

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

12th January, 1979.

TO: EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Monday, 22nd January, 1979, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

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K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

A G E N D A

1. Adoption of Estimate of Expenses for the year 1979
- Copy herewith.
2. Making and Sealing of Demands on Urban Authorities.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 12TH JANUARY, 1979

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Mark Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, P.M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, P. J. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane and M. Ryan.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; T. J. O'Donoghue, Law Agent; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; M. Moroney, County Accountant; Mrs. P. Monahan and Miss M. Nolan, Staff Officers; Messrs. K. Hayes, Deputy County Engineer; S. McMahon, F. Monahan, J. Tarpey, Chief Assistant County Engineers; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; K. Larkin and L. Kavanagh, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineers; N. Forde, Assistant County Engineer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2443 - REPORT OF ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER DATED 2ND JANUARY, 1979, ON GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES IN COUNTY GALWAY:

The County Manager drew the attention of Members to the extent to which Group Water Supply Schemes were being provided in the County as set out in the Schedule to the Assistant County Manager's report. He pointed out that a total number of schemes completed, being executed, and at different stages of planning amounted to a total of 318 which would be an enormous number in any County. The extent to which this system is being used to provide a water supply for so many houses highlights the need for the greatest care in the design and construction of schemes. A further consideration from the Council's point of view is that the law provides that the County Council can be required to take over schemes for future maintenance at the request of groups provided they have been properly constructed and operating satisfactorily. The difference in the cost of maintenance of a well designed and well executed scheme as against a badly designed and badly constructed scheme is a very important factor from the Council's point of view. There is no guarantee that in the matter of a few years the number of schemes completed in the County will not reach 500.

He agreed that while group schemes have certain advantages, they are ~~not always an adequate~~ arrangement for providing a water supply for certain areas before they would otherwise have a supply. They are not always well designed and executed. He pointed that the alternative to the Group Schemes - i.e., County Council Schemes, have a well tested and well designed source and the construction of schemes is very well supervised.

Under a recent policy of the Department of the Environment, the County Council occasionally develop sources, construct the head works and trunk mains allowing the Group Schemes then to be connected with the public mains. In such cases, the Council must insist on the highest standards of materials and workmanship and on proper management arrangements. There is a need for the Council to have effective control over such schemes in order to provide for the best possible management of the water which is being made available from a public source.

Other Group Schemes depend on private sources and in some of those cases, the Council pays a contribution towards the cost. The interest by the County Council in Group Schemes, even those using private sources, arises from the question of the obligation in certain circumstances to take them over for maintenance and also that the County Council is being continually asked to help where difficulties arise.

The Department of the Environment has a role in the organisation, design and construction of Group Schemes but it must be emphasised also that the County Council has a very important role.

The County Manager stated that attention must be drawn to the amount of money which is being invested in Group Schemes as an alternative to Regional Schemes and he suggested that there is an imbalance between the limited amount being made available for Regional Schemes and the amount being spent on Group Schemes. There is a danger that what is regarded as suitable for a temporary arrangement by way of Group Schemes may become the final solution to a water shortage problem and there are always the cases of people at the end of Group Schemes who will suffer because they were not catered for in the design of Group Schemes. He hoped that the Council would receive from the promoters of Group Schemes the same sense of care, responsibility and co-operation as the Council gives them, and he pointed out that Galway County Council has done more than many other Authorities by way of its contribution to road re-instatement.

The County Manager paid a tribute to the promoters and people who availed of the Schemes, as well as to the staff of the County Council, for the work put into the organisation and construction of Group Schemes.

Councillor Glynn stated that he felt that the Council was more committed to roads than to water supply schemes and stated that there is a need to have more people employed on the organisation and supervision of Group Schemes.

Deputy Callanan and other Members congratulated Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, on the report which he had circulated to Members. He stated that eleven years ago he had proposed that an Engineer be employed to deal with Group Schemes but he stated that occasions have occurred that when sources are selected, they are found to be adequate for the needs of that time but that later get into trouble because double the amount of water is required. He considered that every potential source should be tested. He would like to see greater interest taken by the County Council in Group Schemes.

The County Manager stated that the County Council is closely involved in the design, and in appropriate cases, it makes special contributions in order to achieve good design and further the potential of schemes.

Councillor Higgins recommended that the Council adopt a more orderly way of assisting Group Schemes and one method might be to build into the planning process the provision of water supply schemes both for present and for future needs. He considered that it would be useful to see a presentation of the total water resources of the County and he pointed out that works such as the proposed Dunkellin Drainage Scheme could create a shortage of water in another area. He felt that the County Council could make a projection of water needs and could then promote appropriate schemes, especially where a capable organiser was not available. He pointed out that while some newcomers to an area are facilitated by Group Scheme Trustees, this co-operation does not exist in other cases and the only assistance they get from the County Council is to advise them to approach the Trustees.

He considered that there is a lack of a legal resource to aggrieved persons and that there is need for a legal code to enable such persons to avail of water which is a natural resource.

The County Manager stated that the County Council cannot direct a Group to give a supply as the scheme is in the Group's ownership.

Councillor Kilgannon agreed with the County Manager to a certain extent that a Group Scheme is a make-shift arrangement but he stated that the alternative is a long delay waiting for a Regional Water Scheme. He stated that in his area, he and others involved in a major Group Scheme would be glad to hand it over for future maintenance to the County Council. He agreed that since the County Council had not adequate resources made available to it to provide Regional Schemes, the Group Scheme system being cheaper, was adopted. He stated that while the County Council had an office in Galway dealing with Group Schemes, it had little involvement in schemes up to recently and that it is now employing a Clerk of Works to supervise the construction of schemes.

Deputy Donnellan stated that Local Government Engineers and County Council staff engaged in Group Water Supply Schemes should operate from one office in the County Buildings where people throughout the County interested in obtaining water by way of Group Schemes would know where to go for information and advice.

Replying to Deputy Donnellan, the County Manager stated that the Council is now spending about £70,000 per annum on road restoration following construction of Group Schemes.

Deputy Donnellan stated that some people are so poor that they cannot afford the local contribution and are therefore omitted from Group Schemes. He asked that some assistance be made available to them either by the County Council or by the Department of the Environment.

Deputy Donnellan stated that he would not favour the County Council taking over Group Schemes as he did not wish people to have to try to locate some County Council official when difficulties arise. He stated that there have been no problems with local Group Schemes. He asked how the maintenance of Group Schemes taken over by the County Council would be financed.

Councillor McCormack stated that the Council could make a special case for a higher allocation of money for both Regional and Group Water Schemes in the County. In view of the special nature of the problem in the County where there is more than adequate supply of water during winter and where sources disappear during the summer, he stated that it is difficult to convince people to wait for Regional Schemes especially having regard to the fact that people frequently object to taking water from lakes and rivers and so hold up the scheme for a long time. He asked if any safeguards had been devised to protect the interests of people who are frequently refused supply by the promoters of Group Schemes as happened in an area near Galway City some years ago.

Councillor Ryan suggested there was a need to give powers to the County Council to compel certain Trustees to give supplies to people who build new houses after a Group Scheme is constructed. Referring to complaints by Members about the unsatisfactory position in Kilkerrin/Moylough Regional Scheme for some time, he stated that due to the interest taken in the problem by the County Councillors for the area and the Engineers, the problems were resolved - these arose from the increase in agricultural demand from the time of the construction of the scheme.

Councillor Byrne stated that greater facilities should be provided for the organisers of Group Schemes. He pointed out that there are only two Local Government Engineers in the County dealing with

Group Schemes but that it is impossible for organisers to contact them even by telephone. This results in a sense of frustration for the organisers. He agreed with Deputy Donnellan's proposal that a central office be set up in Galway. Such an office is necessary if Groups are to get the guidance and advice which they need. The idea of a closed office by the Department of the Environment in Galway should cease - an office should be open on a full time basis. He complimented the management and staff dealing with Group Schemes in the County for their interest and for the work which they have put into Group Schemes.

Councillor Ruane recommended that responsibility for Group Schemes should be taken over completely by the County Council as was done with much success in the case of Local Improvement Schemes. He recommended there should be a special contribution towards the cost of rock excavation and that in any case where a good source is located, higher pipe sizes should be provided in order to provide a service for people who might not yet be in a group scheme.

Councillor O'Morain also recommended that special contributions be paid towards the cost of rock excavation and pointed out that this is the case in all of the Connemara area. He recommended that the Council should now get moving on the organisation of Group Schemes in the Rosmuc area since the original proposal to lay spur mains off the trunk main have now been excluded from the scheme. He considered it essential that the whole Rosmuc peninsula should now be organised with a view to providing water by a Group Scheme over the entire peninsula in one operation. The Council should also consider adopting some method for meeting the local contribution in cases of hardship.

Councillor Morgan recommended that the Minister for the Environment be requested to provide clerical assistance in the Department's office for Group Schemes in Galway. He asked that landowners be notified before officials of the Council would enter on their land in connection with water schemes. He proposed that where due to objections agreement is not reached within six months of the making of a proposal to take water from a river or lake, the matter be referred to the Minister for an appropriate order. He asked why Mr. Bob Aldwell had not been asked to attend this meeting as previously requested by the Council. He recommended that the Council should obtain powers to facilitate people who are refused connections by Group Scheme promoters and he supported the idea of the cost of road restoration being shared equally by the promoters and the County Council. He emphasised the need for water for farming and he considered that the Council's office dealing with Group Schemes is understaffed.

Councillor Morgan also asked for a twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week telephone answering service for people who might find themselves in difficulty about water supply schemes.

Councillor Flaherty asked that he be informed of the position regarding the Costello Regional Scheme and also the Dooras/Cornamona Scheme.

Councillor Joyce expressed disappointment that the list of schemes circulated to Members did not include a list of the areas which are waiting for a suitable source including Clontuskert, Kiltormer and Eyrecourt areas where sources were failures. He stated that the situation in relation to lack of adequate sources is serious in an area south of the Loughrea/Ballinasloe road. A suggestion had been made, he stated, that a consultant be employed to locate a suitable source or sources and he asked that a special meeting be arranged with the Councillors from the Ballinasloe area and interested groups with a water consultant to get a large source for a Regional Scheme for this area since no suitable sources for Groups had been located. He considered that the people in this area might now have to think of terms of a Regional Scheme.

Councillor Haverty, supporting Councillor Byrne, stated that it is very difficult to get engineers employed by the Department of the Environment in Galway while it is always possible to contact the Council's Engineers. Referring to the Council's requirements that Groups who use a County Council source have to leave a tap for the general use of the public, he asked if a hand pump could be left on the pump instead.

Councillor Raftery, referring to the difficulties in connection with the Ballygar Water Scheme, stated that there is a site on which 35 houses could be built but that no water is available. In the townland of Ruane, Ballygar, there are 7 or 8 private connections along one route and he asked that the County Council would provide a 2" pipe in this area instead.

Senator Kitt asked what is the situation regarding the provision of additional storage in connection with the Mountbellew Improvement Scheme.

The Chairman stating that the meeting had been worthwhile complimented the staff of the County Council associated with Group Water Schemes.

He expressed the appreciation of the Council to Mayo County Council for their co-operation in providing sources for Group Water Schemes for the Ballindine, Carnaseer and Carrowmurlar areas in County Galway, and he suggested that an application for an additional 4,000 gallons for two schemes in the border of the two Counties should be sent to Mayo County Council. He asked that every effort be made to make progress with the extensions in Tuam which has been holding up drainage work in the area.

Referring to Councillor Raftery's request for improvement to the Ballygar scheme, he asked whether a water tower if erected in Lissavruggy could be filled during the night when there is no demand on the main scheme.

The Chairman also recommended that where the Council proposes sinking a borehole and where a Group Scheme is being organised which would use that source, the Group should be allowed to bore the well and that the County Council should pay to the Group what it would have cost the County Council if it had sunk the borehole itself. Referring to people who cannot join a Group Scheme and who require a water supply, he stated that in view of the new facilities now available to Groups, those Groups should make a supply-available a few gallons at a time to people who need it.

Referring to co-operation by Mayo and Galway County Councils, he asked that the County Council should respond to any need in County Mayo if a suitable source is available in County Galway.

The County Manager stated that at the background against which the discussion had taken place is that the Council has Regional Water Schemes estimated to cost between £17 million and £20 million at various stages of Planning. A progress report on those schemes should be available for the February Meeting. He stated that with a programme of the magnitude of up to £20 million cost, the Council's allocation for Sanitary Services Schemes, excluding small schemes, for the last three years was as follows:-

1976	-	£310,000
1977	-	£320,000
1978	-	£517,000

There is an obvious imbalance between the amount of money being made available for Regional Schemes and that being invested in Group Schemes and unless much more Capital is made available for Regional Schemes, the County could be ultimately depending to a very large extent on Group Schemes. He denied Councillor Glynn's allegation of lack of commitment by the Council pointing out that the staff employed by the County Council in the County is much greater than

the staff provided by the Department of the Environment ^{are} the promoters of the schemes. The Council has at present one Chief Assistant Co. Engineer, one Assistant Co. Engineer, one additional Assistant Co. Engineer on a temporary basis, one Clerk of Works fulltime and one on a part-time basis in the group schemes office. The group schemes organisers are aware of the existence of this office and they have found no difficulties in contacting it.

The Manager expressed surprise at allegations that the Council was holding up schemes and he emphasised that this was not true. The commitment of the Council to group schemes will continue and if the necessity arises, the approval of the Council to the employment of additional staff for this purpose will be sought. As the function of paying grants towards group schemes had been taken from the Council, its only financial commitment is the payment of capital contributions in certain cases but nevertheless, the Council has still an important role in group schemes - the Council has an office to which people with problems can readily call, - the Council is concerned that group schemes will be so designed and executed as to integrate into the regional network of water supply schemes and the Council is also conscious of the onus placed on it by law to take over group schemes for maintenance.

The Co. Manager stated that he was aware that it had been stated that group schemes are now none of the Council's business, but he emphasised that pipes must be laid to the proper standards and with due regard for the responsibility of the Council as a roads authority. The Council must, therefore, continue to take an interest in the design and construction of group schemes.

Replying to recommendations of Councillors regarding a departmental office in Galway, he stated that the Council's views on an office and adequate personnel in the office to deal with callers will be conveyed to the Department.

Referring to the suggestion that the Council should go out and find sources, the Manager pointed out that while the Department of the Environment continue to be the promoters of group schemes, the Council would leave that role to the Department but will give every assistance towards the testing of sources when requests from that Department are received.

Referring to Councillor Higgins' suggestion regarding the planning process, the Manager pointed out that the Council's main thrust is with the Council's own water programme but there would be difficulty in making overall provision in the Development Plan for group schemes since the Council does not promote them. He appreciated that difficulties arise sometimes for individual consumers but there is little the Council can do since the group scheme is private property - in one case where consumers were being refused connections on reasonable terms, the promoters were invited to come to the offices to discuss the matter but they refused. He considered it a serious situation that large amounts of public money could be paid by way of grants for group schemes and that then, promoters of group schemes could arbitrarily say who gets and who does not get a supply and specify the terms on which such supply can be given.

Referring to the Kilkerrin/Moylough scheme, he stated that the scheme had been developed to its potential but that due to extensions and wastage, there were problems for some time but these have now been eliminated by the installation of meters and other measures. The scheme is now functioning satisfactorily but an augmentation proposal for the area is under preparation. In any case where the Council takes over a group water scheme for future maintenance, if the capacity is there, the Council will examine all applications for connections on their merits. He agreed with Members' suggestions that a greater capital allocation for public schemes is needed. Regarding the maintenance of any schemes taken over, he stated that the cost of maintenance will be defrayed from rates in the same manner as any other public schemes are maintained and water charges would not be sufficient to maintain those schemes.

Referring to the Proposal under the Water Supplies Act, 1942 made in respect of the Gort regional scheme, the Co. Manager stated that many people who would benefit under the scheme have objected to the Proposal, the Council has tried and has failed to persuade them to withdraw the objections and he stated that if the matter is not resolved very soon, the Proposal will be referred to the Minister with a request for confirmation of the Order.

Councillor Fahey asked if the engineering staff would come to Gort and meet the objectors within the next few weeks.

The Co. Manager stated that this would be arranged if there was any prospect of reaching agreement with them.

Councillor Morgan proposed and Councillor Higgins seconded that the Minister for the Environment be asked to provide clerical assistance in a departmental office in Galway to deal with group schemes and that somebody be available in the office during normal working hours to deal with queries.

Referring to the Loughrea regional scheme, the Co. Manager stated that a number of meetings had been held with objectors, that information on the design of a fish-pass is awaited but that if the scheme is not agreed by the end of February, a request will be sent to the Minister for an Order confirming the Proposal.

He stated that Mr. Bob Aldwell would be invited to prepare a paper on water resources for presentation to the Council at a later date.

Replying to Councillor Flaherty, the Co. Manager stated that the objections to the Costello regional water supply scheme had been withdrawn and that the next stage in planning is now being undertaken.

Referring to Councillor Joyce's request for assistance in locating sources for water supplies in the Ballinasloe area, the Co. Manager stated that the Council would not be in a position to take over complete responsibility for selection of sources for group schemes but that the Council would be prepared to look into the general situation with regard to selection of a source for a possible regional scheme and that it would contact Councillor Joyce about the matter later.

Referring to Councillor Haverty's request that a tap for the public would be made available at pumps, he stated that this matter would be examined and he also informed Councillor Raftery that the position in regard to Ballygar water supply would also be examined.

The Co. Manager also informed Senator Kitt that as there was no objection to the Proposal to take water from the Mountbellew scheme, the next stage of planning on that scheme was under way.

Referring to the Tuam scheme, he stated that Messrs. Travenol ^{are} expected to open a factory in Tuam, that they are being helped regarding the application for planning and the provision of facilities. A consultant is also being appointed for the planning of a major regional scheme to provide for long-term needs including the needs of the town of Tuam.

Finally, the Co. Manager stated that he was pleased with the discussion at the meeting, that he and the staff of the Council would like to match the commitment of the Co. Council to group schemes, that he understood the Council's view and that the Co. Council should have a role in the group schemes and that he and the staff of the Council do all they can to promote such schemes. He expressed concern, however, that the limited funds available for regional schemes meant that there was a major imbalance throughout the county in the extent of group schemes as against regional schemes.

Replying to a further query by Deputy Callanan, the Co. Manager stated that for regional schemes the Council now provided the sources, treatment works, reservoir and main trunk lines and the group schemes then take over in order to bring a supply of water to areas which are some distance from the main.

Councillor Glynn proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded that the Council draw up a list of ways to give greater impetus to the provision of group schemes and that a survey of sources in the entire county be carried out and that steps be taken to bring them into ownership of the Co. Council.

Deputy Callanan stated that if the Council wants to gain control of sources, this should be done by putting an appropriate condition on the allocation of a grant.

The Co. Manager suggested that this question be deferred until later until the Council is discussing the taking over of schemes. This was agreed.

Deputy Donnellan again asked what steps could be taken to pay a contribution for people who cannot afford to join a group scheme.

The Chairman stated that the Manager would examine the matter and report back to the Council in due course.

2444 - MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY

It was decided that a meeting of this committee would be held on Friday, 2nd Feb. 1979.

2445 - SYMPATHY

On the proposition of the Chairman, the Council extended its sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Warner and to Mr. Claude Warner on the death of Mr. David Warner in the Whiddy Island disaster and that the Council's sympathy also be extended to all the bereaved families involved. Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:

Seamus and Madeline Treacy, Kylemore, Killimor.
Sonny Usal O'Domhnaill, An Bothar Bui, An Ceathru Rua.

2446 - MULLACUTTRA GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The Chairman directed that two notices of motion submitted by Councillors Ruane and McCormack should be considered together.

Referring to those motions, the County Manager stated that much of the explanation of this matter has been discussed in the course of the meeting. The County Council has two involvements which are relevant in this case. One is the question of the water supply in view of its responsibility ultimately for taking over schemes in certain circumstances and also as a roads authority. The opening of a road for the laying of water mains has serious implications for a roads authority and for this purpose, reasonable conditions had been specified for people who opened roads. There has been no difficulty for the contractors and others who were complying without question with those conditions. The application in this case came from the group and not from the contractor. The application for permission to open the road was not approved as other openings carried out by the contractor in question had not been completed to the satisfaction of the Council and efforts made to get him to comply with the conditions in question were not successful. He was informed that no new licences could be issued until work already undertaken by him had been completed satisfactorily. Some measures taken by the contractor in question were successful to a certain extent and some of the work had been done. Arrangements have now been made for a full review of the work in the coming week by the County Engineer and on receipt of the County Engineer's report, if satisfactory progress is made, the Council will be prepared to issue a further licence. There will be no difficulty about giving a licence to Mr. Lyons while he complies with the Council's requirements.

Councillor Higgins stated that he subscribed to the idea of the necessity of complying with conditions but he thought there was some dispute on the basis of the facts in this case. He stated that the Department of the Environment had expressed satisfaction with the standard of work of the contractor and he was concerned that the reputation of the contractor should be maintained.

The County Manager stated that this contractor had also done good work on those schemes but that there was also work which was unsatisfactorily carried out. The defects had been explained to the contractor and the matter had become public not as a result of any action by the County Council.

Councillor McCormack stated that he contacted trustees of four group schemes and some told him that they were very satisfied with Mr. Lyons, some reasonably satisfied and some said that he was a bit slow to do work.

The County Manager stated that this was a matter of meeting the County Council standards and that it is the responsibility of the Council to see that the roads are left in a safe condition.

Councillor Fahey stated that he was not satisfied with the explanations given. He stated that this man had done work for eight years on thirty-one schemes without complaints.

Councillor Fahey stated that the Department had no complaint about the quality of his work.

The County Manager replied that the Department has no function with regard to road opening and he accepted the word of the County Engineer on the situation.

Councillor Fahey stated that he did not accept that the defects as stated have been found after Mr. Lyons had carried out his work and did not justify the action taken.

The County Manager stated that Mr. Lyons had stated in the presence of three witnesses that he would not carry out the County Council's requirements.

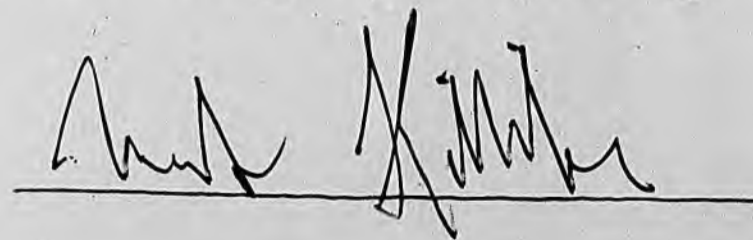
Councillor Fahey stated that Mr. Lyons denies this but the County Manager replied that he is satisfied about the situation from the information he has received from his engineers and he stressed that he is under an obligation to protect the County Council and road users.

The Chairman stated that he did not see the necessity for any further discussion on the matter since the County Manager had agreed that the work would be reviewed next week and if found satisfactory, a licence could be issued again which would enable this contractor to carry out work.

Replying to Councillor Haverty, the County Manager stated that there is no difficulty about meeting Mr. Lyons at any reasonable time if he requires a meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED
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SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:



CHAIRMAN

29/1/79

DATE

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

23 Eanáir, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 29u lá Eanáir, 1979, ag tosnu at 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL.
RUNAI.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:
 - (a) In accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant permission to Christopher Molloy for reconstruction of ruined dwelling at Ardnasella, - Planning Ref. 29659.
Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey. G. Bartley.
 - (b) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that Galway Co. Council direct the Co. Manager to grant outline planning permission to Messrs. D. and T. Corbett for the erection of two dwelling houses at Carramore - Planning Ref. No. 29275.
E. Haverty. John Callanan. F. Fahey.
 - (c) That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant full permission to Timothy Hickey for the erection of a dwelling-house at Clifden, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 30072.
G. Bartley. M. O'Morain. Thomas Welby.
 - (d) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant permission to Anthony Broderick for erection of dwelling at Mober, Ballinasloe. - Planning Ref. No. 29810.
P. Galvin. J. Joyce. J. Callanan, T.D..
 - (e) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway Co. Council direct the Co. Manager to grant outline permission to Gerard Walsh for erection of dwelling house at Gortyloughlin, Moycullen. - Planning Ref. 29785.
S. Donnellan. Thomas Welby. John Molloy.
 - (f) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that Galway Co. Council direct the Co. Manager to grant permission to David Callinan for the erection of a

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dwelling house at Adragool - Planning Ref. No. 30452.
P. J. Dempsey. G. Bartley. John Molloy.

- (g) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant planning permission for erection of a store at Polkeen - Planning Ref. No. 30506 - to Stephen Casserly, Twomileditch, Castlegar.
John Molloy. Sean Donnellan, P. J. Dempsey.
 - (h) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that Galway Co. Council direct the County Manager to grant permission to Tom Laffey, for the erection of a dwelling house at Lettergesh - Planning Ref. No. 30315.
G. Bartley. M. O'Morain. P. J. Dempsey.
 - (i) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we hereby give you notice of the intention to propose the following resolution at a meeting of Galway County Council:-
"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Oliver Rooney of 16, Greenfields Rd., Newcastle, Galway for dwelling house and shop at Rosscahill East - Planning Ref. No. 30416."
John M. Mannion. Padraic McCormack. Thomas Welby.
 - (j) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & Co. Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 we hereby give you notice of the intention to propose the following resolution at a meeting of the Galway County Council:-
"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the Co. Manager to decide to grant permission to Raymond Conneely for dwelling house at Drinagh Td. - Planning Reference No. 30546."
G. Bartley. Thomas Welby. M. O'Morain.
 - (k) In accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 we hereby give you notice of the intention to propose the following resolution at a meeting of Galway County Council:-
"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway Co. Council require the Co. Manager to decide to grant permission to Martie Mullen, Fahey, Clifden for dwelling house at Fahey - Planning Reference No. 30467."
G. Bartley. P. Dempsey. Thomas Welby.
2. Minutes.
 3. Malicious Injury Decrees - list herewith.
 4. Making of County Development Plan (Copy of submissions made and observations of Planning Officer already circulated).
 5. Auditor's report on Accounts of Galway Co. Committee of Agriculture for years 1974 to 1977 inclusive.
 6. Sale of housing sites at:
 - (a) Cullairbawn, Athenry to Mr. Martin J. O'Grady, Gort Road, Kinvara per notice dated 7th December, 1978.
 - (b) Clarinbridge, to Mr. Philip Henderson, University College, Galway and Mr. John O'Hare, Kilcornan House, Clarinbridge - per notice dated 8th January, 1979.
 - (c) Townparks (1st Division) Tuam to Mr. Thomas Creaven, 11, Dublin Road, Tuam - per notice dated 7th December, 1978.
 7. Creation of additional offices of one Grade I and one Grade II Draughtsperson.

8. Raising of loan of £2,000,000 for construction of local authority houses.
9. Raising of loan of £54,100 for Stage I of the Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme.
10. Fix date for meeting of Housing Committee.
11. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

12. DEPUTY J. DONNELLAN - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway Co. Council erect two additional public lights at Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, provide a sewerage scheme and have a speed limit erected.
 - (b) That Galway Co. Council take whatever action is necessary to compel the contractor in question to complete to specification the housing scheme at Millstream Park, Tuam, Co. Galway.
13. DEPUTY J. M. MANNION - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway Co. Council reconstruct and level the road at Kelly's hill on the Cornamona/Dooras Road.
 - (b) That Galway Co. Council repair the gully opposite Jack McDonnell's gate, Ross, Moyard.
14. COUNCILLOR P. DEMPSEY - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway Co. Council remove clay banks and ease dangerous bends on the road leading from Raftery's Cross, Cashla to the Ennis Bridge, Athenry. This is an extremely heavy trafficked road due to mart and creamery.
 - (b) That Galway Co. Council remove corners at Corofin/Ballinastock Cross on Tuam/Athenry Road and erect wire fencing to enable motorists to see traffic on the main Tuam/Athenry Road.
 - (c) I will ask that the road in front of John Morris's house and also the yard of same be raised to eliminate serious flooding and traffic hazard at Ceannteeny, Turloughmore.
15. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council inspect and report on the damage to the banks of the river near Brockagh bridge, Brownsgrrove, Tuam.
 - (b) That the Council prepare a scheme to widen the bridge leading to Mick Flanagan's house, Knockalour, Cortoon, Tuam.
 - (c) That the Abbert Bog Road starting at Pat Geoghegan's and leading to Martin Curleys, Guilka, Windfield, Ballinasloe be surfaced and improved.
16. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will propose:
 - (a) That (name supplied) be given top priority for a new Council house because of the terrible hardship she and her family are living under and the many disappointments experienced by her over the past two or three years.
 - (b) That a new house be erected for (name supplied) and her husband and family.
17. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:

That the new housing estate at Oughterard be named the "Seamus O'Maille Estate".
18. COUNCILLOR P. RAFTERY - I will propose:
 - (a) That the road to John Lynch's house, Loughglass (L.I.S. LG 3/76) be taken over and maintained by the Co. Council.
 - (b) That flooding into John Kelly's yard at Curravaughla, Ballygar be relieved.
19. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I will propose:
 - (a) That this Council relieve the flooding near Bawnmore national school on the Carraghy/Knockdoe County Road.
 - (b) That the flooding near Bawnmore National school be relieved as soon as possible.
 - (c) That the road from Briarhill to Carnmore be improved as the sides of the road are in bad repair and need surface dressing.
20. COUNCILLOR N. MORGAN - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway Co. Council declare public the roadways in Lakeview Park Estate and Pollroebuck Council housing estate, Loughrea and the public lighting be completed at the old peoples' homes thereat.

- (b) That Councillors' Notice of Motion money may be spent on roadways to Council reservoirs, public street lighting and footpaths.
- (c) That a supply of water be made available from Craughwell Council Public Water Supply to Craughwell Rural Group Water Scheme.
21. SENATOR M. P. KITT - I will propose:
- (a) That steps be taken to relieve flooding at Mrs. Carroll's, Eskerroe, Menlough, Ballinasloe.
- (b) That repairs be carried out to a pump installed in Co. Council house for (name supplied).
22. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK - I will ask:
- (a) That the Co. Council put down a channel in front of John O'Halloran's, Rosscahill to stop the water flowing into the house from the main road.
- (b) That the Co. Council erect lights at Furbo strand, or that provision be made for same in the next estimates.
- (c) That the road into Gortacleava village, Claregalway, be tarred as soon as possible.
23. COUNCILLOR E. HAVERTY - I will propose:
That the Council declare public the road at Lakeside Park Estate, Loughrea.
24. COUNCILLORS G. BARTLEY AND T. WELBY - We will propose:
That the retaining wall in front of Phil Coyne's house on the Westport Road, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the village of Leenane be reconstructed.
25. COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN - I will propose:
- (a) That a sewerage scheme be provided for the following villages at the earliest possible date; (i) Milltown, (ii) Kilkerrin (Ballinasloe).
- (b) That a scheme of at least 6 to 8 Council houses be provided for Milltown village.
26. COUNCILLORS SEAN DONNELLAN, T. WELBY AND J. MOLLOY - We will propose:
That the plan submitted by the Furbo Development Association be included in the Co. Development Plan.

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M A L I C I O U S D A M A G E D E C L A R E S

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decreases incl. Costs.
Dymna Bowman & Gwen Quaid, Devon House, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to a house. (Devon House)	Borough of Galway.	£50.00	£75.39.
Hynes Limited, Augustine Street, Galway.	Damage to windows and doors.	Borough of Galway.	£500.00	£344.38.
O'Connor Television Ltd., 2 Shop Street, Galway.	Damage to shop and premises.	Borough of Galway.	£200.00	£116.93.
Ardos Holdings Ltd., 40 Dominick Street, Galway.	Damage to telephone coin box.	Borough of Galway.	£140.00	£203.98.
Sean Comer, Stripe, Curmer, Tuam, Co. Galway.	Damage to a motor car. (Ford Cortina) Reg. no. 4833 IM.	Borough of Galway.	£45.22	£27.35
R. F. Gill Limited, Wood Quay, Galway.	Damage to an electric drag shovel attachment.	Borough of Galway.	£109.37	£206.13
Edward Grady, Gurteeny, Woodford, Co. Galway.	Damage to hayshed. (burned).	County at large.	£3,100.00	£2,275.44
John Langan & Sons Ltd., Ballybane, Galway.	Damage to premises and contents.	County at large.	£700.00	£757.63

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: (a) Deputy M. Killilea.
(b) Councillor Sean Donnellan.

PRESENT: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Members: Councillors G. Bartley, U. Burke, T. Byrne,
Deputy J. Callanan, Councillors F. Fahey,
M. Flaherty, P.T. Galvin, F. Glynn, M. D. Higgins,
B. Holland, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly,
M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P.
McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H.
Melvin, J. Molloy, P. J. Dempsey, N. Morgan,
M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan and
T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett,
Assistant County Manager; M. Moroney, County Accountant
T. O'Donoghue, Law Agent; J. Crotty, Acting County
Engineer; K. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer;
Miss C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; Miss M. Nolan,
Staff Officer; Mrs. P. Monahan, Staff Officer;
Messrs. S. McMahon, F. Monahan, M. Tierney,
J. Tarpey, Chief Assistant County Engineers;
L. Kavanagh, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineer;
N. Forde, Assistant County Engineer; T. Kavanagh,
Administrative Officer; P. J. McGovern, B. Kennedy,
Senior Staff Officers; D. Buggy, Staff Officer;
and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2447 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR 1979:

The Chairman complimented the County Manager, County Accountant, and other staff involved in the preparation of the Estimates for the amount of information presented in them and in the report, and for the manner in which it was presented and prepared in the short time available.

The County Manager stated that the Estimate presented takes account of the rate limitation which was notified to the Council by the Minister for the Environment which is 10% over the amount of the rate levied for the year 1978. This increase, taking account of additional valuations which have come into force in the meantime, results in a net fund of 12.39% greater than the fund available to the Council for 1978.

Replying to Councillor Holland, the County Manager stated that the only increase in Rates payable by occupiers of commercial property is the 10% extra on the rate unless the valuation has been increased.

The County Manager then reviewed for members the main features of the estimate as set out in his written report with the Estimates, dated 12th January, 1979.

Councillor Higgins suggested that Galway County Council should co-operate with Galway Corporation in the development of Galway Museum for the purpose of creating an appropriate post and share the cost. He stated that Roscommon County Council had hired an Architect for two years to survey architectural sites and he asked if a similar appointment could be made in Galway as he considered that little progress could be made without reliable information being available on architectural sites. He considered that the system of operating within a flat percentage rate increase as a serious erosion of the powers of the Council and he recommended as a useful exercise the examination of one heading in the Estimates, say Housing, and to show with Estimates what the County Council feels is necessary under that heading.

Deputy Callanan and other members congratulated the County Manager, County Accountant and the other Members of the staff involved in the preparation of the Estimates. Referring to the reduced number of people who are now paying rates, Deputy Callanan stated that even if the Minister allowed a greater increase, the Council should not put an undue burden on the number of people who still have to pay Rates. He asked if anything had been included in the Estimates for sinking of boreholes.

The County Manager stated that a sum of £16,000 has been proposed in the Estimates for boreholes.

Deputy Callanan also referred to the very large increase from £20,000 to £100,000 in the cost of pollution control.

The County Manager stated that part of this expenditure includes commitments incurred in 1978, and if those had been paid, the expenditure in 1978 would in fact have been about £60,000.

The County Manager, referring to Deputy Callanan's request for further information on where cuts are to be made in the Roads Estimate, stated that the final picture with regard to the amount available and the headings under which it will be available in the Roads Estimate will not be known until particulars of Road Grants for 1979 are notified by the Department of the Environment.

Councillor Morgan stated that the public should be aware of the restrictions in the amount of rate which the Council can raise but he considered that the State unjustly makes the Council pay the Health Board for supplementary Welfare Allowances, the Board of Works for drainage as well as the demands of the County Committee of Agriculture and the Vocational Education Committee, and that such levies should not be made on the Council while it is restricted in the amount of rate which it can levy. He proposed that the amount provided for each Councillor's Notice of Motion Money be increased to £5,000, and that this be taken from the amount provided for road maintenance. He stated that he would wish that Councillors should be in a position to allocate some of their Notice of Motion Money for public lighting.

Councillor Glynn asked that future reports on Estimates might show the ratable valuations of the County under the headings of Commercial, Agricultural and Industrial property. He considered that valuations of commercial property have increased considerably and it seemed to him that there was a policy of having those valuations increased. He pointed out that although the State was meeting only 15.5% of the Council's total Revenue out of the Domestic Rate Fund, it had imposed very severe restrictions on the Council with regard to the amount of rate it can levy and a very serious erosion of the Council's powers for this small percentage contribution of the Council's total Revenue. He considered that the Government should also make a contribution towards the provision of Amenities in the County.

On the question of Burial Grounds, he complained that he had been several years asking for a Burial Ground in Addergoole where no graves are now available and also in Kilclooney where no new graves have been available for several years. He recommended that since occupiers of houses are now exempt from Rates, the Council should impose a charge for the refuse collection service. He welcomed the provision of £5,000 for the promotion of the Arts and considered that large developers of property costing say £100,000 and upwards should make some contribution to the Arts in the structures which they were providing.

He stated that there is a necessity to do far more with regard to the provision of sewerage schemes for small towns whether by way of County Council schemes or Group Schemes as there is a grave danger of pollution of rivers by septic tanks close to villages.

Councillor Sean Donnellan stated that while some improvement works have been done over the years on the Moycullen Water Supply, this work has not resulted in any permanent improvement to the supply and that unless definite action is taken to improve the source, there is no point in spending further money on the scheme. He asked that a complete examination of the scheme be undertaken.

On the question of pollution, he asked what reports are available on the pollution of coastal and inland waters.

Councillor O'Morain, referring to the small water supply schemes, stated that there were two of those proposed for the islands and he suggested that work on those would commence well before the summertime because of the great scarcity of water that occurs during the tourist season.

Replying to a query by Councillor O'Morain regarding the coastal study being undertaken in conjunction with Galway Corporation, the County Manager stated that Ireland West had been consulted.

Councillor O'Morain also stated that Environmental Protection in County Galway is a major problem especially arising from the dumping of material for the scavenging vehicles at a crossroads and because of lack of reliable information by householders as to the dates and times at which the vehicles will call. Referring to supplementary Welfare Allowances being paid by the Western Health Board for which the County Council pays, he expressed agreement with Councillor Morgan and he asked that an effort be made to get more information to the County Council as to how the money is spent. He asked that an effort be made to provide a new Courthouse in Carna.

Councillor O'Morain asked that a complete review be undertaken of the provision of office accommodation both for the County Council and for the Corporation in Galway and that account be taken of the necessity to provide for Museum accommodation and an Art Gallery in one building which would be a credit to Galway. He suggested that the building in question should accommodate all Local Authority staffs who are occupying rented accommodation in the city.

Councillor Welby asked that a sum of £2,000 be made available for the repair of a dangerous wall at Carrowmanagh Housing Scheme. Councillor Bartley supported Councillor Welby's request.

Supporting Councillor Donnellan's request in connection with the Moycullen Water Supply, he stated that approximately 150 Planning Permissions had been given in the Moycullen area and that this should not have been done until a proper water supply was available as the present scheme was defective both in quality and supply. He asked that the Council would expedite the connection of the Rosscahill Group Water Supply Scheme with the Oughterard Regional Scheme before the summer, and that work on the provision and improvement of a sewerage treatment works at Oughterard and Headford be started soon.

Councillor Kilgannon welcomed the commitment shown in the Estimates to the provision of Housing and stated that he considered that the Council would need up to a 1,000 per annum after a time because of the fact that fewer people would be able to build their own houses due to increased housing costs. The onus of providing housing for many including some Civil Service and Local Authorities staff will fall on the Council.

Referring to the disaster at Whiddy Island, he stated that the Council should make adequate provision for safety at locations where highly inflammable materials are stored. He asked if the Council has a Pollution Control Officer.

Councillor Ryan expressed disappointment with the amount provided for sewerage schemes for villages in the Estimate and also with the lack of progress over the years with town schemes as he considered that unless some action is taken to meet this need, there is little hope for the small villages which are increasing year by year due to additional houses being built. He referred in particular to villages such as Moylough where there is a factory with 65 people employed. He considered that the reduction of one-third in the valuation for the domestic part of a building which includes a shop is unfair and he asked if the increase in valuations which has recently become evident is as a result of a direction by the Manager or by the Minister. He stated that the sum of £20,000 for Amenity Grants should be increased.

Deputy Mannion asked if in view of the fact that the rate increase is limited to 10%, the agricultural and other grants would be increased by this amount. Referring to the reduction of £306,000 in the Roads Estimate, he felt that Connemara Roads are likely to suffer because of this.

The Chairman referring to the question of the Connemara Roads, stated that he expected that arrangements would be made for the reception of a deputation by the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for the Gaeltacht to discuss this matter within the next two or three weeks.

Deputy Mannion expressed the hope that no workers would have to be laid off because of lack of funds and he complained about the inadequate provision for maintenance of water supplies such as Clifden, and the delay in having pumps provided in rural areas. He asked if the new watermain proposed for Clonbur is to be in the village. He did not agree with the suggestion that people availing of the refuse collection service should pay for it as for many people in rural areas this is the only service they get. Referring to the Supplementary Welfare Allowances paid by the Western Health Board, he stated that the cost would be far greater than that shown in the Estimates if the scheme were administered on a more equitable fashion as he considered that many people in need are not being given sufficient assistance. He considered that the provision and maintenance of Courthouses should not be the responsibility of a Local Authority.

Senator Kitt stated that he was encouraged by the suggestion that Notice of Motion Money should be used on carrying out minor improvements to roads such as improving of sight distances and provision of footpaths. He asked that the Council would examine a survey which has been carried out within a radius of 7 miles of Mountbellew from the point of view of the number of houses uninhabitable and those which could be made habitable. He stated that little provision has been made for water and sewerage schemes having regard to the need and he asked that some steps be taken to provide for an extension of the Athenry scheme which is awaiting the result of a waste water survey. He asked if there is any prospect of appointing an Archeologist who would identify Archeological sites in County Galway.

Referring to old drainage schemes in respect of which the Council is providing the sum of £35,000 for maintenance, he asked where those schemes are located.

The County Manager stated that the list of those schemes and the amounts provided for their maintenance would be included in the Minutes - the schemes being as follows:

COUNTY COUNCIL DRAINAGE SCHEMES 1979

	£
Dunkellin, Loughrea.....	2,500
Kilchreest	2,500
Annagh, Gort	1,600
Dunkellin, Gort	1,600
Boley, Portumna	800
Ahascragh	6,000
Kellysgrove	3,000
Dunkellin, Athenry	2,500
Mountbellew	10,000
Lavally	2,000
Meelick/Pollshask	1,000
Oranhill, Athenry	1,500

£35,000

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Councillor Byrne stated that in view of the reduction of £306,000 in the Roads Estimate, he did not see how there would be no reduction in the number of people employed. He agreed that the sums paid to the Board of Works and to the Western Health Board should be national charges and he considered that the appropriate Government Departments should be approached to reimburse the Council the amount of those demands. This recoupment would make some reduction in the Rates as well as providing some money for essential services.

Welcoming the provision of £16,500 for improvement to Moycullen Water Supply and £13,000 for Barna Supply, Councillor McCormack felt that those sums were not adequate. He asked if the sum of £6,000 for improvements proposed near Merlin Park would have any connection with the provision of a hardstand and he asked what improvements are involved.

Councillor Burke stated that no provision had been made in the Estimates for improvement of Woodford Water Supply where extra houses had been built over a period of years. He stated that it is frequently out of order and he asked that the scheme would be examined. He expressed concern at the reduction of £306,000 in the Roads Estimate and he asked if there was a policy of encouraging early retirement of workers. He considered it undesirable that the County Council should sublet some of road maintenance work.

He asked that the Council would issue a public statement clarifying the pick-up points for the refuse collection and also give details of the times. He felt that the Council should also examine the possibility of subletting some of this work of refuse collection with a view to making some savings. He stated that the Estimates do not contain any provision for the provision of a sewerage scheme for the village of Tynagh.

Councillor Flaherty also asked that the improvement in the water supplies at Aran and Inishboffin be undertaken before the tourist season. He asked for information regarding the position about the road to Carraroe Burial Ground.

Councillor Stapleton asked that extra lighting be provided at the approach to the Tuam Swimming Pool and also that additional hair-dryers be provided at the Pool. He considered that the Pool fees for school children should not be increased and he also asked that additional facilities such as handball and squash courts should be provided at the Palace Grounds. He recommended that some waste bogland should be acquired by the Council in rural areas to provide places for dumping refuse by local people. He stated that the Minister should be complimented for limiting the rate increase to 10% over that of last year as this was sufficient for the people who had still to pay Rates.

He stated that the sum of £2,500 for breathing apparatus for firemen was very low. He asked that the pump on the Dunmore Road, Tuam, might be repaired.

COUNCILLOR SEAN DONNELLAN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Councillor Fahey asked if a breakdown of the sum of £31,000 assigned to conveniences was available and in particular the amount provided in this figure for Gort.

Councillor Kelly agreed with Councillor Higgins on the appointment of an Architectural Assistant and he asked that arrangements be made with University College Galway for the employment of students who would be qualified to carry out a survey. He asked that the Council would take over and maintain the Tuam Museum.

He supported Councillor Morgan's request that the allocation in respect of Notice of Motion Funds to each Councillor should be increased to £5,000, and he asked that the Government be requested to restore the Amenity Grants allocation from State Funds. He asked that the Council would officially open the Pitch and Putt Course at the Palace Grounds in Tuam which he considered should be publicised as it would be a source of revenue. He criticised the quality of lighting generally and asked that the E.S.B. should be requested to provide more powerful lights. He protested at the small amount of work done on footpaths and stated that only a small repair job was done in Tuam in 1978.

Councillor Haverty asked what is the position regarding a sewerage scheme for Killimor and also a Burial Ground for the same village. He considered that the sum of £16,000 for new pumps provided in the Estimates is not sufficient.

He asked that some arrangement be made for providing a self-service for tea both for Members and staff in the County Buildings.

Councillor Joyce asked that greater progress be made with the sinking of wells throughout the County and he also asked that the Council continue with the building of houses in Laurencetown. He recommended that the Council should purchase sites around Galway, Ballinasloe, Tuam and in fact in other villages throughout the County because of the high cost of sites. He stressed the importance of road safety and the necessity to continue with the improvements to roads especially the improvement of sight distance, and in addition, the widening of County Roads. He recommended that the Council should use its Compulsory Purchase powers to acquire title to certain houses which are vacant and which cannot be sold because of defective title. He asked that a request should be forwarded to the Minister of State at the Department of Education to have that Department provide for transport of children to swimming pools by school buses.

Councillor Bartley, referring to Letterfrack Water Supply, stated that this scheme needs urgent improvement and he stated that there is more than an adequate supply of water available at the Diamond where he recommended that a Reservoir should be constructed in order to bring a water supply to Letterfrack, to Davros and also to the National Park. He asked for further information on the progress expected to be made this year on the Ballyconneely Water Supply Scheme, and on what work the sum allocated for Roundstone Water Improvement will be spent.

Councillor O'Morain supported Councillor Bartley's request that the Council investigate the source at the Diamond Mountain.

Councillor Dempsey asked that the provision of a pump for Sheeuan Park, Cahertymore, be put on the priority list.

Councillor Molloy asked for further information on the work which is to be included in the Coastal Study from Barna to Galway and on the work proposed at Merlin Park Forest land. He also asked that the lights be switched on in the Ballybrit Road.

Replying to the various points raised by Members during the discussion the County Manager made the following observations:-

- (a) County Archeologist - The onus of discovering and listing sites of Archeological interest is primarily not on the County Council but on the Office of Public Works, but in certain circumstances, the Council can take over some Archeological sites for maintenance but this is not done extensively. The work done by an Archeologist in Roscommon was promoted by the Central Development Committee and was funded out of the Regional Fund by that Committee. Galway County Council, however, has an interest, but the appointment of a County Archeologist would not be the solution since there would not be continuing work for him. The matter has been discussed with Professor Rynne of University College Galway, and he has been informed that if his faculty in the University had a programme of discovery of such sites, the Council would see if it could give a grant in aid of the work. Professor Rynne is to contact the Council later about this matter.
- (b) Cost of Pollution Control - The considerable increase in this years Estimate over that shown for 1978 is due to the fact that work carried out in 1978 is only now being paid for, and if provision had been made for it in last year's Estimate, the cost would be approximately £60,000.
- (c) Road Works Scheme - This will be revised when the amount of grants for 1979 are notified by the Department of the Environment and a new scheme will be brought before the Council then. Referring to the suggestion of increasing Notice of Motion Money and deducting the increase from maintenance, he suggested that this matter should be left over until the revised Road Works Scheme is brought before the Council following notification of grants.
- (d) Demands by State and Other Authorities - Those demands are all presented in the Estimates because by law the Council is liable for them. The Government states that this aspect of the Estimates has been taken into account in determining the limit of the County Rate. The Manager agreed that there is a case for having the cost of those services made a national charge and he agreed that this point would be made on behalf of the Council to the Department of the Environment.
- (e) Breakdown of Ratable Valuation - The possibility of showing a breakdown of the rateable valuation under the heading of domestic, agricultural, commercial, industrial, etc., will be examined and if this is possible, details will be supplied to the Council.
- (f) Amenity Grants - In preparing the Estimates an effort was made to keep those grants going, and as requested by the Council, a request for a State allocation towards the cost of Amenity Grants will be sent to the Department of the Environment.
- (g) Burial Grounds - The sum provided in the Estimate is a maximum which it was thought could be afforded having regard to the demands of other services. Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, and the County Engineer will be asked to draw up a programme of Burial Grounds to be provided and this list will be supplied to Members.

- (h) Charge for Domestic Refuse Service - The law does not permit making a charge for this service.
- (i) Contribution by Developers to the Arts - While he would like to see something in the lines of what was suggested, the law would not enable us to put a condition on a Planning Permission requiring certain developers to contribute in any specific way towards the Arts.
- (j) Small Sewerage Schemes - He expressed disappointment with the progress made on the provision of sewerage schemes for villages but he pointed out that the only fund is the Sanitary Services Capital Programme Fund on which there are many pressures and demands. The sum being provided in Revenue for those schemes has been reduced to £85,000 for only two schemes. It is not possible to say when the other villages throughout the County will have a scheme, but if the Capital becomes available, those schemes will be carried out.
- (k) Moycullen Water Supply - He agreed that the work at present being done in Moycullen is not the long term solution as the intention is that Moycullen and the surrounding area will eventually be supplied by the Galway City West Water Scheme. The corporation is to do its own part of the scheme within its area and it will give a supply to the Council at Clifton Hill where a Reservoir is to be constructed. The planning for this scheme is far advanced and there will be very little delay once the supply becomes available from the Corporation. He hoped that there would be some progress with the scheme in 1979 and the Department of the Environment has been told that this is regarded as having a high priority.
- (l) Reports on extent of Water Pollution - The Act has only recently come into operation and very much progress has not been made so far. The Council is to start monitoring pollution sources very soon including coastal water. One of the Engineering staff has been designated Oil Pollution Officer but this is not a specific full-time appointment.
- (m) Islands Water Supplies - The Contract Documents for Inishmore are with the Department of the Environment and it is proposed to meet representatives from Inishmaan soon in connection with the scheme for that island.
- (n) Refuse Collection - General - It is agreed that there are irregularities regarding the observance of time schedules for collection of domestic refuse in many parts of the County. The County Engineer is investigating this to see if it can be eliminated. The Council has no reserve collection vehicle on hands but it is likely that one of the existing vehicles will be retained for this purpose when the next new vehicle is being purchased. A special effort is being made to try to ensure that so far as possible there are no defaults in the collection schedules. There is a problem about nuisances at collection points and this is being examined.
- (o) Central Offices - He agreed that this proposal would be desirable but no space is available for this on the existing County Buildings site and there is a major problem of availability of Capital. The Council has, however, very little rented accommodation. Most of the rented accommodation is occupied by the Vocational Education Committee and the County Committee of Agriculture, and the Council is not responsible for provision of accommodation for these bodies. It is unlikely that Capital will be made available for centralising the offices as proposed. The first stage of improving the office accommodation in the County Buildings is being undertaken and an Architect has been asked to examine the feasibility of carrying out certain alterations, and if this proves feasible, the Council will be informed during the present year.

Explaining why Capital is not readily available for this type of work, he pointed out that the Council would be competing for some of the overall Capital provided in all of the public service, and it is a budget objective to keep the total public capital allocation within certain limits.

