>	
<b>SANITARY:</b>		
General.		72,490
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>72,490</b>
<b>HOUSING:</b>		
Labourers' Acts.		44,310
Housing Act Loans.		31,100
Local Assistance.		860
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>76,270</b>
<b>GENERAL PURPOSES:</b>		
L.A.W. Acts.	100	100
Other Receipts.	72,620	181,950
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>72,720</b>	<b>182,050</b>

CALCULATION OF THE RATE IN THE FUND FOR COUNTY CHARGES 1969/70

SERVICES	Estimated Gross Expenditure		Estimated Receipts		Net Expenditure		Net Amounts Chargeable to Districts.		Calculations of Net sum required to be raised.			
	C.A.L.	C.H.D.	C.A.L.	C.H.D.	C.A.L.	C.H.D.	GALLWAY	C.H.D.	Est. Bal. in favour of C.H.D.	Est. Bal. against C.H.D.	Amounts Leviable off C.H.D.	Rates in £ C.H.D.
Roads	508,915	567,879	349,190	174,400	159,725	393,479	26,660	523,340	--	45,977	569,317	261,852
Health	3,032,772	--	1,742,919	--	1,289,853	--	215,292	1,048,688	--	24,186	1,072,874	493,458
Public Assistance	136,270	--	4,470	--	131,800	--	21,999	107,157	--	3,973	111,130	51,113
Sanitary	--	249,980	--	72,490	--	177,490	--	177,490	--	1,241	178,731	82,205
Housing	--	268,195	--	76,270	--	191,925	--	191,925	--	3,390	195,315	89,833
General Purposes	277,741	457,165	72,720	182,050	205,021	275,115	34,220	441,803	--	9,812	451,615	207,716
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>3,955,698</b>	<b>1,543,219</b>	<b>2,169,299</b>	<b>505,210</b>	<b>1,786,399</b>	<b>1,038,009</b>	<b>298,171</b>	<b>2,490,903</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>88,579</b>	<b>2,578,982</b>	<b>1,186,177</b>

Decimal Proportions:  
County Health District: .813029  
Galway Borough: .166912  
Ballinasloe Urban District: .020059  
1.000000

Note for Minute Book

People in tables (look in last year's  
book & see what figures from the  
Estimates were posted on before  
this meeting)

TABLE D - CALCULATION OF RATES IN THE POUND

FOR SEPARATE CHARGES - YEAR ENDING, 31st MARCH, 1970.

No.	Name, Particulars, Area, and amount, of each Separate Charge.	Apportionment of Estimated Current Expenditure				Calculation of Net Sum Required to be raised.						
		Total Valuation of Tenements in the Contributory place.	Total Valuation of Tenements in the Contributory place which are exempt.	Net Valuation of Tenements which are liable.	Actual or Apportioned share of Charge according to figures in Col. (5).	Balance or Estimated Balance in favour at close of current financial year ending 31st March next.	Difference between Columns (6) & (7)	Balance or Estimated Balance against at close of current financial year ending 31st March next.	Sum of Columns (8) & (9)	Estimated Receipts Specially applicable in aid of the Separate Charges.	Net Amount to be raised Difference between Columns (10) & (11)	Rate in the Pound Required to raise the same on the Valuations given in Column 5.
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.
2.	River Corrib Navigation.	524,148	2,341	521,807	882. 0. 7.	446. 16. 5.	435. 3. 7.	--	435. 3. 7.	21. 4. 9.	413.18.10.	1/4
35.	Galway Harbour	524,148	2,341	521,807	8,320. 0. 0.	145. 5. 7.	8,004.14.11.	--	8,004.14.11.	1,555.12. 1.	6,449. 2.10.	3
41.	Vocational Education	524,148	--	524,148	74,368. 0. 0.	177. 18. 3.	73,096. 1. 9.	--	73,096. 1. 9.	14,794.15.10.	58,301.5.11.	26 1/2
<b>CRIMINAL INJURY DECREES:</b>												
2193	James Kenny - D.E.D. Clonfert & Kilmacshane	6,309	418	5,891	860.11. 7.	--	860.11. 5.	--	860.11. 5.	--	860.11.5.	35 1/2
4	Galway Itinerants Settlement Council. D.E.D. Galway Rural	3,180	264	2,916	48. 4. 8.	--	48. 4. 8.	--	48. 4. 8.	--	48. 4.8.	4
5	Galway Itinerants Settlement Council. D.E.D.s Galway Rural & Carrowbrowne.	4,304	290	4,014	49. 4. 8.	--	49. 4. 8.	--	49. 4. 8.	--	49. 4.8.	3
6	Galway Itinerants Settlement Council. D.E.D.s Galway Rural & Carrowbrowne.	4,304	290	4,014	167. 4. 6.	--	167. 4. 6.	--	167. 4. 6.	--	167. 4.6.	10
7	Thomas Kelly, D.E.D. Cahermore	2,119	2	2,117	24. 4. 8.	--	24. 4. 8.	--	24. 4. 8.	--	24. 4.8.	2 1/2
8	Edward O'Donnell D.E.D. Gort	6,552	220	6,332	94. 0. 0.	--	94. 0. 0.	--	94. 0. 0.	--	94. 0.0.	3 1/2
2199	Michael McDonagh (Michael) D.E.D. Lettermore	967	161	806	70. 5. 6.	--	70. 5. 6.	--	70. 5. 6.	--	70. 5.6.	21
2200	Martin J. Martyn D.E.D. Tuam Urban	12,652	644	12,008	52.17. 0.	--	52.17. 0.	--	52.17. 0.	--	52.17.0.	1 1/2
1	Eugene McGlade Boro' of Galway	136,490	--	136,490	52. 0. 0.	--	52. 0. 0.	--	52. 0. 0.	52. 0. 0.	--	--
2	Matthew Cheevers "	136,490	--	136,490	89. 0. 0.	--	89. 0. 0.	--	89. 0. 0.	89. 0. 0.	--	--
3	Thomas Furey "	136,490	--	136,490	11.17. 0.	--	11.17. 0.	--	11.17. 0.	11.17. 0.	--	--
4	M/S W. P. Higgins Ltd "	136,490	--	136,490	18. 2. 6.	--	18. 2. 6.	--	18. 2. 6.	18. 2. 6.	--	--
5	M/S W. P. Higgins Ltd "	136,490	--	136,490	14. 2. 6.	--	14. 2. 6.	--	14. 2. 6.	14. 2. 6.	--	--
6	M/S Western Motors Ltd "	136,490	--	136,490	16. 7. 6.	--	16. 7. 6.	--	16. 7. 6.	16. 7. 6.	--	--
7	M/S Hygeia Ltd. "	136,490	--	136,490	31.19. 0.	--	31.19. 0.	--	31.19. 0.	31.19. 0.	--	--
8	The Limerick Steamship Co.Ltd. "	136,490	--	136,490	30.17. 0.	--	30.17. 0.	--	30.17. 0.	30.17. 0.	--	--
9	M/S Lydons Woollen Mills Ltd. "	136,490	--	136,490	164. 7. 9.	--	164. 7. 9.	--	164. 7. 9.	164. 7. 9.	--	--
					85,365. 6. 2.	7,034. 0. 3.	83,331.5.11.		83,331.5.11.	16,800.5.11.	66,531.0.0.	

TABLE E. ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES AND CALCULATION OF THE RATE IN THE POUND FOR TOWN CHARGES

NAME OF TOWN	Total Valuation of Tenements in the town, which is effective for the purposes of the Rate for Town Charges.	Money demanded by Commissioners.		Irrecoverables and Cost of Collections.		Total sum to be raised (Sum of Cols. 4 - 6.	Rate in the £ Required to raise the sum on the Valuation in Col. 2.
		Estimated by Manager.	Adopted by Council.	Estimated by Manager.	Adopted by Council.		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	7.	8.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	Pence.
Loughrea	8,178	426		27		453	13 1/2
Tuam	12,008	2,487		165		2,652	53 1/2

SPECIAL URBAN CONTRIBUTIONS

	Galway	Ballinasloe
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Corrib Navigation	--	21. 4. 9.
Galway Harbour	1,388.14. 3.	166.17. 0.
Vocational Education	--	1,469.15.10.
Criminal Injuries	428.13. 3.	--
	1,817. 7. 6.	1,657.17. 7.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE  
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,  
GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 10TH MARCH, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cllrs. Mrs. M. Creffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), P. Donnellan, P. Fahey, P. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cllrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, T. Hussey, P. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Cllrs. J. Lambert, J. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cllrs. P. Raftery, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, J. Howlett, County Secretary and T. P. Griffin, Acting County Accountant.

894 - VOTES OF SYMPATHY: It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Deputy Kitt, that the Council should extend its sympathy to the wife and family of the late Thomas Murphy, N.T., Corgarry, Mountbellew. The other members of the Council asked to be associated with this motion and Cllr. J. Donnellan thanked the Chairman and members on behalf of the family of the late Mr. Murphy.

The Council also expressed its sympathy to the following:-

Mr. Stephen Joyce, Central Hotel, Clifden, Co. Galway, on the death of his wife.

Mrs. G. Kyne, Moycullen, Co. Galway, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Mary K. Naughton, Shanballymore, Ballinamore Bridge, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

Miss Delia Killilea, Gurteen, Ballygar, on the death of her brother.

Mrs. Moore, Dunlo Hill, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. S. Cosgrove, Aughris, Claddaghduff, on the death of her uncle.

Mr. Jack Guy, Aillebrack, Ballyconneely, on the death of his mother.

Mr. Colman Curran, Rusheenamanagh, Carna, on the death of his son.

Mrs. P. Hennigan, Headford Road, Galway, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Heneghan, Headford Road, Galway, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Donoghue, Northgate Street, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

The Donnellan Family, Shraha, Loughrea, on the death of Mrs. Donnellan.

Mr. Thomas Cloonan, Craughwell, on the death of his wife.

Miss Bridget Moran, Cloone, Peterswell, on the death of her brother.

Mrs. F. Kelly, Harbour Street, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

The O'Grady Family, Cloonmore, Tuam, on the death of their father.

Miss Delia Lardner, Cloonmore, Tuam, on the death of her sister.

Mr. Michael Cuddy, Ballinacill, Glynsk, on the death of his sister.

895 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1970:

The County Manager informed the Council that following Estimates meeting, held on the 24th February, 1969, he had communicated the Council's resolution with regard to increased Health Grant, to the Department of Health. No reply had been received to this letter. He had telephoned the Department of Health but had been informed simply

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that the grant would not be less than that allocated during the current financial year. The estimate presented to the Council had in fact been based on the latter assumption.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Cllr. Joyce, that the estimate, as presented, should be adopted by the Council.

Cllr. Burke stated that Ministerial pronouncements about freezing the rate for Health Services had proved to be false and Cllr. Collins referred to the rising spiral of incomes and prices. He was joined by Cllr. Callanan in requesting that government subsidies to farmers should be paid directly and not attached to agricultural commodities. The latter also referred to his motion at the previous meeting objecting to salary increases made on a percentage basis. Cllr. Holland said that he was very concerned about the effect of the Council's estimates on the rate in Galway City. The Corporation had huge demands for improvement of its own services but it was now faced with an enormous increase in the demand payable to the County Council. Cllr. King pointed out that the adjournment of the Estimates meeting had proved fruitless. Following some further discussion, it was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"that the Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1970, as set forth in Tables A, B, C and D be adopted, and that the Galway County Council determines in accordance with the said Estimate of Expenses 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 with the several services specified in the Estimate."

896 - NEW ARCHBISHOP OF TUAM: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"that the Council shall present an illuminated address to the Right Reverend Joseph Cunnane, Archbishop-elect, on the occasion of his Ordination to the Episcopate on St. Patrick's Day."

The meeting then terminated

*Thomas Mac an Paoz*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

14u la de Marta, 1969.

Chuibh 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, 24u la de Marta, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

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A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.

2. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:

(a) Phoenix Assurance Company Limited - One front door and internal door broken and destroyed in offices at Victoria Place, 9th/10th February, 1969	£. s. d. 100. 0. 0.
(b) Francis P. O'Toole, Dominick Street, Galway. - Damage to radiator, tyres and side of van, 1st February, 1969	100. 0. 0.
(c) Messrs. Hession (Contractors) Limited - Damage to walls, posts and fences on lands at Rahoon, 14th/17th February, 1969	10. 10. 0.
(d) Richard Rothwell, Mount Pleasant Avenue, B'sloe. - Damage to tyres and tubes of motor car, 17th February, 1969	13. 18. 0.
(e) John J. Fanning, Cross Street, Loughrea - Hay burned on 18th February, 1969	50. 0. 0.
(f) James Keane, Boyhill, Athenry - Hay Turner destroyed, 28th February, 1969	40. 0. 0.
(g) An Foras Tionscal - Six panes of glass broken on premises at Mervue, 28th February - 3rd March, 1969	80. 0. 0.
(h) Western Motors Limited. - Damage to door and window of petrol kiosk, 28th February/1st March, 1969.	7. 0. 0.

- (i) Eugene Horan  
- Damage to three gates and surrounding wall on lands at Cahergowan and  
on lands at Cahergowan and Curraghmore, ... £. s. d.  
Claregalway, 26th/27th February, 1969 ... 100. 0. 0.
- (j) Messrs. Hession (Contractors) Limited  
- Damage to five sewer pipes between  
28th February and 3rd March, 1969 ... 10. 0. 0.
- (k) Claude Lyons, Moylough  
- Damage to loading shovel on 5th March, 1969 200. 0. 0.
- (l) Patrick Dempsey, Moanbaun, Athenry  
- Damage to loading shovel on 5th March, 1969 250. 0. 0.
3. Overdraft for quarter to 30th June, 1969.
4. Expenditure in excess of amount already authorised for year to  
31st March, 1969.
5. Declaration of Roads to be public roads - schedule attached.
6. Revision of remuneration:  
(i) Nursing Staff  
(ii) Trainee Draughtsmen  
(iii) Dental and Clinic Attendants
7. Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited  
- Appointment of a nominee.
8. County Councils' General Council - notice of matters for next Agenda.
9. Fixing dates and times of meetings, viz.:  
(a) Annual Meeting  
(b) Meeting for making of Rate for 1969/70.
10. Disposal of land.  
Proposed sale of plot of land at Cosmona, Loughrea - notice dated  
12th March, 1969.
11. Business submitted by County Manager.
12. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:-
- (a) Clr. Padraic D. Joyce:  
(i) That the pump at Cleggan Beach near the bridge be restored.  
(ii) That Inishturbot water supply be improved.  
(iii) That all access roads to beaches recently repaired by the County  
Council by means of Bord Failte grants be declared public roads  
and that they should be tarred without delay.
- (b) Clr. T. Byrne:  
(i) That the Council views with concern the complaint made by  
Kiltulla-Killimordaly Guild of Muintir na Tire, that the  
Regional Hospital, Galway, and the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe  
(the upkeep of which the ratepayers of this county subscribe to)  
are supplied from the Board na Mona bogs in Co. Offaly and not

from the Board na Mona bog at Attymon and to ask the County Manager to have the position reversed and thus benefit the workers in the immediate area.

(ii) I will ask the County Manager to have immediate steps taken to remove derelict site in Woodford, at the junction where the road leads to Fortumna, as apart from being unsightly, it is also of nuisance value and a source of danger, particularly to children who can freely enter same.

(iii) We the members of Galway County Council request the Board of Works to drain the Gort river in the vicinity of the town with a view to reducing flooding in the area and improving the sewerage position, particularly in Crowe Street.

(c) Deputy John Donnellan:

(i) To ask the County Manager to ensure that the fuel (turf) used at Galway Regional Hospital and St. Brigid's Hospital, Ballinasloe, in the future, should come from Attymon Bog, so as to give employment within the county.

(ii) To ask the County Manager if the County Council have any plans for the blacktopping of the Ballintise Road, Dunmore, Co. Galway.

(iii) To ask the County Council to consider providing grants for community centres in Co. Galway (in Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe).

(d) Clr. F. Glynn:

(i) Since the Minister has agreed to abolish all local contributions for valuations under £5, that he be requested to reduce the remainder of the valuation scale in the western seaboard counties accordingly:-

Under £5	Nil
£5 and under £10	5%
£10 - £17½	10%
£17½ - £25	15%
£25 - £50	20%
£50 - £75	30%
£75 - £100	40%
£100 and-over	50%

(ii) That the clay bank between Finnerty's, Kilconly and a point opposite Blake's private house be removed to give added accommodation for car parking during Mass.

(iii) That a footpath be provided between Banagher Cross (Milltown) and Varley's Garage.

(e) Clr. F. Cunningham:

(i) I will propose that the Mountbellew Sewerage Scheme be extended to same point as water supply on the road leading to Moylough, to service existing houses and other sites.

(ii) That the present difference between County Council and Department of Agriculture in respect of building permission be rectified.

(iii) That the County Manager gives a decision on what he intends to do re the sewerage at Newbridge.

(f) Clr. W. Burke:

(i) To what extent is the borrowing powers of the Galway County Council on the rate in the £.

(ii) That marginal lines be put on the Galway/Tuam Road and on each side of these lines, provision should be made for pedestrians, so as to avoid accidents.

(iii) When will work commence on sewerage for Demesne Cottages.

(g) Clr. E. Fahey:

(i) Resulting from the partial implementation of the Labour Court Award No. 2102 by County Manager, I propose to ask -

(a) what the general duties of Council overseers are with special reference to the number and kind of jobs they are expected to oversee per week and the number of calls they are expected to make per job per week;

(b) are they expected to supervise the new Local Improvements Scheme jobs without extra pay or mileage allowance?

(c) were they considered for promotion to 'Inspectorships' when Council gangers were appointed to inspect Local Improvements Scheme jobs;

(d) what is the average mileage done per week by Council overseers and by what means is this mileage done?

(ii) That the residents of Gardenblake, Ieterswell, be allowed to vote in Ieterswell National School.

(h) Clr. J. Callanan:

(i) I will move at the next ordinary meeting of Galway County Council that the regulations which require a road to serve two or more houses before being eligible to be declared a public road, be changed and that in future all roads with one house and accommodating two or more people either as farm accommodation road or bog road, be eligible to be declared public roads.

(i) Clr. T. V. Clarke:

(i) I will propose that a piped water supply be provided for the Knock, Tully, Rosaveal, Derrynea areas of South Connemara and that Roinn na Gaeltachta be asked for a grant towards the cost of same.

(ii) That the road from the Derrynea/Lettermore County Road by Nestor's public house to Ballydangan graveyard, be repaired and blacktopped.

(j) Deputy R. Molloy:

(i) That the road leading from the main Galway/Oranmore Road known as the Roscam Road, be blacktopped to the sea on both roads.

(ii) That the road leading from Doughiska to the gates at the rear of Merlin Park Hospital, be widened and repaired.

(k) Clr. John M. Mannion:

(i) I will propose at next meeting of this Council that extra street lights be provided at Market Street, Clifden, on both sides, also on each corner pole on the Square.

(ii) I will propose at next meeting of this Council that public lighting be erected from Church at Cashel to the Zetland Hotel.

(l) Clr. Pat Donnellan:

(i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask that the Carranmore Road, Headford, which leads on to the lake be tarred.

(ii) I will ask that an additional light be provided on the Spiddal Road, Moycullen.

(m) Clr. T. King:

(i) I will propose that all pumps erected in this county in future be fitted with electric motor power.

(n) Clr. M. Ryan:

(i) I will ask the County Manager to arrange to have the new lighting system installed in the town of Mountbellew immediately.

(ii) At our next meeting of the Council I will propose to have the piped water extended to the villages of Cloonkell and Cuilmore which are in the Clonberne pilot area.

(iii) At our next meeting of the Council I will propose that provision be made for some drainage to be carried out on the river leading from Cloonkeen through Scregg, Shankill, Clooncunore and Milltown.

(o) Clr. M.F. Kitt:

(i) At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I will propose that applicants participating in a County Improvement Scheme be merely asked to state the valuation of their lands directly affected by the proposed work.

COMHAIRLE CONTAE NA GAILLIMHE.

County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

12th March, 1969.

To: Each member Galway County Council.

re/Proposed sale of land at Cosmona,  
Loughrea, Co. Galway.

**A Chára:**

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:

2 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:

Alexis Marmion, Barrack Street, Loughrea.  
Patrick Conlon (Jnr), Galway Road, Loughrea.

Areas of Plots

18.46 sq. perches  
18.80 sq. perches.

Consideration in Respect of Disposal:

£310 per site.

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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**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE**  
(Galway County Council)  
**DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS**

Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
Gort	Riordan's, Keelderry	McInerney's Cross, Hollymount	1312
Gort	Gortacarnaun	O'Neill's house	260
Galway	Co. Rd. 139	Killoughter Village	1300
Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. 517	Donnellan's, Castlegar	260
Loughrea	Co. Rd. 401 at Ballynacurragh	Kelly's, Gorteenanillaun	1000
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 421 at Egan's	Noonan's, Ballinlaghy	100
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 513 Shanballymore	Brannelly's house	270
Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. 513	Finnerty's, Latoon	265
Galway	Spiddal Dispensary Residence	Co. Rd. 93	260
Tuam	Joyce's Park, Gortluggagh	for a distance of 400 yards	400
Milltown	Co. Rd. 217	east to Patrick Healy's house	380
Milltown	Co. Rd. 245 at Slieve	for a distance of 305 yards	305
Clifden	Completion of Fountain, Hill Road		1060
Galway	J. Clancy's house	J. Clancy's house, Lealetter	1750
Loughrea	Co. Rd. Derryhoyie by Stratford's and Brennan's	Boreen leading to Jos. Fahy's lands	360
Ballinasloe	Jnc. M. R. 310 at Killaan	Mullin's and Cannon's	500
Portumna	Co. Rd. 581 S. of Lismany Pump	Kylemore Bog Road	352
Athenry	Co. Rd. at Mannion's, Cloonbenus	Murray's, Derrynamanagh	1606

J. HOWLETT, Secretary.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD  
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 24TH MARCH, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Clr. T. King  
(2) Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. Clarke, F. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, F. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. E. Donnellan, F. Fahey, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverly, B. Holland, T. Hussey, E. D. Joyce, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Clrs. P. Raftery, E. Ruane, J. Ridge and M. Ryan.

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

897 - MINUTES: The minutes of previous meetings to No. 896 inclusive, having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Senator M. Killilea now took the Chair.

898 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 (a) to (1) on the Agenda had been received.

899 - OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan 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, 1969."

900 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE:1968/69:

On the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved the following expenditure in excess of the amount already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1969, viz:-

<u>ROADS:</u> Ordinary road works C.A.L.:	-	£3,801.
Government Grants C.H.D.:	-	£11,095.
Other purposes C.H.D.:	-	£837.

HEALTH:

General Medical Services:	-	£33,786.
Institutional Services:	-	£37,682.
Maternity & Child Health Services:	-	£987.
Tuberculosis & Other Infectious Diseases:-		£1,134.
Rehabilitation & Maintenance of Disabled Persons:		£1,200.
Ambulance Service & Transport of Patients:		£6,460.
Other Purposes:	-	£6,818.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:

Home Assistance:	-	£2,913.
Government Grants Schemes:	-	£20.
Other Purposes:	-	£2,050.

SANITARY SERVICES:

Water Supplies: - £3,428.  
Domestic Scavenging: - £400.

HOUSING:

Labourers' Acts: - £1,494.  
Local Assistance Grants: - £710.

GENERAL PURPOSES SERVICES:

Local Authorities Works Acts C.A.L.: - £300.  
Local Authorities Works Acts C.H.D.: - £1,300.  
Drainage of Land: - £5,003.  
Higher Education Grants: - £8,530.  
Other Purposes C.H.D.: - £56,893.

901. DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

On the proposition of Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads:-

Area	From	To	Length lin. yds.
Gort	Riordan's, Keelderry	McInerney's Cross, Hollymount	1312
Gort	Gortacarnaun	O'Neill's House	260
Galway	Co. Road 139	Killoughter Village	1300
Ballinasloe	Co. Road 517	Donnellan's, Castlegar	260
Loughrea	Co. Rd. 401 at Ballynacurragh	Kelly's, Gorteen- anillaun	1000
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 421 at Egan's.	Hoonan's, Ballin- laghy	100
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 513 Shanballymore	Brannelly's House	270
Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. 513	Finnerty's, Latoon	265
Galway	Spiddal Dispensary Residence	County Road 93	260
Tuam	Joyce's Park, Gortluggagh	for a distance of 400 yards	400
Milltown	Co. Road 217	east to Patrick Healy's House	880
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Portumna	Co. Rd. 581 S. of Lismany Lump	Kylemore Bog Road	352
Athenry	Co. Rd. at Mannion's, Cloonbenes	Murray's, Derry- nahanagh	1606

Clr. King protested against the delay in proceeding with these roads earlier in the year.

902 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION OF NURSING STAFF: On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council approved the following revised salary scales, with in each case the operative date to be 1st June, 1968, and to include in each case the 11th round or 9% increase:-

- (a) For the grade of Staff Nurse: a salary scale of £700 by five annual increments of £25 and five annual increments of £32 - £985 maximum.
- (b) For the grade of Ward Sister: a salary scale of £985 x five annual increments of £32 to £1145 maximum.
- (c) For the grade of Theatre Sister: a salary scale of £1025 by five annual increments of £32 to £1185 maximum.
- (d) For the grade of Public Health Nurse: a salary scale of £1065 by five annual increments of £32 to £1225 maximum.
- (e) That in the case of the grade of Staff Nurse -

- (1) An allowance of £40 per annum be paid to those holding special certificates in -
  - (i) Midwifery
  - (ii) Paediatrics.
  - (iii) Fevers.
  - (iv) T.B.

when actually engaged on that work in each case.

- (2) An allowance of £40 per annum be paid to such officers while actually engaged on the following duties:-

- (i) Theatre duties.
- (ii) Duty in Geriatric Units; long stay hospitals or units and County Homes.
- (iii) Duty in intensive care units.

- (f) That in the case of the grade of Ward Sister -

- (1) An allowance of £40 per annum be paid to those holding specialised certificates in -
  - (i) Midwifery.
  - (ii) Paediatrics.
  - (iii) Fevers.
  - (iv) T.B.

when actually engaged on that work in each case.

- (2) An allowance of £40 per annum be paid to such officers while actually engaged on the following duties:-

- (i) Duty in Geriatric Units; long stay hospitals or units and County Homes.
- (ii) Duty in intensive care units.

- (g) That in respect of all the aforementioned grades, in addition to the salary scales now approved, there shall be paid, two long service increments of £35 each at the completion of 15 years and 20 years service respectively.

903 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION - TRAINEE DRAUGHTSMEN: On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved the following revised annual salaries for trainee Draughtsmen, from the 1st June, 1968: £615 x £50 - £665 x £85 - £750 x £90 - £840.

- 904 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION - DENTAL & CLINIC ATTENDANTS: On the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Mannion, the Council approved the following 11th round wage increases for Dental and Clinic Attendants:-  
15/- per week from the 1st April, 1968.  
15/- per week from the 1st April, 1969.
- 905 - 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 1969/70.
- 906 - 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, 1969.
- 907 - MEETINGS: The Council unanimously fixed dates and times for meetings as set out hereunder:-  
(a) Annual Meeting: Monday, 7th July, 1969, at 3.30 p.m.  
(b) Meeting for making of Rate for 1969/70: Monday, 7th July, 1969, after the Annual Meeting.
- 908 - CLOSED SALE OF PLOT OF LAND AT COSMONA, LOUGHREA: The notice dated 12th March, 1969, sent to each member of the Council, was submitted.  
It was proposed by Clr. Melvin, seconded by Clr. Joyce and resolved:-  
"that the disposal shall be carried out in accordance with the terms specified in the notice dated 12th March, 1969."
- 909 - REGIONAL SEMINAR FOR ELECTED MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES: Correspondence received from the Institute of Public Administration regarding the Regional Seminar for elected members of Local Authorities, at the Eglinton Hotel, Salthill, Galway, on the 11th April, 1969, 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.
- 910 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION: Clr. Callanan raised the question of an Irish Land Commission pump at Corraneena, Kilconnell, which he said, he had been told at a meeting of the County Council one time, would be taken over, provided that the County Medical Officer reported favourably on the proposal; that it was not until two years afterwards, when he had to make further enquiries, that he learned that the County Medical Officer had advised against taking over this pump, as the water was not suitable for human consumption; he complained that County Councillors were not being informed regarding the ultimate outcome of notices of motion submitted by them.  
The County Manager said that any Councillor anxious about the result of a notice of motion submitted by him, could obtain all information, on enquiry at the office, within a couple of months of the matter been discussed at the County Council meeting.  
The Chairman said that there should be some control over Land Commission pumps by the Local Authority or the Health Authority.
- 911 - PUMP AT CLEGGAN BEACH: Clr. Joyce proposed that the pump at Cleggan beach near the bridge be restored.  
The County Manager said that this pump was defective and was removed as there was no local demand for its retention, due to the fact that the nearby houses had installed electric pumping sets, with a lake source; that if evidence was submitted, that there was a local demand, consideration would be given to replacing this pump.

- Clr. Joyce said that a petition would be handed in shortly requesting that the pump be replaced.
- 912 - INISHTURBOT WATER SULLY: Clr. Joyce proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded, that the Inishturbot Water Supply be improved.  
The County Manager said that the well provided on Inishturbot Island was the only reliable and suitable source of water; that it did prove insufficient during dry periods, but as there was no other source in the island, there was no action the County Council could take in the matter.  
Clr. Mannion said that the trouble with the water supply on Inishturbot was caused by the removal of the pump from the island to the mainland for repairs and the failure to replace it since.  
The County Manager said he would have the position re-examined.
- 913 - ACCESS ROADS TO BEACHES: Clr. Joyce proposed and Deputy Molloy seconded :-  
"that all access roads to beaches, recently repaired by the County Council by means of Bord Failte grants, be declared public roads and that they should be tarred without delay."  
The County Manager said that recommendations would be submitted to the Council (when suitable) as and when work had been completed on these roads, which would be blacktopped as far as funds allowed.  
Clr. Joyce said that the Bord Failte grants should be sufficiently large to include blacktopping when the roads are being repaired.
- 914 - TURF SULLIES TO COUNTY INSTITUTIONS: Clr. Byrne proposed and Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) seconded:-  
"that the Council views with concern the complaint made by Kiltulla-Killimordaly Guild of Muintir na Tire, that the Regional Hospital, Galway and the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe (the upkeep of which the ratepayers of this county subscribe to) are supplied from the Bord na Mona bog at Attymon in Co. Offaly and not from the Bord na Mona bog at Attymon and to ask the County Manager to have the position reversed and thus benefit the workers in the immediate area."  
The County Manager said that he had received a large number of representations on this matter and the Galway Regional Hospital and the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital authorities had to burn the fuel that they could most efficiently use.
- 915 - DERELICT SITE - WOODFORD: Clr. Byrne asked the County Manager to have immediate steps taken to remove the derelict site in Woodford, at the junction where the road leads to Iortumna, as apart from being unsightly, it was also of nuisance value and a source of danger, particularly to children who could freely enter same.  
The County Manager stated that proceedings had been taken by the Council for the acquisition of this site, under the Derelict Sites Act, 1961, and that the matter was at present being actively pursued.
- 916 - DRAINING OF GORT RIVER: Clr. Byrne proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded :-  
"that we the members of Galway County Council request the Bord of Works to drain the Gort river in the vicinity of the town, with a view to reducing flooding in the area and improving the sewerage position, particularly in Crowe Street."  
The proposal was agreed to.
- 917 - BALLINTISE ROAD, DUNMORE: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) asked the County Manager if the County Council had any plans for the blacktopping of the Ballintise Road, Dunmore.  
The County Manager said that it was scheduled for County Road Grant

Reconstruction in 1969/70.

918 - COMMUNITY CENTRE GRANT - KILKERRIN, BALLINASLOE: Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore) proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded:-

"that the County Council consider providing a grant for the Community Centre in Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe and in other community centres in County Galway."

The County Manager submitted to the meeting, minute No. 5132 of the 16th June, 1967, and he read the report he had made to that meeting.

The Chairman proposed that this matter be adjourned indefinitely and Clr. Melvin seconded.

After a lengthy discussion, the Chairman put his own proposal to the meeting and a vote thereon resulted as follows:-

For: Cirs. Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Cirs. Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Raftery. (17)

Against: Cirs. Burke, Byrne, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy John Donnellan (Dunmore), Cirs. Lat Donnellan, Glynn, Lambert, Mannion, Ryan (10).

Clr. Ridge did not vote.

The Chairman declared his own proposal carried.

919 - REDUCTION OF VALUATIONS IN WESTERN SEABOARD COUNTIES: Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Ryan seconded:-

"Since the Minister has agreed to abolish all local contributions for valuations under £5, he be requested to reduce the remainder of the valuation scale in the western seaboard counties accordingly:-

Under £5	Nil
£5 and under £10	5%
£10 - £17½	10%
£17½ - £25	15%
£25 - £50	20%
£50 - £75	30%
£75 - £100	40%
£100 and over	50% "

The proposal was agreed to - Clr. King dissenting.

920 - CLAY BANK NEAR FINNERTY'S, KILCONLY: Clr. Glynn proposed that the clay bank between Finnerty's, Kilconly, and a point opposite Blake's private house be removed to give added accommodation for car parking during Mass.

The County Manager said that this work would be included in special works - County Road Improvements for 1969/70.

921 - FOOTPATH NEAR BANAGHER CROSS (MILLTOWN): Clr. Glynn proposed that a footpath be provided between Banagher Cross (Milltown) and Varley's Garage.

The County Manager said that there was no justification for a footpath here, as this place was outside the built up area.

922 - MOUNTBELLEW SEWERAGE SCHEME: Clr. Cunningham proposed that the Mountbellew Sewerage Scheme be extended to the same point as the water supply on the road leading to Moylough, to service existing houses and other sites.

The County Manager stated that this work could not be carried out due to the shortage of capital monies.

923 - BUILDING PERMISSION: Clr. Cunningham proposed that the present difference between County Council and Department of Agriculture in respect of building permission be rectified, saying that in some cases, where the Department of Agriculture approve the siting of buildings 30 ft. from the roadway, the County Council subsequently insisted that these buildings be sited 100 ft. from the roadway.

The County Manager said that each case had to be dealt with on its own merits.

924 - SEWERAGE AT NEWBRIDGE: Clr. Cunningham proposed that the County Manager give a decision on what he intended to do regarding the sewerage at Newbridge.

The County Manager said that an elaborate treatment plant would be required here and as Newbridge had no priority in this regard, such a scheme must be deferred indefinitely.

925 - LOAN CHARGES: The County Manager told Clr. Burke that the loan charges paid by the Council represented a nett rate of 10/5d in the £.

926 - MARGINAL LINES ON GALWAY/TUAM ROAD: Clr. Burke proposed that marginal lines be put on the Galway/Tuam Road and on each side of these lines provision should be made for pedestrians, so as to avoid accidents.

The County Engineer said that he had discussed this proposal with Clr. Burke and explained cross section profiles of Class 2 Roads to him and that he was now satisfied with the position.

Clr. Burke agreed.

927 - SEWERAGE FOR DEMESNE COTTAGES, TUAM: Clr. Burke asked when would work commence on sewerage for the Demesne Cottages, Tuam.

The County Manager said that the acceptance of a tender had now been approved by the Department of Local Government and that there would not be any undue delay.