(p) Dangerous Wall at Carrowmanagh, Oughterard. - This matter will be examined and Councillor Welby will be informed of the position.

(q) Mixed Valuations - The manner of deciding the valuation to be allotted to domestic and to non-domestic purposes in the case of mixed valuation is not decided by the County Council as this is provided for in legislation. There is, however, provision now in legislation for an appeal for a person who feels aggrieved.

(r) Increase in State Grants - While the general rate limit has been increased by 10%, there is no similar provision with regard to the increase in State Grants. However, it is likely that the Agricultural Grant would also increase by 10%. The increased grant for Sanitary Services would be related to the Capital Expenditure on schemes and the grants for roads are to be notified later.

(s) Water Supplies maintenance, etc. - The sum allocated for maintenance of Clifden Water Supply will be examined to see if it is adequate and the Woodford Water Supply will also be examined with a view to seeing if the pressure can be improved. The money allocated for the Clonbur Water Supply is to be spent in the village itself. The operation of the booster pump on the Dunmore Road at Tuam will be examined. The proposal of Councillor Bartley for providing a water supply for the Letterfrack area from the Diamond Hill area will be examined, and Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, will inform Councillor Bartley of the position. Ballyconneely Water Supply is expected to be completed this year and the money provided for Roundstone is mainly on maintenance.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated that the pump for the Inishboffin Water Supply has been installed. A programme for sinking of boreholes and provision of pumps in rural areas will be prepared and will be brought before the Council.

(u) Roads and Footpaths - It is not possible to state until the Road Grants are notified what adjustments may have to be made in the Road Works Scheme under the different headings. No separate provision is made in the Estimate for footpaths as the cost of this comes out of maintenance fund. The Council can consider the County Engineer's views on the utilisation of the Notice of Motion Fund when grants are notified.

(v) Merlin Park Improvements - The sum of £6,000 provided in the Estimates is to be spent on the Forestry area between the old and the new roads in Merlin Park as an amenity on the approach to the City. The land was acquired at a reasonable price and the money will be used to tidy up the place, provide paths, picnic areas, etc. The sum has nothing to do with the hardstand which is proposed nearby.

(w) Retirement of Road Workers - The Council did not embark on a policy of inducing roadworkers to retire at an age under 65 but following improvements in the Superannuation Scheme, many roadworkers opted to retire during the past few years.

(x) Facilities for tea, etc., in County Buildings - It has been discovered that tea or coffee vending machines are not satisfactory but the possibility of providing canteen facilities is at present being examined.

(y) Purchase of Housing Sites - Negotiations are on the way to take over sites in Ballinasloe from the N.B.A. The Council has a number of sites in other areas including Athenry, Portumna, Tuam, Clarinbridge, etc. There may be a limit on the amount of finance available for this purpose but subject to this, the Council will continue its efforts to purchase land for sites.

If particulars are supplied regarding empty houses where there are title defects, the Council will see if it can be of assistance.

(z) Coastal Study - Barna, Galway. - Ballyloughane is not included in this survey as the Corporation has carried out some improvements at this location and will continue to do so.

2448 - ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATES IN THE POUND:

It was proposed by Councillor Stapleton, seconded by Councillor Kilgannon and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby adopt for the financial year ending 31st December, 1979, the Estimate of Expenses set out in Tables A, B 1, C and D, and hereby determine in accordance with the said Estimates, the rates set out in Column 11 of Table B 1, Column 11 of Table C, and Column 7 of Table D, to be the rates in the pound to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in Column 1 of Table B 1 and in Tables C and D."

The prescribed certificate was then signed by the Chairman and the County Secretary.

2449 - DEMANDS ON URBAN AUTHORITIES:

It was proposed by Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Morgan and resolved:-

"That the seal of the Council be affixed to the demands on Galway Borough Council and on Ballinasloe Urban District Council for the year ending 31st December, 1979."

The Demands were then sealed and signed.

2450 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

Mrs. Thomas Hynes and Family, Cottage Hill, Athenry Road, Loughrea.
Mrs. T. Byrne, Killimor, Ballinasloe.
Mr. Thomas Fahy, (Jnr.), Cappagh, Ballycrissane, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Muriel Finnerty, Pollagh, Rosscahill.
Mr. Charles Lawlor, Taylor's Hill, Galway.
Mr. Peter Costello & Family, Glenmore, Athenry.
Mr. Bennie Keane, Brierfield, Ballinasloe.
Mr. Frank Burke, Colemanstown, Ballinasloe.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED APPROVED + CONFIRMED:

CHAIRMAN.

26 Feb 1979 DATE.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 29TH JANUARY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, U. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; R. Lee, Chief Planning Assistant; B. Callagy, Chief Assistant Planning; W. A. Cahill, Acting Chief Assistant Planning; S. McMahon, F. Monahan, M. Tierney, Chief Assistant County Engineers; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; P.J. McGovern, D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; Miss C. Burke, Staff Officer; Messrs. C. Miney, F. Gallagher and J. Connolly, Temporary Assistant County Engineers; T. Fleming, Draughtsman; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2451 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29659 -
APPLICANT: CHRISTOPHER MOLLOY.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

- "1. Permission has been refused three times already on this site, twice on appeal to the Minister.
2. It is understood that several houses have already been built and sold on the family lands.
3. The site is on the shore of Lough Corrib, where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to restrict development in the interests of the visual amenity of the lake.
4. The site is approximately 300 yards from the public road system but a substandard private roadway does exist. In time, the County Council will undoubtedly be asked to take over the maintenance of this road. This will add unnecessarily to the huge County road maintenance costs of the County Council.
5. The original documents were seriously inadequate because the proposed ruin to be constructed was not indicated on the drawings submitted. The applicant claimed the development was a replacement for a substandard house. An old house exists close to the site boundary but the ruin referred to appeared to be a low pile of stones. Accurate identification of the site was difficult, due to its remote location. A request for further information was made to clarify this matter.

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

- (1) The proposed development on a site located on a peninsula on the shore of Lough Corrib would seriously injure the visual and recreational amenity of the lake shore area and would contribute to the erosion of its relatively unspoilt character in an area where excessive development already exists and which should properly be kept free of all non-essential development.
- (2) The proposed development would be contrary to the proper Planning and Development of the area because the site has no frontage onto a public road.
- (3) Permission has twice been refused on these lands by the Minister for Local Government on Appeal."

The resolution, as set out in the Agenda, was proposed by Councillor Welby and seconded by Councillor Dempsey.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

2452 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29275 -
APPLICANTS: MESSRS. D. & T. CORBETT.

The County Manager stated that a decision to grant Planning Permission in this case had been made.

2453 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30072 -
APPLICANT: MR. TIMOTHY HICKEY.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had already been circulated to each Member of the Council:

- "1. This is a repeat application. In the original application, the Planning Authority stipulated a building line conforming to that of the two existing houses on either side of the site.
2. The applicant proposed to locate his house to the rear of these houses and with the floor level of the house approximately at the level of the ridge of the roofs of the adjoining houses. The house would be visually obtrusive and would overlook the adjoining houses and seriously detract from their residential amenity.
3. The applicant claims that the ground is too soft and that expensive foundations will be required. He has not substantiated this claim in any way. The applicant should be asked to have trial holes excavated for the purpose of ascertaining if any foundation problem exists. Sufficient time is available to enable the matter to be considered at the February meeting of the County Council, but the applicant might be asked to extend the decision period if he considers that he requires a longer period in order to have these investigations carried out.
4. The originally stipulated building line should be adhered to even at extra expense to the developer. The maximum extra cost would be unlikely to exceed 5% of the cost of the house."

The resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Bartley and seconded by Deputy Mannion.

As there was no other proposal the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

2454 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29810 -
APPLICANT: MR. ANTHONY BRODERICK.

The County Manager informed the Council that a decision to grant this permission had been made in this case.

2455 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29785 -
APPLICANT: MR. GERARD WALSH.

The County Manager stated that it is proposed to make a decision to grant Planning Permission in this case.

2456 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30452 -
APPLICANT: MR. DAVID CALLINAN.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Refusal is strongly recommended in this case for the same reason that two previous applications for the same site were refused to the same applicant, i.e., on grounds of serious injury to the visual amenity of Ballycuirk Lake.
2. The site has been condemned by the County Medical Officer, because the site is totally unsuitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent. It consists of 20 feet high rock outcrop, on which the house is to be located, and flooded lowlying land at a depth of 20 feet below house. Any water or effluent from this area would seep directly into the lake.
3. Description of the area and other development along the lakeshore:
 The lake is of high scenic and recreational importance within five miles of Galway City. Its essential character is its totally unspoilt shoreline. This has been seriously eroded by five grossly insensitive houses, built over the last eight years. Some of these were granted on appeal and the remainder on the basis of second family dwellings on family holdings. One of these claims now appears not to have been genuine. An adjoining and less elevated site has been twice refused by the Planning Authority and a third time by an appeal. The Planning Authority feel strongly that the destruction of the amenity of this scenic fishing lake should not be allowed to continue. The injury being caused is unfortunately irreversible and in future years will stand as an indictment of development control by this Planning Authority.
4. A Resolution under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, requiring the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Mr. Callinan was considered by the Council at its meeting of 27th November, 1978, and after some discussion on the matter, the resolution was declared withdrawn; a decision to refuse Permission issued, therefore, on the date of the meeting which coincided with the latest date for decision.

The present proposal provides for the relocation of the septic tank but it is still too near the lake, creating a danger of pollution. The County Medical Officer has also re-examined the site and regards it as highly unsuitable for treatment of septic tank effluent.

5. The grant of Outline Permission for a house and septic tank in this case would create a very bad precedent for other development in the area.
6. It is understood that the applicant already has a house of his own in Newcastle, Galway.
7. Reasons for recommendation are as follows:
 - (1) The proposed development would seriously detract from the high scenic amenity value of the Ballycuirk lake area because its undue prominence would be a visually intrusive element on the lakeshore.
 - (2) Site is unsuitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent."

The County Manager stated that he wished to emphasise in this case the strong recommendation of the Chief Medical Officer with regard to the unsuitability of the site for treatment of septic tank effluent and that there was a strong possibility of pollution of Ballycuirk Lake. He stressed also that this is a high scenic area with an unspoilt shoreline.

The resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Dempsey and seconded by Councillor Welby.

Councillor Glynn proposed and Councillor Kelly seconded that the permission sought be refused. It was decided to adjourn the taking of a vote on these proposals until 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken at 4.30 p.m. for or against granting the permission resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bariley, Deputy Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, Haverty, Stapleton, Deputy Killilea, Senator Kitt, Councillors McCormack, Melvin, Molloy, Dempsey, O'Morain, Raftery, Ruane and Welby.

(15)

AGAINST: Nil.

The following Councillors who were present abstained from voting - Councillors Byrne, Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Kelly, Kilgannon, Deputy Mannion.

(6)

The Chairman declared the resolution set out in the Agenda carried.

2457 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30506 -
APPLICANT: MR. STEPHEN CASSERLY.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

1. Development has already commenced on the site without any planning permission.
2. Previous Planning Applications:
 - 19083 - outline permission for a house granted to Mr. J. Kelly, Spiddal.
 - 19773 and 21914 - Two refusals on appeal to Mr. S. Casserly for six houses and seven houses respectively.

22429 and 23184 - Two refusals (1 on appeal) to Mr. T. Fox for a workshop.

24424 - Refusal to Mr. S. Casserly for four houses.

25808 - Refusal to Mr. S. Casserly for a warehouse.

3. It has been the strict policy of the Planning Authority to refuse permission for all development along the National Primary route, the only permissible exception being for a genuine housing need by members of a family on a family farmland. The proposed development would contravene that policy. Outline Permission has already been granted on the site for a house.

4. Refusal is recommended for the following reason:

The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located on a national primary road where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic movements to which the development would give rise would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road."

Councillor Molloy, proposing the motion, stated that there are stores of the type similar to that now proposed already on this road and that it is not far from where Roadstone are carrying on large business. He stated also that traffic from the Industrial Estate is coming onto the main road opposite the entrance to this man's site and that there will be a need for a speed limit there later.

The County Manager stated that this in fact was the problem and that speed limits would have to be extended way out along this road if this kind of development were allowed to go on unchecked.

Councillor Glynn stated that the result of all of these resolutions under Section 4 to grant those type of permissions will be severe interference with the flow of traffic and with the function of roads. Replying to a further reference to the Industrial Estate by Councillor Molloy, the County Manager stated that the policy behind the establishment of the Industrial Estate which is nearby, is to stop this type of haphazard commercial development.

After a further discussion, it was agreed that the matter be adjourned to the February Meeting of the Council.

The Chairman suggested that the applicant might be invited in to discuss the matter with the Planning staff.

2458 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30315 - APPLICANT: MR. TOM LAFFEY.

The County Manager reported to the Council that a decision had been made to grant permission in this case.

2459 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30416 - APPLICANT: MR. OLIVER ROONEY.

Councillor Welby stated that because he had ascertained that the granting of Planning Permission in this case would cause injury to the business of another person locally, he was withdrawing his support to the proposal.

The County Manager referred to the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

1. Permission has previously been refused on this site by the Planning Authority.
2. The Planning Authority is recommending Refusal on road safety grounds, because it is considered that the construction of a shop on the opposite side of the road from a National Primary School on a busy section of a National Secondary route would constitute a serious road traffic hazard, especially for the children attending the school.
3. There is an excessively high amount of development extending for about one mile all along this section of National Secondary Route. It is the strict policy of the Planning Authority to restrict such development. This is at least the 4th Section 4 Motion for this area."

Deputy Mannion stated that in view of Councillor Welby's withdrawal, he (Deputy Mannion) would arrange for a request for extension of the time and for submission of a new Section 4 motion.

The County Manager asked Members to consider carefully that this application was for the construction of a shop opposite a primary school and that it would obviously be a serious danger to the safety of children.

Replying to a further discussion, the County Manager stated that the motion is validly before the Council and that the Council could decide on it at that meeting notwithstanding withdrawal of his support by Councillor Welby as it is not necessary to the passing of a Section 4 Motion that the signatories to it would vote for it. After further discussion it was agreed that the matter would be adjourned.

Councillor Coogan asked that he be recorded as disagreeing with Section 4 Resolutions.

2460 - RESOLUTIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBERS -
(a) 30546 - APPLICANT: MR. RAYMOND CONNEELY.
(b) 30467 - APPLICANT: MR. MARTIE MULLEN.

On the suggestion of the County Manager it was agreed that the motions relating to those two cases be adjourned to the February Meeting of the Council as there was not an opportunity to have the applications investigated before this meeting.

2461 - MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Sean Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Stapleton, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 11th and 18th December, 1978, and the 12th January, 1979, (numbers 2364 - 2446 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2462 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

It was noted that Malicious Damage Decrees as set out in the schedule to the Agenda had been received since the previous meeting.

2463 - MAKING OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

The County Manager referred to the Memorandum circulated to each Member of the Council which set out the steps which have already been taken to consider the Draft Plan for the County and for the scheduled towns and stated that following approval of the Council

at its Meeting held on the 29th May, 1978, to have the Draft Plan published, a number of submissions had been made by various interested parties and that copies of those had been now circulated to Members together with the observations of the Planning Officer thereon. He stated that all of the submissions made had been very carefully considered and were being very fairly met, and as a result of consideration of those submissions, no major amendment of the plan has become necessary. There are, however, some minor amendments which are set out in the recommendations of the Planning Officer with the resume of the objections and submissions made. Subject to those minor amendments recommended, it is now open to the Council to approve the making of a new development plan.

Councillor Seand Donnellan referred to proposals by the Council for the development of some land at Moycullen and he stated that a deputation from the area expected to be invited in for a further discussion.

The County Manager stated that the plans had only recently been finalised and that an invitation to the local people to come to discuss the matter would be issued very soon. This matter did not, however, affect the County Development Plan.

Replying to a query by Councillor Haverty regarding a plan for Portumma and to the proposal referred to in item no. 26 on the Agenda regarding Furbo, the County Manager stated that land use maps for the two locations in question have been included in the Draft Plan and that the Council will be making more detailed plans for those locations later.

Deputy Mannion stated that he understood that a hotel is being erected near Clifden without Planning Permission and he asked on whom was the obligation to ensure that unauthorised development was not taking place.

The County Manager stated that the primary obligation is on the developer but that if the Council is aware that any work is being carried out other than in compliance with Planning Permission, it would take action. He stated that the complaint referred to by Deputy Mannion would be investigated.

Councillor Flaherty stated that there was no reference in the Draft Development Plan to a town plan for Carraroe.

The County Manager stated that a detailed plan for Carraroe had not been prepared yet but that the Council had committed itself to preparing plans for certain towns and that Carraroe would be examined in this context.

Deputy Callanan stated that with regard to the making of a County Development Plan, he still had the same reservations which he had quoted on previous occasions with regard to the Plan.

Councillor O'Morain stated that the Council had asked for the preparation of a plan for Furbo about five years ago.

The County Manager stated that the objective in the meantime has been to get the old development plan revised, and for this purpose, numerous meetings of the Council and of Committees had been held. In compliance with the Council's Statutory obligation to prepare a plan, the revised draft is now before the Council and if the revised plan is adopted by the Council, the next step would be to examine places like Furbo and other towns in order to make more detailed plans for them if appropriate. This will be done as soon as possible, but that a date for completion of the plans could not at present be given.

Councillor O'Morain stated that there are large areas of land in the Connemara Area which are classified as amenity lands on which it is difficult to get Planning Permission and he asked if any leniency would be shown in dealing with applications from this area.

The County Manager stated that the objectives for the area in question are set out in the Draft Plan and that certain controls are provided in this Draft for the preservation and improvement of amenities of the area. He is aware that there are people who will wish to build in the amenities areas and adjacent to National Primary routes but that the circumstances of each application will be considered.

The Chairman then asked for a proposer and a seconder to the making of the development plan for the County and for the scheduled towns.

It was proposed by Councillor Morgan, seconded by Councillor Galvin and resolved:

"That Galway County Council, having prepared a draft of a proposed County Development Plan, having sent copies of the prescribed documents to the prescribed Authorities, having published the required notices, having considered the objections and representations made to the draft plan and having in all other respects complied with the provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Acts, 1963 and 1976, hereby resolve that a County Development Plan be and is hereby made in accordance with the published Draft Plan dated 29th May, 1978, as amended at this meeting, and that the Official Seal of the Council be affixed to the said plan including the said amendments.

The said Draft consists of the following written statements and the relevant maps:-

Draft Development Plan for County Galway.
Draft Development Plan for Tuam Town.
Draft Development Plan for Loughrea Town.
Draft Development Plan for Gort Town.
Draft Development Plan for Clifden Town.
Draft Development Plan for Athenry Town.

The amendments referred to in this resolution are the following:-

(a) Submission on behalf of Mrs. Moran, Tullyvoheen, Clifden.

"That the Land use map be amended in accordance with the uses permitted in planning permission number 15662 granted on 26th March, 1974, to Mrs. Kathleen Lavelle."

(b) Submission by Department of Industry, Commerce and Energy, on I.D.A. Industrial Lands in Clifden Town.

"That the land use zoning be amended to accord with the Industrial use already permitted."

(c) Submission by Mr. S. J. Kelly, Eagle Lodge, Barna.

"That the area of land referred to in the submission and now zoned for Residential development, be amended to cater for Commercial Type 2 use."

- (d) Submission by Mr. H. S. Buckley, Spiddal House, Spiddal. - re Shannawoneen Woods.

"That Map No. 5 be amended to show the lands referred to in the submission as being an area of High Amenity in lieu of an area of Special Amenity."

- (e) Submission by Mr. H. S. Buckley, Spiddal House, Spiddal, - re lands at Spiddal owned by him. (Ref. "F - Low Density private Housing")

"That the area zoned "Commercial" be reduced in extent to a small strip along the southern boundary of the lands and that the remaining lands at present zoned "Commercial" be zoned "Agricultural".

- (f) Submission by National Monuments Advisory Committee.

"That the word "demolition" be inserted after the word "reconstruction" in line 9, on page 58 of the County Plan - written statement."

2464 - AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE GALWAY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FOUR FINANCIAL YEARS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1977.

The County Manager stated that a copy of this report was available at the meeting for any Members of the Council who wish to read it.

2465 - SALE OF HOUSING SITES:

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Stapleton and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of housing sites:

- (a) at Cullairbawn, Athenry, to Mr. Martin J. O'Grady, Gort Road, Kinvara, on the terms set out in notice dated 7th December, 1978, to each Member of the Council in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966;
- (b) at Clarinbridge, to Mr. Philip Henderson, University College, Galway, and to Mr. John O'Hare, Kilcornan House, Clarinbridge, in accordance with the terms of notice dated 8th January, 1979, to each Member of the Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966;
- (c) at Townparks (1st Division) Tuam to Mr. Thomas Creaven, 11 Dublin Road, Tuam, on the terms of notice dated 7th December, 1978, to each Member of the Council in accordance with the requirements of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966."

2466 - ADDITIONAL OFFICES OF DRAUGHTSPERSON:

It was proposed by Councillor Morgan, seconded by Councillor Kitt and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the creation of additional offices of one Grade 1 and one Grade 11 Draughtsperson in accordance with the duties, particulars of office, and salary as approved by the Minister for the Environment."

2467 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £2 MILLION FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSES:

It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Councillor Melvin and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2 million from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of financing the erection of Local Authority Houses, the loan to be repaid by annuity over a period of 35 years with interest at the rate in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

2468 - RAISING OF A LOAN TO FINANCE STAGE 1 OF THE OUGHTERARD REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The County Manager requested the approval of the Council to the raising of a supplementary loan of £71,700 for Stage 1 of the Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme. He stated that since the Agenda had been circulated, a revised estimate of cost had been prepared which resulted in increasing the amount of the loan required from £54,100 as set out in item 9 of the Agenda to £71,700.

It was proposed by Councillor Welby, seconded by Councillor Sean Donnellan and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £71,700 to finance Stage 1 of the Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be repaid by instalments over the unexpired period of the parent loan or such other period as may be approved by the Minister for the Environment, with interest at the rate in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council, the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works."

2469 - MEETING OF HOUSING COMMITTEE:

It was agreed that a meeting of the Housing Committee of the Council would be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Friday, 2nd March, 1979.

2470 - TONABRUCKY QUARRY:

Replying to a query by Councillor Welby as referred to Minute No. 2395 of the Council Meeting held on the 18th December, 1978, the County Manager stated that a toilet is being provided at Tonabrocky Quarry this year and that a dust extractor on the plant which has been out of order for a while is now in proper working order.

2471 - CEMETRIES:

The County Manager stated that he had been asked by the County Councils' General Council to draw the attention of Members to a resolution passed by the County Councils' General Council as referred to in their Circular Letter of the 7th December, 1978, concerning cemeteries. A copy of this Circular had been forwarded to each Member.

2472 - FLOODING AT NEWTOWN, ABBEYKNOCKMOY:

Councillor Stapleton asked if the Council could be of any assistance to the Keane Family of Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy, near whose premises a road becomes flooded. He stated that if a drain which is inside the road wall were cleaned and maintained, it would relieve the flooding in question.

The Chairman and Deputy Donnellan supported Councillor Stapleton's request.

The County Manager stated that this matter was investigated previously and he was informed that it was not the responsibility of the Council to have the drain in question cleared. However, he agreed that the matter would be again investigated and that a report would be brought back to the Council.

2473 - GOOD WISHES TO MR. M. BREHONY, TUAM HERALD:

On the proposition of Councillor Kelly, the Council expressed good wishes to Mr. Martin Brehony of the Tuam Herald on taking up a new appointment in Dublin.

2474 - PUBLIC LIGHTING, SEWERAGE SCHEME AND SPEED LIMIT, KILKERRIN, BALLINASLOE - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN:

The County Secretary stated that this location was not included in the previous programme and will be considered for the 1979 Public Lighting Programme, that preliminary investigations were carried out for the provision of a sewerage scheme for the village and that it will be considered in relation to a programme for village schemes for the County. Regarding speed limits, he stated that a recommendation on this matter has already been forwarded to the Minister for the Environment and that the Minister's Order is expected soon.

It was agreed that a copy of the new Public Lighting Programme when prepared will be sent to each Member of the Council. Senator Kitt stated that it appears that many lights provided for in the 1978 list had not been provided.

2475 - COMPLETION OF HOUSING ESTATE AT MILLSTREAM PARK, TUAM - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN:

The County Secretary stated that services including roads, footpaths, public lighting and open space, had not been completed by the developers. The Contractors have been informed of their obligations under the Planning Permission and have been asked to give a date for completion of outstanding works. He also stated that if the outstanding works are not completed within a reasonable time, the Council will consider taking proceedings for enforcement of conditions under the Planning Act.

Deputy Donnellan stated that it appeared that the Contractors had no intention of completing the development and Councillor Stapleton recommended that Contractors should be required to lodge a deposit as a security for completion of Estates.

2476 - ROAD AT KELLY'S HILL ON THE CORNAMONA/DOORAS ROAD - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The County Secretary stated that no provision had been made in the current years Estimates for this work. At the request of Deputy Mannion, it was agreed that the proposal be re-examined.

2477 - REPAIR OF A GULLY AT ROSS, MOYARD - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The County Secretary stated that this gully will be repaired in the near future.

2478 - REMOVAL OF CLAY AND EASING OF BENDS BETWEEN RAFTERY'S CROSS, CASHLA, AND ENNIS BRIDGE, ATHENRY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that it is proposed to carry out some improvements to the carriageway width and sight distance on this road in 1979, but that no extensive works are likely to be undertaken in view of the possible limitation on the amount of money which will be available.

2479 - REMOVAL OF CORNERS AT COROFIN/BALLINASTACK CROSS ON TUAM/ATHENRY ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that the land owner had been approached unsuccessfully with a view to having this desirable work done. Further approaches will be made to him.

2480 - IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD NEAR JOHN MORRIS'S HOUSE AT CANTEENEY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that it is proposed to raise hollows subject to flooding in the Coolarne area in 1979 and that the road in front of Mr. Morris' house and part of the forecourt of this house will be included in this work.

2481 - DAMAGE TO RIVER BANKS NEAR BROCKAGH BRIDGE, BROWNSGROVE, TUAM - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The County Secretary stated that the necessary information on this proposal had not yet come to hand but when it was received, a report would be brought before the Council.

2482 - WIDENING OF BRIDGE AT KNOCKALOUR, CORTOON, TUAM - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The County Secretary stated that the bridge is located on a public road near its junction with the non-public spur road to Mr. Flanagan's house. It is adequate to serve the traffic on this County Road at present and if an improvement scheme is sought for the spur road, consideration will be given to widening the bridge.

2483 - IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD AT GUILKA, WINDFIELD, BALLINASLOE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The County Secretary stated that this is not a public road and that accordingly, Council funds could not be expended on it.

Replying to further queries by Councillor Stapleton, the County Manager explained the procedure for obtaining a Local Improvement Scheme grant for this road.

2484 - APPLICATION FOR A NEW HOUSE FOR APPLICANT IN LISMAN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that the applicant in question was approved for rehousing in 1976, but that there was a delay on the part of the owner at the time in signing a Purchase Agreement for the site. The applicant died soon afterwards, and because of title difficulties, the Council had to make application to the Land Commission for a site on lands being divided nearby. The necessary Purchase Agreement is expected from the Land Commission soon.

2485 - NEW HOUSE FOR APPLICANT NEAR BALLINAKILL, EYRECOURT - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that this application was received only on the 12th January, 1979, and is at present under investigation by the Chief Medical Officer.

2486 - NAMING OF NEW HOUSING ESTATE AT OUGHTERARD - MOTION BY CLR. WELBY:

On the proposition of Councillor Welby, seconded by Councillor Sean Donnellan, the Council approved the naming of the new housing estate being constructed by the County Council, of which eight houses have already been built, at Carrowmanagh, Oughterard, as the "Seamus O'Maille Estate".

2487 - TAKING OVER OF L.I.S. ROAD AT LOUGHGLASS - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY:

The County Secretary stated that all roads which have been repaired under Local Improvement Schemes in recent months will be considered for adoption when the next L.I.S. list is being drawn up, but that with regard to the road which is the subject of this proposal, it should be noted that a section of the road is only 9½ feet wide and the landowners did not agree to allow setting back of boundary walls.

2488 - FLOODING AT CURRAVAUGHLA, BALLYGAR - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY:

The County Secretary stated that flooding in this case is due to a broken culvert and that repairs will be carried soon.

2489 - FLOODING NEAR BAWNMORE NATIONAL SCHOOL - MOTIONS NUMBERED 19 (a) AND 19 (b) BY COUNCILLOR RUANE:

The County Secretary stated that flooding in this case arose during construction of a new school and the road drainage was interfered with. Steps are being taken to have the matter dealt with very soon.

2490 - IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD FROM BRIARHILL TO CARNMORE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE:

The County Secretary stated that the road margins here have been excavated in order to allow pipe-laying for the Carnmore Group Water Supply Scheme and that when works are completed by the Group's Contractor along the section in question the permanent restoration of the roadway will be carried out.

2491 - ROADWAYS AT LAKEVIEW PARK ESTATE AND POLLROEBUCK HOUSING ESTATE AT LOUGHREA, AND PUBLIC LIGHTING - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The County Secretary stated that it is intended to include the roads at Lakeside Park Estate on the list of roads for adoption in the near future, and that in relation to the Pollroebuck Scheme, it is the intention that all roads on this estate would be taken over as public roads on completion of the development. The provision of public lighting at the Old Peoples Homes is expected to be carried out within the next few weeks.

Councillor Morgan stated that he was not satisfied regarding the proposal for taking over the Pollroebuck Estate as he considered that they should now be declared public roads. The County Manager stated that he would re-examine the matter.

2492 - USE OF NOTICE OF MOTION FUNDS - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The County Secretary stated that money provided under the Notice of Motion procedure would have to be used on works which are included in the Road Works Scheme and could not be used on Public Lighting.

The County Manager stated that the Council already maintains roads to Reservoirs and he asked Councillor Morgan if he had any particular problem regarding any road to a Reservoir, it would be investigated if Councillor Morgan gave particulars. He stated that up to now Notice of Motion Funds had been spent on roads to be taken in charge, but if Members wished to use such funds on the removal of bends, etc., he would not have any objection. Councillors Haverly and Deputy Callanan and other Councillors stated that they considered that this money should be confined to works which were in accordance with the previous decision of the Council.

After further discussion, the County Manager stated that he would re-examine the matter regarding the road to the Reservoir and would come back to the Council on it if necessary.

2493 - CRAUGHWELL RURAL GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The County Secretary stated that the Council is at present awaiting a report from its Consultants in regard to the feasibility and cost implications of extending the Craughwell Waterworks scheme to facilitate the Group.

2494 - FLOODING AT ESKEAROE, MENLOUGH - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT:

The County Secretary stated that work would be undertaken to relieve this problem in the near future.

2495 - REPAIRS TO PUMP IN COUNTY COUNCIL HOUSE AT CALTRADUFF - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT:

The County Secretary stated that the difficulty arose in this case over a drop in the electricity voltage and that the matter is being attended to by the Contractor.

2496 - FLOODING NEAR JOHN O'HALLORAN'S HOUSE AT ROSSCAHILL - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that no water can flow from the public roadway into this house as the gateway is at least 9" higher than the edge of the roadway.

Councillor McCormack stated that this information did not appear to be correct and he asked that the matter be re-examined.

2497 - PUBLIC LIGHTING, FURBO STRAND - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that this was not on our previous programme but that it will be considered in connection with the new Public Lighting Programme for 1979 which is at present being drawn up.

2498 - TARRING OF ROAD INTO GORTACLEAVA VILLAGE, CLAREGALWAY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that the road in question has already been tarred but has suffered damage due to frost action. It is hoped to carry out the necessary repairs as soon as possible.

2499 - ROAD AT LAKESIDE PARK ESTATE, LOUGHREA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY:

The County Secretary stated that it is proposed to include the road at Lakeside Park Estate, Loughrea, in the next list of roads for adoption.

2500 - RETAINING WALL ON WESTPORT ROAD NEAR PHIL COYNE'S HOUSE - MOTION BY COUNCILLORS BARTLEY AND WELBY:

The County Secretary stated that the required retaining wall will be constructed as soon as possible.

2501 - SEWERAGE SCHEMES FOR MILLTOWN AND KILKERRIN (BALLINASLOE) - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

The County Secretary stated that sewerage schemes for these villages would have to be financed from the Capital Allocation as the cost would be outside the scope of the funds available from Revenue Account. These schemes are not included in the Council's current Priority List of Major Capital Schemes. The Council is at present carrying out a feasibility study in regard to the provision of sewerage schemes for all the villages in the County and the villages of Milltown and Kilkerrin are included in the study.

2502 - SCHEME OF LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSES FOR MILLTOWN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

The County Secretary stated that it is the policy of the Council to acquire suitable land by agreement in all villages where same is available. Efforts made to acquire suitable land for housing by agreement in Milltown had not been successful. The most suitable land is located centrally in the village but a Compulsory Purchase Order will be necessary. There is at present no ascertained need for local authority houses in the village but efforts would continue to acquire suitable land. Councillor Glynn stated that he did not agree that there is no demand for Local Authority houses in Milltown. He asked that further efforts be made to acquire a site.

2503 - DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR FURBO - MOTIONS BY COUNCILLORS S. DONNELLAN, T. WELBY AND J. MOLLOY:

It was noted that this matter has already been dealt with when considering the making of the County Development Plan.

Councillor Joyce, who was not present at the time at which the making of the Plan was being considered, stated that as a Member of the National Monuments Advisory Committee, he was concerned that people might think that the list of monuments shown on the Plan is a full list of all such monuments in the County. He wished to make it clear that there are many other monuments which have not been listed. For this reason he stated that the National Monuments Advisory Committee considered that the list should have been headed 'examples of,' etc. He asked that if a Planning application is received for development near a National monument, the Committee should be consulted about it.

The County Manager stated that he already had a meeting with the Members of the National Monuments Advisory Committee and had agreed to co-operate fully with them. As the Council was very conscious of the need for preserving many types of Archeological remains other than those listed as monuments in the Plan, it would be very careful when dealing with any application for development which might interfere with such Archeological remains or monuments.

Referring to Motion no. 26 on the Agenda in connection with a Plan for Furbo, Councillor Welby asked that the recommendations of the Furbo Committee be taken into account when a Plan for Furbo is being formulated.

2504 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:

- Mrs. Michael Collins, Caraun, Knockdoe, Claregalway, Co. Galway.
- Mr. Frank Burke, Colemanstown, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

John Hillier
CHAIRMAN.

26th February 1979 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

2u Feabhra, 1979.

TO/ EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL AND OF THE
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the Joint Committee on Itinerancy to be held at the

Boardroom, Merlin Park Hospital, Galway,

on Friday, 9th February, 1979, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

A G E N D A

1. Report of Assistant County Manager dated 1st February, 1979, - copy herewith.
2. Proposed hardstand at Merlin Park.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

15 Feabhra, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

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Mise, le meas,

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RUNAI.

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Thomas Welby. Sean Donnellan. G. Bartley.
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 3. Malicious Damage Decrees. (List herewith).
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14. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK: - I will propose:-

- (a) That a yield right of way sign on a white line be put on the back road, Oughterard, on the Clareville end, and that the view be improved on the Claremount end of this road.
- (b) That the Council take steps to widen road and improve junction of the Clydagh road where it joins the Galway/Moycullen road.
- (c) That steps be taken to improve the water supply in the Barna area.

15. COUNCILLOR T. BYRNE: - I will propose:-

- (a) That Galway County Council erect public lights in the villages of Shanaglish, Kilbeacanty, and Nogra, with an additional light at Clarenbridge.
- (b) That this Council recommend that our County Engineer advise on means of eliminating a very dangerous traffic hazard that exists for school-going children at Lough Cutra National School, Gort.
- (c) That additional Council houses be erected at Clarenbridge, Kinvara and Gort.

16. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY: - I will propose:-

- (a) That the Council take over and maintain the roads, footpaths, open space and lighting in Caheroyan Park, Athenry.
- (b) That a sum of money be made available in the current year for the clearance of Derelict Sites along the Arterial Roads.
- (c) That an allocation of money be provided in the 1979 Estimates for the widening and improvement of the main Galway/Limerick road through the village of Kilcolgan.

17. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION: - I will propose:-

- (a) That Galway County Council provide a Public Toilet at Roundstone, and I will further ask the County Manager to give details of all applications for Public Toilets in the County.
- (b) That Galway County Council ease the bend on the Clifden side of Eddie King's house, Derrygimlagh, Ballyconneely.

18. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE: - I will propose:-

- (a) That the Council purchase the house and lands previously occupied by Mr. Jerome Shiel in Laurencetown, which has remained empty and neglected since the death of Mr. Shiel.
- (b) That warning signs of the best quality and most modern design be erected on both sides of the Red Bridge between Ballinasloe and Ahascragh and that the two ends be painted with fluorescent paint or else lit up with warning lights.
- (c) That the order of importance of the roads which meet at the New Gate, Bellevue, Laurencetown, be defined and that suitable road markings be put thereon and suitable road signs erected.

19. COUNCILLOR P. J. DEMPSEY: - I will propose:-

That a speed limit be erected at both ends of Turloughmore Village.

20. COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:-

- (a) That the Council make urgent arrangements to have the bad turns each side of Padraig Fennessy's house at Hearnbrook, Killimor, rectified.
- (b) That the Council give priority to the Sewerage Scheme at Killimor out of the 1979 allocation for sewerage.
- (c) That the Council lower the main street at Killimor and lessen the danger of a fatal accident during frosty weather.

21. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I will propose:-

- (a) That the corners at the Caraun/Knockdoe Road be widened to give a view to traffic.
- (b) That car parking facilities be made available at Kilmoylan Cemetery and that grass margins be removed.
- (c) That Galway County Council relieve flooding at Twomileditch and also apply the hard shoulder from there to Castlegar Church and also to clean up road there.

22. COUNCILLORS SEAN DONNELLAN AND T. WELBY - We will propose:-

- (a) That this Council give an undertaking that the water supply in Moycullen will be improved before the coming summer, and also that a time limit be given for the proposed Regional Scheme which is intended for that area.
- (b) That the Council erect in Moycullen "Children Crossing" signs to warn motorists of children crossing from the Spiddal Road to the Chapel Road, where the new school is situated.

23. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:-

That the County Council line the public car park outside the Killanin Church so as to have orderly parking during times of Masses and funerals.

24. COUNCILLOR MIKO KELLY - I will propose:-

- (a) That the County Manager give definite information re completion of Mini-Industrial Estate in Tuam, re roadways, walls, lighting, etc.
- (b) That before any development is carried out by the Council at Parkmore Race Course, Tuam, that a Development Plan for that land be drawn up and put on display in model form.

25. COUNCILLOR P. RAFTERY - I will propose:-

- (a) That extra public lighting be provided on the Glenamaddy side of Ballymoe Village.
- (b) That the bends opposite Martin Dowd's house, Lissavruggy, be eased.

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FEBRUARY MEETING

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCL. COSTS
Waterford Crystal Glass Co. Ltd.	Damage to one window & stereo in Jaguar Car Reg. No. GWI.890	Boro of Galway	£300.00	£253.72
Ballybrit Investments Ltd.	Damage to the Castle Hotel	Boro of Galway	£10,000.00	£207.70
Mrs. Barbara Kelly, Maam Cross, Co. Galway.	Damage to a Volkswagon 1200 Saloon Reg. No. 3486RI. & a quantity of turf	D.F.D. of Turlough	£97.08	£147.08
Movie News Ltd., Spiddal West, Co. Galway.	Damage to a wooden partition	Co. of Galway at Large	£1,000.00	£900.60
Martin Haynes, 58, Upr. Shantalla Rd. Rahoon, Galway.	Damage to a plate glass shop window	Boro of Galway	£85.00	£135.05

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT MERLIN PARK HOSPITAL, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: DEPUTY MARK KILLILEA.

ALSO PRESENT:

- (a) Galway County Council:- Councillors G. Bartley, T. Byrne, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, E. Haverly, B. Holland, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, P.J. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.
- (b) Galway Corporation:- Councillor Micheal O hUigin.
- (c) Ballinasloe Urban District Council:- Clr. P. T. Galvin.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor Mary Byrne, Galway Corporation.

Officials:-

Messrs. J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; K. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer; Miss C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; Miss M. Forde, Social Worker; Messrs. M. Tierney, W. A. Cahill, Chief Assistant County Engineers; J. O'Kelly, Administrative Officer; D. Buggy, Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

2504 (A) The Opening Prayer was recited.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, outlined the contents of his report of the 1st February, 1979, copy of which had been circulated to each member. He stated that a request has been received from the Ballinasloe Urban District Council to meet the Joint Committee on Itinerancy in order to discuss with them the problem in Ballinasloe. Councillor Galvin also conveyed the request of the Ballinasloe Urban District Council for a meeting with the Committee and it was agreed that the meeting would be arranged at a mutually suitable time. He stated that there are two problem areas in Ballinasloe, one at Poolboy and one at Creggaune, and he suggested that the Council should investigate the purchase of a site at Tubbergrellan where the objections to selling might not be very strong.

Mr. Howlett stated that the Council has tried to get other land in the Ballinasloe area and in one case where a man had offered land, he later changed his mind. He stated that there is, however, Health Board land available at Creggaune which might be developed as a hard-stand.

Deputy Callanan, referring to the Creggaune situation, stated that he considered the appointment of two families who were on the roadside at Creggaune to a six-house estate in Ahascragh, was too high a proportion and that there are three families on the road again in Creggaune. He felt that when they go away or are provided for elsewhere, others will return to Creggaune. He considered that there should be one or two families housed in each parish.

Deputy Donnellan stated that conditions on the Dunmore Road, Tuam and Cloontoa Road are very bad but he felt that the approach road to Galway from Oranmore and an area in Rahoon is much worse.

He considered that the Council should have a direct policy and should set to solve the Itinerancy problem and should acquire land by agreement, if possible, and if not by Compulsory Purchase. He considered that good work has been done but he felt that the Council may have to house a proportion of more than one in ten in housing estates.

Councillor Haverty stated that he had already proposed at previous meetings that the Council should try to house one in every parish.

Mr. Howlett stated that there is no objection in principle to this but it is not easy to implement a policy such as this as the question of availability of suitable land arises and the Council can not dictate to families where they should go to live. Councillor O hUiginn stated that there are 33 families to be settled in Galway City.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that while itinerants may be reluctant to move away from the areas in which they live in order to go into houses, many of the settled community have no choice in this matter. He was against ghetto type settlements and he considered that three houses together in Creggaune is too many and they are having many objections to this number in the area and to the three more families on the roadside. He recommended that when itinerants are housed they must be supervised properly and the Council should supervise the tenancy agreement especially in relation to control of animals, etc. He considered that one of the difficulties in getting people to sell housing sites to the Council is that landowners cannot be given assurance that itinerants would not be housed on the site. He asked that the Council should purchase vacant houses, many of which in rural areas are going at reasonable prices.

Councillor Kelly complimented the Council's officials on the action taken in connection with squatters in Tuam and he expressed approval of the action of the Council in buying old houses in Tuam. He stressed the importance of a follow-up service by Social Workers and he suggested that an effort should be made to educate young itinerant families into taking flats in towns. He also recommended that the itinerant children in schools be educated in the advantages of proper housing. He recommended that the services of a male Social Worker should occasionally be availed of when occasions demand it, and he agreed with the policy of the Council in certain cases where itinerants were not housed in a place where they would be next door to old people.

Councillor Sean Donnellan asked how the survey made in 1978 compared with that made in 1977 as he felt that outsiders were coming into Galway to be housed and he recommended liaison between the Borough and the County in order to keep track of families which are moving. Councillor O'Morain stressed the necessity of providing proper education for children as a means of making progress with rehabilitation of itinerant families.

Councillor Ryan asked if the Council has any power to prevent parking of large caravans on roadsides and he considered that the County's problems could be solved if each parish agreed to take two families. Some time ago he stated the Council took over Land Commission houses outside Tuam and that there are others vacant there at present which the Council should try to purchase. He stated that a report is circulating that two out of the six houses in ^{Mountbellew} will be let to itinerant families.

Councillor Coogan stressed the importance of the Council making decisions and adhering to them in spite of the action of pressure groups. He considered that there is an advantage in grouping the itinerant families as they would then be more convenient for welfare officers, they can better avail of social services such as schooling, etc.

Councillor Holland stated that Galway Corporation and Galway County Council are among the most progressive local authorities in the matter of housing of itinerant families. It is stated that people from outside Galway are being housed because other local authorities are not doing their fair share. He stated that in 1967 Galway Corporation was informed that there were 24 families in the city who belonged to the city area and that since then at least 48 have been housed. He felt that outsiders are coming in.

Deputy Callanan suggested that a circular be sent to all Community Councils in the County suggesting that they would make a special effort to negotiate sites which the Council could buy for the purpose of housing one or two families. As a result he stated that the Council might get a substantial number of sites for particular tenants to be nominated by the Community Council and he considered that some such Councils would be prepared to negotiate a site for a particular family. In such a case, he stated that the Council should not put in a second family on the site.

The Chairman stated that as had already been stated by Councillor Kelly, sometimes one family will not accept a house on its own on a site and they often require another family to come and live next door to them.

Councillor Stapleton stated that there was no great objection to two houses on one site on the Weir Road in Tuam, and since those were built, other houses have been built nearby. He considered that the first thing that should be done in Tuam is to provide a hardstand and that proper caravans should be provided with adequate insulation, and if this were done, it would be satisfactory until such time as houses were available. Properly insulated caravans are necessary for the health of children. He did not see any objection to housing families in a group as it would be easier to provide social and other services for them in such groups. He considered that before an itinerant family is given a traditional type house, the members should be trained to keep a caravan well.

Councillor Molloy stated before housing families in a particular area, there should be consultation with the local people. He stated that the Council and the Corporation are concentrating too much in the Castlegar and Ballybane areas of the city in the housing of itinerant families.

The Chairman and other members complimented Miss Forde, Social Worker, on her work for itinerant families and he considered that other Social Workers should be employed. He recommended that the Council make an arrangement with the Health Board for the services of Social Workers and make a payment to the Board for this service in order to make an organised approach to the problem. He recommended that the Council should prepare an ambitious programme for the lands at Parkmore with special emphasis on the young families as it was tragic that many of them had to go on the roadside when they got married. He recommended also that when a family is given a house, they should not be allowed to keep any scrap in the vicinity of the house and be allowed to keep not more than one horse and be given a set of rules with which to comply. He recommended that a motion should be sent to the General Council of County Councils asking that all local authorities should pull their weight in trying to solve the problem, and that the Department of the Environment should also insist that such local authorities would discharge their responsibilities.

Councillor Coogan also complimented the Council's Social Worker and Sr. Brigid for her work for itinerant families.

Senator Kitt stated that the two families housed from Creggaune in Ahascragh adapted well in their new homes. He asked if the Council could put in a range with provision for heating and cooking for the two families concerned. He asked if it was the Council's intention to erect another house on the site at Castleblakeney where one house is being built.

Councillor Molloy suggested that the Chairman and appropriate officials of the Council should meet the deputation and Councillor Ruane agreed with this suggestion.

Mr. Howlett stated that with regard to the allegation that the Council were working in secrecy, he wished to point out that the County Council were informed of this last year and following the Council meeting, he had consultations with several families nearby. The protest was not, therefore, as a result of lack of consultation but because in fact he had informed the families nearest to the development of the Council's proposals. He had informed those people that before any further discussions with them, the Members of the Council would have to be informed.

Councillor Fahey stated that one man who is affected by the proposed development is a Mr. Michael King who would be in a position to see every caravan and he could not accept the site unless his house were bought from him or he was given another house.

Councillor Welby stated that horses should not be allowed on the site and Councillor Ruane recommended that a high concrete wall be built to prevent trespass on adjoining land.

Mr. Howlett stated that it is not possible to compare the present situation with what the development would be like on completion. It is now an abandoned road and it is the Council's intention that £80,000 would be spent on developing the site to an adequate standard and to providing adequate facilities in accordance with plans which had now been approved by the Department of the Environment. Provision is being made for caretaking and for supervision of the site generally and he would not accept that Mr. King has any valid objection to the proposal as his house is 300 yards away from the site with fencing and an open field intervening.

The Chairman then suggested to the Members that they should go and inspect the site.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED
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SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

 CHAIRMAN.

26/3/79 DATE.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 26TH FEBRUARY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, U. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputy J. Callinan, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; R. Lee, Chief Planning Assistant; B. Callagy, Chief Assistant Planning; W. A. Cahill, Acting Chief Assistant Planning; P. Martin, F. Monahan, M. Tierney, J. Tarpey, S. McMahon, Chief Assistant County Engineers; K. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer; Miss M. Nolan, Staff Officer; Messrs. P. J. McGovern, D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; M. Forde, Assistant County Engineer; F. Gallagher, C. Miney, Temporary Engineers; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2505 - WELCOME TO MR. P. MARTIN, CHIEF ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEER:

The Chairman and Members of the Council welcomed Mr. P. Martin on his appointment as Chief Assistant County Engineer to the Council.

2506 - SYMPATHY:

The Chairman and Members of the Council extended their sympathy to Councillor F. Coogan on the death of his sister.

A resolution of sympathy was also adopted with Mrs. A. Duane, Cooliney, Kilrickle, Loughrea, on the death of her husband.

2507 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30506 - APPLICANT: STEPHEN CASSERLY.

The County Manager stated that a decision to grant permission in this case has been made.

2508 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30546 - APPLICANT: RAYMOND CONNEELY.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had already been circulated to Members:

"PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS:

1. (a) There have been seven previous refusals of permission on this site, and variations thereof, since 1970.
- (b) Four of these were from Mr. G. Smith for the reconstruction of ruins. A small part of these sites which included the ruins have been excluded from this site.

- (c) Three other applications for a new house on the site have been refused, one to Miss B. Connolly and two to Mr. Raymond Conneely.
 - (d) Two of the above applications were appealed and refused by the Minister.
2. In none of the applications was a claim made for essential housing need in accordance with the County Development Plan.
 3. In all cases the reason for refusal was on visual amenity grounds in an unspoilt scenic area.
 4. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-
 - (1) The proposed development located on an elevated site could not be readily assimilated into its surroundings and would detract from the scenic amenity of an area of great natural beauty.
 - (2) Development on part of this site has been the subject of five previous refusals of permission by the Planning Authority and by the Minister for Local Government on three occasions."

The resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Bartley and seconded by Councillor Welby.

It was proposed by Councillor Morgan and seconded by Councillor Holland that the planning permission sought be refused.

It was decided to adjourn the taking of a vote on those proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Deputy Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator Kitt, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, T. Welby. (15)

AGAINST: Councillors F. Glynn, B. Holland, N. Morgan. (3)

The following Councillors who were present abstained from voting:

Councillors T. Byrne, F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors P.T. Galvin, M. D. Higgins, M. J. Kilgannon, and M. Ryan. (7)

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

2509 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30467 - APPLICANT: MARTIE MULLEN.

The County Manager stated that a notice requiring further information in connection with this application had been sent to the applicant in connection with the establishment of a family need and he suggested that consideration of the motion be deferred until the reply to the further information sought is received.

This was agreed by the Council.

2510 - RESOLUTIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30416 - APPLICANT: OLIVER ROONEY:

The resolutions set out at numbers 1. (d) and 1. (e) on the Agenda were not proposed - Deputy Mannion stating that they were being withdrawn.

2511 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30708 - APPLICANT: BRENDAN MADDEN.

The County Manager stated that a decision to grant this application had been made.

Councillor Coogan asked why it was decided to grant planning permission in this case when serious objections were taken to other developments nearby previously.

The County Manager stated that while there was still an objection to this type of development in the area, he had to point out that permissions had already been given for houses immediately adjoining this site for various reasons and that there was now no point in refusing this application as there was a house on either side of the site which is the subject of the application.

2512 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29803 - APPLICANT: FRANK O'CONNOR.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had already been circulated to each Member of the Council:

1. Outline Permission has been refused twice on approximately the same site to members of the O'Connor family.
2. The site is located on open bogland on the undeveloped side of the road from Oughterard to its main Pier on Lough Corrib. This is one of the most important amenity areas in Oughterard.
3. The site is most unsuitable on amenity grounds and in addition, would initiate a most undesirable precedent for development on this side of the road.
4. The site is only 100 yards from Lough Corrib, and being unsuitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent, pollution of the Corrib is highly probable.
5. The applicant was requested to dig trial holes and have percolation tests carried out to ascertain the suitability of the soil for the treatment of septic tank effluent. This has been done and inspected by the County Medical Officer who reported that the soil was not suitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent.
6. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:
 - (1) The site is lowlying and waterlogged and unsuitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent.
 - (2) The development would be premature pending the improvement of the water supply.
 - (3) The proposed dwellinghouse would set a precedent for ribbonization along the east side of the Pier road leading to the lakeshore, where such development would be an incongruous element in an amenity area."

Councillor Welby stated that while he agreed with some of the contents of the report, he pointed out that the site is within 200 yards of the public dump which is a greater source of danger.

Councillor Welby then proposed and Councillor Bartley seconded the resolution set out at number 1 (g) on the Agenda.

Councillor Morgan proposed that the permission sought be refused and he stated that he would consider lodging an appeal with the Planning Appeals Board if the Council passes the resolution. He stated that he was objecting strongly to the action of Councillors in opposing the very strong views expressed by the Medical Officer as was happening in the present case. He stated that such developments will pollute the Corrib which is intended to serve a number of major water supply schemes throughout the County.

Councillor Holland seconded Councillor Morgan's proposal and stated that he felt strongly about the abuse of the powers given under Section 4 of the 1955 Act by the Council. It was agreed that a vote on these proposals would be taken after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Deputy Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, T. Welby.

(16)

AGAINST: Councillors T. Byrne, F. Glynn, B. Holland, N. Morgan, M. Ryan.

(5)

The following Members who were present abstained from voting:

Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors P. T. Galvin, M. D. Higgins, M. J. Kilgannon.

(5)

The Chairman declared Councillor Welby's proposal carried.

2513 - UNAUTHORISED DEVELOPMENT - OUGHTERARD:

Councillor Welby stated that he understood that unauthorised development is taking place near Oughterard and that he had already sent a report on this matter to the Planning Section. He stated that he understands that no application has been made for permission in this case and that the occupant of the house is Vice-Chairperson of An Taisce.

Replying to Councillor Coogan, the County Manager stated that the Galway City Water Supply is satisfactory in quality, that new treatment works are being installed and that there is a regular programme of monitoring of waters.

2514 - APPEALS TO PLANNING APPEALS BOARD AFTER PASSING OF SECTION 4 RESOLUTION:

Councillor Kelly asked if the Council ever lodged an appeal against a decision to grant planning permission after the passing of a Section 4 resolution.

The County Manager stated that this had not been done.

Councillor Kelly asked why if the Manager and officials felt so strongly about their opposition to passing some resolutions under Section 4, they did not avail of the opportunity of lodging an appeal to the Planning Appeals Board.

The County Manager stated that this raises a very important issue and is one which he had considered on many occasions. He stated that some of the decisions made under resolutions under Section 4 that are seriously damaging to the Environment but despite this, he had not arranged to have an appeal against the decision lodged with the Planning Appeals Board. The reason he stated is that the law makes provision for Local Authorities to pass such resolutions and in view of this, though he had felt very strongly about some of them, he did not arrange for any official of the Council to appeal those decisions under Section 4.

Councillor Holland then asked if the County Manager was in fact letting down the officials who advise him.

The County Manager stated that it is not a question of letting down anybody but there is an important principle involved that the provisions of Section 4 have been left intact and this is all that has influenced him in not lodging such appeals. He pointed out, however, that if something serious were to arise which would merit such intervention by officials, he would like to discuss the matter with the Councillors in advance including the circumstances in which he might have to consider arranging for the lodgement of such an appeal.

Complimenting the County Manager on his attitude towards Section 4 resolutions, Councillor O'Morain stated that an effort is being made to divide the Members of the Council. He stated that resolutions under Section 4 are not lightly passed and on the questions of scenic amenity, is a question of one man's view against that of another.

Deputy Donnellan stated that he had seen cases where Section 4 resolutions had been passed despite strong opposition by the Manager.

Deputy Callanan stated that officials give advice to the Manager but the Manager does not see the sites. The County Manager replied that he has gone to see some of the sites which are the subject of Section 4 Resolutions.

Continuing, Deputy Callanan stated that the Members look at the sites but on the question of amenities, he stated that he has seen some ridiculous decisions. He considered that the question of amenity or beauty of landscape is not an engineering problem and that the views of Members are also valid.

Councillor Haverty complimented the Manager on honouring the Council's rights to pass resolutions under Section 4 stating that it is one power which they have and they should hold on to it. He agreed that if the need arose, the County Manager could lodge an appeal.

Councillor Glynn stated that he had protested against the use of Section 4 on a number of occasions but he did not ask to have the provisions of Section 4 abolished. His only concern was with the abuse of Section 4 as is now being done.

Councillor Sean Donnellan stated that the problem of amenities is one which is largely confined to the Connemara Area and while agreeing that the Council interferes with Planning Decisions in an amenity area, he wished to point out that people have nowhere else to go in many areas in Connemara to build a house.

Councillor Burke stated that the case made by many applicants who get permissions consequent to the provisions of Section 4 is that they need houses for their own families but he stated that if a random sample of such cases were followed up, it would be found that the applicants were not the ultimate occupiers of the houses.

Councillor Dempsey stated that Section 4 is necessary for Members of the Council and he complimented the Manager on the lenient view he has taken of the exercise of their powers by the Councillors but he considered that there would be a need for Section 4 because it is not possible to provide sufficient houses for everybody.

2515 - MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Morgan, seconded by Councillor Haverty, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 22nd January, 1979, and 29th January, 1979, (numbers 2447 - 2504 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the Minutes:-

- (a) Councillor Stapleton asked if any further information is available on flooding at Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy, - minute no. 2472.

The County Manager stated that a report on this matter is available and would be submitted later at the meeting.

- (b) Millstream Park Housing Estate - minute no. 2475.

Deputy Donnellan stated that he had asked at the last meeting that this matter be kept on the Agenda until it is disposed of.

The County Manager stated that the Council is pursuing this matter in order to ensure completion of the development.

- (c) Taking over of road at Pollroebuck Housing Estate - minute no. 2491.

Councillor Morgan asked if his request to re-examine the taking over of these roads had been dealt with.

The County Manager stated that this was still under consideration and a report would be available soon.

- (d) Flooding at Rosscahill - minute no. 2496.

Councillor McCormack stated that since the last meeting he had examined this location and found that the water is in fact flowing in towards Mr. O'Halloran's house. He suggested that a soakpit be provided by the roadside to take the water.

Replying to a further query, the County Secretary stated that it had been decided at the Joint Meeting on Itinerancy that the next meeting of the Joint Committee would be held with Ballinasloe Urban District Council in Ballinasloe at a time to be arranged.

2516 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

It was noted that Malicious Damage Decrees as listed on the schedule to the Agenda had been received since the last meeting.

2517 - OVERDRAFT:

The County Manager informed the Council that it was estimated that the Council's requirements in respect of Overdraft for the quarter ending 30th June, 1979, would be £1 million.

It was proposed by Councillor Morgan, seconded by Councillor Kelly and resolved:-

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, overdraft accommodation not exceeding £1 million be borrowed on the Council's Revenue Account for the quarter ending 30th June, 1979."

2518 - SANITARY SERVICES SCHEMES PROGRAMME:

The County Manager referred to the programme setting out the position as at the 30th December, 1978, circulated to each Member of the Council and stated that the Capital Allocation for Sanitary Services for 1979 had not yet been received.

Councillor Fahey stated that he was not happy with the manner in which objections to the proposal for the Gort Water Supply were being dealt with, as consultations were held only with a few objectors and there are many who were not spoken to.

The County Manager stated that very few people responded to the invitation to come to a consultation and that the majority remained away deliberately. He pointed out that he cannot consult with people who did not want to consult with him. Councillor Fahey stated that the main objection is to the proposed cill as this would cause flooding. He asked if the cill could be brought down to a lower level and also lower the mouth of the river by a corresponding amount. He felt that if this were done, the majority of the objections would be withdrawn.

Mr. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer stated that it is not correct to state that there is only one type of objection. There are a number of objections from people downstream of the proposed Weir but he agreed that the majority of the objections relate to the level of the Weir. He pointed out that the Council had employed the best consultancy advice available regarding the level of the proposed Weir and that one purpose of the Weir is to ensure a non-stop supply of water downstream of it which is not there at present. This is necessary in order to provide the necessary dilution for the effluent in addition to the purpose which the weir will serve of conserving a supply of water for summer.

Councillor Fahey stated that the objections of people downstream of the Weir are not very strong and he felt that the problem might be solved by lowering the level of the Weir.

Councillor Melvin stated that he was disappointed that a sewerage scheme for Craughwell was not on the programme and he asked that it be put on.

Councillor Burke asked why it had taken so long to send the further proposals to the Department of the Environment for Killimor Sewerage Scheme and he pointed out that this is the only town of its size without such a service. He states that there are serious local complaints about the condition of the effluent from septic tanks and he asked that a special effort be made to ensure that the target date of 1981 for the scheme is adhered to, and if possible, that it be brought forward.

Councillor Flaherty asked what is the present planning stage of the Costello Regional Water Supply Scheme, also what is the position about a quarter of a mile sewerage extension in Carraroe, and who is to provide the water supply connection to Rossaveal Pier.

Councillor O'Morain proposed that as a lasting memorial to Padraig Pearse on this his centenary year the Department of the Environment be requested to sanction immediate commencement of the Rossmuc Regional Water Supply Scheme and the provision of funds for it.

Councillor Kelly protested at the long delay in dealing with the proposed Sanitary Services Schemes for Tuam and he asked if a Consulting Engineer had been appointed for the Regional Water Supply Scheme.

Councillor Ryan, referring to the Dunmore/Glenamaddy Regional Water Supply Scheme asked when a supply of water would be available for Group Schemes in the area.

Councillor Joyce asked that a start be made this year on the provision of a sewerage scheme for Laurencetown and he stated that no mention had been made in the report of sewerage schemes for Kiltormer, Kilrickle and Aughrim. He also asked that an effort be made to make some progress with a Regional Scheme for the rural area outside Ballinasloe in view of the difficulty of getting sources there.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that he did not see that the document before the Council was a realistic one particularly in relation to the target dates for commencement in view of the limited amount of Capital available.

The County Manager stated that what is set out in the document is what is possible if finance is made available. Councillor Kilgannon stated that with the limited Capital available he did not see any possibility that the Mid-Galway Regional Scheme would be completed within 10 years at the cost stated which is £2.034 million.

Councillor Byrne stated that with schemes costing almost £18 million, he did not see any possibility that they would be done in less than 20 years at the rate at which Capital is being made available. He considered that people should not be left under the illusion that they are likely to get schemes fairly soon. He complained about the delay on the part of Foras Forbartha in carrying out a survey in relation to the outfall point for the Oranmore Sewerage Scheme and he pointed out that estates are being serviced by inadequate treatment works. He asked that steps be taken to provide a Sewerage Scheme for Craughwell immediately.

Deputy Callanan stated that unless the Council can get an exceptional allocation of funds from the E.E.C., he did not see the possibility that many villages will have sewerage schemes for many years to come. He suggested examination of the possibility of Group Sewerage Schemes to be constructed under the supervision of the Local Authority. He asked that some effort be made to try to get funds from E.E.C. sources.

Senator Kitt referring to the slow rate of progress for water and sewerage schemes in his area expressed disappointment that no information had been available on funds for small schemes.

Councillor Raftery asked that a special effort be made to get water for 6 houses near the supply in Ballygar.

Deputy Donnellan stressed the need for being more realistic with regard to target dates having regard to the limited funds available.

Councillor Morgan urged that action be taken with regard to the proposals for taking water for the Loughrea and Gort Regional Water Supply Schemes but he stated that he disagreed with the recommendation that the Weir be lowered two feet in Gort as this would mean that adequate storage would not be available. He also proposed that the Department of the Environment be asked to sanction the Killimor and the Loughrea Sewerage Schemes, and he recommended that the Department be informed of prosecutions for pollution caused by the Loughrea Scheme.

Councillor Higgins seconded Councillor O'Morain's proposal that the Department of the Environment be asked to sanction the Rosmuc Regional Water Supply Scheme immediately.

Councillor Higgins did not agree that the Council had too many schemes at a planning stage as he pointed out that it was necessary to have an overall programme and that the planning of schemes be proceeded with systematically. He asked that the Council should investigate the possibility that a different relationship may exist between Local Authorities in this country and certain committees in the E.E.C. following the European Parliament Elections. The Council should emphasise the disparities between the needs of this country

and other E.E.C. countries and that this could be a valuable negotiating instrument for the allocation of special funds from the E.E.C.

Councillor Haverty stated that the provision of a sewerage scheme for Killimor is long overdue and that a health hazard exists in the village there every summer as no soakage is available for effluent from septic tanks.

Councillor Glynn stated that he agreed with the long term programme for Sanitary Services Schemes which had been prepared as without this we would have no case for pressing for special financial assistance.

Deputy Donnellan asked that immediate steps should be taken to change to the new water source in Tuam in order to alleviate flooding in Lavally. He supported the proposal that the Department of the Environment be asked to sanction the Rosmuc Regional Scheme immediately.

The County Manager replying to points made by Members stated that the Council has been continuing to produce schemes and to prepare plans for them while recognising that the planning process is a long one as it is necessary to have those plans in order to be in a position to take up any funds which may become available for carrying out Sanitary Services Schemes. He expressed concern at the slow rate of progress which is being made with those schemes in view of the limited amount of Capital available and he stressed that there is a need for a balance between the amount being made available for Group Schemes and for Regional Schemes, and as the Council cannot afford to overlook the importance of Regional Schemes especially as a means of priming development in critical areas. He was concerned also that many small villages have to be left out of schemes and the need for sewerage schemes in many of those is recognized. With regard to particular schemes he gave the following information:-

- (a) Killimor - The Department of the Environment has been asked to approve the second preliminary report which has been sent to that Department.
- (b) Costello Regional Water Supply - This is no. 13 on the list and is a very large scheme. The preliminary report has been prepared a source is now available, and the next stage of planning is in hands. It is hoped that Contract Documents will be ready by the end of this year.
- (c) Extension to Carraroe Sewerage Scheme - This is on the list of small schemes and the Council is at present awaiting an allocation for those schemes.
- (d) Water Supply - Rossaveal Pier: No difficulty is anticipated in making water available at this point.
- (e) Rosmuc Water Supply Scheme - Plans for this scheme have been prepared.
- (f) Schemes in Gaeltacht Areas - Enquiries have been received from Gaeltarra Eireann regarding some of those schemes but the problem is one of finance.
- (g) Tuam Regional Water Supply - A Consulting Engineer has been selected. Terms of reference have been discussed with him and I expect that he will go ahead very soon with planning.
- (h) Dunmore/Glenamaddy Regional Water Supply Scheme - Water supply is now available for Groups and the County Council is constructing the headworks.

- (i) Laurencetown Sewerage Scheme - It is agreed that this scheme is urgently required but it is unlikely to go ahead the estimated cost £85,000. Planning of the scheme will, however, go ahead.
- (j) Water Supplies - Ballinasloe Rural Area: The Ballinasloe Urban District Council have a consultant who is examining ground sources in the area and the outcome of his survey is awaited.
- (k) Oranmore Sewerage Scheme - The Foras Forbartha report on the most suitable point for discharge of effluent is overdue but it is expected within a few weeks. When this is received, the remainder of the planning will proceed without delay.
- (l) Relationship with E.E.C. countries - Referring to recommendations by Deputy Callanan and Councillor Higgins, he stated that at present only Governments have access to E.E.C. funds but he would welcome direct relationship with E.E.C. committees which would enable the Council to put its own case for funds.
- (m) Mid-Galway Regional Scheme - Plans are far advanced but the scheme could be done in stages. This will be considered when the water supply proposal is confirmed.
- (n) Mountbellew Water Supply Scheme - It is proposed that this work will be done in two stages.
- (o) Ballygar Water Supply - A further examination will be carried out to see if improvements could be made which would make additional supply available.
- (p) Portumna Regional Water Supply Scheme - The preliminary report has been sent to the Department of the Environment and that Department will be asked for early approval.
- (q) Loughrea Regional Water Supply - Negotiations with landowners are continuing and it is considered better to reach agreement with the objectors if possible. It is considered advisable to make further efforts to reach agreement but the negotiations will not be allowed to drag on too long if there is no prospect of settlement.
- (r) Gort Regional Water Supply Scheme - Every reasonable effort has been made to meet the people who are objecting to the scheme and the scheme as designed is based on the best Engineering advice available to the Council. It is felt that the time has come to refer the matter to the Department as it is unlikely that agreement will be reached with the objectors.
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- (s) Loughrea Sewerage Scheme - A further effort to get the planning of this scheme completed and the Department will be informed when the Scheme is being sent to them of the Court Case.
- (t) Tuam Water Supply Improvement Scheme - Replying to the Chairman's recommendation regarding the scheme, the County Manager stated that the Contract has been advertised and it is hoped that the scheme would commence very soon. It is considered that the existing source cannot be eliminated but the source may be temporarily put out of action to enable drainage work to be carried out and the use of the source can again be resumed.

The Chairman also supported the proposal of Councillor O'Morain regarding the Rosmuc Regional Water Supply Scheme.

2519 - SALE OF HOUSING SITE AT CLARINBRIDGE:

It was proposed by Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Fahey and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of a housing site at Clarenbridge to Very Rev. Edward Canon Conway, P.P., Clarinbridge on the terms set out in Notice dated 12th February, 1979, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, which was circulated to each Member of the Council."

2520 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £294,000 FOR BRIERHILL RESERVOIR:

It was proposed by Councillor McCormack, seconded by Councillor Ruane and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £294,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to defray the cost of the construction of Reservoir, Pumping Plant, Telemetric equipment and E.S.B. supply for Brierhill Reservoir, the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of 25 years with interest at the date in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

2521 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £2,027 - GRANGE/TOGHER GROUP WATER SCHEME:

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,027 from such source as may be approved by the Minister, the loan to be repaid over a period of years to be approved by the Minister at the normal interest rates."

2522 - RAISING OF LOAN(S) OF £117,000 FOR FIRE STATIONS, APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENT:

It was proposed by Councillor Welby seconded by Senator Kitt and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan or loans to a total of £117,000 for Fire Stations, Appliances and Equipment from the Commissioners of Public Works or from such other sources as may be approved by the Minister, the loans to be repaid over such period as the Minister may approve with interest at the usual rates."

Councillor Fahey recommended that cutting equipment for the purpose of rescuing people from crashed vehicles should be supplied to the Gort and Loughrea Fire Brigades.

It was agreed that particulars of the type of equipment used for this purpose would be forwarded to Councillor Coogan.

Councillor O'Morain asked if adequate protection is available for forestry in Connemara.

Councillors Welby and McCormack asked what is the position regarding the fire station for Oughterard.

The County Manager stated that Oughterard is on the list as a place for a possible Fire Station but this would depend on the question of the possibility of getting worthwhile service from part-time firemen. This is becoming more difficult and is a major problem in deciding whether to build a Fire Station at Oughterard.

Regarding Forestry lands in Connemara, he stated that he had approached the Forestry Department and told them that he would try to lay on all the resources available to the Council to help as required on the basis that the Forestry Department would pay for any of those services not within their own organisation. This was agreed by the Forestry Department and it was also agreed to incorporate assistance from the Army as required.

The County Manager also stated that it is not possible to guarantee that anything the Council could do would ensure adequate cover in the case of forest fires.

Replying to Councillor McCormack who stated that he did not agree that there was a problem with Part-time Firemen, the County Manager stated that there is a serious availability problem with part-time firemen everywhere - they are now very mobile and can have work as far as 20 miles away from home.

Councillor Glynn recommended that the Council develop 5 or 6 Stations throughout the County to an adequate standard. Replying to further queries, the County Manager stated the question of availability of firemen is one which is kept under constant review and is the subject of frequent discussions with Unions, and in reply to Deputy Donnellan, he stated that Insurance Companies do not contribute towards the cost of fire services.

2523 - INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF HOUSING AND PLANNING - CONGRESS AT GOTHENBORG - 14TH - 19TH MAY, 1979:

The County Manager drew the attention of the Council to Circular No. G 2/77 dated 25th February, 1977, and previous Circulars of 8th March, 1974, and 28th February, 1976, from the Department of the Environment regarding limitation of the numbers who would attend International Conferences and Meetings held abroad.

After discussion, it was agreed that the Council would send four Councillors to this Congress and it also recommended that two officials of the Council would attend also.

It was agreed that the Councillors who would attend the Congress would be selected at the next meeting.

2524 - REQUEST FOR JOINT MEETING - ROSCOMMON AND GALWAY COUNTY COUNCILS AND BALLINASLOE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was agreed that the County Manager and Chairman would contact Roscommon County Council with a view to arranging a suitable time, place and Agenda for the suggested meeting and a report would then be brought back to the Council.

2525 - ROAD GRANTS 1979:

The County Manager submitted a statement of Road Grant allocations for 1978 and a recommended allocation of the grants for 1979, (Schedule A herewith). He stated that the net effect is an overall increase over the allocation for 1978. In relation to block grant, he stated that there was not adequate time to deal with the allocation of this money in detail and he suggested that the matter could be brought up again for discussion at the March Meeting of the Council.

The Acting County Engineer then gave further particulars of the grants including the percentage variations over the amount allocated for last year, and he stated that before the March Meeting, details of the allocations of the grants would be worked out and circulated to the Members for consideration at the March Meeting.

It was agreed to adjourn further consideration of the matter to the March Meeting.

2526 - LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES ALLOCATION 1979.

The County Manager stated that the Council had been notified of an allocation of £236,000 for Local Improvement Schemes for 1979 and that in notifying this allocation, the Department of the Environment had drawn the attention of the Council to particular points. The first is that the increase in the allocation is specifically made

in furtherance of the Government's Employment Programme and that Local Authorities are asked that additional jobs created in the expenditure of the grant will involve the maximum possible reduction in the live register having regard to the grant increase. The Department had also requested that when Councils are preparing their programme of works, they should ensure as far as practicable that schemes are selected on a County wide priority basis rather than relying on a crude allocation by area.

He then referred to statements which had been circulated at the Meeting to each Member setting out particulars of the operation of the scheme for 1978 with particulars of applications on hands carried over from 1978, and he recommended that this year's fund be allocated on a basic sum of £10,000 for each Engineering Area, with an additional allocation to each area on a percentage basis related to the applications on hands for each area.

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that the Council allocate the funds to each area as recommended by the County Manager.

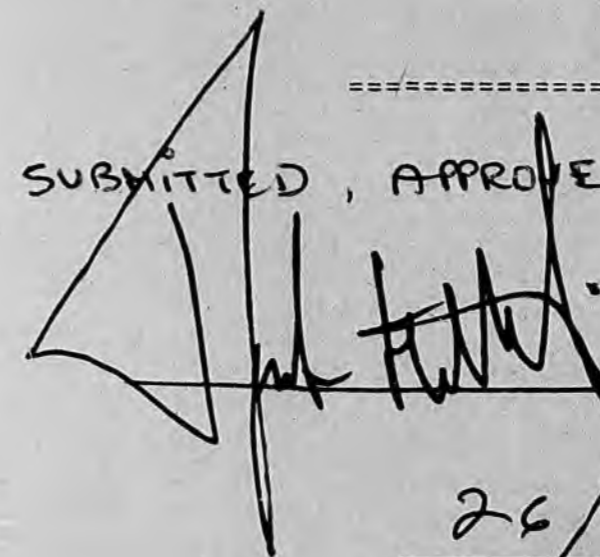
This proposal was agreed by the Council.

2527 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

It was agreed to adjourn the remaining matters on the Agenda to the March Meeting and the Meeting then terminated.

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SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:



CHAIRMAN.

26/3/79

DATE.

County Secretary's Office
County Buildings,
Galway.

26th. February, 1979.

To Each Member:-

Housing:

A Chara:

You are requested to attend a meeting of a Committee of the full Council at the County Buildings, Galway on Friday, 2nd. March, '79 at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

Agenda:

1. Capital allocation for Local Authority Housing commitments at 1st. January, '79 - copy of circular N4/79 herewith.
2. Capital allocation to June, '79 for Housing Loans and Grants - copy of circular H6/79 herewith.
3. Local Authority Housing Construction Programme - copy herewith.
4. List of rural applicants approved since last Housing Committee Meeting.
5. 1979 Tenant Purchase Scheme.
6. Revised National Differential Rent Scheme.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT A COMMITTEE OF ALL MEMBERS OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 2ND MARCH, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan and T. Welby.

Officials:

Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; Miss C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; Miss J. Forde, Staff Officer; Messrs. J. O'Kelly, Administrative Officer; K. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer; M. Tierney, Chief Assistant County Engineer; S. O'Neill, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineer; D. Buggy, Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2528 - CAPITAL ALLOCATION - LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING:

Mr. Howlett stated that notification had been received of the allocation of an instalment of £1 million to cover the Council's on-going commitments at the 1st January, 1979, for expenditure on Authority Housing and estimated expenditure in 1979 on schemes for cottages commenced since then. He stated that a further allocation will be made later for new works.

2529 - CAPITAL ALLOCATION - HOUSING LOANS AND SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS:

Mr. Howlett stated that notice had been received from the Department of the Environment of an initial Capital allocation of £586,000 for payment of house purchase, low-rise mortgage, reconstruction loans and supplementary grants in the six months period ending 30th June 1979. He expected that this would be adequate to meet our requirements for that period.

2530 - LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME:

Mr. Howlett referred to his report dated 26th February, 1979, circulated to each Member of the Council which stated inter alia that the number of houses completed in 1978 was 227 as against a total of 176 for 1977.

Councillor Welby asked that the Council undertake a further scheme of eight houses in Oughterard and he asked what is the situation about housing in Moycullen.

Mr. Howlett stated that examination of applications already received for eight houses completed in Oughterard indicated that the need was not very great for a further scheme. In relation to Moycullen, he stated that a scheme has been prepared and that it is proposed to build some houses and have some sites for sale there.

Replying to Deputy Callanan, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council is negotiating for a site near Kilconnell and that in relation to Caltra, the Land Commission cannot at present give a firm commitment with regard to a site.

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Deputy Callanan asked if it will be possible to clear the backlog of rural applications. Mr. Howlett stated that it will be necessary to await notification of the second allocation for new works and that this is expected by the end of March. He further stated that the Council is still continuing with the provision of demountable dwellings.

Replying to Councillor Ryan, Mr. Howlett stated that it is expected that eight houses in Glenamaddy will be completed by the end of March and that a decision on whether to build more at this stage will be made when the applications received for the eight houses now near completion are examined. He also informed Councillor Ryan that six houses being erected in Mountbellew will be completed by the end of March and that there are sites available for 14 other houses if the need arises. In relation to land near Moylough which Councillor Ryan recommended should be acquired, Mr. Howlett stated that negotiations are proceeding with the Land Commission for acquisition of sites on Hearne's estate.

Councillor O'Morain asked what is the position about acceptance of a Tender for a Housing Scheme at Roundstone and also why no sites appear to be acquired in the Rosmuc Area.

Mr. Howlett stated that the Council had advertised for Tenders about four times in Roundstone and that while a Tender had at one stage been accepted, the Contractor withdrew it. A further advertisement for Tenders was published in November 1978 and the Tenders are at present being examined. In relation to Rosmuc he stated that there are difficulties in this area regarding title and when Councillor O'Morain suggested that the Council might use the Compulsory Purchase procedure, he stated that this would be examined but the Council would prefer before adopting Compulsory Purchase procedures, to try to get sites by agreement.

Replying to Councillor Ruane, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council had advertised for the construction of six houses in Corofin in November 1978 and a Tender is being examined. In relation to Headford, he stated that the Council had recently completed 12 houses and had a layout approved for a further 40 houses.

Councillor Kelly asked when will work commence on the Old People's houses in Tuam and he also recommended that the Council should build on individual sites in Tuam for the owners of the sites who require housing rather than put those people into housing estates.

The Chairman stated that he agreed with Councillor Kelly's suggestion regarding utilising derelict sites in Tuam.

Mr. Howlett stated that he expected that the Old People's homes in Tuam will be completed about September or October and that the Council has a Tender for the erection of houses on the Tullinadaly Road.

Replying to Councillor Raftery, Mr. Howlett stated that he expected that 12 houses will be completed about October and he also stated that there is no demand for developed sites in Ballygar.

Replying to Councillor Molloy who asked if sites were available in Spiddal, Mr. Howlett stated that sites had been offered to the Council but that it was all rock and would present enormous difficulties and cost in development.

He stated, however, that if the Council becomes aware of any site in Spiddal, it would be prepared to buy it.

Councillor Byrne stated that the Council need not be reluctant to build a large number of houses in towns and villages as young married couples in particular cannot afford to build their own houses. He asked that lighting be provided at the rear of the Kinvara Scheme and that a defective footpath be repaired.

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Mr. Howlett stated that the Contractor is dealing with the defects in the Kinvara Scheme but that it was not the policy of the Council to provide lighting at the rear. Regarding a further query by Councillor Byrne, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council is proceeding with the acquisition of land in Ardrahan.

Councillor Byrne again asked that lighting be provided at the rear of the Kinvara Scheme.

Replying to Councillor Galvin, Mr. Howlett stated that the N.B.A. is willing to sell a site to the Council at Garbally in Ballinasloe and he hoped that it would be possible to make a decision on the matter soon.

Replying to Councillor Flaherty, Mr. Howlett stated that a site offered to the Council at Carraroe proved to be unsuitable.

Councillor Stapleton asked how the price of sites at the Fairgreen in Tuam had been arrived at, whether all the Parkmore lands had been purchased in Tuam and he recommended that the Council should consider building houses for single people as those would be available in any event if the tenants ever left the houses.

Mr. Howlett stated that the sites in Tuam are proposed to be sold at cost and that the price fixed was based on the lowest tender received for carrying out the development. He understood that 30 people are interested in purchasing a site. In relation to Parkmore, he stated that an overall plan for this area is being done and that the Council is still negotiating with the G.A.A. and the Vocational Education Committee regarding some adjustments in relation to their property in the vicinity of Parkmore Lands. It is proposed to start building work in Tullinadaly Road and then to undertake building in Parkmore. Regarding the building of houses for single people, he stated that the Council is generally reluctant to do this and that it would be necessary to look at the circumstances in each particular case before deciding whether or not a house could be built.

Replying to Deputy Mannion regarding the housing situation in Aran, Mr. Howlett stated that the main difficulty here is that the Council cannot carry out any development work until a sewerage system is provided. The indications are, however, that there is no urgent need for housing in Aran.

Deputy Mannion suggested that the Council consider getting one Contractor who would carry out development work for the Clifden Housing Scheme and that it would be easier then to get a Contractor who would build the houses. He also suggested that a similar approach be made to the Roundstone Scheme. He asked how much the County Council pays for sites in rural areas particularly where the owner of the site is not the applicant for the house.

Mr. Howlett stated that a Tender is now being considered for the Roundstone Scheme and that he would consider Deputy Mannion's suggestion regarding Clifden if there were any possibilities of making progress by this method.

Deputy Mannion stated that a man in Deradda West had got a mobile home and that there was an objection from his neighbour whose view was being obstructed by the mobile home. He asked if the mobile home could be moved.

Mr. Howlett stated that he will examine the matter.

Regarding the price of sites, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council is prepared to pay market value for sites in the circumstances mentioned by Deputy Mannion, but that a token figure of approximately £60 is paid where the owner of the site is also the applicant for the house.

Councillor Haverty referred to a discrepancy between the information previously given and that at present given regarding sites in Portumna. Mr. Howlett stated that this was probably due to the fact that there are still some sites available which were not referred to in the programme.

Regarding Killimor and Tynagh, Councillor Haverty complained about the long delay and stated that he considered that the Council was not seriously trying to buy sites in those two areas. Regarding the building of further houses in Portumna, Mr. Howlett stated that this would be undertaken if there is evidence of need.

Mr. Tierney stated that the Council had tried every landowner in the vicinity of Killimor on at least two occasions without success. A site had been located about 1 1/2 miles outside Killimor but this was not acceptable to the Planning Department. He stated that the Council has however built some rural houses in the vicinity of Killimor.

Councillor Haverty asked why the Council would not acquire land on the Kiltormer Road, Killimor, by Compulsory Purchase Order

Councillor Joyce complimented the Council's staff on the high standard of the houses built at Laurencetown. He asked that the footpath would be continued in Laurencetown to the scheme and also that lights would be provided. He stated that two people had been passed over when the houses were being allocated. They are living in mobile homes. One who is a roadworker came from England and the Council considered him adequately housed. Councillor Joyce asked that he be given a rural house.

Councillor Joyce said that he had informed the Council of three vacant cottages in the area but he believed that there may be title difficulties in two cases. He asked that an effort be made to acquire the houses. He asked also what use is made of the amount of loan repayments paid by borrowers to the Council.

Mr. Howlett stated that with regard to people who were disappointed in the Laurencetown area, the Council would make an effort to accommodate them. The Council would also examine the position regarding the purchase of houses and also the possibility of catering for the roadworker referred to by Councillor Joyce. Regarding the loan repayments, he stated that these sums are used to pay off the instalments for the loans which the Council has to raise for this purpose from the Commissioners of Public Works.

Councillor Coogan expressed dissatisfaction that no proposals had been submitted to the Council for building of houses in the vicinity of Galway City. He considered that the Council should make provision in this area for houses as the Corporation has to acquire sites in the County Council area. Rural people come into the city and it is not fair to the Corporation that the County Council does house them.

The Chairman asked that an effort be made to make some progress with building on a 1 1/2 acre site at Kilconly and also in Williamstown. In relation to towns, he stated that the Council should consider especially the needs of single parent families and some of those should be included in the housing allocations.

Councillor Welby stated some time ago he asked the Council to sell an area of approximately 20 perches to a man in Oughterard and he was told that it would interfere with the Fire Station site. He asked that the Council reconsider the matter or alternatively give the man a house.

Mr. Howlett stated that this man was asked to come in to discuss the matter and he had not come. The proposal which this man had made would interfere with a number of housing sites in the area.

2531 - TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME:

Mr. Howlett stated that the Council is still working on the Purchase Scheme for last year and that when the 1979 Scheme is prepared, it will be circulated to Members of the Council.

Replying to Councillor Byrne, Mr. Howlett stated that tenants had been informed of the qualifications for entitlement to avail of a low-rise mortgage scheme.

2532 - REVISED NATIONAL DIFFERENTIAL RENTS SCHEME:

Mr. Howlett stated that apart from some minor amendments, the scheme is similar to the previous scheme and that the revised scheme will apply from the 1st March, 1979.

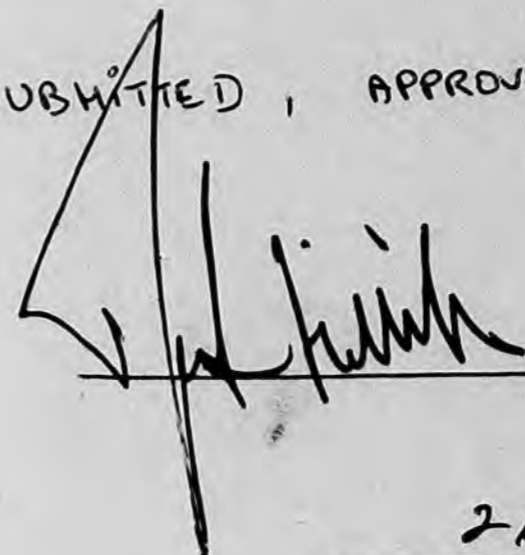
2533 - SYMPATHY:

A resolution of sympathy was adopted with Mr. Gerard Kelly, Ballyglass, Turloughmore, and his family on the death of his mother.

The Council also extended its sympathy to Mrs. B. Mulrooney, Cloonline, Ballygar

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED
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SUBMITTED, APPROVED + CONFIRMED:



CHAIRMAN.

26/3/79 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

16u Marta, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 26u la Marta, 1979, ag tosnu ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

T. KAVANAGH,
Runai Sealadach.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:
 - (a) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Joseph McDonagh of Carramanagh Cottages for a private house at Tullyvealnaslee. - Planning reference number 30483."
Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey. John Molloy.
 - (b) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Malachy King at Trean, Cleggan, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Reference Number 30709."
G. Bartley. Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey.
 - (c) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Leo Hallissey of Renvyle, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Letterbeg. - Planning Reference Number 30908."
John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. John Donnellan.
 - (d) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Vincent Tedders of Annaghdown, Corrandulla, for a private house at Annaghdown. - Planning Reference Number 31019."
John Molloy. Paddy Ruane. Thomas Welby.

- (e) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Michael Higgins of Ballindooley, Castlegar, for the erection of a panel beating shop at Ballindooley. - Planning Reference Number 31029."
John Molloy. Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey.
 - (f) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Kathleen Meenaghan for the erection of a dwelling at Bournagartheeney. - Planning Reference Number 30658."
Thomas Welby. G. Bartley. John M. Mannion.
 - (g) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Patricia Burke, Cluide, Corrandulla, for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Knockdoemore. - Planning Reference Number 30469."
Thomas Welby. Paddy Ruane. John Molloy.
 - (h) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline building Permission to P. Heneghan for the erection of two dwellinghouses at Tooreeny, Moycullen. - Planning Reference Number 30880."
Sean Donnellan. Thomas Welby. G. Bartley.
 - (i) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant Permission to F. O Tuathail, c/o P.J. Newell, of Oaklands, Headford, for the erection of two flats at Oaklands, Headford. - Planning Reference Number 30564."
Padraic McCormack. Thomas Welby. John F. Donnellan.
 - (j) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to John P. Walsh of Garrynagry, Rosscahill, for the erection of a Bungalow and septic tank at Knockauranny. - Planning Reference Number 29771."
Padraic McCormack. John M. Mannion. Thomas Welby.
2. Minutes.
 3. Malicious Injury Decrees. - List Herewith.
 4. Sanitary Services Capital Allocations, 1978.
 5. Sale of plot of land at Glenamaddy - notice dated 12th March, 1979, refers.
 6. Sale of land at Parkmore, Tuam. - notice dated 12th March, 1979, refers.
 7. I.F.H.P. Congress at Gothenborg - selection of representatives.
 8. Appointment of Nominee on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited.

9. Road Grants, 1979.

11. Business Submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

12. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON: - I will propose

That the Council inspect and report on the damage to the banks of the river near Brockagh Bridge, Browns Grove, Tuam.

13. COUNCILLOR T. BYRNE: - I will propose:-

(a) That Galway County Council erect public lights in the villages of Shanaglish, Kilbeacanty, and Nogra, with an additional light at Clarenbridge.

(b) That this Council recommend that our County Engineer advise on means of eliminating a very dangerous traffic hazard that exists for school-going children at Lough Cutra National School, Gort.

(c) That additional Council houses be erected at Clarenbridge, Kinvara and Gort.

14. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY: - I will propose:-

(a) That the Council take over and maintain the roads, footpaths, open space and lighting in Caheroyan Park, Athenry.

(b) That a sum of money be made available in the current year for the clearance of Derelict Sites along the Arterial Roads.

(c) That an allocation of money be provided in the 1979 Estimates for the widening and improvement of the main Galway/Limerick road through the village of Kilcolgan.

15. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION: - I will propose:-

(a) That Galway County Council provide a Public Toilet at Roundstone, and I will further ask the County Manager to give details of all applications for Public Toilets in the County.

(b) That Galway County Council ease the bend on the Clifden side of Eddie King's house, Derrygimlagh, Ballyconneely.

16. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE: I Will propose:-

(a) That the Council purchase the house and lands previously occupied by Mr. Jerome Shiel in Laurencetown, which has remained empty and neglected since the death of Mr. Shiel.

(b) That warning signs of the best quality and most modern design be erected on both sides of the Red Bridge between Ballinasloe and Ahascragh and that the two ends be painted with fluorescent paint or else lit up with warning lights.

(c) That the order of importance of the roads which meet at the New Gate, Bellevue, Laurencetown, be defined and that suitable road markings be put thereon and suitable road signs erected.

17. COUNCILLOR P.J. DEMPSEY: - I will propose:-

That a speed limit be erected at both ends of Turloughmore Village.

18. COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:-

(a) That the Council make urgent arrangements to have the bad turns each side of Padraig Fennessy's house at Hearnbrook, Killimor, rectified.

(b) That the Council give priority to the Sewerage Scheme at Killimor out of the 1979 allocation for sewerage.

(c) That the Council lower the main street at Killimor and lessen the danger of a fatal accident during frosty weather.

19. COUNCILLORS SEAN DONNELLAN AND T. WELBY - We will propose:-

(a) That this Council give an undertaking that the water supply in Moycullen will be improved before the coming summer, and also that a time limit be given for the proposed Regional Scheme which is intended for that area.

(b) That the Council erect in Moycullen "Children Crossing" signs to warn motorists of children crossing from the Spiddal Road to the Chapel Road, where the new school is situated.

20. COUNCILLOR MIKO KELLY - I will propose:-

(a) That the County Manager give definite information re completion of Mini-Industrial Estate in Tuam, re: roadways, walls, lighting, etc.

(b) That before any development is carried out by the Council at Parkmore Race Course, Tuam, that a Development Plan for that land be drawn up and put on display in model form.

21. COUNCILLOR P. RAFTERY - I will propose:-

(a) That extra public lighting be provided on the Glenamaddy side of Ballymoe Village.

(b) That the bends opposite Martin Dowd's house, Lissavruggy, be eased.

22. COUNCILLOR P. DEMPSEY - I will propose:-

(a) That the link road from Ballinvoher, through Mirah and Kilskeagh to the main Athenry/Tuam Road be improved, i.e., bends eased and hedges cut.

(b) That the road from Cregmore School to Rev. Fr. Moran's house at Carheenlea be improved, i.e., dangerous bends eased, particularly at Rev. Fr. Moran's house and Costello's house, Grange.

23. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK - I will propose:-

(a) That at refuse collection points at the head of roads, etc., signs should be erected stating the day the collection takes place, and that it be made an offence to dump refuse there at any other time.

(b) That public lighting be provided from Ballybrit Cross to the National School at Briarhill, and at the County Council cottages at Ballybrit.

24. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK AND DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - We will ask:-

That Galway County Council prepare an estimate of the cost of erecting a bridge across the Corrib from Kilbeg on the Headford side to Knockferry on the West side, and that this Council presses for an allocation from the E.E.C. fund to having this work done in the near future.

25. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will propose:-

That Galway County Council give permission to the eight householders at Trean, Cleggan, to connect to the Cleggan Water Supply.

26. COUNCILLOR ULICK BURKE - I will propose:-

- (a) That Galway County Council improve the stretch of road between Robinson's House and Kirwan's house on the Gurtymadden/Killimor Road and an extra light be provided at the New Health Centre on the same road nearer to Killimor.
- (b) That the turn at Leitrim School, Loughrea/Woodford Road, be removed to improve sight distance on either side and a light be provided at Leitrim Church.
- (c) That Galway County Council request the Galway County Committee of Agriculture and the Vocational Education Committee to employ independent selection and appointment Consultants to fill any future vacancies which arise within the County in these areas.

27. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I will propose:-

- (a) That all roads be surface-dressed after the completion of Group Water Schemes as some roads are left in a bad state.
- (b) That the Menlo Road near Galway City be strengthened and widened as there is now heavy traffic on this road.
- (c) That this Council carry out as soon as possible the proposed sewerage scheme for Ballybane and Ballybrit Cottages.

28. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will ask:-

- (a) How many objections has An Taisce lodged against planning decisions made by the Galway County Council during the last twelve months and how many were granted by the Appeals Board.
- (b) That this Council take steps to remove immediately a dangerous tree standing on a layby beside Knockbane Bridge, Moycullen, and also that a wall be erected by the bridge to stop people or vehicles going into the river where the parapet wall fell into the river.
- (c) That this Council remove a dangerous bend at Porridgetown beside Darcy's house.

29. COUNCILLOR M. O'MORAIN - I will ask:-

- (a) What is the present position regarding the erosion on the Mynish, Goirtin - Dog's Bay and Aillbreac shore front and who is responsible for maintaining the shoreline.
- (b) That the Gortmore to Rosmuc Church Road be repaired as soon as possible.
- (c) What is the position of the Mynish Group Scheme.

M A L I C I O U S D A M A G E D E C R E E S

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree incl. costs
Mary C. Egan, 33, Whitestrand Park, Galway.	Damage to a Motor Car - Simca 1100 Reg. No. 742 IM	Borough of Galway.	£200.00	£107.18
Pan Atlantic Group Incorporated, 10 Ely Place, Galway.	Damage to offices	Borough of Galway.	£500.00	£264.48
Rita O'Beirn, Pollnarooma House, Blackrock, Galway.	Damage to one ornamental tree and a rear quarter window of car reg. no. T2M 480.	Borough of Galway.	£42.76	£85.88
Mary Gill, Woodquay, Galway.	Damage to a concrete block gate pillar.	D.E.D. of Ballintemple.	£27.23	£69.98
Minister for Fisheries, (State Forest - Toorleitra, Woodford, Loughrea, Co. Galway.)	Damage to State Forest.	County of Galway at large.	£380.00	£359.31

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

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

12th March, 1979.

TO: EACH MEMBER OF 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 Glenamaddy, particulars of which are given hereunder viz:-

PARTICULARS OF LAND:

Plot of land measuring approximately 3 acres, 2 roods, 22 perches, situated in the Townland of Glenamaddy and Electoral Division of Glenamaddy.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Land acquired from Mr. John Mannion, Glenamaddy.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF:

Industrial Development Authority.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL:

£6,000 plus £350 costs.

This matter will be placed on the Agenda of the Ordinary Meeting of this Council which will be held after expiration of 10 clear days from the date of this notice.

Mise le meas,

T. KAVANAGH,
ACTING COUNTY SECRETARY.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Assistant Co. Manager's Office,
County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

12th March, 1979.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Re: Lands at Parkmore, Tuam.

Dear Member,

I wish to inform you that the disposal of the following lands will be considered at the monthly meeting of the Council to be held on the 26th March, 1979.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LANDS:

10 acres of land (approximately) on the north-western boundary of lands acquired by the Council for housing purposes from the Tuam Race Co. Ltd..

PROPOSED TO BE SOLD TO:

Galway County Vocational Education Committee for use as the site of a new vocational school.

PRICE AND CONDITIONS:

The land is being sold at the rate of £8,328 per acre plus 12% on this amount from the 1/ 1/1979 to the date of completion of the sale. The basic price of the land is calculated on average costs paid by the Council and on the estimate for the provision of water and sewerage ruling on the 1st January last. The inclusive price of the land, therefore, covers the cost of the provision of water and sewerage on to the site.

The land is to be used by the Committee for the provision of a new vocational education school.

Yours faithfully,

J. Howlett
J. Howlett.
Asst. Co. Manager.

P.S. Negotiations are at present in progress with the Tuam Stars G.A.A. Club and with the Christian Brothers in Tuam in regard to the disposal of other portions of the site. Proposals in this regard will be submitted to the Council as soon as agreement has been reached with these parties.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

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

20th March, 1979.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER OF
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

A Chara,

The following items are added to the Agenda attached hereto:-

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:-

(k) "That in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant permission to Mr. P. Murphy, Ballagh West, for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Ballagh West. - Planning Reference No. 29630."

John Callanan. James Joyce. P. T. Galvin.

(l) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Dr. E.V. Rutledge of 46, Anglesea Road, Dublin 4, for a dwellinghouse at Knockavally. - Planning Application lodged on 16th March, 1979."

John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. T. Welby.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, U. Burke, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials:

Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; T. J. O'Donoghue, Law Agent; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; Miss G. O'Grady, Senior Staff Officer; Messrs. P. J. McGovern, D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; F. Monahan, P. J. Martin, L. Kavanagh, and W. A. Cahill, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineers; R. Lee, Chief Planning Assistant, Neil Howard, A.C.E.; J. Connolly and C. Miney, Temporary Planning Assistants; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2534 - SYMPATHY:

The Chairman proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to the family of the late Mr. Harold Campbell, Chairman, Tuam Town Commissioners, and he paid tribute to the work done by Mr. Campbell for the town of Tuam.

Councillor Kelly seconded the vote of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Campbell, and also Councillor Stapleton paid tribute to the work done by him for Tuam.

Deputy Callanan, joining in the tributes to Commissioner Campbell, also proposed a vote of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Patrick Collins, former County Councillor, and he paid tribute to the work done by Mr. Collins in the movement for National Independence and for the promotion of agriculture. Councillor Kilgannon seconded the vote of sympathy to the Collins family and it was agreed that the Council would adjourn for a short time as a mark of respect to the memory of both deceased.

The County Manager, on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council, joined in the expression of sympathy to both families.

A resolution of sympathy was also adopted with Mrs. Campbell, Marian Terrace, Portumna, Mr. B. Whelan, Ballinaphuill, Corofin, and the Egan Family, Tonroe, Clarinbridge.

THE MEETING THEN ADJOURNED FOR A SHORT TIME.

When the meeting resumed, Councillor Kelly complained at the large number of Section 4 resolutions which were on the Agenda which he stated were hindering the normal work of the Council including Members Notices of Motion.

2535 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30483 - APPLICANT: JOSEPH McDONAGH.

The County Manager stated that it is proposed to decide to grant permission in this case.

2536 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30709 - APPLICANT: MALAGUE KING.

The County Manager stated that a notice requiring further information had been served in this case.

Councillor Walby stated that this motion is being withdrawn as it has been discovered that there is an error in the marking out of the site.

2537 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30903 - APPLICANT: LEO HALLISSEY.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Permission has been refused previously on this site to Mr. Hallissey, and Permission has been refused twice on appeal on an adjoining site also to Mr. Hallissey.
2. No essential housing need exists in this case.
3. The development is in an unspoilt remote area at the end of Renvyle Peninsula, which should properly be kept free of all non-essential development in the interests of visual amenity. If this house is built, it will attract further holiday home development. This would undoubtedly erode the scenic character of the area including the introduction of O/H E.S.B. lines.

4. Refusal is recommended for the following reason:

The proposed development by reason of its close proximity to the coast would seriously interfere with the amenity of the area."

The resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Mannion and seconded by Councillor Bartley.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2538 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31019 - APPLICANT: VINCENT TEDDERS.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Site is located at a road bend with inadequate sight distance. Even if bend were widened to provide extra sight distance, a vehicular entrance should not be created there.
2. Previous applications relating to this site:-
 - (i) Planning Ref. No. 14296 - Refused on appeal on road safety grounds to Modern Building Society, Ballyhaunis.
 - (ii) Planning Ref. No. 14837 - Granted to Mr. Farragher on adjoining site in same field as a second family dwelling.
 - (iii) Planning Ref. No. 18769 - Permission refused to Mr. Liam Lyons on appeal.
 - (iv) Planning Ref. No. 28063 - Permission refused to Mr. V. Tedders by Planning Authority for larger site.
 - (v) Planning Ref. No. 30193 - Permission refused to Mr. V. Tedders by Planning Authority for same site.
3. Refusal again recommended in accordance with previous decisions.

The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because it would involve the creation of a new vehicular access with inadequate sight distances, in close proximity to a junction, and to a bad bend."

The resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Molloy and seconded by Councillor Ruane.

Councillor Burke stated that the report presented by the County Manager indicated that there were several previous applicants for permission on this site who were refused, and that it is discrimination against those if the Council now decides to grant the permission.

The County Manager stated that he wished to stress very strongly on the Council that this is a dangerous place and that if the Council passes the resolution, it is taking serious liberties with the safety of people coming onto the road or using the road at a place where there is inadequate sight distance in close proximity to a junction and to a bad bend. The County Manager appealed to the Council not to pass this resolution in view of their responsibilities as a roads authority for the safety and preservation of life.

Councillor Glynn proposed and Councillor Galvin seconded that the Council refuse to decide to grant permission in this case.

Councillor Holland stated that he has a house near this site and that he wished to declare that he has an interest in it to that extent.

It was decided to defer taking a vote on these proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the resolution on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR: Deputy Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillors P. McCormack, H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, T. Walby.

(16)

AGAINST: Councillors U. Burke, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, M. Kelly, N. Morgan.

(5)

The following Councillors who were present abstained from voting:-

Councillors B. Holland, M. J. Kilgannon, M. Ryan and Deputy M. Mannion.

The Chairman declared the resolution on the Agenda carried.