928 - LABOUR COURT AWARD NO. 2102: Resulting from the partial implementation of the Labour Court Award No. 2102 by the County Manager, Clr. Fahey asked -

- (a) what the general duties of Council overseers are with special reference to the number and kind of jobs they are expected to oversee per week and the number of calls they are expected to make per job per week,
- (b) are they expected to supervise the new Local Improvements Scheme jobs without extra pay or mileage allowance?
- (c) were they considered for promotion to 'Inspectorships' when Council gangers were appointed to inspect Local Improvements Scheme jobs;
- (d) what is the average mileage done per week by Council overseers and by what means is this mileage done?

At this stage Clr. Ridge became suddenly ill and the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

The meeting then terminated.

*Submitted, Approved and confirmed*

*M. Killera*

*Chairman*

*28/4/69.*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH.

25u la de Marta, 1969.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 3lu la de Marta, 1969 ag tosnu ag 4.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

M.S. O MAOLRUANAIDH.  
Runai Sealadach.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Member's Notices of Motion:

Senator Mark Killilea:

"Being satisfied that the road leading from Rossaveal Main Road to the football pitch is of general public utility the Council hereby direct that the necessary preliminary notice of their intention to declare it a public road be published; that the necessary repairs and improvements be carried out, the cost to be charged to the notice of motion allocation of the late Councillor Joseph Ridge, and that as a mark of respect to the late Councillor Ridge the road be named Ridge Road."

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL,  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,  
31ST MARCH, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, T. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), P. Fahey, P. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, T. Hussey, F. D. Joyce, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. E. Rafferty, and E. Ruane.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager, C. A. Warner, County Engineer and J. Howlett, County Secretary.

929 - VOTE OF SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE COUNCILLOR JOSEPH RIDGE:

The Chairman stated that it was a severe shock to all the members of the Council, when their colleague, the late Councillor Joseph Ridge died at the last meeting. He proposed a vote of sympathy to the family of the deceased Councillor and paid tribute to the character of Councillor Ridge and to the work which he had carried out on behalf of the people of south Connemara.

All the members of the Council asked to be associated with the vote of sympathy and paid further tribute to the character of the deceased. The County Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council, joined in the vote of sympathy.

Tributes were paid to the County Engineer; the Council's Medical Officer; Deputy Fintan Coogan, Clr. Pat Donnellan, and the members of the ambulance service, for their prompt action at the last meeting, following the collapse of the late Clr. Ridge.

930 - DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD: The Chairman then moved the following motion, of which he had given notice and which he stated would constitute the best tribute which the members of the Council could pay to their deceased colleague:-

"Being satisfied that the road leading from Rossaveal Main Road to the football pitch is of general public utility, the Council hereby direct that the necessary preliminary notice of their intention to declare it a public road be published; that the necessary repairs and improvements be carried out, the cost to be charged to the notice of motion allocation of the late Councillor Joseph Ridge, and that as a mark of respect to the late Councillor Ridge, the road be named 'Ridge Road'."

Clr. Glynn proposed an amendment to the motion, whereby the road in question would be known as 'Bothar Joe Mor'. He stated that he understood that this would meet the wishes of the Ridge family. The amendment was unanimously agreed.

Clr. Mannion seconded the amended motion and it was unanimously agreed that the road in question should be declared to be a public road, following the publication of the necessary notices.

Clr. Clarke suggested that a plaque might be erected near the road to commemorate the late Councillor Ridge.

931 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Mrs. John Lambert, George's Street, Gort,
- Mrs. Sheila Langan, Upper Newcastle, Galway.
- Mr. Jack Morrissey, Corrigan, Craughwell.
- Mr. Stephen Finnegan, Roo, Craughwell.
- Mr. and Mrs. Gibbons, Oughterard.
- Mr. Colman Folan, Carna.
- Mr. Joseph King, Kingstown House, Clifden.
- Mrs. T. King, The Square, Clifden.

932 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: It was unanimously resolved that the meeting should then adjourn as a mark of respect to the deceased Councillor.

The Meeting then terminated

*Submitted, Approved, and Confirmed*  
*M. Heineke,*  
*Chairman*  
*28/4/69,*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Ruani,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh

Ziu la d' Aibrean, 1969.

Chuig Gach Bheall 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, 28u la de Aibrean, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE

Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes

2. MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:

(a) James Keane, Boyhill, Athenry - Stone wall knocked down on lands at Moyveela on 12th March, 1969	... ..	£.	s.	d.
		80.	0.	0.
(b) Martin Greaney, Kilcorkey, Rahoon - Damage to Windscreen, Battery, ignition, and saddle of Motorcycle	... ..	25.	0.	0.
(c) Wyndham Waithman, & Patrick J. Keys, Galway - Building known as "The Isolation Hospital" burned on 10th March, 1969	.... .	6,000.	0.	0.
(d) Patrick J. Murphy, Mount Amber, Athenry - Damage to Water tank, Ball cock, stone walls wire fencing and two poles on land at Mannin, Ardrahan	... ..	100.	0.	0.
(e) Brigid Forde, Skeffington Arms Hotel, Galway - Damage to roof, windscreen, wings, doors, and panel of motor car	... ..	155.	0.	0.
(f) Joseph Burns - Iron gate broken beyond repair on lands at Imaunbeg, Barnaderg	... ..	25.	0.	0.

3. Raising of Supplementary Loan for Tuam Clinic.
4. Disposal of Land -  
Proposed sale of plot of land at The Mall, Tuam - notice dated 15th April, 1969.
5. Improvement works at Rossaveal Pier - letter dated 10th March, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta.
6. Filling of casual vacancy created in the membership of the Council by the death of Councillor Joseph Ridge.
7. Creation of second office of Chief Planning Assistant (copy of County Manager's report of 14th April, 1969 herewith).
8. Revision of remuneration of wholetime Anaesthetists, Pathologists and Bacteriologists.
9. Revision of remuneration of Health Inspectors.
10. Rate Collection arrangements.
11. Amendment of Higher Education Grants Schemes, 1968 and 1969.
12. Salthill Car Park - report from County Manager.
13. Proposed acquisition of land at Moycullen.
14. Notice of Motion Roads 1968/69 - 3rd list - copy herewith.
15. Request of Clrs. Lambert and Fahey for approval of the Council to receive a deputation from Gort Chamber of Commerce at the next meeting.
16. Business submitted by County Manager.
- 16(a). Raising of Supplementary loan for Athenry Water Supply Improvement Scheme.
17. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

(a) Clr. F. Fahey:

- (i) Resulting from the partial implementation of the Labour Court Award No. 2102 by County Manager, I propose to ask -
  - (a) what the general duties of Council overseers are with special reference to the number and kind of jobs they are expected to oversee per week and the number of calls they are expected to make per job per week;
  - (b) are they expected to supervise the new Local Improvements Scheme jobs without extra pay or mileage allowance?
  - (c) were they considered for promotion to 'Inspectorships' when Council gangers were appointed to inspect Local Improvements Scheme jobs;
  - (d) what is the average mileage done per week by Council overseers and by what means is this mileage done?
- (ii) That the residents of Gardenblake, Peterswell, be allowed to vote in Peterswell National School.
- (iii) That Road Fund grants now being spent on arterial roads in the Gort-Loughrea area be diverted to the making and maintenance of bye-roads and farm accommodation roads, (of which there are hundreds in the area) for the year 1969/70.

(b) Clr. J. Callanan:

- (i) I will move at the next ordinary meeting of Galway County Council that the regulations which require a road to serve two or more houses before being eligible to be declared a public road, be changed and that in future all roads with one house and accommodating two or more people either as farm accommodation road or bog road, be eligible to be declared public roads.
- (ii) that the drain the opposite side of the road to Fr. Griffin Memorial Church in the village of Gurteen be piped and the side levelled and rolled to provide parking accommodation.
- (iii) that four lights be erected in the village of Gurteen from Fr. Griffin Memorial Church to the Post Office.

(c) Clr. T. V. Clarke:

- (i) I will propose that a piped water supply be provided for the Knock, Tully, Rossaveal, Derrynea areas of South Connemara and that Roinn na Gaeltachta be asked for a grant towards the cost of same.
- (ii) That the road from the Derrynea/Lettermore County Road by Nestor's public house to Ballydangan graveyard, be repaired and blacktopped.

(d) Deputy R. Molloy:

- (i) That the road leading from the main Galway/Oranmore Road known as the Roscam Road, be blacktopped to the sea on both roads.
- (ii) That the road leading from Doughiska to the gates at the rear of Merlin Park Hospital, be widened and repaired.
- (iii) That pedestrian crossing be provided in the vicinity of Fire Station, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.

(e) Clr. John M. Mannion:

- (i) I will propose at next meeting of this Council that extra street lights be provided at Market Street, Clifden, on both sides, also on each corner pole on the Square.
- (ii) I will propose at next meeting of this Council that public lighting be erected from Church at Cashel to the Zetland Hotel.

(f) Clr. Pat Donnellan:

- (i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask that the Curranmore Road, Headford, which leads on to the lake be tarred.
- (ii) I will ask that an additional light be provided on the Spiddal Road, Moycullen.
- (iii) Permission has been granted for the erection of a dwelling house in Knocknacarra. However, work is not supposed to start until work begins on the Knocknacarra sewerage scheme. I am asking the members of the Council to give permission for work to start immediately.

(g) Clr. T. King:

- (i) I will propose that all pumps erected in this county in future be fitted with electric motor power.

(h) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (i) I will ask the County Manager to arrange to have the new lighting system installed in the town of Mountbellew immediately.
- (ii) At our next meeting of the Council I will propose to have the piped water extended to the villages of Cloonkell and Cuilmore which are in the Clonberne pilot area.
- (iii) At our next meeting of the Council I will propose that provision be made for some drainage to be carried out on the river leading from Cloonkeen through Scregg, Shankill, Clooncunore and Milltown.

(i) Deputy M. F. Kitt:

- (i) At the next meeting of Galway County Council I will propose that applicants participating in a County Improvement Scheme be merely asked to state the valuation of their lands directly affected by the proposed work.

(j) Deputy John Donnellan:

- (i) I will ask the County Manager what is the position regarding water pumps and allocation of water pumps to County Councillors.
- (ii) I will ask the County Manager if money is available for the blacktopping of the Carraveany Road, Williamstown.

(k) Clr. Thomas Hussey:

- (i) That the Council undertake road widening at the approach to the Kilkerrin Church (Ballinasloe) from the Glenamaddy side, by removing old fence on the Irish priests land.
- (ii) That 'Yield Right of Way' sign be erected at Liam Mellowe's Hall, Glynsk.

(l) Clr. William Burke:

- (i) I will propose that an electric pump be installed in Milltown to replace defective pump already there.
- (ii) That road leading to Hillsbrook Village, Barnaderg, be considered for rolling in the near future.
- (iii) That an additional light be erected in front of Labour Exchange in Tuam.

(m) Clr. Joseph Lambert:

- (i) That the town signs erected at Gort Town be changed.
- (ii) That a public telephone be installed at Kilbeacanty Village, Gort.

(n) Clr. Peter Raftery:

- (i) I will propose that the following roads be put on the five year plan for blacktopping:-

Mountbellew Area:

From Kennedy's house, Derrymore to County Road.

From Kelly's house, Lisquell to Newbridge/Ballinamore Bridge County Road.

From Mark Crehan's, Cloonavihony, to Newbridge/Mountbellew County Road.  
 From Mrs. K. Hughes' house, Ballinalass to Mountbellew County Road.  
 From Mannions' house, Rushes to Kilkerrin/Windfield County Road.  
 Boherbanagh Village Road.  
 Carrownafreevy Village Road.  
 Tonacor Upper and Lower Village Road.  
 Tirur Village Road.  
 Granmore/Lenamarla/Creggs Village Road.  
 Buncrower, Creggs Village Road.  
 Fartown/Glenamaddy Village Road with branch road to Ward's house.

Ballygar Area:

Burke's gate to Ballygar/Rookwood County Road.  
 Silke's house to Ballygar/Rookwood County Road.  
 Keighery's house to Ballygar/Rookwood County Road.  
 Hogan's house, Easterfield to Rookwood County Road.

From B. Geraghty's house, Carravaughla to Hollygrove County Road.  
 From I. McDermott's house, Lissavrugy to St. Brendan's/Ballaghlea County Road.  
 From John Mannion's Cross, Killasolan to Tycooly, County Road.  
 From J. McHugh's house, Tycooly to Mountbellew/Castlefrench Co. Road.  
 From Peter Mitchell's house, Ballybane to Ballinamore/Newbridge County Road.  
 From Duggan's house, Gunnode to Windfield/Kilkerrin County Road.  
 Lisquill West Village Road.  
 From Kilroy's junction, Drinane to Killeroran with branch to Ruane.  
 Cloonfaughna East and West.  
 From Collin's house, Cloonshivna to Camderry County Road.

Timacat Village Road )  
 Curcullen " " ) Toomard Area  
 Kilsallagh " " )  
 Derry " " )

Kilcolumb Village Road  
 Aghalateeve " "  
 Skehard Village Road.

- (ii) That road from Mee's junction, Ballinacurry to Cloonfaughna bog be improved.

(o) Clr. Toddie Byrne:

- (i) I will ask the County Manager how long more will the applicants for a pump to serve the Traenlaur (Middle Third) area of Maree, Oranmore have to wait.
- (ii) I will ask the County Manager at what stage the water improvement scheme for Kinvara is and the extension to serve the Dooras area.
- (iii) I will ask the County Manager what steps he will take to allay the growing dissatisfaction in Gort over the refusal of planning permission applications in recent months.



COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION 1968/69 - THIRD LIST

NO.	COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT £	AREA	FROM	TC	LENGTH L. YDS.
1	Raftery	80	Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 506	J. Fitzmaurice's Hcuse.	375
2	Raftery	115	Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 275	M. Cunniffe's house.	265
3	Raftery	145	Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 275	T. Kelly's house.	530
4	Raftery	160	Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 281 (continuation)	Owen Crehan's house	420
5	Byrne	65	Gort	Jnc. Co. Rd. 346	Thomas Flaherty's house (Hawkhill)	270
6	Lambert (£112) Haverty (£160) Byrne (£160)	432	Portumna	C.R. 597 at Cappagh Village	Derryhivney North	886
7	Haverty	40	Loughrea	C.R. 551	Joseph Donoghue's house Coose Nth.	170
8	Kitt	270	Mountbellew	Jnc. C.R. 459 (Marnien's House)(Part of Road)	Towards French's house, Castlefrench	600
9	Carty (£175) Haverty (£95)	270	Portumna	Jnc. C.R. 565 Oxgrove Bridge (Derrysiskal)	Bohan's dwelling house.	1056
10	Galvin	50	Ballinasloe	C.R. Cloonigney	Towards Burke's & Cleary's houses	150
11	Melvin	120	Athenry	Lecarrow	Callanan's, Lickerrig	480
12	Collins	150	Ballinasloe	Jnc. C.R. 473	John Carroll's house through Clonbrock Demense.	1534
13	Haverty	205	Portumna	Main Rd. 440	B. Under's Gate, Deerpark Hill.	704
14	Carty	50	Athenry	Dunsandle	Egan's, Land Commission House.	1553
15	Carty	75	Loughrea	Junction with M.R. 380 opposite Laler's gate Kylebrack	eastwards to stables of Patrick Corcoran, Kylebrack, East.	700

NO.	COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT £	AREA	FROM	TO	LENGTH L. YDS.
16	Burke	300	Milltown	M.R. 210 at Tullybeg South	East to Murrays house.	840
17	Ryan	150	Milltown	Barnadere/Lavally Rd.	Village of Cottage.	360
18	Ryan	50	Milltown	M.R. 370	John Higgin's Gate.	390
19	Hussey	50	Tuam	Road at Dangan	Mullery's house.	182
20	Ridge	275	Oughterard	Rosaveel Main Rd.	Football Pitch.	500
21	Hussey	200	Milltown	Main Road No.110	Through village of Roy to Devaney House	246

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(Galway County Council)

County Buildings,  
Galway.

14th April, 1969.

To each Member of the Council.

A Chara,


When submitting the estimate of expenses for year ending 31st March, 1970, I pointed out in relation to planning as follows:

"The increase in the number of development applications, the briefing of consultants, and the need to carry out some of the other surveys visualised in the plan would necessitate the employment of an additional engineering officer in the planning section." Proposals for this will be brought before the Council at an appropriate time.

It is now proposed to request the consent of the Council to the creation of a new office of Chief Planning Assistant. Applications for planning permission are now being received at the rate of approximately 12<sup>5</sup> per month, and the time of the engineering staff engaged in the planning section is being taken up very largely in dealing with these applications. The carrying out of the other duties necessary in order to implement proposals in the development plan require that a second Chief Planning Assistant should be employed.

Provision has been made in the estimate for the employment of the Chief Planning Assistant, and I request the consent of the Council to enable the matter to be submitted to the Minister for approval.

Mise, le meas,

  
A. A. SHARKEY  
County Manager

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

15th April, 1969

A Chara,

Proposed Sale of Plot of Ground at The Mall, Tuam  
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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 Rhattigan, Knock, Milltown, Co. Galway, the plot of ground at The Mall, Tuam, particulars of which are given hereunder:-

LAND: Plot of ground at The Mall, Tuam - area 5½ square perches or thereabouts, statute measure, acquired for road improvements.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED: Mrs. Myra Walsh, Circular Road, Tuam.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF: Mr. John Rhattigan, Knock, Milltown, Co. Galway.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL: Mr. Rhattigan to transfer to the Council a plot of ground, area 5½ sq. perches or thereabouts, statute measure, adjoining the Shambles, Tuam, and to pay all costs of the exchange of the plots, including the County Council's costs.

OTHER COVENANTS OR CONDITIONS: Mr. Rhattigan to demolish the existing shed on the plot proposed to be transferred to him by the County Council; to erect a shed at least as good as the site which is being acquired from him by the County Council; and to erect a gate giving entrance from the Shambles.

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,

K. DOYLE  
Runai Sealadach

REPORT OF COUNCIL

Rate Collection Arrangements

*if there*  
District No. 14. - Miss Julia Freaney has been acting as Temporary Rate Collector in this district since the 1st November, 1960. It is recommended that the Council should now proceed to fill the office permanently. Salary scale recommended is £740 x £72 - £884 x £76 - £960 plus bonus of £200 subject to the usual conditions.


District No. 33. - This office is vacant since the death of the former collector on 11th December, 1968. Since that date it has been collected by a Clerical Officer appointed by the Council. Salary proposed is £800 x £85 - £1,225 plus bonus of £300 subject to the usual conditions. Poundage payable is £1,265 plus bonus of £540. It is recommended that the office be filled permanently. *In the meantime it will be necessary to extend temporary appointment until the office is made.*  
District No. 35. - This district is being collected from the office. The implementation of a decision by the Council some time ago to appoint a Collector was deferred in order to assess the position arising out of the application of the increased Agricultural grant to holdings under £20. valuation.

Consequent on the new agricultural grant there has been an increase of work in the rates office and proposals to increase the staff have been under consideration.

The collection of district no. 35. from the office absorbs a considerable amount of the time of the office staff, and if the council accept my recommendation to appoint a collector this should enable the present staff to cope with the work for the present. Apart from this consideration I have previously reported on the undesirability of having special office arrangements for one district.

I recommend that a collector be appointed to District No. 35 and that the salary to be paid be £655 x £68 - £791 x £69 - £860 plus bonus of £200.

All the salaries quoted in this report are subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government.

  
A. A. Sharkey  
County Manager

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY,  
28TH APRIL, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: (i) Senator M. Killilea.  
(ii) Deputy J. Geoghegan.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. Clarke, I. Collins,  
F. Coogan, M. Croffy, I. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen),  
Deputy J. Donnellan (Dunmore), Cllrs. I. Donnellan, I. Fahey,  
J.M. Mannion, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, T. Hussey,  
I.D. Joyce, T. King, M. Kitt, J. Lambert, H. Melvin, Deputy  
R. Molloy, Cllrs. I. Raftery, I. Ruane, S. Kyne M. Ryan, and  
Deputy M. Carty.

Officials: Messrs. A.A. Sharkey, County Manager, C.A. Warner, County  
Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Asst. County Engineer and J. Howlett,  
County Secretary.

933 - MINUTES:

It was agreed that minutes of meetings held on 24th and 31st March,  
1969 (Nos. 897 - 932 inclusive) be approved and signed.

The minutes which had previously been circulated were then signed  
by the Chairman.

Arising out of proceedings at previous meetings, the Council noted  
correspondence from Dr. Eilish Ridge and from His Grace the Arch-  
bishop of Tuam.

934 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:

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

During the course of a discussion on certain claims members deplored  
the irresponsible behaviour which gave rise to malicious damage and  
objected to the legal code whereby rate payers were liable.

935 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN FOR TUAM CLINIC: It was proposed by Senator  
Killilea, seconded by Cllr. Glynn and resolved:

"that a supplementary loan of £4,200 be borrowed from  
the Local Loans Fund for the completion of clinic at  
Tuam. The loan is to carry interest at the local loans fund  
rate, and is to be repayable within the unexpired term of  
original loan of £24,300 or within such other period as  
may be approved."

936 - DISPOSAL OF LAND AT TUAM: It was proposed by Senator Killilea and  
seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:

"that the plot of land at The Mall, Tuam be disposed of  
in exchange for other lands and subject to the terms and  
conditions of proposal circulated to each members of the  
Council on the 15/4/1969."

937 - IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT ROSSAVEAL PIER: It was proposed by Deputy  
Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Coogan and resolved:

"that the Council undertake improvement works at  
Rossaveal pier in accordance with the details given  
in letter dated 10th March, 1969 from Roinn na  
Gaeltachta. The Council will undertake to maintain  
these works after completion and is noted that a grant  
not exceeding £3,750 will be payable in respect of  
the works."

938 - FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL:

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Cllr. Joyce

"that Mr. Seamus Kyna, Rusheen, Clonbur, should  
be chosen by the Council to fill casual vacancy".

Mr. Joseph Ridge, Lettermore, was nominated by Cllr. Glynn and  
seconded by Cllr. Mannion as a candidate to fill the vacancy.  
Both candidates had given their prior consent to nomination  
in writing.

In the absence of agreement on one of the above proposals the  
Chairman adjourned consideration of the matter until 4.30 p.m.,  
when a division would be taken to decide the question.

939 - CREATION OF SECOND OFFICE OF CHIEF PLANNING ASSISTANT:

Noted report dated 14th April, 1969 from the County Manager  
seeking consent to proposal to create a new office of chief  
planning assistant. The County Manager explained his proposal  
and stated in view of the exceptionally high numbers of applications  
for planning permissions it was impossible, in the absence of  
additional technical staff, to avoid delay in the administration  
of planning control. In addition satisfactory progress could not  
be made with positive planning work, including the review of the  
development plan.

There was a lengthy discussion on the suggestion of Cllr. Callanan,  
that a special meeting of the Council should be held to consider  
questions relating to planning. In the absence of agreement on any  
proposal discussion was adjourned until after 4.30 p.m., when it  
was intended to take a division on the question.

Present Deputy M. Carty who was welcomed back by all the members  
of the Council.

940 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION OF WHOLETIME PATHOLOGISTS,  
AND BACTERIOLOGISTS:

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan and seconded by Cllr. King and  
resolved:

"that wholtime pathologists and Bacteriologists  
employed by the Council be placed on the salary  
scale of £3,747 per annum inclusive of the 10th round  
increase with effect from the date of award granted  
to wholtime Anaesthetists. Excess expenditure of £360  
in respect of year 1968/69 and of £396 in respect of year  
1969/70 is hereby approved in respect of this proposal."

941 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION OF HEALTH INSPECTORS:

It was proposed by Deputy Molloy and seconded by Cllr. Croffy  
and resolved:

"that consequent on Arbitrator's award a revised salary  
scale of £930 X £60 to £1,530 be applied to the Office  
of Health Inspector with effect from 1/4/1968. The  
revised scale is to be exclusive of the 11th round  
increase of 9% which shall be added to it on the 1/6/1968.  
Excess expenditure of £1,140 in respect of year 1968/69  
and £1,160 in respect of year 1969/70 is hereby approved  
in respect of this proposal."

942 - RATE COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS: The County Manager submitted  
report recommending the appointment of permanent rate collectors  
in districts No. 14, 33 and 35. The latter collection was at  
present carried out through the office.

Following objection by Cllr. Burke to the appointment of rate  
collectors on the grounds that it would be more economic to

have rates collected through the office, and proposal by Deputy Coogan that Mrs. Freeney's term of office as collector of district No. 14 should be extended for a further 12 months, a lengthy discussion took place on this proposal. In the absence of agreement it was adjourned until after 4.30 p.m.

943 - DIVISIONS ON ITEMS 938, 939 and 942:

The Chairman stated that he would now take divisions on the items which had been adjourned until after 4.30 p.m. -

Filling of casual vacancy in the membership of the Council:-

The following was the voting to select the candidate to fill casual vacancy in the membership of the Council -

For Mr. Seamus Kyne

Clrs. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan, (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Raftery - (16)

For Mr. Joseph Ridge

Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clr. Lat Donnellan, Clrs. Glynn, Holland, Lambert, J. Mannion, Ruane, Ryan. - (13)

The Chairman declared that Mr. Seamus Kyne had been elected. Deputy Molloy welcomed Mr. Kyne to the Council, and Clr. Kyne expressed his thanks to the members.

Creation of second office of Chief Planning Assistant:-

During the course of further discussion on this matter the County Manager stated that he was asking the members of the Council to make a decision on the proposals submitted in his report. The Chairman stated that a special meeting to consider planning administration would be fruitless unless members gave reasonable notice of specific cases which they wished to have discussed. Following some further discussion it was agreed that a vote should be taken on proposals by a number of Councillors that a decision on the creation of a second office of Chief Planning Assistant should be deferred and that arrangements should be made to call a special meeting to review planning administration. A division was taken and the voting resulted as follows:-

For the motion

Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Mrs. Croffy, Cunningham, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Kyne. - (19)

Against the motion

Deputy Coogan, Deputy John Donnellan, Clrs. Lat Donnellan, Glynn, Holland, Lambert, Mannion, Ruane, Ryan. - (9)

The Chairman declared the motion to be carried.

Rate Collection arrangements

Clr. Burke stated that he had no objection to the continuance of the temporary appointment of Mrs. Julia Freeney as collector of district No. 14 for a further 12 months. Subject to this he proposed that districts No. 33 and 35 should be collected through the office.

It was agreed that a vote should be taken on this proposal, and there voted in favour of the proposal -

Clrs. Burke Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clrs. I. Donnellan, Glynn, Lambert, Mannion, Ruane and Ryan - (12)

The following members voted against the proposal -

Clrs. J. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. E. Haverty, Holland, Hussey, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. T. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. I. Raftery, Kyne - (17)

The Chairman declared that Clr. Burke's proposal had been defeated, and following agreement to accept similar voting, it was decided that the County Manager's proposals should be implemented subject to the renewal of the temporary employment of Mrs. Julia Freeney as collector of district No. 14 for a further 12 months. It was also agreed in accordance with the report that temporary appointment of Miss Feeney for district No. 33 would be extended to the 30/6/1969, and subsequently until a permanent appointment was made.

Deputy Geoghegan then took the chair.

944 -

ELECTRIC MOTORS FOR WATER PUMPS: Clr. King requested leave to move motion submitted by him that all water pumps erected in the County in future be fitted with electric motor power.

The County Manager indicated that there appeared to be no objection to this proposal and it was agreed after a discussion.

945 -

AMENDMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEMES: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen) and resolved:

"that the Higher Education Grants Scheme for 1968 be amended in accordance with the terms of letter of the 17th October, 1968 from the Department of Education."

It was proposed by Deputy S. Donnellan and seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"that amendments be made in the 1969 Higher Education Grants Scheme in respect of definition of income, holiday earnings and non-university courses in accordance with letter dated 25th March, 1969 from the Department of Education."

that Clr. Fahey requested further representation should be made to the Department regarding the inclusion of teacher training courses in the grants scheme.

946 -

SALTHILL CAR PARK: Arising out of minute No. 890, the County Manager submitted report indicating that he had concluded, on the examination of this matter, that it would be inadvisable to provide another opening to the car park because of traffic hazards. He also stated that it was proposed to provide a temporary car park at the rear of Seapoint Ballroom. Deputy Molloy stated that he was dissatisfied with this decision and that he proposed to submit a resolution on the matter in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act.

- 947 - ACQUISITION OF LAND AT MOYCULLEN: Proposed by Clr. Sean Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"that land at Moycullen, comprising approximately 30 acres, be acquired by the Council, from Very Rev. G. Quinn, P.I., for the sum of £7,000."

During the course of discussion on this matter, the County Manager explained that the land could be used for housing, industry and recreation. The estimated cost of development was £23,500 but it would not be possible to proceed until water and sewerage schemes for the village had been put in order. Development proposals would be submitted in due course and in the meantime the Council were only committed to the purchase of the land, which was being sold at a very reasonable price.

- 948 - NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS 1968/69 - 3rd list: Proposed by Clr. Hussey, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"that expenditure on the improvement of specified roads be authorised in accordance with schedule submitted and that arrangements be made to have the roads declared to be public roads."

- 949 - DEPUTATION FROM GORT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: The Council noted request by Clrs. Lambert and Fahey and approved of the reception of a deputation from Gort Chamber of Commerce at the next meeting.

- 950 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN FOR ATHENRY WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME:

Proposed by Clr. Byrne, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and resolved:-

"that a supplementary loan of £7,600 be borrowed from the Commissioners of Public Works for the completion of the Athenry Water Supply Improvement Scheme. The loan is to carry interest at the Local Loans Fund rate and is to be repayable over the unexpired term of the original loan or over such other period as may be approved by the Minister."

MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

951. - Conditions of employment of Overseers: The County Manager stated that information sought by Clr. Fahey in his resolution on the above matter, was very detailed and would take time and cost to prepare. However, he was prepared to circulate such information if required by resolution of the Council.

It was proposed by Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved that this information should be circulated.

- 952 - POLLING PLACES: The County Secretary informed Clr. Fahey, that his proposal concerning change of polling place for residents of Gardenblake, Peterswell, would be examined in relation to future polling schemes. It was not feasible, at the present, to change any of the existing arrangements for polling, other than those which had to be revised to implement provisions of new Electoral Act.

Clr. Fahey stated that the change referred to was long overdue and that it should be implemented without delay and Deputy Donnellan referred to a change required at Carrigeen National School.

- 953 - ROAD FUND GRANTS: It was agreed that resolution by Clr. Fahey regarding the allocation of Road Fund grants in the Gort/Loughrea area should be submitted to the Department of Local Government for consideration.

- 954 - REQUIREMENTS FOR DECLARING A ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD: The County Manager undertook to have a further examination of motion by Clr. Callanan with regard to the requirements for a road to be declared a public road. It was agreed to bring this matter up at the next meeting.

- 955 - WORKS REQUIRED NEAR FR. GRIFFIN MEMORIAL CHURCH: Clr. Callanan was informed that the Council's policy for car parks at churches was that preliminary work should be done by local interests and thereafter the County Council would take over, surface and maintain the parking area. It was suggested that procedure on these lines might be considered in relation to the place in question.

- 956 - PUBLIC LIGHTS IN THE VILLAGE OF GURTEEN: Clr. Callanan was informed that the provision of public lights in the village of Gurteen could not be justified.

- 957 - FIELD WATER SUPPLIES IN THE SOUTH CONNEMARA AREA: Clr. Clarke was informed that a consulting engineer had been appointed to prepare a preliminary report on water supplies in the South Connemara area.

Deputy Molloy referred to information supplied by him at previous meetings, to the effect that extra funds were available for these works and suggested that the matter be taken up again with the Department of Local Government and with Roinn na Gaeltachta.

- 958 - ROAD FROM DERRYNEA/LETTERMORE COUNTY ROAD TO BALLYDANGAN GRAVEYARD:

In reply to a motion concerning the above road, Clr. Clarke was informed that the road was not a County Council road but that the section of three quarters of a mile mentioned, could be proposed as a Councillor's notice of motion for 1969/70.

- 959 - ROSCAM ROAD: In response to Deputy Molloy's proposal that the Roscam Road should be blacktopped, it was stated that the work would cost approximately £400 and was unlikely to be reached for a couple of years.

- 960 - ROAD FROM DOUGHISKA TO THE REAR GATES OF MERLIN PARK HOSPITAL:

Deputy Molloy was informed that the above road was not a public road but that it might be eligible for an L.I.S. Grant.

- 961 - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING NEAR FIRE STATION, FR. GRIFFIN ROAD, GALWAY: With regard to a proposal that a pedestrian crossing should be provided near the Galway Fire Station, the County Engineer indicated that he was awaiting report of traffic consultants who had been appointed by the Corporation and on direction by the Gardai.

Deputy Molloy stated that he understood that the Gardai had given a direction on this matter and it was agreed to investigate this.

- 962 - STREET LIGHTS AT CLIFDEN: Clr. J. Mannion was informed that his proposal to have certain street lights provided at Clifden was being examined and that a report would be furnished in due course.

- 963 - PUBLIC LIGHTING FROM CHURCH AT CASHEL TO THE ZETLAND HOTEL: Clr. Mannion was informed that his proposal re public lighting in the above area was also being considered and that a quotation had been sought from the E.S.B.

- 964 - CURRANMORE ROAD, HEADFORD: In reply to a motion by Clr. T. Donnellan, the County Manager stated that the Curranmore Road had been included in the proposals for County Road Improvements for 1969/70.

- 965 - ADDITIONAL LIGHT ON THE SPIDDAL ROAD, MOYCULLEN: Clr. T. Donnellan was informed that proposal to order an additional light for the Spiddal Road, Moycullen, could not be justified at present but that the matter might be brought up for consideration in about a year's time.

- 966 - PLANNING APPLICATION - HOUSE AT KNOCKNACARRA: Clr. F. Donnellan gave notice that he was submitting for consideration at the next meeting, a resolution under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, to enforce his motion re grant of permission for immediate progress with construction of house at Knocknacarra.
- 967 - NEW LIGHTING SYSTEM IN THE TOWN OF MOUNTBELLEW: The County Manager informed Clr. Ryan that an order had been placed with the E.S.B. for the change-over to a new lighting system for the town of Mountbellew.
- 968 - WATER SUPPLY EXTENSIONS TO THE VILLAGES OF CLOONKELL AND CUILMORE:  
 Clr. Ryan was given details of correspondence with the Department of Local Government with regard to proposals for water supply schemes which would serve the above villages. Council were awaiting confirmation of an allocation of funds towards these works before referring the matter to consultant for a preliminary report.
- 969 - RIVER DRAINAGE: The County Manager informed Clr. Ryan that the section of river between Cloonkeen through Scregg, Shankill, was not maintained by the County Council. The section between Shankill to Clooncunore to Milltown was maintained as part of the Mountbellew Drainage District and it was intended that this section would be cleaned during 1969/70.
- 970 - LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME: Following a discussion on motion by Deputy Kitt concerning conditions for contributions towards Local Improvements Schemes, the County Manager suggested that Deputy Kitt should furnish some examples of cases where hardship was caused by the present regulations and the matter would be investigated to see whether there was an alternative approach to the basis on which contributions were assessed.
- 971 - WATER PUMPS: Deputy John Donnellan was informed that work was proceeding on the erection of pumps listed on the last priority list submitted by County Councillors. It was hoped to ask the members of the Council to submit further nominations for pumps about next July.  
 Deputy Donnellan stated that he understood that each Councillor should be in a position to nominate one pump for every financial year. He said that he would be seeking information as to whether a pump had been erected in the name of any Councillor who is elected since 1967.
- 972 - CARRAVEANY ROAD, WILLIAMSTOWN: Deputy Donnellan was informed that the work of blacktopping the Carraveany Road had not been included in the current estimates but that it could be considered on its merits for 1970/71.  
 Deputy Donnellan stated that the road had been used as a diversion road during flooding and that its maintenance was most urgent and should be looked in to.
- 973 - ROAD WIDENING AT THE APPROACH TO KILKERRIN CHURCH: The County Manager informed Clr. T. Hussey that road widening in the above area did not appear to be necessary but that car parking space was required.
- 974 - SIGN AT LIAM MELLOWE'S HALL, GLYNSK: Clr. T. Hussey was informed that the Gardai had approved of 'Yield Right of Way' sign at the above location and that this sign was being erected.
- 975 - INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC PUMP AT MILLTOWN: The County Manager informed Clr. Burke that the question of installing an electric pump to replace defective pump at Milltown was being considered.
- 976 - ROAD TO HILLSBROOK VILLAGE, BARNADERG: Clr. Burke was informed that it was unlikely that the rolling of the above road would be done for the next few years as there were a large number of more urgent rolling jobs on the programme.