2539 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31029 - APPLICANT: MICHAEL HIGGINS.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Permission has previously been refused on the site on appeal for traffic safety and amenity reasons.
2. The site is located on a hillside sloping towards Ballindooly Lake, and would obstruct fine views of Ballindooly Lough and Castle. The site is also situated between two road bends with seriously inadequate sight distance. Traffic entering and leaving the site would not have adequate view of traffic on the main road. A serious road hazard would result.
3. Despite sympathetic consideration of the applicant's circumstances, refusal must again be recommended for the following reasons:-
 - (i) The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located along a section of roadway which is sub-standard in

both vertical and horizontal alignment and the traffic movements generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road.

- (ii) The site is obtrusively situated near Ballindooley Lough and Castle. The proposed development would constitute a strident feature in the landscape and would thereby be seriously injurious to the visual amenity of the area."

Councillor Molloy proposed and Councillor Welby seconded the resolution set out on the Agenda.

Replying to queries by Councillor Holland, the County Manager stated that it would be a serious step for him or for officials of the Council to thwart the decision of the County Council by appealing resolutions passed under Section 4 but it is also a serious matter for the Council to ignore objections to the granting of permission which is based on the professional advice available to the Council. He stated that if the law gives a function to the Council and they decide to exercise it, he would be reluctant to thwart them. He stated, however, that he would wish to remind the Council that they are a roads authority and as such, they carry a serious obligation to look to the safety of the public. He considered that in many cases the safety margin is seriously diminished by some resolutions passed under Section 4 as is the position in this case.

As there was no amendment to the resolution proposed, the Chairman declared it carried.

2540 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30653 - APPLICANT: KATHLEEN MEENAGHAN.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. The site of the proposed development is on backlands on top of a hill overlooking Lough Corrib. The proposed development would be visible over a wide area including Lough Corrib and from much of the intervening terrain.
2. Permission has previously been refused to a Mrs. Bridie Healy, (Planning Ref. No. 28307).
3. No essential housing need is claimed in this application.
4. As a result of discussions on the site it appears that several permissions for houses have already been granted to the owner of the site including a site between the proposed site and the road. (Planning Ref. No. 29056).
5. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

The proposed development would detract from the scenic amenity of the area because:-

 - (i) It would set an undesirable precedent for backlands development in an area of high amenity overlooking Lough Corrib.
 - (ii) It would be visually obtrusive on a hilltop and would contribute to the erosion of the relatively undeveloped character of the area which is a characteristic highly worthy of preservation."

Councillor Welby proposed and Councillor Bartley seconded the resolution set out at 1 (f) on the Agenda.

Councillor Morgan proposed and Councillor Glynn seconded that the permission sought be refused.

Councillor Holland asked the County Manager if the Council would incur any liability for granting the permission now in view of the fact that permission was already refused to Mrs. Bridie Healy as set out in the report.

The County Manager stated that it would be an embarrassment to pass the resolution in the circumstances but he considered that there is no legal liability.

It was decided that a vote for or against the resolution set out on the Agenda would be taken after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the motion on the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: Deputy J. Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Faney, E. Harty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery and T. Welby.

(16)

AGAINST: Councillors F. Glynn, B. Holland, M. Kelly, N. Morgan.

(4)

The following Councillors who were present abstained from voting:

Councillors U. Burke, P. T. Galvin, M. J. Kilgannon, P. Ruane, and M. Ryan.

The Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

2541 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30469 - APPLICANT: PATRICIA BURKE.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

"A permission granted by order Ref. No. 3506 by the Minister for Local Government dated 10th November, 1971, granting permission for the erection of one house, out of eight applied for, contained a condition that the owner of the lands (of which the present application forms part) should covenant or otherwise legally bind himself, his heirs, administrators and assigns with the Council not to construct any other house on the said lands.

Resulting from this condition an Indentured Agreement was entered into dated 17th September, 1971, between the landowners Richard and Mary Bridget Kearney, the applicant, Michael Kearney and Galway County Council (copy attached).

The Granting of a permission in this case now would result in the following:

- (i) Be in breach of this Agreement without the prior consent of the three contracting parties;
- (ii) Affect the title of the property now constructed under planning reference no. 3506 and may render it void.

I recommend that the application be refused for the following reasons:

- (i) The proposed house, if permitted, would constitute ribbon development and would be detrimental to the rural amenities of the area.

- (ii) The proposed house would materially contravene a condition pertaining to a previous permission (Planning Ref. No. 3506) which required that the area of land on which this application is made be sterilized from future residential development."

The County Manager stressed to Members that there is a legal agreement already in force and that he was of opinion that if the resolution on the Agenda was passed by the Council, it could create a right of legal action. He stated that it is a matter for the landowner to sort out the problem with the other party to the agreement.

Councillor Welby stated that this other party now no longer lives. The County Manager replied that the permission attaches to the land and it cannot be taken away by the death of the man concerned.

The Chairman stated that legally the County Manager could not act on the resolution if passed and he was ruling it out of order.

Councillor Welby then asked that the resolution be adjourned and the Chairman suggested that the applicant for permission might apply for an extension of time for dealing with the application.

The County Manager stated that if an extension of time was not requested the following day, the application would be refused.

2542 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30320 - APPLICANT: P. HENEGHAN.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Permission previously refused (ref. no. 29707) on this site for reasons of obstruction of fine views of Lough Corrib available from the road across open countryside.
2. (i) Site is located along a narrow road which joins the Galway/Moycullen road at a very dangerous junction with seriously inadequate sight distance.
(ii) Part of this road is being privately developed. Another Section 4 resolution recently resulted in two houses being permitted nearby.
3. If present trends continue, this road will become virtually built up, destroying the visual amenity of the area. Frequent blockage of the roadway will also occur at points where two cars will be unable to pass. Demands for widening this former cart track will then be made to the County Council thus increasing the high mileage of roads already being maintained.
4. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:
The proposed houses would seriously impair the scenic amenity of the area because they would be an unacceptably intrusive element in the foreground of fine views of Lough Corrib available from the road (currently being improved by the County Council.)"

The County Manager then suggested that he be allowed to deal with the application before him and if the applicant was not satisfied, he could come into the Council's officials and discuss the matter with them. He stated that there are a number of problems arising out of this application and that he would like to have a discussion with the applicant for the permission. He stated that the road near the site is so narrow that two vehicles could not pass at that point. He would be prepared to discuss the matter with the applicant to see if the Council could be of help to him. It was agreed that consideration of the matter would be deferred for discussion with the applicant.

2543 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30564 - APPLICANT: F. O'TUATHAIL

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

"The development now proposed is situated on a site for which permission has been granted to construct a single dwellinghouse (Planning Ref. No. 26598).

A permission was sought and refused for the construction of two flats similar to the application now before the Planning Authority.

It is recommended that the development be now refused for the following reasons:

- (i) The proposed site has been granted planning permission for the erection of a single dwellinghouse (Planning Ref. No. 26598) and the erection of flats as now proposed would not be in character with this remote rural area.
- (ii) The proposed development would be liable to endanger the safety of the occupants by reason of a fire hazard due to inadequate means of escape which are located adjacent to the living room and kitchen where a fire is most likely to occur.
- (iii) The first floor construction being of wood and offering no fire protection to the occupants of the upstairs flat in the event of a fire underneath would be liable to endanger the safety of the residents by reason of a fire hazard.

It should be noted that on an inspection of the site it was found that the development now proposed was under construction and had reached first floor level."

The County Manager stated that this house is one which has been converted to two flats with a timber floor between and it is a fire hazard for the persons who would live in it. The house is not suitably designed for the purpose for which it is required.

Councillor McCormack stated that the applicant is willing to have any conditions specified by the Council complied with including construction of a cement floor.

The County Manager stated that the applicant should submit a new application and a new design, and if it is in order, will be examined sympathetically.

After a further discussion, it was agreed that the applicant should make a new application for permission.

2544 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29771 - APPLICANT: JOHN P. WALSH.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

1. The site fronts onto a National Secondary route on a heavily trafficked section between Galway and Oughterard and is thus contrary to the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in the County Development Plan.
2. Second Family need has not been satisfactorily substantiated. A plot with 300 feet frontage was purchased a few years ago by the applicant's family. One house has been permitted there already. Applicant who lives in the area, has twice refused to submit a map of the family lands, so that the Planning Authority could examine alternative sites.

3. The house will detract from the visual amenity of the area because it would obstruct fine views of open rugged mountain scenery.

4. Refusal is recommended for the following reason:

The proposed development would detract from the amenity of the area, because it would be visually intrusive in the foreground of a fine view of open rugged landscape which should properly be kept free of physical development in the interest of visual amenity."

The County Manager stated that he wished to stress that this applicant had twice refused to send a map of the family holding to enable his application to be fully considered. He stated that he is still free to send in the map and that his application would then be examined.

Councillor McCormack stated that five planning permissions had been given in this area and that it was inconsistent now not to give permission to Mr. Walsh. He agreed that one permission had been given by the County Council and four others on Appeal.

The County Manager stated that he considered the Council should not condone a situation in which an applicant refuses to submit maps and information which is legitimately required from him, and that a resolution under Section 4 should not be proposed in such circumstances.

Councillor McCormack proposed and Deputy Mannion seconded the resolution set out on the Agenda.

Councillor Morgan proposed and Councillor Holland seconded that the permission sought be refused. It was agreed that the taking of a vote on this matter would be deferred until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the resolution on the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: Deputy J. Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, E. Haverly, P. M. Stapleton, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. J. Dempsey, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, and T. Welby. (15)

AGAINST: Councillors F. Glynn, B. Holland, M. Kelly, N. Morgan. (4)

The following Councillors who were present abstained from voting:

Councillors U. Burke, P. T. Galvin, M. J. Kilgannon, P. Ruane, and M. Ryan.

The Chairman declared the resolution on the Agenda carried.

2545 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29630 - APPLICANT: P. MURPHY.

This resolution was not proposed, Councillor Joyce stating that it is being withdrawn.

2546 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION LODGED ON 16TH MARCH, 1979. - APPLICANT: DR. E. V. RUTLEDGE.

The County Manager stated that the resolution under Section 4 was received on the 16th March, 1979, the same date as that on which the application for permission was lodged with the Council. He stated that there was no opportunity of examining the application and that it would be brought forward for the next meeting of the Council.

Councillor Galvin stated that he is reluctant to vote for or against many of the resolutions under Section 4 as he feels that it would be necessary to inspect the site to examine the conditions thereon before deciding whether or not any resolutions should be supported.

2547 - **MINUTES:**
Councillor Welby stated that the Minutes of the Meeting of the 26th February, 1979, in relation to the question of granting of Planning Permission to a Mr. O'Connor did not refer to statements he made to the effect that unauthorised development was taking place in Oughterard by an officer of An Taisce, and also that a site on the opposite side of the road to Mr. O'Connor's site, a former County Council official, had previously obtained Planning Permission, and he asked that this be recorded.

Subject to this, on the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Melvin, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 9th and 26th February, and the 2nd March, 1979, (numbers 2504(a) - 2533 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2548 - **MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES:**

It was noted that Malicious Injury Decrees as listed in the schedule to the Agenda had been received since the last meeting.

2549 - **CAPITAL ALLOCATION 1979 - SANITARY SERVICES:**

The County Manager informed the Council that notification had been received from the Department of the Environment of the following allocation for Sanitary Services for the current year:

- (a) Allocation for major water and sewerage schemes £885,000
- (b) Allocation for small schemes £ 30,000

He stated that the allocation of £885,000 would finance excess expenditure on Water and Sewerage Schemes already undertaken by the Council, and in addition, would finance proposed expenditure on the following schemes in 1979:-

- (1) Spiddal Regional Water Supply Scheme £588,000
- (2) Tuam Water Supply Improvement Scheme £172,700
- Total £760,700
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He also stated that it is expected that a further Capital Allocation may be forthcoming for Brierhill Reservoir Scheme, Extension to Oranmore and Dunmore/Glenamaddy Schemes.

He also informed the Council that it is proposed to undertake the following Small Schemes in the Capital Programme for 1979:-

- (1) Galway City East Sewerage Scheme - Extension to Ballybrit Cottages.
- (2) Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme - Interconnection from Oughterard Town Scheme.
- (3) Carraroe Sewerage Scheme - Extension - Stage 1.
- (4) Galway City Eastern Environs Regional Water Supply - Extension to Ballindoolley.

In addition to those schemes, he stated that the following schemes will be financed from the sum of £85,000 provided for in Small Schemes Revenue Account:

- (1) Completion of Ballyconnely Water Supply Improvement Scheme.
- (2) Completion of Ballymoe Sewerage Scheme.

He also informed the Council that the allocation for 1978 for Sanitary Services Schemes was as follows:-

Major Schemes	£517,510
Small Schemes	£ 60,000
	£577,510
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2550 - SALE OF PLOT OF LAND AT GLENAMADDY:

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Raftery and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of a plot of land at Glenamaddy to the Industrial Development Authority in accordance with the terms set out in Notice dated 12th March, 1979, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, which was circulated to each Member of the Council."

2551 - SALE OF LANDS AT PARKMORE, TUAM:

It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Ryan and resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of lands at Parkmore, Tuam, to the Galway County Vocational Education Committee in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 12th March, 1979, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, copy of which was served on each Member of the Council."

Councillor Kelly recommended that the Council should purchase additional land at Parkmore which is adjoining that already purchased as he stated that this land could be used as playing fields which are much needed in the town of Tuam.

The County Manager stated that this land is lowlying and is not suitable for development and that in addition the Council has invested as much money as it could afford in the purchase of land in Tuam.

Councillor Stapleton supported Councillor Kelly's recommendation and stated that the Council may have to make a roadway through these lands and he urged that the Council should investigate the possibility of buying it.

The County Manager stated that the Council would look at the proposal but that it is unlikely that it could buy because of financial limitations.

Councillor Glynn recommended that the Council should ensure that there is a good mix of different types of development in lands purchased at Parkmore.

2552 - I.F.H.P. CONGRESS AT GOTHENBORG:

The Council appointed the following representatives to attend the I.F.H.P. Congress at Gothenborg:-

Deputy M. Killilea, Chairman.
Councillor G. Bartley.
Deputy J. M. Mannion.
Councillor F. Glynn.

It was also agreed that in the event of the Chairman being unable to attend, Councillor Haverty would attend the Congress instead of him, and in the event of Deputy Mannion not being in a position to attend, Deputy Donnellan would attend in his place.

2553 - APPOINTMENT OF A NOMINEE ON THE IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED:

The County Manager suggested that in view of the forthcoming Local Elections, the Council might consider appointing a Nominee until the Local Elections had been held.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Melvin, it was agreed that Councillor G. Bartley be appointed the Council's nominee on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited for the coming year.

2554 - ROAD GRANTS 1979:

The County Manager referred to the report of the Acting County Engineer, dated 26th March, 1979, together with the revised Road Works Scheme setting out proposals for expenditure on roads, having regard to the grants notified to the Council for road works in February, 1979, by the Department of the Environment. He stated that he had reason to believe that a change is to be made in the regulations regarding Valued Added Tax, and that while expenditure on Roads and Sewerage Services were zero rated for V.A.T., this would not continue in the current year, and that as from the 1st March, 1979, this would involve an estimated loss of £160,000. He stated that he understood that the reason for the introduction of the change is harmonised Value Added Tax Regulations throughout the European Economic Community.

Replying to Councillor Glynn, Mr. Crotty, Acting County Engineer, stated that while he had taken into account recent increases in the price of oil, the situation could get worse later.

Councillor Galvin asked if the design had been submitted to the Department of the Environment for the by-pass road at Ballinasloe. Deputy Callanan stated that he had been informed by the Department that the design was awaited in the Department.

The County Manager stated that the first step of this work was to be the take off point of the road from Hayden's Hotel to the proposed by-pass, and that while funds were anticipated for this in the current year, nothing had been allocated.

After further discussion, it was agreed that a special report on this matter would be available for the Monthly Meeting to be held in April.

Councillor Morgan proposed that that Notice of Motion allocation to Councillors be increased to £5,000.

The County Manager stated that it would not be possible under any circumstances to do this as the money must be taken from some other allocation in the Roads Estimate.

Councillor Haverty suggested that the amount of the allocation for individual Councillors should be increased over £1,925 but not up to £5,000.

Councillor Morgan then proposed that the allocation be increased to £3,000 per Member, the additional money to be taken from the sum allowed for Maintenance.

Councillor Kelly seconded Councillor Morgan's proposal.

The County Manager stated that this involves finding another sum of approximately £31,000 and that this would militate against the Council's first priority which is to keep as many men as possible working. This cannot be done if Maintenance money is to be spent on small sections of road in various parts of the County. He reminded the Council that there is also a loss of £160,000 in respect of Valued Added Tax which it was assumed up to now was available.

Councillor Fahey proposed and Councillor Glynn seconded that no change be made in the sum allocated for Notice of Motion Funds.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the Notice of Motion Money for each Councillor would be increased from £1,925 to £2,000, and subject to this amendment, the revised Road Works Scheme prepared by the Acting County Engineer was approved.

The Council also resolved that the Minister be requested to restore the zero V.A.T. rating for Roads and Sewerage Services, or alternatively to make an additional road grant available in the current year, equal to the loss arising from the alteration in the liability for V.A.T.

2555 - PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL ACTION BY ENGINEERS:

The County Manager informed the Council that by reason of Industrial action being taken by Engineers, work on the following services is not proceeding:

Implementation of the Water Pollution Act.
Environmental Grants, for which approximately £120,000 is available in the County.
Safety Regulations.
Filling of new Technician Posts.
Tourist Amenity Grants.
Local Improvement Schemes - Allocation £236,000.
Special Road Grant - £90,000.

He also stated that all staff in Dublin and Cork City were withdrawing their services on the 2nd April, that as from the same date, the work-to-rule was being re-introduced by the Institution of Engineers and that notice had been received of withdrawal by Engineers employed by Galway Corporation of their services as from the 17th April, 1979.

He then gave a summary of the negotiations which had taken place at national level in connection with this dispute and he stated that a further meeting was to be held by both parties to the negotiations on the 28th March.

Members of the Council expressed serious concern at the proposed Industrial Action, and it was agreed that a request would be sent to the management side to make a very serious effort to have the outstanding matters in dispute resolved in view of the particular hardship which would ensue from the proposed Industrial Action.

2556 - TOWN HALL, GALWAY:

The County Manager gave an outline to the Council of the efforts made by the Council to recover possession of the Town Hall, Galway, for the purpose of providing additional Library Services. He stated that the City urgently requires a Centre and to build one would cost approximately £200,000. In view of the possibility of getting Capital for this purpose, he negotiated for the renting of approximately 6,000 square feet as a lending Library in the City Centre at a rent of £3.00 per square foot. He stated that it is proposed to leave the Library Headquarters for the County in the Courthouse at present and that Galway Corporation had given its goodwill for the sale to the Council of a site in College Road which would ultimately provide Library Headquarters and accommodation for staff for the County.

On the proposition of Councillor Morgan, seconded by Deputy Mayor, the Council approved the arrangements outlined by the County Manager.

Councillor Welby stated that the Council had previously referred to the advisability of building a new offices in view of the high rents being paid.

The County Manager stated that the main difficulty about this is that arising from the restriction on the availability of Capital for this kind of work. He stated that the Council had engaged the services of an Architect to carry out a survey on possible extensions to the County Buildings, and if any definite proposals emerged from this study, they would be brought before the Council.

The County Committee of Agriculture and the County Vocational Education Committee were also looking for more space and another proposition for renting of additional property to cater for their needs, and for additional needs of the Council, was being examined.

2557 - FLOODING AT NEWTOWN, ABBEYKNOCKMOY:

The County Manager stated that a report in 1975 indicated that the flooding in this area is caused by conditions divorced from the roadside drains. Improvements in the roadside drain would not remedy the land flooding. He stated that the matter is essentially a legal one and one which would not be solved by improvements in the roadside drain.

Following a recent recommendation for further examination by the County Council, the matter was again examined and the report received in February, 1979, endorses that made in 1975. He stated that the internal land drainage system is not adequate to carry off the land run-off and it would appear that the costings done by the Office of Public Works some years ago on the scheme of drainage required to take the flood waters to the nearby Abbert River would show the work to be uneconomical from their viewpoint. It had been suggested, he stated, that the landowners should try to obtain grants for the land under the Land Project Scheme or on foot of a Land Development Scheme from the Department of Agriculture to have the situation improved.

Replying to a query by Councillor Ryan, the County Manager stated that some drainage work in the area may have been done previously by the Council under the Local Authorities Works Act, 1949, but that no funds were now available under this Act, and that the carrying out of the work by the County Council at that time did not involve it in any liability to carry out maintenance.

Councillor Ryan stated that a gully under the main road needs to be cleared and he also stated that water from a long stretch of road flows into one man's land. On the suggestion of the Chairman, it was agreed that the Engineers would make an appointment with the Councillors for the area and local people in an effort to decide what should be done.

2557(a) COMPLAINT OF UNAUTHORISED DEVELOPMENT IN OUGHTERARD:

The County Manager stated that a report would be available at the next Meeting on delegation of unauthorised development in the Oughterard Area.

2558 - SALE OF PROPERTY AT LOUGHREA RAILWAY STATION:

Councillor Morgan asked that the Council would make an effort to protect its interests at the sale of property at Loughrea Railway Station at an Auction to be held on the following Thursday.

2559 - CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TOILET AT GORT:

The County Manager stated that information on this matter would be conveyed to Councillor Fahey during the following week.

2560 - PRISONERS IN NORTHERN IRELAND, CROSSMAGLEN G.A.A. PROPERTY, AND WITHDRAWAL OF BRITISH ARMY FROM NORTHERN IRELAND:

With the permission of the Chairman, the following resolution was proposed by Councillor Glynn, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and

adopted by the Council:-

"That before the British Labour Government leave office this week, that they right the injustices created under their reign during the past few years:-

- (a) That they cease forthwith their inhuman interrogation in Gough and Castlereagh Barracks;
- (b) That political status be granted to all the prisoners in H Block, some now living in inhuman conditions;
- (c) That they withdraw from Crossmaglen G.A.A. property as requested by the G.A.A. at local and national level.
- (d) That they give a declaration to withdraw their army and influence from Ireland within a reasonable time".

2561 - With the permission of the Chairman, Councillor McCormack proposed the following resolution which was adopted by the Council:-

"That this Council ask the Department of Finance to increase the grant to U.C.G. so as to ensure that the College does not have to abandon the Agricultural Science Course there."

2562 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

It was agreed that the remaining items on the Agenda, i.e., Members Notices of Motion be deferred to a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, 10th April, 1979.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED.

John Killalea
CHAIRMAN

20/4/79
DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

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

2nd April, 1979.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL/

A Chara,

A special Meeting of Galway County Council will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Tuesday, 10th April, 1979, to consider the Councillors' Notices of Motion which were adjourned from the March Meeting of the Council. - Meeting will commence at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE,
County Secretary.

AGENDA

1. List of Councillors' Notices Of Motion which were adjourned from the Meeting of the Council held on the 26th March, 1979, - Copy herewith.

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COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

1. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON - I will propose:
That the Council inspect and report on the damage to the banks of the river near Brockagh Bridge, Brownsgrrove, Tuam.
2. COUNCILLOR T. BYRNE - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway County Council erect public lights in the villages of Shanaglish, Kilbeacanty, and Nogra, with an additional light at Clarenbridge.
 - (b) That this Council recommend that our County Engineer advise on means of eliminating a very dangerous traffic hazard that exists for school-going children at Lough Cutra National School, Gort.
 - (c) That additional Council houses be erected at Clarenbridge, Kinvara and Gort.
3. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council take over and maintain the roads, footpaths, open space and lighting in Caheroyan Park, Athenry.
 - (b) That a sum of money be made available in the current year for the clearance of Derelict Sites along the Arterial Roads.
 - (c) That an allocation of money be provided in the 1979 Estimates for the widening and improvement of the main Galway/Limerick road through the village of Kilcolgan.
4. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway County Council provide a Public Toilet at Roundstone, and I will further ask the County Manager to give details of all applications for Public Toilets in the County.
 - (b) That Galway County Council ease the bend on the Clifden side of Eddie King's house, Derrygimlagh, Ballyconneely.
5. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council purchase the house and lands previously occupied by Mr. Jerome Shiel in Laurecetown, which has remained empty and neglected since the death of Mr. Shiel.
 - (b) That warning signs of the best quality and most modern design be erected on both sides of the Red Bridge between Ballinasloe and Ahascragh and that the the two ends be painted with fluorescent paint or else lit up with warning lights.
 - (c) That the order of importance of the roads which meet at the New Gate, Bellevue, Laurecetown, be defined and that suitable road markings be put thereon and suitable road signs erected.
6. COUNCILLOR P. J. DEMPSEY - I will propose:
That a speed limit be erected at both ends of Turloughmore Village.
7. COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council make urgent arrangements to have the bad turns each side of Padraig Fennessy's house at Hearnbrook, Killimor, rectified.
 - (b) That the Council give priority to the Sewerage Scheme at Killimor out of the 1979 allocation for sewerage.
 - (c) That the Council lower the main street at Killimor and lessen the danger of a fatal accident during frosty weather.

8. COUNCILLORS SEAN DONNELLAN AND T. WELBY - We will propose:
 - (a) That this Council give an undertaking that the water supply in Moycullen will be improved before the coming summer, and also that a time limit be given for the proposed Regional Scheme which is intended for that area.
 - (b) That the Council erect in Moycullen "Children Crossing" signs to warn motorists of children crossing from the Spiddal Road to the Chapel Road, where the new school is situated.
9. COUNCILLOR MIKO KELLY - I will propose:
 - (a) That the County Manager give definite information re completion of Mini-Industrial Estate in Tuam, re: roadways, walls, lighting, etc.
 - (b) That before any development is carried out by the Council at Parkmore Race Course, Tuam, that a Development Plan for that land be drawn up and put on display in model form.
10. COUNCILLOR P. RAFTERY - I will propose:
 - (a) That extra public lighting be provided on the Glenamaddy side of Ballymoe village.
 - (b) That the bends opposite Martin Dowd's house, Lissavruggy, be eased.
11. COUNCILLOR P. DEMPSEY - I will propose:
 - (a) That the link road from Ballinvoher, through Mirah and Kilskeagh to the main Athenry/Tuam Road be improved, i.e., bends eased and hedges cut.
 - (b) That the road from Cregmore School to Rev. Fr. Moran's house at Carheenlea be improved, i.e., dangerous bends eased, particularly at Rev. Fr. Moran's house and Costello's house, Grange.
12. COUNCILLOR P. MCCORMACK - I will propose:
 - (a) That at refuse collection points at the head of roads, etc., signs should be erected stating the day the collection takes place, and that it be made an offence to dump refuse there at any other time.
 - (b) That public lighting be provided from Ballybrit Cross to the National School at Briarhill, and at the County Council cottages at Ballybrit.
13. COUNCILLOR P. MCCORMACK AND DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - We will ask:
That Galway County Council prepare an estimate of the cost of erecting a bridge across the Corrib from Kilbeg on the Headford side to Knockferry on the West side, and that this Council presses for an allocation from the E.E.C. fund to having this work done in the near future.
14. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will propose:
That Galway County Council give permission to the eight householders at Trean, Cleggan, to connect to the Cleggan Water Supply.
15. COUNCILLOR ULICK BURKE - I will propose:
 - (a) That Galway County Council improve the stretch of road between Robinson's House and Kirwan's house on the Gurtymadden/Killimor Road and an extra light be provided at the New Health Centre on the same road nearer to Killimor.
 - (b) That the turn at Leitrim School, Loughrea/Woodford Road, be removed to improve sight distance on either side and a light be provided at Leitrim Church.
 - (c) That Galway County Council request the Galway County Committee of Agriculture and the Vocational Education Committee to employ independent selection and appointment Consultants to fill any future vacancies which arise within the County in these areas.

16. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I will propose:
- That all roads be surface-dressed after the completion of Group Water Schemes as some roads are left in a bad state.
 - That the Menlo Road near Galway City be strengthened and widened as there is now heavy traffic on this road.
 - That this Council carry out as soon as possible the proposed sewerage scheme for Ballybane and Ballybrit Cottages.
17. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will ask:
- How many objections has An Taisce lodged against planning decisions made by the Galway County Council during the last twelve months and how many were granted by the Appeals Board.
 - That this Council take steps to remove immediately a dangerous tree standing on a layby beside Knockbane Bridge, Moycullen, and also that a wall be erected by the bridge to stop people or vehicles going into the river where the parapet wall fell into the river.
 - That this Council remove a dangerous bend at Porridgetown beside Darcy's house.
18. COUNCILLOR M. O'MORAIN - I will ask:
- What is the present position regarding the erosion on the Mynish, Goirtin - Dog's Bay and Aillbreac shore front and who is responsible for maintaining the shoreline.
 - That the Gortmore to Rosmuc Church Road be repaired as soon as possible.
 - What is the position of the Mynish Group Scheme.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON TUESDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: (a) Deputy M. Killilea.
(b) Councillor Sean Donnellan.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, J. Donnellan, Councillors M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; F. Monahan and P. Martin, Chief Assistant County Engineers; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2563 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with Councillor James Joyce on the death of his father, and with Councillor Ruane on the death of his brother, and with Miss G. O'Grady, Senior Staff Officer, on the death of her brother.

The Meeting adjourned for a short time as a mark of respect.

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

Mr. John Fahy, Scregg, Kilkerrin.
Mrs. Healy, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
Cait Bean Ui Cheallaigh, Gleann Mor, An Ceathru Rua, Co. na Gaillimhe.
Patrick Robinson, The Hill, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

2564 - BROCKAGH BRIDGE, BROWNSGROVE, TUAM. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The County Secretary stated that the County Council has no responsibility for the repair and maintenance of this river bank, and accordingly, could not carry out any work on it.

Councillor Stapleton stated that the Office of Public Works had informed him that they had no responsibility for it either, and he stated that the banks had caved in and stopped the flow of the river.

The Chairman suggested that the only solution to this man's problem is that he would try to build a house elsewhere.

2565 - PUBLIC LIGHTING AT SHANAGLISH, KILBEACANTY, NOGRA AND CLARENBRIDGE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The County Secretary stated that these areas will be examined in conjunction with the new programme for public lighting which is being prepared.

Replying to Councillor Byrne, the Acting County Engineer stated that it is hoped to have a programme for the Council within a few months.

2566 - TRAFFIC HAZARD - LOUGH CUTRA NATIONAL SCHOOL, GORT. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The County Secretary stated that this School is located on the inside and near the apex of a long bend on National Primary Route. The normal school signs are erected. However, new larger signs are being arranged. The school buildings are not conspicuous to a vehicle approaching on this fast section of road but due to traffic speed, a traffic warden is not recommended. It is proposed approaching the school authorities with a view to having them re-locate the school access to a point nearer to the southern end of the school grounds and to provide suitable fencing to channel the school children to this new access point for the purpose of having a greater sight distance. Flashing lights (controlled from the school) at the crossing point might also be considered subject to Garda approval.

2567 - ADDITIONAL HOUSING AT CLARENBRIDGE, KINVARA AND GORT. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The County Secretary stated that an advertisement had been issued some time ago for 12 additional houses and 2 private sites in Clarenbridge, but that no Tender had been received. Indications were that there is no urgent demand for additional houses in Kinvara and confirmation of a Compulsory Purchase Order by the Minister is awaited in respect of land at Gort.

2568 - MOTIONS BY COUNCILLOR F. FAHEY:

In the absence of Councillor Fahey, the Chairman directed that replies to his Motions be sent to him.

2569 - PUBLIC TOILET AT ROUNDSTONE - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The County Secretary stated that legal transfer for the site at Roundstone has not yet been completed and that funds have been provided in the 1979 Estimates for the provision of sanitary conveniences at Long Point, Loughrea, Gort, Kilmurvey and Oughterard. He also stated that applications for public toilets have been received for the following locations:-

Leenane	Eyrecourt
Cleggan	Rosmuck (Pearse's Cottage)
Portumna	Renville, Orammore.
Mountbellew	Lettergesh,
Athenry	Clontuskert
Ballygar	Claran
Headford	Inverin
Kinvara	Craughwell
Clonbur	Loughrea
Dunmore	Williamstown
Woodford	Spiddal Pier

Replying to Deputy Mannion, the County Secretary stated that it is not possible at present to state if the public toilet in Roundstone can be provided in 1980.

2570 - EASING OF BEND AT DERRYGIMLAGH, BALLYCONNELLY. - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The County Secretary stated that no financial provision is made in the current year's Estimates for the work involved in this case but that the matter will be considered when the 1980 Estimates are being prepared.

2571 - WATER SUPPLY FOR EIGHT HOUSEHOLDERS AT TREAN, CLEGGAN. - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The County Secretary stated that this matter has been investigated

on numerous occasions over the past few years and it has been found that Cleggan Water Supply is incapable of supplying Trean Group Scheme by reason of inadequate storage and capacity. A deputation from this Group was received by the Council on the 10th July, 1978 and the matter was fully explained to them. It was pointed out to the deputation that it is not the responsibility of the Council to locate sources for a Group Scheme but it was suggested that the Group might consider trying to obtain a supply directly from the Courmour Lake as another Group in the vicinity had done.

Deputy Mannion stated that he could not agree with the report submitted as all householders had 3,000 gallon storage tanks and that they would be able to take a supply at night time. He proposed that the connection should be given to them. Councillor Bartley seconded this proposal.

The County Engineer stated that it is not possible to give water as it is simply not available.

2572 - PURCHASE OF HOUSE AT LAURENCETOWN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that the Council is in communication with a man in Athlone regarding the question of the purchase of this cottage, but that there are also some title problems involved.

Replying to a further query by Councillor Joyce, he stated that the Council is prepared to consider any reasonable proposal for the purchase of such houses.

2573 - ROAD SIGNS AT THE RED BRIDGE BETWEEN BALLINASLOE AND AHASCRAUGH - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that arrangements are being made to have suitable signs provided and erected.

2574 - ROAD SIGNS AND ORDER OF IMPORTANCE OF ROADS AT NEW GATE, BELLEVUE, LAURENCETOWN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that the major road priority and signs at this junction are at present a matter which is under discussion with the Garda Authorities and it is hoped an early decision will be made.

2575 - SPEED LIMIT SIGNS AT TURLOUGHMORE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that the speed limits proposed for Turloughmore village have already been proposed to the Department of the Environment and that the Minister's Order is expected fairly soon.

2576 - DANGEROUS TURNS AT HEARNSBROOK, KILLIMOR. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY:

The County Secretary stated that this section of National Secondary Route has a high priority for improvement. A design is being prepared and land acquisition negotiations will follow without delay. The improvement will be put in hand subject to funds being available from the National Secondary Road Grant. New warning signs are being erected as an interim measure.

2577 - SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR KILLIMOR - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY:

The County Secretary stated that Killimor Sewerage Scheme is a capital scheme which will be financed from funds made available by the Department of the Environment. A Preliminary Report was submitted to the Department in February 1977 and a revised Preliminary Report was submitted in June 1978. The County Council is still awaiting approval to the revised Preliminary Report.

2573 - ROAD IMPROVEMENTS, KILLIMOR VILLAGE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY:

The County Secretary stated that while this work is desirable, it is considered to have a lower priority than the realignment of the road between Coolagh and Hearnbrook or the road between Killimor and Portumna. A further consideration would be the passing of a sewerage scheme and the laying of sewer pipes in the streets of Killimor.

Councillor Haverty stated that there was very nearly a fatal accident in this area recently when blocks fell off a lorry because of the camber in the street. He asked if work on the sewerage scheme and on the improvement to the road could be taken together.

The County Engineer stated that it would be necessary to have the work on the Sewerage Scheme carried out in the first instance.

2579 - MOYCULLEN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLORS DONNELLAN AND WELBY:

Proposing the motion on the Agenda both Councillors complained about the delay over many years in having improvement works carried out to this water supply and they asked that urgent steps be taken to put it in order.

The County Secretary stated that improvements being carried out at present will be completed before June if no unforeseen difficulties arise. No time limit can be given for the proposed Regional Scheme as the Contract Documents are with the Department of the Environment and the Council must await their approval.

2580 - "CHILDREN CROSSING" SIGN, MOYCULLEN. - MOTION BY COUNCILLORS DONNELLAN AND WELBY:

The County Secretary stated that a "Children Crossing" sign is not considered necessary in this built up area where a 30 m.p.h. speed limit applies. Indiscriminate use of these signs would lessen their impact and effect in places where they are really necessary.

Councillor Welby stressed that this is a very dangerous crossing and he considered that either a sign should be erected or a Traffic Warden employed. He stated that there is a very heavy tourist traffic on this road during the summer months and that it is also a busy road during other periods of the year, and he asked that when a sign is erected, it be in Irish as Moycullen is a Gaeltacht Area.

2581 - MINI-INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, TUAM. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KELLY:

The County Secretary stated that a survey has been carried out of this Estate and that maps are being prepared. It is hoped to have the development work commenced in the near future.

2582 - PARKMORE LANDS, TUAM. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KELLY:

The County Secretary stated that when an overall plan for development of the lands at Parkmore is prepared, Members of the Council for the Tuam Electoral Area will be invited to call and inspect it.

Replying to Councillor Stapleton, the County Secretary stated that information will be available at the next meeting on the recommendation already made that additional land be purchased in Tuam either for playing fields or for a bye-pass road.

2583 - PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLYMOE VILLAGE. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY:

The County Secretary stated that this location was not on the Council's previous Public Lighting Programme but will be taken into consideration when the New Lighting Programme is being drawn up.

2584 - EASING OF BENDS AT LISSAVRUGGY, BALLYGAR. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY:

The County Secretary stated that this is a County Road with a small traffic load. The cost of easing the bends would be \$2,000. It is not proposed to undertake this work in the present financial year but it will be considered at the time when the Estimates for 1980 are being prepared.

2585 - IMPROVEMENT OF BENDS ON ROAD FROM BALLINVOHER TO MAIN ATHENRY/TUAM ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that it is proposed to have the hedges along this road trimmed later this year. There is no provision in the Estimates for any improvements to the alignment and such work would have to be considered with other improvements for inclusion in the 1980 Roadworks Scheme.

2586 - IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD FROM CREGMORE SCHOOL TO CARHEENLEA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The County Secretary stated that there are three sharp bends on this section of County Road which would be desirable to improve. These improvements are not, however, listed in the 1979 Roadworks Programme and they will have to be considered with other suggested and desirable improvements for inclusion in the 1980 Programme.

2587 - ERECTION OF SIGNS AT REFUSE COLLECTION POINTS - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that a review of the programme for refuse collection throughout the County is at present being made and when this review is completed, the proposal made by Councillor McCormack will be considered. He pointed out, however, that this will have to be examined in the context of the likelihood that the erection of signs at these collection points might encourage dumping and may create further problems.

Councillor McCormack stated that his proposal, if adopted, would lead to controlled dumping and he recommended that the notice should state the day of collection, and if no collection is being made, advance notice should be given.

2588 - PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLYBRIT CROSS TO BRIARHILL SCHOOL, AND AT COUNCIL COTTAGES IN BALLYBRIT - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that it is proposed to extend the public lighting towards Briarhill School this year. The distance to be covered will depend on the estimated cost of the work which it is hoped to obtain from the E.S.B. by early summer.

2589 - PROPOSED BRIDGE ON CORRIB FROM KILBEG TO KNOCKFERRY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The County Secretary stated that in 1975, a Consulting Engineer's report gave an estimate of approximately £1 million for this project and that present day costs could be well in excess of £2 million. At a Meeting of the Council on the 27th October, 1975, a letter from the Department of the Environment was submitted which stated that a bridge at this location cannot be regarded as meriting any priority in competition for such E.E.C. Funds as may be made available.

Councillor McCormack proposed that a survey be now carried out with a view to formulating proposals for an application for funds from the E.E.C.

The Acting County Engineer stated that the estimated cost of preparing such a proposal could be in the region of £50,000, and he and the County Secretary pointed out that no funds had been made available in the current year's Estimates for this work.

The Chairman stated that some time ago he had undertaken at the request of the Council to arrange a meeting with the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for the Gaeltacht with a view to discussing the possibility of getting special E.E.C. Funds for improvement of roads in Connemara and that he had been informed by both Ministers that they and the Minister for Agriculture would be prepared to meet a deputation from the County Council consisting of Members, the County Manager and appropriate officials when proposals at present being prepared in the Department of the Environment for a revised road structure would be available. He suggested that the Council should await this meeting and then make the case to the Minister for the funds for the bridge at Kilbeg. After a further discussion, it was agreed that this matter would be put on the Agenda for the May Meeting of the Council, and that in the meantime, an effort be made to ascertain if it is likely that funds can be made available for construction of the bridge.

2590 - MOTIONS BY COUNCILLOR BURKE:

In the absence of Councillor Burke, it was decided that replies in writing would be sent to him to his motions.

2591 - SURFACING OF ROADS FOLLOWING CONSTRUCTION OF GROUP SCHEMES - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE:

The County Secretary stated that road restoration work after Group Water Supply excavations is only carried out along the lines of the trenches and road crossings and this is done as soon as possible after completion of the work and the testing of the pipes. It would not be feasible to budget and programme for complete surface dressing of the road at the same time, and a time lag of two or more years will continue to obtain between completion of the scheme and surface dressing of the road unless further substantial levies are to be imposed on groups for this costly work.

Councillor Ruane stressed the urgency of doing this work as soon as possible after completion of the scheme.

2592 - STRENGTHENING AND IMPROVEMENT OF MENLO ROAD NEAR GALWAY CITY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE:

The County Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the re-alignment of the section of this road, under the Council's jurisdiction to a standard suitable for heavy commercial traffic is £100,000. No provision is made in the current year's estimates for this work. The remainder of this road is within the boundary of Galway City Borough.

2593 - SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR BALLYBANE AND BALLYBRIT COTTAGES - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE:

The County Secretary stated that it is intended to carry out this scheme from the allocation for Small Capital Schemes during the current year. Contract documents are being prepared at present and it is hoped that work will commence later this summer.

2594 - APPEALS BY AN TAISCE AGAINST PLANNING DECISIONS - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR WELBY:

The County Secretary stated that of 228 appeals lodged in the twelve months ended 31st December, 1978, only one was lodged by An Taisce. Two of the applications which were appealed were the subject of observations from An Taisce.

2595 - DANGEROUS TREE AND WALL AT KNOCKBANE BRIDGE, MOYCULLEN. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR WELBY:

The County Secretary stated that these matters would be attended to as soon as possible.

2596 - DANGEROUS BEND AT PORRIDGETOWN, OUGHTERARD. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR WELBY:

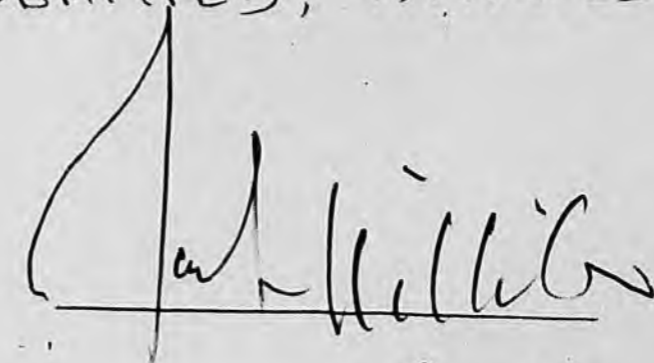
The County Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the work is £2,000. There is provision in the current year's Estimates for this work and same will be put in hands as soon as possible.

2597 - MOTIONS BY COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN:

Councillor O'Morain had to leave the Meeting before these motions came up for discussion. It was agreed at Councillor O'Morain's request that letters would be sent to him giving him replies to the motions.

===== THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED =====

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

 CHAIRMAN.

23/4/79. DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

10u Aibreain, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A. Chára,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condáe, Gaillimh, De Luain, 23u Ia Aibreain, 1979, ag tosú ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

- (a) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Eileen Moran for a dwellinghouse at Maus, Clifden - Planning Ref. No. 31074."
- G. Bartley. Thomas Welby. John M. Mannion.
- (b) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission for a dwellinghouse to Thomas Burke of Derrigimlagh, Ballyconneely. - Planning Ref. No. 31069."
- G. Bartley. T. Welby. P. Dempsey.
- (c) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission for a dwellinghouse to Martin Burke, Derrigimlagh, Ballyconneely. - Planning Ref. No. 31055."
- G. Bartley. T. Welby. P. Dempsey.
- (d) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to grant Outline Permission to Patrick Newman of Cleggan, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Courthor. - Planning Reference number 31180."
- John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. P. McCormack.
- (e) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to P. Halloran of Garraunbaun, Moyard, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Crocknaraw. - Planning Ref. No. 31187."
- John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. P. McCormack.

- (f) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Thomas O Ceannabhain of An Aird Mhoir, Cill Chiarain, for a dwellinghouse at An Aird Mhoir. - Planning Reference Number 29511."
- M. O'Morain. M. O Flatharta. G. Mac Pharthlain.
- (g) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Padraig Keedy of Park, Spiddal, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Ref. No. 30334."
- Thomas Welby. G. Bartley. John Molloy.
- (h) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Patrick Fahy, Pollagh, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Reference No. 31008."
- Thomas Welby. John M. Mannion. P. Dempsey.
- (i) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Suibhan Fahy, Park Middle, Spiddal, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Reference No. 31293."
- Thomas Welby. Sean Dnnellan. G. Bartley.
- (j) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Thomas Kelehan for the erection of 4 houses at Gortatlewa. - Planning Reference No. 30397."
- Thomas Welby. F. O Cuagain. P. Dempsey.
- (k) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Bohoona East, Spiddal, to James Dillon. - Planning Reference No. 31145."
- Thomas Welby. G. Bartley. P. Dempsey.
- (l) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline building permission to P. Heneghan for the erection of two dwellinghouses at Tooreeny, Moycullen. - Planning Reference no. 30830."
- Sean Dnnellan. Thomas Welby. G. Bartley.
- (m) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Dr. E. V. Rutledge of 46, Anglesea Road, Dublin, 4, for a dwellinghouse at Knockavally. - Planning Ref. No. 31350."
- John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. T. Welby.

- (n) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Martin Forde for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Glenascaul, Oranmore. - Planning Ref. No. 31034."

Thomas Welby. Patrick Ruane. John Molloy.

- (o) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Martin Mullen of Fahey, Clifden, for a dwellinghouse at Fahey. - Planning Reference Number 30467."

G. Bartley. P. Dempsey. Thomas Welby.

2. Minutes.
3. Malicious Damage Decrees - List Herewith.
4. Bye-Pass road, Ballinasloe. - Minute No. 2554.
5. Annual Meeting - Library Association of Ireland - Appointment of two delegates.
6. Capital Allocation - Housing.
7. Business submitted by the County Manager.

Note: Councillors' Notices of Motion to follow.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

8. COUNCILLOR F. FAHEY - I will propose:-
 - (a) That money be made available in the current year to carry out minor improvements on the junction between the Tiernevan/Kinvara Road and the road leading to Mr. Patrick Flaherty's house at Killina.
 - (b) That money be made available in the current year to carry out major improvements on the Arterial Road through Kilcolgan Village.
 - (c) That this Council purchase land in Ardrahan for County Council housing and also for provision of serviced sites.
9. SENATOR M. P. KITT - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the road to Owen Cunniffe's house, Gurteen, Ballinasloe, be blacktopped.
 - (b) That extra lights be provided in Menlough Village.
 - (c) That a sewerage scheme be provided in Caltra Village in view of the fact that piping of surface water was carried out there some years ago.
10. COUNCILLOR M. RYAN - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the Council widen the road from Burke's cross, Clonbern, to the creamery, to give a better view and relieve congestion.
 - (b) That the Council remove the fences at Castletown Cross, Kilkerrin, to give a better view to drivers of vehicles as there is a crash there every week.
 - (c) That the Council repair the pump at Lavally, Tuam, as there are a number of people who depend on it for their water supply.
11. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the County Council report on the possibility of providing sewerage, and a wider footpath for the residence at the lower end of Ballygaddy Road near the Beet Factory.
 - (b) That the Council declare the Guilka, Menlough Road, from Michael Mellody's to Harry Mellodys, a public road, if possible.
 - (c) That Galway County Council widen the bridge and re-surface the road leading from Clonberne, Tuam road to Thomas Geraghtys, Cloongowna, Lavally, Tuam.
12. COUNCILLOR J. MOLLOY - I will propose:-
 - (a) That improvements be carried out to Angliham/Menlo Road as there is an increased flow of heavy traffic in the past few years. It is very dangerous for children going to the local school.
 - (b) That Galway County Council improve the stretch of road between the Race Course Gates and Brierhill (Monivea Road), and provide a footpath for children to the local school.
 - (c) That this Council ease a dangerous bend at Kiltulla, Oranmore, beside Glynn's House.
13. COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN - I will propose:-
 - (a) That Galway County Council discuss with C.I.E. the prospects of having the level crossing at Illaune widened and made safe.
 - (b) To request the County Manager to outline the progress made over the last six months in the provision of new Burial Grounds at
 - (a) Addergoole, Dunmore;
 - (b) Kilclooney, Milltown.

13. COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN - I will propose:-

(c) That Galway County Council discuss with the Department of the Environment the provision of a sewerage scheme in small towns and villages in the County, or alternatively, that they make finance available for the County Council to implement its own scheme.

14. COUNCILLOR B. HOLLAND - I will propose:-

That the road from Castlegar Church to Ballindoooley Cross be cleaned from all litter and maintained in a clean condition, and that proceedings be taken against the firms and private individuals responsible for littering the road.

15. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will ask:-

That the County Manager outline the present position regarding the Ardane-Dooroy Group Water Scheme application.

16. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will propose:-

That the flooding which regularly occurs on the Ballagh Road, Clontuskert, near Brendan Brien's gate be eliminated by dealing with the drain which causes the flooding in whatever way necessary.

17. COUNCILLOR P. DEMPSEY - I will propose:-

- (a) That the area in front of Gill's Public House, Ballinastack, be levelled and blacktopped to improve the view for motorists in view of the area being a five road junction. Part of this area could be used by the County Council as a holding area for road materials.
- (b) That public lighting be erected at Turloughmore Dispensary as the present position is extremely dangerous.
- (c) That the County Council complete the roadworks beside the Claregalway Church as it is now a dangerous bottleneck.

18. DEPUTY J. CALLANAN - I will propose:-

That Galway County Council take over Knocknagreena Group Water Scheme Ballinasloe, as I understand that all the Group are anxious for the County Council to take it over.

19. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will ask:-

When will the new traffic route lighting be erected in Kilrickle.

20. COUNCILLOR T. BYRNE - I will propose:-

- (a) That a traffic warden or pedestrian crossing be provided near the Presentation Convent, Oranmore.
- (b) That Galway County Council explore the possibility of acquiring land at Station Road, Gort, from C.I.E. with a view to providing a car park.
- (c) That a new bridge be provided at Currenroe, Kinvara, (on Galway side of Clare Border) on a major National Secondary route.

21. DEPUTIES J. DONNELLAN AND JOHN M. MANNION - We will propose:-

(a) That Galway County Council demand the Government and the Minister for Industry, Commerce and Energy to take whatever steps are necessary to provide petrol and diesel at the normal outlets and that they ensure diesel will be delivered to the farmers and fishermen without undue delay.

21. (b) That Galway County Council ask the Government and the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to take positive steps immediately to end the postal and telecommunications dispute.

(c) That Galway County Council ask the Government to reintroduce food subsidies due to the hardship caused to the poorer sections of the community.

22. COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:-

- (a) That a booklet entitled "Guide to the Services of Galway County Council" be prepared for the information and guidance of the public in their dealings with the Council.
- (b) That the Skenana/Clooncurreen junction be developed at a point immediately north of Skehana Church.

23. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK - I will ask:-

- (a) When will the treatment works and filter system be complete on the Rosscanill Group Water Scheme from Lough Buffy.
- (b) That the County Council take over and tar the Boat House Road, Oughterard from bottom of Camp Road to the river at Boat House.
- (c) That in view of the long delay in providing a pedestrian crossing at the top square, Headford, that a traffic warden be appointed to ensure some safety for the children crossing this extremely dangerous main road on their way to and from the schools.

24. COUNCILLOR NORMAN MORGAN - I will propose:-

- (a) That the very dangerous south-east corner of the junction of Kilchreest Village with the road to Kilchreest Church and School be removed and made safe.
- (b) That priority be given to providing footpaths at Lower Dominick Street, Portumna, where no footpath at all exists on either side of the road from the Mart to the junction with Bridge Road, even though this section of road includes the entrance to the Council's new Housing Estate.
- (c) That a proper fire brigade tender be delivered immediately to Portumna and housed in Flanan O'Flaherty's Garage, Dominick Street, where the Civil Defence Tender was housed while the present Landrover with the 40 gallon storage tank was being repaired. Waiting for the proposed new Fire Station to be built is not acceptable.

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MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree incl. Costs
Lacken Estates Ltd., Corrib House, Newcastle, Galway.	Damage to flat No. 1, Corrib House Apartments.	Borough of Galway.	£40.00	£51.53
Stephen Polan (Pat), Mauneeen, Lettermullen, Co. Galway.	Damage to a cock of hay by fire.	County of Galway at large.	£50.00	£55.25
Hunter Investments Ltd., c/o W.B. Gavin & Co., Solicitors, 4, Devon Place, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to 18 ft. birch down-pipe and one telephone handset.	Borough of Galway.	£40.00	£53.39
Edward S. Hunter, Earls Island, Galway.	Damage to one plate glass window.	Borough of Galway.	£30.00	£77.15
Patrick Rooney, 24, Lakeshore Drive, Renmore, Galway.	Damage to one plate glass window.	Borough of Galway.	£45.00	£97.94
Moy Contractors Ltd., Iveagh Court, Harcourt Road, Dublin, 2.	Damage to a mobile home.	Borough of Galway.	£500.00	£518.15
Michael Turley, "Good Counsel", Knocknacarra Road, Galway.	Damage to a weatherglaze window.	Borough of Galway.	£45.00	£63.75
McWhites Supermarkets Ltd., 700 upr. Georges Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.	Damage to one large plate glass window.	Borough of Galway.	£100.00	£97.74

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree incl. Costs
James Madden & Sons Ltd., Lower Salthill, Galway.	Damage to four motor cars.	Borough of Galway.	£120.00	£211.97
Juke Box Amusements Ltd., c/o Sandys & Co., Solicitors, 10 Sea Road, Galway.	Damage to a juke box.	Borough of Galway.	£900.00	£421.17
Patrick Canavan, c/o Messrs. Sandys & Co., Solicitors, 10, Sea Road, Galway.	Damage to Pemberton Caravan and contents.	Borough of Galway.	£600.00	£439.89
Thomas Cawley, c/o Messrs C. P. Crowley & Co., 9, Eyre Square, Galway.	Damage to Volkswagen Motor Car Reg. No. GZM 599.	Borough of Galway.	£264.69	£329.49
John Pennyfeather, 26 Oaklands, Salthill, Galway.	Damage to Fiat Motor Car Reg. No. LZM 321	Borough of Galway.	£173.75	£214.86
Messrs. Steward, (Steward Homes Ltd.), 43, Lower Salthill, Galway.	Damage to Rahoon Site No. 2 - Houses No. 100, 99, 85, 84, 82 and 72, and the store of the compound on the site.	Borough of Galway.	£287.56	£371.52
Joan Niland,	Damage to one Plate Glass window	Borough of Galway.	£53.35	£76.14
Matthew Bolustrim, Ballinahown, Co. Galway.	Damage to a Boat.	County of Galway at large.	£150.00	£204.80

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHÉ
(Galway County Council)

Assistant Co. Manager's Office,
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GALWAY.

18th April, 1979.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Re: Capital Allocation - Housing

Dear Member,

Since the last Council meeting, we have been notified of an allocation of £350,000 in respect of new works of house construction.

As the Council are aware, the pattern of allocations is that in the early part of the year, an amount is notified in respect of existing commitments; Later, around this time of year, we are notified of the amount available for new works and in the second half of the year, the position is reviewed and a supplementary allocation may be notified. The latter allocation is influenced, inter alia, by monies which may be unspent in other areas so that it is difficult to anticipate what amount may be available and the Council would ^{not} be in a position to enter into any commitments in anticipation of money being available. The comparative position to date in respect of 1978 and 1979 is as follows:

AMOUNTS REQUESTED	1978	1979
Existing Commitments	£ 1,600,000	£ 1,475,000
New Works	780,000	1,302,000

ALLOCATIONS RECEIVED	1978	1979
Existing Commitments	£ 1,330,000	£ 1,000,000
New Works: Initial Allocation	200,000	350,000
Further Allocations	200,000	-

At present, the level of Council house-building is at an all-time high. During 1977, a total of 176 dwellings had been provided and the number provided during 1978 was 227. The increased activity applies, in particular, to rural houses.

The allocations received to date during the current year will finance works in progress but pending further allocations, the programme for the remainder of the year may have to be curtailed.

The position is being brought to the notice of the Department and it will be emphasised that any further money available would need to be notified to the Council as early as possible or otherwise it may be too late to be of use in connection with this year's programme.

Yours sincerely,

J. Howlett.
ASST. CO. MANAGER.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillor G. Bartley, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, B. Holland, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. P. Kearns, Deputy County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; M. Tierney, F. Monahan and P. Martin, Chief Assistant County Engineers; L. Kavanagh, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineer; B. Callagy, Chief Assistant (Planning); W. A. Cahill, Acting Chief Planning Assistant; Miss C. Burke, Staff Officer; Messrs. T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; P. J. McGovern, Senior Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2598 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31074 - APPLICANT: EILEEN MORAN.

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"Permission has been refused three times previously. It was appealed to An Bord Pleanála but not followed up by applicant.

The site forms part of a site on which a house was already permitted and where an enurement clause was included restricting the permission to the previous applicant for the larger site.

The lower Errislannan road has been seriously overbuilt in recent years including unauthorised developments. Its scenic character has been seriously injured. This development will further worsen the situation and should not be allowed.

No essential housing need exists in this case as applicant is a bank clerk.

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

The proposed development would be inconsistent with an enurement clause (Condition No. 4) in a previous decision of the Planning Authority for a larger site of which this site forms part.

The proposed development in conjunction with existing and permitted development along this scenic coastal road would worsen the already undesirably high incidence of ribbon development along this road which detracts seriously from the visual amenity of the area where development should properly be kept to a minimum for essential housing need."

2603 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 29611 - APPLICANT: TOMAS O CEANNABHAIN.

The Deputy County Manager stated that a decision to grant permission in this case had been made.

2604 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30334 - APPLICANT: PADRAIG KEADY.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"1. Permission has already been refused on grounds of amenity and traffic hazard. The injury to amenity and traffic hazard are each considered to be very serious in this case but the combination of the two is most undesirable from a development control point of view.

2. The site is not part of a family holding but was merely purchased as a site without permission some years ago.

This is not considered a valid second family dwelling exception in this case. In the overall public interest and despite a sympathetic consideration of circumstances of the case, it is felt that the applicant should seek an alternate site, which would comply with the requirements of the Planning Authority.

3. Refusal is strongly recommended for the following reasons:

(a) The proposed development would seriously detract from the visual amenity of the area, because it would be intrusively located between the public road and fine views of Galway Bay.

(b) The proposed development would contribute to a road hazard on a bend on a heavily trafficked main road where the hazard has already been exacerbated by ribbon development."

Proposing the motion set out in the Agenda, Councillor Welby stated that the site in question is next door to a new house built about three years ago. The only site which is in possession of the applicant and he cannot afford to purchase another.

Councillor Welby's proposal was seconded by Councillor Molloy.

Councillor Welby stated that part of the frontage of the site is a lay-bye.

The Deputy County Manager stated that he wished to emphasise that this is an amenity area between the road and the sea.

Councillor Morgan proposed and Councillor Glynn seconded that the permission sought be refused.

It was decided to defer taking a vote on those proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m., on a show of hands, for or against the resolution set out in the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: 13 AGAINST: 4

The Chairman declared the resolution set out in the Agenda carried.

2605 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31003 - APPLICANT: PATRICK FAHY.

The Deputy County Manager stated that a notice requiring further information in this case had been served on the applicant and it was decided to defer consideration of the resolution until a meeting subsequent to the date of receipt of the further information from the applicant.

2606 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31293 - APPLICANT: SIOBHAN FAHY.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"1. House was refused permission twice previously on this site, Ref. Numbers 28602, 30454.

2. In the previous applications, a case for second family dwelling was made but on investigation the Planning Authority was not satisfied with this claim.

3. An alternate acceptable site exists on the family holding.

4. Permission should be again refused for the following reason:-

The site proposed to be developed is situated between the main tourist route and the sea where an unspoiled sector of coastal view of special amenity value and interest at present exists and the proposed development would seriously injure the special amenity value of the area by reason of its restriction and interference with the view afforded."

Councillor Welby, proposing the motion on the Agenda, stated that the entrance to this site would be off a side road and that the applicant has no alternative site.

Councillor Sean Donnellan seconded Councillor Welby's proposal.

Replying to Councillor Morgan, the Deputy County Manager stated that the site is between a tourist road and the sea and that the site itself abuts the Galway/Spiddal Road and is within a distance of approximately 400 feet from the sea.

Councillor Morgan proposed and Deputy Donnellan seconded that the permission sought be refused.

It was decided to defer taking a vote on these proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m., on a show of hands, for or against the resolution set out in the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: 13 AGAINST: 3

The Chairman declared the resolution set out in the Agenda carried.

2607 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30297 - APPLICANT: THOMAS KELEHAN.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"The proposed development would contravene previous decisions of the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanála.

It would be a most undesirable precedent immediately adjoining a heavily trafficked National Secondary Route. Hitherto, development has been confined to single houses for exceptional reasons or by means of decisions on appeal. This would be the largest development of its kind along a National Secondary Route.

Refusal is recommended as follows:-

1. The site is located on a National Secondary Road at a point where the maximum speed limit applies and where sight distances are restricted. The traffic movements to which the development would give rise would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road and would thereby endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard.
2. The site is located in an area of amenity value overlooking Lough Corrib and the development would be seriously injurious to the visual amenities of the area.
3. The proposed development would result in an excessive density of housing development in a rural area where there are no sewerage services or community facilities, and would be contrary to the County Development Plan.
4. The proposed development would contravene a previous decision of An Bord Pleanála, refusing Outline Permission for housing development in respect of these lands - Planning Ref. No. PL 7/5/36196 and a second refusal Ref. No. 25560 by the Planning Authority."

Councillor Welby proposed and Councillor Coogan seconded the resolution set out in the Agenda in this case.

Councillor Welby stated that the density in this case is over one acre per house and that there is an existing entrance on this site to an old thatched house.

Councillor Morgan proposed that the permission sought be refused. He pointed out that this proposal had already been examined by An Bord Pleanála, and that in all the circumstances set out in the report submitted and in the knowledge that the development plan had been adopted, he disagreed completely with a proposal that the plan should now be overruled so soon after adoption.

Councillor Glynn seconded Councillor Morgan's proposal.

It was decided to defer taking a vote on those proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m., on a show of hands, for or against the resolution set out in the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: 15 AGAINST: 2

The Chairman declared the resolution set out in the Agenda carried.

2608 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31145 - APPLICANT: JAMES DILLON.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report, a copy of which was circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"SITE DESCRIPTION:

The proposed site is located 65 yards from the sea on a narrow road which joins the main Spiddal to Carraroe road 700 yards West of the centre of Spiddal. There is no modern development constructed and no planning permissions have been granted for housing on this road. It has been the policy of the Local Authority to restrict development in such high amenity areas when it is visually obtrusive, as in this case, between the main tourist route and the sea in a strip of open rugged landscape. The site is located in an area of high amenity and in an area where the preservation of views of special amenity value is an objective in the 1979 County Development Plan.

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS:

The applicant has made four applications to the Local Authority for a dwellinghouse on this site and these have been consistently refused by the County Council and by the Minister for Local Government on appeal.

Planning Ref. No. 14052 - Outline Planning Permission refused by County Council and by the Minister for Local Government - 12th November, 1973.

Planning Ref. No. 15894 - A Section 4 motion under the City and County Management Act, 1955, was passed on 23rd January, 1974. However, the Minister for Local Government refused consent to the granting of Outline Permission.

Planning Ref. No. 13763 - Planning Permission refused by the County Council and by the Minister for Local Government - 25th September, 1975.

Planning Ref. No. 21163 - Planning Permission was refused by the County Council and refused by the Minister for Local Government - 3rd August, 1976.

RECOMMENDATION:

The planning application in this case is identical to those which already have been refused. In order to maintain consistency and to avoid creating an undesirable precedent in this area in the interests of proper planning and development, it is recommended that this application be refused because:-

The proposed development would seriously injure the high scenic amenities of an important tourist road because the site is located within a strip of open rugged landscape between the Spiddal/Carraroe road and the sea and the development would thereby be obtrusive in the landscape."

Councillor Welby proposed and Councillor Bartley seconded the resolution set out in the Agenda in relation to this application.

Councillor Welby stated that the applicant is a fisherman, that he had to leave a Gate Lodge in which he lived, that the site is on a side-road, that the applicant has a caravan there for a number of years and that he is getting married next August.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Morgan seconded that the permission sought be refused.

It was decided to adjourn taking a vote on those proposals until after 4.30 p.m.

Again, a vote taken after 4.30 p.m., on a show of hands, for or against the resolution set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:-

FOR: 15 AGAINST: 3

The Chairman declared the resolution as set out in the Agenda carried.

Councillor Glynn referred to the fact that four previous applications for permission on this site had been refused and he proposed that where refusals such as this have taken place and where permission is subsequently granted under a resolution under Section 4, the original applicants be notified of the decision to grant permission under Section 4.

Councillor Holland seconded this proposal.

The County Secretary stated that he doubted whether the Council was legally entitled to write to a third party about any application and he pointed out that public notice of applications for permission have to be given, that a procedure has been adopted for publication of a list of applications, and that where planning permissions are given, the planning documents are available for inspection for a period of five years after the decision.

The Council decided that the advice of the Council's Law Agent be obtained on this proposal, and that when this advice is received, the Council would decide whether or not the resolution proposed should be adopted.

2609 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30380 - APPLICANT: P. HENEGHAN.

The Deputy County Manager stated that it is proposed to make a decision to grant permission in this case.

2610 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31350 - APPLICANT: DR. E. V. RUTLEDGE.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Permission has been refused twice previously by the Planning Authority.
2. No extenuating or hardship circumstances exist in this case.
3. The development would cause very serious injury to the visual amenity and would be highly incongruously located on an elevated site.
4. Refusal is recommended for the following reason:

The proposed development would seriously impair the scenic amenity of the area, because it would be highly intrusive to the foreground of fine panoramic views and could not be satisfactorily assimilated into its surroundings."

Deputy Mannion proposed and Councillor Bartley seconded the resolution set out in the Agenda in this case.

Deputy Mannion stated that Outline Permission No. 19664 had already been granted in this case but that the site then proposed was

overlooking another site on which Outline Permission had been given for a house nearby, and in the interests of the amenities of the other house, it was decided by Dr. Rutledge to seek an alternative site which would not be overlooking the other man's property. Dr. Rutledge wished to move back 50 yards further with his house.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution set out in the Agenda, passed.

2611 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31034 - APPLICANT: MARTIN FORDE.

The Resolution set out in the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Ruane and seconded by Councillor Welby.

The Deputy County Manager submitted the following report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

"The proposed development is situated on a National Secondary Route between Claregalway and Oranmore, where the maximum speed limit applies and if permitted, would constitute a traffic hazard and be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan, Section 6.02, which specifies that this road is subject to Class 2 control, and the development proposed is not covered by Table No. 4 of this section, the applicant being a purchaser of the land in question.

It is proposed to refuse Permission for the following reasons:

- (1) The proposed development would front onto a National Secondary route and if permitted, would constitute a traffic hazard and be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan.
- (2) The proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to a decision of the Planning Authority, Ref. No. 29531 dated 30th November, 1978."

Councillor Ruane stated that this is a genuine second family home and he could not see the reason for refusing it, especially having regard to the fact that there is speculative development on each side of it on which houses are being sold.

As there was no amendment to the proposal, the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

2612 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 30467 - APPLICANT: MARTIN MULLEN.

The Deputy County Manager stated that a decision to grant permission in this case had been made.

2613 - MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Morgan, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 26th March, 1979, and the 10th April, 1979, (Numbers 2534 - 2597 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the Minutes, Councillor Welby referred to Minute no. 2541 of the Meeting held on the 26th March, 1979, in connection with a resolution under Section 4 of the 1955 Act concerning the application for Planning Permission of Patricia Burke, reference number 30469. He stated that at that meeting he was informed that because of a covenant arising out of a decision of the Minister for Local Government of the 10th November, 1971, the permission sought could not now be given.

He stated however that he had now been shown a document whereby Outline Permission was granted for development on this site on the 9th September, 1974, reference number 17495. He asked why permission could not be given now on application number 30469 whereas it could have been given in September 1974.

Councillor Welby also asked why the matter was not left on the Agenda as he had requested at the time but the Chairman pointed out to him that it could not be left on the Agenda as the time for making a decision had run out.

After further discussion, the Deputy County Manager stated that the matters mentioned by Councillor Welby would be investigated. Councillor Welby would be informed of the position.

Also arising out of the Minutes (2582), the County Secretary stated that the Council would not be interested in purchasing the additional lands which are on offer at Parkmore, Tuam. The land, he stated, is unsuitable for any of the Council's purposes because it was low-lying and was incapable of development. In addition, funds were not available for its purchase and no part of the lands will be required in connection with the proposed by-pass road for Tuam.

When Councillor Coogan raised the question of a Hardstand at Merlin Park, the Chairman stated that this was a matter which was the subject of discussions between local interested parties and the County Manager and he asked that the matter be not pursued any further at the Meeting.

Councillor McCormack asked, if in view of the postal strike, arrangements had been made for delivery of a letter to the Department of Finance in connection with the closing down of the Agricultural Faculty at U.C.G.

The Deputy County Manager stated that in such cases efforts are made to have such letters delivered.

2614 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

It was noted that Malicious Damage Decrees as set out in the Schedule to the Agenda had been received since the last meeting.

2615 - BY-PASS ROAD, BALLINASLOE.

The Deputy County Manager stated that a figure of £100,000 was included in the Provisional Road Works Scheme for the Ballinasloe Relief Road in 1978 and a further sum of £100,000 for the Roadworks at Mackney. No road grant was allocated to the Relief Road in 1978 but a grant of £150,000 was allocated to the Roadworks at Mackney. The sum of £100,000 for the Relief road was also included in the Provisional Road Works Scheme for 1979 but no monies were allocated to it in the 1979 Grant allocations.

Deputy Callanan stated that he was informed by the Department of the Environment that no grants could be allocated for the Relief Road as no firm proposal had been received from the Council for the work.

The Deputy County Manager stated that no scheme involving a full technical report had yet been sent to the Department of the Environment.

Councillor Galvin asked why a scheme had not yet been submitted.

The Deputy County Manager stated that before a scheme of this nature is sent to the Department, agreement on the ground on the proposals is necessary with the Inspectors of the Department, and that the design and layout of the proposed relief road has been the subject of examination and aerial survey and discussions with Department Inspectors for some time.

Councillor Galvin stated that he was informed previously that the sum of £100,000, included in the Provisional Roadworks Scheme was for preliminary work on the Harbour Road.

Councillor Kilgannon stressed the need for the Relief Road and stated that some set of proposals is necessary before the Department could allocate grants.

Councillor Joyce expressed disappointment with the delay and stated that he was previously informed that money was taken from the Ballinasloe allocation and spent elsewhere but he understood that a sum of £50,000 was being held for the purchase of land.

Mr. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer, stated that when Mr. Lynch, former County Engineer, included a proposal for £100,000 in the Provisional Roadworks Scheme for the Relief Road, he was of opinion that the widening of the Harbour Road would be part of the overall scheme. The sum of £100,000 was accordingly included in the Estimates for 1978 and 1979, and he (Deputy County Engineer) proposed to have further discussions with Department Inspectors with a view to finalising the scheme which would be submitted to the Department. He understood that Mr. Lynch felt strongly that the Harbour Road should be widened as part of the Relief Road Scheme but that the Department Inspectors did not go along with this view.

Deputy Callanan stated that he did not see any point in including £100,000 in the Estimates if no plans had been prepared.

The Deputy County Engineer stated that a detailed design is not needed but it is necessary for the submission of a scheme that the line of the road would be decided. This had not been done. If agreement had been reached with the Department's Inspectors between the date of the original roadworks scheme and the notification of grants, he felt that a grant would have been allocated. The proposals for the Relief Road have not so far been agreed with the Department Inspectors on a number of matters including access points from existing roads, etc. He hoped that most of the problems would be resolved in the current year and that a scheme would be submitted in the current year which would enable the Department to allocate funds for the Relief Road next year.

2616 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE - LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND, 1979:

It was agreed that Councillor H. Melvin and Mr. Jarlath Burke, Tuam, be nominated to attend the Annual Conference of the Library Association of Ireland in Dublin, from the 20th - 23rd May, inclusive.

It was also agreed that should either of those two nominees be unable to attend, Mrs. Maura Croffey, Creagh, Ballinasloe, be authorised to attend instead.

2617 - CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, 1979:

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, outlined particulars of the allocation received in accordance with his report of the 13th April, 1979, copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

Councillor Haverty suggested that the Council should ask for a higher allocation and he stated that it seems to be a waste of time for applicants to apply for rural houses as it seems to be the policy to rule out rural houses in County Galway at the moment.

Councillor Haverty referred to three particular cases in the Killimor area where he said that people are being advised to seek houses in Loughrea rather than have houses built for them in the rural area.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated that there are particular circumstances in at least two of those cases which would render it not desirable to build specific houses for them in the areas where they are at present living.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that the housing programme is not keeping pace with the need and he considered that the Council would be faced with an additional demand for Local Authority Housing from middle income groups who will not be in a position to build houses for themselves.

Deputy Callanan advocated catering for people in the rural areas and he considered that the Council is doing well within the resources available to it.

Councillor Kelly recommended that the income limit for loans should be increased to well above the present figure of £3,500.

Councillor Glynn recommended that ^{the} Council should construct small groups of houses in various villages throughout the County.

Councillor Joyce stated that the Council should be purchasing land in villages as he considered the cost of sites prohibited - up to £8,000 in Ballinasloe.

The Chairman advocated revising the low-rise mortgage scheme in order to bring additional categories within the terms of the scheme.

Councillor Fahey stated that the emphasis by the County Council in Local Authority housing is wrong and he considered the Council should not have to cater for middle income group people, and instead, he recommended that the Council should buy land and sell sites to them. He felt that the vast majority of them could build houses for themselves if they got guidance and sites, either from the County Council or through an arrangement with the Rural Housing Organisation.

Councillor Ryan recommended that the Council continue with its programme of housing in rural areas and he asked that applicants in rented accommodation who have been refused, should have their applications reconsidered.

Referring to a further query by Councillor Haverty, the Chairman stated that basically there is no change in the County Council policy with regard to rural houses. But Councillor Haverty stated that in one particular case, an applicant who was 15 miles away from Loughrea, was advised to wait for a house in Loughrea.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Joyce, it was agreed that the Minister for the Environment be asked to make an additional allocation of money available so that the Council can continue with its programme of house construction.

Replying to a number of queries by Councillors, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council had already made representations to raise the income limit for housing loans, and he stated also that the low-rise mortgage scheme is being operated in so far as it is possible to do so. He stated that the price of developed sites sold is based on the cost of the site and on the cost of development without any profit element being included.

Replying to Deputy Callanan, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council pays the Land Commission the market value of land acquired from the Commission.

Councillor Morgan recommended that because of vandalism in the vicinity of the old peoples homes in Loughrea, the remainder of the sites available should be used for old people. He proposed that the housing office at Loughrea be re-opened.

He asked that an 8 foot chain link fence be provided at the back of the area allocated to the old peoples homes in Loughrea.

Replying to Deputy Mannion, Mr. Howlett stated that the Council had been negotiating with a builder for the construction of houses in Clifden, and he understood that another Contractor is now interested. Regarding the Roundstone Scheme, he stated that negotiations for the acceptance of a Tender had been completed with a Contractor and that work will commence when additional funds are made available.

2618 - ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF LIBRARY ASSISTANT:

The Deputy County Manager requested the approval of the Council to the creation of an additional office of Library Assistant for the purpose of making a person of this grade available for the Regional Technical College. He stated that the salary would be fully recouped by the town of Galway Vocational Education Committee.

On the proposition of Councillor Morgan, second by Councillor Molloy it was resolved:-

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the creation of an additional office of Library Assistant in accordance with the particulars of office, conditions of employment and salary, approved by the Minister for the Environment."

2619 - INCREASE IN ALLOWANCES TO FIREMEN:

The Deputy County Manager requested the approval of the Council to the following increases in allowances to firemen:

(a) Living out allowance for full-time firemen from the 1st April, 1977.

Married Men: From £2.60 to £4.12 per week.
Single Men: From £1.30 to £2.06 per week.

(b) Payment of night duty and weekend allowances to full-time firemen while they are on annual leave in accordance with Section 1(b) of the Holidays (Employees) Act, 1973, with effect from the 1st April, 1974.

He stated that the estimated total cost of the increases is £2,600 in respect of arrears and the sum of £1,200 for the current year.

It was proposed by Councillor Morgan, seconded by Councillor Ryan and resolved "that in accordance with Section 11 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council hereby approve payment of living out, of night duty and weekend allowances to firemen as outlined by the Deputy County Manager, and vote the total sum of £3,800 to meet the additional cost of those allowances."

2620 - FIRE FIGHTING SERVICE, GLENAMADDY:

The Chairman stated that he had received a deputation from Glenamaddy regarding the availability and use of fire fighting equipment in Glenamaddy. He stated that there is some doubt locally as to who is in charge and as to whether the equipment is adequate. It was agreed that a report would be available for the next meeting on this matter.

2621 - GROUP WATER SCHEMES:

The Chairman stated that he had been requested by the Castle Ellen Group Water Supply promoters to enquire why they were asked for a deposit of £3,000 for a licence to open the road in connection with a Group Scheme and what changes had been made which resulted in those additional charges being imposed.

It was agreed that a report would be available for the Council at the May Meeting, on this matter.

2622 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:-

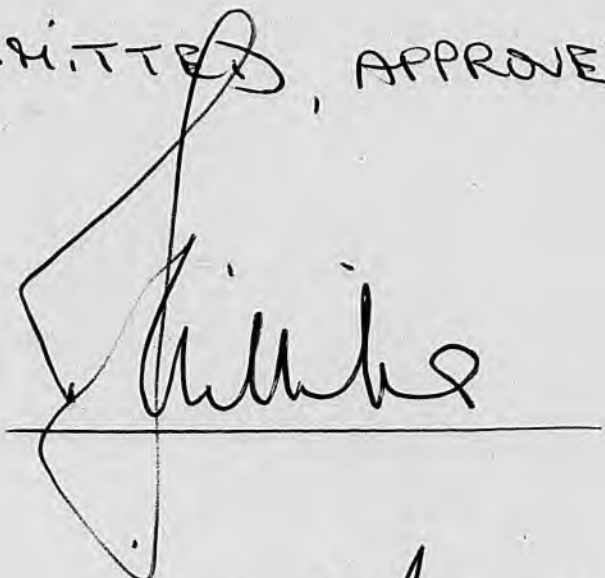
- Patrick De Lapp, Bunnagippaun, Oughterard.
- Mrs. Bridget Byrnes, Liscuib, Ballymacward, Ballinasloe.
- Mrs. S. Coyne, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.

2623 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Ryan, it was agreed that the remaining items on the Agenda, i.e., Notices of Motion would be adjourned to a special meeting to be convened on Friday, 11th May, 1979.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:



CHAIRMAN.

28th May 1979

DATE

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY.

30th April, 1979.

TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a Special Meeting of Galway County Council to be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on

FRIDAY - 11TH MAY, 1979,

at 3.30 p.m. to consider Members' Notices of Motion adjourned at the Meeting of the Council held on the 23rd April, 1979, - copy herewith.

Mise, le meas,

K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

1. COUNCILLOR F. FAHEY - I will propose:-
 - (a) That money be made available in the current year to carry out minor improvements on the junction between the Tiernevan/Kinvara Road and the road leading to Mr. Patrick Flaherty's house at Killina.
 - (b) That money be made available in the current year to carry out major improvements on the Arterial Road through Kilcolgan Village.
 - (c) That this Council purchase land in Ardrahan for County Council housing and also for provision of serviced sites.
2. SENATOR M. P. KITT - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the road to Owen Cunniffe's house, Gurteen, Ballinasloe, be blacktopped.
 - (b) That extra lights be provided in Menlough Village.
 - (c) That a sewerage scheme be provided in Caltra Village in view of the fact that piping of surface water was carried out there some years ago.
3. COUNCILLOR M. RYAN - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council widen the road from Burke's cross, Clonbern, to the creamery, to give a better view and relieve congestion.
 - (b) That the Council remove the fences at Castletown Cross, Kilkerrin, to give a better view to drivers of vehicles as there is a crash there every week.
 - (c) That the Council repair the pump at Lavally, Tuam, as there are a number of people who depend on it for their water supply.
4. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the County Council report on the possibility of providing sewerage, and a wider footpath for the residence at the lower end of Ballygaddy Road near the Beet Factory.
 - (b) That the Council declare the Guilka, Menlough Road, from Michael Mellody's to Harry Mellody's, a public road, if possible.
 - (c) That Galway County Council widen the bridge and re-surface the road leading from Clonberne, Tuam road, to Thomas Geraghty's Cloongowna, Lavally, Tuam.
5. COUNCILLOR J. MOLLOY - I will propose:-
 - (a) That improvements be carried out to Angliham/Menlo Road as there is an increased flow of heavy traffic in the past few years. It is very dangerous for children going to the local school.
 - (b) That Galway County Council improve the stretch of road between the Race Course Gates and Brierhill (Monivea Road), and provide a footpath for children to the local School.
 - (c) That this Council ease a dangerous bend at Kiltulla, Oranmore, beside Glynn's House.

6. COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN - I will propose:-
 - (a) That Galway County Council discuss with C.I.E. the prospects of having the level crossing at Illaune widened and made safe.
 - (b) To request the County Manager to outline the progress made over the last six months in the provision of new Burial Grounds at (a) Addergoole, Dunmore; (b) Kilclooney, Milltown.
 - (c) That Galway County Council discuss with the Department of the Environment the provision of a sewerage scheme in small towns and villages in the County, or alternatively, that they make finance available for the County Council to implement its own scheme.
7. COUNCILLOR B. HOLLAND - I will propose:-

That the road from Castlegar Church to Ballindoooley Cross be cleaned from all litter and maintained in a clean condition, and that proceedings be taken against the firms and private individuals responsible for littering the road.
8. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will ask:-

That the County Manager outline the present position regarding the Ardane-Dooroy Group Water Scheme application.
9. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will propose:-

That the flooding which regularly occurs on the Ballagh Road, Clontuskert, near Brendan Brien's gate be eliminated by dealing with the drain which causes the flooding in whatever way necessary.
10. COUNCILLOR P. DEMPSEY - I will propose:-
 - (a) That the area in front of Gill's Public House, Ballinastack, be levelled and blacktopped to improve the view for motorists in view of the area being a five road junction. Part of this area could be used by the County Council as a holding area for road materials.
 - (b) That public lighting be erected at Turloughmore Dispensary as the present position is extremely dangerous.
 - (c) That the County Council complete the roadworks beside the Claregalway Church as it is now a dangerous bottleneck.
11. DEPUTY J. CALLANAN - I will propose:-

That Galway County Council take over Knocknagreena Group Water Scheme Ballinasloe, as I understand that all the Group are anxious for the County Council to take it over.
12. COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - I will ask:-

When will the new traffic route lighting be erected in Kilrickle.
13. COUNCILLOR T. BYRNE - I will propose:-
 - (a) That a traffic warden or pedestrian crossing be provided near the Presentation Convent, Oranmore.
 - (b) That Galway County Council explore the possibility of acquiring land at Station Road, Gort, from C.I.E. with a view to providing a car park.
 - (c) That a new bridge be provided at Currenroe, Kinvara, (on Galway side of Clare Border) on a major National Secondary route.

14. DEPUTIES J. DONNELLAN AND JOHN M. MANNION - We will propose:-
- That Galway County Council demand the Government and the Minister for Industry, Commerce and Energy to take whatever steps are necessary to provide petrol and diesel at the normal outlets and that they ensure diesel will be delivered to the farmers and fishermen without undue delay.
 - That Galway County Council ask the Government and the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to take positive steps immediately to end the postal and telecommunications dispute.
 - That Galway County Council ask the Government to reintroduce food subsidies due to the hardship caused to the poorer sections of the community.
15. COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:-
- That a booklet entitled "Guide to the services of Galway County Council" be prepared for the information and guidance of the public in their dealings with the Council.
 - That the Skehana/Clooncurreen junction be developed at a point immediately north of Skehana Church.
15. COUNCILLOR P. McCORMACK - I will ask:-
- When will the treatment works and filter system be complete on the Rosscanill Group Water Scheme for Lough Buffy.
 - That the County Council take over and tar the Boat House Road, Oughterard from bottom of Camp Road to the river at Boat House.
 - That in view of the long delay in providing a pedestrian crossing at the top square, Headford, that a traffic warden be appointed to ensure some safety for the children crossing this extremely dangerous main road on their way to and from the schools.
17. COUNCILLOR NORMAN MORGAN - I will propose:-
- That the very dangerous south-east corner of the junction of Kilchreest Village with the road to Kilchreest Church and School be removed and made safe.
 - That priority be given to providing footpaths at Lower Dominick Street, Portumna, where no footpath at all exists on either side of the road from the Mart to the junction with Bridge Road, even though this section of road includes the entrance to the Council's new Housing Estate.
 - That a proper fire brigade tender be delivered immediately to Portumna and housed in Flanan O'Flaherty's Garage, Dominick Street, where the Civil Defence Tender was housed while the present Landrover with the 40 gallon storage tank was being repaired. Waiting for the proposed new Fire Station to be built is not acceptable.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 11TH MAY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, J. Donnellan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverly, M. D. Higgins, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillors P. McCormack, Deputy John M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, P. Dempsey, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; K. Hays, Acting County Engineer; M. Tierney, C.A.C.E.; D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officer; and T. Kavanagh who acted as Secretary to the Meeting.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2624 - IMPROVEMENTS TO JUNCTION BETWEEN TIERNEVAN/KINVARA ROAD AND KILLINA ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FAHEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision in the 1979 Estimates for the improvement of this junction on County Road Number 344 at Killina. The estimated cost of the works was £950. The traffic volume from the branch road is low, and accordingly, priority for improvement is not high in proposals for County Road Improvement. Councillor Fahey suggested that if it was possible, some minor improvements be carried out this year and the remainder considered for next year.

2625 - NATIONAL PRIMARY ROAD AT KILCOLGAN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FAHEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that a scheme to improve the section of National Primary Road through the village of Kilcolgan was at present being prepared. When completed, this scheme will be submitted to the Department for approval. If the scheme is approved and sanctioned by the Department, the necessary finance will be made available through the National Primary Road Grant.

Councillor Fahey stressed the need for improving the National Primary Road through Kilcolgan stating that it was a bad stretch of road on which there had been many accidents.

2626 - LAND FOR HOUSING IN ARDRAHAN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FAHEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that the Western Health Board had agreed to the sale of land comprising 1 acre 2 roods 17 perches attached to the former Dispensary Residence at Ardrahan to the County Council. The legal transfer of the land to the Council had not yet been finalised and was being dealt with by the Council's Law Agent. Councillor Fahey stated that Ardrahan was an ideal location for housing and asked that the Council, but a greater effort into acquiring land throughout the County for housing and serviced sites. He was supported by Councillor Glynn.

2627 - ROAD AT GURTEEN, BALLINASLOE - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT:

The Acting Secretary stated that a report on this motion would be available for the next meeting.

2628 - PUBLIC LIGHTING, MENLOUGH VILLAGE - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT:

The Acting Secretary stated that Menlough was not on the Council's present Public Lighting Programme but would be considered when the

1979 Public Lighting Programme was being drawn up.

2629 - SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR CALTRA - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT:

The Acting Secretary stated that the County Council had no proposal for the provision of a sewerage scheme in Caltra at present. The need for a scheme will be investigated.

2630 - WIDENING OF ROAD AT CLONBERN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RYAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that land was being acquired for the widening of this road. Councillor Ryan asked that the work be carried out as soon as possible in view of the very heavy traffic on this road.

2631 - REMOVAL OF FENCES AT CASTLETOWN CROSS, KILKERRIN - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RYAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that sight distance is deficient on the northern side of this junction and the estimated cost of having the claybanks removed and adequate sight distance provided is £2,000. There is no provision in this year's Estimates for the work and it will have to be considered with other desirable improvements for next year's Roadworks Scheme. Councillor Ryan stated that there were accidents regularly at this location and asked that provision be made for improvements in next year's Estimates.

2632 - REPAIRS TO PUMP AT LAVALLY, TUAM. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RYAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that the necessary repairs were being attended to.

2633 - SEWERAGE SYSTEM AT LOWER BALLYGADDY ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The Acting Secretary stated that the houses on the Lower Ballygaddy Road cannot be connected by gravity to the existing sewer. In order to provide sewerage facilities for these houses, therefore, it would be necessary to provide a 9" collector sewer, pumphouse, a sump, and a 4" rising main to an existing manhole, all at a cost of approximately £20,000. This work would serve 11 houses and would facilitate further development in the area. There is no money available in the current year's Estimates to carry out this work but a scheme will be prepared for inclusion in next year's list of small Capital Schemes.

2634 - GUILKA/MENLOUGH ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The Acting Secretary stated that it has not been possible to locate this road from the description given and asked Councillor Stapleton to call to the local Engineer's Office in order to identify the road.

2635 - IMPROVEMENTS TO CLONBERN/CLOONGOWNA, LAVALLY ROAD. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON:

The Acting Secretary stated that this road will be repaired in the near future and the approach to the bridge realigned if the land is made available. Councillor Stapleton assured the Council that the required land would be made available to the Council free of charge.

2636 - IMPROVEMENTS TO ANGLIHAM/MENLO ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY:

The Acting Secretary stated that there was provision in the 1979 Roadworks Scheme for minor improvements on this road.

2637 - ROAD BETWEEN RACECOURSE GATES AND BRIERHILL - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY:

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision for this work in the 1979 Estimates, and therefore, it will have to be considered with other works for inclusion in the 1980 Roadworks Scheme. Councillor Molloy stated that this was a very busy stretch of road because of the Industrial Estate and asked that provision be made in next year's Estimates. He was supported by Councillor Ruane.

2638 - DANGEROUS BEND AT KILTULLA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY:

The Acting Secretary stated that the improvement of the Monivea Road would continue this year, i.e., the removal of margins and widening of carriageway from Kiltulla to Carnmore Cross. The casing of the bend at Glynn's House will be considered while the above work is in progress.

2639 - LEVEL CROSSING AT ILLAUNE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

The Acting Secretary stated that this matter will be discussed with C.I.E. Councillor Glynn said that this was a very dangerous crossing.

2640 - BURIAL GROUNDS AT ADDERGOOLE AND KILCLOONEY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

The Acting Secretary stated that two separate offers have been made to the owner of the proposed site at Kilclooney in the past six months. He has refused both offers and has consistently increased the price each time a County Council official approached him. His present asking price is well in excess of the market value of agricultural land in the area and the Council will now have to resort to compulsory acquisition in order to obtain the site.

A somewhat similar situation obtained in relation to the proposed Addergoole Burial Ground. However, a recent search for an alternative site has resulted in an offer being made to the landowners agent and a meeting with the landowner will take place next week.

Councillor Glynn complained at the lack of progress over a number of years in providing new Burial Grounds at Addergoole and Kilclooney. He said that the Council should pay a more realistic price for land.

2641 - VILLAGE SEWERAGE SCHEMES - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

The Acting Secretary stated that there are a large number of small towns and villages in the County without sewerage systems and taking the largest ten of these would entail a cost of approximately £1,500,000. One small town, i.e., Killimor, has been estimated at £150,000 and the Council are awaiting approval to the Preliminary Report since September 1977. The provision of sewerage systems to small towns and villages would entail very large Capital expenditure.

Councillor Glynn stated that expenditure in the order of £1,500,000 was small if all the benefits which would result are considered. Serviced sites would be available avoiding a multitude of septic tanks which could cause pollution. It would enable orderly development to take place as envisaged in the Planning Act.

Deputy Callanan proposed that the Department be asked to provide increased grants for Group Sewerage Schemes, otherwise, no progress would be made. Many Councillors supported this idea and it was agreed that the proposal be forwarded to the Department of the Environment.

2642 - CASTLEGAR/BALLINDOOLEY ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HOLLAND:

This motion was moved by Councillor McCormack. The Acting Secretary stated that arrangements have been made to clean and maintain the road as required. If the names of the firms or private individuals who are responsible for the littering are supplied to the Council, the Council will make approaches to them. Councillor McCormack stated that he had mentioned this previously and it took a considerable time to clean up.

2643 - ARDANE-DOOROY GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION:

The Acting Secretary stated that approval for the design of this scheme, subject to certain conditions, was conveyed to the Department of the Environment on the 11th April, 1979, and presumably the Department would be in touch with the Group shortly.

2644 - FLOODING ON BALLAGH ROAD, CLONTUSKERT. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE

The Acting Secretary stated that the work of deepening the road culvert in question would be carried out in the current year under County Road Maintenance in order to relieve the flooding.

The motion was moved by Deputy Callanan on behalf of Councillor Joyce.

2645 - ROAD AT BALLINASTACK - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that it was not considered that the proposed work would improve sight distance at this road junction. It would be desirable, however, to improve visibility at the junction between the main road and the County Road leading to Corofin but there is no provision in this year's Estimates for the work.

Councillor Dempsey asked that it be considered for next year's Estimates.

2646 - PUBLIC LIGHTING AT TURLOUGHMORE DISPENSARY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that an order was placed for this light in 1978 but it had not yet been provided. The matter would be taken up with the E.S.B.

2647 - COMPLETION OF ROADWORKS AT CLAREGALWAY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY:

The Acting Secretary stated that the County Council had failed to reach agreement with the two landowners between the head of the road and the recently completed roadworks. The junction would already be completed if agreement had been reached at the same time as with the other landowners in the area. It is unlikely that this work will be carried out in 1979 and Compulsory Purchase Proceedings will have to be considered within the next few weeks. Councillor Kelly appealed to the Council to make every effort to complete the roadworks as quickly as possible in view of the approaching tourist season and the heavy traffic that would be using this road on the way to Knock Shrine.

2648 - KNOCKNAGREENA GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY DEPUTY CALLANAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that an application was received from Mr. William Gaughran on behalf of 30 members of the scheme requesting the Council to take it over. The Group were requested to furnish evidence of ownership of the pumphouse site and details of any wayleaves acquired through private property and E.S.B. costs.

The Group's Solicitor forwarded to the County Council a licence dated September 22nd, 1971, which the Group received from a Mr. Ward. According to the licence, Mr. Ward was not the registered owner of the property on which the pumphouse was built but he undertook to transfer the property outright to the Trustees of the Group if and when he became the registered owner. Subsequently, Mr. Ward through his Solicitor stated that he was willing to transfer the site provided he was allowed four connections to the Group Scheme. The Council informed Mr. Ward's Solicitor that the four connections could not be allowed. His Solicitor replied that he

would again approach Mr. Ward regarding completion of the Transfer and no further communication has been received regarding same.

There are 40 members in this Group. 30 members have requested that the scheme be taken over by the Council. The Group Secretary has been informed that the Council will have to acquire the scheme by Compulsory Purchase Order unless the total number of members (40) request that it be taken over.

The Council must also be satisfied that the scheme is "in good order and repair" before take-over.

Deputy Callanan stated that Mr. Ward had applied for permission for four houses and a compromise had been reached whereby permission for two houses was granted. He felt that the Council should give permission for the two connections as this may be the only difficulty preventing the taking over of the scheme. In reply to the County Manager, Deputy Callanan stated that he was not sure if Mr. Ward had reached agreement with the Group concerning the connections. Councillor Galvin stated that Mr. Ward was now the registered owner of the property and would facilitate the Council in taking over the scheme if he got a supply of water for the two houses. The County Manager stated that the matter would be further investigated.

2649 - TRAFFIC ROUTE LIGHTING, KILRICKLE. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council had proposals for traffic route lighting in Kilrickle for 1979 but no Departmental Grant was allocated.

2650 - TRAFFIC WARDEN - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING, ORANMORE. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The Acting Secretary stated that since the predominant pedestrian crossing movements at this location are due to school children and take place at short and specific times of day, the criterion for a Pedestrian Crossing would not be met and would not likely be approved by the Garda Authorities. The figures available for vehicular and pedestrian flows at Oranmore would, however, justify the appointment of a school warden and the Council is prepared to employ one subject to garda approval.

2651 - LAND AT STATION ROAD, GORT. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The Acting Secretary stated that the land in question was lowlying and wet and would require very considerable filling and possibly drainage to enable it to serve as a carpark.

Councillor Byrne stated the land in question was owned by C.I.E. and was derelict, and the Council should explore the possibility of developing it as there was need for a carpark, particularly, on Mart days. He suggested that the Mart Committee might make a contribution towards the development.

2652 - BRIDGE AT CURRENRUE, KINVARA. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE:

The Acting Secretary stated that the existing culvert is three feet wide only and the structure is adequate for present traffic. There is no proposal at present to realign the roadway at this location. Any application from the Farm Development service for deepening or widening of this culvert would be considered in the normal way for land drainage purposes.

2653 - OIL SHORTAGE - MOTION BY DEPUTIES DONNELLAN AND MANNION:

The following motion was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion and agreed:

"That Galway County Council demand the Government and the Minister for Industry, Commerce and Energy to take whatever steps are necessary to provide petrol and diesel at the normal outlets and that they ensure diesel will be delivered to the farmers and fishermen without undue delay."

2654 - POSTAL DISPUTE - MOTION BY DEPUTIES DONNELLAN AND MANNION:

The following motion was proposed by Deputy Mannion, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and agreed:

"That Galway County Council ask the Government and the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs to take positive steps immediately to end the postal and telecommunications dispute."

2655 - FOOD SUBSIDIES - MOTION BY DEPUTIES DONNELLAN AND MANNION:

The following motion was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion and agreed:

"That Galway County Council ask the Government to reintroduce food subsidies due to the hardship caused to the poorer sections of the community."

It was agreed that this motion and the previous two motions be forwarded to the Department by telex.

2656 - GUIDE TO THE SERVICES OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON:

Councillor Kilgannon stated that during his term as a Councillor he had become aware that the people of the County felt very removed from the Council and the services it provides, and this was reflected in the number of people who consult Councillors about various matters. He felt that all the services which the Council provides should be made as widely known as possible and this could be done by way of a booklet which some County Councils had done in the past. It should not be too expensive and people would know what services were provided and what they were entitled to.

The County Manager stated that he agreed with the sentiments expressed by Councillor Kilgannon and such a booklet would be compiled if the Council favoured the idea. However, it would be later in the year before any work could be done on it.

2657 - SKEHANA/CLOONCURREEN JUNCTION - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON:

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision for this work in the 1979 Estimates. It will be considered for inclusion in next year's Estimates together with other suggested road improvements.

2658 - ROSSCAHILL GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council is awaiting approval from the Department of the Environment for the Contract Documents for this scheme.

In reply to questions from Councillor McCormack, Mr. Hays explained that the Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme was divided into two stages. Stage 2 consisted of the treatment works and distribution system and approval to the Contract Documents for this stage was awaited.

2659 - BOAT HOUSE ROAD, OUGHTERARD. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The Acting Secretary stated that this road was reconstructed and blacktopped under a Tourist Board Grant over 20 years ago but was never formally adopted as a County Road. It complies with the usual conditions of width, right-of-way, etc., and can be taken over as it stands.

Councillor McCormack proposed that the road be taken over. This was seconded by Councillor Welby and agreed.

2660 - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - TRAFFIC WARDEN, HEADFORD. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK:

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council was prepared to employ a school warden at this location subject to garda approval.

Councillor McCormack stated that it had been agreed some years ago to provide a pedestrian crossing but the decision was apparently changed subsequently. He asked that the request for the pedestrian crossing be re-opened and that he be informed of the facts.

2661 - JUNCTION AT KILCHREEST - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that agreement had been reached with the Department of Posts and Telegraphs for the acquisition of the necessary land and the transfer of the land was proceeding.

2662 - FOOTPATHS AT DOMINICK STREET, PORTUMNA. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that this work was included in the Council's Roadworks Scheme for 1979 under Special Budget Grant.

2663 - FIRE TENDER FOR PORTUMNA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MORGAN:

The Acting Secretary stated that a tender had been accepted for a new Fire Station in Portumna and it was hoped that construction would commence as quickly as possible. The Council has no appliance that could be transferred to Portumna at present and the premises suggested by Councillor Morgan are not suitable. As soon as the new Fire Station is completed, a suitable appliance will be made available.

2664 - NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS:

Councillor Morgan proposed that the Notice of Motion Roads ready for publication be published immediately.

Councillor McCormack stated that some members had not yet received estimates for their roads. The County Manager stated that a check would be made to see what roads were ready for publication.

Councillor Joyce enquired about the conditions for taking over of roads particularly the question of general public utility. He had understood that the regulations were changed some years ago in order that an entire road could be taken over even though the end portion of the road might only serve one house or holding, but such a case was rejected recently. The County Manager could not recall any change in the regulations and said the position would be examined.

2665 - BORING OF WELLS:

Councillor Raftery asked if the Council could do anything to improve the position as regards the boring of wells for Group Schemes.

Mr. Hays stated that he was not aware of any great problem in this respect, provision was made in the Estimates and the Council had also advertised for Tenders. The Council's normal programme for well boring commences in the late Summer-Autumn.

The Chairman asked if the Group did the work would the Council recoup the cost to them. The County Manager stated that he would not like to commit the Council to this proposal without fully investigating it.

Councillor Dempsey asked about the testing of a borehole at Ballybrone, Turloughmore, and was told that he would be informed of the position.

2666 - PUBLIC TOILETS AT TUAM:

Councillor Stapleton proposed that the Council provide a Ladies and Gents public toilet in or near the carpark at Abbey Trinity, Tuam, to facilitate the large number of people travelling in coaches en route to Knock Shrine. He stated that he had received numerous complaints from residents of the area as people getting off these coaches asked to use their toilets. He stressed the urgency of providing the toilets as this was Knock Centenary Year. The Chairman supported the proposal as did Councillor Kelly who also asked that Knock be better sign posted.

2667 - ELECTION POSTERS:

The County Manager asked the Members to consider the environment during the forthcoming election campaign and asked Candidates wishing to put up posters to put them on a cardboard backing, so that they could be easily removed after polling day.

2668 - RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY:

A resolution of sympathy was adopted with Mr. Sean Hagan, Moylough, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

M. Hays CHAIRMAN.

28th May 1979 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

Baile Áine
21u ~~Meitheamh~~, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 22u la ~~Meitheamh~~, 1979, ag toisú ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Baile Áine
Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

- (a) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Patrick Fahy, Pollagh, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Reference No. 31008."

Thomas Welby. John M. Mannion. P. Dempsey.

- (b) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Michael Forde of Curragreane, Galway, for change of access to dwellinghouse at Curragreane. - Planning Reference No. 31685."

John Molloy. P. Dempsey. Thomas Welby.

- (c) "In accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant Permission to Geraldine Fahy to erect a dwellinghouse at Lydican. - Planning Reference No. 31993."

P. Dempsey. G. Bartley. John Molloy.

- (d) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council direct the County Manager to grant permission to William Flaherty to erect a dwellinghouse at Claregalway. - Planning Reference No. 31925."

P. Dempsey. G. Bartley. John Molloy.

- (e) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Michael Welby for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Ballyquirke, Moycullen. - Planning Reference No. 30917."

Sean Jonnellan. Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey.

- (f) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant planning permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Aille for John Hanly, c/o P. Hanly, 7, Greenfields, Newcastle, Galway. - Planning Reference No. 31736."

Thomas Welby. John Molloy. G. Bartley.

- (g) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to S. Curran, Bohoona East, Spiddal, for the erection of a dwellinghouse. - Planning Reference No. 30657."

Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey. G. Bartley.

- (h) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to John Griffiths of Silverhill, Ballyconneely, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Creggoduff. - Planning Ref. No. 31841."

John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. P. McCormack.

- (i) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Roisin Nic Niadh of Tully, Renvyle, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Tullybeg. - Planning Reference No. 31852."

John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. P. McCormack.

- (j) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Richard Mellotte for the erection of workshop and dwellinghouse at Knockdoemore. - Planning Reference No. 32047."