- 977 - ADDITIONAL LIGHT NEAR LABOUR EXCHANGE, TUAM: Clr. Burke was informed that the question of providing an additional light in front of the Labour Exchange in Tuam was being considered.
- 978 - Motions by Clr. Lambert: Motions by Clr. Lambert with regard to road signs at Gort and public telephone at Kilbeacanty Village were adjourned.
- 979 - ROADS FOR BLACKTOPPING: Clr. Raftery was informed that roads listed in his motion and proposed for blacktopping would be considered in future programmes. Progress would depend on grant allocations.
- 980 - ROAD FROM MEE'S JUNCTION, BALLINACURRY TO CLOONFAUGHNA BOG: In reply to his motion, information was supplied to Clr. T. Raftery, in connection with the above County Road No. 277. About 1000 yards had already been blacktopped and would be surfaced dressed during the current year. The remaining section was in good repair and the carriage-way width was 8 feet and no additional width between fences was available. Funds would not be available during the current year for the blacktopping of the unrolled portion of this road.
- 981 - APPLICATION FOR LUM TO SERVE THE TRAENLAUR (MIDDLE THIRD) AREA OF MAREE, ORANMORE:  
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 Clr. T. Byrne was informed that the above area was not on the current priority list.
- 982 - WATER IMPROVEMENT SCHEME FOR KINVARA AND EXTENSION TO DOORAS:  
 The County Manager informed Clr. T. Byrne that the above scheme was being designed and that it was hoped to have the preliminary report available within the next month.
- 983 - PLANNING CONTROL IN GORT: Clr. Byrne agreed to postpone a motion re planning control in the town of Gort, until the special meeting to consider Town Planning.
- 984 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-  
 Mrs. Flaherty, Convent Road, Mountbellew.  
 Mr. Martin Stephens, Milltown, Toomard.  
 Mrs. John Murray, Ballyglass, Turloughmore.  
 Mrs. Mary Higgins, Clough, Cummer, Tuam.

Submitted, approved & confirmed

*M. Higgins*  
Chairman

26/5/1969

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

15th April, 1969

A Chara,

Proposed Sale of Plot of Ground at The Mall, Tuam

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 Rhattigan, Knock, Milltown, Co. Galway, the plot of ground at The Mall, Tuam, particulars of which are given hereunder:-

LAND: Plot of ground at The Mall, Tuam - area 5½ square perches or thereabouts, statute measure, acquired for road improvements.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED: Mrs. Myra Walsh, Circular Road, Tuam.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF: Mr. John Rhattigan, Knock, Milltown, Co. Galway.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL: Mr. Rhattigan to transfer to the Council a plot of ground, area 5½ sq. perches or thereabouts, statute measure, adjoining the Shambles, Tuam, and to pay all costs of the exchange of the plots, including the County Council's costs.

OTHER COVENANTS OR CONDITIONS: Mr. Rhattigan to demolish the existing shed on the plot proposed to be transferred to him by the County Council; to erect a shed at least as good as the site which is being acquired from him by the County Council; and to erect a gate giving entrance from the Shambles.

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,

K. DOYLE  
Runai Sealadach

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

19u la de Bealtaine, 1969.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 26u la de Bealtaine, 1969, ag tosnú ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

S. HUILEID  
Runai

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
  - (a) Eugene Horan -
    - Damage to walls, wire fencing and stakes on lands at Cahergowan and Curraghmore, between 14th and 20th April, 1969 £ 80. 0. 0.
  - (b) Eugene Horan -
    - Damage to wall and wire fencing on lands at Cahergowan and Curraghmore, on 21st/22nd April, 1969 - £ 26. 0. 0.
  - (c) Messrs. T. C. Spelman and Co. Ltd., Gort
    - Damage to doors, safe, windows and cash register on 23rd April, 1969 - £350. 0. 0.
  - (d) Anthony Heavey, Renmore Park, Galway
    - Dwellinghouse at Garraun Lower broken and destroyed by fire on 24th April, 1969 £5,000. 0. 0.
  - (e) Francis Conway, Cregboy, Claregalway
    - Walls knocked, damaged and destroyed on lands at Derry, Ballinacourty on 24th April, 1969 £500. 0. 0.
  - (f) John Madden, Middle Third, Cranmore
    - Walls knocked, damaged and destroyed on lands at Derry, Ballinacourty, on 24th April, 1969 £200. 0. 0.
  - (g) William Fahy, Ballynacloy, Oranmore
    - Dwellinghouse and furniture damaged by fire on 24th April, 1969 £500. 0. 0.



- (h) Evelyn Josephine O'Maille, 22 College Road, Galway  
- Walls and gates on lands at Ballynahanagh East, broken, knocked and destroyed on 24th April, 1969 £ 500. 0. 0.
- (i) Galway Itinerants Settlement Council  
- Doors, locks and windows of two caravans broken on 4th/5th May, 1969 £ 20. 0. 0.
3. Deputation from Gort Chamber of Commerce.
4. Raising of loan for purchase of Mobile Library Vehicle and Station Wagon for the Schools' Library Service.
5. Excess Expenditure:  
Revoting of provision for Spiddal Branch Library.
6. Creation of three posts of Registrar at Galway Regional Hospital.
7. Revision of remuneration for:-  
(i) Proposed post of Biochemist.  
(ii) Part-time Firemen.  
(iii) Maintenance craftsmen (Implementation of Maintenance Craftsmen's Agreement.)
8. Appointment of delegates to the Annual Conference of the Library Association of Ireland.
9. New Works.
10. Business submitted by the County Manager.
11. Local Improvements Scheme - allocation 1969/70.
12. Improvement works at Shruffaun Kier - letter dated 2nd May, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta.
13. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

(a) Clr. F. Donnellan:

- (i) I will ask that the Council take the necessary steps to make safe Daly's Bridge on the Corrandrum/Dowras Road.
- (ii) I will ask the Council to cut the briars and bushes on the Ballybanagher Road, Corofin, in the vicinity of the homes of the Holians, Lardners and Molloy's.
- (iii) I will ask the Council to widen the bend leading from Fr. Griffin Road into White Strand Avenue.

(b) Clr. T. Hussey:

- (i) That new lighting system be installed in Ballymoe.
- (ii) That the village well near Mannion's house, Littlecastle, Dunmore, be 'walled in' as it is the only source of water supply for the village.
- (iii) That the Council take over and maintain S.E.S.O. road leading to Darby Mannion's house and others at Brierfield.

(c) Clr. W. Burke:

- (i) That water be extended from Horseleap Cross to Barnaderg.
- (ii) That road from Tiernan's Shop, Lavally, round by the Graveyard and Post Office down by Patrick Kean's Lavally, be blacktopped and that road through Keelick Mor to Henlough to Lowery's house, be blacktopped.

- (iii) I propose that the ratepayers living in Tuam who have to live on fixed incomes, that the rates be accepted from them monthly or alternatively quarterly.

(d) Deputy J. Donnellan:

- (i) To ask the County Manager when will the Burma Road, Turloughmore, be blacktopped.
- (ii) To ask the County Manager if he would consider having sign posts erected at Gurteen Crossroads, Dunmore.
- (iii) To ask the County Manager when a public convenience will be provided at Dunmore.

(e) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (i) I will propose at the next meeting of the Council to have speed limit signs erected at Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.
- (ii) I will ask at the next meeting of the Council what is the position as regards provision of a new cemetery for Mountbellew.
- (iii) I will ask at the next meeting of the Council to have the road through Courskeagh and Imanemore blacktopped in the near future. This road leads from Barnaderg-Lavally main road to Barnaderg-Hillswood main road.

(f) Clr. T. Byrne:

- (i) I will ask the County Manager when it is proposed to fill the post of Public Health Nurse in the Kinvara Dispensary District.
- (ii) I will propose that the road leading to Kilcorban cemetery, Tynagh, be taken over and maintained by the Galway County Council.
- (iii) That the county road through Castletaylor, linking up the Ardahan/Galway and Ardahan/Craughwell Roads be blacktopped.

(g) Clr. E. Ruane:

- (i) I will ask this Council to have all roads leading into one or more houses, when repaired through the Local Improvements Scheme, be taken over and maintained by this Council.
- (ii) That this Council encourage as much as possible Group Water Schemes in rural areas and that this Council maintain the schemes when put into operation.
- (iii) That larger dangerous signs be erected entering Carnmore Cross such as "Dangerous Cross ahead."

(h) Clr. T. V. Clarke:

- (i) I will propose that a sluice gate be erected at Crussen Bridge on the county road leading to Carraroe between Derrynea and Clynagh to prevent flooding on the north side of the road.
- (ii) I will ask the County Manager what action is being taken re the  
(a) development of the Coral Strand, Carraroe, and  
(b) if Roinn na Gaeltachta have been approached in this matter.

(i) Senator M. Killilea:

- (i) That the Council's Planning staff should review their outlook regarding housing alongside arterial roads, as it appears their present ideas are towards retarding progress.

(j) Clr. E. Fahey:

(i) That this Council congratulate the County Manager on his recent address to M.O.V.E.; we request him to let us know what help this Council is empowered to give towards the finding and establishing of small industries in small towns such as Gort.

(k) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

(i) I will propose that all roads repaired under Gaeltacht Schemes and R.I.S. Schemes will be taken over by Galway County Council and maintained thereafter.

(l) Deputy R. Molloy:

(i) That an efficient mechanical dust extractor be kept in operation at the County Council quarry in Tonabrukkey.

(m) Deputy R. Molloy:

(i) That the Minister for Local Government be requested to have the present car parking and road arrangements at the sea-front in Salthill examined by An Foras Forbartha and a report submitted on recommendations for their improvement.

N.B. Notices to propose resolutions in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, have been withdrawn.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 26TH MAY, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, T. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, F. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. L. Donnellan, E. Fahey, L. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, T. Hussey, I. D. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, E. Raftery, L. Ruane, S. Kyna and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer, J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer and J. Howlett, County Secretary.

985 - MINUTES: It was agreed that the minutes of meeting held on the 28th April, 1969 (Nos. 933 - 984 inclusive) be approved and signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.

Clr. Callanan referred to minute No. 954 and was informed that a report on his motion regarding requirements for declaring a road to be a public road, would be submitted to a later meeting. Deputy Donnellan referred to item No. 971 and stated that he also required information regarding water pumps as indicated at previous meeting.

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

987 - LOAN - PURCHASE OF MOBILE LIBRARY VEHICLE AND STATION WAGON FOR THE SCHOOLS' LIBRARY SERVICE:

It was proposed by Clr. Mrs. M. Croffy, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, a loan of £5,260. be borrowed from the Council's treasurers for the purchase of Mobile Library Vehicle and Station Wagon for the Schools' Library Service. The loan is to be repayable by instalments, over a period of five years, with interest at the bank rate for local authority borrowing."

988 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE - SPIDDAL BRANCH LIBRARY: Proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that excess expenditure of £956. for the financial year 1969/70 be authorised, in respect of the provision of a Branch Library at Spiddal."

It was pointed out that part of the provision made for this job in a previous estimate, had to be revoked as the work was not completed by the 31st March last.

989 - CREATION OF THREE POSTS OF REGISTRAR AT GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL:

It was unanimously agreed that three new offices of Registrar be created for the Galway Regional Hospital, in accordance

with the terms of report dated 23rd May, 1969, from the County Manager.

990 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION:

- (i) Proposed post of Biochemist: Proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and resolved:-

"that approval is hereby given to a salary scale of £2,300 x £100 - £2,800 for the proposed post of Biochemist, in accordance with letter dated 30/4/69 from the Department of Health."

- (ii) Maintenance Craftsmen: Proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:

"that the terms of current Maintenance Craftsmen' Agreement be applied to all employees of the Council who fall within the scope of the Agreement and that excess expenditure of £11,560. be approved in respect of financial year 1969/70 to cover the implementation of the award, from the 6th January, 1969, to 31st March, 1970."

Deputy Coogan was informed by the County Manager that a comprehensive proposal in regard to the revision of remuneration of Firemen was being considered.

991 - APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND:

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Haverty and resolved:-

"that the Council confirms the nomination of the County Libraries Committee of Clr. T. V. Clarke and Mrs. K. O'Brien, as delegates to the Annual Conference of the Library Association of Ireland in Cork from the 19th to 23rd May, 1969."

992 - NEW WORKS- KILROE STRAND: The Council were informed that Bord Failte had agreed to transfer £367. from Tra na Reilige, Carraroe, to Kilroe Strand. The money would be used to provide a parking space.

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

"that the above new work be approved by the Council."

Deputy Coogan requested that a comprehensive survey of strands should be carried out in consultation with Bord Failte. The County Manager suggested that Deputy Coogan could raise this matter by way of motion at a future meeting.

993 - BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

- (i) Proposed appointment of Clerks of Works: The Council agreed to proposal for the appointment of three Clerks of Works. It was pointed out that they would be employed for the inspection and repair of cottages, on work in connection with Essential Repairs Grants and for direct labour, water and sewer extensions and the supervision of small contract works.

- (ii) DATES OF MEETINGS: It was noted that the annual meeting would be held on the 7th July and following a discussion, it was agreed to hold a special meeting on planning and on certain items adjourned from the present meeting. It was agreed that this meeting would be held on the 23rd June in lieu of the ordinary meeting. The County Manager undertook to deal with Clr. Callanan's motion at this meeting.

994 - LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME - ALLOCATION 1969/70:

The Council were informed that £57,000 had been allocated by way of grant for Local Improvements Schemes for the financial year 1969/70. This was the same amount as last year.

A lengthy discussion took place on the fact that last year's allocation had not been spent in full and on motion by Clr. Ryan that the Department should be asked to allow the local authority to carry forward the balance of the money for expenditure during the current year. The Chairman suggested that further discussion on Local Improvements Schemes should be deferred until the special meeting.

- 995 - IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT SHRUFFAUN LIER: Council noted letter dated 2nd May, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta and it was agreed that the maintenance of Shruffaun Lier should be undertaken by the Council following works to be done by the Office of Public Works from grant allocation of £3,000.

MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

- 996 - New Lighting System in Ballymoe: Clr. Hussey was informed that a new lighting system would be installed at Ballymoe within the next few months.
- 997 - Well at Littlecastle, Dunmore: The County Manager informed Clr. Hussey that the well in question would be inspected and a report and estimate submitted at an early date on the question of having it 'walled in'.
- 998 - Road leading to Darby Mannion's house: It was agreed to defer this motion to the special meeting.
- 999 - Water extension from Horseleap Cross to Barnaderg: Clr. Burke was informed that the area in question was outside the limits of the Kilkerrin/Moylough Regional Water Supply Scheme and that the extension proposed could not be made.
- 1000 - Road from Tiernan's Shop, Lavally: The County Manager informed Clr. Burke that no provision had been made in the current year's proposal for the blacktopping of road from Tiernan's Shop, Lavally, by the graveyard and post office to Patrick Kean's, Lavally and road through Meelick Mor to Menlough to Lowry's house. Clr. Burke explained that the reason for his motion was that the present condition of the roads was an obstacle to the schools' transport scheme.
- 1001 - RATES BY INSTALMENTS: The County Manager informed Clr. Burke that a system for payment of rates by instalments was being formulated.
- 1002 - BURMA ROAD, TURLOUGHMORE: Deputy Donnellan was informed that it was hoped to undertake work on the blacktopping of the Burma Road, Turloughmore in the near future.
- 1003 - ERECTION OF SIGNPOSTS AT CURTEEN CROSSROADS, DUNMORE: Deputy Donnellan was informed by the County Manager that fingerpost signs indicating Dunmore and Moylough would be erected at Curteen Crossroads as soon as possible.
- 1004 - PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT DUNMORE: The County Manager informed Deputy Donnellan that it would not be possible to indicate a time within which a public convenience would be provided at Dunmore.
- 1005 - SPEED LIMIT SIGN AT KILKERRIN, BALLINASLOE: Clr. Ryan was informed that his motion with regard to speed limit sign at Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, would be brought to the notice of the Gardai.
- 1006 - PROVISION OF NEW CEMETERY FOR MOUNTBELLEW: In reply to a motion by Clr. Ryan, the County Manager outlined correspondence which

had taken place with regard to the acquisition of a site for a new burial ground at Mountbellew. A reply was awaited from the Secretary of Trustees who owned the required site.

- 1007 - ROAD THROUGH COURSKEAGH AND IMANEMORE: Clr. Ryan was informed that no provision had been made in the current year's proposals for the blacktopping of this road.
- 1008 - PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE - KINVARA DISPENSARY DISTRICT: Clr. T. Byrne was informed by the County Manager that proposals had been submitted to the Department of Health which were relevant to the above matter.
- 1009 - ROAD LEADING TO KILCORBAN CEMETERY, TYNAGH: Clr. T. Byrne was informed that if the proposal to take over the above road was sponsored by a Councillor, by way of notice of motion, in the sum of £25, the necessary work could be done.
- 1010 - TAKING OVER OF ROADS RETAIRED THROUGH LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEMES: It was agreed that motion by Clr. F. Ruane on the above matter would be adjourned to a special meeting.
- 1011 - ENCOURAGEMENT OF GROU WATER SCHEMES: A motion by Clr. Ruane, that the Council should encourage agroup water schemes and maintain them, was supported by Clr. Callanan who referred to a prior proposal for the appointment of an Engineer by the Council for this work. The County Manager stated that the Council were doing all in their power to encourage group water supply schemes. The administration of the schemes was a matter for the Department of Local Government in the first instance. The work which the Council were empowered to do did not at present justify the appointment of an additional Engineer but he was keeping this matter under review, according as the number of group schemes increased.
- 1012 - SIGNS AT CARNMORE CROSS: The County Manager informed Clr. Ruane that the Gardai were being consulted about proposal to erect danger signs at Carnmore Cross.
- 1013 - SLUICE GATE AT CRUSST BRIDGE: Clr. Clarke was informed that the question of providing sluice gates at Crusst Bridge appeared to be a matter for the Land Commission or Land Project Office. Clr. Clarke stated that he would like to have this matter reviewed as it was felt that flooding which affected 14 landowners in this area, was caused by the manner in which the County Council had carried out road works.
- 1014 - DEVELOPMENT OF CORAL STRAND, CARRAROE: The County Manager informed Clr. Clarke that an attempt had been made on several occasions to purchase a small field at the end of the county road to the Coral Strand. This field would be very suitable for a car park, but it was not possible to purchase it because the price demanded by the owner was entirely excessive.
- 1015 - HOUSING ALONG ARTERIAL ROADS: The Chairman indicated that a motion standing in his name on this matter would be adjourned until the special meeting.
- 1016 - ESTABLISHMENT OF SMALL INDUSTRIES IN TOWNS SUCH AS GORT: Clr. Fahey stated he would like to congratulate the County Manager and the County Development Team on their work. The County Manager thanked Clr. Fahey and informed him, in reply to his inquiry, that help for the establishment of small industries is available from the Small Industry Division of the Industrial Development Authority and that the services of the County Development Officer were available to any persons seeking such help. The Council were empowered to provide sites for industries but the processing of inquiries in regard to industry was a matter for the County Development Team. The Chairman of the Council was a member of this team.

The County Manager added that a scheme for the provision of

industrial sites in some of the smaller towns was under consideration.

- 1017 - ROADS REPAIRED UNDER GAELTACHT SCHEMES AND RURAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEMES TO BE TAKEN OVER BY THE COUNCIL:  
Motion on the above matter in the name of Deputy Geoghegan, was deferred to the special meeting.
- 1018 - MECHANICAL DUST EXTRACTOR AT TONABRUCKEY QUARRY: Deputy Molloy was informed that it was difficult to provide efficient dust extraction from Tonabruckey Quarry during certain times of the year. Extraction equipment which had been fitted some years ago had not been entirely satisfactory. The matter would be kept under review, with a view to maintaining this equipment in good working order.
- 1019 - CAR PARK AT SALTHILL: Deputy Molloy had submitted a motion requesting that the car parking and road arrangements at the sea front in Salthill should be examined by An Foras Forbartha.

He stated that he was prepared to adjourn this motion until September but that in the meantime he would urge the Council to appoint a car park attendant. Galway Corporation did not appear to be responsible in this regard.

(Motions by Clr. T. Donnellan who had been absent at the commencement of the meeting, were then taken).

- 1020 - DALY'S BRIDGE ON THE CORRANDRUM/DOWRAS ROAD: The County Manager informed Clr. P. Donnellan that Daly's Bridge was structurally sound and that the motion that it should be made safe, was not understood. There were no proposals for widening the bridge.
- 1021 - CUTTING OF BRIERS AND BUSHES ON THE BALLYBANAGHER ROAD, COROFIN:  
Clr. P. Donnellan was informed that the bushes in question were private property and that this matter should be taken up with the landowners.
- 1022 - WIDENING OF BEND LEADING FROM FR. GRIFFIN ROAD INTO WHITESTRAND AVENUE, GALWAY:  
Clr. T. Donnellan pointed out that Mr. M. Hession was willing to sell a site to the Council which would enable this bend to be widened.
- 1023 - VOTES OF SYMIATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-  
Mr. L. Ruane, Garbally, Menlough, Ballinasloe.  
Mr. L. Cunningham, Creeveroe, Newbridge, Ballinasloe.  
Mr. William Fallon, Cloone, Gort.  
Mr. Thomas McNamara, Ballydavid, Athenry.  
Mr. John Gibbons, Clonbur.  
Mr. Edward Nolan, Crowe Street, Gort.  
Mr. Thomas Waldron, Ahalatine, Creggs, Co. Roscommon.  
Mr. Edward Joyce, Whitehall, Galway.

The Meeting Then Terminated.

Submitted, approved and confirmed

*Tomás Mac a Phóiz*  
Chairman

7<sup>th</sup> July 1969

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

16adh Meitheamh, 1969.

Guthan:  
GAILLIMH 3151

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 23adh Meitheamh, 1969, ag tosnu ar 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

C. O DUBHGHAILL  
Runai Sealadach

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963 - Review of decisions made since Plan was adopted.

(a) DEPUTY R. MOLLOY:

Discussion requested on planning applications numbered:-

3271	3378	3744
3341	3616	3787
3356	3669	5360
3358	3715	5966
3374	3740	6030

(b) CLR. P. FAHEY:

- (i) The Council I understand are supposed to make building sites available within Gort Town boundary. This has not been done and it is unreasonable for the Engineers to refuse planning permission outside the town boundary when no sites are available within it. (J.H. - 5710 and other cases).
- (ii) It is unreasonable to refuse permission to erect signs directing tourists to farm guesthouses.
- (iii) It is unreasonable for Planning Engineers to refuse to answer specific questions put in writing. (T.H.'s case - 5038).
- (iv) It is unreasonable for Engineers to fail to honour County Manager's commitment to Councillors - that they would know of Engineers' rejection of planning application before same was sent to applicant concerned. (N.M.'s case - 6369).
- (v) I propose that no planning permission for sites near Gort be refused until such time as the Council has made building sites available within the town boundary.

- (vi) I propose that W.B.'s planning permission (5886) be granted if the plan of the new arterial road at Labane is not submitted to the Council within two months.
  - (vii) I propose that nobody's means of living be interfered with by refusing them permission to erect signs directing tourists to their guesthouses.
- (c) CLR. J. CALLANAN:
- (i) I wish to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that the applicant for planning permission is not notified of the date when the Engineer is to call to see the site and therefore has no opportunity to alter his plan to meet the requirements of the planning authority.
  - (ii) I also disagree with the type of notice of refusal which has been sent out in some cases, e.g.  
"that the erection of the proposed building would interfere with the amenities"  
while not stating what amenities it would interfere with.
  - (iii) I also had the case of an applicant (M.G. 2345) who sent in a sketch of a proposed small reconstruction job and septic tank. The sketch would not be accepted by the planning authority unless it was drawn by an engineer which cost a certain amount of money.
  - (iv) I also disagree with the statement "that some buildings are out of character."
- (d) CLR. S. KYNE:
- (i) What is the correct definition of "ribbon development" and is there a set distance between houses.
  - (ii) I will propose that this Council recommend to the Minister, that the only public notice acceptable when applying for planning permission should be a copy of notice on site.
  - (iii) What is traditional design?
  - (iv) Why are two-storey structures and structures embodying dormer windows banned in districts where similar buildings have existed for many years?
  - (v) I will propose that planning officials be prepared to discuss applications with the applicants even if they intend to refuse the application.
  - (vi) Is it going to be the Council's policy to restrict building in rural areas, where such development would benefit the area. Prosperity brought to a district by those who build and settle is permanent, regular and more widely distributed through all sections of the community.
  - (vii) A district need not be uninhabited or sparsely populated to qualify as a beauty spot, provided the structures visible are in good taste and harmonise with the surroundings.
  - (viii) Why has the County Development Plan failed to encourage development in the Clonbur area and access to Lough Mask from this village.
  - (ix) I request information on the following:-

<u>Ref. No.</u>	<u>Ref. No.</u>
5486	5551
5400	5878
5603	5015

(e) CLR. T. BYRNE:

- (i) That an initial or on-the-spot check be made on each planning application, with a view to informing applicant immediately should his road frontage or distance from road not comply with regulations. Building outside town boundary or contra ribbon development clause could also be noted at this stage - and not after two months.
- (ii) In order to facilitate house building in the Gort area, an extension of the town boundaries and/or development of area within town boundary, would be much appreciated.
- (iii) The refusal of the planning authority to grant planning permission to T.D. (5745) Athenry, to build a dwelling near Clarenbridge, on the Galway side, as "it would tend to initiate ribbon development" does not seem just - indeed it is illogical in relation to similar applications which were granted.

(f) CLR. B. HOLLAND:

- (i) Lack of reasonable priced building sites within the borough boundary of Galway City and consequently very little individual private building and a situation has now arisen that an individual is now at the mercy of the large scale entrepreneur.
- (ii) Restriction of building for small trading concerns immediately outside the borough boundary and arising from this situation, small business with no large scale capital is being denied expansion.

(g) CLR. T. CLARKE:

- (i) Growth centres in south Connemara and how best to avail of any grants that might be got from Roinn na Gaeltachta or any other source.

(h) -----?

- (i) Application of C.R. (4007) for development permission at Murrough, Merlin Park.

(i) CLR. W. BURKE:

- (i) I will ask what is the usual procedure adopted for an application for planning permission.

2. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES - 1969/70 Grant.

3. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT - Creation of post of Staff Officer.

4. REQUIREMENTS FOR DECLARING A ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD - County Manager's report on notice of motion by Clr. J. Callanan - Minute No. 954.

5. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION - adjourned from meeting held on 26th May, 1969.

(a) CLR. T. HUSSEY:

That the Council take over and maintain S.E.S.O. road leading to Darby Mannion's house and others at Brierfield.

(b) CLR. P. RUANE:

I will ask this Council to have all roads leading into one or more houses, when repaired through the Local Improvements Scheme, taken over and maintained by this Council.

(c) SENATOR M. KILLILEA:

That the Council's Planning staff should review their outlook regarding housing alongside arterial roads, as it appears their present ideas are towards retarding progress.

(d) DEPUTY J. GEOGHEGAN:

I will propose that all roads repaired under Gaeltacht schemes and Rural Improvements Schemes will be taken over by Galway County Council and maintained thereafter.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 23RD JUNE,  
1969

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke,  
F. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy,  
P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan,  
Cirs. P. Donnellan, P. Fahey, F. T. Galvin, Deputy J.  
Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland,  
Deputy T. Hussey, Cirs. P. D. Joyce, T. King, Deputy M.  
Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy,  
P. Raftery, P. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; L. O'Luanaigh, Asst. Co. Manager;  
C. A. Warner, County  
Engineer; J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer;  
J. Howlett, County Secretary, and T. Smyth, Staff Officer. and  
R. Lee, Planning Officer.

1024 - Review of the operation of the Local Government (Planning and Development)  
Act, 1963:

The Chairman stated that in response to matters submitted for consideration by members of the Council, a detailed statement had been prepared and circulated, indicating the position in regard to each of the matters raised. He did not intend to have a discussion on individual cases but he suggested to the members that there might be a general discussion on points of difficulty, and that this discussion should commence on the subject of planning applications for the construction of houses.

A lengthy discussion took place, during which the following matters were raised by members:-

(a) Housing Sites:

Clr. Holland and Deputy Coogan referred to the lack of serviced land in Galway City and to the hardship suffered by applicants who were unable to acquire central sites and who failed to obtain planning permission for building in the rural area. Clr. P. Donnellan supported these arguments and stated that there was need for an advisory service for persons seeking building sites. Clr. King stated that it was not feasible to confine building permissions to settlements where land could not be purchased. He suggested that the plan should be amended to obviate the continual conflict which arose in this respect.

(b) Ribbon Development, buildings "Out of Character" and Impairment of Amenity:

Cirs. Callanan, P. Donnellan and King and other members objected to restrictions on development because of the above designations.

(c) Submission of plans and consultation with applicants:

A number of Councillors suggested that there should be better consultation with applicants and Clr. Callanan took issue with the Planning Department with regard to the type of plans which had to be submitted with applications.

(d) Advice to Applicants:

was made  
A suggestion by a number of Councillors that an advisory service should be made available for applicants who are seeking planning permissions.

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(e) Development of villages:

Deputy Molloy objected to restrictions on development in villages pending completion of town plans.

(f) Centre for development in Connemara:

Deputy Geoghegan pointed out that while centres where development could take place had been indicated for a number of areas in the county, no such centre had been designated in an extensive area of west Galway.

(g) Houses for workers in the Galway Industrial Estate:

Clr. Collins stated that one of the most urgent tasks of planning was to provide houses for workers in the Galway Industrial Estate.

(h) Purchase of land by the Council for site development:

A number of Councillors referred to the fact that applicants who were refused planning permission for houses could not obtain alternative sites. It was suggested that the Council should proceed to acquire land for site development. Clr. Fahey referred to difficulties with planning in the town of Gort and said that the provision of sites by the Council appeared to be the best remedy in this regard.

(i) Hotel development:

Deputy Coogan and Clr. Glynn referred to application for hotel development at Murrough, Merlin Park, stating that the policy of the Council appeared to be inconsistent with that of the Corporation in regard to hotel developments on arterial roads.

(j) Interpretation of the Development Plan:

The Chairman stated, that, in his opinion, much of the difficulty arising was due to the interpretation placed on certain sections of the plan by the officers concerned.

The County Manager gave particulars of planning applications, showing that the number had increased from 950 in 1965 to a projected figure of over 1,900 in the current year. In the case of appeals to the Minister, it had been found that over 50% of the Council's decisions had been upheld.

In some cases conditions which had been rejected when suggested by the Council, were upheld at appeal and accepted by the applicant at that stage. There was an understandable tendency by applicants to pursue appeals in the hope that they offered a second chance to obtain maximum advantage. Having regard to the huge increase in the number of applications, and the limited numbers of staff, the Planning Section were providing a reasonable service.

The County Manager referred to recent acquisition of land at Moycullen and stated that attempts were being made to acquire land for housing development in other villages. Mr. Lee, Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning) and the County Engineer, defined the considerations arising in "ribbon development", "buildings out-of-character" and "amenity". Mr. Lee stated that the encouragement of the growth of tourist villages was one of the main ingredients in the plan for the economic development of certain areas. Accordingly, policy on hotel development favoured the siting of these buildings in town and village settlements. With regard to applications for hotel development on the Galway/Oranmore Road, it was pointed out that there was no inconsistency in allowing such development within the city boundary and restricting it where the arterial

road became a fast traffic route.

During the continuation of the discussion, the following matters were considered:-

(1) Employment of extra staff:

Deputy Molloy and Cirs. Ryan and Burke, proposed that extra staff should be employed to deal with planning applications. Deputy Molloy wished to have an assurance that if such staff were employed, there would be greater consultation with applicants. He also suggested that a number of consultants should be appointed to prepare town and village plans. The County Manager stated that the question of the employment of more than one consultant was under consideration in order to expedite the work. The choice of consultants was extremely limited. The Chairman suggested that the question of extra Council staff should be dealt with by way of a report on his requirements from the County Manager.

(2) Plan for Knocknacarra:

Deputy Molloy objected to the extension of the area to be planned in Knocknacarra without prior consultation with the Council. Following a lengthy discussion on this matter it was agreed that the terms of reference of the consultant should be circulated to each member of the Council.

It was unanimously agreed that the meeting should be adjourned until 3.30 p.m. on Friday, 27th June, 1969.

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VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Mr. Thomas Fahy, Cappagh, Ballycrissane, Ballinasloe.
- Mr. John Martyn, Flaskagh, Dunmore.
- The O'Flynn Family, Irospect Hill, Galway.
- Mr. John Nestor, Russletown, Milltown
- Mr. Andrew Muldoon (James), Cloonkeen, Teomard, Ballinasloe.
- Mr. Patrick Finnegan, Hollymount, Craughwell.

The Meeting then terminated.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed*

*7th July 1969*

*Thomas Mac an Paoz  
Chairman*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(Galway County Council)

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

18th June, 1969.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The following Notice of Motion has been submitted by Councillor

Callanan:-

"I will move at the next ordinary meeting of Galway Council that the regulations which require a road to serve two or more houses before being eligible to be declared a public road be changed and that in future all roads with one house and accommodating two or more people, either as farm accommodation road or bog road be eligible to be declared public roads".

Section 2 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1953 is as follows:-

"Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 25 of the Local Government Act, 1925 (No. 5 of 1925) or in any other enactment a road authority is hereby empowered to declare any road over which a public right of way for foot passengers, animals and vehicles exists and which is not a public road to be a public road, if such road authority is satisfied that the road is of general public utility, and every road so declared to be a public road shall thereupon for all purposes be a public road"

It will be noted that the Section requires that the Council must be satisfied that the road is of general public utility. There is no definition in the Act as to what is general public utility but the Council, in exercising the power conferred on them by the Section, must do so in a reasonable manner.

A road with one house accommodating two or more people for farm accommodation or as a bog road can hardly be regarded as being of general public utility since two of the people using it would be using it for private purposes and their use of it would not generate any use of it by the public generally.

It is pointed out that if the Motion is adopted a road say of five or six miles length leading to one house and providing accommodation for a number of farmers could be declared to be a public road. The adoption of the Motion could result in a very substantial increase in the road mileage of the County with consequent increase in maintenance costs.

For the foregoing reasons I would advise the Council that the rule quoted in the first part of the Motion and which has guided the Council's decisions



in regard to the Declaration of roads to be public roads to-date should be adhered to and should not be amended as proposed.

There is nothing to prevent the Council from considering individual cases which do not comply with the rule adopted where it can be shown that there are special circumstances or that undue hardship is being caused to a family by adhering to the site.