Thomas Welby. John Molloy. P. Dempsey.

- (k) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant planning permission to Mr. Patrick O'Dea, Gortroe, Ardrahan, for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Kiltiernan East. - Planning Reference No. 31238."

Frank Fahey. Hugh Melvin. John Callanan.

- (l) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to John Kelly for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Allegphreachaun, Furbo, Co. Galway. - Planning Reference No. 31853."

Thomas Welby. G. Bartley. P. Dempsey. F. O Cuagain.

- (m) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Ballinduff to Sean Molloy. - Planning Reference No. 31932."

Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey. John Molloy.

- (n) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to P. McDermot for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Ballagh. - Planning Reference 31723."

Thomas Welby. P. Dempsey. G. Bartley.

2. Minutes.
3. Malicious Damage Decrees (list herewith).
4. Overdraft, quarter ending 30th September, 1979.
5. Revision of Salaries (a) Engineers;
(b) Second Fire Officers.
6. Approval of dates of Headford Fairs.
7. Raising of loans for special contributions to the following Group Water Schemes:-
 - (a) Biggera/Balclare, Cahernashelleeny/Kiltrogue, Aillebrack/
Ballyconneely. £4,483
 - (b) Knocknagreena/Furbo £5,100
8. Raising of loan of £300,000 for Oranmore Water Scheme Stage 11.
9. Raising of supplementary loan of £60,000 for Portumna Fire Station.
10. Raising of final supplementary loan of £6,039 for Clifden Water Supply Scheme.
11. Remission of Rates on the following factory premises:-
 - (i)) Ix Ireland Ltd., Killalooonty, Tuam.
 - (ii)) Watters Bros., Cornamona.
 - (iii)) Monmara Teoranta, Spiddle East.
11. (a) Creation of additional offices of Clerical Officers:-

Motor Tax	-	2 posts;
Planning and Development	-	1 post.
12. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

13. COUNCILLOR P. M. STAPLETON - I will propose:
 - (a) That the Council remove the bad bend on the Birmingham Road, Tuam, opposite Ted Conway's gate and have it fenced with stakes and wire.
 - (b) That Galway County Council repair pot holes and surface road starting at Peter McHugh's house at Budaun, Tuam, to Mrs. Delia Moggan's house, Budaun, Tuam. I understand the distance involved is 1,100 yards. It serves bog and land, about 20 people use this road. This road also leads to Caherlistrane and Cloonagalasha, Tuam.
 - (c) That Galway County Council repair and surface the road which starts at Mr. Frank Kilgarriff's land to Mr. Jim McHugh's house at Kinnakinelly, Garrafrauns, Dunmore. (Distance of 500 yards).

14. DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - I will propose:
- That Galway County Council provide public lights outside Abbeyknockmoy Church and Community Centre.
 - That Galway County Council provide housing sites at Dunmore, Co. Galway.
 - That Galway County Council provide a scheme of houses at Dunmore, Co. Galway.
15. DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN - I will propose:
- That in future Ranges be installed in all houses built by the County Council, and that any tenant at present in a County Council house anxious to get a Range that the County Council install the Range and charge for it by weekly instalments on his or her rent.
16. COUNCILLOR JOHN MOLLOY - I will propose:
- That this Council purchase the necessary land to have the Cemetery at Castlegar extended without delay.
 - That Galway County Council ease a dangerous bend on the Kircullen-Tonabrucky Road at Pat Connor's house.
 - That footpaths be provided on both sides of the road from the borough boundary to Castlegar Church.
17. COUNCILLOR GERALD BARTLEY - I will propose:
- That Galway County Council carry out the proposed work on Roundstone Pier this summer, i.e., to provide a ladder and light on the pier.
 - That the Council put a 30 mile sign at Ballyconneely to the Golf Club, and school signs at Ballyconneely School.
 - That Moyard be signposted on approach roads to the village.
18. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:
- That a toilet be installed in the shelter by the boat house at the lower end of Camp Street, Oughterard. A toilet had been installed when the shelter was erected but closed because no septic tank was built to serve the toilet.
 - What is the present position regarding the extension to the Moycullen Burial Ground? Has any progress been made in acquiring land?
 - What is the present position regarding the traffic bye-laws for Oughterard and Headford.
19. COUNCILLOR SEAN DONNELLAN - I will propose:
- That Bord Failte and Roinn na Gaeltachta provide grants for widening and improvement of road from Cill Ronain to Cill Eanna to cater for increased tourist traffic to and from the Airport.
20. COUNCILLOR PADRAIC McCORMACK - I will propose:
- That the County Council extend the sewerage out the Monivea Road to cater for the houses along the Monivea Road at Ballybane and also to give a connection to the County Council Cottages at Ballybane, and the County Council cottages at Ballybanemore.

20. (b) That a bad bend at Brendan O'Donoghue's house, Stripe, Cummer, be eased.
- (c) That the grass margins on each side of Rosscahill N.S. along the main road be levelled to make it safe for children walking.
21. COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:
- That the present stile into Doon Cemetery, Eyrecourt, be replaced by a turnstile, as the present stile does not keep out sheep which walk on the graves and eat flowers and shrubs there and break wreaths placed on the graves.
 - That the Council draw up plans whereby road workers will not have to travel long distances to work at their own expense, or else compensate them for such travel.
 - That signposts for Gurteen, (Ballinasloe), be erected at the following points:
 - Hanley's Cross, on the main Loughrea-Galway Road.
 - Killanne Cross, on the Kilconnell-New Inn Road.
 - Dillon's Cross, on the Athenry-Monivea Road.
22. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:
- That the Oranmore Water Scheme be extended to the Water Tower at Clarinbridge, in order to supply the Clarinbridge Regional Scheme and that the Maree Group Water Scheme be connected to Oranmore, in order to allow for an approved water supply to this scheme.
23. COUNCILLOR P. JEMPSEY - I will propose:
- That a school sign be erected at Coolarne School entrance.
 - That a time of waiting sign be erected at "Cregboy lay-by", Clareglaway to provide facilities for tourists.
 - That a footpath be provided from Merlin Park Gate to Unit 10 of Merlin Park Hospital, as it is very dangerous for nurses and pedestrians.
24. COUNCILLOR PATRICK RUANE - I will propose:
- That this Council and the Department make a special contribution to Corrundulla Group Water Scheme for the extra rock they have to meet in this scheme, which is 18 miles long.
 - I request to know the position of the Cregmore Group Water Scheme and where it stands in priority list.
 - That this Council take immediate action against those who dump refuse in unauthorised collection areas.
25. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will ask:
- The County Manager to state how much V.A.T. was recouped by the County Council from the Revenue Commissioners for materials purchased in the financial year 1978/79.
26. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will ask:
- The County Manager to outline the present position re the proposed houses for Clifden and Roundstone.
27. COUNCILLORS M. J. KILGANNON AND T. BYRNE - We will propose:
- That in the composition of the various sub-committees of this Council, representation be given to the various professional and community organisations whose activities are relevant to those sub-committees.

28. COUNCILLOR P. RAFTERY - I will propose:

- (a) That turntables be provided at John Waldron's House, Aghalateer, Creggs and at Martin King's house, Oakwood, Abbeyknockmoy.
- (b) That the road leading to Michael Tully's house at Kilsallagh West, off Castletogher Road, be put in a proper state of repair.
- (c) That Killeroran No. 2 Group Water Scheme be provided with water.

29. COUNCILLOR N. MORGAN - I will propose:

- (a) That the dangerous bend at the junction of the Woodford Road with the Kilnadeema road at Earlsparck, Loughrea, be removed. The landowners, Mr. A. G. Moylan and Mr. J. J. Mulcair are agreeable.
- (b) That the damaged culvert under the County Road at John Carty's house, Curbawn, Loughrea, be replaced with pipes so as to remove the stagnant water on the north side of the road.
- (c) Remove dumped material from the roadside east of Frank Smyth's house, Earlsparck, and erect a "No Dumping" sign there, and at the quarry opposite John Horan's house, Traskernagh, Loughrea.

30. COUNCILLOR FINTAN COOGAN - I will propose:

That traffic lights be erected at Merlin Park Gate.

31. SENATOR M. P. KITT - I will propose:-

That the road to Owen Cunniffe's house, Gurteen, Ballinasloe, be blacktopped.

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MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREASES		Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decrease incl. Costs
Name and Address	Particulars of Claim			
Martin Roche, c/o W. B. Gavin & Co., Solicitors, 4, Devon Place, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to windscreen of car - reg. no. SZM 337.	Borough of Galway.	£93.32	£157.57
Alfred Curley, c/o Messrs. W. B. Gavin & Co., Solicitors, 4, Devon Place, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to ceiling and doors in applicant's business premises.	Borough of Galway.	£329.60	£217.57
St. Mary's College, Most Rev. Dr. Michael Browne & Ors., c/o Messrs. W. B. Gavin & Co., Solicitors, 4, Devon Place, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to a large quantity of scientific equipment located and stored in three science laboratories at St. Mary's College.	Borough of Galway.	£367.37	£943.36
Holmer Panoramic Ltd., Cosmona, Loughrea, Co. Galway.	Damage to windows, desks, filing cabinets and door.	D.E.D. of Loughrea Urban North	£577.64	£413.73
Ellen Connolly, Carrowmadra, Kinvara, Co. Galway.	Damage to walls, gates, gate parts, fences and scatter stones.	County at large.	£50.00	£85.00
William J. Diamond, Tully, Renvyle, Co. Galway.	Damage to cash register counter and windows.	County of Galway at large.	£1,500	£291.44
James Rose, 6, Beech Grove, Oranmore.	Damage to Avenger motor car.	County of Galway at large.	£200	£200.80

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree incl. Costs
Marie Jennings, Knockroe, Dunmore, Co. Galway.	Damage to a half inch waterpipe approximately 300 yards in length.	County of Galway at large.	£80.00	£126.00
William Rooney, Garage Proprietor, Milltown Road, Tuam, Co. Galway.	Damage to two motor cars - a Renault 4L and a Lancia Beta.	County of Galway at large.	£97.51	£148.51
Minister for Defence - Oranmore, Co. Galway.	Damage to asbestos roofing on a shed at Oranmore Rifle Range.	County of Galway at large.	£100.00	£151.00
The Representative Church Body of Clonfert Cathedral, Clonfert, Co. Galway.	Damage to windows of Clonfert Cathedral.	County of Galway at large.	£485.00	£609.14

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

HEADFORD FAIRS - 1980

MONTH	DATE	FAIRS
January	Monday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
February	Thursday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
March	Friday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
April	Monday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
May	Wednesday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
June	Friday, 13th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
July	Monday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
August	Thursday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
September	Monday, 8th) Thursday, 25th) Friday, 26th)	Cattle & Sheep Sheep Cattle
October	Tuesday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
November	Friday, 14th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs
December	Monday, 15th	Cattle, Sheep, Horses & Pigs

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 28th MAY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors. G. Bartley, J. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors Sean Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, M. Kelly, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, N. Morgan, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, Co. Manager, J. Crotty, Acting Co. Engineer, J. Howlett, Assistant Co. Manager, K. Doyle, Co. Secretary, R. Lee, Chief Planning Assistant, W. A. Cahill, Acting C.A.C.E. (P) L. Kavanagh, Acting C.A.C.E., S. McMahon, C.A.C.E., C. Miney, F. O'Gallachoir, J. Connolly, Planning Assistants, D. Barrett, S.S.O., T. Kavanagh who acted as Secretary to the meeting.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

2669 - RESOLUTION OF SYMPATHY:

Deputy John Mannion proposed a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late Miko Walsh, Rosmuck. This was seconded by Deputy Donnellan. Cllr. O'Morain and other Members joined in the vote of sympathy and it was agreed to adjourn the meeting for a few minutes as a mark of respect.

2670 - WELCOME TO STUDENTS:

The Chairman welcomed two students from the Institute of Public Administration, Dominick Lumsdel and Maurice Mullen, who are on a study course with the County Development Team and who attended the meeting.

2671 - DEPUTATION FROM TUAM:

Councillor Kelly referred to a deputation of traders from High Street, Tuam who had been received by the County Manager on the morning of the meeting, and complained that he got no notice of it. The Co. Manager stated that it was intended that all Members of the Tuam Electoral Area would be notified and he apologised if any Councillor got no notification.

2672 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31008 - APPLICANT: PATRICK FAHY:

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

1. Permission previously refused by Planning Authority, Ref. No. 23769.
2. Proposed development would be contrary to the policy of the Planning Authority to restrict new vehicular access onto National Secondary Routes. This site is on an unrealigned and heavily trafficked section where an undue amount of ribbon development already exists.
3. There is no essential housing need claim in this case.
4. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located on a heavily trafficked national secondary route where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic movements generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road.

The motion on the Agenda was proposed by Cllr. Welby who stated that the applicant needed a house for himself as he had no accommodation. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mannion. Replying to Cllr. Welby, the Co. Manager stated that no such housing need was claimed by the applicant in making the

application.

Councillor Burke proposed that the officials investigate a random selection of permissions granted under Section 4 to see if the original applicants were living in the houses or whether the sites were sold subsequently. This proposal was seconded by Councillor Higgins.

Councillor Holland proposed that the application be refused and this was seconded by Councillor Glynn.

A vote was taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the motion on the Agenda which resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillors G. Bartley, Deputy J. Callanan, Cllr. S. Donnellan, M. Flaherty, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, M. Ryan, T. Welby (16)

AGAINST: Councillors U. Burke, T. Byrne, F. Glynn, B. Holland, M. J. Kilgannon, (5)

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

2673 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 31685 - APPLICANT: MICHAEL FORDE.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:-

" LOCATION

This application to open an access directly onto the National Primary Route is situated on the Galway/Oranmore road about 600 yards beyond the point where the road crosses the railway line and in the townland of Curragrean.

BACKGROUND

Outline Planning Permission was granted to Mr. T. Lyons in 1968 for two houses on this site subject to the access being taken from an adjacent county road to the east of the site (Planning Ref. No. 5389).

In 1975 approval was granted to Mr. Forde, the present applicant, for the erection of a house again subject to the access being taken from the adjoining County Road (Planning Ref. No. 18755).

In June, September, and December, 1978 the applicant applied to open an entrance onto the National Primary Route and on all three occasions he was refused for traffic safety reasons. On no occasion did he appeal any of these decisions.

CONSIDERATIONS

1. The applicant has a perfectly suitable private road from his residence to an adjoining county road and he has submitted no overriding reasons in support of his claim for an additional access directly onto the National Primary Route.
2. The proposed access would be located between two adjacent county road junctions and in addition there is a private access to a dwellinghouse about 25 yards to the west of the site. An additional access would multiply the number of accesses onto a very short stretch of the National Primary Route.
3. This section of the National Primary Route which is the main road into Galway already carries volumes of traffic which are far in excess of its designed capacity. An additional access would further diminish this capacity by disrupting the traffic flow.
4. The proposed additional access which is located on a gradual bend would create an additional area of conflicting traffic movements and would thus increase the risk of accident.
5. Although the western sight distances of the nearby county road are sub-standard the sight distances at the proposed access would be even more

so and would, in fact, be quite dangerous.

- 6. The applicant has mentioned that he was considering opening a Bed & Breakfast business during the summer months and this would further aggravate the traffic problems listed above.

Recommend refusal on the following grounds:

- 1. The proposed development, involving the opening of an access directly onto the National Primary Route would reduce the capacity of same as would be liable to endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard."

Councillor Molloy proposed the motion set out on the Agenda and it was seconded by Councillor Welby.

Councillor McCormack proposed that permission be refused and this was seconded by Councillor Glynn.

A vote taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the motion on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor G. Bartley, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillors S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillors H. Melvin, J. Molloy, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, T. Welby.

(15)

AGAINST: Councillors U. Burke, T. Byrne, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, M. D. Higgins B. Holland, M. J. Kilgannon, P. McCormack

(8)

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

2674 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31998 - APPLICANT: GERALDINE FAHY.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each member of the Council:-

"1. Previous applications relating to the site:-

Planning Ref. No. 23894: Outline Permission refused 7/ 4/'79 for two dwellinghouses - one on this site and another on adjoining site to the north - Applicant: Peter Talbot.

Planning Ref. No. 30061: Outline Permission refused 12/ 1/'79 for dwelling-house - Applicant: Miss G. Fahy.

Planning Ref. No. 30862: Outline Permission refused 2/ 4/'79 for dwellinghouse - Applicant: Miss G. Fahy.

No appeal was lodged against any of the decisions.

2. The site forms part of the lands comprising 12½ acres on which Mr. John Fahy, Lydacan, Oranmore, covenanted not to construct any houses other than two for which Outline Permission was granted on appeal by the Minister for Local Government on 12/ 5/1971 - Planning Ref. No. 8237. The "sterilization" of the lands was a condition of the Outline Permission granted on appeal.

3. Approval to the Minister's grant of Outline Permission was given as follows:-

(a) Planning Ref. No. 10665. Approval for erection of dwellinghouse granted to Mr. P. Kavanagh 6/11/1972.

(b) Planning Ref. No. 12530: Approval for erection of dwellinghouse granted to Mr. John Fahy 18/12/1972.

4. Mr. Fahy made application for permission for retention of a dwellinghouse on a site to the South West of 12530 and permission was granted 17/ 9/1974 (Planning Ref. No. 16985) subject to the condition that no other house be built on the lands to which the Minister's grant of Outline Permission relates.

5. Mr. John Curley, 1 St. Francis St., Galway made application for Outline Permission for 5 dwellinghouses (4 of which were within the "sterilized" area) on 13/ 4/1976 (Planning Ref. No. 31804) and was refused by the

Planning Authority on 9/ 6/1976. The decision was appealed and Outline Permission was granted on 15/12/1976 by the Minister for Local Government for one house on the centre site which was not within the "sterilized" land.

6. Mr. Peter Talbot applied for Planning Approval for erection of bungalow (Planning Ref. No. 27387 on 23/ 3/1978 and Approval was granted 26/6/'78.

7. Dwellinghouses have been completed on sites of 10665 and 16985 and it would appear that Approval No. 27387 can, and is being availed of, thus providing an additional house to the two envisaged in the grant of Outline Permission on appeal Ref. No. 8237.

8. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-

1. The proposed development if permitted would not be in keeping with the permitted rural density of the area.

2. The proposed development is situated on lands which are the subject of a sterilization agreement under Planning Ref. No. 8237 and Minister's Order Ref. PL 7/5/15153 dated 12/ 5/1971, between John Fahy and Galway County Council, that no further houses other than the two already constructed should be built on these lands.

3. The proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to previous decisions of the Planning Authority Ref. No.'s 21804, 23894, and 30061 and contrary to a decision of the Minister of Local Government, Ref. No. PL. 7/ 5/35035 dated 15/12/1976. "

The motion as set out on the Agenda was proposed by Cllr. Molloy and seconded by Cllr. Welby.

Cllr. Holland proposed that permission be refused and this was seconded by Cllr. Glynn. A vote was taken after 4.30 p.m. for or against the motion on the Agenda which resulted as follows:-

FOR: Councillor G. Bartley, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillor F. Coogan, S. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. Flaherty, E. Haverty, P. M. Stapleton, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillors H. Melvin, John Molloy, M. O'Morain, P. Raftery, T. Welby.

(16)

AGAINST: Councillors U. Burke, P. T. Galvin, F. Glynn, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, P. Ruane.

(6)

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

2675 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31925 - APPLICANT: WILLIAM FLAHERTY.

In the absence of Cllr. Dempsey, it was agreed to defer this motion to the next meeting.

2676 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 30917 - APPLICANT: MICHAEL WELBY.

The Co. Manager stated that a decision to grant permission in this case had been issued.

2677 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31736 - APPLICANT: JOHN HANLY.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each member of the Council:-

"Outline Permission No. 15306 granted to Mr. John Salt for larger site incorporating this present site. The map with Application No. 15306 indicated the possible position of the house. The position is approximately the same as that shown in Application No. 30679 which was refused by the Council and not appealed. Current application for house in approximately same position as previous applications. It is possible that the applicant is endeavouring to get two houses on the site and the Council is seeking information to clarify the position."

Cllr. Welby proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda.

After the Co. Manager explained that it was necessary for the Council to clarify whether the application was for a second house on the site, it was decided to defer consideration of the resolution until a meeting subsequent to the date of receipt of the further information from the applicant.

2678 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 30657 - APPLICANT: S. CURRAN.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each member of the Council:-

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located on an undeveloped grass covered boithrin south of the main Spiddal/Carraroe road about 670 yards from Spiddal village. There is no development or no existing planning permissions on this narrow boithrin which leads to the seashore. The proposed site is elevated above the adjacent boithrin and has an average width of approximately 80 feet.

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS:

There have been two previous applications on this site, both of which have been refused on the grounds that the proposed development would: (a) be detrimental to the visual amenity of the area because it would be visually obtrusive in an area of open rugged landscape between the main road and the sea, and (b) be located on a private, undeveloped road and thereby it would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area, because it would set a precedent for uncontrolled development in an area not suitable for housing development.

Planning Ref. No. 18010; Applicant, Padraic Uas. O Cualain, refused by Galway County Council.

Planning Ref. No. 28760; Applicant, Sean Uas. O Curraidhin, refused by Galway County Council.

CONSIDERATIONS:

The applicant, Sean Uas. O Curraidhin, is a teacher in Co. Limerick, where he has a house. He has made a second family claim on the basis of housing need. If this housing need is justified, the Planning Authority is prepared to sympathetically consider a planning application on a site north of the main Spiddal/Carraroe Road.

The proposed site is unsatisfactory for three main reasons:

1. It is visually obtrusive in a high amenity area between the road and the sea.
2. The site is a narrow site of 80 feet depth which is unsuitable for housing and the treatment of septic tank effluent.
3. A grant of planning permission on this undeveloped private boithrin would introduce housing development into an undeveloped stretch of high amenity countryside and in the long term impose road and other service costs on the local authority.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Planning Permission should be refused for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development would be detrimental to the visual amenity of the area, because it would be visually obtrusive on an elevated site in an area of open rugged landscape between the main road and the sea.
2. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area, because it would be located on an undeveloped narrow private boithrin which is not suitable for housing development.
3. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area, because the proposed site is of inadequate depth to satisfactorily comply with Appendix F of the County Development Plan, 1979, and to comply with Galway Co. Council's standards for septic tank systems."

The motion on the Agenda was proposed by Cllr. Welby stating that the applicant was teaching in Limerick but would prefer to come back and work and live in Galway. The motion was seconded by Cllr. Bartley. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

Councillor Burke proposed that the Council notify the previous applicants who were refused permission on the site. The Co. Manager stated that this was suggested at a previous meeting of the Council and since then he had obtained advice from the Council's solicitor on the matter. The advice was that the Council should not go any further than it is required to under the Act and the Regulations made thereunder.

2679 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31841 - APPLICANT: JOHN GRIFFITHS.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which was circulated to each member of the Council:-

1. This proposed house would constitute one of the most serious impairments of the scenic amenity of this region of Connemara. It is on a grossly elevated site overlooking Connemara golflinks and Bunowen peninsula. It will only be rivalled by the Connemara Golf Clubhouse itself.

Every effort should be made by the Planning Authority to ensure that this development does not take place. Purchase of the site should be seriously considered as was done many years ago near the Hill of Doon near Oughterard.

2. Outline Permission was granted in 1972 before the Golflinks was constructed. The grant of Outline Permission was made apparently inadvertently because of the inadequate information on the site maps submitted, and because of the physical inaccessibility of the site and consequent extreme difficulty in accurately identifying the site. It was then 1,000 yards distant, across fields and lakes, from the end of a private breen, which was not negotiable by car. This breen in turn was one mile from a public road.
3. Full Permission (not Approval) was subsequently refused on a somewhat larger site. This site differs considerably from the Outline Permission. It is for full permission and is not bound by the original Outline Permission.
4. Outline Permission was refused by the Planning Authority on a similar adjoining site to the south-west by An Bord Pleanala to a Mr. Sean Joyce, Planning Ref. No. 24709. Outline Permission was refused twice by the Planning Authority but finally granted on appeal on an adjoining site to the north-west to a Mrs. Anne Mannion.
5. Refusal is strongly recommended on amenity grounds and for the protection of further injury to the amenity of the area and the Golflinks, in which a considerable investment of public funds has been made. This development will depreciate that investment.

It is further recommended that discussions be held with the applicant to procure an alternative site and to forego this proposed development."

The motion on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Mannion and seconded by Cllr. Bartley.

After some discussion wherein it was pointed out that this development, if permitted, would most seriously impair the scenic amenities of the area, it was decided to defer consideration of the motion until further information was available about alternative sites, which matter would be taken up with the applicant.

2680 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31852 - APPLICANT: ROISIN NIC NIADH.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which was circulated to each member of the Council:-

1. Permission refused already on grounds of serious traffic hazard and serious injury to the scenic amenity of the area.
2. Second family dwelling claim already investigated and not satisfactorily substantiated. Applicant is a teacher in Dublin.
3. Alternative sites available on family lands and Planning Authority wrote to applicant offering joint inspection of alternatives. This offer was ignored by the applicant who has now submitted the above motion.

4. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-

1. The site proposed to be developed is situated on an elevated ground in an area of high amenity and the proposed development would impair the amenity of the area by reason of its prominence on the landscape.
2. The creation of a vehicular access to the adjacent public roadway to serve the proposed dwellinghouse, would create a danger to road users by reason of the restricted sight distances which would exist for road users and traffic emerging from the site proposed to be developed."

The Co. Manager recommended that no decision be taken on the motion until the question of an alternative site was fully investigated.

Deputy Mannion proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda and was seconded by Cllr. Bartley. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2681 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 32047 - APPLICANT: RICHARD MELLOTT.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each member of the Council:-

"LOCATION

This application for planning permission to erect a dwellinghouse and motor car repair workshop is sited on the main Galway/Tuam National Primary route at Knockdoemore which is about 700 yards beyond the junction where the National Secondary route branches off for Roscommon.

BACKGROUND

Permission has been granted on this site for the erection of a dwellinghouse to a Mr. P. Connell subject to the use of the house being restricted to the applicant (Planning Ref. Outline Permission No. 13346 and Approval Ref. No. 30513). An application by a Mr. P. Murphy to erect a house on the site and which was not a second family house claim was refused by the County Council and by the Minister in 1974, (Planning Ref. No. 1741).

CONSIDERATION

- (1) The proposed house and garage workshop is on one of the three National Primary routes in the County and it is important that their capacity and safety ratings be preserved by means of restricting the number of direct accesses on to them.
- (2) The proposed workshop would involve an increased volume of traffic turning off the National Primary route further reducing the capacity of the road and increasing the possibility of accident.
- (3) This is not a second family house claim nor does it fall into any of the categories of essential housing need. In fact, the applicant is at present residing in Clooniffe, Moycullen.
- (4) This National Primary route is one of the straightest and fastest in the county and the planning department have to date been very successful in keeping it free from too many private entrances.
- (5) This particular section of the National Primary route where the proposed workshop and house will be sited has had at least three fatal accidents in the last few years and it is not clear what has been causing them. An additional access for a workshop will not improve the situation.
- (6) The applicant at present is operating an unauthorised workshop adjacent to his residence at Clooniffe. Although this present arrangement can not be satisfactory either for himself or his neighbours, a workshop on the National Primary route is not acceptable. The planning department do, however, realise the applicant's need for a suitable premises and he is invited to consult with the Planning section to discuss what would be a mutually acceptable site.

Refusal is recommended for the following reason:-

- (1) The proposed dwellinghouse, which does not fall within the categories of essential housing need, and the workshop would involve the provision of an access directly onto the National Primary Route at a point where

the maximum speed limit applies and would thus reduce the capacity of the route and be liable to endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard."

Cllr. Welby proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda and was seconded by Cllr. Molloy. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2682 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NO. 31238 - APPLICANT: PATRICK O'DEA.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which was circulated to each member of the Council:-

"The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located close to a bend on a heavily trafficked National Primary road at a point where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic movements generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the road.

Basis of Recommendation:

Previous applications for the development of this site are tabulated hereunder:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Application No. and date.</u>	<u>Decision</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Mr. Finn	10452 1/12/1971	Granted with conditions of inurement to the applicant.	Substantiated as a replacement of an existing sub-standard dwellinghouse
P. O'Dea	16637 31/ 7/1974	Refused by Planning Authority. Subject of late appeal to the Minister.	Refused for reasons of adjacency to Nat. Primary route.
P. O'Dea	18635 25/ 9/1975	Refused by the Planning Authority. Refused by the Minister.	Refused because it would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic.
P. O'Dea	21189 8/ 7/1976	Refused by Planning Authority. Refused by Minister.	Refused because it would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic.
P. O'Dea	26079 15/ 2/1978	Refused by Planning Authority. Refused by An Bord Pleanala.	Refused because it would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic.

The site proposed to be developed is situated adjacent to a National Primary road which roadway, in the County Development Plan adopted in January, 1979, is included in Class 1 classification of control which restricts housing development to the replacement of sub-standard dwellings, dwellings for members of the family of the farm holding or otherwise, only in the case of extreme hardship of housing need.

The application is not in respect of the replacement of a sub-standard dwelling house or a family house on the family holding and the evidence of extreme hardship has not been accepted by the Planning Authority, the Minister or the Planning Board.

The particular section of the Plan affecting the application was debated and considered at great length by the Council before its final adoption for inclusion in the Plan. If a permission were now to be granted, it would contravene previous decisions by the Planning Authority, the Minister and the Planning Board and would now be in direct breach of the controls on roadside development specifically included in the Co. Development Plan. In the traffic conditions which now exist on this roadway, the creation of a vehicular access from the site would undoubtedly endanger traffic safety."

Cllr. Fahy proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda stating that the applicant bought the site some years ago not knowing that the permission granted included an enurement clause restricting the permission to the original applicant. The motion was seconded by Deputy Callanan. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2683 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31853 - APPLICANT: JOHN KELLY.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report to the Council which had been circulated to each member:-

1. Permission has been refused three times already for development on this site including once on appeal.
2. The site has no road frontage and is located on an elevated site overlooking the Galway/Spiddal road. The development would be undesirable because it would represent disorderly development of backlands. It would detract from the visual amenity of the area because it would be grossly over prominent. It will easily be the worst sited house between Galway and Spiddal.
3. Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-
 1. The proposed development, located in a rural area, with an existing high rural housing density, and without a frontage onto a public road, would constitute disorderly and inappropriately dense development of backlands which would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area.
 2. The proposed development would detract from the visual amenity of the area because it would be unduly obtrusive in an elevated location."

Councillor Coogan proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda. Seconding the motion, Cllr. Welby stated that the proposed house would not be obtrusive as was suggested in the report circulated. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2684 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31552 (NOT 31932) APPLICANT: SEAN MOLLOY.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which was circulated to each member of the Council:-

"RECOMMENDATION:

1. The site proposed to be developed is situated adjacent to a main trunk route and housing development of the type proposed would be contrary to the policy of the Planning Authority which restricts development to particular permissible classes of housing need under Class 1 (Table 3) control in the Co. Development Plan.
2. The proposed development, if permitted, would materially contravene a previous decision by An Bord Pleanala, Ref. No. PL 7/ 5/43466 and contravene also previous decisions of the Planning Authority, Ref. No's 10141 and 28525, refusing permission for development of this site.

BASIS OF RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) This site proposed to be developed is situated adjacent to the main Galway/Headford road, which roadway in the Co. Development Plan adopted in January, 1979, is included in Class 1 classification of control which restricts housing development to the replacement of substandard dwellings and dwellings for members of the family of the family holding, or otherwise only in the cases of extreme hardship. The application is not in respect of replacement of a substandard dwellinghouse or a family house on the family holding, neither is there any evidence of any extreme hardship.

This particular section of the plan was debated and considered at great length by the Council before its final adoption for inclusion in the Plan.

If permission were now to be granted it would be in direct breach of the controls on roadside development now specifically included in the Plan.

- (b) In the past five years, prior to the adoption of the present Co. Development Plan, along the adjacent stretch of roadway measuring approximately 1100 yards, the following applications have been refused:-
 - Four applications for the erection of 8 dwellinghouses.
 - One application for the erection of a group of 10 dwellinghouses.
 - One application for the erection of a motel or industrial development.

If permission were now to be granted, it would be contrary to the control policy which has operated along this roadway.

- (c) A previous application, Planning Register Ref. No. 28525 for the erection of two dwellinghouses on lands which include the site for the house now proposed was submitted by Mr. Molloy and was refused by the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanala on appeal on the grounds that the access to the site would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic. A similar application for the erection of two houses on the same lands, Planning Register Ref. No. 10141 was submitted by Mr. Martin Flaherty and was refused by the Planning Authority.

If a grant of permission were made in this case it would contravene previous decisions made by the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanala."

Cllr. Welby proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda and was seconded by Cllr. Molloy. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the motion carried.

2685 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1955 PLANNING APPLICATION No. 31723 - APPLICANT: P. McDERMOTT.

The Co. Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each member of the Council:-

" BACKGROUND:

The proposed development is located on an elevated site behind six houses which face onto the Galway/Moycullen National Secondary road at Ballagh. There has been a long history of planning applications on this site and permission has been granted for one house by the Minister (Planning Ref. No. 9768). Approval was granted by the Minister in October, 1974. Two conditions were imposed relating to the treatment of septic tank effluent in view of the proximity of other houses at a lower level and adjacent water supplies. The said house has been completed and any other house on the land would contravene a condition of its permission and would render it unauthorised.

PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS:

After the Minister's grant of Approval for a house on this site, the site was subdivided and an application was lodged on the western position (Planning Ref. No. 22845 and refused by Galway County Council. The same proposal was lodged again (Planning Ref. No. 23728) and was refused by Galway Co. Council and An Bord Pleanala on 30th Sept., 1977. There were two objectors to the development from neighbours, who would be overlooked by the proposed house. The same proposal was lodged again on 17/10/1977 and was the subject of a Section 4 Motion which was later withdrawn. The application was refused by the Planning Authority.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed development is on an elevated site about 30 feet above road level and overlooking the rear of six houses on the main Galway/Moycullen road. The major objections to this development are that it would constitute disorderly development of backlands having no road frontage and secondly, it would injure the existing residential amenity of the occupants of the six houses overlooked by the proposed house. Thirdly, the proposed development would generate additional traffic and turning movements on the heavily trafficked National Secondary route and, therefore, interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic.

The applicant has not shown any essential housing need and thereby does not come within the categories of essential housing need permitted by the Co. Development Plan, 1979 on National Secondary routes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended on the grounds discussed already:

1. The proposed development would be a disorderly development of backlands on an elevated site, having no road frontage.

2. The proposed development would injure the residential amenity of adjacent housing which would be overlooked by the proposed development.
3. The proposed development would contravene a previous decision of the Minister of Local Government that one house only be constructed on land which includes this site (Planning Appeal Ref. No. 7/5/14329). The said house has been constructed."

Cllr. McCormack proposed the motion as set out on the Agenda and was seconded by Cllr. Welby. Cllr. Glynn proposed that the application be refused saying that it was a complete waste of time and money employing staff in the planning office. Cllr. Holland seconded Cllr. Glynn's proposal.

When a vote was about to be taken, the motion was withdrawn.

2686 - TERMINATION OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS

Referring to the expiry of office of the present Members of the Council, the Chairman stated that two of the existing Members were not going forward for re-election, namely, Councillors Melvin and Flaherty. He thanked both Members for the services they had rendered to the community and for the co-operation they had given him as Chairman. The Co. Manager joined in the sentiments expressed by the Chairman to Councillors Melvin and Flaherty.

Councillors Melvin and Flaherty thanked the Chairman for his remarks and thanked the Co. Manager and staff for the help and co-operation they had been given while Members of the Council.

On behalf of all the Members, the Chairman thanked the Co. Manager and staff for the help and courtesy extended to them over the years.

2687 - MINUTES

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, the Minutes of meetings held on the 23/ 4/1979 and 11/ 5/1979 (No.s 2598 to 2668 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2688 - MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES

It was noted that Malicious Injury Decrees as set out in the schedule to the Agenda had been received since the last meeting.

2689 - OVERDRAFT

It was proposed by Cllr. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Kelly and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, overdraft accommodation net exceeding £1m. be borrowed on the Council's Revenue A/C for the quarter ending 30/ 9/1979."

2690 - REVISION OF SALARIES-ENGINEERS

The Co. Manager referred to the agreement reached between the Local Government and Public Services Union and the Institution of Engineers of Ireland on the one hand and the Local Government Staff Negotiations Board on the other in relation to the salaries of engineers employed by local authorities. The first phase of the agreement provided for a salary increase of 12% effective from the 1/ 6/1978 to all existing engineering staff. The estimated cost of the increase for the current year including arrears was £53,000 and he requested the Council's approval to the increase which was approved by the Minister for the Environment.

It was proposed by Cllr. Coogan, seconded by Cllr. Morgan and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council hereby approve the payment of a salary increase of 12% with effect from 1/ 6/1978 to engineering staff employed by the Council as outlined by the Co. Manager."

2691 - REVISION OF SALARIES - SECOND FIRE OFFICERS

The Co. Manager stated that agreement had been reached in a long-standing dispute involving Second Fire Officers in a refusal to undertake duties outside normal working hours. The agreement provided for a return to normal working from the 1/ 5/1979 by the officers in question and a "once-off" payment of £500 being made to them in return for their commitment to up-date training in the fire service. The agreement also provided for an adjustment in the uniform allowance and the total increased cost for Galway Co. Council for the current year was £1,300.

It was proposed by Cllr. Morgan seconded by Deputy Mannion and resolved -

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the increased uniform allowance and "once off" payment of £500 to Second Fire Officers as outlined by the County Manager."

2692 - DATES FOR HEADFORD FAIRS

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Stapleton, the Council approved of the dates for Headford Fairs as set out on the list circulated to each member.

2693 - RAISING OF LOANS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO GROUP WATER SCHEMES

The Co. Manager stated that it was proposed to raise a loan of £4,483 for the payment of special contributions to the following group water schemes towards the cost of increased pipe sizes:

Biggera/Belclare Group Water Scheme	£100
Cahernashilleeny/Kiltrogue Group Water Scheme	£2,805
Aillebrack/Ballyconneely Group Water Scheme	£1,578
Total:	<u>£4,483</u>

The Co. Manager also stated it was proposed to raise a loan of £5,100 for a special contribution to the Knocknagrea/Furbo Group Scheme towards the cost of headworks. Both loans would qualify for the usual loan subsidy. It was proposed by Deputy Mannion, seconded by Cllr. Welby and resolved -

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of loans of £4,483 and £5,100 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister, the loans to be repayable over an approved period at an approved rate of interest, for the purpose of financing special contributions to the following Group Water Schemes: Biggera/Belclare (£100), Cahernashilleeny/Kiltrogue (£2,805), Aillebrack/Ballyconneely (£1,578), Knocknagrea/Furbo (£5,100)."

2694 - RAISING OF LOAN FOR ORANMORE WATER SCHEME (STAGE 2)

The Co. Manager stated that a tender had been accepted for the Oranmore Water Supply Scheme (Stage 2) which provided for the construction of a major trunk main from Galway to Oranmore and branch mains to serve the village and the designated development area around the village. The next step was to apply for a loan of £300,000 which was the total estimated cost of the scheme. It was proposed by Cllr. Fahey, seconded by Cllr. Byrne and resolved -

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £300,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of financing the Oranmore Water Supply Scheme Stage 2, the loan to be repaid by instalments over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate in force at the date of the issue of the loan to the Council."

2695 - RAISING OF SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN FOR PORTUMNA FIRE STATION

The Co. Manager stated that a tender in the sum of £97,194.79 had been accepted for the erection of a new fire station at Portumna. When the building was originally proposed, a loan of £40,000 was approved but it was now certain that the total final cost would exceed £100,000 and therefore it was necessary to raise a supplementary loan of £60,000. It was proposed by Cllr. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Joyce and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £60,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved for the purpose of financing the proposed new fire station at Portumna, the loan to be repaid over such period and at such interest rate as may be approved."

2696 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - CLIFDEN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The Co. Manager stated that it was necessary to raise a final supplementary loan of £6,089 in order to finance an outstanding balance on Clifden Water Supply Scheme which was completed in 1975. It was proposed by Deputy Mannion, seconded by Cllr. Bartley and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council hereby approve the raising of a final supplementary loan of £6,089 from the Commissioner of Public Works for the purpose of financing the Clifden Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be repaid by instalment over a period of 25 years or such period as may be approved with interest at the rate in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

2697 - APPLICATION FOR REMISSION OF RATES ON INDUSTRIAL PREMISES - IX LTD., KILLALOONTY, TUAM.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Cllr. Kelly and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council, in accordance with the provisions of the Industrial Development Acts 1969 - 1975 hereby remit two-thirds of the rates leviable by the Council on the increase in the valuation of the industrial premises occupied by IX Ltd. at Killalooonty, Tuam, the remission to have effect in respect of the years 1978 to 1987 inclusive, the appropriate certificate under Section 3 of the Industrial Development Act 1972 having been issued by the Industrial Development Authority."

2698 - APPLICATION FOR REMISSION OF RATES ON INDUSTRIAL PREMISES - WATTERS BROS., CORNAMONA

It was proposed by Cllr. O'Morain, seconded by Deputy Mannion and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Gaeltacht Industries (Amendment) Act, 1971 hereby remit two-thirds of the rates leviable by the Council in respect of the industrial premises at Cornamona occupied by Watters Bros., the remission to have effect for the years 1977 to 1986 inclusive, the appropriate certificate having issued by Gaeltarra Eireann."

2699 - APPLICATION FOR REMISSION OF RATES ON INDUSTRIAL PREMISES - MONMARA TEORANTA, SPIDDAL EAST

It was proposed by Cllr. Bartley, seconded by Cllr. McCormack and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Gaeltacht Industries (Amendment) Act 1971, hereby remit two-thirds of the rates leviable by the Council in respect of the industrial premises at Spiddal East occupied by Monmara Teoranta (valuation £280) the appropriate certificate having been issued by Gaeltarra Eireann."

2700 - CREATION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICES OF CLERICAL OFFICER

That Co. Manager stated that the staff compliment in the Motor Taxation Department had not been altered since 1972 and since that time, the volume of work had increased considerably. The number of vehicles licensed had increased from 24,000 to 34,000 while the number of drivers licences increased from 30,000 to 36,000. Two temporary clerks had been employed to cope with the increased workload and he was satisfied that the temporary posts should be made permanent and he requested the Council's approval to this. He also requested the Council's approval to the creation of one additional permanent post of Clerical Officer in the Planning Department. The number of planning applications being lodged was increasing yearly and in 1978 the number was 3,751 compared to an average of 2,514 over the previous 3 years.

It was proposed by Cllr. Morgan, seconded by Cllr. Glynn and resolved -

"That Galway Co. Council hereby approve the creation of two additional offices of Clerical Officer for the Motor Taxation Department and one additional office of Clerical Officer for the Planning and Development Office."

BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER

2701 - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES PROGRAMME, 1979.

The Co. Manager stated that as a result of the withdrawal of industrial action by the Engineering staff, he was anxious to proceed as quickly as possible with the Environmental Improvement Schemes Programme 1979 and in order that work could be got under way, a provisional list of schemes totalling £95,500 has been drawn up and circulated to each Member. Senator Kitt stated that there was no allocation in the list for the Mountbellew area and he also asked that a previous proposal of

his for footpaths in Menlough be considered. Cllr. Joyce asked that the restoration of the footpaths in Kiltormer be included and also the walls around Eyre-court. Deputy Callanan made an appeal that the work be started on schemes as quickly as possible in order that the grant would be spent in full.

Replying, the Co. Manager stated that the list circulated was only a provisional one and a full list would be submitted later and the proposals mentioned by the Members would be borne in mind. The Council approved of the list of proposals as circulated.

2702 - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION

The Co. Manager stated that for some time, the Vocational Education Committee and the Committee of Agriculture had been asking for extra office accommodation in the Hynes Buildings and extra accommodation was also required for our Law Agent. He had now succeeded in getting an option for the leasing of 4,100 sq. ft. of office space at Woodquay Court and it was proposed that the Regional Development Organisation and the Law Agent would transfer to the Woodquay offices. The vacated offices in the Hynes Building would then be taken over by the V.E.C. and Committee of Agriculture. It was also proposed to transfer the Co. Development Office and the Rates Office from the Co. Buildings to the Woodquay office in order to alleviate overcrowding problems in the Co. Buildings. The estimated nett cost to the Council of the extra accommodation was £6,874 per annum and the Council was at the same time engaging an architect for the purpose of designing an extension to the County Buildings.

The Council agreed to the proposal as outlined by the County Manager.

2703 - COMPUTERISATION

The Co. Manager referred to the Local Government Computer Services Board which was a statutory body established in 1975. Its purpose was to advise local authorities in relation to computer equipment, co-ordinate the programmes and systems of local authorities and to provide a source from which programmes and systems would be devised for the special needs of local authorities on a sharing basis, etc.. The Council has been paying its contribution towards the Board which for the current year amounts to £11,260 but has been availing of computer facilities on a bureau basis instead of providing our own computer. With the growing complexity of local authority functions and the ever increasing cost of services, it has become necessary to consider the advantages to be derived from better control of accounting procedures and he was satisfied that the time had come for the Council to install its own computer as many other local authorities had done. The 1980 charge for leasing a computer would be £17,760 per annum as against a present outlay of £14,000. Capacity would be available to cater for the needs of Galway Corporation on the computer should this course be found desirable. Deputy Callanan questioned the desirability of installing a computer unless it was really necessary. Replying to Cllr. Ryan the Co. Manager stated that no redundancies would result from the Council having its own computer.

The Council approved of the Co. Manager's recommendation for computerisation on the proposition of Deputy Donnellan seconded by Cllr. Fahey.

2704 - FIRE EQUIPMENT AT GLENAMADDY

The Co. Manager referred to the question which was raised at Council meeting on 23/4/1979 regarding fire equipment at Glenamaddy. He stated that the equipment was stored in the home of Mr. J. L. Garvey who lives across the road from where the fire occurred. Mr. Garvey was on the scene and saw that the fire got out of control for his equipment, i.e. a large 20 gallon extinguisher. The piped water pressure in Glenamaddy is normally insufficient to provide an adequate fire fighting flow. Mr. Garvey alerted Tuam fire brigade which attended along with Castle-rea and Mountbellew brigades. Each of these used the water supply in their tanks and extinguished the fire. An officer from Galway also attended.

The difficulty which arose in Mountbellew always arises at fires occurring in similar villages where there is a delay before the nearest fire brigade arrives. Apart from the fact that trained manpower is not available in those centres, the cost of providing fire engines makes the establishment of a fire brigade prohibitively expensive. Cllr. Ryan stated that he was not satisfied with the fire cover for Glenamaddy and he would be pressing for a better service. Deputy Donnellan

suggested that if a fire brigade was established in Glenamaddy, it could usefully serve a very wide rural area. The Co. Manager stated that the question of providing a fire service in the various small towns and villages had been fully examined during the consideration of the fire service review and apart from the difficulty that there would be in trying to retain the necessary staff, it would not be feasible that each location would have its own service. Cllr. Morgan was informed that a fire appliance would not be allocated to Portumna until the new fire station was provided.

2705 - CASTLE ELLEN GROUP WATER SCHEME - ROAD OPENING DEPOSIT

Arising out of a question raised at a previous meeting concerning a deposit for road opening in connection with the Castle Ellen Group Water Scheme, the Co. Manager stated that it was decided at the Estimates Meeting for the 1978 estimates that due to the limitation of funds, the cost of road restoration would be borne on a 50/50 basis and this decision was implemented in respect of schemes approved after 1/9/1978. It involves groups in the payment of deposits before they are allowed to open roads. However, a scheme has been devised to minimise the amount of such deposits and to put the matter on a pay-as-you-go basis. The cost of road restoration is 60p per lineal metre as set out in conditions "p" attached to the approval issued for this scheme on 26/10/1978. The total length of this scheme is 5,320 metres, which at 60p would be £3,192. On the pay-as-you-go basis, the group was allowed to open 2 Km. on payment of a deposit of £1,200. This amount was paid on 12/3/1979. To date, 7 Km. of road has been opened without any further deposit being required. Due to the high standard of road restoration, it is not envisaged that any further deposit will be requested.

2706 - KNOCKNAGREANA/PERSSE PARK GROUP WATER SCHEME

The Co. Manager stated that a motion proposing the taking over of this scheme was considered at Council meeting on 18/5/1979. The Council asked if Mr. Warde who owns the land on which the pumphouse is constructed could be given two connections for two houses which he has been permitted to build. This has now been investigated and the Council would raise no objections to Mr. Warde getting two connections provided he reached agreement on this with the group.

Deputy Callanan asked that this be conveyed to the group in writing.

2707 - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - HEADFORD

The Co. Manager informed Cllr. McCormack that a report from the Garda authorities dated 8/7/1978 did not recommend the provision of a pedestrian crossing at Headford town. However, the Council was agreeable to the appointment of a school warden subject to Garda approval.

2708 - BORE-HOLE AT BALLYBRONE

Cllr. Dempsey had enquired at a previous meeting about the sinking of a bore-hole at Ballybrone and the Co. Manager informed him that Ballybrone was on this year's programme for well-boring.

2709 - TOILET AT CARPARK AT TUAM

The Co. Manager stated that the Council was negotiating with Messrs. Massers Ltd. Dublin for the provision of a portable toilet at or adjacent to Abbey Trinity car park, Tuam. The urgency of providing a toilet was emphasised by members and the question of adequate signposting was also mentioned.

2710 - PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS

The Co. Manager informed Cllr. Morgan who had raised this question at the last meeting that there was not a representative number of roads ready for publication and therefore it would not be appropriate to advertise a small number of roads at this time.

2711 - PROPOSED BRIDGE ON CORRIB FROM KILBEG TO KNOCKFERRY

This matter was considered at Council meeting on 10/4/1979 when it was decided to defer further consideration until after a Road Programme being prepared by the Department was available. The Co. Manager stated that the document in question had now been published but the Council only got copies in recent days and the Co. Engineer was not in a position to submit a report on it. A report would be prepared and brought before the Council.

2712 - TOILET AT GORT

With the permission of the Chairman, Cllr. Fahey raised the question of the provision of a ladies toilet at Gort. He said that money had been provided for this in the estimates at the beginning of the year and work had not yet started. He asked that work commence immediately.

2713 - HOUSING ESTATES, TUAM.

With the permission of the Chairman, Deputy Donnellan raised the question of the completion of works on Millstream Park and Park View Drive housing estates in Tuam. He said that the Council had been told that proceedings were being taken against the developer but nothing seemed to have happened, and the developer had made a new application for further development. The Co. Manager replied that the Council's solicitor had been instructed to take proceedings against the developer and this was being done.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION

2714 - REMOVAL OF BEND ON BIRMINGHAM ROAD, TUAM - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON

The Acting Secretary stated that a re-alignment here would be desirable but there was no provision for it in the current year's estimates. It would be considered with other necessary improvements for the 1980 road works scheme.

2715 - REPAIR OF ROAD AT BUDAUN, TUAM - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON

The Acting Secretary stated that the section of road referred to was not a public road and, therefore, could not be repaired out of Council funds but would be suitable for a local improvement scheme.

2716 - REPAIR OF ROAD AT GARRAFRAUNS, DUNMORE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR STAPLETON

The Acting Secretary stated that this would be considered with other similar roads for inclusion in the 1980 road works scheme. There was no funds available for the work in the present year.

2717 - PUBLIC LIGHTING AT ABBEYKNOCKMOY CHURCH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN

The Acting Secretary stated that consideration would be given to this location together with other similar rural sites when this year's programme of new public lighting was being drawn up.

2718 - HOUSING SITES AT DUNMORE - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN

The Acting Secretary stated that it was likely that the Rural Housing Organisation would fulfil part of the need at least regarding private sites in Dunmore. Any further need could be met by the provision of private sites on portion of the church authority's lands when same are acquired.

2719 - HOUSING SCHEME AT DUNMORE - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN

The Acting Secretary stated that agreement had been reached with representatives of the church authorities in 1976 for the purchase of approximately six acres of land at Chapel Street, Dunmore and the draft layout was prepared in 1977. The Dunmore Community Council then informed the County Council that the Rural Housing Organisation would provide houses immediately on the portion of the site fronting on to Church Street and a number of meetings took place between the Co. Council and the Rural Housing Organisation. The Co. Council are awaiting information from R.H.O. on the proposals for development.

2720 - PROVISION OF RANGES IN COUNCIL HOUSES - MOTION BY DEPUTY CALLANAN

The Acting Secretary stated that up to 1974, Stanley No. 8 ranges were provided in all Co. Council houses. Back-boilers were substituted in 1974 with the addition of an immersion heater and electric cooker point. In 1977, the Council reverted to providing Stanley ranges in schemes of bungalows with back-boilers being retained in two-storey houses. Stanley ranges are provided in all rural cottages. It would be unwise for the Council to widen its involvement in the provision of ranges in view of a restricted finance available for house repairs. Deputy Callanan stated that ranges should be provided in all new houses and in existing houses where the tenant wanted one and made a proposal to this effect. Councillors

Stapleton, Kelly and Deputy Donnellan supported the proposal. The Co. Manager stated that the possibility of providing ranges in all new houses would be considered. As regards existing houses, he stated that even though the tenants might agree to pay for the ranges on a weekly basis, the initial cost of the ranges would have to be met from the housing maintenance fund which was very limited and, therefore, the proposal was not feasible.

2721 - EXTENSION OF CASTLEGAR BURIAL GROUND - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council was negotiating with the landowner concerned for the necessary land required for this extension.

2722 - EASING OF BEND ON KIRCULLEN/TONABRUCKEY ROAD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY

The Acting Secretary stated that the estimated cost of this work was £2,000. There was no provision for same in the current year's estimates.

2723 - PROVISION OF FOOTPATHS AT CASTLEGAR - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision in the current year's estimates for this work. The matter would be considered for the 1980 estimates.

2724 - IMPROVEMENTS AT ROUNDSTONE PIER - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BARTLEY

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision made in the current year's estimates for these works. The Council had asked the Department of Fisheries if it would finance the works as the Council was only liable for maintenance. Cllr. Bartley, who was supported by Deputy Mannion, stated that Roundstone Pier was now very active and these facilities were required and would not cost much. The Co. Manager replied that as there was no provision in the estimates, the work could not be done.

2725 - SPEED LIMIT SIGN AND SCHOOL SIGNS AT BALLYCONNELLY - MOTION BY CLLR. BARTLEY

The Acting Secretary stated that the recommendation of the Committee set up for the review of speed limits in Co. Galway was that a speed limit was not necessary for Ballyconneely. The imposition of a 30 m.p.h. speed limit on the road to Ballyconneely golf club would be contrary to the advisory principles on the creation of speed limits laid down by the Department of the Environment. The statutory school sign requested by Cllr. Bartley near Ballyconneely school would be provided as soon as possible.

2726 - SIGNPOSTING OF MOYARD VILLAGE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR BARTLEY

The Acting Secretary stated that the signs in question would be erected as soon as possible.

2727 - MOTIONS BY COUNCILLOR WELBY

The Chairman asked that written replies be sent to Cllr. Welby on his motions. The question of the provision of a septic tank and caretaking would be examined.

2728 - ROAD IMPROVEMENT, KILRONAN TO CILL EANNA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR DONNELLAN

Councillor Donnellan stated that the road from Kilronan to the airport was not wide enough for traffic using it and was in very bad condition. The Co. Manager stated that the Council proposed to draw up a road development plan for the islands and approach Roinn na Gaeltachta for funds for it. Whatever roads were improved in this way could then be taken over by the Council.

2729 - EXTENSION OF SEWERAGE, MONIVEA ROAD, GALWAY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK

The Acting Secretary stated that tenders were being invited for the extension of the sewer to serve the two County Council housing schemes in the townland of Ballybanemore.

2730 - EASING OF BEND AT STRIPE, CUMMER - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK

The Acting Secretary stated that this bend was not considered a priority for improvement and no funds had been provided for same. There are a number of other road improvements which take precedence over this and it is not intended to consider it in 1980.

2731 - GRASS MARGINS AT ROSSCAHILL N.S. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR McCORMACK

The Acting Secretary stated that the required levelling which has been necessitated

by the pipe laying operations of the local group water supply scheme will be carried out as soon as possible.

2732 - DOON CEMETERY, EYRESCOURT - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE

The Acting Secretary stated that report would be available on this motion for the next meeting.

2733 - ROAD WORKERS - TRAVELLING TO WORK - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council endeavours to keep its regular workforce in full employment which may occasionally mean longer journeys. Cllr. Joyce mentioned a particular case and was asked to give the name to the Co. Engineer to be looked into.

2734 - SIGNPOST FOR GURTEEN, BALLINASLOE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE

The Acting Secretary stated that signs would be erected at Hanley's Cross and Killanne Cross. A sign would be erected at Dillon's Cross when it could be obtained from the suppliers.

2735 - EXTENSION OF ORANMORE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FAHEY

The Acting Secretary stated that it was intended that the proposed Oranmore water supply extension when completed will serve the Maree group scheme provided the group scheme is completed to the satisfaction of the County Council. It is not intended to extend the Oranmore scheme to the Clarinbridge water tower as such an extension is considered neither desirable nor necessary at this stage. Cllr. Fahey stated that the Clarinbridge scheme was not able to cope with the demand and suggested that the Oranmore scheme be extended to Clarinbridge. The Co. Engineer stated that when the Maree group scheme is connected to Oranmore, it would relieve the Clarinbridge scheme considerably and the position could be reviewed at that stage. Replying to Cllr. Fahey as to when the Oranmore scheme would start, the Co. Manager stated that a tender had been accepted and the Council had approved of the raising of the necessary loan earlier at the meeting.

2736 - NOTICES OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR DEMPSEY

The Chairman asked that written replies be given to Cllr. Dempsey on his motions.

2737 - CURRANDULLA GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE

The Acting Secretary stated the amount required to cover the cost of rock excavation is approximately £40,000. Contributions from the Council for rock excavation do not qualify for loan and subsidy and, therefore, a contribution is not recommended in this case and no provision has been made for same in the estimates. Cllr. Ruane stated that the Group could not possibly make up this £40,000 and requested that the Department be asked for the costings of the scheme and the high cost explained to the Group. Cllr. McCormack agreed with Cllr. Ruane saying that if the participants had to meet the full £40,000, each householder would have to contribute as much as £550 which was prohibitive. The Co. Manager stated that the Department would be asked for full details of the scheme.

Deputy Donnellan referred to the arrangement whereby a Group Water Inspector from the Department is to attend at the County Council offices on meeting days and asked if the Group Water Engineer from the Council would also be present. The Co. Engineer said that this would be arranged.

2738 - CREGMORE GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE

The Acting Secretary stated that a request was received in January, 1977 to have tests carried out on the Tubbermore source for this scheme. The results of the tests were forwarded to the Department of the Environment in December, 1978 but as yet no design for the scheme has been received.

2739 - UNAUTHORISED REFUSE DUMPING - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RUANE

The Acting Secretary stated that prosecution for unauthorised dumping offences under the Public Health or Planning Acts would require witness of the offence being committed. In the majority of cases, the Council has been unable to discover the identity of the people responsible and local residents are reluctant to give information let alone agree to act as witness. The Council agrees that the taking of action against offenders would be desirable.

2740 - V.A.T. RECOUPMENT - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION

The Acting Secretary stated that the actual V.A.T. recoupment from the Revenue Commissioners for the year 1978 was £105,382 as at the 31/12/1978 and a further balance was still due as the total claimed was £147,895. Deputy Mannion enquired how much V.A.T. would have been recoupable in 1979 and if the change would mean a cut-back in road services. The Co. Manager explained that there would be a shortfall on whatever services V.A.T. was recoupable and it was not possible to give the exact figures for 1979 but they would be similar to the previous year's.

2741 - HOUSING SCHEMES AT CLIFDEN AND ROUNDSTONE - MOTION BY DEPUTY MANNION

The Acting Secretary stated that tenders had been received for the construction of eight houses at Roundstone and eleven houses and development of private sites at Clifden. A submission had been made to the Department of the Environment and sanction is awaited. Replying to Deputy Mannion as to whether the tenders would be approved, the Asst. Co. Manager stated that a recommendation had been made to the Department and the Council was hoping that sanction would issue.

2742 - COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEES - MOTION BY CLLRS. KILGANNON AND BYRNE

This motion was not moved.

2743 - TURNABLES AT AGHALATEEVA AND OAKWOOD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY

The Acting Secretary stated that at Aghalateeva, a 50 metre length of roadway beyond the end of the public road requires to be reconstructed and tarred in order to gain access to the cross roads at which vehicles normally turn. The estimated cost of £600 is not provided for in the estimates but could merit allocation from Councillors' notice of motion monies. A more economical solution would be to construct the turntable immediately at the end of the public road and we will endeavour to acquire the necessary land in the near future.

It is also hoped to have the necessary land dedicated to public use and a turntable provided at the end of the public road at Oakwood as soon as possible.

2744 - ROAD AT KILLSALLAGH WEST - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY

The Acting Secretary stated that this work was being attended to.

2745 - KILLERORAN No. 2 GROUP SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR RAFTERY

The Acting Secretary stated that the Council proposes to install a two-inch pipe along the Killeroran road and maintain charge of same in view of the critical situation in regard to the yield of the source and the lack of storage. The work will commence later in the year.

2746 - NOTICES OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR MORGAN

The Acting Secretary stated that reports will be available on these motions for the next meeting.

2747 - TRAFFIC-LIGHTS AT MERLIN PARK - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR COOGAN

The Acting Secretary stated that a report will be available on this for the next meeting.

2748 - ROAD AT GURTEEN, BALLINASLOE - MOTION BY SENATOR KITT

The Acting Secretary stated that there was no provision in this year's estimates for this work. It would be considered with other similar roads for inclusion in next year's black-topping programme.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

P. J. Ryan CHAIRMAN

23/7/79 DATE

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

13u la Meitheamh, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú bliantúil de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae Gaillimh, ar an Deardaoin, 21u la Meitheamh, 1979, ag tosnu ag 3.30 a chlog sa tráthnóna.

Mise, le meas,

C. O DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairman.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman.
3. Return of persons elected at the local election.
4. Appointment of 6 members to the Western Health Board.
5. Appointment of 15 members to the Local Health Committee for County Galway. (3 from each electoral area).
6. Appointment of 14 members to the County Vocational Education Committee.
7. Appointment of 20 members to the County Committee of Agriculture.
8. Appointment of 3 members to the Galway Harbour Authority.
9. Appointment of 3 members to the County Council's General Council.
10. Appointment of 6 members to the Galway Mayo Regional Development Organisation.
11. Appointment of 2 members to the River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee.
12. Appointment of 2 members to the Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.
13. Appointment of 6 members to the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.
14. Appointment of 2 members to the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees.
15. Appointment of 4 members to the Fire Brigades Advisory Committee.
16. Appointment of members to the Joint Committee on Itinerancy.
17. Appointment of members to the County Libraries' Committee.
18. Appointment of members to the Higher Education Grants Committee.
19. Appointment of up to 10 members to the National Monuments Advisory Committee.
20. Appointment of members to Old Age Pensions Committees.
21. Appointment of representative to the Western Regional Tourism Organisation.

- 22. Consideration of position regarding nominee to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
- 23. Nomination of members in whose presence documents may be sealed.
- 24. Consideration of procedure for the seeking, reception and examination of tenders.
- 25. Dates and times of meetings.

Memorandum on Membership of Committees is attached.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 21ST JUNE, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: (a) Deputy M. Killilea.
(b) Councillor F. Glynn.

ALSO PRESENT: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Members:

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputy J. Callanan, Senator P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, P. J. Finnegan, E. Haverty, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, J. Joyce, M. J. Kilgannon, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J. M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, N. O'Conchubhair, P. O'Foighil, M. G. O'Higgins, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan and T. Welby.

Officials:

Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; P. Kearns, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; M. Moroney, County Accountant; F. Monahan and M. Tierney, Chief Assistant County Engineers; L. Kavanagh, Acting Chief Assistant County Engineer; W. A. Cahill, Acting Chief Assistant (Planning); R. Lee, Chief Planning Assistant; B. Callagy, Chief Assistant (Planning); K. Doyle, Acting Assistant County Manager; T. J. O'Donoghue, Law Agent; D. Barrett, P. J. McGovern, Senior Staff Officers; and T. Kavanagh, Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

Deputy M. Killilea, outgoing Chairman, took the Chair, and congratulated all members elected in the recent Election. He welcomed new Members and expressed sympathy with the former members of the Council who were not re-elected.

1 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN 1979/80:

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor Molloy seconded that Deputy Callanan be elected Chairman. Councillor Ruane proposed and Deputy Donnellan seconded that Councillor F. Glynn be elected Chairman. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR DEPUTY CALLANAN:

Councillor Bartley, Deputy Callanan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Deputy Killilea, Senator Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Welby.

(15)

FOR COUNCILLOR GLYNN:

Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.

(16)

The Chairman declared Councillor F. Glynn elected Chairman of Galway County Council for 1979/80 and invested him with the Chain of Office. Councillor Glynn expressed thanks to the Council for his election and Deputy Callanan thanked the members who voted for him.

Councillor Glynn then took the Chair.

2 - ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 1979/80:

Deputy Mannion proposed and Councillor Higgins seconded that Councillor T. Byrne be elected Vice-Chairman.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Deputy Callanan be elected Vice-Chairman. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR DEPUTY CALLANAN: Councillor Bartley, Deputy Callanan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Deputy Killilea, Senator Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Welby.
(15)

FOR COUNCILLOR BYRNE: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.
(16)

The Chairman declared Councillor Byrne elected Vice-Chairman.

3 - RETURN OF PERSONS ELECTED AT THE LOCAL ELECTION:

The County Manager stated that the return of persons elected to Galway County Council at the Local Elections had already been circulated to Members together with statement setting out details of the various Counts in the five Electoral Areas.

The Council noted the reports in question.

4 - APPOINTMENT OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE WESTERN HEALTH BOARD:

The County Secretary explained the procedure for election of members of the Council to be appointed members of the Western Health Board in accordance with Rule 2 of the Second Schedule to the Health Act, 1970, and stated that a roll call would then be taken to determine the number of members present at the making of these appointments. A roll call was then taken of the members present and was as follows:

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputy J. Callanan, Senator P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors M. Fahy, P. J. Finnegan, F. Flynn, E. Haverty, M. D. Higgins, B. Holland, J. Joyce, M. J. Kilgannon, Deputy M. Killilea, Senator M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Deputy J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, N. O'Conchubhair, P. O'Foighil, M. G. O'Higgins, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.
(30)

The Secretary then stated that as 30 members were present, any five members could form a group and each group would be entitled to nominate a member of the Western Health Board.

Replying to Deputy Killilea, the Chairman stated that on the advice of the officials of the Council present, he was ruling that a member who was not present at the taking of the roll call could not participate in the formation of a group.

Deputy Killilea stated that he was disagreeing with this ruling of the Chairman and he asked that legal opinion be obtained on it.

Mr. O'Donoghue, Law Agent, then stated that he agreed with the ruling which had already been given by the Chairman.

Nominations from two groups as follows were then handed to the Chairman:-

(a) Group consisting of the following Councillors:

T. Welby, M. Fahy, J. Molloy, G. Bartley and T. Murphy, nominating Councillor J. Molloy to be a member of the Western Health Board.

(b) Group consisting of the following Members -

James Joyce, Deputy J. Callanan, E. Haverty, Senator M. P. Kitt, and Deputy M. Killilea, nominating Councillor E. Haverty as a member of the Western Health Board.

The Chairman ruled that those two nominations were valid and he, accordingly, declared Councillor J. Molloy and Councillor E. Haverty elected to be members of the Western Health Board.

A further nomination from the following members was also handed to the Chairman -

M. O'Higgins, N. O'Conchubhair, P. J. Finnegan, M. O'Morain, and F. Fahey,

nominating Councillor M. O'Morain to be a member of the Western Health Board.

The Chairman stated that this nomination was invalid as it included the name of Councillor Frank Fahey who had not been recorded as present when the roll call was taken.

The Chairman then asked for nominations for the remaining four vacancies on the Western Health Board. Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Ryan seconded that Councillor F. Coogan be appointed. Senator Kitt proposed and Deputy Killilea seconded that Councillor M. O'Morain be appointed. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN: Councillors Finnegan, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain.
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FOR COUNCILLOR COOGAN: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.
(16)

The Chairman declared Councillor Coogan appointed to the third vacancy.

FOURTH VACANCY

Councillor McCormack proposed and Deputy Donnellan seconded that Councillor U. Burke be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Deputy Callanan seconded that Councillor O'Morain be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR U. BURKE: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.

(16)

FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN: Councillors Finnegan, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain.

(4)

The Chairman declared Councillor Ulick Burke appointed.

FIFTH VACANCY

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Ryan seconded that Councillor Higgins be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor Joyce seconded that Councillor O'Morain be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR HIGGINS: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors F. Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.

(16)

FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN: Councillors Finnegan, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain.

(4)

The Chairman declared Councillor Higgins appointed.

SIXTH VACANCY

Deputy Mannion proposed and Councillor McCormack seconded that Councillor Joe Burke be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor Joyce seconded that Councillor O'Morain be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Byrne, Senator Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn, Higgins, Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Deputy Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, Ryan.

(16)

FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN: Councillors Finnegan, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain.

(4)

The Chairman declared Councillor Joe Burke appointed.

Deputy Killilea stated that his party does not recognise the filling of the last vacancy and he asked that this be recorded in the Minutes, and the Chairman agreed that it be recorded.

5 - APPOINTMENT OF 15 MEMBERS TO THE LOCAL HEALTH COMMITTEE FOR COUNTY GALWAY (3 from each Electoral Area):

CONNEMARA AREA:

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Councillor Joyce that Councillor G. Bartley be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Connaughton and seconded by Councillor Joe Burke that Deputy J. Mannion be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt and seconded by Councillor Joyce that Councillor O'Morain be appointed.

As there were no other proposals, the Chairman declared Councillor Bartley, Deputy Mannion and Councillor O'Morain appointed to the Committee to represent the Connemara Area.

BALLINASLOE AREA:

On the proposition of Councillor Joyce, seconded by Councillor O'Morain, Senator Kitt was appointed to the Committee.

On the proposition of Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke, Councillor Kilgannon was appointed to the Committee.

For the third vacancy in the Ballinasloe Area, Councillor Byrne proposed and Councillor Ryan seconded that Councillor J. Brennan be appointed. For this vacancy also, Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor Joyce seconded that Deputy Callanan be appointed. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR BRENNAN: 16

FOR DEPUTY CALLANAN: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor Brennan appointed to the Committee to fill the third vacancy in the Ballinasloe Area.

GALWAY AREA:

First Vacancy: It was proposed by Councillor Higgins, seconded by Deputy Donnellan that Councillor O'Foighil be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Joyce that Councillor Welby be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL: 16

FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Foighil appointed to the first vacancy.

Second Vacancy: On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Councillor Molloy, Councillor T. Welby was appointed to the second vacancy.

Third Vacancy: Councillor U. Burke proposed and Senator Connaughton seconded that Councillor Coogan be appointed to fill the third vacancy.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor Molloy be appointed to fill the third vacancy.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR COOGAN: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR MOLLOY: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor Coogan appointed to fill the third vacancy.

LOUGHREA AREA:

First Vacancy: On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain, Councillor Michael Fahy was appointed to fill the first vacancy.

Second Vacancy: Deputy Donnellan proposed and Deputy Mannion seconded that Councillor U. Burke be appointed.

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Councillor T. Murphy be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR U. BURKE 16
FOR COUNCILLOR MURPHY 15

The Chairman declared Councillor U. Burke appointed to fill the second vacancy.

Third Vacancy: It was proposed by Senator Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Joe Burke that Councillor T. Byrne be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain that Councillor T. Murphy be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR BYRNE: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR MURPHY: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor T. Byrne appointed to the third vacancy.

TUAM AREA:

First Vacancy: On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt, Councillor Patrick J. Finnegan was appointed to the first vacancy.

Second Vacancy: On the proposal of Senator Connaughton, seconded by Councillor U. Burke, Councillor Ryan was appointed to fill the second vacancy.

Third Vacancy: On the proposal of Councillor Kilgannon, seconded by Senator Connaughton, Councillor Joe Burke was appointed to fill the third vacancy.

6 - APPOINTMENT OF 14 MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY GALWAY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

First Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Kitt and seconded by Councillor O'Morain that Councillor J. Joyce be appointed.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor McCormack that Councillor Holland be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15
FOR COUNCILLOR HOLLAND: 16

① The Chairman declared Councillor Holland appointed.

Second Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Kitt and seconded by Councillor O'Morain that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor U. Burke that Councillor Glynn be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15
FOR COUNCILLOR GLYNN: 16

② The Chairman declared Councillor Glynn appointed.

Third Vacancy

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke that Councillor Brennan be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR BRENNAN: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15

③ The Chairman declared Councillor Brennan appointed.

Fourth Vacancy

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Senator Kitt that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Connaughton and seconded by Councillor U. Burke that Councillor O'Foighil be appointed. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows.

FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15
FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL: 16

④ The Chairman declared Councillor O'Foighil appointed.

Fifth Vacancy

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Senator Connaughton that Councillor Byrne be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt, seconded by Deputy Callanan that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

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FOR COUNCILLOR BYRNE: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15

⑤ The Chairman declared Councillor Byrne appointed.

Sixth Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Councillor Ryan that Councillor U. Burke be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Senator Kitt that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR U. BURKE: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15

⑥ The Chairman declared Councillor U. Burke appointed.

Seventh Vacancy

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Councillor U. Burke that Councillor Kilgannon be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Senator Kitt that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR KILGANNON: 16
FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 15

⑦ The Chairman declared Councillor Kilgannon appointed.

Eighth Vacancy

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Senator Kitt that Councillor Joyce be appointed.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Deputy Mannion that Councillor Joe Burke be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR JOYCE: 17
FOR COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE: 14

⑧ The Chairman declared Councillor Joyce appointed.

Ninth Vacancy

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ruane, Rev. Bro. Hyacinth Kennedy, O.F.M., Clifden, was appointed to the Committee.

Tenth Vacancy

Councillor Higgins proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that Mr. Niall Kelly, Upper Newcastle, Galway, be appointed.

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that An t-Uasal Padraig O Griallais, Gairifeann, Rosmuc, Co. na Gaillimhe, be appointed.

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A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. KELLY: 16 :: FOR MR. O GRIALLAIS: 14

The Chairman declared Mr. Niall Kelly appointed.

Eleventh Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Higgins, Mr. Paddy Haverty, Craughwell, was appointed.

Twelfth Vacancy

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Deputy Killilea that Mr. Padraig O Griallais, Gairifeann, Rosmuc, be appointed.

It was proposed by Deputy Mannion, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, that Mr. Hugh Griffin, Clifden Community School, Clifden, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. O'GRIALLAIS: 15 :: FOR MR. GRIFFIN: 16

The Chairman declared Mr. Hugh Griffin appointed.

Thirteenth Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Connaughton and seconded by Deputy Donnellan that Mr. Brian Hynes, N.T., Dunmore, be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt that Mr. Padraig O'Griallais be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. HYNES: 16 :: FOR MR. O'GRIALLAIS: 15

The Chairman declared Mr. Brian Hynes appointed.

Fourteenth Vacancy

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, and seconded by Councillor Kilgannon that Mr. Patrick T. Galvin, Bridge Street, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain, and seconded by Senator Kitt that Mr. Padraig O'Griallais be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. GALVIN: 16 :: FOR MR. O'GRIALLAIS: 14

The Chairman declared Mr. Patrick T. Galvin appointed.

7 - APPOINTMENT OF 20 MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE:

First Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor Coogan, seconded by Senator Kitt, Deputy J. Callanan was appointed to the Committee.

Second Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor Holland, Councillor P. Ruane was appointed.

Third Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt, Councillor J. Molloy was appointed.

Fourth Vacancy

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Mr. Michael Walsh, Ardaun, Clonbur, be appointed.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Councillor Byrne that Deputy J. Mannion be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. WALSH: 14 :: FOR DEPUTY MANNION: 16

The Chairman declared Deputy Mannion appointed.

Fifth Vacancy

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Michael Fahy, Councillor E. Haverty was appointed.

Sixth Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor McCormack, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, Senator P. Connaughton was appointed.

Seventh Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Senator Kitt, Mr. Frank Mullarkey, Milltown, was appointed.

Eighth Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Byrne, Councillor Michael Ryan was appointed.

Ninth Vacancy

Deputy Killilea proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Councillor P. Finnegan be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Senator Connaughton seconded that Councillor P. McCormack be appointed. A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR McCORMACK: 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN: 14

The Chairman declared Councillor McCormack appointed.

Tenth Vacancy

Councillor Higgins Proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that Dr. Michael Cuddy, University College, Galway, be appointed.

Deputy Killilea proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Councillor P. Finnegan be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR DR. CUDDY: 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN: 15

The Chairman declared Dr. Michael Cuddy appointed.

Eleventh Vacancy

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor P. J. Finnegan be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Joe Burke seconded that Councillor Kilgannon be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN: 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR KILGANNON: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor Finnegan appointed.

Twelfth Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Killilea, Mrs. Ann Greaney, Rinnaknock, Ower, was appointed.

At this stage the Chairman announced that a letter had been received from the National Land League asking for representation on the Galway County Committee of Agriculture, and requesting that Mr. Martin Greaney, Crannagh, Gort, be appointed its representative. The letter was noted.

Thirteenth Vacancy

Councillor Ryan proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that one vacancy on the County Committee of Agriculture be reserved for the I.F.A. who would nominate a representative within the next few days. Since the Council was obliged to make the appointment on that day, the Chairman stated that he would accept the nomination in his name in trust for the I.F.A. and would resign in favour of a nominee of the I.F.A. when that organisation had decided who its nominee would be.

On the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Ulick Burke, the Chairman was accordingly appointed to this vacancy.

Fourteenth Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor U. Burke, seconded by Senator Connaughton, Mr. Oliver Robinson, Lime Hill, Newtowndaly, Loughrea, was appointed.

Fifteenth Vacancy

Deputy Killilea proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Mr. Michael Gilhooley, Cossane, Athenry, be appointed.

Deputy Mannion proposed and Councillor McCormack seconded that Mr. John O'Malley, Bealadangan, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. GILHOOLEY: 17 :: FOR MR. O'MALLEY: 14

The Chairman declared Mr. Michael Gilhooley appointed.

Sixteenth Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor U. Burke, seconded by Councillor Ryan, Deputy J. Donnellan was appointed.

Seventeenth Vacancy

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Councillor Kitt seconded that Councillor Tony Murphy be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that Mr. John Donnelly, Abbey, Loughrea, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR MURPHY: 16 :: FOR MR. DONNELLY: 15

The Chairman declared Councillor Murphy appointed.

Eighteenth Vacancy

Councillor O'Morain proposed and Senator Kitt seconded that Councillor Welby be appointed.

Deputy Mannion proposed and Deputy Donnellan seconded that Mr. John O'Malley, Bealadangan, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: 15 :: FOR MR. O'MALLEY: 16

The Chairman declared Mr. John O'Malley appointed.

Nineteenth Vacancy

Councillor U. Burke proposed and Senator Connaughton seconded that Mr. John Donnelly, Abbey, Loughrea, be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor Welby be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. DONNELLY: 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: 15

The Chairman declared Mr. John Donnelly appointed.

Twentieth Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Brennan that Bro. Anthony Dolan, Agricultural College, Mountbellew, be appointed.

Other proposals made were withdrawn in favour of Bro. Dolan.

The Chairman then declared Bro. Anthony Dolan, appointed.

8 - APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS TO GALWAY HARBOUR AUTHORITY:

The Secretary stated that an order had previously been made by the appropriate Minister to the effect that appointments to Harbour Authorities would have to be made on some date between the 7th July and the 31st August in each year, and it was accordingly agreed that the appointment of nominees to the Galway Harbour Authority would be adjourned to the July Meeting.

THE MEETING THEN (6.30 p.m.) ADJOURNED TO 7.45 p.m.

9 - APPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:

First Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion, Councillor P. McCormack was appointed.

Second Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt, Councillor J. Molloy was appointed.

Third Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Senator Connaughton, Councillor M. Ryan was appointed.

10 - APPOINTMENT OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE GALWAY/MAYO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION:

The Secretary stated that under the Constitution of the Galway/Mayo Regional Development Organisation, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Galway County Council are ex-officio members of this organisation.

The Chairman then declared the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council (Councillors F. Glynn and T. Byrne) to be members of this organisation.

Third Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke, Councillor M. D. Higgins was appointed.

Fourth Vacancy

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Joyce, Councillor M. O'Morain was appointed.

Fifth Vacancy

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Ryan seconded that Deputy J. Mannion be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor F. Fahey be appointed.

Councillor Fahey withdrew his nomination for this vacancy.

The Chairman then declared Deputy J. Mannion appointed.

Sixth Vacancy

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor F. Fahey be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor McCormack seconded that Councillor P. O'Foighil be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR FAHEY: 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL: 14

The Chairman declared Councillor F. Fahey appointed.

11 - APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE RIVER FERGUS JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE:

First Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Higgins, Councillor T. Byrne was appointed.

Second Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt, Councillor E. Haverty was appointed.

12 - APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE LOUGH MASK AND RIVER ROBE JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE:

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke, Deputy Mannion was appointed to the first vacancy.

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain, Councillor Welby was appointed to the second vacancy.

13 - APPOINTMENT OF SIX MEMBERS TO THE RIVER SUCK JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE:

The following persons were appointed unanimously.

First Vacancy

SENATOR P. CONNAUGHTON - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion.

Second Vacancy

MR. MICHAEL MULLINS, Woodlawn, Ballinasloe. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion.

Third Vacancy

DEPUTY J. CALLANAN - On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Councillor Coogan.

Fourth Vacancy

MR. MICHAEL HURLEY, Glinsk, Ballymoe. - On the proposition of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Higgins.

Fifth Vacancy

SENATOR M.P. KITT - On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Councillor Joyce.

Sixth Vacancy

COUNCILLOR M. RYAN - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor McCormack.

14 - APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS TO THE LOUGH CORRIB NAVIGATION TRUSTEES:

The following persons were appointed unanimously.

COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Senator Kitt.

MR. NICHOLAS BYRNE, Clare, Oughterard. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion.

15 - APPOINTMENT OF FOUR MEMBERS TO THE FIRE BRIGADES ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

First Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor O'Foighil, Councillor F. Coogan was appointed.

Second Vacancy

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Joyce, Councillor G. Bartley was appointed.

Third Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke, Councillor M. J. Kilgannon was appointed.

Fourth Vacancy

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor F. Fahey be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor Joe Burke seconded that Deputy J. Mannion be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR F. FAHEY - 15 :: FOR DEPUTY MANNION - 16

The Chairman declared Deputy Mannion appointed.

16 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ITINERANCY:

A discussion took place as to whether the constitution of this Committee should be changed.

The County Manager suggested that the Council might like to consider appointing three persons from each Electoral Area two of whom might be Councillors, and that Galway Corporation and Ballinasloe Urban Council might consider something similar in relation to their own areas.

Deputy Killilea proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that the Committee should consist of two Councillors and two other persons involved in the settlement of itinerants from each area.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the matter would be adjourned to the next meeting.

17 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY LIBRARIES' COMMITTEE:

The following persons were unanimously appointed to the first 15 vacancies:

MR. JOSEPH MURRAY, Shantalla, Galway. - On the proposition of Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor U. Burke.

MR. TOM CREAVEN, Tuam, Co. Galway. - On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Senator Kitt.

MR. JARLATH BURKE, Tuam Herald, Tuam. - On the proposition of Councillor Holland, seconded by Deputy Killilea.

MR. AMBROSE DALTON, Assistant Librarian, U.C.G. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Mannion.

MR. FINTAN COOGAN, JNR., 5, New Road, Galway. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Byrne.

MR. SEAMUS DAVOREN, Tuam, Co. Galway. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Glynn.

MR. PATRICK HYNES, Loughrea. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Ruane.

MR. LIAM McCANNA, Spiddal, Co. Galway. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor McCormack.

MR. CHRISTOPHER TOWNLEY, Librarian, U.C.G. - On the proposition of Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor Holland.

MR. PETER RAFTERY, Ballygar, Co. Galway. - On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor Joyce.

Ms. MARGARET STEWART, 17 Lr. Newcastle, Galway. - On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Coogan.

MR. BARTLEY FAHERTY, Barna, Co. Galway. - On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain.

MR. COLMAN HERNON, -
Aran.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan,
seconded by Councillor Ruane.

Ms. MARY BURKE, -
Kiltarnan, Dunmore.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan,
seconded by Councillor Ryan.

MRS. MAURA CROFFY, -
Ballinasloe.

On the proposition of Senator Kitt,
seconded by Councillor O'Morain.

Sixteenth Vacancy

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor O'Foighil seconded that
Councillor Joe Brennan be appointed.

Councillor Molloy proposed and Deputy Killilea seconded that Councillor
P. J. Finnegan be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR BRENNAN - 15 :: FOR COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN - 15

As the votes were equal, the Chairman gave his casting vote in favour
of Councillor Brennan and declared him appointed.

Seventeenth Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke,
Mr. James Greaney, Dunmore, was appointed.

Eighteenth Vacancy

It was proposed by Senator Kitt and seconded by Councillor O'Morain
that Mr. Mairtin O Cathain, Glinsk, Cashel, be appointed.

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Deputy Mannion
that Mr. Tom Burke, Clifden, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. O CATHAIN - 15 :: FOR MR. BURKE - 16

The Chairman declared Mr. Burke appointed.

Nineteenth Vacancy

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Councillor
McCormack that Councillor P. O'Foighil be appointed.

It was proposed by Senator Kitt and seconded by Councillor O'Morain
that Mr. Sean Fahy, Killimor, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL - 16 :: FOR MR. FAHY - 15

The Chairman declared Councillor P. O'Foighil appointed.

Twentieth Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor U. Burke,
Deputy J. M. Mannion was appointed.

Twenty-First Vacancy

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Mr. Michael
Hogan, Caltra, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that
Councillor M. J. Kilgannon be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. HOGAN - 15 :: FOR COUNCILLOR KILGANNON - 16

The Chairman declared Councillor Kilgannon appointed.

Twenty-Second Vacancy

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Deputy Killilea,
Mr. Joseph Burke, Headmaster, Vocational School, Tuam, was appointed.

Twenty-Third Vacancy

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Mr. Patsy
Geraghty, St. Michael's Square, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Senator Connaughton seconded that Mr.
John Joe Crehan, Newbridge, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. GERAGHTY - 15 :: FOR MR. CREHAN - 16

The Chairman declared Mr. Crehan appointed.

Twenty-Fourth Vacancy

On the proposition of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor T.
Murphy, Mr. Luke Glynn, Athenry, was appointed.

Twenty-Fifth Vacancy

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Councillor U. Burke seconded that
Mr. Francis Donoghue, Coolfin, Abbey, Loughrea, be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Mr. Patsy
Geraghty, St. Michael's Square, Ballinasloe, be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR MR. DONOGHUE - 16 FOR MR. GERAGHTY - 15

The Chairman declared Mr. Donoghue appointed.

At this stage following a vote, it was decided that the Committee
should consist of 37 members for the coming year. At this stage,
the Council unanimously agreed that the following members of the
Council be appointed to the Committee:-

Senator Kitt, Councillor Ryan, Councillor Haverty,
Councillor Finnegan, Councillor
Michael Fahy, Councillor Walby and Councillor Frank
Fahy. (7)

Thus bringing the total membership filled at this point to 32.

Thirty-Third, Thirty-Fourth and Thirty-Fifth Vacancies

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Senator Connaughton,
the following three persons were unanimously appointed.

Mr. Martin Lynch, The Square, Athenry.
Mrs. Melody, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe.
Mr. Padraic Conneely, 5 Upper Newcastle, Galway.

Thirty-Sixth and Thirty-Seventh Vacancies

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain, the following were appointed to fill those vacancies:

Mr. Mairtin O Cathain, Glinsk, Cashel.
Mr. Sean Fahy, Killimor, Ballinasloe.

18 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS COMMITTEE:

It was agreed that the Council would, in the first instance, decide how many should be on this Committee before accepting any proposals.

The County Manager stated that he considered that the previous committee consisting of 32 persons was too large, and he suggested that 20 might be sufficient.

On a show of hands, it was agreed on the proposition of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Murphy that the Committee should consist of five representatives from each area.

Ballinasloe Area

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Senator Connaughton, the following were appointed to fill the first three vacancies in the Ballinasloe Electoral Area:

Councillor Joe Brennan
Councillor M. J. Kilgannon
The President, St. Joseph's College, Garbally, Ballinasloe.

On the proposition of Senator Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Morain, the following were appointed to fill the fourth and fifth vacancies in the Ballinasloe Electoral Area:

Mr. Michael Hogan, Caltra, Ballinasloe.
Mr. P. Conneely, Principal, Vocational School, Ballinasloe.

Connemara Area

The following were unanimously appointed:

The Headmaster, Community School, Clifden.
Mr. Tom Connolly, Clifden.
The Headmaster, Community School, Carna.
Mr. Joseph Flynn, Community School, Clifden.
Mr. Micheal O Flatharta, Carraroe.

Galway Area

The following were unanimously appointed:

Mrs. B. Whoriskey, Devon Park, Galway.
Mr. Sean Donnellan, Dovepark, Moycullen.
Mr. Fintan A. Coogan, Jnr., 5, New Road, Galway.
Sr. Brigid, Secondary School, Oughterard.
Mr. Danny Howley, 58 Glenard Crescent, Salthill, Galway.

Loughrea Area

The following were unanimously appointed:

The President, Diocesan College, Gort.
Councillor U. Burke, Eagle Hill, Abbey, Loughrea.
The Principal, Seamount College, Kinvara
Mr. S. Cullinane, Principal, Vocational School, Athenry.
Councillor E. Haverty, Lissaniska, Killimor, Ballinasloe.

Tuam Electoral Area

The following were unanimously appointed:

The Rev. Mother, Presentation Convent, Tuam.
President, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam.
Headmaster, Vocational School, Tuam.
Rev. Mother, Mercy Convent, Tuam.
Sr. Nualla, Presentation Convent, Headford.

19 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

(a) Full Members

It was unanimously agreed that the following would be full members of the committee:

Rev. P. K. Egan, P.P. Portumna.
Very Rev. G. Canon Quinn, P.P. Gort.
Mr. Martin Joyce, N.T., Aughrim, Ballinasloe.
Dr. A. Claffey, Christian Brothers School, Tuam.
Mr. D. J. Murphy, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam.
Prof. Etienne Rynne, U.C.G.
Rev. Martin Coen, C.C., Craughwell.
Mr. Hubert Bermingham, Dunmore.
Mr. M. J. Molloy, Milltown.
Mr. James Joyce, Co.C., Lawrencetown, Ballinasloe.

(b) Honorary Members

An tAthar E. MacFhinn, Na h-Aille Thoir, Indreabhan.
Mr. Norman Morgan, Co.C., Bride Street, Loughrea.
Mr. Garry O'Lochlainn, 63 Cruachan Park, Galway.
Mr. Mike Kelly, Church View, Tuam.

20 - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES:

It was unanimously agreed that all members of out-going sub-committees would be re-appointed, and that any members of the Council could submit proposals from time to time to fill any vacancies which may exist in any of the sub-committees.

21 - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO WESTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION:

Deputy Donnellan proposed and Deputy Mannion seconded that Councillor Holland be appointed.

Senator Kitt proposed and Councillor Joyce seconded that Councillor O'Morain be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR HOLLAND - 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN - 14

The Chairman declared Councillor Holland appointed.

22 - CONSIDERATION OF POSITION REGARDING NOMINEE TO THE IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED:

It was proposed by Councillor U. Burke and seconded by Deputy Donnellan that Councillor P. O'Foighil be appointed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Senator Kitt that Councillor G. Bartley be appointed.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL - 16 :: FOR COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN - 15

The Chairman declared Councillor P. O'Foighil appointed.

23 - NOMINATION OF MEMBERS IN WHOSE PRESENCE DOCUMENTS CAN BE SEALED:

It was unanimously agreed that documents may be sealed in the presence of any member of the Council.

24 - PROCEDURE FOR THE SEEKING, RECEPTION AND EXAMINATION OF TENDERS:

The County Manager stated that the procedure decided in 1974 was that Tenders would be opened in the presence of a member of the Council and the County Manager or an official authorised by him. He stated that there was occasionally some difficulty in getting a member and that a member of the Council had sometimes to be asked to call specially to the office to witness the opening of Tenders.

It was proposed by Councillor Higgins and seconded by Councillor Brennan that this arrangement be revoked, and that in future, a member need not be present while Tenders are being opened. This was agreed by the Council.

25 - DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS:

The Council agreed that its monthly meeting will continue to be held on the fourth Monday at 3.30 p.m.

The County Manager stated that there was very little business for the Monthly Meeting which would normally be held on Monday, 25th instant, and he suggested that the business which would come up at this meeting could be deferred to the July Meeting. The Council agreed that no meeting would be held on the 25th instant.

It was agreed to hold the following Committee Meetings:

Sheep Dipping Committee on Monday, 25th June, 1979, at 4.00 p.m.

Higher Education Grants Committee on Monday, 2nd July, 1979, at 4.00 p.m.

26 - GAELTACHT COMMITTEE:

Replying to a query by Councillor Kilgannon, Councillor O'Morain stated that difficulties had been experienced in getting a venue for holding Gaeltacht Meetings and that part of the difficulty arose from the fact that the Council imposed an obligation on the Committee to meet in a Gaeltacht area where accommodation is often difficult to obtain for meetings.

It was agreed that the question of appointment of a Gaeltacht Committee would be considered at the July Meeting.

27 - APPOINTMENT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE:

It was agreed that the following would be appointed to this Committee:

Mr. John Callanan, T.D., Co.C., Callow, Kilconnell.
Mr. Hugh Melvin, Ganty, Craughwell.
Mr. T. Welby, Co.C., Oughterard.
Mr. Michael Ryan, Co.C., Moate, Moylough.
Mr. Patrick Ruane, Co.C., Carnmore, Oranmore.
Mr. Joseph Higgins, Castlelambert, Athenry.
Mr. Frank Glynn, Co.C., Cartron, Milltown, Tuam.
Mr. John O'Connor, Kinturla, Kinvara.

28 - NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS:

It was agreed that this matter would be on the Agenda for the July Meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

P. F. Glynn CHAIRMAN.

23/7/79 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

OIFIG AN RUNAI,
ARAS AN CHONTAE,
GAILLIMH.

16u IUIL, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

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C. O'DUBHGHAILL,
RUNAI.

A G E N D A

I. RESOLUTIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955:

(A) "IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSE THAT THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL DIRECT THE COUNTY MANAGER TO GRANT PERMISSION TO WILLIAM FLAHERTY TO ERECT A DWELLINGHOUSE AT CLAREGALWAY. - PLANNING REFERENCE No. 31925."

P. DEMPSEY. G. BARTLEY. JOHN MOLLOY.

(B) "THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL REQUIRE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECIDE TO GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION FOR THE ERECTION OF A DWELLINGHOUSE AT AILLE FOR JOHN HANLY, c/o P. HANLY, 7, GREENFIELDS, NEWCASTLE, GALWAY. - PLANNING REFERENCE No. 31736."

THOMAS WELBY. JOHN MOLLOY. G. BARTLEY.

(C) "THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL REQUIRE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECIDE TO GRANT PERMISSION TO PADRAIC O CEIDIGH OF CRIMINAGH, LETTERMORE, Co. GALWAY, FOR DWELLINGHOUSE AT CRIMINAGH. - PLANNING REFERENCE NUMBER 31801."

JOHN M. MANNION. MICHEAL O FLATHARTA. P. MCCORMACK.

(D) "IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSE THAT THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL DIRECT THE COUNTY MANAGER TO GRANT PERMISSION TO WILLIAM HIGGINS TO ERECT TWO PRIVATE DWELLING HOUSES AT PALMERSTOWN. - PLANNING REFERENCE NUMBER 32092."

P. DEMPSEY. P. MCCORMACK. MICHAEL RYAN.

(E) "THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL REQUIRE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECIDE TO GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION TO MISS BARBARA FAHERTY OF KILROE WEST, INVERIN, CO. GALWAY FOR A NEW DWELLINGHOUSE AT KILROE WEST, INVERIN. - PLANNING REFERENCE NUMBER 32287."

THOMAS WELBY. JOHN MOLLOY. G. BARTLEY.

(F) "IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSE THAT THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL REQUIRE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECIDE TO GRANT PERMISSION TO PETER LEE FOR THE ERECTION OF A DWELLINGHOUSE AT DOON EAST, ROSCAHILL. - PLANNING REFERENCE No. 32282."

THOMAS WELBY. JOHN MOLLOY. G. BARTLEY.

(G) "IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPOSE THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL REQUIRE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DECIDE TO GRANT PERMISSION TO MATTIE SULLIVAN FOR THE ERECTION OF A DWELLINGHOUSE AT RINNEEN, MOYCULLEN. - PLANNING REFERENCE No. 32249."

THOMAS WELBY. JOHN M. MANNION. G. BARTLEY.

2. MINUTES.
3. MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES - LIST HEREWITH.
4. APPOINTMENT OF THREE REPRESENTATIVES ON GALWAY HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS - MINUTE No. 8 OF ANNUAL MEETING OF 21ST JUNE, 1979.
5. GAELTACHT COMMITTEE - MINUTE No. 26 OF ANNUAL MEETING OF 21ST JUNE, 1979.
6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE(S) ON ITINERANCY - MINUTE No. 16 OF ANNUAL MEETING OF 21ST JUNE, 1979.
7. NOTICE OF MOTION FUNDS - MINUTE No. 28 OF ANNUAL MEETING OF 21ST JUNE, 1979, AND COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT OF 25TH JUNE, 1979.
8. HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME, 1979, - DRAFT SCHEME AND MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2ND JULY, 1979, HEREWITH.
9. FILLING OF VACANCY ON COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE FOLLOWING RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN.
10. SALE OF 2 ACRES OF LAND AT PARKMORE, TUAM, TO THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, TUAM. - NOTICE DATED 12TH JULY, 1979.
11. RAISING OF LOAN OF £40,000 FOR ADAPTATION OF GALWAY CITY BRANCH LIBRARY.
12. SALE OF HOUSING SITES AT ATHENRY, CLARINBRIDGE AND PORTUMNA. - NOTICES DATED 10TH JULY, 1979.
13. ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL. - NOTICES OF MOTION TO BE FORWARDED BY 16TH AUGUST, 1979.
14. ISLANDS RIVER DRAINAGE SCHEME - REQUEST FROM ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL FOR RECEPTION BY GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL OF A DEPUTATION OF MEMBERS FOR THE CASTLEREA ELECTORAL AREA.
15. REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25TH JUNE, 1979.

16. RAISING OF LOAN OF £32,200 TO FINANCE THE COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF INCREASED PIPE SIZES FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES:-

	£28,100	
CLYBAUN GROUP SCHEME	-	£2,100
DERRYGIMLA/BALLYCONNELY GROUP SCHEME	-	£2,000
PORTUMNA No. 1 (ST. JOSEPH'S ROAD) GROUP SCHEME	-	£2,000

17. PUBLIC LIGHTING PROGRAMME, 1979.
18. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES, 1979.
19. DOON CEMETERY - PROVISION OF TURNSTILE - MINUTE No. 2732 OF MEETING OF 28TH MAY, 1979.
20. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

21. COUNCILLOR FINTAN COOGAN - I WILL PROPOSE:
THAT TRAFFIC LIGHTS BE ERECTED AT MERLIN PARK GATE.
22. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I WILL PROPOSE:
WHAT IS THE PRESENT POSITION REGARDING THE EXTENSION TO MOYCULLEN BURIAL GROUND? HAS ANY PROGRESS BEEN MADE IN ACQUIRING LAND?
23. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY - I WILL PROPOSE:
 - (A) THAT A PRAGMATIC APPROACH BE TAKEN TO THE PROVISION OF SERVICED LAND FOR HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND A PROGRAMME DEVELOPED TO INFORM PEOPLE OF THE ADVANTAGES OF CONSTRUCTING THEIR OWN HOMES WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF COUNTY COUNCIL LOANS ON THE SITES MADE AVAILABLE.
 - (B) THAT APPLICATIONS FOR COUNTY COUNCIL LOANS BE ACCEPTED FROM SINGLE PEOPLE AND ALSO FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE.
24. COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I WILL PROPOSE:
 - (A) THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL ARRANGE WITH THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION FOR THE PROPER REPAIR AND SUBSEQUENT TAKING OVER BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE ROAD TO MICK REYNOLD'S HOUSE IN FEAGHMORE, EYRECOURT.
 - (B) THAT THE ROAD TO PAT JOE MITCHELL'S AND PATRICK KENNEDY'S HOUSES IN REASKMORE, EYRECOURT, BE REPAIRED.
 - (C) THAT A SMALL HOUSE BE ERECTED FOR PATRICK BYRNE, REASKMORE, EYRECOURT.
25. COUNCILLOR PADRAIC MCCORMACK - I WILL PROPOSE:
 - (A) THAT THE COUNCIL TAKE STEPS TO IMPROVE VIEW ON TO THE ROAD SHOULDER WHERE THE CAHERVOOLEY SIDE ROAD JOINS THE GALWAY/TUAM ROAD AT CUMMER.
 - (B) THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL IMPROVE THE VIEW AT CARRAUN CROSS, CLAREGALWAY, WHERE THE CREGMORE/TUAM ROAD CROSSES THE GALWAY/MOUNTBELLEW ROAD.
 - (C) THAT THE COUNCIL REMOVE BANKS AND IMPROVE THE GRANGE ROAD, CLAREGALWAY, FROM TOM KAVANAGH'S HOUSE FOR A DISTANCE OF 500 YARDS TO MELIA'S GATE.

26. DEPUTY MARK KILLILEA - I WILL ASK:

WOULD THE COUNTY COUNCIL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO FINALISE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE I.D.A. FOR A PORTION OF GROUND FOR A SMALL INDUSTRY SITE FOR TUAM.

27. COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I WILL ASK:

(A) WHAT IS THE PRESENT POSITION REGARDING THE MID-GALWAY REGIONAL WATER SCHEME WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE GROUP SCHEME FOR THE GREATER MONIVEA AREA ORGANISED BY REV. FR. SAMMON, C.C., RYEHILL.

(B) THAT IMPROVEMENTS BE CARRIED OUT AT THE JUNCTION OF THE COLEMANSTOWN/GALWAY ROAD AT GARBALLY CASTLE TO IMPROVE SIGHT DISTANCE.

(C) THAT ROADS BROUGHT UP TO STANDARD UNDER L.I.S. IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES QUALIFY FOR TAKING OVER AS PUBLIC ROADS.

28. AN COMHAIRLEOIR P. O'FOIGHIL

IARANN AN CRUINNIU SEO AR AN GCOMHAIRLE CONTAE GLACADH LEIS AN BPRIONSABAIL GO GCUIRFI CORAS AISTRIUCHAN DIREACH O GHAEILGE GO BEARLA AR FAIL I SEOMRA CRUINNITHE AN CHONTAE AGUS TUGANN AN CRUINNIU SEO TREOIR DON BHAINISTEOIR CONTAE GACH EOLAS FAOI CHOSTAS, RIARADH AGUS GNÍOMHU CORAS DEN CHINEAL SEO A BHEITH BAILITHE AGUS REITITHE LE CUR OS COMHAIR AN CHEAD CHRUINNIU EILE DEN CHOISTE SEO.

29. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I WILL PROPOSE:

(A) THAT A WIRE FENCE BE PLACED AROUND THE DUMP AT BALLINDOOLEY TO PREVENT PAPERS FLYING AROUND THE FARMERS LAND THERE, AND ALSO TO APPLY SAND OR SOME COVERING OVER THE DUMP TO PREVENT SMOKE AND FOUL SMELL REACHING CLOON, CLOONACAUNEEN, AND OTHER VILLAGES ACROSS ON THE EAST SIDE.

(B) THAT THIS COUNCIL CALL ON THE TWO ITINERANT FAMILIES AT CALTRA, BELCLARE, TO HAVE THEIR SCRAP AND OLD MOTOR CARS, ETC., REMOVED FROM THE COUNTY ROADSIDE AS IT IS CAUSING GREAT INCONVENIENCE TO THE LOCAL PEOPLE.

30. DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - I WILL PROPOSE:

(A) THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL PROVIDE A NEW FOOTPATH AT GATER'S STREET, DUNMORE, COUNTY GALWAY.