Mise, le meas,



A. A. Sharkey  
County Manager

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

24th June, 1969.

To Each Member of the Council/

A Chara,

I wish to remind you that the meeting to conclude the business on yesterday's Agenda will be held at 3.30 p.m., on Friday next, 27th June.

Mise, le meas,

J. HOWLETT  
Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 27TH JUNE,  
1969

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Senator M. Killilea  
(2) Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, I. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, I. Cunningham, Deputy J. Donnellan (Dunmore), Clrs. I. Donnellan, I. Fahey, F. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, Deputy T. Hussey, Clr. I. D. Joyce, Deputy M. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Clrs. F. Raftery, I. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer; Dr. P. Lower, Chief Medical Officer; Messrs. S. Cullinan, K. Hayes, M. J. Dunne, Chief Assistant County Engineers; R. Lee, Planning Officer; J. Howlett, County Secretary and T. Smyth, Staff Officer.

1026 - Review of the operation of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963:-----

The Chairman stated that the Council had been given the opportunity at the last meeting of having a very full discussion on the operation of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act. At this meeting, he was requesting members to indicate, by way of resolution, the changes in procedure which might be undertaken, with the co-operation of the staff. Any proposals received in this regard would be thoroughly examined by the County Manager, who would then report to the Council as to whether it was feasible to implement the suggestions made.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Donnellan, and seconded by Clr. Mannion that applications for building permission should not be refused on the grounds that the design of a building was "out-of-character" with its environment.

During the course of discussion on this motion, some members would not agree that all restrictions should be lifted in regard to character of buildings. Finally, Mr. Lee, Planning Officer, pointed out that no proposal for house construction had been turned down solely for this reason and that where building was thought to be "out-of-character", the applicant was given an opportunity of revising the plans.

Deputy Geoghegan referred to applications for the construction of houses, garages and petrol stations along roads. Many of these applications were being refused on the grounds of road widening but there appeared to be lack of consideration for the applicants' inability to get alternative sites. There were also cases where the actual road widening did not impinge on the site.

Clr. J. Callanan, seconded by Clr. Collins proposed that before where a planning application was refused on the grounds that it impaired amenity, the type of amenity and the manner in which it would be affected, by the proposal, should be specified in the reasons for refusal.

Clr. I. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. Cunningham, proposed that

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the density specified for housing should be examined. Requirements regarding density or ribbon development, should not be rigidly enforced where house plans were well designed.

Clr. Kyne proposed that the standards adopted for defining ribbon development should be examined. He was not certain how the present standards could be revised but he felt that interference with a view or amenity should be the only factors to be taken into account.

Clr. Collins felt that there was need for the application of the ribbon development rule in the vicinity of towns but that the rule could be relaxed in the country.

Clr. Byrne stated that there appeared to be inconsistencies in the grant and refusal of permissions in Clarenbridge and Gort, in cases to which the ribbon development rule was relevant.

Deputy Coogan referred to the need for the Council to acquire more building sites and Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Haverty proposed that planning permissions in the vicinity of Gort should not be refused until the Council had acquired building sites in the town.

A lengthy discussion took place on a proposal by Deputy Molloy, that the Council should be allowed to discuss in detail the material submitted prior to the original meeting in regard to specific cases. Deputy Molloy then dealt with cases Nos. 3271, 3341 and 5966. He then proposed the following motion which was seconded by Deputy Kitt, that planning officers of the Galway County Council should adopt a more lenient attitude to the interpretation of the Development Plan. Consultations should be held with applicants in all cases of difficulty and there should be full consideration for personal circumstances in every case."

Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Byrne, proposed that permission should be given in case No. 5710, if the future road plans were not available within the next two months.

A lengthy discussion took place on a proposal by Clr. Kyne, that the Council should themselves advertise planning proposals. It was pointed out that the present system of advertisement by the applicants was prescribed by law and it was agreed to make representations to the Minister to have this system changed.

Clr. Kyne dealt with cases Nos. 5486, 5400, 5603 and 5878. He proposed that the Council should preserve rights-of-way to the shores of Lough Corrib and that Old Lark Quay should be developed. Clr. I. Donnellan, seconded the latter part of this proposal.

1027. Requirements for declaring a road to be a public road;

Clr. Callanan was granted leave to introduce a motion which had been adjourned from previous meetings. He said that he had noted report dated 18th June, 1969, which had been submitted by the County Manager in regard to his motion. He did not agree with a paragraph in this report, which said that a road with one house, accommodating two or more people for a farm accommodation or a bog road could hardly be regarded as being of general public utility. He proposed that in future any road with one house and accommodating two or more people, either as farm accommodation road or bog road should be eligible to be declared a public road. Deputy Kitt supported this motion and Clrs. Ryan and Galvin gave instances where roads in this category were used from time to time by other members of the public but it was impossible to raise any contributions towards the improvement of the roads.

Clr. Callanan's motion was agreed by the Council.

1028 - Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963 - Resumption of discussion:.....

During the course of resumed discussion on planning administration, the following matters were considered:-

(a) Further proposals regarding administration of Planning Act:

Clr. Kyne, seconded by Clr. Glynn, suggested that efforts should be made to preserve rights-of-way along the seashore and the lake shore and that the planning authority should consider taking over strips of land on the shore above high water mark. Clr. Glynn proposed that a Planning Advisory Bureau should be established and that notice boards should be erected by the Council in towns to help in the control of bill-posting. Clr. Fahey proposed that provision should be made in the plan for tourist amenities in Gort.

Acquisition of land by the Council for site development:

During the course of a further discussion on the need to acquire more land for the provision of housing sites, it was suggested that the County Manager should be given authority, similar to that given to him by Galway Corporation, to enable him to negotiate for the acquisition of land on the understanding that the members of the Council would agree subsequently to the prices negotiated. It was resolved on the proposal of Deputy Molloy, seconded by Deputy Coogan, that such authority should be given to the County Manager.

(c) Creation of additional post of Chief Assistant County Engineer - (Planning); consultation with applicants and report on suggestions:

Following a further discussion on consultation with applicants for planning permission and on advance notification to Councillors in regard to planning decisions, it was proposed by Clr. Ryan, seconded by Deputy Molloy and resolved:-

"that the Council approves of the creation of an additional permanent office of Chief Assistant County Engineer (Planning). The post to carry a salary at the appropriate rate, in accordance with provision made in the current Estimate of Expenses."

The County Manager informed the members that consideration of all the proposals made at the meeting would take some time, but that he hoped to report back to the Council at the August or September meeting. It was resolved that all the matters raised by members should be considered.

1029 - Local Improvements Schemes 1969/70 grants:

Submitted a statement showing the allocation of the Local Improvements Schemes grant for the current year between the various Engineers' areas. Following a discussion, during which the County Manager explained the basis of the allocations, the Council approved the allocations which had been made.

1030 - Creation of post of Staff Officer for the County Development Team:

Considered report by the County Manager requesting the Council to approve of the creation of a post of Staff Officer for the County Development Team. It was pointed out that the cost of employing this officer would be recouped by the Department of Finance.

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

"that the Council approves the creation of an additional post of Staff Officer. The officer to be appointed is to be employed by the County Development Team and the cost of the office is to be recouped to the Council by the Department of Finance."

1031 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

Notice of motion by Deputy Hussey and by Clr. Ruane and Deputy Geoghegan were adjourned and motion by senator M. Killilea had already been considered during the course of discussion on Planning.

1032 - VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Very Rev. T. Murphy, P.P., Moylough, Ballinasloe.
- Mr. Colman Folan, Carna.
- Mrs. Richard Quinn, Ardfry, Oranmore.
- The Hurley Family, Cooloo, Brierfield, Ballinasloe.

The Meeting then terminated

*Submitted, approved and confirmed*

*Thomas Macrae Rusz*  
Chairman

*7th July 1969*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

30adh Meitheamh, 1969

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú speisialta de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, de Luain, 7u la de Iuil, 1969, ag tosnu ar 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

S. hUileid  
Runai

A G E N D A

1. Making of Rates and Sealing of Rate Books for the year ending 31st March, 1970.
2. Making and Sealing the Demands on Galway Borough Council and on Ballinasloe Urban District Council for the year ending 31st March, 1970.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

30adh Meitheamh, 1969.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú bliantuil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, de Luain, 7u la de Iuil, 1969, ag tosnu nuair a bheas críoch leis an cruinniú speisialta.

Mise, le meas,

S. hUileid  
Runai

A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairman for year 1969/70.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for year 1969/70.
3. Appointment of representatives on:-
  - (a) Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board. (17)
  - (b) Western Health Institutions Board. (2)
  - (c) County Councils' General Council. (3)
  - (d) Western Regional Tourism Organisation Ltd. (1)
4. Appointment of Committees:-
  - (a) Visiting Committee for District Institutions.
  - (b) County Libraries Committee.
  - (c) National Monuments Advisory Committee.
  - (d) Education (Grants) Committee.
  - (e) Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

30adh Meitheamh, 1969.

Guthan:  
GAILLIMH 3151

Chuig Gach Bhail 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, 7adh lá de Iúil, 1969, ag tosnu nuair a bheas críoch leis an cruinniú bliantúil.

Mise, le meas,

S. hUileid  
Runai

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
  - (a) Michael E. Holland, Mainguard Street, Galway  
- Damage to polished plate glass window,  
9th/10th May, 1969. ... £ 25. 0. 0.
  - (b) John Stephens, Corofin  
- Damage to Morris Minor car,  
13th/14th May, 1969 ... £325. 0. 0.
  - (c) Patrick Tully, Castlegar  
- Damage to a caravan,  
10th May, 1969 ... £200. 0. 0.
  - (d) Rooney's Garage Limited, Shop St., Tuam  
- Damage to a number of windscreens and side  
glasses of motor cars,  
12th/13th May, 1969 ... £ 20. 0. 0.
  - (e) Patrick Holland, Park, Athenry  
- 107 yds. of stone wall knocked,  
2nd June, 1969 ... £ 50. 0. 0.
3. Overdraft for quarter ending 30/9/1969.
4. Declaration of roads to be public roads (schedule attached).
5. Raising of supplementary loan of £1500 for Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme.

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Creation of additional offices of:-

- (i) Health Inspector.
  - (ii) Laboratory Technician - three posts.
  - (iii) Draughtsman.
  - (iv) Staff Officer.
7. Remission of Rates - Undeveloped Areas Acts, 1952-1966 - Hanley Brothers, Engineering Works, Claregalway.
  8. Authorisation of expenditure of £600 in excess of estimate to enable flat to be provided for the Public Health Nurse in Ahascragh.
  9. Traffic Route Lighting - Tuam, Loughrea and Gort.
  10. Revision of remuneration:-  
Fire Brigade Personnel
  11. Auditor's Report on accounts of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board for the two years ended 31/3/1968.
  12. Kilonan Slipway - letter dated the 4th June, 1969, from the Office of Public Works.
  13. Barrett's Pier, Letterard - letter dated 30th May, 1969, from the Office of Public Works.
  14. County Councils' General Council - notice of matters for Annual Meeting.
  15. New Works - Car park and improved landing facilities at Knockferry.
  16. Consideration of circulars from the Department of Local Government regarding rating reliefs and payment of rates by instalments.
  17. Manager's business.
  18. Authorisation of excess expenditure of £60,250 in respect of extern institutions and boarding out of children.
  19. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:
    - (a) Clr. M. Ryan:
      - (i) I will propose that the public road from Waterview, Turloughmore to Ballyglass, Turloughmore, be blacktopped as soon as possible.
      - (ii) I will propose at the next meeting that the public road leading from Abbeyknockmoy, Galway Road through the village of Liss, be blacktopped as soon as possible.
    - (b) Clr. F. Ruane:
      - (i) That the following roads be blacktopped during this year:-
        - (1) Road into Muckruss Village, Annaghdown;
        - (2) Polinore Road which leads off the Curry County Road into Clare River, near Corofin, Tuam;

(3) road through the village of Carrowbrowne off the Galway/Headford County road.

- (ii) That the corner near Cregmore Bridge be widened in order to avoid crashes.
- (iii) That housing grants be increased to meet with the high cost of building materials, etc.

(c) Clr. W. Burke:

- (i) That a telephone kiosk be erected at Knocknagur Village.
- (ii) That a telephone kiosk be erected at Cloonaghmore, Caherlistrane.
- (iii) What is the usual procedure adopted for an application for Planning permission.

(d) Clr. S. Kyne:

I will propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council, that the Council take over and maintain the following roads -

- (i) Road from main road at Thomas Halloran's house, Dooroy, Clonbur, to Coalpark Quarry.
- (ii) Road from main road at Long's house, Kilbeg Lower, Clonbur, north to Rosshill boathouse.
- (iii) Road from main road at Michael Kyne's house, Clonbur, north to graveyard.

(e) Clr. F. Glynn:

(i) I will propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that I be furnished with the following information on Bealadangan Bridge:-

- (a) Copy of Consulting Engineer's report;
  - (i) on existing bridge;
  - (ii) on tenders.
- (b) A breakdown of tenders received by Council.
- (c) Copies of the drawings of the old bridge before it was dismantled.
- (d) Drawings on the new proposals.

(ii) That St. Paul's Terrace, Tuam, be declared a public road.

(f) Clr. T. Clarke:

(i) I will propose that, in view of the Manager's statement at the last meeting of the County Council, that it is not possible to purchase suitable ground for a car park near the Coral Strand, Carraroe, the two roads leading to the strand be joined and that system of one way traffic be introduced with suitable lay-byes at points along the completed road.

(ii) That litter bins be provided at suitable points in Carraroe.

(g) Deputy J. Donnellan:

(i) When will the Annagh Road, Kilbannon, Tuam, be blacktopped.

(h) Clr. E. Donnellan:

(i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask that the Council immediately set about the erection of a bridge over the Corrib at Kilbeg Pier, Headford.

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Regional Development in Ireland:

Enclosed is Condensed Version of the Report by Colin Buchanan and partners.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(Galway County Council)

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

30th June, 1969.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The consent of the Council to the creation of an additional office of Health Inspector is requested.

There are three Health Inspectors employed at present. The County Medical Officer has reported as follows:-

"With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, at least one additional Health Inspector is needed, as duties under the Planning Act have increased to such an extent that work under Food Hygiene, Food and Drugs, Water Sampling etc. has had to be kept to a minimum.

In a tourist centre such as Galway City and County the importance of inspections and supervision of hotels and food premises to ensure proper hygiene will be appreciated. It is envisaged that the duties of the new Health Inspector will consist mainly of work on Food Hygiene. He will also carry out other duties as required, as they arise".

The salary scale for Health Inspectors is £815 x 48 - £1,343 x 37 - £1,380. Health Grant will be payable in respect of this expenditure.

The creation of the office is subject to the approval of the Minister for Health.

Mise, le meas,  
*[Signature]*  
A. V. Sharky  
County Manager

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, 23rd June, 1969, 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.
Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 506	J. Fitzmaurice's house	375
Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 275	M. Cunniffe's house	265
Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 275	T. Kelly's house	530
Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 281 (continuation)	Owen Crehan's house	420
Gort	Jnc. Co. Rd. 346	Thomas Flaherty's house (Hawhill)	270
Portumna	Co. Rd. 597 at Cappagh Village	Derryhivney North	880
Loughrea	Co. Rd. 551	Joseph Donoghue's house, Coose Nth	170
Mountbellew	Jnc. Co. Rd. 459 (Mannon's House) (Part of Road)	Towards French's house, Castlefrench	600
Portumna	Jnc. Co. Rd. 565 Oxgrove Bridge (Derrysiskai)	Bohan's dwellinghouse	1058
Ballinasloe	Co. Rd. Cloonigney	Towards Burke's and Cleary's houses	150
Athenry	Lecarrow	Callanan's Lickerrig	480
Ballinasloe	Jnc. Co. Rd. 473	John Carroll's house through Clonbrock Demesne	1534
Portumna	Main Rd. 440	B. Saunder's gate, Deerpark Hill	704
Athenry	Dunsandle	Egan's Land Commission house	1353
Loughrea	Junction with Main Rd. 330 opposite Lalor's gate, Kylebrack	Eastwards to stables of Patrick Corcoran, Kylebrack East	700
Milltown	Main Rd. 210 at Tullybeg South	East to Murray's house	840
Milltown	Barnadery/Lavally Rd.	Village of Cottage	360
Milltown	Main Rd. 370	John Higgin's gate	390
Tuam	Road at Dangar	Mullery's house	180
Oughterard	Rosaveel Main Rd.	Football Pitch	500
Milltown	Main Road No. 110	Through village of Roy to Devaney's house	246

J. HOWLETT,  
County Secretary.



COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(Galway County Council)

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Prospect Hill,  
GALWAY.

1st July, 1969.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

A Chara,

The consent of the Council to the creation of an additional post of Staff Officer for the Accounts Department of the Council is being sought.

There has been a considerable increase in work during recent years and no additional supervisory staff has been recruited for the Accounts Section. The staffing of the Accounts Section is one Accountant, one Staff Officer, 10 Clerical Officers, 4 Clerk Typists.


In addition to the work done in the Accounts Section itself the Accountant has responsibilities in regard to the supervision of accounting procedures carried out in the Council's Hospitals and has also responsibility for the control of expenditure, preparation of estimates, etc.

Arrangements in connection with the introduction of decimalisation system are now been made and the bulk of the work in this connection will fall on the Accounts Section and the Accountant has already been assigned special responsibility for the changeover in the currency.

The proposed Staff Officer, if appointed now, will be able to assist in the changeover and indeed ultimately may have to work whole-time on this assignment.

The salary scale for Staff Officer is £1,310 x £55 - £1,420 x £111 - £1,531 x £55 - £1,751 x £49 - £1,800.

Mise, le meas,

  
J. Sharkey  
County Manager

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

3rd July, 1969.

To Each Member of the Council

A Chara,

In view of the tragic bereavement of Deputy M. Carty, the Chairman has requested that a special meeting of the Council be convened on to-morrow, Friday, 4th July at 5.30 p.m.

You are requested to attend this meeting.

Mise, le meas,

J. HOWLETT  
County Secretary.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY,  
4TH JULY, 1969

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IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. W. Burke, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, F. Collins,  
Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen),  
F. Donnellan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. E. Fahey, E. Haverty,  
Deputy T. Hussey, Clr. T. King, Deputy J. Geoghegan,  
Clr. E. D. Joyce, Deputy M. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert,  
J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy,  
Clrs. F. Raftery, E. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; L. O'Luanaigh,  
Assistant County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer;  
Dr. E. Lower, Chief Medical Officer; J. Howlett, County  
Secretary.

1033. Vote of Sympathy:

The Chairman referred to the tragic deaths of Deputy M. Carty's  
brother, Frank, and of Captain Thomas Guy and proposed "that the  
Council should extend deepest sympathy to the two bereaved families."  
Deputy Geoghegan seconded the motion which was supported by all  
the members of the Council. The County Manager expressed sympathy  
on behalf of the Council's staff and on his own behalf.

1034. Adjournment of meeting:

It was unanimously resolved that the meeting be adjourned as a mark  
of respect for the deceased. Arrangements were made to have masses  
celebrated for the repose of their souls.

The Meeting then terminated.

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed*

*Tomás Mac an Ríordáil*  
*Chairman*

28<sup>th</sup> July 1969

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY  
COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON  
MONDAY, 7TH JULY, 1969

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IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Clrs. W. Burke, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, F. Collins,  
Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham,  
J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan,  
Clrs. F. Donnellan, E. Fahey, P. T. Galvin, Deputy J.  
Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland,  
Deputy T. Hussey, Clrs. E. D. Joyce, T. King,  
Deputy M. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin,  
Deputy R. Molloy, Clrs. P. Raftery, E. Ruane, S. Kyne  
and M. Ryan.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner,  
County Engineer; J. Howlett, County Secretary and  
P. Darcy, Staff Officer.

1035 - RATES: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by  
Deputy M. F. Kitt and resolved:-

"that the Galway County Council hereby allows and  
makes the rates for the financial year ending  
31st March, 1970, as assessed in the Rate Books  
and that the Rate Books be sealed with the seal  
of the Council."

The Rate Books were then sealed.

1036 - DEMANDS ON URBAN AUTHORITIES: It was proposed by Deputy M. F. Kitt,  
seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that Demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the  
Ballinasloe Urban District Council, for the year  
ending 31st March, 1970, be signed by the Chairman  
and Secretary and sealed with the seal of the Galway  
County Council."

The Demands were then signed and sealed.

The meeting then terminated

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed*

*Tomás Mac an Ríordáil*  
*Chairman*

28<sup>th</sup> July 1969

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 7TH JULY, 1969.

**IN THE CHAIR:** (1) Senator M. Killilea.  
(2) Clr. T. King.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**Members:**

Clrs. W. Burke, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, I. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, E. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. I. Donnellan, E. Fahey, I. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Clrs. I. D. Joyce, Deputy M. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Clrs. I. Raftery, E. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

**Officials:**

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer; J. Howlett, County Secretary.

1037 - **CHAIRMAN:** Senator Killilea informed the members that he would not be seeking re-election as Chairman for the coming year. He proposed that Clr. T. King be elected as Chairman. Do chuidigh an Teachta d' Mac Eochagáin leis an moladh seo agus ghlac an Comhairle Chontae leis, d'aonghuth.

Clr. King thanked the Council for electing him and stated that he would do his best to conduct the Council's business in an impartial manner.

All the members of the Council then joined in tributes to the retiring Chairman and offered their congratulations to Clr. King.

Senator Killilea thanked the members of the Council, the County Manager and the Council's officials for their co-operation during his term of office. He then left the Chair.

Clr. T. King took the Chair.

1038 - **VICE-CHAIRMAN:** It was proposed by Clr. Clarke, seconded by Clr. Joyce:

"that Deputy J. Geoghegan be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the coming year."

It was proposed by Clr. Lambert, seconded by Deputy Coogan:-

"that Clr. I. Collins be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the coming year."

It was decided to adjourn the discussion on this matter until 4.30 p.m.

1039 - **VOTE OF SYMPATHY:** It was proposed by the Chairman "that the Council should extend its deepest sympathy to the relatives of the children who lost their lives in recent boating disaster near New Quay."

The Council also expressed its sympathy with the following:-

Mrs. M. Clarke, Grange, Claregalway

Fadhraigh O Fathaigh, Uas., Tuloidhre, Aodrathain.

Mr. Daniel Toole, Oranmore

The McGuire Family, Raven Terrace, Galway.

Mr. Martin Finn, Newcastle, Galway.  
Mrs. Ellen Coffey, Cloughbrack, Newbridge, Ballinasloe.  
Mrs. M. Holland, College Road, Galway.  
Mrs. John Walsh, Gladagh, Lavally, Tuam.

The meeting was adjourned until 4.30 p.m. as a mark of respect to the deceased persons.

1040 - **VICE-CHAIRMAN:** (Continued)

A division was taken on the election of Vice-Chairman and the voting resulted as follows:-

**For Deputy Geoghegan:** Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Croffy, S. Donnellan, Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey, Clr. Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Kyne - (17).

**For Clr. Collins:** Clrs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clrs. I. Donnellan, Galvin, Lambert, Mannion and Ryan - (10).

The Chairman declared Deputy J. Geoghegan elected as Vice-Chairman of the Council for the coming year.

1041 - **GALWAY/ROSCOMMON MENTAL HEALTH BOARD:** It was agreed on the proposal of Deputy Hussey, seconded by Clr. Raftery:-

"that all outgoing members should be re-elected."

Clr. I. Galvin and Deputy Molloy indicated that they were unable to act on this Board and proposed that Clr. I. Cunningham and Clr. S. Kyne be appointed, respectively, in their place. This proposal was approved by the Council.

It was accordingly resolved that the following members should be appointed to act on the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board, for the year 1969/70:-

Senator M. Killilea	Clr. Iadraic Joyce
Clr. T. King	Deputy M. F. Kitt
Deputy J. Geoghegan	Clr. Peter Raftery
Clr. Mrs. M. Croffy	Clr. Hugh Melvin
Deputy T. Hussey	Clr. Edward Haverty
Clr. Thomas Clarke	Clr. S. Kyne
Clr. John Callanan	Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen).
Clr. I. Cunningham	Clr. I. Ruane
Clr. I. Collins	

1042 - **WESTERN HEALTH INSTITUTIONS BOARD:** It was proposed by Deputy Molloy, seconded by Clr. Kyne and resolved:-

"that Clr. T. King (Chairman) and Senator Mark Killilea, be appointed as the Council's representatives on the Western Health Institutions Board for the year 1969/70."

1043 - **COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:** It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen), seconded by Clr. T. Clarke and resolved:-

"that Cirs. King (Chairman), Joyce and Melvin be appointed as the Council's representatives on the County Councils' General Council for the year 1969/70."

- 1044 - WESTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION LIMITED: It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen), seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that Clr. P. Joyce be appointed as the Council's representative on the Western Regional Tourism Organisation Limited for the year 1969/70."

- 1045 - VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS: Following a lengthy discussion on this matter, it was agreed "that all the members of the Council should form the Visiting Committee for District Institutions."

Deputy Molloy, who claimed that a much less number of members could handle the business of this Committee, asked to be recorded as dissenting from this decision. Deputy Hussey, who had also opposed the decision, stated that he would raise no objection, provided the number of meetings held by the Committee were curtailed. The Chairman stated that the number of meetings to be held, was a matter for decision by the Committee.

- 1046 - COUNTY LIBRARIES' COMMITTEE: On the proposal of Clr. Joyce, it was decided that the out-going Committee should be re-elected. Clr. P. Donnellan stated that he was unable to attend meetings of this Committee and he proposed that Clr. M. Ryan should be nominated in his place. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Mannion and approved by the Council.

It was accordingly resolved, that the following members should be appointed to the County Libraries' Committee for the year 1969/70:-

- Ven. Archdeacon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway.
- Very Rev. M. Canon McDonagh, P.P., Craughwell.
- Mr. C. Townley, University College, Galway.
- Mrs. T. O'Brien, Windfield, Newbridge.
- Mr. Frank Mullins, N.T., Woodford.
- Mr. Sean Fahy, N.T., Killimor.
- Mr. Luke O'Brien, Bishop Street, Tuam.
- Mr. T. O'Shea, N.T., Rossaveal.
- Mr. Thomas Murphy, Corgarry, Menlough, Ballinasloe.
- Clr. T. Clarke.
- Clr. M. Croffy.
- Clr. John Donnellan (Moycullen).
- Clr. Patrick Fahey.
- Deputy J. Geoghegan.
- Clr. P. D. Joyce.
- Deputy M. F. Kitt.
- Clr. P. Raftery.
- Clr. Toddie Byrne.
- Clr. John M. Mannion.
- Clr. M. Ryan.
- Clr. Brendan Holland.
- Clr. I. T. Galvin.

- 1047 - NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: It was decided to adjourn consideration of appointments to this Committee until the next meeting and it was suggested that a report on the attendance of existing members should be submitted.

- 1048 - EDUCATION GRANTS COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Senator Killilea, seconded by Deputy Coogan and resolved:-

"that all the members of the Education Grants Committee should be re-elected.

The Council accordingly approved of the appointment of the following members to this Committee for

the year 1969/70 viz:-

- Deputy R. Molloy
- Deputy M. Kitt.
- Mr. F. Mullins, N.T., Woodford
- Clr. John Donnellan, N.T., Moycullen.
- Clr. T. King.
- Clr. P. D. Joyce.
- Clr. I. Fahey.
- Prof. Larkin, University College, Galway.
- Rev. President, St. Joseph's College, Carbally, Ballinasloe.
- Rev. President, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam.
- Rev. President, St. Mary's College, Galway.
- The Rector, St. Ignatius' College, Galway.
- Rev. Bro. Superior, St. Joseph's College, Galway.
- The Headmaster, De La Salle School, Loughrea.
- The Headmaster, Secondary School, Ballygar.
- The Headmaster, St. Francis Secondary School, Clifden.
- The Rev. President, Diocesan School, Gort.
- Mr. M. Hogan, N.T., Caltra.
- Mr. Peter Fitzgerald, N.T., Castlefrench.
- Mr. M. Lohan, N.T., Mountbellew.
- Mr. W. J. Hans, Moylough.
- Mr. M. O'Hehir, N.T., Inishmore, Aran.
- Mrs. J. Burke, Ard-na-Mara, Salthill.
- Clr. Pat Donnellan.
- Deputy F. Coogan.

- 1049 - OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES: It was decided to adjourn the appointment of members to the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees until the next meeting and it was suggested that a report on the present membership, attendance and vacancies, should be submitted.

The Meeting then terminated.

*Submitted approved and confirmed*

28<sup>th</sup> July 1969

*Thomas Mac an Ríordáil*  
*Chairman*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD  
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 7th JULY, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, F. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, I. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. I. Donnellan, I. Fahey, I. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Cirs. I. D. Joyce, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy M. Kitt, Cirs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. I. Raftery, I. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer and J. Howlett, County Secretary.

- 1050 - MINUTES: It was agreed that minutes of meeting held on the 26th May, 1969, 23rd June, 1969 and 27th June, 1969 (Nos. 985 to 1032 inclusive) be approved and signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.
- 1051 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims as listed at 2 (a) to (e) on the Agenda, had been received.
- 1052 - OVERDRAFT ON ACCOUNTS FOR QUARTER ENDING 30/9/69: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Croffy 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 September, 1969".
- 1053 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS: It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-  
"that the Galway County Council hereby declares that the roads specified in schedule circulated to each member of the Council on 30th June, 1969, and previously advertised in the public press, are public roads".
- 1054 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN OF £1500 FOR BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:  
It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved:-  
"that Galway County Council approves the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £1500 to meet excess expenditure on Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme. The loan is to be obtained from the Commissioners of Public Works and is to be repayable by instalments over the unexpired period of the original loan or such other period as the Minister may approve. Interest is to be at the Local Loans Fund rate."
- 1055 - CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICES: It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Croffy and resolved:-  
"that the Council authorises the creation of the following additional offices and that any excess expenditure arising from the proposal in the current financial year is also approved, viz:-

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- (a) One office of Health Inspector.  
(Salary scale - £815 - £1380)
- (b) One office of Draughtsman.  
(Salary scale - £895 - £1445)
- (c) One office of Staff Officer.  
(Salary scale - £1310 - £1800)
- (d) Three post of Laboratory Technician.  
(In accordance with arrangements for the employment of trainee technicians who obtain qualifications)."

The County Manager, who had circulated a report on each of the above offices, explained the proposal in detail to the members.

1056 - REMISSION OF RATES - UNDEVELOPED AREAS ACTS, 1952-1966:

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

"that remission of rates in accordance with the Undeveloped Areas Acts, 1952/66 be allowed to Messrs. Hanley Brothers Limited, Claregalway, in respect of premises at Claregalway to which certificate from An Foras Tionscal refers."

1057 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE £600 FOR THE PROVISION OF A FLAT FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE IN AHASCRAUGH:

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

"that excess expenditure of £600 be authorised for the current financial year, for the provision of a flat for the Public Health Nurse in Ahascragh."

In reply to questions, the County Manager stated that it was the Council's policy to provide accommodation for Public Health Nurses, where it was not otherwise available, and that he would be approaching the Council in regard to other cases in the future.

1058 - TRAFFIC ROUTE LIGHTING - TUAM, LOUGHREA AND GORT: Read letter dated 29th May, 1969, from the Electricity Supply Board, quoting a total capital cost of £18,240 and annual maintenance charges of £2,224, nett for the provision of traffic route lighting along the arterial roads through Tuam, Loughrea and Gort. It was pointed out that it was unlikely that more than half of the capital charge would be incurred in the current financial year and that very little of the maintenance charge would fall due before the end of the financial year but that this would, of course, be payable in full in future years. The Capital Charge would be payable out of the ordinary Road Expenditure and would not necessitate any further provision.

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

"that proposal for the provision of traffic route lighting along the arterial roads through Tuam, Loughrea and Gort, be hereby approved."

Clr. Fahey and some other members of the Council objected to the proposal on the grounds that adequate lighting could not be provided in rural areas.

1059 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION OF FIRE BRIGADE PERSONNEL: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Mannion and resolved:-

"that excess expenditure of £5,800 be approved in respect of the current financial year, for the following revisions in the remuneration of Fire Brigade Personnel, which were to apply from the 1st January, 1969:-

<u>Station Officer</u>	Present Rate	£15. 17. 6d.
	New Rate	£19. 16.10d.
<u>Station Sub-Officer</u>	New Rate	£19. 6.10d.

Retaining Fees:

Station Officer:	£80 to £100.
Caretaker Station Officer	- £11 to £14
Station Sub-Officer	- £60 to £75
Driver Mechanic	- £60 to £75
Fireman Driver	- £45 to £55
Leading Fireman	- £45 to £55
Fireman Class 1	- £40 to £50
Fireman Class 2	- £36 to £45
Fireman Class 3	- £33 to £40
Fire Drills	- 11/10½d per hour
Fire Rates:	First Hour - 23/9d.

Rates from 10 p.m. on Friday to 7 a.m. on Saturday to be increased by 50%."

1060 - AUDITOR'S REPORT - GALWAY/ROSCOMMON MENTAL HEALTH BOARD FOR THE TWO YEARS ENDED 31/3/1968:

The Council noted Auditor's Report on the accounts of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board for the two years ended 31/3/68.

1061 - KILRONAN SLIPWAY: Read letter dated 4th June, 1969, from the Office of Public Works, indicating that it was proposed to carry out works to the approximate value of £3,300 on Slipway at Kilronan, and requesting the Council to undertake responsibility for the maintenance of these works. It was proposed by Deputy Molloy, seconded by Clr. Mannion and resolved:-

"that the Council should agree to accept responsibility for the maintenance of works proposed to be carried out on Slipway at Kilronan."

1062 - BARRETT'S FIER, LETTERARD: Read letter dated 30th May, 1969, from the Office of Public Works, stating that it was proposed to carry out works to the value of £5,750 on Barrett's Fier, Letterard, and requesting the Council to accept the maintenance of these works. It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Deputy Coogan and resolved:-

"that the Council should accept responsibility for the maintenance of works to be carried out by the Office of Public Works at Barrett's Fier, Letterard."

1063 - ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL: The Council noted letter from the County Councils' General Council stating that matters which the Council wished to have placed on the agenda for the Annual Meeting, should be submitted to the Secretary of the County Councils' General Council, on or before the 25th July, 1969.

1064 - CAR PARK AND IMPROVED LANDING FACILITIES AT KNOCKFERRY:

It was proposed by Clr. Kyne, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that the Council approves proposal for the expenditure of Bord Failte grant of £750 on car park and improvement of landing facilities at Knockferry, Moycullen."

1065 - CIRCULARS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGARDING RATING RELIEFS AND PAYMENT OF RATES BY INSTALMENTS:

The County Manager explained the provisions of Circular G.7/69 of the 19th May, 1969, in regard to the payment of rates by instalments and he also informed the Council of the procedure which it was proposed to adopt to implement the recommendations contained in the circular. It was pointed out that it was a matter for ratepayers to decide whether they would opt to pay rates by instalments. The terms of advertisement which was being published in this connection were read and it was noted that persons who wished to avail of the Scheme would have to apply within a specified time and would thereafter be committed to meet instalments on prescribed dates. Following a discussion, it was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Fahey and resolved:-

"that scheme for payment of rates by instalments as outlined by the County Manager be implemented by the Council."

The County Manager also explained the terms of Circular 5/69 from the Department of Local Government in regard to the waiver of rates in certain cases. He explained that before preparing a draft scheme in this connection, he wished to obtain the views of the Council as to what they thought it should contain.

Following a discussion on this matter, it was decided that it should be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council. It was recommended in the meantime that a statement should be circulated by the County Manager explaining the implications of the Department's circular and setting out proposals for a draft scheme.

1066 - BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER:

(a) Rossaveel Fier:

The County Manager read letter dated 13th June, 1969, from Roinn na Gaeltachta in regard to improvement works which it was proposed to carry out at Rossaveel Fier at an estimated cost of £186,000. It was pointed out that the Council would be asked to maintain these works and also to provide improvements to the approach road and subsequently to lay on a water supply and sanitary facilities at the Fier. Having regard to these obligations, further details were being requested from the Office of Public Works and the matter would be brought before the Council at a later date for formal approval. Deputy Molloy and Clr. Mannion both proposed that the Council should agree to the terms of the letter.

(b) Rate Collection for year ended 31/3/69: Schedules of uncollected rates were submitted for examination by members of the Council and the following comparative particulars were supplied by the County Manager in regard to the percentage collection for 1968/69 and for 1967/68:-

	1968/69	1967/68
Percentage of Rates collected:	94.45%	93.81%
Percentage of Rates written off:	2.72%	2.71%
Percentage of Rates carried forward:	2.74%	3.37%

(c) Acquisition of property for office accommodation: The County Manager stated that the Council were aware that there was serious lack of office accommodation at the County Buildings and the question of providing extra accommodation had been under consideration for some time and had now become critical. He was at present investigating the prospects of acquiring two properties for office accommodation. Both properties were near the present offices and one comprised a national school and the other a large house. It was expected that the school could be acquired within the range of £15,000 to £20,000 and that the house would cost less than £10,000 to acquire. The authority of the Council to negotiations within this range, was required.

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

"that the Council approves of the County Manager's proposals for the acquisition of school and house near the County Buildings to provide additional office accommodation."

(d) All Ireland Road Safety Congress:

The County Manager read letter dated 4th July, 1969, from the Department of Local Government in regard to a Road Safety Congress sponsored jointly by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Belfast, and the Department of Local Government, Dublin. The Conference will be held at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, on the 22nd and 23rd October, 1969, and it had been requested that two members of the Council should be nominated to attend.

It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Molloy, "that Clr. S. Kyne and Senator M. Killilea, should be nominated to attend the Road Safety Congress."

It was proposed by Clr. Ryan, seconded by Deputy Coogan, "that Clr. Durke should be nominated to attend the Road Safety Congress."

The Chairman took a division on this question and voting resulted as follows:-

For Clr. Burke: Cirs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Cirs. F. Donnellan, Galvin, Glynn, Holland, Mannion, Ruane and Ryan - (12)

For Clr. Kyne: Cirs. Burke, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. Croffy, Cunningham, J. Donnellan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clr. Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Cirs. Mannion, Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Cirs. Kyne and Ruane. - (22)

For Senator Killilea: Cirs. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, J. Donnellan, Fahey, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cirs. Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey,

Clr. Joyce, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. S. Kyne - (17)

The Chairman declared that Clr. S. Kyne and Senator Killilea had been nominated as delegates to attend the Congress.

1067 - AUTHORISATION OF EXCESS EXPENDITURE OF £60,250 - EXTERN INSTITUTIONS & BOARDING-OUT OF CHILDREN:

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

"that excess expenditure of £60,250 be approved in respect of the current financial year, under the following headings:-

Extern Institutions:

General Hospitals: -	£40,018.
Maternity Hospitals:	4,922.
Homes for the Deaf & Dumb:	896.
Homes for mental Defectives:	10,404.

Boarding-Out, etc. of Children:

Approved schools -	4,010.
TOTAL:	<u>£60,250.</u>

During the course of a discussion on this matter, a number of Councillors expressed dissatisfaction at the delay in providing accommodation in County Galway for Mentally Handicapped Children.

1068 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING: It was proposed by Senator Killilea and seconded by Deputy Molloy that the remaining business on the Agenda for this meeting should be adjourned until the next meeting. Clr. I. Donnellan objected to the adjournment, on the grounds that he had prepared a considerable amount of data on resolution numbered 19 (h) on the Agenda. The Chairman took a division on this matter and voting resulted as follows:-

For adjournment: Cirs. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, J. Donnellan, Fahey, Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clr. Joyce, Sen. Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Kyne. - (14)

Against adjournment: Clr. Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Cirs. I. Donnellan, Galvin, Glynn, Holland, Mannion, Ruane and Ryan - (11).

The Chairman declared that the motion for the adjournment had been carried.

The meeting then terminated.

Submitted, approved & confirmed

*Thomas Meehan*  
Chairman

28<sup>th</sup> July 1969

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
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Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

21u Iuil, 1969.

Chuíg 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, 28adh lá de Iuil, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

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A G E N D A  
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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
  - (a) Patrick Smith, Cloonascragh, Lavally  
- Damage to motor lorry, 23rd/28th June, 1969 ... £150. 0. 0.
  - (b) Peter Curran, Craughwell  
- Walls knocked and hay trampled on,  
11th/12th July, 1969 ... .. £300. 0. 0.
3. Abstract of Accounts 1968/69
4. Excess Expenditure 1968/69
5. Re-organisation of Hospital Laundry Services.
6. Circular from Department of Local Government regarding rating reliefs - draft Scheme herewith.
7. Appointment of Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.
8. Appointment of members of Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee.
9. Creation of additional office of Radiologist.
10. Continuation of temporary employment of Rate Collector for No. 33 District.

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11. Remission of Rates - Undeveloped Areas Acts, 1952-1966 - Irish Crystal Glass Company (Galway) Limited, Merlin Park, Galway.
12. Business submitted by County Manager.

12. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

(a) Clr. M. Ryan:

- (i) I will propose that the public road from Waterview, Turloughmore to Ballyglass, Turloughmore, be blacktopped as soon as possible.
- (ii) I will propose at the next meeting that the public road leading from Abbeyknockmoy, Galway Road through the village of Liss, be blacktopped as soon as possible.

(b) Clr. P. Ruane:

- (i) That the following roads be blacktopped during this year:-
  - (1) Road into Muckrush Village, Annaghdown;
  - (2) Polinore Road which leads off the Curry County Road into Clare River near Corofin, Tuam;
  - (3) Road through the village of Carrowbrowne off the Galway/Headford County Road.
- (ii) That the corner near Cregmore Bridge be widened in order to avoid crashes.
- (iii) That housing grants be increased to meet with the high cost of building materials, etc.

(c) Clr. W. Burke:

- (i) That a telephone kiosk be erected at Knocknagur Village.
- (ii) That a telephone kiosk be erected at Cloonaghmore, Caherlistrane.
- (iii) What is the usual procedure adopted for an application for Planning permission.

(d) Clr. S. Kyne:

- (i) I will propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council, that the Council take over and maintain the following roads -
  - (a) Road from main road at Thomas Halloran's house, Dooroy, Clonbur, to Coalpark Quarry;
  - (b) road from main road at Long's house, Kilbeg Lower, Clonbur, north to Rosshill boathouse;
  - (c) road from main road at Michael Kyne's house, Clonbur, north to graveyard;



- (d) road from main road near Michael Coyne's house, Ardone, Clonbur, south by Patrick Morrin's to County Road at Golden Bay.
- (ii) That the Council complete the road around graves in Clonbur Graveyard.
- (iii) That the County Road from Tiernakill Bridge, Maam, through the village of Tiernakill be tarred in the coming year.
- (e) Clr. F. Glynn:
- (i) I will propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that I be furnished with the following information on Bealadangan Bridge:-
- (a) Copy of Consulting Engineer's report;
- (i) on existing bridge;
- (ii) on tenders.
- (b) A breakdown of tenders received by Council.
- (c) Copies of the drawings of the old bridge before it was dismantled.
- (d) Drawings on the new proposals.
- (ii) That St. Paul's Terrace, Tuam, be declared a public road.
- (iii) That a sum of money be provided in the 1970/71 estimates so that work can commence on the proposed new link road between Galway Road and Ballygaddy Road, Tuam.
- (f) Clr. T. Clarke:
- (i) I will propose that, in view of the Manager's statement at the last meeting of the County Council, that it is not possible to purchase suitable ground for a car park near the Coral Strand, Carraroe, the two roads leading to the strand be joined and that system of one way traffic be introduced with suitable lay-byes at points along the completed road.
- (ii) That litter bins be provided at suitable points in Carraroe.
- (iii) I will propose that steps be taken immediately to start the waterworks in South Connemara to supply the area covered by the two growth centres, envisaged in the County Planning Scheme, as well as the new pier at Rossaveal for which a very generous grant has been given by Roinn na Gaeltachta.
- (g) Deputy J. Donnellan:
- (i) When will the Annagh Road, Kilbannon, Tuam, be blacktopped.
- (h) Clr. P. Donnellan:
- (i) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask that the Council immediately set about the erection of a bridge over the Corrib at Kilbeg Pier, Headford.
- (i) Clrs. P. Donnellan and T. Byrne:
- (i) That Galway County Council appoint a permanent nurse to the

Special School for the Mentally Handicapped at Newcastle, Galway.

- (j) Clr. P. Fahey:
- (i) I propose to ask the County Manager for approximate dates for the rolling of the following roads in Maree:-
- (a) From County Road Oran-Maree into Pat Stephen's and Michael Whelan's;
- (b) Rinville into Frank Cosgroves;
- (c) Prospect into Norman Patterson's, V.S. and Martin Donnellan's.
- (ii) If it is possible to arrange for a County Health Dentist to attend in Gort and Kinvara on at least one day per month, so that Medical Card holders and non-Medical Card holders may avail of his services.
- (iii) That Galway County Council recommends the immediate purchase of 700 - 1000 acres for building purposes, such purchases to be located in and distributed among the small towns in the county.
- (k) Clr. B. Holland:
- (i) That four (4) lights be provided on Ballybritt/Ballybane Road at (a) O'Meara's Shop;
- (b) Corner near pump;
- (c) corner at Racecourse gate;
- (d) opposite house occupied by John Derrane.
- (l) Clr. J. Lambert:
- At the next meeting of Galway County Council, I will ask:-
- (i) If it is possible to provide a public telephone service at Kilbeacanty and Shanaglish Villages.
- (ii) When it is proposed to change the signs at Gort town.
- (iii) When will the proposed childrens' park be provided at Ennis Road, Gort.
- (m) Clr. E. Haverty:
- (i) That this Council recommends that relief from rates be granted on halls available for community use, not used as dance halls.
- (n) Clr. T. Hussey:
- (i) That this Council take over and maintain S.E.S.O. road leading to Darby Mannion's house and others at Brierfield.
- (o) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
- (i) I will propose that all roads repaired under Gaeltacht Schemes and Rural Improvement Schemes will be taken over by Galway County Council and maintained thereafter.
- (p) Clr. P. Raftery:
- (i) That the Council take over and maintain R.I.S. road at Killasolan - No. LG 27/68.
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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE  
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.)

Draft Scheme For Relief From Rates For Certain Categories of  
Persons For Year Ending 31st March, 1970.

The Galway County Council will consider applications for Relief from Rates on their dwellings in whole or in part for the year ending on the 31st March, 1970 from persons in the following categories who make application to the Council for such relief.

1. Persons whose income is from :
  - (a) Non Contributory Old Age Pension.
  - (b) Non Contributory Widows Pension.
  - (c) Blind Pension.
  - (d) Home Assistance.
  - (e) Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowance.
  - (f) Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowance.
2. Occupiers of small dwellings which come within the scope of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928, and tenants of Local Authority houses, who fall within the categories of persons set out at (1) above, may be eligible for relief from rates under the Scheme, and the owners of such small dwellings will be obliged to adjust the rents payable in such cases having regard to the Rate Relief granted.
3. Although the person making the application comes within the categories mentioned in the scheme, relief from rates may be refused where the payment of such rates in whole or in part would not be a hardship on the person concerned, having regard to other household income.
4. The monies required for the implementation of this Scheme shall be provided for as an item in the Council's General Purposes Account, and shall be leviable on the County Health District.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

To each member of the Council/

25th July, 1969

Creation of Office of Radiologist

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The approved establishment of Radiologist in the X-Ray Department of the Regional Hospital is two.

Since 1961 when this establishment was approved, the work there has increased by 50%, and increases in clinical staff already approved, will further increase the work load. The increased demand cannot be met unless additional staff facilities are provided.

The Council will be aware that great difficulty has been experienced in recruiting Radiologists and that the department has had to function with one Radiologist for some time. Following a recent competition, it is hoped that the vacant post will be filled and that the new post, if approved, might also be filled as a result of this competition.

The salary of a Radiologist is £4,085 . The expenditure ranks for Health Grant.

The consent of the Council to the creation of the new post, is requested.

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A. A. SHARKEY  
County Manager

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD  
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 28TH JULY, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. T. King

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. V. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, P. Fahey, P. T. Galvin, B. Holland, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty, Deputy T. Hussey, Clr. P. D. Joyce, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy M. Kitt, Clrs. J. Lambert, J. M. Mannion, H. Melvin, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer; J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer; J. Howlett, County Secretary.

1069 - MINUTES: It was agreed that minutes of meetings held on the 4th and 7th July, 1969, (Nos. 1033 to 1068 inclusive) be approved and signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.

1070 - VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS: The Chairman conveyed the congratulations and good wishes of the Council, to Deputies J. Geoghegan and R. Molloy, on their appointment as Parliamentary Secretaries.

This motion was seconded by Deputy Coogan and supported by all the members of the Council.

Deputy Geoghegan thanked the members of the Council on his own behalf and on behalf of Deputy Molloy and stated that they would both do their best to promote the interests of the county.

1071 - VOTES OF SYMPATHY: Senator Killilea proposed that the Council should convey their deepest sympathy to the relatives of the late Fr. Fahy. This motion was seconded by Clr. Callanan who stated that he was a personal friend of the late Fr. Fahy. Sympathy was also extended to the following:-

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Finn, Newcastle, Galway.

Mrs. Stenson, University Road, Galway.

Mrs. Coakley, Cloonrellagh, Mountbellew, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

Mr. M. Kelly, Church View, Tuam.

1072 - MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN ROADS: Deputy Geoghegan was given leave to introduce a motion of which he had given notice proposing that all roads repaired under Gaeltacht schemes and Rural Improvement schemes, should be taken over by the County Council and maintained thereafter.

The County Manager stated that there was no objection in principle to this proposal. It would be necessary, however, to consider in each case, whether the road met with the statutory requirements and to obtain the advice of the County Engineer as to whether the road had been brought up to reasonable county road standard. The financial provision for the maintenance of such roads, was estimated at approximately £150 per mile.

Deputy Geoghegan's motion was approved in principle by the Council and a lengthy discussion followed on the question of Local Improvement Schemes. During the course of this discussion, Clr. Galvin suggested that a special meeting should be convened to consider the matter, having regard to the fact that progress was unsatisfactory.

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The County Engineer reminded Councillors that he was not in a position to recommend in all cases that roads on which schemes had been carried out should be maintained by the Council. The County Manager stated that the standards to be observed in deciding whether schemes should be undertaken had been defined and that he was obliged to reject schemes which would not give value for expenditure.

1073 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:

It was noted that malicious damage claims listed at 2 (a) and 2 (b) on the Agenda, had been received by the Council.

1074 - ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31st March, 1969:

Submitted Abstract of Accounts for year ended 31st March, 1969. The County Manager stated that the Abstract of Accounts was now available for inspection by members of the Council and he gave the following selection of figures appearing in the Abstract with comparative amounts for the previous year, in respect of certain items:

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS 1968/69:

Total Expenditure: £4,994,041      Total Receipts: £4,711,436

Cash Assets and Liabilities:-

Assets: £639,475.      Liabilities: £241,340

Institutions:

<u>Average daily cost</u>	<u>1968/69</u>	<u>1967/68</u>
St. Brendan's Home:	17/10d.	16/0d.
Galway Regional Hospital:	82/9d.	75/9d.
Our Lady of Fatima Hospital:	36/3d.	34/8d.

Collections, Housing & Roads:

Rate collection:	93.91%	91.6%
Rent collection:	98.03%	97.42%
Loss per house:	£30	£25.

Roads: (cost per mile)

Main:	£656	£710
County:	£197	£186
Urban:	£548	£570

1075 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 31st March, 1969:

It was unanimously agreed that expenditure in excess of that provided in Estimate for year ended 31st March, 1969, be approved by the Council, in respect of the following items, having regard to the final out-turn of figures shown by the Abstract of Accounts.

Roads Account:

Special grant works: £9,321

Health Account:

General Medical Services: £30,844

Institutional Services: £10,789

Maternity & Child Health: 5,163

Tuberculosis & other infectious diseases: 644

Total Health Account: £47,440

Public Assistance:

Home Assistance: £762

Housing Account:

Local Assistance grants: £1,017

General Purposes Account:

L.A.W. Acts: £51

In reply to a question by Deputy Coogan, the County Manager outlined the procedure for the issue of drugs in hardship cases and stated that the scheme was working well and that save in the case of one doctor, no complaints have been received.

1076 - RE-ORGANISATION OF HOSPITAL LAUNDRY SERVICES:

The County Manager read letter dated 11th July, 1969, received from the Department of Health, containing a proposal for the re-organisation of hospital laundry services in the western region, by the development of a central flat-work laundry unit at Castlereagh Mental Hospital.

Following a lengthy discussion on this matter, it was proposed by Clr. Callanan, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved: "that the matter should be adjourned for further consideration, to a meeting of the Hospitals' Visiting Committee.

1077 - SCHEME FOR RELIEF FOR RATES FOR YEAR ENDING 31st March, 1970:

Considered draft scheme for relief from rates, which had been circulated to each member of the Council. The County Manager stated that it would be necessary to provide £15,000 to provide for the estimated cost of this scheme. It might be necessary to vary this estimate subsequently in the light of experience.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan and resolved:-

"that scheme for the relief of rates for year ended 31st March, 1970, is hereby adopted by the Council and that excess expenditure of £15,000 is approved in respect of the estimated cost of this scheme."

During the course of a discussion on the scheme, it was pointed out that the categories specified could not be automatically exempted from rates, as there might be cases where hardship would not arise, having regard to other household income. Clr. Galvin referred to hardship cases arising outside of the categories specified but it was pointed out by members that the County Manager could deal with such cases by writing off rates at the end of the financial year.

1078 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES:

It was unanimously agreed that Clr. F. Glynn should be appointed to the Milltown Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.

On the respective proposals of Clrs. Melvin, Haverly and Byrne, it was resolved that the following persons should be appointed to act on Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees:-

- (1) Matthew Foy, Clarenbridge
- (2) Ignatius Tuohy, Moyglass, Loughrea
- (3) Thomas Faherty, Hawkhill, Gort (for Kinvara Sub-Committee).

It was also unanimously agreed that all members of the existing Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees who were eligible for re-election, should be re-appointed to the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees for the year 1969/70.

1079 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ANCIENT MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Following consideration of previous membership and attendance at meetings, it was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved, that the following be appointed members of the National Monuments Advisory Committee for year 1969/70:-

- Prof. M. Duignan, Taylor's Hill, Galway
- An t-Athair E. MacThinn, Colaiste na h-Iolscoile, Gaillimh.
- Very Rev. F. K. Egan, I.P., Lismagh, Banagher.
- Mr. D. J. Murphy, Tuam.
- Mr. Martin Joyce, N.T., Aughrim, Ballinasloe.
- Mr. P. J. Kennedy, c/o Messrs. Joyce, Mackie & Loughheed, 34 Eyre Square, Galway.
- Mr. Maurice Semple, Solicitor, Eglinton Street, Galway.
- Mr. M. J. Molloy, Playwright, Milltown.
- Clr. P. Fahey
- Clr. J. Donnellan (Moycullen).

Clr. Holland referred to the illness of Mr. P. J. Kennedy, and it was agreed that a message of goodwill for his speedy recovery, should be sent to him.

1080 - CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF RADIOLOGIST: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"that in accordance with particulars circulated by the County Manager, the Council hereby approves of the creation of an additional office of Radiologist at the Galway Regional Hospital."

1081 - CONTINUATION OF TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 33 DISTRICT:

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

"that the appointment of Miss M. Feeney, as temporary

Rate Collector for District No. 33, be extended to the 30th September, 1969."

1082 - REMISSION OF RATES - UNDEVELOPED AREAS ACTS, 1952-1966:

Proposed by Clr. P. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. B. Holland and resolved:-

"that rate remission in accordance with the Undeveloped Areas Acts, 1952-1966, be applied to the new factory building occupied by the Irish Crystal Glass Company (Galway) Limited, at Merlin Park, Galway, in respect of which a certificate has been received from An Foras Tionscal."

1082 - BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

(a) Supplementary Estimates for increases in certain allowances:

Proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that excess expenditure of £29,350 be approved for the current financial year, in order to defray the expense of prescribed increases in allowances from the 1st August, 1969, as follows:-

- (i) Disabled Persons' Maintenance Allowances at estimated cost of £28,000.
- (ii) Infectious Diseases' Maintenance Allowances at estimated cost of £1,350.

(b) Increase in remuneration of Ambulance Drivers: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan and unanimously agreed that a supplementary estimate of £1,932 be approved for the current financial year, to defray the following increases in the remuneration of ambulance drivers:

- (i) Increase in basic weekly rates of £1 from the 1/4/68 and a further 17/6d. from the 1/4/69.
- (ii) Increase in the weekly allowance for "on-call" and over-time duty of 3/6d. from the 1/4/68 and a further 3/0d. from the 1/4/69.

(c) Revisions of salaries of District Medical Officers: It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Holland and resolved:-

"that excess expenditure of £5,800 be approved in the current financial year to implement the following revised salary which is recommended for District Medical Officers as a result of arbitration proceedings."

£1480 x £98 - £2166.

The date of operation of the revised salary is the 1/4/69.

(d) Mechanisation of rating accounts: The County Manager informed the Council that he proposed to arrange for the preparation of rate books and demand notes by computer methods in future.

This had become necessary because of the difficulty of recruiting suitably experienced staff for rates work. None of the temporary staff who had been employed over the years would loose any work as a result of this proposal. These would be required in connection with the preparation of data for the new system.

Council noted the Manager's proposal. Some of the members expressed reservations in regard to the proposed change.

(e) Applications for Higher Education Grants 1969: The County Manager informed the Council, that the Department of Education had indicated that they would raise no objection to the acceptance of certain applications for Higher Education Grants which were received after the closing date, on condition that the Council agreed to accept these applications.

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Clr. P. Donnellan, that applicants for the following candidates should be accepted:-

- Vincent Anthony Connell, Horsevalley, Headford, Co. Galway.
- Pauline Patricia O'Carroll, 37 Ardnamara, Salthill.
- John Francis Carton, 31 St. Joseph's Park, Tuam.
- Denis Bernard Irwin, Airglooney, Tuam.
- Maurice Mary Francis Laheen, Old Road, Tuam.
- John Francis Michael McGreal, 5 Newtownmorris, Tuam.
- Patricia Josephine Meaney, 108 Dun-na-Mara Drive, Renmore, Galway.
- Rita King, Balroebuckmore, Currandulla, Co. Galway.

1084 - SENATE ELECTION: It was agreed on the suggestion of the Chairman, that arrangements could be made for voting for the Senate Election, when the Council convened for Visiting Committee Meeting at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea. It was decided to hold the meeting of the Visiting Committee at 2.00 p.m. on Friday, 8th August, 1969.

1085 - STANDING ORDERS - NOTICES OF MOTION: The County Manager drew attention to the provision in Standing Orders whereby each section of a multiple motion was to be considered as constituting a separate motion. The Chairman stated that he had noted that there were a number of multiple motions on the Agenda; he proposed to allow them to be considered on this occasion but he will adopt a more stringent attitude in the future.

1086 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

Road from Waterview, Turloughmore to Ballyless, Turloughmore and road leading from Abbeyknockmoy through the Village of Liss:

In reply to a motion stating that the above roads should be black-topped as soon as possible, Clr. Ryan was informed that these cases would be considered during the next financial year.

1087 - Blacktopping of roads at - (i) Muckrush Village, Annaghdown; (ii) Polinore Road; (iii) Road through village of Carrowbrowne

Clr. Ruane was informed that it was hoped to blacktop the Polinore Road next year and that the blacktopping of the other roads mentioned above would also be considered next year.

1088 - Corner near Cregmore Bridge: Clr. Ruane was informed that improvements near Cregmore Bridge were not considered necessary in view of the small amount of traffic using the road.

- 1089 - Housing Grants: In reply to a motion seeking that housing grants should be increased, the County Manager informed Clr. Ruane, that proposed increases in the scale of grants had been set out in a White Paper recently published by the Government.
- 1090 - Additional telephone kiosks: It was resolved, on the proposal of Clr. Burke, that the Department of Posts & Telegraphs should be requested to provide telephone kiosks at Knocknagur Village and at Cloonaghmore, Caherlistrane.
- 1091 - Procedure for applications for planning permission: On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was agreed to defer motion by Clr. Burke until the County Manager was reporting on matters raised by the Council in regard to planning administration. Clr. Burke stated that he wished to raise the matter of the expense caused to applicants in preparing plans, which he considered unnecessary in rural areas.
- 1092 - Road at Clonbur: It was suggested to Clr. Kyne that he might include as a notice of motion road, the road from Thomas Halloran's house, Dooroy, Clonbur, to Coalpark Quarry.
- 1093 - Road from Long's house, Kilbeg Lower, Clonbur, north to Rosshill boathouse:  

In reply to a motion that the above road should be taken over and maintained by the Council, Clr. Kyne was informed that the work was estimated to cost £200 and that it would be necessary to have piers removed and walls lowered to avoid dangerous exit on to County Road No. 76.
- 1094 - Road from Michael Kyne's house, Clonbur, north to graveyard:  

In reply to a motion that the above road should be taken over and maintained by the Council, Clr. Kyne was informed that the work would cost approximately £100 and that it would be necessary to remove gate piers and lower walls.
- 1095 - Road from Michael Coyne's house, Ardone, Clonbur, south by Patrick Morrin's to County Road at Golden Bay:  

In reply to a motion concerning the taking over of the above road, Clr. Kyne was informed that it would cost approximately £160 to put this road into a proper condition before it could be taken over.
- 1096 - Road around graves in Clonbur Graveyard:  

Clr. Kyne was informed that no provision had been made for this work in the current Estimates but that the matter would be examined and a report submitted later.
- 1097 - Road from Tiernakill Bridge, Maam, through the village of Tiernakill:  

Clr. Kyne was informed that it was proposed to carry out the blacktopping of the above road during the coming year as part of minor improvements programme.
- 1098 - Bealadangan Bridge: Clr. Glynn proposed that he be furnished with the following information in regard to Bealadangan Bridge:-
  - (a) Copy of Consulting Engineer's report;
    - (i) on existing bridge;
    - (ii) on tenders.
  - (b) A breakdown of tenders received by Council.
  - (c) Copies of the drawings of the old bridge before it was dismantled.
  - (d) Drawings on the new proposals.

This motion which was seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan, gave rise to a lengthy discussion. During the course of this discussion, Clr. Glynn rejected the suggestion that he be allowed inspect the plans at the Council's offices, on the grounds that his purpose was to have the documents examined by another party, to see whether money had been well spent on the project. The Chairman stated that it was unreasonable for members to seek engineering advice from third parties, having employed their own officers for this purpose. The County Engineer referred to his position as Engineering Advisor to the Council and said that Clr. Glynn's proposal would create an undesirable precedent. The question of the copyright of plans would also arise and, in any event, this work had been preceded by a public enquiry, when there was ample opportunity of raising any relevant objections. Clr. Galvin stated that he would dissent from the motion and it was proposed by Clr. Melvin, seconded by Clr. Mrs. Croffy, that the information should not be issued as proposed by Clr. Glynn. A division was taken on the amendment and the following members voted:-

For: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Fehey, Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, King, Melvin, Clrs. Raftery, Kyne (12).

Against: Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, Glynn, Holland, Lambert, Ruane and Ryan (7).

The Chairman declared that the amendment had been carried and that the motion had been defeated on the same voting.

- 1099 - Road at St. Paul's Terrace, Tuam: Clr. F. Glynn, seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan, proposed that St. Paul's Terrace, Tuam, be declared a public road. It was pointed out that the road in question formed a rear entrance to a building and that it would be a matter of policy whether it should be taken over by the Council. Following a discussion, it was agreed that this matter should be pursued.
- 1100 - Link road between Galway Road and Ballygaddy Road, Tuam: Clr. Glynn stated that he was raising this matter now in order that money should be provided in the 1970/71 estimates, to commence work on proposed new link road at Tuam. At present traffic in the town of Tuam was chaotic and it was necessary to have a link road built without delay. The County Manager stated that the matter could be considered at the Estimates meeting.
- 1101 - Road at Coral Strand, Carraroe: Clr. Clarke proposed that the two roads leading from the strand should be joined and that a system of one way traffic should be introduced with suitable lay-byes at points along the completed road. It was agreed that this matter would be examined in consultation with Bord Failte.
- 1102 - Litter bins at Carraroe: Clr. Clarke was informed, in reply to a motion, that arrangements were being made to have litter bins provided at Carraroe.
- 1103 - Regional water scheme for south Connemara: Clr. Clarke was informed that a consulting engineer had been appointed to submit preliminary plans for a regional water supply in south Connemara.
- 1104 - Annagh Road, Kilbannon, Tuam: The County Manager informed Deputy Donnellan that the Annagh Road, Kilbannon, Tuam, would be considered for blacktopping in 1970/71.
- 1105 - Bridge over the Corrib at Kilbeg Pier: Clr. P. Donnellan, seconded by Deputy J. Donnellan, proposed that the Council should erect a bridge over the Corrib at Kilbeg Pier. He demonstrated with maps the improvement in communications which would result from this proposal and stated that great benefits would result to farming, commercial and

tourist interests, if the bridge was constructed. Clr. J. Donnellan supported the motion but stated that the siting of the bridge would require considerable investigation. The County Manager informed the members that information from the Office of Public Works on the proposed project was that the bridge span would be 350 feet. This was a very big bridge indeed and the costs would be very great.

It was agreed following some further discussion, to investigate this matter further.

1106 - Nurse for special school for the mentally handicapped at Newcastle, Galway.

In reply to a motion in the joint names of Clrs. P. Donnellan and T. Byrne, the County Manager stated that the County Council would have no function in regard to the appointment of a permanent nurse for the above school. Such an appointment would be a matter for the management of the school but it would be open to them to apply to the Council for financial assistance.

1107 - Roads in Maree:

In reply to a motion, Clr. Fahey was informed that it was unlikely that any of the following roads would be rolled before the 1st April, 1970.

- (a) Road from County Road Oran/Maree into Pat Stephen's and Michael Whelan's;
- (b) Rinville into Frank Cosgrove's;
- (c) Prospect into Norman Patterson's V.S. and Martin Donnellan's.

1108 - Dental service in Gort and Kinvara: Clr. Fahey proposed that a dentist should attend in Gort and Kinvara on at least one day per month so that Medical Card holders and non-Medical Card holders might avail of his services.

In reply to this motion, the County Manager stated that the Council had no responsibility for the provision of dental treatment to non-medical card holders. A clinic had been held in Gort from December, 1968 to March, 1969, and there was also a clinic in Kinvara from May to early July. The few patients who required extractions between and these periodic visits could be treated without delay at Loughrea or Galway. The long term policy was to provide a main dental centre at Ardahan.

Clr. T. Byrne requested that patients should be referred to Galway rather than Loughrea, pending the improvement of local arrangements.

1109 - Purchase of land for building purposes: Clr. Fahey proposed that the Council should purchase 700 to 1000 acres of land for building purposes, such purchases to be located in and distributed among the small towns in the county. The Chairman stated that the Council approved in principle of the proposal to purchase land.

1110 - Public lighting of Ballybrit/Ballybane Road: Clr. P. Donnellan moved on behalf of Clr. B. Holland, a motion that four public lights should be provided on the Ballybrit/Ballybane Road. He was informed that the matter would be examined and that if it was found desirable, an estimate would be submitted for approval.

1111 - Public telephone at Kilbeacanty and Shanaglish Villages: On the proposal of Clr. Lambert, seconded by Clr. Collins, it was agreed that the Department of Posts & Telegraphs should be requested to provide public telephones at Kilbeacanty and Shanaglish villages.

1112 - Roadsigns in Gort Town: Clr. Lambert, supported by Clr. Fahey referred to a strong objection by the residents of Gort, to the designation "An Gort" as the Irish name for the town, as shown on signs prepared by Bord Failte. On the suggestion of the County Engineer,

it was agreed that this matter should be brought to the attention of Bord Failte. It was pointed out by the members concerned, that the correct designation was "Gort Inse Guaire".

1113 - Childrens' playground at Ennis Road, Gort: Clr. Lambert was informed that the Council had made application to the Department of Local Government for an amenity grant towards cost of childrens' park and playground at St. Coleman's Terrace, Gort. The estimated cost of this work was £558, and money had been provided in the current Estimates to meet this cost.

1114 - Relief from rates for halls provided as community centres: On the proposal of Clr. Haverly, seconded by Clr. Collins, it was resolved:-

"that the Minister for Local Government be requested to introduce legislation to afford exemption from rates for halls used as community centres".

1115 - Road leading to Darby Mannion's house and others at Brierfield:

Deputy Hussey was informed that this road was being inspected and that a report would be submitted in due course.

1116 - Road at Killesolan: Clr. P. Raftery was informed that the above road was being inspected and that a report would be submitted to the Council in the near future.

The meeting then terminated.

*Submitted, approved and Confirmed.*

*Thomas Mac an Ríordáil*  
Chairman

25/8/69

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

19adh Lunasa, 1969

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle na Gaillimhe, a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, ar 25adh lá de Lunasa, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL  
Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes

2. Malicious Damage Claims:-

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|-----|--|---------|
| (a) | Robert Lahiffe, Cloon, House, Gort   |         |
|     | - Hayshed and its contents, namely 12 tons of sugar pulp, 300 bales of hay, loose hay, straw and machinery, destroyed by fire: 27th July, 1969 | £5,000  |
| (b) | Martin O'Connor, Killian, Oughterard   |         |
|     | - Damage to tyres, wheels, lights, traffic indicator of motor car at Boherbea, Carraroe: 23rd July, 1969                                       | £20.    |
| (c) | Kathleen Kelly, Ballygar   |         |
|     | - Honda motor cycle smashed and broken at Ballybrit: 31st July, 1969   | £115.   |
| (d) | Stephen Folan, Inverin   |         |
|     | - Thatched store house and contents burned: 3rd August, 1969   | £1,570. |

3. Creation of office of Chief Assistant County Engineer (Road Design) in substitution for post of Assistant County Engineer.
4. Appointment of additional Library Assistant.
5. Appointment of Rate Collector for District No. 33, Tuam
6. Appointment of Rate Collector for District No. 35, Monivea-Claretuam.

7. Reclassification of Rural public road network.
8. Auditor's Report on accounts of Galway County Council for year ended 31st March, 1967 - copy herewith.
9. Revision of remuneration for administrative nursing staffs.
10. Revision of sessional fees for public Dental Officers.
11. Business submitted by County Manager.
12. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:
  - (a) Deputy J. Donnellan:
    - (i) At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the Council to provide a sewerage scheme in the Park Road area of Athenry.
    - (ii) Clr. F. Glynn:
      - (i) That an indication signpost be erected at the crossroads at Newell's Forge, Caherlistrane;
      - (ii) that the Cloonfane and Cohohin roads linking the main Milltown/Dunmore road to the Garrafrauns/Ballindine road be included for blacktopping in the next financial year;
      - (iii) that a stop sign be erected (Dunmore Road) at Tullinadaly Cross, Milltown.
  - (c) Clr. P. Fahey:
    - (i) I propose to ask County Manager when we may expect an adequate supply of local authority houses, the doing of a much-needed job at rear of St. Colman's Terrace and the replacement of an antiquated Fire Station, all in Gort.
    - (ii) I propose to ask County Manager when adequate medical and institutional care will be provided for at least eighty severely handicapped children within the county.
    - (iii) I propose that this Council again request the County Manager to implement in full the Labour Court award on Supervisor/Gangers travel allowance.
  - (d) Clr. P. Raftery:
    - (i) I will ask that the road to James Griffin's, Curraghmulmurry, Cloonminda, be taken over by the Council - L.I.S. No. LG.65/69.
  - (e) Clr. T. Byrne:
    - (i) I will propose that consideration be given to having the following road blacktopped as soon as possible:  
County Road at Mulroog, Ballindereen.
    - (ii) I will ask the County Manager what progress has been made to date in the implementation of the water schemes incorporated in the County Development Plan.



(f) Clr. J. Lambert:

(i) I will propose that this Council request that the proposed smelting plant be located in County Galway where we now have the Tynagh Mines.

(g) Clr. T. Clarke:

(i) I will propose that the Tiernee water works be extended and improved, if necessary, to supply the remaining portions of Gorumna Island and Lettermullen Island.

(ii) I will ask the County Manager what is the position re the erection of speed limit signs in Carraroe.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY

21st August, 1969

To each member of Galway County Council/

A Chara,

The appointment of Rate Collectors for districts numbered 33 and 35 is to be considered at the meeting of the Council to be held on Monday next, the 25th instant.

The following are the particulars of the posts and the lists of qualified applicants:

District No. 33:

Electoral Divisions of: - Tuam Rural II and Tuam Urban

Salary scale: £800 x £85 - £1,225 plus bonus of £300 per annum on the usual conditions.

Qualified Applicants:-

Patrick J. Burke, Gurrane-coyle, Tuam.  
Martin F. Cunningham, Mausrevagh, Headford.  
Patrick J. Giblin, Curraghduff, Toomard, Ballinasloe.  
James Higgins, Annagh Cross, Ballyglunin, Tuam.  
Kevin Joyce, Carrowbeg, Ower, Co. Galway.  
Patrick Anthony Kearney, Tavanagh, Cummer, Tuam.  
Patrick J. King, Balroebuck, Currandulla.  
Hugh Mulhern, "Greenview", Bonnavalley, Athlone.  
Bernard O'Brien, Carheens, Belclare, Tuam.  
Patrick J. Talty, Church View, Tuam.

Mr. Patrick J. Burke, Rate Collector for District No. 26, has applied for transfer from his present district to District No. 33.

District No. 35:

Electoral Divisions of: Claretuam, Ballinderry, Cummer, Kilmoylan, Ballynapark, Abbey West, Abbey East, Moyne, Ryehill and Monivea.

Salary Scale: £655 x £68 - £791 x £69 - £860 plus bonus of £200 per annum on the usual conditions.

Qualified Applicants:-

Patrick J. Burke, Gurrane-coyle, Tuam.  
Patrick Costello, Carrowbeg, Belclare.  
Martin F. Cunningham, Mausrevagh, Headford.  
Patrick J. Giblin, Curraghduff, Toomard, Ballinasloe.  
James Higgins, Annagh Cross, Ballyglunin, Tuam.  
Michael Hussey, Belclare, Tuam.  
Patrick Anthony Kearney, Tavanagh, Cummer, Tuam.  
Patrick J. King, Balroebuck, Currandulla.  
Anthony Reynolds, The Demesne, Mountbellew.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE

Runai Sealadach

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT  
THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 25TH AUGUST, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputy M. Carty,  
Clrs. T. V. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan,  
Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen),  
Deputy John Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, P. Fahey,  
P. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. F. Glynn, E. Haverty,  
B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Clrs. P. D. Joyce, M. Killilea,  
Deputy M. Kitt, Clr. J. Lambert, Senator J. Mannion,  
Clrs. H. Melvin, P. Raftery, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; L. O'Luanaigh, Assistant  
County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer and K. Doyle,  
Acting County Secretary.

1117 - MINUTES: It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on the  
28th July, 1969, (Nos. 1069 to 1116 inclusive) be approved and  
signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were  
then signed by the Chairman.

1118 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage  
claims, as listed at 2 (a) to 2 (d) on the Agenda, had been received.

1119 - DISTURBANCES IN THE SIX COUNTIES:

The Chairman stated that it was only right that the Council express  
its condemnation of recent happenings in the Six Counties and that  
he had accordingly given consent to Clr. Fahey to propose a motion  
concerning this matter.

Clr. Fahey then proposed:-

"that Galway County Council congratulate the Government  
on their stand and the action taken in defence of Irish  
citizens now being deprived of homes and work in the Six  
Counties. We urge them to continue the good work and  
promise our utmost support in having the "Government of  
Ireland Act 1920" which first sanctioned a partition of  
our country, repealed. This was an act of the British  
Parliament and it is on them pressure must be brought  
to repeal it. We remind the British Parliament that the  
1921 Treaty would never be signed, if Irish Delegates had  
not got a specific promise that Partition would not result  
from it. Yet the British Government set up the Boundary  
Commission in 1924 composed of two Britishers, Feetham and  
Fisher, and one Irishman, Eoin MacNeill, who subsequently  
resigned from it. These two Britishers, no doubt instructed  
by the British Government, compelled Counties Tyrone and Fermanagh,  
with parts of Down, Derry and Armagh, to submit to "B Special"  
Rule against their will. Examples of B. Special Rule were shown  
in burnings and shootings in 1920, 1935 and 1969. We, the  
Members of Galway County Council, pledge our full support to  
the Government in seeing that this type of blackguardism is  
ended for all time."

This proposal was seconded by Clr. Callanan and adopted unanimously.

1120 - CREATION OF OFFICE OF CHIEF ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEER (ROAD DESIGN):

The County Manager referred to his memorandum dated 25th August, 1969,  
and requested the approval of the Council to the creation of  
the office of Chief Assistant County Engineer (Road Design) in  
substitution for the post of Assistant County Engineer. It was  
proposed by Clr. Melvin, seconded by Clr. Raftery and resolved:-

"that the Galway County Council hereby approve the creation

of the office of Chief Assistant County Engineer (Road Design)  
in substitution for the office of Assistant County Engineer and  
also approves additional expenditure of approximately £500  
per annum for this purpose."

1121 - APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL LIBRARY ASSISTANT:

The County Manager informed the Council that at a meeting of the County  
Libraries' Committee, held on the 14th August, 1969, it was resolved:-

"that an extra library assistant be appointed".

He stated that there had been an increase of 19% in the number of  
borrowers from the Library over the past four years and during that  
period, staff numbers had not increased.

On the proposition of Clr. Mrs. Croffy, seconded by Clr. Ryan, it  
was resolved:-

"that Galway County Council hereby approve the creation  
of additional office of Library Assistant, with a salary  
scale of £ 505 to £1185 per annum." It was noted that this extra  
Assistant is required mainly for the administration of the  
Schools' Library Scheme and that a grant of £337 per annum  
will be paid by the Department of Education towards the  
administration of this scheme."

1122 - APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTORS FOR DISTRICTS NUMBERED 33 and 35:

The lists of qualified applicants for the offices of Rate Collector  
for districts numbered 33 and 35 were submitted.

The County Manager drew the attention of the Council to the provisions  
of Article 26 (g) of the Local Government (Officers) Regulations 1943,  
in relation to these appointments.

It was then proposed by Clr. Kyne, seconded by Clr. Killilea and  
resolved:-

"that having regard to the nature of the duties of the office  
of Rate Collector for collection districts numbered 33 and 35,  
the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient  
performance of those duties and the qualifications for those  
offices, the persons to be appointed to those offices cannot  
be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and  
that, therefore, the persons to be appointed be selected  
by a vote of the Council at this meeting, from the list of  
qualified applicants, as submitted by the Acting County  
Secretary."

There was no amendment to this resolution and the Chairman declared  
it carried.

Clr. Burke stated that he objected to the making of appointments by  
this method and said that such appointments should be made on merit  
only. Clr. Burke proposed that no appointment of Rate Collector be  
made and stated that instead of such appointments, rates should be  
collected through the office. Clr. Ryan seconded this proposal.  
The Chairman stated that he could not accept Clr. Burke's proposal,  
because the Council had already decided to make the appointments of  
Rate Collectors for Districts numbered 33 and 35. Clrs. P. Donnellan,  
Lambert and Deputy John Donnellan also objected to this method of  
making appointments.

Clr. Kyne proposed that Mr. Patrick J. King, Balroebuck, Currandulla,  
be appointed Rate Collector for Collection District No. 33. This  
proposal was seconded by Clr. Joyce.

Clr. Glynn proposed that Mr. Patrick J. Talty, Church View, Tuam, be  
appointed Rate Collector for collection District No. 33. This proposal

was seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan.

The taking of a division on those proposals was adjourned until 4.30 p.m., when a vote taken resulted, as follows:-

**For Mr. King:** Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Croffy, John Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Melvin, Raftery and Kyne (17)

**For Mr. Talty:** Clr. Byrne, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, Galvin, Glynn, Lambert, Senator Mannion and Clr. Ryan (10). Clrs. Burke and Collins did not vote.

The Chairman then declared Mr. Patrick J. King, Balroebeck, Currandulla, appointed, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, to the office of Rate Collector, for Collection District No. 33, with salary scale -

£800 x £85 - £1225 per annum, plus bonus of £300 per annum subject to compliance with the usual conditions and subject also to the other conditions of appointment and particulars of office, approved for this office.

The Chairman stated that he would take proposals for the appointment of a Rate Collector for Collection District No. 35.

Clr. Burke objected to the making of this appointment, stating that it was not legal unless a minute which was adopted several years ago, providing for collection of the rates in this district, through the office, was rescinded. The Chairman stated that it was not necessary to rescind the minute in question.

Clr. Killilea proposed and Clr. Raftery seconded:-

"that Mr. Michael Hussey, Belclare, Tuam, be appointed Rate Collector, for District No. 35."

Clr. Glynn proposed and Clr. Cunningham seconded:-

"that Mr. Anthony Reynolds, The Demesne, Mountbellew, be appointed Rate Collector for District No. 35."

The taking of a division on those proposals was adjourned until 4.30 p.m. when a vote taken resulted as follows:-

**For Mr. Hussey:** Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Melvin, Raftery and Kyne. (16)

**For Mr. Reynolds:** Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, Galvin, Glynn, Holland, Lambert, Senator Mannion and Clr. Ryan (13).

The Chairman declared Mr. Michael Hussey, Belclare, Tuam, appointed, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government, to the office of Rate Collector for District No. 35, with salary scale -

£655 x £68 - £791 x £69 - £860 per annum plus bonus of £200 per annum, subject to compliance with the usual conditions and subject to the other particulars of office and conditions of appointment approved for the office.

1123 - **RECLASSIFICATION OF RURAL PUBLIC ROAD NETWORK:** It was agreed that circular RA.288/1, dated 6th August, 1969, from the Department of Local Government, be circularised to members of the Council, with a report from the County Manager, for consideration at the next ordinary

meeting of the Council.

1124 - **AUDITOR'S REPORT:** The Auditor's report on the accounts of Galway County Council for the year ended 31st March, 1967, a copy having already been forwarded to each member, was submitted and noted. Clr. Collins asked why the Auditor's Report was not submitted to the Council until two years after the year to which it related. The County Manager stated that there were staff difficulties, but that arrangements are now being made to bring audits more up-to-date. In reply to further queries from members, the County Manager stated that -

- (a) with reference to the Roads Accounts - the Auditor's query related to technical and accounting arrangements only and that all expenditure was properly authorised and in order.
- (b) Regarding Laboratory Accounts - the amount shown as outstanding represented a large volume of items and that steps were being taken to simplify the system of collection of amounts due.
- (c) Regarding Harbour Board Accounts - A report will be submitted to the Council when the Estimates for next year are presented, setting out any adjustments which may be necessary when the matter has been fully examined.
- (d) Comparative Accounts - A statement setting out the major headings of expenditure is submitted to the Council every year with the Abstract of Accounts but probably not in such detail as suggested by the Auditor.

1125 - **REVISION OF REMUNERATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE NURSING STAFFS:** The County Manager requested the approval of the Council to remuneration increases for administrative nursing staffs, as from the 1st June, 1968. It was proposed by Clr. P. Donnellan, seconded by Deputy J. Donnellan and resolved:-

"that the Council her by approve the following salary scales for administrative nursing staffs, as from the 1st June, 1968, and also approve the additional expenditure of £490 to cover those salaries and allowances in the current financial year"

Office	Salary Scale
Assistant Matron, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea:	£1024 x £41 (4) x £42 - £1230 per annum.
Head Nurse, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden:	£1024 x £41 (4) x £42 - £1230 per annum.
Matron, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea:	£1220 x £40 (6) - £1460 per annum.
Assistant Matron, Regional Hospital:	£1175 x £40 (6) - £1415 p.a.
Tutor Sister:	£1108 x £45 (2) x £46 (3) - £1336 per annum.
Matron, Galway Regional Hospital:	£1640 x £57 (4) x £58 - £1926 per annum.

Deputy Coogan stated that there was a need for a change in the diet provided for night nurses in the Galway Regional Hospital. The County Manager stated he had received no complaints about this matter but that he would make enquiries.

1126 - **REVISION OF SESSIONAL FEES FOR PUBLIC DENTAL OFFICERS:** The County Manager requested the approval of the Council to an increase of 9% in the sessional fees payable to Public Dental Officers, from the 1st June, 1968.

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

"that the Council hereby approve an increase of from £4/15/0 per session to £5/3/6 per session for Public Dental Officers, as from the 1st June, 1968, and also approve the additional expenditure of £641 in the current financial year, to cover such increase."

Clr. Callanan stated that he objected to any percentage increases.

- 1127 - SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR PARK ROAD, ATHENRY: In reply to Deputy Donnellan's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that the provision of a sewer extension along the Park Road, Athenry, will be considered when the estimates for the year 1970/71 are being prepared. Deputy Donnellan and Clr. F. Donnellan stressed the urgency of providing a sewerage scheme on this road and asked that this get priority.
- 1128 - SIGNPOST AT NEWELL'S FORGE, CAHERLISTRANE: In reply to Clr. Glynn's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that this signpost will be provided.
- 1129 - Cloonfane and Colchin Roads: In reply to Clr. Glynn's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that these are both branches of county road number 221 and will be considered for tarring when preparing next year's proposals. He stated, however, that he could not guarantee that they will be done during next year, as they may have a very low priority.
- 1130 - Stop Sign - Tullinadaly Cross, Milltown: In reply to Clr. Glynn's notice of motion, the County Manager stated, that there are "Yield Right-of-Way" signs placed at this junction and it is not considered that further signposting is necessary. Clr. Glynn stated that he did not agree with this and he asked that the matter be further examined. The County Manager agreed that the matter will be re-examined.
- 1131 - Gort Housing Scheme: In reply to Clr. Fahey's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that on the 4th February, 1969, a site lay-out plan and house plans for Gort housing scheme were forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval and that on the 10th March, 1969, further details of the estimated cost, etc. were sent to the Department. Following consultations between the Department's Inspector, the Architect and the Council's Engineer, the Department wrote on the 20th May, 1969, requesting the submission of revised proposals - those were forwarded to the Department on the 17th July, 1969, and on the 15th August, 1969, the Department replied saying that the lay-out was considered to be generally in order but that the floor area and estimated cost per house were considered to be excessive; he stated that those matters are being examined at present. Clr. Fahey complained about the long delay in the provision of this housing scheme and stated that it is 15 years since any houses were built; he further stated that at least 15 houses should be built in Gort. Clr. Lambert also urged the provision of additional houses in Gort at an early date.
- 1132 - Amenity Scheme - St. Colman's Terrace, Gort: In reply to Clr. Fahey's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that an application for an amenity grant for this scheme, was submitted to the Department of Local Government, on the 14th July, 1969, but that approval had not so far been obtained. Clr. Fahey stated that provision was made for this in last year's estimates and also in the estimates for the current year and he objected strongly to the delay involved. The County Manager stated that work will be put in hands immediately on receipt of sanction and allocation of an amenity grant by the Department.
- 1133 - Gort Fire Station: In reply to Clr. Fahey's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that the contract documents for the Fire Station, Library and Engineer's Office at Gort, are now being

prepared by the Architect and are expected shortly; that when those documents are approved, tenders for the building will be sought by public advertisement. Clr. Fahey stated that he objected to the construction of those buildings in Crowe Street; that they should be put either on a derelict site elsewhere or on the Old Workhouse lands where a suitable site is available. He stated that the site at Crowe Street should be used for housing only, and that the existing Engineer's Office is quite suitable as it is.

- 1134 - Institutional Care for severely handicapped children: In reply to Clr. Fahey's query, the County Manager said, that he is not in a position to state when adequate medical and institutional care will be provided for severely handicapped children in the county; that this is a matter for the Minister for Health and that the Minister had stated that steps are being taken by him to provide an institution for this purpose. Clr. Fahey stated that there are approximately 80 to 100 severely handicapped children in County Galway and that there is no place in hospitals for them; that the recently provided unit in Ballinasloe, is not suitable and that there is no attempt at provision of training. He asked that a completely separate unit be provided in Galway City for them. Clrs. Burke, P. Donnellan, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Melvin and Deputy Coogan, also supported Clr. Fahey's plea. Clr. Lambert suggested that an deputation should be sent to the Minister stressing the urgency of the provision of such an institution.
- 1135 - Travel Allowance for Supervisor/Gangers: With reference to Clr. Fahey's notice of motion, the County Manager stated, he had nothing to add to previous statements made by him in connection with this matter. Clr. Fahey stated that the Labour Court had recommended payment of a travel allowance of £1 per week from 1966 and that Galway County Council had failed to honour this award in full. He asked the Council again to recommend to the County Manager to implement in full the Labour Court award. Clrs. Callanan, Burke and Deputy Kitt, supported Clr. Fahey. The County Manager stated that the Labour Court award provided for payment of a travel allowance to Overseers who are required to use mechanical transport by the County Council; he stated that the Council does not require any of its Overseers to use mechanical transport and that the award had been paid since April 1967.
- 1136 - Road to James Griffin's house, Curraghmulmurry, Clooninda: In reply to Clr. Raftery's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that arrangements will be made to inspect this road with a view to ascertaining, if it may be taken over for maintenance by the Council.
- 1137 - Road at Mulroog, Ballindereen: In reply to Clr. Byrne's notice of motion, the County Manager stated that there are no proposals on hands at present for blacktopping county road at Mulroog, Ballindereen, but that it will be considered in the coming financial year.
- 1138 - Water Supply Schemes listed in County Development Plan: In reply to Clr. Byrne's inquiry, the County Manager submitted the following particulars setting out progress on the provision of water supply schemes in the areas listed in the County Development Plan:  
Ahascragh extensions: Approval to proposals awaited from the Department of Local Government.  
Caltra/Castleblakeney - No progress.  
Carna improvements: - Contract documents being prepared by consultant and same to be submitted by September 8. Approval received from the Department of Local Government for a limited scheme.

Carraroe Water Supply Scheme: Contract for Section 1 under construction - Contract for Section 2 - approval to acceptance of a tender recently received from the Department of Local Government.

Clarenbridge/Kilcolgan Scheme: Sanction received from the Department of Local Government for a limited scheme. Contract documents being prepared.

Clifden Water Supply Scheme: - Contract advertised.

Currandulla Water Supply Scheme: No progress.

Inishbofin Water Supply Scheme: - Proposals for a limited scheme being prepared.

Kilconnell Water Supply Scheme: - Approval to preliminary reports received from the Department of Local Government. Specifications for pumping plant, etc. being prepared.

Kinvara Water Supply Scheme: - Preliminary report sent to the Department of Local Government.

Moycullen Water Supply Scheme: - Preliminary report being prepared by consultants.

Milltown Water Supply Scheme: - No progress - proposals for group scheme being examined.

Tuam Improvements: - Awaiting approval to preliminary report from Department of Local Government.

In reply to Clr. Joyce, the County Manager stated, that Letterfrack was not on the Priority List. Clr. Byrne stated that progress with the various schemes was not satisfactory in the two years since the list was prepared, although he agreed that much preliminary work had been done. He referred in particular to the urgent necessity of provision of water supply schemes at Clarenbridge/Kilcolgan and at Kinvara. Clr. Glynn stated he was disappointed that no progress is being made for a supply for Milltown and he asked if information could be given on the readings of the gauge which was set up at Milltown.

The County Manager stated that he did know the result of those readings but that he will inform Clr. Glynn. Senator Mannion urged that the improvement scheme for Roundstone be carried out without delay. The County Manager stated that he did not agree that there is not satisfactory progress with those schemes and he pointed out that in the one year and nine months, since the Priority List was prepared, more progress was made than when the Council were dealing with a much larger number of schemes. Clr. Melvin stated that refuse is being dumped in the river at Clarenbridge where water is being obtained and he asked that a "No Dumping" sign be erected at this point. Clr. F. Donnellan inquired if there was a surplus of water available in the Athenry scheme in order to serve the Ballintubber area. The County Engineer stated that there was no surplus available in Athenry but that inquiries will be made to ascertain if a group in Ballintubber area could be allowed to take water from the Athenry scheme.

- 1139 - Smelting Plant: Clr. Lambert proposed that Galway County Council press for the construction of a smelting plant in County Galway, where the ore is available from the Tynagh Mines. He also proposed that a deputation be sent to the Minister for Industry and Commerce to press for its location in County Galway. The Chairman stated that there would be no purpose in sending a deputation to the Minister for Industry and Commerce as the decision is to be made in Toronto, Canada and that many economic and other factors will decide the actual location for this Smelting Plant.

The County Manager gave particulars of discussions which had already taken place about this and the Chairman and Deputy Geoghegan emphasised, that every factor in favour of location of the Smelting Plant in County Galway, had been pressed forward as much as possible in discussions and in correspondence. After a long discussion on the matter, Clr. Lambert asked that the request to have the plant located in County Galway, be sent to Toronto.

- 1139 - Extensions to Tiernee Water Supply: In reply to Clr. Clarke's motion, the County Manager stated that the area referred to is included in the south Connemara Regional Water Supply Scheme for which a consulting engineer has been appointed and who is at present preparing preliminary plans. He also stated that until receipt of these plans, consideration of the suggestion contained in notice of motion, would be premature.
- 1140 - Speed Limit signs in Carraroe: In reply to Clr. Clarke's inquiry, the County Manager stated that the request for speed limit signs in Carraroe had already been sent to the Department of Local Government for consideration in the course of the next review. The County Manager also informed Senator Mannion, that a similar resolution had been forwarded to the Department in relation to speed limit signs at Tullycross.
- 1141 - Speed Limits in Gaeltacht areas in Connemara: Deputy Geoghegan recommended that when the next review of speed limits is being carried out, consideration be given to the imposition of speed limits in the villages in Connemara, where students learning Irish, attend summer courses. He pointed out that there is a considerable concentration of children in those areas and that the imposition of a speed limit was essential for their safety.
- 1142 - Sympathy: Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:-  
Mrs. J. J. Vaughan, Roundstone, on the death of her husband.  
Mr. Martin Clarke, Grange, Turloughmore, on the death of his father.  
Mr. Christy Burke, Canteeny, Turloughmore, on the death of his son.
- 1143 - Congratulations: The Chairman conveyed the congratulations and good wishes of the Council to Clr. John Mannion, on his election to the Senate. This motion was seconded by Clr. Joyce and supported by other members of the Council present. Senator Mannion thanked the Council for their congratulations and good wishes.
- 1144 - The Six Counties: The Chairman gave permission to Clr. Glynn (who was absent at the beginning of the meeting, when this matter was being discussed) to make a statement regarding disturbances in the Six Counties. Clr. Glynn referred to a report in a daily paper of the 25th August, 1969, to the effect, that food and clothing were no longer required by victims of the disturbances in the Six Counties. He stated that this was not correct and that he had information, that food and clothing are still required. He asked the Council to pass a resolution demanding the withdrawal of British troops; disbandment and disarming of B-Specials; disarming of the R.U.C.; establishment of basis of civil rights, the repeal of the Special Powers Act and release of political prisoners in the Six Counties.

The Chairman stated that most of the matters mentioned by Clr. Glynn had been provided for in the resolution which was adopted at the beginning of the meeting and had also been stressed by Ireland's representative at the United Nations. The Chairman also paid tribute to leaders of the political parties for the unity which they had shown in their approach to the problems in the Six Counties.

1145 - Road Signs: Cllr. Ryan stated that he considered that the "Yield Right-of-Way" signs were not as effective as "Stop" signs and he recommended that "Stop" signs be substituted for them.

The Meeting then terminated.

*Submitted approved and confirmed.*

*Tomás Mac an Ríóir*

*Chairman*

*29/9/69*

*Date*

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH

15adh Mean Fomhair, 1969

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, a tionólfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 22adh lá de Mheán Fómhair, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le méas,

S. hUILEID  
Runai

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims:-
 

(a) John O'Loughlin, Balroebuckbeg, Currandulla - Horse injured, killed and destroyed 16th/20th July, 1969	... £50. 0. 0.
(b) Christopher and Bridget Quinlivan, Corrolough, Williamstown - Panes of glass in windows broken, one carpet and three bedspreads damaged - 27th August, 1969	... £64. 12. 6.
(c) Thomas Mitchell & Sons, Woodlawn, Ballinasloe - Damage to Doctor's Home being constructed at Portiuncula Hospital, 30th/31st August, 1969	... £185. 0. 0.
(d) Charles Warde, 3 St. Patrick's Terrace, Tuam - Four year old mare injured - tail, mane and bob having been cut 1st September, 1969	... £75. 0. 0.
3. Overdraft for quarter ending 31/12/69.
4. Raising of loan of £110,000 for Supplementary grants.
5. Proposed central laundry at Castlerea - recommendation of Visiting Committee.
6. Creation of office of Social Worker - County Manager's report herewith.

7. Creation of additional office of Clerk/Typist - County Manager's report herewith.
8. Re-classification of Roads:
  - (a) Circular R.A.241/13 dated 23/7/69 from the Department of Local Government (copy herewith).
  - (b) Circular R.A.288/1 dated 6/8/69 from the Department of Local Government (copy herewith).
  - (c) Report dated 1/9/69 from County Engineer (copy herewith).
  - (d) Correspondence from Roscommon County Manager in regard to Roscommon-Galway Road (copy herewith).
9. Report from County Manager regarding disposal of area of land - 1 rood 26 perches at Roundstone.
10. Application from University College, Galway, for a contribution towards development of the University.
11. Appointment of delegation to meet the Minister for Health for discussions on the Health Bill, 1969. (Chairman and nine other members).
12. Higher Education Grants - late applications.
13. Continuation of appointment of temporary rate collector for collection district No. 36.
14. Business submitted by County Manager.
15. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:
  - (a) Clr. T. Byrne:
    - (i) I will ask the County Manager the latest position re building of Council cottages at Woodford to meet the needs of some most deserving cases in the area.
    - (ii) That this Council requests the Department of Posts & Telegraphs to speed up the provision of a telephone kiosk and a letter box at Tirneevin, Gort.
    - (iii) I will ask the County Manager -
      - (a) the result of the preliminary investigation to have car parking facilities provided at Drumacoo graveyard, Ballindereen, and
      - (b) to remove loose clay and stones from same graveyard.

- (b) Clr. F. Glynn:
  - (i) That this County Council recommend to the County Committee of Agriculture that a full time agricultural officer be appointed for the - (a) Parish of Milltown  
(b) Parish of Kilconly.
  - (ii) That this Council consider the proposed plans for the local authority housing scheme in Tuam in view of the criticism of the standard of the design and that only single houses or semi-detached houses be provided.
- (c) Clr. P. Donnellan:
  - (i) At the next meeting of the Council, I will propose that no further rate collectors be appointed but that when vacancies arise, collection in that area should be taken up by office.
  - (ii) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will ask that the Council make a special effort to make dentures available to the people on the waiting list as soon as possible.
- (d) Senator J. M. Mannion:
  - (i) I will ask the County Manager at next meeting to outline the present position re proposed sewerage scheme and existing water supply in Cleggan.
- (e) Clr. P. D. Joyce:
  - (i) I will propose that Galway County Council take over the well at Cleggan Bridge and erect a pump on it.
- (f) Deputy J. Donnellan:
  - (i) At the next meeting of the Council I will ask that the water supply in Headford be improved.
  - (ii) I will ask that the Gortroe Road, Currandulla, be tarred immediately.
- (g) Deputy T. Hussey:
  - (i) At the next meeting of the Council, I will move the following motion - that immediate steps be taken to provide a new burial ground at Kilbannon.
- (h) Clr. B. Holland:
  - (i) I will propose that the appointment of Rate Collectors be made on a competitive basis.
  - (ii) That the Health Authority be responsible for costs of services of County Laboratory to patients attending Calvary Hospital where such cases would be free or at nominal cost if attendance were made at county institutions.
- (i) Deputy R. Molloy:
  - (i) That street lighting be provided between Barna village and Barna Catholic Church.
  - (ii) That a footpath be provided on the north side of the main Galway/Spiddal Road, from the Catholic Church at Barna to the village itself and that the existing footpaths in the village be raised and a similar footpath from Barna village be provided to pass the speed limit sign on the Spiddal side of the village.

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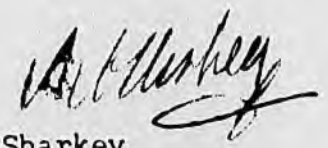
TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

CREATION OF OFFICE OF SOCIAL WORKER

A Chara,

In connection with the establishment of an itinerant sites in the city and county of Galway it is recommended that a Social Worker be recruited who will be able to deal with the many problems which will arise in connection with the settlement of the Itinerants. It is intended to continue with the provision of sites and it may be anticipated that the Social Worker will, in due course, be engaged full-time on this problem. I propose to seek appropriate contribution from the Galway Corporation towards the salary of the Social Worker. The salary scale for Social Worker is £755 x 7 increments of £39 x 1 increment of £42. - £1,070. per annum.

Mise, le meas,

  
A. A. Sharkey  
County Manager

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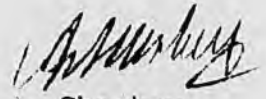
TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

A Chara,

Provision was made in the Estimates for the current year for the purchase of a new Accounting Machine as the present accounting machines in the accounts office are over-taxed and it is getting increasingly difficult to keep payments and postings of accounts up-to-date. It is anticipated that the new Accounting Machine will be delivered in the near future and it will be necessary to create an additional office of Clerk/Typist to enable an operator for this machine to be recruited.

The creation of the new office will be subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government. The salary scale for Clerk/Typist is £495 x £34 - £665 x £37 - £850 x £30 - £880.

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 SEPTEMBER, 1969

**IN THE CHAIR:** Clr. T. King,

**ALSO PRESENT:** Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputy M. Carty,  
Cirs. T. V. Clarke, E. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan,  
**Members:** Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen),  
Deputy J. Donnellan, Cirs. F. Donnellan, P. Fahey,  
P. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. F. Glynn, E. Haverly,  
B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Clr. P. D. Joyce,  
Clr. M. Killilea, Deputy M. Kitt, Clr. J. Lambert, Senator  
J. Mannion, Clr. H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Cirs. P. Raftery,  
S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

**Officials:** Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; L. O'Luanaigh,  
Assistant County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer  
and J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer and J. Howlett,  
County Secretary.

1146 - **MINUTES:** It was agreed that the minutes of meeting held on the  
25th August, 1969, (Nos. 1117 to 1145 inclusive) be approved and  
signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were  
then signed by the Chairman.

1147 - **SYMPATHY:** The Chairman and members extended sympathy to Miss Kathleen  
Mulkerrins of the Council's staff, on the death of her mother.

1148 - **MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** It was noted that malicious damage  
claims, as listed at 2 (a) to 2 (d) on the Agenda, had been received.

1149 - **OVERDRAFT ON ACCOUNTS FOR QUARTER ENDING 31/12/69:** Proposed by Deputy  
Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Croffy and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local  
Government, temporary overdraft accommodation not exceeding  
£750,000 be borrowed from the Council's Revenue Accounts,  
in respect of quarter ending 31/12/69."

1150 - **LOAN OF £110,000 for SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS:** Proposed by Clr. Burke,  
seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local  
Government, a loan of £110,000 be borrowed from the  
Commissioners of Public Works, for the payment of  
Supplementary Housing grants. The loan to be repayable  
by annuity over a period of 25 years, with interest at  
the Local Loans Fund rate."

1151 - **PROPOSED CENTRAL LAUNDRY AT CASTLEREA:** Proposed by Clr. Burke,  
seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that in accordance with recommendation of Hospital  
Visiting Committee, the Council hereby agree in  
principle with the suggestion contained in letter,  
No. A.116/899, of 11th July, 1969, from the Department  
of Health, in regard to the establishment of a flat-work  
laundry unit at Castlerea, to serve the needs of hospitals  
and institutions in the western region."

1152 - **CREATION OF OFFICE OF SOCIAL WORKER:** Proposed by Clr. Melvin and seconded  
by Deputy Coogan and resolved:-

"that in accordance with report dated 12th September, 1969,  
from the County Manager, the Council hereby agrees to the  
creation of the office of Social Worker and of any excess  
expenditure involved in the payment of one official to be  
recruited to this grade at the scale of £755 - £1,070  
per annum."

It was noted that a contribution would be sought from Galway  
Corporation towards the salary of the Social Worker.

1153 - **CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF CLERK/TYPIST:** Proposed by  
Clr. Croffy and seconded by Clr. Burke and resolved:-

"that in accordance with report dated 12th September,  
1969, from the County Manager, the Council  
approves of the creation of one additional office  
of Clerk/Typist and of any excess expenditure  
involved in payment of salary to an officer to be  
recruited to this grade, at the salary scale of  
£495 to £880 per annum."

1154 **RE-CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS:** Submitted (a) Circulars dated  
23/7/69 and 6/8/69 from the Department of Local Government  
(R.A.241/13 and R.A.288/1)

(b) Report dated 1/9/69 from the County Engineer, and

(c) Correspondence from Roscommon County Manager in regard to  
Roscommon/Galway Road.

A lengthy discussion took place on the roads classified as National  
Primary and National Secondary routes. It was agreed that the  
following changes from the proposed scheme of classification should  
be recommended to the Department of Local Government:

(1) The Galway/Roscommon Road to be re-classified as a National  
Primary route.

(2) The following routes to be included as National Secondary  
routes:-

(a) Ballinasloe, Portumna

(b) Tuam, Horseleap, Mountbellew/Ballyforan; Mountbellew/Ballinasloe  
via Ahascragh.

(c) Cois Fhairrige Road to Carraroe and continuation of coast road  
via Carna and Roundstone to Clifden.

(d) Road from Leenane to Maam Cross and from Maam Cross to  
the coast road.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Clr. Ryan, that  
the Council should recommend that the Galway/Sligo Road be  
routed through Dunmore. Clr. Burke, who was seconded by  
Clr. Glynn, proposed an amendment that the Council should agree to  
the routing of this road through Milltown, as proposed for new  
National Primary route.

A division was taken on this question and the voting was as follows:-

**For Clr. Burke's amendment:** Clr. Burke, Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty,  
Cirs. Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, S. Donnellan  
(Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan,  
Cirs. Glynn, Haverly, Deputy Hussey,  
Cirs. Joyce, King, Deputy Kitt,  
Cirs. Melvin, Raftery, Kyne (17).

**Against:** Cirs. Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan,  
Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan,  
Cirs. Galvin, M. Killilea, Lambert,  
Senator Mannion, and Ryan (10).

The Chairman declared that Clr. Burke's amendment had been carried and  
that Deputy Donnellan's motion had been defeated on the same voting.

During the course of the discussion on roads, Deputy Kitt referred to difficulties experienced with the planning of a Convent Secondary School at Tuam due to uncertainty in regard to the road plan.

1155 - DISPOSAL OF AREA OF LAND AT ROUNDSTONE:

The County Manager explained that a problem had arisen in regard to the determination of the price of a site to be sold to the Parish Priest at Roundstone.

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

"that the Council hereby authorise the County Manager to proceed with formalities for the disposal of site at Roundstone for the sum of £50."

1156 - APPLICATION FROM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GALWAY, FOR A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY:

The County Manager informed the Council that an application had been received from University College, Galway, for a contribution towards the capital expenditure to be incurred on plan for the development of the college. Total development costs were estimated at £12m. and it was hoped that £1m. of this amount could be raised locally. Galway County Council and Galway Corporation were being asked to contribute 10% of the local levy or £100,000. This sum would be sought over a period of 10 years and a suggested annual contribution of £10,000 per annum was equivalent to a rate of 4d in the £. The contribution had been sought under Section 14 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963. There was some doubt concerning statutory powers in this matter but in the meantime, the College authorities were requesting approval, in principle, from the local authorities to a contribution of the order stated above.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved:-

"that Galway County Council hereby agrees in principle, to contribute £10,000 per annum over a period of 10 years towards the cost of development plan for University College, Galway. The contribution will be subject to the clarification of the Council's statutory powers in this matter and subject to recoupment of the appropriate fraction of the expenses from Galway Corporation through the County Demand."

1157 - APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATION TO MEET THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH FOR A DISCUSSION ON THE HEALTH BILL, 1969:

The County Manager informed the Council that a meeting would be held with the Minister for Health on Wednesday, 8th October, at 11 a.m., at The Shamrock Lodge Hotel, Athlone. The Department of Health had invited a delegation consisting of the Chairman of the Council and 9 other members to attend this meeting. The County Manager and the County Medical Officer were also invited.

It was proposed by Clr. Melvin and unanimously agreed that the following members of the Council should be nominated to attend:-

Deputies Kitt and Hussey, Clrs. Killilea, Kyne, Mrs. Croffy, S. Donnellan (Moycullen), Senator Mannion, Clrs. Holland, Galvin and Ryan.

It was proposed by Clr. Fahey, that the deputation should refer to the number of non-medical card holders (estimated at 76% of the population) in his area who had no right to medical attention from dispensary doctors but who are urgently in need of such a service. Clr. Burke suggested that the deputation raise the matter of the inadequacy of dental services and Clr. Collins requested that under the revised arrangements for health administration, there should be no reduction of local representation on health committees.

1158 - SCHEME FOR RELIEF FROM RATES: The Chairman stated that he was giving Deputy Carty permission to raise the matter of the Council's scheme for the relief from rates. The County Secretary read letter from Deputy Carty requesting that a statement should be made about this scheme. The Secretary then read particulars of the scheme.

During the course of a discussion, Clr. Fahey suggested that Old I.R.A. pensioners should be included as eligible persons in the scheme. It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan and resolved:-

"that the Department of Local Government be requested to recoup to the Council, the cost of operating scheme of relief from rates."

1159 - HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS - Late Applications: On the proposal of Senator Mannion, seconded by Clr. E. Donnellan, it was resolved:-

"that while the latest date for the above scheme shall continue to be the 30th June, 1969, applications received after this date but on or before the 31st October, 1969, will be considered, subject to the consent of the Department of Education."

1160 - CONTINUATION OF APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY RATE COLLECTOR FOR COLLECTION DISTRICT NO. 36:

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

"that the appointment of Mrs. Margaret Dermody as temporary rate collector for collection district No. 36 be continued until the 31st October, 1969, or until revised arrangements are made for collection of rates."

1161 - BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

(a) Recommendations of Joint Committee on Itinerancy at meeting held on the 19th September, 1969:

It was proposed by Clr. Fahey, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved:-

"that the Council agree to the following recommendations of the Joint Committee on Itinerancy, which were made at meeting held on the 19th September, 1969 -

- (1) That a Social Worker be appointed for the County of Galway (this had already been agreed by minute No. 1152).
- (2) That the following resolution be adopted by the Council:-

"That legislation be introduced to establish a Childrens' Rights Charter which would forbid the use of children as beggars and guarantee the children the right to an education, and that the right of the itinerant child to a normal education is superior to the right of the itinerant parents to move freely around the country and that the Council request the Government to pass legislation to this effect".

(3) That the County Manager be authorised to establish temporary itinerant sites in the county health district, in suitable locations and with the co-operation of the public, on the lines recently followed by the Galway Corporation.

(b) Revision of salary for Physiotherapists:

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

"that the following scale of salary be adopted for physiotherapists, with effect from the 1st June, 1968 -

£785 x £36 - £1145.

Excess expenditure of £110 is hereby authorised in respect of this revision".

(c) Salary revision for Medical Laboratory Technicians:

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

"that revised salaries as recommended in the Labour Court's recommendation No. 2423 dated 15th July, 1969, be paid to Laboratory Technicians, and student technicians employed by the Galway County Council. Excess expenditure of £1,700 is hereby approved in respect of this item."

1162 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION ROADS: The Chairman stated that the improvement of the following road was urgent as it provided an access to a secondary school:

Road in Tuam area, length 170 l. yds. from County Road No. 121 northwards 170 yds. beside Headford Church.

He proposed that it should be taken over by the Council and repaired at an estimated cost of £345.

This proposal was seconded by Clr. P. Donnellan and was agreed unanimously.

MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:

1163 - Council cottages at Woodford: Clr. T. Byrne was informed by the County Manager that an architect had been appointed for the construction of Council cottages at Woodford and that the matter would go ahead as soon as the title to the land had been clarified.

1164 - Telephone Kiosk at Tirneevin, Gort: It was resolved that the Council should request the Department of Posts & Telegraphs to speed up the provision of a telephone kiosk and letter box at Tirneevin, Gort.

1165 - Car parking at Drumacoo Graveyard: Clr. Byrne was informed by the County Manager that this work would cost £120. The provision for such expense would be considered at the 1970/71 estimates. Loose clay and stones would be removed from the graveyard in the meantime.

1166 - Appointment of Agricultural Officers: On the recommendation of Clr. Glynn, the Council agreed to request the County Committee of Agriculture to appoint a full time agricultural officer for -

(a) the parish of Milltown, and

(b) the parish of Kilconly.

1167 - Housing Scheme at Athenry Road, Tuam: On the proposal of Clr. Glynn, it was agreed that the Department of Local Government should be requested to allow detached or semi-detached houses to be constructed

at housing scheme planned for the Athenry and Dublin Roads, Tuam.

The County Manager explained that the scheme had been designed to the standards prescribed in circular letter T.1/69, dated 14/2/69, which had been received from the Department of Local Government.

1168 - Collection of rates: A discussion took place on a motion by Clr. P. Donnellan, that no further rate collectors be appointed and that rate collection should be taken up by the office according as vacancies arose. Deputy Kitt proposed by way of amendment, that the Council should continue to appoint rate collectors, retaining the powers which they had in this regard.

A division was taken on Deputy Kitt's amendment and the voting was as follows:-

for: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, S. Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Kyne (17).

Against: Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clr. P. Donnellan, Clrs. Galvin, Glynn, Lambert, Senator Mannion and Clr. Ryan. (12).

The Chairman declared that Deputy Kitt's amendment had been carried and that Clr. P. Donnellan's motion had been defeated on the same voting.

1169 - Provision of dentures: A lengthy discussion took place on a motion by Clr. P. Donnellan, that the Council should make a special effort to make dentures available to people on the waiting list, as soon as possible.

The County Manager outlined the steps which were being taken to improve dental services and the difficulties, in terms of staff and financial resources, which inhibited a faster development of the service.

During the course of a discussion on this matter, tributes were paid to the work of the Senior Dental Officer and it was suggested by Deputy Molloy that he should attend a meeting of the Council for a discussion on the dental service. Deputy Kitt suggested that the Chief Dental Officer should be requested to attend a meeting of the Consultative Health Committee. Deputy Molloy's suggestion was agreed to.

1170 - Sewerage and water schemes in Cleggan: Senator Mannion was informed that the Cleggan water supply appeared to be reasonably satisfactory and that Cleggan sewerage scheme was not on the Priority List.

1171 - Well at Cleggan Bridge: Clr. Joyce was informed by the County Manager that there had been an objection by the owner of well at Cleggan Bridge and that it was doubtful if the Council had the power to take over this well, having regard to the objection.

1172 - Water Supply in Headford: The County Manager informed Deputy J. Donnellan that the Council was at present negotiating with the Office of Public Works with regard to the Headford water supply scheme.

1173 - Gortroe Road, Currandulla: Deputy Donnellan was informed that the Gortroe Road to which he referred appeared to be one of the branches of Co. Road 137 and that it would be considered for tarring in year 1970/71.

1174 - Burial Ground at Kilbannon: The County Manager informed Deputy Hussey, that considerable difficulty was being experienced in obtaining a suitable site for a new burial ground at Kilbannon. The matter was being pursued and alternative sites would be surveyed in the near future.

1175 - Rate Collection: Clr. Holland proposed that Rate Collectors should be appointed by competitive examination. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Galvin. An amendment was proposed by Deputy Kitt, that the method of appointing rate collectors, at present employed by the Council, should be retained.

A division was taken on Deputy Kitt's amendment and the voting resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Callanan, Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, S. Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clr. Kyne(15).

Against: Clrs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clrs. L. Donnellan, Galvin, Glynn, Holland Senator Mannion and Clr. Ryan (11).

The Chairman declared that Deputy Kitt's amendment had been carried and that Clr. Holland's proposal had been defeated on the same voting.

1176 - Costs of services of County Laboratory for patients attending Calvary Hospital:

Clr. Holland sought permission of the Chairman to adjourn motion on the above subject. The Chairman agreed that this motion should be adjourned but he stated that he had previously indicated that he proposed to deal with all business on the Agenda and that he was reluctant to allow a member to withdraw or adjourn a motion which he had submitted.

Clr. Galvin gave notice that he intended to submit a motion in regard to the method of presentation of hospital bills.

1177 - Street lighting between Barna Village and Barna Catholic Church:

Deputy Molloy was informed that the capital cost of this public lighting was estimated at £1,553 and that the matter had been deferred for consideration to the 1970/71 estimates.

1178 - Footpath at Barna: Deputy Molloy was informed that improvements to the footpath at Barna, would be considered when the road was next being improved.

1179 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

- Mr. Thomas Hughes, Spiddal, on the death of his wife.
- Mr. Michael Glynn, Ballyturn, Gort, on the death of his son.
- Miss C. Glynn, Barrack Street, Loughrea, on the death of her brother.
- Mr. John Higgins, Lakeview, Moylough, on the death of his brother.
- Mrs. Nora Cullinane, Mountbrown, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

The Meeting then terminated

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

*Tomás Uí Néill*  
Chairman

27/10/69

COMHAIRLE    CHONTAE    NA    GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH.

Iu Deire Fomhair, 1969.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

I have been requested by the Co. Manager to inform you that he has received a request to have the following motion considered at a special meeting of the Council, to be held at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, 9th October, 1969. The resolution and the names of members by whom the notice has been signed is as follows:

"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Council direct the County Manager to grant permission under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, to Mr. Charles Rabbit, for the erection of a motel in the townland of Morrogh, in accordance with plan submitted by him on the 14th August, 1969. Planning Reg. No. 6672.

Michael F. Kitt  
John Callanan  
Robert M. Molloy  
Thos. Hussey  
Edward Haverty."

Mise, le meas,

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Runai.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

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Bothar Mor,  
GAILLIMH.

2u Deire Fomhair, 1969.

Chuibh Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle/

A Chara,

I have been requested by the Deputy Manager to inform you that he has received a request to have the following motion considered at a special meeting of the Council, to be held at 3.30 p.m. on Thursday, 9th October, 1969. The resolution and the names of members by whom the notice has been signed is as follows:

"Pursuant to Section 4 of the County & City Management (Amendment) Act 1955, we the undersigned being members of Galway County Council, hereby give you notice of our intention to propose the resolution, a copy of which is included in this letter. We require that the said resolution be considered by Galway County Council at a special meeting of the County Council to be held on Thursday, October 9th, 1969, at 3.30 p.m.

Whereas the salmon and eel fisheries on the River Corrib, Galway, owned by Messrs. Cahill & Young Ltd. London are now for sale that we the Council of the County of Galway by this resolution require the County Manager and the County Council to acquire the said fisheries for fair compensation and develop same for the benefit of the people of Galway and the Irish Nation and we hereby require that the said order be now made.

Frank Glynn, M.C.C.  
William Burke, M.C.C.  
Patrick Ruane, M.C.C.

Mise, le meas,

S. HULLÉID

Runai.

P.S. This matter may be considered as the second item at meeting to be held on 9th instant, as notice of an earlier motion has already been circulated.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL,  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Kitt.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Cirs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, Deputy M. Carty, Cirs. T. V. Clarke, F. Collins, Deputy F. Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. M. Croffy, F. Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), F. Donnellan, P. Fahey, E. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Cirs. E. D. Joyce, Clr. J. Lambert, Senator J. Mannion, Cirs. H. Melvin, E. Raftery, F. Ruane, S. Kyne and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer; S. Cullinane, Chief Assistant County Engineer; R. Lee, Planning Officer; J. Howlett, County Secretary; T. Smyth, Staff Officer.

1180 - CHAIRMAN:

In the absence of the Chairman it was proposed by Councillor Callanan and seconded by Councillor Mrs. M. Croffy and unanimously resolved that Deputy M. Kitt should take the chair.

1181 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 6672 - Notice under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

The following motion, of which the required statutory notice had been given, was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt and seconded by Clr. J. Callanan:-

"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Council direct the County Manager to grant permission under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, to Mr. Charles Rabbitt, for the erection of a motel in the townland of Murrough, in accordance with plan submitted by him on the 14th August, 1969 - Planning Reference No. 6672."

The County Manager then made the following report to the Council:.....

Planning Application No. 6672 - Mr. Charles Rabbitt - erection of Motel in the townland of Murrrough.

REPORT TO COUNCIL/

The application was received on the 14th August, 1969. The following is an extract from the Architect's covering letter, dated 11th August, 1969, which accompanied the application:-

"We are applying on behalf of our client, Mr. Charles Rabbitt, for permission to erect a motel on the Dublin Road, near Murrrough. We hereby declare that our client has obtained the freehold of the property concerned and that he has made the necessary declaration in the national newspapers, as required under the 1963 Planning Act.

This is our second application for permission to Galway County Council and we feel that conditions have changed on the road, to warrant an appraisal of the site. The speed limit is much nearer and a new 60 m.p.h. speed limit has been introduced all over the country for a proper safe functioning of such traffic."

The Planning Officer recommended that permission be refused on the following grounds:-

1. Because the proposed development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the existing adjacent arterial route and further because of the future planned construction of a dual-carriageway on this route. Traffic generating development of this nature along the route, would endanger the safety and free flow of traffic on the route.
2. Because the proposed development would be contrary to the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in Paragraph 2. 13 (1) (b) (c) (d) (e) of the County Development Plan.

On the 22/9/1969 the applicant was written to by the County Manager, as follows:-

"You called to me some time ago in connection with planning application for the erection of a motel on the Dublin Road near Murrrough - Planning reference No. 6672. I have had an opportunity of looking into this matter specially, as requested by you but I feel the application cannot be approved because of the proposal would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the existing adjacent arterial route and further because of the future planned construction of a dual carriageway on this route. Traffic generating development of this nature along the route, would endanger the safety and free flow of traffic on the route.

I find that a couple of other applications in this area have been turned down on the same grounds and that on appeal, the Minister has upheld the decisions of the Council. In these circumstances, I cannot see any prospect of the application being granted but before making the formal decision, if you have any points which you wish to submit in regard to it, I will, of course, consider them."

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On the 24/9/69, Cirs. Glynn and King were advised of the intention to refuse the permission sought.

On 30/9/69 a resolution under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, was submitted.

On 1/10/1969 the applicant wrote as follows:-

"Thank you for your letter of the 22nd ultimo in connection with the planning application in townland of Murrrough. I note that in your view, such a proposed construction, would cause road hazard, especially because of future planned construction of dual carriageway on the route. For your consideration, I should like to submit further points in this connection:-

1. This site, situated as it is, between a factory and bungalows, is only a few hundred yards from City boundary. According to current proposed developments, it would be part of Galway within a number of years.
2. When the new bye-pass road is completed, the view on either side would be at least 700 yards, 500 yards, respectively.
3. Galway is scheduled to double in size in about 15 years of present growth. The continued expansion of hotels in city centre, will not be possible, mainly due to lack of parking space. The proposed motel, with ample parking space and its location (as now has been shown by new hotels in this area) is an obvious choice for such a development. A proper access to the new road will have to be made from the old roads. We are quite willing to help in any way on this point, also
4. regarding advent of dual carriageway - business for this motel would come mainly from the Oranmore direction. It is the proper side of the road and in my view, much safer than a structure on the opposite side, for the same purpose.

Thanking you for your attention given to me in this matter and hoping for favourable consideration."

The following are the Planning Officer's comments on the applicants letter:-

"The main eastward route from the central street system to Merlin Park would be designed as an urban route ~~catering for urban~~ route catering for urban traffic conditions, - the roadway eastwards from Merlin Park to Oranmore would be designed as a dual carriage-way catering for arterial route traffic conditions.

This design concept clearly and automatically follows from the co-ordinated County and City Planning policies that the eastward expansion of the city should be contained within the Borough boundary and the next immediate centre of development should be at Oranmore.

The construction of a dual carriageway between Oranmore and the city boundary will involve a considerable financial expenditure. It will be designed to cater for the lateral free flow and safety of traffic. The transverse injection of traffic flow on to the route must be controlled so as not to interfere with the function and safety of the road.

1. The site is situated in between a bungalow site which was the

subject of a grant of permission on appeal by the Minister and a building which was in existence before the operation of planning control and is now in use as a factory. The statement in the second sentence is at complete variance with county and city planning policies.

2. The extent of the site distance available is not a factor in the consideration of the application, - the factors involved are the effects of the development on the safety and free flow of traffic.
3. Any such or similar projection will undoubtedly be very material in the considerations in the Galway City Plan and naturally such projections as will be made will be catered for both in location and extent in the various land use zones incorporated in the plan.
4. The general comment above on the function of the dual carriageway deals with this submission.

The applicant's Architect refers in his covering letter to a previous application. This was Planning Application No. 4007 for the erection of a motel by Mr. C. Rabbitt at Murrough. Permission for the development was refused on the 26th January, 1968, for the following reason :-

"Because the proposed development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the existing adjacent arterial route and further because of the future planned construction of a dual carriageway on this route, traffic generating development of this nature along the route, would endanger the safety and free flow of traffic on the route."

The applicant appealed to the Minister against the Council's decision on the 1st August, 1969. The Minister refused permission for the following reason :-

"The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the traffic movements to which it would give rise, would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic to the adjoining heavily trafficed road."

Other applications received for this area, were dealt with as follows:-

Reference No. 1075 - Thomas McManus, Moate: Application for outline permission for the erection of motel in the townland of Curragreen. Application refused for the following reasons: amongst others:-

1. It is proposed to convert the existing roadway into a dual carriageway; by virtue of the location of the proposed motel, adjacent to a road curve, an access way across the traffic lanes, at or near this location, could not be allowed.

2. By virtue of the location of the proposed motel, adjacent to a reverse road curve on a heavily trafficed road egress and ingress, of the traffic generated, it would constitute an immediate traffic hazard.

Reference No. 4086 - Oslanna Iompair Eireann Teo. - 100 bedroom Motor Inn in townland of Curragreen: Application refused 2nd February, 1968, for the following reasons:-

"Because the proposed development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the existing adjacent arterial route and further because of the planned construction of a dual carriageway on this route, traffic generating development of this nature along the route would endanger the safety and free flow of traffic on the route.

The proposed development lies between the road and the sea and would interfere with the view from the road to the sea."

On appeal this application was refused by the Minister for the following reasons:-

1. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the increased traffic to which it would give rise, would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the adjoining heavily trafficed arterial route.
2. The proposed development, because of its prominent location, would impair the view from the road to the sea and thereby injure the scenic amenities of the area which is designated in the Development Plan as one of high amenity.

Reference No. 3895 - P. Holland - erection of Motel/Hotel, ancillary services and staff houses in the townland of Garran South.

This application was refused by the Council on the 29th December, 1967, for the following reasons:-

1. "Because of the inadequacy of the existing village water supply system, any available reserve capacity is required to be conserved for the needs of the village.
2. Because the proposed development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the existing adjacent arterial route and further because of the future planned construction of a dual carriageway on this route, traffic generating development of this nature along the route would endanger the safety and free flow of traffic on the route.

An appeal in this case is pending.

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Reference No. 5629 - Oslanna Iompair Eireann Teo. - Application for Motel and Filling Station in the townland of Murrrough.

Outline permission for this application was granted, subject to the following conditions:-

1. That permission shall exclude the erection of a filling station on the site.
2. The creation of access to the site and the provision of all necessary services to cater for the development, shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Galway Borough Council. (It is pointed out that this motel is situated on the county borough boundary, approximately three-quarters of it being within the city area).

It is clear therefore, that the Council's policy of restricting development along this heavily trafficed route has been fully upheld by the Minister. The latest application is substantially the same as that already refused. Speed limit changes being urged in support of the application would not justify a change in the Council's policy.

In view of the Minister's consistent upholding of the Council's policy to date, I strongly recommend to the Council that they should not interfere with the normal planning procedure in this case. The applicant will be able on receipt of the Council's refusal for permission, to appeal to the Minister and will have an opportunity of putting forward his reasons for a change in policy, adopted by the Council and the Minister, to development along this road.

On receipt of the resolution under Section 4, of the County and City Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, I asked the Council's Solicitor to examine the legality of dealing with the application on the lines set out in the resolution, having regard to the applicant's submission that the new application is substantially the same as the previous one which was refused both by the Council and the Minister.

The Council's Solicitor has advised as follows:-

"With reference to your letter of the 6th instant, the refusal of permission by the County Council's Planning Authority, as confirmed by the Minister for Local Government, on appeal, is a quasi judicial decision and according to the decision in the case of the Athlone Woollen Mills Company Limited -v- The Athlone Urban District Council, the doctrine of "res Judicata" applies.

If a person seeks to renew his application for Planning Permission under the Planning Act, he can only do so if there is a change of circumstances, or he submits new plans. In regard to the present application, I do not think the mere fact of a

speed limit of 60 m.p.h. having been introduced on the road in question is a change of circumstances which would nullify the application of the doctrine of "res judicata".

The application of 60 m.p.h. speed limit is in no sense permanent - the Minister could change this to-morrow."

In view of this advice, it is necessary for me to inform the Council, that even if the resolution is passed, I will be unable to comply with its terms and the application will be refused on the 10th instant.

The applicant will, as I have already indicated, be able to appeal against the Council's decision and the Minister will be advised of the Council's decision on the resolution and given a copy of this report, when observations on the applicant's grounds of appeal, are being submitted.

The County Engineer and Chief Planning Assistant are at the meeting and will give the Council any additional information regarding the application, if required.

During the course of a lengthy discussion which took place when the County Manager had concluded his report, the Planning Officer, at the request of the Council, demonstrated on a map the proposed sites of similar developments which had been refused by the Council on the road frontage between the boundary of Galway Borough and the town of Oranmore. The Council also noted the sites of hotels, being in whole or in part within the boundary of Galway Borough, on which developments had been allowed. The following points were made by the Council in relation to -

Planning Application No. 6672:  
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- (a) The developments could not give rise to a traffic hazard, particularly in view of plans for a diversion of the main road whereby the hotel site would have its frontage on a section of roadway no longer used as a main road.
- (b) The planning policies of Galway County Council and Galway Corporation were not consistent in relation to hotel development on the main road in question, as the latter authority had allowed such development.
- (c) The site of the proposed motel was in an area likely to be included in any extension of the Galway Borough.
- (d) Hotel development ought to be encouraged and there was nothing wrong with hotel development which ought to be encouraged between Galway and Oranmore in order to cater for increased tourism and to bring more money into the area. Deputy Coogan expressed a reservation on this point and stated that while he supported the present application, he would not favour further applications for hotel development in this area.

Councillor P. Galvin said that while he had an open mind in regard to the development in question, he felt that it was wrong in principle for the Council to oppose the technical advice given to them on this matter and he also feared that if the resolution was adopted, it would be followed by a host of similar resolutions in relation to planning applications which had been refused. Other members of the Council indicated that they saw



nothing wrong with the use of Section 4 resolutions in connection with planning and they proposed to use this procedure in relation to other cases.

The County Engineer, who was asked to comment, stated that there had been a huge increase in the volume of traffic on the Galway/Oranmore main road. In order to cope with this traffic, major road improvement works were in progress and further improvements were being planned. He was satisfied that the development in question would lead to a further undesirable increase in the volume of traffic. It was also obvious, unless development was checked, there could be extensive building including many developments along the entire road frontage between Galway and Oranmore. In the light of the improvements which had to be made to facilitate traffic, it would be extremely bad planning to allow such development to commence. It was consistent with good planning that a different policy should be applied within and without the Borough Boundary. It was also desirable that settlements such as Oranmore should be encouraged to develop.

Following some further discussion the County Manager explained again that he would not be in a position to implement the resolution if it was adopted by the Council. He was obliged, in accordance with the legal advice which he had received, to refuse the application. The applicant could then appeal to the Minister and he undertook to furnish the Minister with full details of the Council's resolution and of the discussion thereon.

The Chairman stated that notwithstanding the legal obstacles which had been raised, he proposed they take a vote on the motion which had been proposed by himself and seconded by Councillor Callanan. A vote was then taken and the members voted as follows:-

For the motion: Cirs. Byrne, Callanan, Clarke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cirs. Mrs. Croffy, Cunningham, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), P. Donnellan, Fahey, Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey, Clr. Joyce, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannon, Cirs. Melvin, Raftery, Kyne, Ruane and Ryan (23).

Against: Clr. Burke, Deputy Carty and Clr. Galvin (3)

The Chairman declared the motion had been carried.

1182 - ACQUISITION OF SALMON AND EEL FISHERIES ON THE RIVER CORRIB - The resolution under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

Councillor Glynn, seconded by Clr. Burke proposed a motion of which the required statutory notice was given in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, as follows:

"Whereas the salmon and eel fisheries on the River Corrib, Galway, owned by Messrs. Cahill & Young Limited, London, are now for sale, that we, the Council of the County of Galway, by this resolution, require the County Manager and the County Council to acquire the said fisheries for fair compensation and develop same for the benefit of the people of Galway and the Irish nation and we hereby require that the said order be now made."

Councillor Glynn stated that he had introduced this motion at the special meeting because there was a degree of urgency in the matter. The Council had the power to acquire the fisheries under the Planning Act. It was desirable that they should be in the possession of the local authority. He was convinced that the fisheries would pay their way, and indeed, would profit if they were properly managed.

The most important consideration, however, was that these fisheries would then be maintained for the Irish people.

Councillor Glynn quoted statistics in relation to the fisheries and Councillor Collins and other members of the Council agreed with certain of the principles stated by Clr. Glynn but maintained that the acquisition of fisheries should not be a matter for the Council but for the State. Deputy Coogan felt that the acquisition of the fisheries was a matter for private enterprise.

The County Manager stated that he did not think that Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, contained the appropriate procedure for dealing with this matter. The Council had no prior opportunity of considering the matter and he felt that it should have been brought up at an ordinary meeting or at a special meeting called under the procedure specified in Standing Orders. The Council could then have gone through the normal procedure of getting expert advice on the matter. However, Section 4 had been used and he had no doubt that the matter could be dealt with under the Planning Act. Viewed in this light, it was apparent that the motion failed for uncertainty. No time was specified for the acquisition of the fisheries, nor was any definite compensation specified in the motion. On this account, he felt that he would not be in a position to implement the motion if it was passed by the Council.

During the course of a lengthy discussion many of the members of the Council expressed sympathy with Councillor Glynn's motion but stated that they felt that the acquisition of the fisheries was a matter for the State. The Chairman read a letter which he had received from the Trout Anglers Association, which contained a request to the Government to acquire the fisheries.

Councillor Glynn stated that in view of the feeling of the members on this matter, he would reluctantly withdraw his original motion and propose an alternative motion on the matter. A motion on the following terms was accordingly passed unanimously by the Council:-

"That the Government be requested to acquire the Salmon & Eel Fisheries on the River Corrib, Galway, which are understood to be now for sale by the owners, Messrs. Cahill and Young Limited, London. When the fisheries have been acquired by the State, they should be developed for the benefit of the people of Galway and of the nation."

The meeting then terminated

Submitted, approved and confirmed  
*Thomas Mac an Ríoz*  
Chairman

27/10/69

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bohar Mor,  
GAILLIMH.

20u Deire Fomhair, 1969.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de  
Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Forinstithe Chontae,  
Gaillimh, De Luain, 27u la de Deire Fomhair, 1969, ag tosnu ag 3.30  
p.m. a chlog.

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AGENDA.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
  - (a) Thomas & Margaret Mulryan, Barna, Boyounagh, Castlereagh.  
Hay burned on 15th. September ... .. £500. 0. 0.
  - (b) John Ryan, Derryglassaun, Menlough.  
Hayshed and contents, 25 tons hay, 1 ton straw,  
horse, cart and timber, burned on 14th. September. £930. 0. 0.
  - (c) A. Guinan, Kilrickle, Loughrea.  
One plate glass window broken on 18th. September. £ 40.0. 0.
  - (d) Helena Mary Egan, Woodpark, Portumna.  
Damage to newly bored Artesian Well on  
18th. September, ... .. £140. 0. 0.
  - (e) David Ward, Kilmore, Tuam.  
Injury to piebald filly on 17th. September ... .. £ 70. 0. 0.
  - (f) Electricity Supply Board, Lr. Fitzwilliam St.,  
Dublin.  
Damage to two low tension poles at Kilmacshane,  
Banagher on 2nd/3rd October .... .. £ 60. 0. 0.

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3. Filling of Casual Vacancy created in the membership of the Council by the resignation of Deputy John Geoghegan.
4. Appointment (if the Council see fit) of Vice-Chairman.
5. Filling of vacancies on the following committees arising from the resignation of Deputy John Geoghegan:-
  - (i) Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board,
  - (ii) County Libraries Committee
  - (iii) Consultative Health Committee
  - (iv) Galway Harbour Authority
6. Minutes of meeting of Joint Committee on Itinerancy held on 19th. September, 1969. (copy herewith).
7. Disposal of land.
  - (i) Plot of land at Roundstone -  
Notice dated 2nd. October, 1969.
  - (ii) Plot of land at County Buildings - Notice dated  
13th. October, 1969.
8. Declaration of roads to be public roads - (list attached) - final
9. Creation of office of Bacterologist.
10. Proposed payment of Sunday and night duty allowances to non-nursing staffs employed in Councils institutions.
11. Application of "pay in the public service" award to Councils' staff.
12. Report on Planning Administration.
13. Raising of loan for demountable dwellings and caravans.
14. Proposed Water Supply for Inishere.
15. Request by County Councils General Council for submission of any items for Agenda of its November meeting.
16. Renewal of University Scholarships and submission for approval of Minutes of Meeting of Higher Education Grants Committee held on 6th. October, 1969.
17. Notice of Motion Roads 1969/70 (First List) and L.I.S. Roads for declaration as public roads:
18. Business submitted by County Manager.
19. MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION.
  - (a) Deputy R. Molloy.
    - (i) That a report be given on the present position of the water supply proposed for Inishere, Inishmore (Bungowla), Ballybrit, Bushy Park, Menlo, Castlegar and Knocknacarra.
    - (ii) That a report be given on the present position of the sewerage systems proposed for Knocknacarra, Oramore, Barna and Moyculien.
    - (iii) That the "low-road" between Kilronan and Kilmurvey (Aran) be black-topped next year.

(b) Deputy M. Kitt.

At the next meeting of the County Council I will propose -

- (i) That the road from County Road 514 near Michael Kelly's home, Caltraduff, Ballyforan, Ballinasloe, to Derrycahill Bridge, be taken over and maintained by Galway County Council as it was repaired by local applicants under R.I.S. Sanction No. 502.
- (ii) I will request to be informed re Local Improvements Scheme:-
  - (a) the amount of grant allotted for 1969-'70
  - (b) the amount spent to 30/9/'69
  - (c) if it is expected that the full allocation will be expended, by year ending 31/3/'70.
- (iii) I will propose that Galway Co. Council adopt a scheme to give Housing Loans to applicants with an income exceeding £1200 per year or £50 Rateable Valuation if the applicant is a farmer, as is done by other Local Authorities and allowed by Dept. for Local Government.

(c) Clr. T. Clarke.

- (i) I will ask the County Manager to state the present position regarding the new cemetery at Ballinahown.
- (ii) I will ask when widening and other improvements on the road leading to Rossaveal Pier will be carried out.
- (iii) I will propose that public toilet facilities be provided for Carraroe.

(d) Clr. William Burke.

- (i) When will work commence on the long awaited Sewerage for Desmesne Cottages.
- (ii) I will propose water extension be carried out to Fortyacres on the Dunmore Road, Tuam, and also that extension to Cottages in Dublin Road, Tuam.
- (iii) that accommodation be made available within the county for handicapped children.

(e) Clr. T. Byrne.

- (i) That the street lighting on the Station Road, Gort be improved.
- (ii) I will ask the County Manager when it is proposed to erect pump at Traenlaur (Middle Third) Maree.
- (iii) That consideration be given to blacktopping the following roads in the parish of Ardahan in the coming year:-
  - (a) Road through village of Rathbane
  - (b) Link road adjoining the Ardahan (Kilcolgan and Ardahan/Craughwell county roads, through Castletaylor.

(f) Clr. J. Lambert.

(i) What progress is being made by this Council towards the provision of Public Toilets.

(ii) If Road Signs now being erected are made in this Country.

(g) Deputy M. Carty. - At the next meeting of the Co. Council, I or some other member acting for me shall move the following Motion:-

(1) That in order to effect necessary improvements at a dangerous junction, this Council declares the road off the Loughrea-Bullaun into the village of Lackafinna, Bullaun, to be a public road.

(h) Deputy J. Donnellan.

(i) At the next meeting of County Council I will ask that adequate Public lighting be provided at the church in Lecagh.

(i) Clr. P. Donnellan.

(i) At the next meeting of the County Council I will ask that the Forameela East Road leading by Peader Hickey's house, Barna, be tarred in the next financial year.

(j) Clr. Hugh Melvin.

(i) That both banks of clay on the roadside at Roveagh Church be removed to allow space for cars to park and also to allow the free movement of traffic.

(k) Clr. P. Healy.

(i) Considering that good roads are an essential in maintaining our rural population, I wish to propose that the Council requests the Co. Engineer to formulate a five year "Rural Roads Plan" in an effort to have all roads leading to rural dwellings rolled and tarmacadamed within the five year period.

(i) I wish to propose the addition of Peter Keely, Ballycleirc, Kinvara, to Kinvara O.A. Pensions Committee as there is no representative from the area at present on this Committee.

(l) Clr. S. Kyne.

(i) That the sewerage scheme on the Clifden Road, Oughterard be extended to serve the houses in Claremount as far as Doctor's house and dispensary.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

2nd October, 1969.

109/38/104.

To: Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

In accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, notice is hereby given to you of a proposal to sell a plot of land at Roundstone, particulars of which are given hereunder, viz.,

LAND:

Plot of land area 1 rood, 26 sq. perches situated near Roundstone Village, in the townland of Roundstone and Electoral Division of Roundstone.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Land Commission - Fair Green.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF:

Diocesan Trustees (Catholic Church Authorities) for £50 plus costs of conveyance. To be used as a site for a Priests Residence.

OTHER COVENANTS OR CONDITIONS:

None.

This matter will be placed on the Agenda of the ordinary meeting of this Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 clear days from the date of this notice.

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J. HOWLETT,

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

109/2/1.

13th. October, 1969.

To: Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

In accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, Notice is hereby given to you of a proposal to dispose of a plot of land, particulars of which are given hereunder, viz.,

LAND:

Plot of land 6 feet by 6 feet situated at the County Buildings in the townland of Townsparks and Electoral Division of Galway Urban North Ward.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Not known.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF:

Electricity Supply Board, Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL:

£10 plus 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 the yearly rent of 1/=-.
- (11) The site shall be used for the erection of a sub-station.

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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COMHAIRLE CONTAE 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, 27th October, 1969, commencing at 3.30 p.m. consider the making of a declaration that the following roads shall be declared public roads:-

Laneways to rear of St. Paul's and St. Bridget's Terraces in the town of Tuam.

Length - 230 yds.

K. Doyle

Runai Sealadach

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1969, AT 4 P.M.

Chairman: Mr. T. King

Also present:

Galway County Council: Deputies M. Kitt and T. Hussey; Clrs. P. Fahy, J. Lambert and H. Melvin.

Galway Corporation: Clr. Mary Byrne.

Ballinasloe U.D.C: Clr. P. T. Galvin.

Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29th November, 1968, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

County Manager's Report:

The Manager reported that since the last meeting the following developments had taken place:-

"Patrick Ward took up occupation of a house on 5/2/'69 at Cloontua Road, Tuam, which the Council purchased and repaired.

The legal formalities in connection with the purchase of a site for two houses from St. Jarlath's College, Tuam, have been completed and tenders for the two houses sent to the Department of Local Government for sanction.

Loughrea Site:

Work on the Loughrea Itinerant site is nearing completion and should be ready about the middle of October.

Ballinasloe Site:

On 31/7/'69 the Minister for Local Government made an order annulling the Compulsory Purchase Order made for the acquisition of a site outside Ballinasloe. Efforts are being made to secure an alternative site. A site has been offered at Poolboy, Ballinasloe, and if this is found suitable it is proposed to provide caravans there on a temporary basis.

A site is being purchased from the Irish Sugar Co. in Tuam for two more houses.

In Galway City, two temporary sites have been established, one at Newcastle and one in Salthill. Three more temporary sites are being prepared".

In connection with the County Council site at Brierhill, the County Manager felt that as soon as Galway Corporation had fixed up the itinerant families in the city, the six or so families on the outskirts of Galway should be accommodated in caravans on the Brierhill site on a temporary basis.

The County Manager then said that it was proposed to appoint a social worker for the City of Galway, who would be employed wholetime in relation to itinerants, 50% of whose salary would be recoupable from the Department and 25% from Galway Corporation. Having been proposed by Clr. Melvin and seconded by Clr. Fahy it was agreed to recommend the appointment to the County Council.

The meeting also agreed that the County Manager should be authorised to establish temporary sites for itinerants in the County Health District in suitable locations and with the co-operation of the public as had been done by Galway Corporation.

Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E. then mentioned a few other sites that had been offered but had not been examined yet.

Clr. Galvin felt that the site at Poolboy should be suitable as it had the public water supply nearby, and itinerants were already camping adjacent to it.

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Clr. Fahy said that education for the children particularly was of vital importance. He proposed that the following motion be submitted to the County Council. This was seconded by Clr. Galvin.

"That legislation be introduced to establish a Childrens Rights Charter which would forbid the use of children as beggars and guarantee the children the right to an education, and that the right of the itinerant child to a normal education is superior to the right of the itinerant parents to move freely around the country and that the Council request the Government to pass legislation to this effect".

The Chairman said that enough was not being done to solve the itinerant problem, and he said that he would prefer permanent sites to temporary sites, but the County Manager explained that the idea of temporary sites was only an interim measure pending the housing of the families.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF EDUCATION (GRANTS) COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 6TH OCTOBER, 1969.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor John Donnellan (Boycullen)

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Deputies F. Coogan and M. Kitt.  
Councillors P. Donnellan, P. D. Joyce, An t-Ath. Oir. MacAoidh, Rev. Father O Keefe, S. J., Rev. Fr. Burke, Mrs. J. Burke, Messrs. F. Mullins, M. Hogan, W. J. Hans, T. Fitzgerald, M. Lohan, and Rev. Bro. Valerian.

Officials:

Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; J. Howlett, County Secretary and Miss G. O Grady, Staff Officer.

Apology for inability to attend was received from the Rev. Canon M. Mooney.

Minutes:

The minutes of meeting held on the 21st February, 1969, were approved and were signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of proposals made at the last meeting, the following letters were read from the Department of Education:-

- (a) Letter dated 11th March, 1969, indicating that it was not proposed to include certain course recommended by the Committee among the non-University courses acceptable for the Higher Education Grant's scheme. University courses in music, leading to a degree, were, of course, already included in the scheme.
- (b) Letter dated 21st March, 1969, stating that the Minister will raise no objection, should the Council decide to grant an exception from the age requirements of the scheme, in the case of a candidate who would reach 17 years of age between the 1st and 15th January of the year following the date of application for grant.

Mrs. Burke proposed that special grants should be given for the non-University courses which had been excluded from the scheme.

Awards proposed under 1969 Scheme for Higher Education Grants:

A list of proposed awards was circulated. The County Manager gave the following commentary on this list:-

He stated that 362 application had been received and that in 142 cases the required standard had been reached. It is proposed to make 113 awards, at a cost of £30,105, approximately.

In three cases applicants lived so near the city that it had been decided to award "Adjacent" rather than "non-Adjacent" grants. As a general rule, people living within a half mile of the city boundary would be treated in this manner.

Particulars were given of seven applicants who failed the means' Test. It was pointed out that this type of application was made in some cases, so that the applicant could qualify subsequently if there was a deterioration in family income.

Deferments: The Committee considered the list of seven applicants who were seeking a deferment of their grants. Deferment was recommended in the case of five applicants who were entering the religious life. In these cases a limit of two years deferment was agreed.

A discussion took place on the application of Christopher F. Jordan, Kilcolgan and it was decided that the reason given for deferment was vague and that further information should be sought from the applicant.

In the case of Christopher M. Keaney it was decided to seek further information from the Department of Education on this student's results before making a recommendation.

Submitted letter dated the 3rd October, 1969 from Rev. Fr. O'Keefe S.J., concerning Miss Ann Touhy who could not be awarded a grant because she did not sit for the number of subjects necessary to qualify for the Leaving Certificate.

Fr. O'Keefe explained certain exceptional factors in this case and because he considered that there was ambiguity in the regulations, the Committee recommended that the matter should be referred to the Department of Education for consideration favourable to Miss Touhy.

On the recommendation of Rev. Fr. Burke, it was decided to recommend deferment for one year of the grant proposed to be awarded to Gerard Stanton, Trellick, Kinvara. Fr. Burke stated that this candidate had been awarded an Army Cadetship and that there could be uncertainty as to whether he would persist with this career.

The Committee agreed to submit to the Department of Education a suggestion by Mrs. J. Burke that credit should be allowed in assessing the means of parents who were already bearing the full expense of sending one or more of their children to University. Mrs. Burke maintained that the income scale should be devised so that such parents would have an improved prospect of obtaining grants when they wished to send additional members of the family to University.

Scheme of scholarships in Secondary Schools:

On the recommendation of Rev. Fr. Keyes, it was agreed that subject to the approval of the Department of Education, the scholarship granted to Michael Byrne, Dunmore, be increased from £35 to £70 per annum from the current year. It was pointed out by Fr. Keyes, that this boy was obliged to attend a boarding school in order to take a course in honours mathematics.

Sympathy:

Votes of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

Mr. S. MacDonnell, C.E.O., Technical School, Galway, on the death of his brother.

Mr. M. Hogan, Caltra, Ballinsloe, on the death of his brother.

The meeting then terminated.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION 1969/70 - FIRST LIST

NO.	COUNCILLOR	AMOUNT £	AREA	FROM	TO	Length L. Yds.
1	Fahy	77	Gort	Ballylee County Road	Brendan Downey's house.	440
2	Fahy	60	Gort	Tierneevin	Helebert's Gate, Poulatcagle.	160
3	Fahy	31	Gort	N.O.M. Rd. (1968/69) Hawkhill	McMahon's Gate.	176
4	Fahy	97-10-0.	Gort	C.R. 398 Moneen E.	Madden's House, Moneen E.	795
5	Fahy	15	Loughrea	C.R. 492 Tooreen N., northwards	Mullin's and Dallins' houses.	440
6	Byrne	180	Athenry	Sec. 420 eastwards	Lanes at Pollnabanny.	360
7	Raftery	50	Mountbellew	Jnc. 279	Quirk's Jnc., Friaryland.	110
8	Raftery	100	Mountbellew	Jnc. 504	P. Murray's Hse., St. Brendan's.	265
9	Raftery	55	Mountbellew	Jnc. 458 at Killian	Thos. Hynes' gate.	90
10	Carty	40	Loughrea	Jnc. with C.R. No. 485 at Carrowmore	End of Rd. at T. Callanan's house.	350
11	Ruane	58	Athenry	Co. Rd. 174	Lardner's & McGraths, Cregmore.	176
12	Hussey	60	Tuam	C.R. 202, Dangan Beg	Slievegorm. (Devaney's)	250
13	Raftery	30	Milltown	M. Hegarty's house, at Curraghmulmurry.	James Griffin's house.	900
14	Geoghagan	273	Clifden	Main Rd. 170	Cottage (Storehouse) at end of carriageway.	810

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS COUNTY ROADS. LIST No. 1. 1969.

L.I.S. No.	ROAD NO.	AREA	FROM	TO	LENGTH (L.YDS.)
L.G. 301/68	444	Loughrea	Main Rd. 490 at Cross, Ballyfa, eastwards	Gate at John Ward's house.	733 ✓
L.G. 139/68	444	Loughrea	Main Rd. 490 at Cross, Ballyfa, eastwards	End of Rd. at M. Cunningham's Hse.	836 ✓
L.G. 206/68	332	Gort	Near Labane Village.	End of Ballylara Village with branch to J. Shaughnessy's house.	930 ✓
L.G. 355/68	329	Gort	Kinvara-Gort County Road.	Mrs. Lydon's house, Northampton.	435 ✓
L.G. 163/68	365	Gort	County Road 365.	Patk. Casey's house at Tarmon.	530 ✓
L.G. 170/68	363	Gort	Gort-Tubber County Road.	Entrance Gate to P. Murphy's, Lisheen.	1232 ✓
L.G. 269/68	579	Portumna	Portumna-Whitegate Rd. south of P. Egan's	Entrance to Patk. Minogue's house.	450 ✓
L.G. 345/68	564	Portumna	Killachunna-Skecoor Rd. N. of Raheen School.	Eastwards to Thos. Duffy's entrance.	500 ✓
L.G. 223/68	594	Portumna	Muckinagh-Meelick Co. Rd. near Cohery's	southwards to J. Burn's entrance gate.	440 ✓
L.G. 129/68	545	Portumna	Loughrea-Abbey Rd. east of P. Keane's	Thomas J. Geraghty's Gate.	590 ✓
L.G. 333/68	522	Ballinasloe	Jnc. 522, Killuremore.	Tully's Gate.	1030 ✓
L.G. 316/68	471	Ballinasloe	Jnc. 471, Mount Bernard.	Water Pump near Flaherty's house.	650 ✓
L.G. 127/68	478	Ballinasloe	Jnc. 478, Castlebin.	Road bridge, Ashbrook.	2,200 ✓
L.G. 29/68	515	Ballinasloe	Jnc. 515, Ballyvoneen.	Lawless's house and Crehan's Gate.	479 ✓
L.G. 463/68	182	Athenry	M.R. 80 at Parkroe.	To Second House.	308 ✓
L.G. 359/68	439	Athenry	C.R. 439 at Tooreen.	Martin Mullins', Gortlenon.	1936 ✓

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
L.G. 54/68	376	Athenry	M.R. 210B	James Dempsey's, Corrantarranuid.	1408 ✓
L.G. 299/68	433	Athenry	C.R. 433 Westward	To Gate to Turbarry.	616 ✓
L.G. 121/68	258	Mountbellew	Curraghmore-Kilkerwin Rd. W. of Curraghmore School.	Glenamaddy-New Forest Rd. west of Derroughs X.	670 ✓
L.G. 297/68	476	Mountbellew	Garbally-Guilcagh Rd. S. of D. Costello's.	Thomas Costello's House.	200 ✓
L.G. 261/68	427	Mountbellew	Garbally-Colemanstown Co. Rd., W. of Ruane's.	Junction with approach Rd. to J. Browne's.	830 ✓
L.G. 426/68	22A	Clifden	Co. Rd. at J. Keane's house E. by Peter Joyce's.	Tullyvoheen Junction.	980 ✓
L.G. 425/68	6A	Clifden	Co. Rd. No. 6 southwards	Sea Shore.	1400 ✓
L.G. 221/68	36A	Clifden	Co. Rd. 36 Northwards	Co. Co. Cottages.	365 ✓
L.G. 477/68	38A	Clifden	Co. Rd. 38	Glassillaun Beach.	880 ✓
L.G. 244/68	8A	Clifden	Co. Rd. 8 westwards	Churchhill's House.	745 ✓
L.G. 45/68	9A	Clifden	Trean	Sheehauns.	1400 ✓
L.G. 256/68	1A	Clifden	C.Rd. 1.	Gannoughs.	1120 ✓
L.G. 155/68	51A	Clifden	C. Rd. 51 northeast	Stephen Joyce's house.	195 ✓
L.G. 88/68	44A	Clifden	C. Rd. 44 southwest	Seashore.	1200 ✓
L.G. 63/68	45A	Clifden	C. Rd. 45 North	Seashore.	1300 ✓
L.G. 271/68	51/A2	Clifden	C. Rd. 51 North	Martin Joyce's house.	365 ✓



L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
L.G. 445/68	51/A3	Clifden	C.R. 5 southwest	Pat Joyce's Bog.	122 ✓
L.G. 176/68	43A	Clifden	C.R. 45 south	Seashore.	1166 ✓
L.G. 140/68	51/A4	Clifden	Recess Station southeast	Nee's Fishing Lodge.	700 ✓
L.G. 348/68	46/A	Clifden	C.Rd. 45	C.R. 46.	820 ✓
L.G. 349/68	49A	Clifden	Main Rd. at J. Gorham's, southwards	Pier.	780 ✓
L.G. 439/68	42A	Clifden	½ mile north of Cashel P.O.	Lettershanna Village.	1760 ✓
L.G. 371/68	52A	Clifden	Flannery Bridge northwest	Kylesalia.	600 ✓
L.G. 286/68	47/A	Clifden	C.R. 47 eastwards	Seashore.	330 ✓
G. 90/68	49/A2	Clifden	John Jennings house.	Seashore.	1150 ✓
G. 65/68	52/A2	Clifden	Flannery Bridge eastwards	Seashore.	225 ✓
G. 403/68	52/A3	Clifden	Sec. 170 south eastwards	Slipway at Seashore.	427 ✓
G. 388/68	47/A2	Clifden	C.R. 47 due north	Seashore and New Pier.	744 ✓
G. 551/68	45/A2	Clifden	C.R. 45 northwards	Strand.	574 ✓
L.G. 31/68	265A	Milltown	C.R. 265 at Cloonmahaura near T. Whyte's house.	Michael Long's house.	600 ✓
L.G. 229/68	163A	Milltown	C.R. 163 near T. Loftus house.	Jack Hyland's house.	700 ✓
L.G. 137/68	264A	Milltown	C.R. 264 near W. Mee's house.	John Mannion's house.	900 ✓
L.G. 368/68	271A	Milltown	Main Rd. 130 near J. Shaughnessy's house.	Mary Mannion's house, Cloonadarragh.	300 ✓

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
L.G. 332/68	248A	Milltown	Mahon's house on C.R. 248	Gate at Owen Mannion's house.	700 ✓
L.G. 292/68	652A	Galway	Letteragh northeast by Griffin's house.	End of Rd. at M. Divney's house.	230 ✓
L.G. 210/68	146A	Galway	Cahergowan	Montiagh Cross Roads.	550 ✓
L.G. 131/68	109A	Galway	1 ml. from Poultraclough X from Galway Clifden Rd. running west	a point 30 yds. east of Denis Gallaghan's old house.	400 ✓
G. 72/68	94A	Galway	Opposite Coleman Walsh's house off main road 180	Seashore.	350 ✓
L.G. 213/68	134A	Tuam	Co. Road 134	Greaney's house.	510 ✓
L.G. 360/68	202A	Tuam	Co. Road 202	Gate leading to house.	1900 ✓
L.G. 28/68	201A	Tuam	Co. Road 201	Gate to Howley's.	240 ✓
L.G. 53/68	199A	Tuam	Main Road 100	Frank Kelly's house.	1280 ✓
L.G. 30/68	133A	Tuam	Co. Rd. 133	Gate to E. Moran's land.	860 ✓
L.G. 260/68	121A	Tuam	Co. Road	Curran's land.	300 ✓
L.G. 128/68	79A	Oughterard	C.R. 79, 50 yds. E. of Mrs. B. McDonagh's	Barton's gate, Annaghbeg.	1276 ✓
L.G. 178/68	82A	Oughterard	N. of Hatchery Bridge, O'ard.	Nicholas Byrne's, Clare.	330 ✓
L.G. 231/68	81A	Oughterard	Mrs. K. Lee's house southwest	a point 900 yds. from start. (part only. Total length 1300. Rest steep and overgrown, scoured.)	900 ✓
L.G. 250/68	81/A2	Oughterard	Mr. Halloran's house, Letterfore N.	Laurence McDonagh's house.	1960 ✓

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
<u>L.G. 267/68</u>	81/A3	Oughterard	Leam Old School west	For 2640 yds. to last house leading to bogs via old Railway Line. (Part only. Total 3520 yds. Rest serves bogs only and substandard)	2640
L.G. 268/68	85A	Oughterard	End of C.R. 85 Magheramore.	Christopher Connolly's house.	1000
<u>L.G. 290/68</u>	89A	Oughterard	Near Rceahill P.O. east	to last house only i.e. 330 yds. (Part only i.e. to last house. Total 2512 yds.. Remainder serves land only.)	330
G. 70/68	64/A2	Oughterard	C.R. 64 near John McDonagh's (Tom) east	Quay at Aille an Chul Chaladh	440
G. 77/68	64/A3	Oughterard	C.R. 64 at Val Flaherty's.	C.R. 64 at Thos. Ua Scathail's.	500
G. 85/68	53A	Oughterard	C.R. 53, 400 yds. S. of Cloherthy's north & west	Quay in Annaghavan	1760
G. 94/68	57/A2	Oughterard	Church at Rosmuck south & west	C.R. near John McDonagh's house.	2376
<u>G. 103/68</u>	66A	Oughterard	C.R. at Pat Welby's house south	Gateway, a distance of 880 yds. (Total 1210. 880 to gate recommended.)	880
<u>L.G. 156/68</u>	57/A3	Oughterard	Joe Sullivan's house south	to gateway only. 200 yds. (Total 440. 200 to Gateway recommended only.)	200
<u>L.G. 233/68</u>	66/A2	Oughterard	C.R. 66 at Patk. Martyn's house southwest	to a point 106 yds. i.e. to gate. (Total 220. 106 to gate recommended only.)	106
G. 388/68	63A	Oughterard	C.R. 64 at J. King's house, s.w.	C.R. 63 at Tooreen.	1600

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. Yds.
G. 400/68	58A	Oughterard	C.R. 58	Patk. Grealish's via pumphouse.	400
G. 409/68	64/A4	Oughterard	North of Malone's shop southeast	Patrick Mullin's house.	400
L.G. 423/68	66/A3	Oughterard	Patrick Walsh's house west	Shore.	550
G. 6	76A	Oughterard	C.R. 76 at Lands of Ml. Kyne S.	James Keaveney's house.	1540
G. 83/68	69/A2	Oughterard	End of C.R. 69	Ml. Kearney's house, Cammanagh.	2160
L.G. 117/68	71A	Oughterard	C.R. 73 near Patk. Browne's house west	C.R. 71 at John Corcoran's house.	2552
L.G. 124/68	75A	Oughterard	C.R. near Mrs. Doyle's house south and east	By Kinneavy's to C.R. near Walsh's house.	1760
G. 66/68	67A	Oughterard	Point $\frac{1}{4}$ ml. south of R.C. Church east	Ml. Kennedy's house.	715
G. 68/68	68A	Oughterard	Main Rd. north for 440 yds.	Creggsduff Village.	440
G. 73/68	68/A2	Oughterard	Main Rd. west of Inverin Garda Barracks south	Shore.	900
G. 74/68	68/A3	Oughterard	Main Rd. west of Tech. School	Shore.	1290
G. 81/68	68/A5	Oughterard	$\frac{1}{4}$ ml. west of Cotter's Public house south by Tomato Store	Shore.	1050
G. 97/68	68/A6	Oughterard	Main Rd. $\frac{1}{4}$ ml. east of Inverin Post Office north	Thos. Kyne's new house.	550
G. 109/68	68/A7.	Oughterard	Main Rd. 100 yds. east of Knock Church	Thomas Walsh's house.	660

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. yds.
L.G. 165/68	68/A8	Oughterard	Point $\frac{1}{4}$ ml. west of Inverin P.O. by Griffin's	Shore.	2112 ✓
L.G. 275/68	68/A9	Oughterard	Peter Folan's cottage 1 ml. west of Crumlin Bridge.	Shore.	1400 ✓
L.G. 350/68	68/A10	Oughterard	60 yds. East of Folan's Public house north	Co. Rd. at Bridge.	354 ✓
L.G. 351/68	68/A11	Oughterard	30 yds. east of Folan's public house	Shore.	400 ✓
G. 401/68	68/A13	Oughterard	Salerna School north for	880 yds.	880 ✓
G. 404/68	68/A14	Oughterard	Point 100 yds. east of Salerna School south	Patrick Faherty's house.	360 ✓
G. 5	54A	Oughterard	C.R. 54, 500 yds. west of Druim School south	South for 660 yds.	660 ✓
G. 57/68	53/A2	Oughterard	Point $\frac{1}{4}$ ml. west of Staunton's shop	Lettercallow School and northeast to Sruthan Bui.	2958 ✓
G. 62/68	53/A3	Oughterard	C.R. 53 south	Quay at Thomas Rainey's.	1210 ✓
G. 86/68	53/A4	Oughterard	C.R. at Ml. Coyne's house west	Sruthan Bui and west to Coleman Sweeney's house.	1936 ✓
G. 84/68	54A	Oughterard	C.R. at Patk. Audley's house north	Thos. O'Donnell's house, Furnace Island.	2376 ✓
G. 107/68	54/A2	Oughterard	C.R. 54 at Flaherty's shop.	a point 700 yds. further south. (Total 2310. Remainder not up to standard.)	700 ✓

L.I.S. No.	Road No.	Area	From	To	Length L. yds.
G. 111/68	54/A3	Oughterard	Gross Roads near Caladh Culaim south	Kate Conneely's house at Cora Bui.	1760 ✓
L.G. 461/68	53/A4	Oughterard	Road near Keady's shop northwest	Derroenglass Co. Road.	1350 ✓

CO. HAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIHE

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23u Deire Fomhair, 1969.

Chuíg Gach Bhaill do'n Chomhairle.

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Please refer to minute no. 1170 of meeting held on 22/9/69 and add the following motion to Agenda for meeting to be held on 27th instant:-

Clr. B. Holland:

"That the Health Authority be responsible for costs of services of County Laboratory to patients attending Calvary Hospital where such cases would be free or at nominal cost if attendance were made at county institutions".

This item was overlooked when Agenda was being prepared. As it was adjourned from the last meeting, it would normally have been placed among the first of the notices of motion submitted by members.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 27TH OCTOBER, 1969

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Clr. T. King.  
(2) Deputy M. F. Kitt.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: Clrs. W. Burke, T. Byrne, J. Callanan, T. Clarke, P. Collins, Deputies M. Carty, F. Coogan, Clrs. Mrs. M. Croffy, P. Cunningham, P. Donnellan, J. Donnellan (Moycullen), Deputy J. Donnellan, Clrs. P. Fahey, P. T. Galvin, M. Geraghty, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, Deputy T. Hussey, Clrs. P. Joyce, M. Killilea, S. Kyne, J. Lambert, Senator J. Mannion, Clr. H. Melvin, Deputy R. Molloy, Clrs. F. Raftery, P. Ruane, and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. A. A. Sharkey, County Manager; C. A. Warner, County Engineer; S. Cullinan, J. Silke and M. Dunne, Chief Assistant County Engineers; R. Lee, Planning Officer and J. Howlett, County Secretary.

1183 - SYMPATHY: The Council expressed its sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. P. Patten, a former member of the Council. Sympathy was also expressed to the following:-

Mrs. Doherty, Curracreen, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. L. Murray, St. Michael's Square, Ballinasloe, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Frawley, Portumna, on the death of her brother.

Mrs. M. Duane, Abbey Terrace, Loughrea, on the death of her husband.

Mr. John Deely, c/o Miss Brennan, Main Street, Loughrea, on the death of his sister.

Mrs. O'Connor, c/o Mrs. P. J. Hughes, Claregalway, on the death of her husband.

Mr. Christopher Lydon, Derryinver, Letterfrack, on the death of his wife.

1184 - MINUTES: It was agreed that the minutes of meetings held on the 22nd September, 1969 and 9th October, 1969 (Nos. 1146 to 1182 incl.) be approved and signed. The minutes, which had previously been circulated, were then signed by the Chairman.

The Chairman enquired whether members wished to raise any matter arising out of the two preceding meetings. There was no response to this enquiry and the Chairman then stated that he wished to raise some matters himself. With regard to a meeting held on the 22nd September, 1969, he stated that he had received a letter from the President of University College, Galway, thanking the Council for its agreement to contribute towards the development of the University.

The Chairman stated that he had been unavoidably absent from meeting held on the 9th October, 1969, as he had to attend a Board meeting of a State organisation on that date. He felt, that as Chairman, he should have been consulted about the date of the meeting - at least as a matter of courtesy. He wished to point out that nothing had been accomplished as a result of this meeting. The purpose of Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, was to compel a County Manager to do a particular thing. He felt that this Section should not be invoked except for very serious reasons and he was perturbed that the Council had employed this Section without accomplishing any result. If he had been involved in such proceedings and if the wishes of the Council were not carried out, he would have speedily introduced a motion to suspend the County Manager. He was also of the opinion that it was irregular to have two Section 4 notices dealt with at the one meeting and that it was also irregular to allow a Section 4 motion to be amended. This had been

done with a second motion at meeting of the 9th October and the resulting resolution had been identical with that passed some months ago by the Council.

The County Manager stated that he wished to explain that no choice had been available for the date of the special meeting, as it had to be held on a date when he was available and which fell prior to the latest date for a decision on the planning case in question. There was, in fact, only one day which met these requirements.

He had taken legal advice on the effect of the resolution passed at this meeting and he was satisfied that he was not legally empowered to implement the resolution. He was also of the opinion that there was nothing irregular in having two Section 4 notices considered at the meeting.

Deputy Kitt stated that the Chairman should withdraw his remarks on the special meeting.

1185 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that malicious damage claims, as listed at 2 (a) to 2 (f) on the Agenda, had been received.

1186 - FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF DEPUTY JOHN GEOGHEGAN:

The Chairman referred to the resignation of Deputy John Geoghegan and stated that it was a matter of personal regret to him that Deputy Geoghegan was leaving the Council but that it was gratifying, on the other hand, that his work had been recognised and that he had been given a post in the Government.

All the members of the Council joined in paying tributes to Deputy Geoghegan. The County Manager, on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff, joined in the tribute.

Deputy Geoghegan thanked the members of the Council and expressed his appreciation of the co-operation received from the Council's staff during his membership of the Council. He said that as a final request to the County Manager, he would ask him to investigate the pensionable service of some Council employees. He was referring to cases where affidavits might be accepted from the persons concerned in regard to service for which documentary evidence was not available.

It was proposed by Clr. Clarke, seconded by Clr. Kyne, that Mr. Michael Geraghty be chosen as a member of the Council in lieu of Deputy Geoghegan.

Senator Mannion proposed that Mr. Thomas McQuinn be elected as a member and this proposal was seconded by Deputy Coogan.

It was proposed by Clr. Killilea, seconded by Deputy Hussey, that Deputy M. Kitt be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council.

It was proposed by Clr. Ryan and seconded by Clr. Lambert that Clr. Collins be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Proposals to elect a new member, proposals for the Vice-Chairman and the consideration of elections for committee of the Council on which a vacancy had been created due to the resignation of Deputy Geoghegan, were adjourned until a vote could be taken. at 4.30 p.m.

1187 - MINUTES OF MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY: The Council noted minutes of meeting of Joint Committee on Itinerancy which had been held on the 19th September, 1969.

1188 - DISPOSAL OF LAND -

(1) Plot of land at Roundstone:

It was proposed by Senator Mannion, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that plot of land at Roundstone, measuring approximately 1 rood 26 perches be sold to

the Diocesan Trustees for the sum of £50 and in accordance with the other terms of notice circulated to each member of the Council on the 2nd October, 1969."

(ii) Plot of land at County Buildings:

It was proposed by Senator Mannion, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved:-

"that plot of land measuring 6 feet x 6 feet and situated at the County Buildings, be sold to the Electricity Supply Board for £10 plus costs and in accordance with the other conditions of notice circulated to each member of the Council on the 13th October, 1969."

1189 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

It was proposed by Clr. Raftery, seconded by Clr. Callanan and resolved:-

"that the following roads are hereby declared to be public roads:-

Laneways to the rear of St. Paul's and St. Bridget's Terraces in the town of Tuam - length 230 yards."

1190 - CREATION OF OFFICE OF BACTERIOLOGIST: The Council considered report circulated by the County Manager and it was proposed by Deputy Coogan and seconded by Deputy Kitt and resolved:-

"that an office of Bacteriologist be created at the Regional Hospital, Galway. The post is to carry a salary scale of £4,085 per annum and the Council hereby approves of any excess expenditure arising out of the creation of this post during the current financial year."

1191 - SUNDAY AND NIGHT DUTY ALLOWANCES TO NON-NURSING STAFFS:

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

"that payment of allowances for night duty and Sunday duty be approved for non-nursing staffs employed in the Council's institutions, in accordance with agreements negotiated with the Trade Unions and that excess expenditure of £2,120 be approved in respect of this item for the current financial year."

1192 - APPLICATION OF "PAY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE" AWARD TO COUNCIL'S STAFF:

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

"that the pay in the public service award which has recently been negotiated between the Trade Unions and the Government, be hereby applied to the staffs of the Galway County Council and that excess expenditure £105,500 be approved in respect of this item for the current financial year."

The County Manager explained that the basic award was for an increase on the salary of officers of 4% up to £1800 per annum and 3% on amounts exceeding £1800 per annum, with effect from the 1st June, 1969. There was a minimum increase of 25/- per week and lower paid workers would benefit to the extent of 25/- per week from the 1st June, 1969 (less any increase granted

to them with effect from the 1st April, 1969) and a further 20/- per week from the 1st October, 1969. The increase would be applied with appropriate adjustments and exclusions to the vast majority of the total staff employed by the Council. The increase would rank, in certain cases, for Health Services Grant - the estimated total was £30,000.

1193 - REPORT ON PLANNING ADMINISTRATION: The County Manager read report dated 24th October, 1969, which had been compiled in response to suggestions put forward at special meeting of the Council held on the 27th June, 1969. Following a short discussion, it was suggested that the report should be considered at a special meeting. After some further discussion, it was agreed that such a special meeting should be held on the date of the ordinary meeting, the 24th November, 1969, and that ordinary business, other than business which was deemed to be very urgent, should be adjourned for consideration at a later date.

1194 - ELECTION OF MEMBER, VICE-CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF COMMITTEES:  
With reference to item No. 1186, it was resolved that voting should now take place to elect a member and a Vice-Chairman.

(1) Election of Member: Voting resulted as follows:-

For Mr. Michael Geraghty:

Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, Sean Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Glynn, Haverty, Holland, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery, Kyne, and Ruane (19).

For Mr. Thomas McQuinn:

Clrs. Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clrs. P. Donnellan, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Clr. Ryan (9).

The Chairman declared that Mr. Michael Geraghty had been elected as Councillor.

(2) Election of Vice-Chairman: Voting resulted as follows:-

For Deputy M. Kitt:

Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, Sean Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Geraghty, Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery and Kyne (17).

For Clr. P. Collins:

Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clr. P. Donnellan, Clrs. Galvin, Glynn, Holland, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Clrs. Ruane and Ryan (14).

The Chairman declared that Deputy Kitt had been appointed Vice-Chairman.

(3) Appointment of member to Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board:

It was proposed by Clr. Clarke and seconded by Clr. Kyne that Clr. M. Geraghty be appointed as a member of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board. Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Deputy Coogan proposed that Clr. W. Burke be appointed as a member of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board.

A vote was taken on this matter and voting resulted as follows:-

For Clr. M. Geraghty:

Clr. Callanan, Deputy Carty, Clrs. Clarke, Mrs. Croffy, Sean Donnellan (Moycullen), Fahey, Geraghty, Haverty, Deputy Hussey, Clrs. Joyce, Killilea, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Melvin, Deputy Molloy, Clrs. Raftery and Kyne (17).

For Clr. W. Burke:

Clrs. Burke, Byrne, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cunningham, Deputy Donnellan, Clrs. Galvin, Glynn, Holland, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Clrs. Ruane and Ryan (13).

The Chairman declared that Clr. Geraghty had been appointed as a member of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board.

(4) Election of Member to County Libraries' Committee:

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

"that Clr. S. Kyne be appointed a member of the County Libraries' Committee."

(5) Election of member to Consultative Health Committee:

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

"that Clr. P. Joyce be appointed as a member of the Consultative Health Committee."

(6) Election of member to Galway Harbour Authority:

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

"that Clr. Kyne be appointed as a member of the Galway Harbour Authority."

(7) Election of member to Joint Committee on Itinerancy:

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

"that Clr. P. Joyce be appointed as a member of the Joint Committee on Itinerancy."

1195 - RAISING OF LOAN FOR DEMOUNTABLE DWELLINGS AND CARAVANS:

It was proposed by Deputy J. Donnellan, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, a loan of £25,000 be borrowed from the Commissioners of Public Works or from such other source and for such period as may be approved by the Minister. The loan is to carry interest at the appropriate rate and is to be repayable over the maximum period which can be negotiated. The loan is to be used to finance the provision of demountable dwellings and caravans."

1196 - PROPOSED WATER SUPPLY FOR INISHERE: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Melvin and resolved:-

"that subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, a loan of £23,000 be borrowed from the Commissioners of Public Works for Inishere Water Supply. The loan is to carry interest at the Local Loans' Fund rate and is to be repayable over the maximum period approved by the Minister."