(B) THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL PROVIDE PUBLIC LIGHTING AT KILTEVNA, DUNMORE, CO. GALWAY.

(C) THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL ADVISE THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL REGARDING THE POSITION AT MILLSTREAM PARK, TUAM, CO. GALWAY.

31. COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE - I WILL PROPOSE:

THAT THE ROAD AT BROWNSGROVE SCHOOL ON THE TUAM/DUNMORE ROAD, BE STRAIGHTENED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree incl. costs
Katherine Keane, Carrowmaddra, Kinvara, Co. Galway.	Damage to wall, gates, gate parts (or piers) and fences.	County at large.	£175.00	£210.00
Kieran Murphy, 9, The Crescent, Galway.	Damage to a garage and store, the property of the applicant.	Borough of Galway.	£825.00	£326.96
The Trustees, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam, Co. Galway.	Damage to twelve windows.	County of Galway at large.	£293.55	£377.70

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON MONDAY, 25TH JUNE, 1979, AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY.

PRESENT: Councillors P. Ruane, M. Ryan, F. Glynn, Deputy Callanan
Mr. John O'Connor and Mr. Joe Higgins.

Officials: Miss G. O'Grady, T. Kavanagh, and Mr. D. Broderick.

It was agreed that Deputy Callanan would take the Chair and that Councillor Glynn would act as Vice-Chairman.

SHEEP DIPPING REGULATIONS, 1979:

Mr. Kavanagh stated that due to the postal strike no correspondence has been received from the Department of Agriculture regarding the 1979 Sheep Dipping Scheme, but that he had been in touch with the Department's Veterinary Inspector who was not aware of any changes. The Veterinary Inspector, however, stated that consideration was being given to the use of a dye. Deputy Callanan expressed reservations about the use of a dye, in case it would affect the quality of the wool. A copy of the 1978 regulations were circulated to the Members and Mr. Kavanagh stated that the 1979 Regulations would be similar except that the fee needed to be revised. It was agreed that the fee for 1979 would be 20p.

There was a general discussion of the 1978 Sheep Dipping Season and the Chairman complimented all those involved for the efforts they put into it. Mr. Kavanagh stated that again due to the postal strike, the number of sheep dipped was not available, and therefore, a comparison could not be made with the previous year. Proceedings had not been taken against defaulters due to the difficulty in forcing defaulters to dip during the very severe weather, and the subsequent postal dispute.

There were 10 sheep scab outbreaks compared to 8 the previous year, which was somewhat disappointing.

Councillor Glynn suggested that defaulters should be pursued as quickly as possible as it was most inconvenient for Bath Owners when all dipping had finished, to make their baths available for one or two defaulters. It was suggested that in such cases the Mobile Bath should be brought to the defaulter and the defaulter should be charged the full cost of it. Mr. Kavanagh stated that it was doubtful if the cost would be recoverable from the defaulter if he refused to pay it voluntarily.

Following a discussion on the length of the dipping period, it was agreed to ask the Department for approval to shorten the period whereby it would run only from the 15th September to the 15th November, and that this should be on a national basis.

It was proposed that the local Veterinary Inspector from the Department of Agriculture should be on the Sheep Dipping Committee but Mr. Kavanagh explained that he could be invited to attend meetings without being a member of the Committee.

Mr. Broderick gave his report on the 1978 season and he felt that the defaulters should be prosecuted even at this stage, but it was generally agreed that all efforts should now be concentrated on the 1979 Scheme. Mr. Broderick expressed the need for a Sheep Dipping Supervisor and there was general agreement on this proposal.

It was noted that sheep owners had little respect for Sheep Dipping Certificates, and lost them, and came along subsequently looking for duplicates. It was proposed that in such cases a fee of 50p be charged if this was possible.

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Councillor Ryan raised questions relating to the conditions of employment of Sheep Dipping Inspectors and Mr. Kavanagh stated that these matters would be discussed with the Inspectors.

Submitted, approved + confirmed

CHAIRMAN

DATE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS
COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 2nd JULY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor J. Brennan.

ALSO PRESENT:

MEMBERS:

Michael F. Hogan, Fintan C. Coogan, Michael J. Kilgannon,
Fr. Joseph Cassidy, Danny Howley, Mrs. Brid Whoriskey,
Sr. Brid Ni Dhonnacha, Br. Killian Kearney, Richard P.
O h-Eili, Sean O Domhnallain, Pdraig O Conghaile, Michael
O Flatharta, Edward Haverty, Tom Connolly.

OFFICIALS:

Mr. K. Doyle, County Secretary, Miss G. O'Leary, Clerical
Officer.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from:

Rev. Mother, Mercy Convent, Tuam, Co. Galway.
Mr. S. Cullinane, Principal, Vocational School, Athenry, Co. Galway.

The County Secretary stated that the main differences between the Draft
Scheme for 1979 and the Scheme for 1978 are as follows:-

1. AMOUNT OF GRANT:

- (a) Where the student's residence is not adjacent to a University or Educational
Institution, the lecture fee is increased to £386.00 and the maintenance
grant is increased to £600.00.
- (b) Where the student's residence is adjacent to a University or Educational
Institution, the lecture fee is increased to £386.00 and the maintenance
grant is increased to £240.00.

2. The Lower Rate now applies in the case of every candidate whose home is
within 15 miles of the College or Educational Institution at which the
course of studies is being pursued.

3. INCOME:

No Grant is payable where the income of parents or Guardians exceeds
£6,100.00 (£5,100.00 in the 1978 Scheme) or where the rateable valuation
exceeds £50.00 (£60.00 in the 1978 Scheme).

4. Where income is partly from land and partly from other sources, the income
from land is to be reckoned on the basis that £1 rateable valuation is the
equivalent of £125.00 cash income (1978 Scheme - £85.00).

Councillor Kilgannon considered that the income limit of £6,100.00 is unrealistic
as it would exclude many students whose parents are in the middle income group.

Mr. Connolly proposed and Mrs. Whoriskey seconded that the Draft Scheme, as
presented, be adopted for 1979 and that the Committee meet later in the year to
examine the Scheme in more detail with a view to making a more detailed examination
of its terms.

After further discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Kilgannon and seconded by
Mr. Connolly and agreed that the Minister for Education be requested to amend the
Scheme to provide that the upper income limit be £7,000 and that the upper
valuation limit be £60.00 in line with Health Services, eligibility limits, etc.
It was also agreed (a) that a copy of the Scheme would be sent to all Secondary
and Vocational Schools and that it be suggested to the School Authorities that
each student who is likely to qualify for a Higher Education Grant be given an
Application Form, which should be completed before the closing date, i.e. 31/8/79.
(b) that a further meeting of the Committee be held on 8th October, 1979, at
4.00p.m. and that any recommendations with regard to changes in the Scheme should
be forwarded to the County Secretary before 25th September, 1979, so that those
recommendations could be circulated to all members of the Committee before 8th
October, 1979.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

10th July, 1979.

TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Re: Proposed Sale of land at Portumna, 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:

1 site for house at Portumna, Co. Galway - area as given hereunder:

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Mr. William Martyn, Portumna

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:

Mr. Eamon Monaghan, Dominick St., Portumna

Site No.	Area of Plot
C	11.35 sq. pers. (.070 acre)

Consideration in respect of disposal:

Site No.	Price
C	£1,800

Covenant or condition in connection with disposal:

1. The site will be sold in fee simple

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 10 days from the date of this Notice.

Mise, le meas,

K. Doyle Runai.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

10th July, '79.

TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Re: Proposed Sale of Land, Clarinbridge

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:

1 site for house at Clarinbridge, Co. Galway - area as given hereunder:-

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Galway Diocesan Trustees

<u>PERSONS TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD</u>	<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Area of Plot</u>
Mr. Patrick Fordham, 25 Greenfields Road, Newcastle, Galway	3	14.32 pers.

Consideration in respect of disposal:

<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Price</u>
3	£1,500

Covenant or Condition in connection with Disposal:

1. This site will be sold in fee simple.

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.

Mise, le meas,

K. Doyle Runai.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

10th July, 1979.

TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Re: Proposed sale of land at Cullairbaun, Athenry, Co. Galway

A Chara/

In accordance with the requirements of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, I have been requested by the Assistant County Manager to give you notice that it is proposed selling the plots of land, particulars of which are given hereunder:-

LAND:

3 sites for houses at Cullairbaun, Athenry, Co. Galway - areas as given hereunder:-

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Annie J. Duffy, Villanova, Upper Salthill, Galway.

<u>PERSONS TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:</u>	<u>Site Nos.</u>	<u>Area of Plots</u>
Mr. Liam Sarsfield, 29 Glenina Heights, Galway.	22	11.75 sq. pers. (.073 acre)
Mr. James Ledwith, 37 Seaman Drive, Riverside Estate, Galway.	2	11.75 sq. pers. (.073 acre)
Mr. James G. Nevin, 5 Marian Tce., Portumna	29	11.75 sq. pers. (.073 acre)

Consideration in respect of disposal:

<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Price</u>
22	£1,600
2	£2,000
29	£1,600

Other Covenants or Conditions in connection with Disposal:

1. The site will be sold in fee simple.
2. The Co. Council will retain wayleaves in respect of watermains and sewers.

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 10 days from the date of this Notice.

Mise, le meas,

K. Doyle Runai.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

12th. July, 1979.

To The Chairman and Members of Galway County Council.

Re: Lands at Parkmore, Tuam.

Dear Member:

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 portion of the Parkmore lands - particulars of which are given hereunder.

Description of the lands:

Two acres on the north western boundary and at the rear of the site being sold to the County V.E.C. of the lands which the Council acquired for housing purposes from the Tuam Race Co. Ltd.

Proposed to be Sold to:

Christian Brothers, Tuam for use by them as additional playing ground.

Price and Conditions:

The land is being sold in fee simple at cost i.e. £1500 per acre plus all legal costs in connection with the transfer.

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 10 days from the date of this notice.

Yours faithfully,

K. Doyle, Runai.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES 1979

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF SCHEMES FOR 1979

(This list is supplementary to the list, totalling
£95,500, which was approved by the County Council in May 1979)

<u>Loughrea Area</u>	£.
(3) Paths and open areas at Kilrickle Village	3,250
(4) Paths and open areas at Old Galway Road, Loughrea	2,500
(5) Paths and open areas at Woodford Village	1,000
<u>Gort Area</u>	
(3) Wall at Church Street - open area	2,500
<u>Ballinasloe Area</u>	
(3) Footpaths and open areas at Ahascragh Village	4,500
<u>Portumna Area</u>	
(4) Develop footpaths at Kiltormer Village	2,000
(5) Lower wall adjacent to Eyrecourt Catholic Church	1,000
(6) Footpaths and open areas at Abbey Village	3,000
(7) Footpaths and open areas at Laurencetown Village	1,500
(8) Develop swimming area on Shannon at Esker	1,000
(9) Develop open spaces in Portumna	2,000
<u>Tuam Area</u>	
(2) Improvements Corofin Village	5,000
(3) Improvements to Pedestrian Way at O'Keefes Tce. Tuam	2,000
(4) Crazy Golf Course, Palace Grounds, Tuam	2,000
<u>Athenry Area</u>	
(2) Restoration of old Town Walls, Athenry	5,000
(3) Improvements to Village Green, Monivea	2,000
<u>Milltown Area</u>	
(3) Continue footpath at Poll an Airgid Lake	4,000
(4) Footpath to Pitch & Putt Course at Glenamaddy	2,000
<u>Mountbellew Area</u>	
(1) Swimming Amenity & Parking at Laught	5,000
(2) Completion of layby at Mountbellew	1,000
(3) Village Improvements at Menlough	5,000
(4) Village Improvements at Ballygar	2,000
<u>Oughterard Area</u>	Nil
<u>Clifden Area</u>	Nil
<u>Galway Area</u>	
(4) Widen approach roads to beaches at Inisheer	5,000

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 23RD JULY, 1979.

IN THE CHAIR: COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN

ALSO PRESENT:

MEMBERS: AS RECORDED IN THE ATTENDANCE BOOK.

COUNCILLORS G. BARTLEY, J. BRENNAN, J. BURKE, U. BURKE, T. BYRNE, DEPUTY J. CALLANAN, SENATOR P. CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLOR F. COOGAN, DEPUTY J. DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, P.J. FINNEGAN, E. HAVERTY, M. D. HIGGINS, B. HOLLAND, J. JOYCE, M.J. KILGANNON, DEPUTY M. KILLILEA, SENATOR M.P. KITT, COUNCILLOR P. MCCORMACK, DEPUTY J.M. MANNION, COUNCILLORS J. MOLLOY, T. MURPHY, N. O'CONCHUBHAIR, P. O'FOIGHIL, M. O'MORAIN, P. RUANE AND T. WELBY.

OFFICIALS: MESSRS. P. KEARNS, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER; J. HOWLETT, ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER; J. CROTTY, ACTING COUNTY ENGINEER; T. KAVANAGH, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER; D. BARRETT, AND D. BUGGY, SENIOR STAFF OFFICERS; F. MONAHAN AND S. McMAHON, CHIEF ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEERS; L. KAVANAGH, ACTING CHIEF ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEER; B. CALLAGY, CHIEF ASSISTANT (PLANNING); W. A. CAHILL, ACTING CHIEF ASSISTANT (PLANNING); C. MINEY AND F. GALLAGHER, PLANNING ASSISTANTS, AND K. DOYLE, COUNTY SECRETARY.

THE OPENING PRAYER WAS RECITED.

29 - RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO PLANNING UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955:

COUNCILLOR COOGAN REFERRED TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF RESOLUTIONS UNDER THIS HEADING AND ASKED IF ANY STEPS COULD BE TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF SUCH RESOLUTIONS.

THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT HE WOULD BE PREPARED TO CONVENE A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL TO DISCUSS THE LARGE NUMBER OF RESOLUTIONS UNDER THIS PROCEDURE WHICH COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE REASONS FOR THEM. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD EXAMINE THOSE PARTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT POLICY WHICH CAUSED SECTION 4 RESOLUTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED, AND ALSO TO CONSIDER WHAT STEPS MIGHT BE TAKEN TO AVOID EXCESSIVE USE OF THIS SECTION.

AFTER A DISCUSSION, IT WAS AGREED THAT A MEETING OF A COMMITTEE OF THE FULL COUNCIL WOULD BE HELD TO CONSIDER THE MATTER ON FRIDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1979. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PRESS WOULD NOT BE INVITED TO THE MEETING.

30 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31925 - APPLICANT: WILLIAM FLAHERTY.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING REPORT TO THE COUNCIL:

"BACKGROUND

THE PROPOSED SITE IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 300 YARDS NORTH OF CLAREGALWAY ON THE MAIN NATIONAL PRIMARY ROUTE. PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN REFUSED CONSISTENTLY ON THIS STRETCH OF ROAD, ALTHOUGH THE MINISTER GRANTED OUTLINE PERMISSION FOR HOUSES ON EITHER SIDE OF THE PROPOSED SITE.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

THIS APPLICATION IS MR. FLAHERTY'S THIRD APPLICATION ON THIS SITE (PLANNING REF. No's. 30143 AND 30914). THERE HAVE BEEN THREE OTHER APPLICATIONS ON THIS SITE (PLANNING REF. NUMBERS 25600, 23240 AND 6781). ALL OF THESE APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN CONSISTENTLY REFUSED BY GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, THE MINISTER AND AN BORD PLEANALA ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD ENDANGER PUBLIC SAFETY AND INTERFERE WITH THE FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ON THIS ROAD.

CONSIDERATIONS

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS LOCATED ON AN IMPROVED SECTION OF THE NATIONAL PRIMARY ROUTE WHERE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT APPLIES. THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD USE A VEHICULAR ACCESS TO AN ADJACENT SITE BUT THIS WOULD STILL CREATE A TRAFFIC HAZARD BECAUSE THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD GENERATE ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC AND TURNING MOVEMENTS ON THIS STRETCH OF ROAD. MOREOVER, THIS DEVELOPMENT WOULD REDUCE THE CAPACITY OF THIS ROAD BY SLOWING DOWN TRAFFIC TO BELOW THE DESIGN SPEEDS. THERE IS NO ESSENTIAL HOUSING NEED CLAIMED ON THIS APPLICATION AND IT THEREFORE DOES NOT COME WITHIN THE CATEGORIES OF PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT ON NATIONAL ROUTES.

RECOMMENDATION

THE PLANNING AUTHORITY RECOMMENDS THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE REFUSED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:-

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD ENDANGER PUBLIC SAFETY BY REASON OF TRAFFIC HAZARD BECAUSE THE SITE IS LOCATED ON A HEAVILY TRAFFICKED NATIONAL PRIMARY ROAD AT A POINT WHERE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT APPLIES AND THE TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS GENERATED BY THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE SAFETY AND FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ON THE ROAD."

DEPUTY KILLILEA, PROPOSING THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA, STATED THAT THIS MAN HAD INFORMED HIM THAT THE HOUSE WHICH HE PROPOSED BUILDING WAS FOR HIS BROTHER WHO INTENDED COMING HOME FROM ENGLAND, THAT THERE IS AN EXISTING ENTRANCE TO THE SITE AND THAT NO NEW OPENING ON TO THE PUBLIC ROAD WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE.

COUNCILLOR MOLLOY SECONDED DEPUTY KILLILEA'S PROPOSAL.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE SECONDED THAT THE APPLICATION BE REFUSED.

COUNCILLOR BYRNE STATED THAT THE REPORT READ BY THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SHOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE COUNCILLORS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEETING, THAT THE MEMBERS WOULD REQUIRE SOME TIME TO CONSIDER THE CONTENTS OF THE REPORT BEFORE MAKING UP THEIR MINDS HOW THEY SHOULD VOTE ON THEM. COUNCILLOR BYRNE ALSO STATED THAT HE NOTED THAT THERE ARE ALREADY SITES AT BOTH SIDES OF THIS SITE WHERE THE MINISTER HAS ALREADY GIVEN OUTLINE PERMISSION.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND STATED THAT IN VIEW OF WHAT HAD BEEN STATED BY OTHER MEMBERS, HE WAS WITHDRAWING HIS AMENDMENT.

AS THERE WAS NO OTHER AMENDMENT, THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION AS SET OUT IN THE AGENDA CARRIED.

31 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 31736 - APPLICANT: JOHN HANLY.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING REPORT WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

"1. OUTLINE PERMISSION FOR A HOUSE ON A LARGER SITE WAS ALREADY GRANTED TO MR. JOHN SALT ON APPEAL TO THE MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, PLANNING REG. REF. No. 15306, APPEAL REF. PL. 7/5/25919.

MR. HANLY HAS CONFIRMED, IN WRITING, THAT HE IS NOW THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE ENTIRE SITE FOR WHICH OUTLINE PERMISSION WAS GRANTED TO MR. SALT.

2. THE DEVELOPMENT, NOW PROPOSED, HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN REFUSED ON GROUNDS OF SERIOUS INJURY TO VISUAL AMENITY AS THE HOUSE WOULD BE GROSSLY OVER PROMINENT ON A PEAK OF ROCK OUTCROP, PLANNING REF. No. 30679.

3. THE HOUSE PROPOSED IN THE CURRENT APPLICATION WOULD BE IN A MUCH MORE OBTRUSIVE LOCATION THAN THAT WHICH WOULD BE ALLOWED UNDER THE TERMS OF OUTLINE PERMISSION, REF. No. 15306. THE APPLICANT HAS REDUCED THE SIZE OF THE SITE TO INCLUDE ONLY THE ELEVATED PORTION AND TO OMIT THE LESS ELEVATED PORTION.

4. THE APPLICANT, WHO HAS NOT CLAIMED ANY ESSENTIAL HOUSING NEED, IS OWNER OF SUFFICIENT LANDS TO ENABLE HIM TO SITE THE PROPOSED HOUSE IN A LESS OBTRUSIVE LOCATION.

5. REFUSAL IS RECOMMENDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:-

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD SERIOUSLY IMPAIR THE SCENIC AMENITY OF THE AREA, BECAUSE IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXISTING AND PERMITTED ADJOINING DEVELOPMENT, IT WOULD FURTHER ERODE THE OPEN RUGGED CHARACTER OF THE AREA, WHICH SHOULD PROPERLY BE KEPT FREE OF BUILDINGS."

REPLYING TO QUERIES FROM MEMBERS, THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT HE FELT THAT THE APPLICANT SHOULD PROCEED WITH THE ERECTION OF ONE HOUSE ON THE LOCATION SHOWN IN THE OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN GIVEN ON THE SITE OF WHICH THIS IS PART.

COUNCILLOR WELBY PROPOSED THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA AND STATED THAT MR. HANLY WAS LIVING IN A FLAT WHICH HE HAD RENTED AT GREENFIELDS, GALWAY. HE STATED THAT THE PART OF THE SITE ON WHICH OUTLINE PERMISSION HAD BEEN GIVEN WAS IN A VERY LOWLYING AREA AND WAS UNSUITABLE. HE STATED THAT THE APPLICANT WAS NOW PREPARED TO EXCAVATE INTO ROCK AND LOWER THE LEVEL OF THE HOUSE.

COUNCILLOR MOLLOY SECONDED COUNCILLOR WELBY'S PROPOSAL.

DEPUTY DONNELLAN PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR ULICK BURKE SECONDED THAT THE PERMISSION SOUGHT BE REFUSED. A VOTE FOR OR AGAINST THE RESOLUTION ON THE AGENDA WAS DEFERRED UNTIL 4.30 P.M.

A VOTE TAKEN AFTER THAT TIME RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLORS COOGAN, F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, HAVERTY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY. (15)

AGAINST: COUNCILLORS J. BURKE, U. BURKE, BYRNE, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS GLYNN, HIGGINS, HOLLAND, KILGANNON. (8)

THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLORS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING:

COUNCILLOR BRENNAN, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLOR MCCORMACK, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS O'FOIGHIL, RUANE. (6)

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA CARRIED.

32 - RESOLUTIONS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS NUMBERED:-
(A) 31801 - APPLICANT: PADRAIG O'CELTIGH,
(B) 32092 - APPLICANT: WILLIAM HIGGINS.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT IT HAD BEEN DECIDED TO GRANT PERMISSIONS IN THOSE CASES.

THE RESOLUTIONS SET OUT IN THE AGENDA WERE ACCORDINGLY NOT PROPOSED.

33 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBERED 32287 - APPLICANT: BARBARA FAHERTY.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING REPORT WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

"LOCATION:

THE PROPOSED SITE IS LOCATED ADJACENT TO A PUBLIC ROAD LEADING TO AN TRA MOR STRAND AND CAR PARK ONE THIRD OF A MILE EAST OF KNOCK CHURCH, INVERIN. THE SITE HAS NO ROAD FRONTAGE EXCEPT AN ACCESS OF TWENTY FEET WIDTH.

BACKGROUND:

ON THE 2 1/2 ACRES OF LAND SURROUNDING THIS SITE THERE ARE FOUR EXISTING HOUSES, TWO FURTHER HOUSES IN THE COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION AND A GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION FOR A CHALET. THE APPLICANT HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN REFUSED (PLANNING REF. 30907) PLANNING PERMISSION FOR ONE HOUSE.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS UNSATISFACTORY AND CONTRARY TO PROPER PLANNING FOR THESE MAJOR REASONS:-

- (1) THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD CAUSE A PUBLIC HEALTH NUISANCE, IN THE OPINION OF THE COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF EXISTING AND PROPOSED SEPTIC TANKS IN THE IMMEDIATE AREA AND BECAUSE SOIL CONDITIONS IN THIS AREA ARE INADEQUATE TO TREAT ANY FURTHER DISCHARGES.
- (2) THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE SITUATED TO THE REAR OF EXISTING HOUSING AND WOULD DETRACT FROM THE RESIDENTIAL AMENITY AND PRIVACY OF THIS EXISTING HOUSING. MOREOVER, THE PROPOSED SITE HAS INADEQUATE ROAD FRONTAGE AND WOULD CONSTITUTE DISORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF BACKLANDS.
- (3) THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS LOCATED IN AN AREA OF SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AS INDICATED IN THE 1979 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN. IT IS THE POLICY OF THE PLANNING AUTHORITY TO RESTRICT HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN THIS AREA TO BONA FIDE CLAIMS OF ESSENTIAL HOUSING NEED FROM THOSE WHO MUST LIVE IN THE AREA. THERE HAVE BEEN NO CLAIMS OF HOUSING NEED WITH THIS APPLICATION AND, THEREFORE, THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS CONTRARY TO THE COUNCIL'S PLANNING POLICY.

RECOMMENDATION:

REFUSE FOR THE ABOVE REASONS."

COUNCILLOR WELBY, PROPOSING THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA STATED THAT THIS LADY WAS LIVING WITH HER PARENTS, WISHES TO MARRY AND REQUIRES A HOUSE FOR HERSELF.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT THIS HAD NOT BEEN INDICATED IN REPLIES WHICH HAD BEEN PUT TO HER ON THE APPLICATION FORM.

HE POINTED OUT THAT THE CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER HAD POINTED OUT THAT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD CAUSE A HEALTH NUISANCE AS THE SOIL CONDITIONS IN THE AREA WERE INADEQUATE TO TREAT FURTHER DISCHARGES FROM SEPTIC TANKS.

COUNCILLOR MOLLOY SECONDED COUNCILLOR WELBY'S PROPOSAL.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND PROPOSED AND DEPUTY DONNELLAN SECONDED THAT THE PERMISSION SOUGHT BE REFUSED

IT WAS DECIDED TO DEFER TAKING A VOTE ON THESE MATTERS UNTIL AFTER 4.30 P.M.

A VOTE TAKEN AFTER 4.30 P.M. FOR OR AGAINST GRANTING THE PERMISSION RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLORS F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, HAVERY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY.

(14)

AGAINST: COUNCILLORS J. BURKE, U. BURKE, BYRNE, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS GLYNN, HOLLAND, KILGANNON.

(7)

THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLORS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING:

COUNCILLOR BRENNAN, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLORS COOGAN, HIGGINS, MCCORMACK, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS O'FOIGHIL, RUANE.

(8)

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA CARRIED.

34 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 32282 - APPLICANT: PETER LEE.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING REPORT WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

"LOCATION:

THE PROPOSED SITE IS LOCATED ON AN UNIMPROVED SECTION OF THE MAIN GALWAY - OUGHTERARD ROAD, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ MILES NORTH OF MOYCULLEN. THE PROPOSED SITE IS ELEVATED ABOUT 5 FEET ABOVE THE ROADWAY AND THE PROPOSED ACCESS IS BY A PRIVATE LANE.

PREVIOUS DECISION:

PLANNING PERMISSION WAS REFUSED TO MR. PETER LEE ON 28TH MARCH, 1973 (PLANNING REF: 30802) BECAUSE:

"THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON AN UNIMPROVED SECTION OF THE NATIONAL SECONDARY ROUTE WOULD INTERFERE WITH SAFETY AND FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC BY REASON OF INADEQUATE HORIZONTAL SIGHT DISTANCES AND THE PROXIMITY OF THE ADJACENT ROAD JUNCTION."

AN APPEAL AGAINST THIS DECISION IS AT PRESENT UNDER CONSIDERATION BY AN BORD PLEANALA.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

THE PROPOSED LANE IS NOT USED BY VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AT PRESENT AND IS SUITABLE AS A VEHICULAR ACCESS, BECAUSE IT RISES STEEPLY FROM THE ROAD AT A GRADIENT OF APPROXIMATELY 35 DEGREES

OFF HORIZONTAL. MOREOVER, THE LANE MEETS THE MAIN ROAD AT AN ACUTE ANGLE AND TRAFFIC ENTERING AND LEAVING THIS ACCESS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO A TRAFFIC HAZARD BECAUSE OF INADEQUATE HORIZONTAL SIGHT DISTANCES.

THE PROPOSED SITE IS LOCATED ON A SECTION OF THE NATIONAL SECONDARY ROUTE WHERE CLASS 1 CONTROL IS IN OPERATION WHICH RESTRICTS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TO CASES OF ESSENTIAL HOUSING NEED WHICH HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIATED AND WHERE NO OTHER SUITABLE SITE EXISTS. THE REASON FOR THIS POLICY IS TO RESTRICT DEVELOPMENT ADJOINING THE MAJOR ROAD TO NORTH CONNEMARA IN THE INTERESTS OF TRAFFIC SAFETY AND TO FACILITATE THE FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC. THERE IS NO HOUSING NEED CLAIMED OR SUBSTANTIATED IN THIS CASE AND THEREFORE, A GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION WOULD CONTRAVENE THE STATED PLANNING POLICY OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

RECOMMENDATION:

REFUSAL FOR THE REASONS STATED."

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER POINTED OUT TO MEMBERS THAT AN APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL OF A SIMILAR APPLICATION WAS ALREADY BEFORE AN BORD PLEANALA, THE OUTCOME OF THAT APPEAL TO THE BOARD SHOULD BE AWAITED. HE POINTED OUT ALSO THAT THE SITE IS ON A NATIONAL SECONDARY ROUTE.

COUNCILLOR WELBY STATED THAT THE APPLICANT IS A GARDA AND CONTRIBUTES TO THE LOCAL G.A.A. GAMES AND HAS NO HOUSE. HE IS A MARRIED MAN WITH A FAMILY AND THERE IS A HOUSE ON THE EXISTING LANE OFF THE PUBLIC ROAD. COUNCILLOR MOLLOY SECONDED COUNCILLOR WELBY'S PROPOSAL.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR KILGANNON SECONDED THAT THE PERMISSION SOUGHT BE REFUSED.

REPLYING TO COUNCILLOR BYRNE, THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT THIS MAN IS NOT IN THE THREE SPECIAL CATEGORIES FOR WHOM THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN PROVIDES AN EXEMPTION.

DEPUTY CALLANAN STATED THAT THE APPLICATION FORM SHOULD BE CHANGED AND THAT A QUERY SHOULD BE INCLUDED TO INDICATE THAT AN APPLICANT SHOULD BE ASKED WHY HE NEEDS A HOUSE.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE STATED THAT THE MAIN FACTOR AGAINST GIVING PERMISSION IN THIS CASE IS THAT THE SITE IS AT A DANGEROUS LOCATION.

IT WAS AGREED THAT A VOTE WOULD BE TAKEN ON THE TWO PROPOSALS AFTER 4.30 P.M.

A VOTE TAKEN AFTER 4.30 P.M. FOR OR AGAINST GRANTING THE PERMISSION SOUGHT RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLOR COOGAN, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, HAVERY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY.

(17)

AGAINST: COUNCILLORS J. BURKE, U. BURKE, GLYNN, HOLLAND, KILGANNON.

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THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING:

COUNCILLORS BRENNAN, BYRNE, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLORS HIGGINS, MCCORMACK, O'FOIGHIL, RUANE.

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THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA CARRIED.

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35 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 32249 - APPLICANT: MATTIE SULLIVAN.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER SUBMITTED THE FOLLOWING REPORT WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

1. DEVELOPMENT ALREADY REFUSED ON APPEAL FOR REASONS OF TRAFFIC SAFETY ON A BUSY SECTION OF A NATIONAL SECONDARY ROUTE.
2. NO ESSENTIAL HOUSING NEED EXISTS TO THE PLANNING AUTHORITY'S KNOWLEDGE.
3. REFUSAL IS RECOMMENDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT WOULD ENDANGER PUBLIC SAFETY BY REASON OF TRAFFIC HAZARD BECAUSE THE SITE IS LOCATED ON A HEAVILY TRAFFICKED NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD AT A POINT WHERE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT APPLIES AND THE TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS GENERATED BY THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE SAFETY AND FREE FLOW OF TRAFFIC ON THE ROAD."

COUNCILLOR WELBY, PROPOSING THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA, STATED THAT THIS MAN IS A MEMBER OF THE GARDA SIOCHANA AND HE IS LIVING IN BARRACKS, AND HE IS APPROACHING THE AGE AT WHICH HE MAY HAVE TO RETIRE SOON AND HE WOULD THEN HAVE NO HOUSE OF HIS OWN.

DEPUTY MANNION SECONDED COUNCILLOR WELBY'S PROPOSAL.

THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THE PLANNING ACT AND THE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN SHOULD BE THE CRITERIA IN DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO GRANT A PLANNING PERMISSION.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE SECONDED THAT THE PERMISSION SOUGHT BE REFUSED.

IT WAS DECIDED THAT A VOTE ON THOSE PROPOSALS WOULD BE TAKEN AFTER 4.30 P.M.

A VOTE TAKEN AFTER 4.30 P.M. FOR OR AGAINST THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLORS COOGAN, F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, HAVERTY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, COUNCILLOR McCORMACK, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY. (17)

AGAINST: COUNCILLORS J. BURKE, U. BURKE, GLYNN, HOLLAND. (4)

THE FOLLOWING COUNCILLORS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING:

COUNCILLORS BRENNAN, BYRNE, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS HIGGINS, KILGANNON, O'FOIGHIL, RUANE. (8)

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE RESOLUTION SET OUT IN THE AGENDA CARRIED.

36 - REVIEW OF CROSS SECTION OF PERMISSIONS GIVEN UNDER SECTION 4:

COUNCILLOR BURKE STATED THAT SOME TIME AGO HE HAD PROPOSED THAT THE COUNCIL CARRY OUT A RANDOM EXAMINATION OF A CROSS SECTION OF APPLICATIONS WHERE PERMISSIONS WERE GIVEN TO PERSONS WHO STATED THEY REQUIRED HOUSES FOR THEIR OWN OCCUPATION IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN IF THOSE PEOPLE WERE LIVING IN THE HOUSES WHICH HAD BEEN ERECTED FOLLOWING THE GRANT OF PERMISSION, AND NO REPORT HAD BEEN BROUGHT BACK TO THE COUNCIL ON THE MATTER.

COUNCILLOR HIGGINS STATED THAT HE HAD SECONDED THIS PROPOSAL AND HE UNDERSTOOD THAT IT WAS THE WISH OF THE COUNCIL THAT THIS INFORMATION WOULD BE GIVEN.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT THERE WERE CERTAIN DIFFICULTIES IN DOING THIS UNLESS THE PRESENT OCCUPIERS OF THE HOUSES WERE INTERVIEWED BUT AN EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO HAVE A CROSS SECTION OF APPLICATIONS OVER A FEW YEARS REVIEWED AND TO HAVE SOME INFORMATION ON THE MATTER AT THE SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 14TH SEPTEMBER.

37 - MINUTES:

ON THE PROPOSITION OF DEPUTY MANNION, SECONDED BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN, THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH MAY, 1979, (NUMBERS 2669 - 2748 INCLUSIVE) WERE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO AMEND MINUTE No. 22 OF THE MEETING OF THE 21ST JUNE, 1979, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE NAME AT THE END OF PAGE 19 SHOULD READ COUNCILLOR BARTLEY IN LIEU OF COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN.

SUBJECT TO THIS AMENDMENT, ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR HOLLAND, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUANE, THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 21ST JUNE, 1979, WERE APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

38 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

IT WAS NOTED THAT MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES AS SET OUT IN THE LIST ENCLOSED WITH THE AGENDA, HAD BEEN RECEIVED SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

39 - APPOINTMENT OF THREE REPRESENTATIVES ON GALWAY HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS:

FIRST VACANCY

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR RUANE, SECONDED BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN WAS APPOINTED TO FILL THE FIRST VACANCY ON GALWAY HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS.

SECOND VACANCY

IT WAS PROPOSED BY SENATOR KITT AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY CALLANAN THAT COUNCILLOR WELBY BE APPOINTED TO FILL THE SECOND VACANCY.

IT WAS PROPOSED BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN, SECONDED BY SENATOR CONNAUGHTON THAT COUNCILLOR McCORMACK BE APPOINTED TO THE SECOND VACANCY.

A VOTE TAKEN ON THOSE PROPOSALS RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLORS F. FAHEY, M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, HAVERTY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY. (14)

FOR COUNCILLOR McCORMACK: COUNCILLORS BRENNAN, J. BURKE, U. BURKE, BYRNE, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLOR COOGAN, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS GLYNN, HIGGINS, HOLLAND, KILGANNON, McCORMACK, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS O'FOIGHIL, RUANE. (15)

THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED COUNCILLOR McCORMACK APPOINTED TO FILL THE SECOND VACANCY.

THIRD VACANCY

SENATOR KITT PROPOSED AND DEPUTY CALLANAN SECONDED THAT COUNCILLOR WELBY BE APPOINTED TO THIS VACANCY.

COUNCILLOR HOLLAND PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR BYRNE SECONDED THAT COUNCILLOR COOGAN BE APPOINTED TO FILL THIS VACANCY.

A VOTE TAKEN ON THOSE PROPOSALS RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: COUNCILLOR BARTLEY, DEPUTY CALLANAN, COUNCILLORS M. FAHY, FINNEGAN, GLYNN, HAVERTY, JOYCE, DEPUTY KILLILEA, SENATOR KITT, COUNCILLORS MOLLOY, MURPHY, O'CONCHUBHAIR, O'MORAIN, WELBY. (14)

FOR COUNCILLOR COOGAN: COUNCILLORS BRENNAN, J. BURKE, U. BURKE, BYRNE, SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, COUNCILLOR COOGAN, DEPUTY DONNELLAN, COUNCILLORS HIGGINS, HOLLAND, KILGANNON, MCCORMACK, DEPUTY MANNION, COUNCILLORS O'FOIGHIL, RUANE. (14)

NOTING THAT THE VOTING WAS EQUAL, THE CHAIRMAN GAVE HIS CASTING VOTE IN FAVOUR OF COUNCILLOR WELBY AND DECLARED HIM APPOINTED TO THE THIRD VACANCY.

40 - GAELTACHT COMMITTEE:

DO MHOL AN COMHAIRLEOIR O'FOIGHIL GO GCUIRFI AN ABHAIR SEO AR ATHLO GO DTI AN CRUINNIU IN MI MEAN FOMHAIR. DUIRT SE GUR MHAITH LEIS NIOS MOR STAIDEAR A DHEANAMH AR AN GCEIST I DTACA LE BUNUS UDARAS NA GAELTACHTA. DUIRT SE NACH NDEARNA AN SEAN CHOISTE TADA AGUS GO MBA MHAITH LEIS GO MBEADH COISTE EIFEACHTACH ANN.

DO CHUIDIGH AN TEACHTA O'DOMHNAILLAIN LEIS AN RUN SEO.

DUIRT AN SEANADOIR O CHEIT GUR AONTAIGH SE LEIS AN RUN. DO MHOL AN COMHAIRLEOIR O'MORAIN GO DTIOCFADH CEATHRAR NO CUIGEAR DE BHAILL AN CHOMHAIRLE LE CHEILE CHUN AN CHEIST A PHLE ROIMH RE. CUIDIGH AN COMHAIRLEOIR O'CONCHUBHAIR LEIS AN RUN SEO.

COUNCILLOR O'MORAIN STATED THAT AS THIS WAS ONLY AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITHOUT ANY REAL POWERS, HE SUGGESTED THAT THE BASE ON WHICH THE COMMITTEE COULD BE ESTABLISHED COULD BE WIDENED AND THAT THERE COULD BE INVOLVEMENT BY MEMBERS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTY.

IT WAS AGREED TO DEFER THE MATTER TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

41 - APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES ON ITINERANCY:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT FOLLOWING CONSIDERATION OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY MEMBERS AT THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON THE 21ST JUNE, 1979, THE COUNTY MANAGER HAD PROPOSED THAT A COMMITTEE BE ESTABLISHED FOR EACH ELECTORAL AREA CONSISTING OF THE ELECTED COUNCILLORS FOR THE AREA, TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH LOCAL AUTHORITY IN THE AREA, AND TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF ORGANISATIONS OR INDIVIDUALS PROMOTING THE SETTLEMENT OF ITINERANT FAMILIES IN THE AREA. HE RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMITTEE FOR EACH AREA SHOULD MEET TO CONSIDER THE PROBLEMS OF ITS OWN AREA AND TO MAKE APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT IF THIS RECOMMENDATION IS ACCEPTABLE, THE COUNCIL MEMBERS COULD BE APPOINTED AT THIS MEETING AND THEY MIGHT THEN EXAMINE THE ORGANISATIONS OR INDIVIDUALS IN THEIR OWN AREAS AND THAT TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THOSE COULD BE

NOMINATED AT THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

COUNCILLOR HAVERTY STATED THAT HE DISAGREED WITH THE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH COMMITTEES IN EACH AREA AND HE ASKED WHAT COMMITTEES CAN DO IF ELECTED. HE IS NOT SATISFIED THAT ENOUGH IS BEING DONE AND HE STATED THAT IT HAD BEEN SAID THAT MEETINGS OF THE PREVIOUS COMMITTEE WERE NOT BEING SUMMONED OFTEN ENOUGH.

COUNCILLOR KILGANNON STATED THE COUNCIL'S FUNCTIONS IN THE MATTER ARE LIMITED GENERALLY TO HOUSING ONLY AND HE CONSIDERED THAT THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL FOR ITINERANTS HAS BEEN REASONABLY SUCCESSFUL.

DEPUTY KILLILEA STATED THAT SO MANY ORGANISATIONS EXIST THAT THEY ARE WORKING AGAINST EACH OTHER, THAT SOME ITINERANT FAMILIES PUT INTO HOUSES WILL NOT STAY IN THEM, THAT THE COMMITTEE SHOULD HAVE FINAL POWER AND THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL SHOULD ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE. HE COMPLAINED THAT RECENTLY A TWO-BEDROOMED HOUSE HAD BEEN ALLOCATED TO A LARGE ITINERANT FAMILY. HE STATED THAT A POLICY SHOULD EMERGE WHICH WOULD BE PREPARED BY THE COMMITTEES AND THE COUNCIL'S OFFICIALS AND THE COUNCIL SHOULD CARRY IT OUT. HE CONSIDERED THAT THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED FOR TUAM SHOULD BE LARGER.

DEPUTY CALLANAN STATED THAT THE SETTLEMENT COMMITTEES PROPOSED WOULD REQUIRE MORE THAN TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM ORGANISATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS PROMOTING THE SETTLEMENT OF ITINERANTS AND THAT THERE SHOULD BE AT LEAST TWO CO-ORDINATED MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERS OF ALL COMMITTEES EACH YEAR. HE PROPOSED THAT THREE PERSONS WHO ARE NOT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS SHOULD BE ON EACH COMMITTEE IN LIEU OF TWO RECOMMENDED IN THE MANAGER'S REPORT.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE PROPOSED THAT THE COMMITTEES RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER WOULD BE ESTABLISHED WITH THE AMENDMENT THAT TWO NON-LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS WOULD BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND EACH COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE THE POWER TO CO-OPT ONE OTHER PERSON, IF NECESSARY.

COUNCILLOR HIGGINS STATED THAT SOME ITINERANT FAMILIES FEEL AGGRIEVED IN THAT THEIR ULTIMATE REMEDY LIES ONLY IN BRINGING THE LOCAL AUTHORITY TO COURT IF THEY ARE NOT SATISFACTORILY HOUSED, AND THAT AT THE END OF THE DAY, THE DECISION OF GRANTING A TENANCY WILL REST WITH THE MANAGER. HE CONSIDERED THAT TRAVELLING FAMILIES SHOULD NOT BE TREATED DIFFERENTLY FROM OTHER APPLICANTS FOR HOUSES AND HE DOUBTED IF LOCAL COMMITTEES ARE THE BEST METHOD OF DEALING WITH THE PROBLEM AS LOCAL PREJUDICES MAY BECOME INVOLVED. HE COULD, HOWEVER, SEE THE MERIT OF LOCAL INVOLVEMENT, BUT THERE COULD BE PARTICULARLY STRONG PRESSURES ON LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES ALSO. HE CONSIDERED THAT ONE RELEVANT CONSIDERATION MISSING FROM THE COMMITTEES IS REPRESENTATION OF THE ITINERANT FAMILIES THEMSELVES. IN SOME CASES, THEY HAVE BEEN DRIVEN FROM THEIR HOUSES, AND IN FACT, WHAT IS NEEDED IN MANY CASES IS EDUCATION OF THEIR NEIGHBOURS TO ACCEPT THEM. HE DOUBTED IF THE COMMITTEES COULD HAVE A VERY DEFINITE POLICY. COUNCILLOR HAVERTY AGAIN STATED THAT HE DID NOT AGREE WITH THE COMMITTEES AND THAT A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED AS THE FINGER WILL BE POINTED AT LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES IF ANYTHING UNPOPULAR IN THE PARTICULAR AREA WERE DONE.

COUNCILLOR KILGANNON PROPOSED AND COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN SECONDED THAT THE COUNTY MANAGER'S PROPOSAL BE ADOPTED WITH THE AMENDMENT SUGGESTED, I.E., THE NUMBER OF NON-LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS ON THE COMMITTEE COULD BE INCREASED TO THREE.

THIS PROPOSAL WAS AGREED BY THE COUNCIL.

IT WAS ALSO AGREED ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR JOYCE THAT FOUR MEETINGS PER ANNUM OF THE COMMITTEES SHOULD BE HELD AND THAT AT LEAST ONE GENERAL MEETING WOULD BE HELD EACH YEAR WITH THE FULL MEMBERSHIP OF ALL COMMITTEES ATTENDING THIS MEETING.

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42 - NOTICE OF MOTION FUNDS:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER READ THE COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT OF THE 25TH JUNE, 1979, AND GAVE PARTICULARS OF THE SCHEDULE ATTACHED THERETO WITH REGARD TO THE ALLOCATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION FUNDS IN RESPECT OF AMOUNTS ALLOCATED TO FORMER COUNCILLORS AND TO THE NEW MEMBERS WHO SUCCEEDED THEM ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

COUNCILLOR KILGANNON PROPOSED THAT THE AMOUNT LEFT UNEXPENDED BE TOTALLED AND DIVIDED BY THE NUMBER OF NEW COUNCILLORS. COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE SECONDED THIS PROPOSAL.

THE COUNTY SECRETARY STATED THAT THE FORMULA RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER WOULD PROVIDE FOR THE MONEY BEING RETAINED IN EACH ELECTORAL AREA RATHER THAN HAVING IT DIVIDED OVER THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE.

THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO THE FORMULA FOR ALLOCATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION FUNDS AS SET OUT IN THE COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT OF THE 25TH JUNE, 1979.

43 - HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME, 1979:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER REFERRED TO THE DRAFT SCHEME FOR HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL AND STATED THAT THE DRAFT SCHEME HAD NOW BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION. HE POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT A RECOMMENDATION THAT THE INCOME AND VALUATION LIMITS BE INCREASED WHICH WAS MADE AT A RECENT MEETING OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS COMMITTEE HAD NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE MINISTER, AND THE SCHEME, AS APPROVED, WAS THEREFORE SET OUT IN THE DRAFT.

COUNCILLOR KILGANNON STATED THAT ONLY 135 STUDENTS WERE ELIGIBLE UNDER LAST YEAR'S SCHEME AND HE CONSIDERED THAT THE UPPER INCOME AND VALUATION LIMITS WERE FAR TOO LOW. HE ALSO POINTED OUT A FURTHER LIMITATION IN THE PRESENT SCHEME IN THAT PEOPLE WITHIN A 15 MILE RADIUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OR EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT WOULD NOW BE ENTITLED TO THE LOWER RATE OF GRANT ONLY.

SENATOR KITT STATED THAT HE HAD ALREADY PROPOSED AND HE ASKED THAT THE COUNCIL WOULD AGAIN CONSIDER THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD ACCEPT WHATEVER THE REVENUE COMMISSIONERS HAD ACCEPTED AS INCOME, AND THAT IN THE CASE OF VALUATIONS, THE COUNCIL SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ACCEPT INCOMES BASED ON AN ACCOUNTS SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPTION AVAILABLE FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES FOR FARMERS.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THIS QUESTION WOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE EDUCATION GRANTS COMMITTEE AT THEIR MEETING TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER NEXT WHEN THEY PROPOSE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE SCHEME FOR 1980.

THE DRAFT HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS SCHEME, 1979, AS CIRCULATED, WAS APPROVED.

44 - FILLING OF VACANCY ON COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE FOLLOWING RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN:

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR MCCORMACK, SECONDED BY SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, MR. GERALD F. COLLERAN, GLEBE HOUSE, MOYLUGH, BALLINASLOE, WAS APPOINTED A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR F. GLYNN.

45 - SALE OF LAND AT PARKMORE, TUAM:

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE, SECONDED BY DEPUTY KILLILEA, THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO THE SALE OF A SITE OF APPROXIMATELY TWO ACRES AT PARKMORE, TUAM, TO THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, TUAM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF NOTICE DATED

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12TH JULY, 1979, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 83 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1946, WHICH HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL.

46 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £40,000 FOR ADAPTATION OF GALWAY CITY BRANCH LIBRARY:

IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HOLLAND, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR RUANE AND RESOLVED:

"THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVE THE RAISING OF A LOAN OF £40,000 FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS OR FROM SUCH OTHER SOURCE AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT TO DEFRAY THE COST OF ADAPTATION OF GALWAY CITY BRANCH LIBRARY, THE LOAN TO BE REPAID OVER SUCH PERIOD AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE MINISTER WITH INTEREST AT THE USUAL RATE."

47 - SALE OF HOUSING SITES AT ATHENRY, CLARINBRIDGE, AND PORTUMNA:

IT WAS PROPOSED BY DEPUTY KILLILEA, SECONDED BY SENATOR KITT AND RESOLVED:

"THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVE THE SALE OF THREE HOUSING SITES AT CULLAIRBAUN, ATHENRY, ONE HOUSING SITE AT CLARINBRIDGE, AND ONE HOUSING SITE AT PORTUMNA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS SET OUT IN NOTICES DATED 10TH JULY, 1979, UNDER SECTION 83 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1946, AND SECTION 88 OF THE HOUSING ACT, 1966, CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL, TO THE PERSONS NAMED IN THE SAID NOTICES."

48 - ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:-

(A) IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON:

"THAT THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT BE ASKED TO MAKE ADEQUATE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR SEWERAGE SCHEMES IN TOWNS AND VILLAGES TO AVOID FORCING PEOPLE TO LIVE IN LARGER TOWNS."

(B) IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR HIGGINS, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR U. BURKE THAT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION PASSED AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON THE 11TH DECEMBER, 1978, BE AGAIN CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:

"THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL CALLS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A WHITE PAPER ON THE POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES WHICH WOULD ALSO INCLUDE AN EXAMINATION OF PRESENT AND POSSIBLE SOURCES OF REVENUE, AND A REFORM OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955, IN RELATION TO THE POWERS OF MANAGERS, AND THAT THE COUNCIL ALSO CALLS FOR A NATIONAL COMMITMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND STRENGTHENING OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES, INCLUDING AN EXAMINATION OF REGIONAL STRUCTURES."

(C) IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE "THAT THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS REQUEST THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT TO AMEND THE PLANNING REGULATIONS REGARDING THE LOCATION OF INTENSIVE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION UNITS SUCH AS PIGGERIES, FEED-LOTS, ETC., SO THAT NO SUCH UNIT CAN BE

LOCATED CLOSER THAN 400 METRES FROM A DWELLINGHOUSE - THE EXISTING LIMIT OF 100 METRES IS TOTALLY INADEQUATE."

(D) IT WAS PROPOSED BY SENATOR KITT, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

"THAT THE OPTION OF ERECTING HEADSTONES SUBJECT TO PLANNING CONDITIONS CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES WHO WISH TO DO SO AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO "LAWN CEMETERIES".

(E) PROPOSED BY DEPUTY KILLILEA, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MOLLOY:

"THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH A POLICY DOCUMENT PREPARED ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT SOME TIME AGO, THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT BE ASKED TO MAKE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ENSURE COMPLETION OF WORK ON ALL UNFINISHED HOUSING ESTATES."

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION WOULD ALSO BE SENT TO THE MINISTER.

49 - DRAINAGE OF THE ISLANDS RIVER - REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION FROM ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT A REQUEST HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL BE ASKED TO RECEIVE A DEPUTATION COMPRISING THE MEMBERS FOR THE CASTLEREA ELECTORAL AREA TO DISCUSS THE MATTER OF THE DRAINAGE OF THE ISLANDS RIVER AT THE COUNCIL'S NEXT MEETING.

THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO RECEIVE THE DEPUTATION OF THE MEMBERS FROM THE CASTLEREA ELECTORAL AREA AT ITS MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 24TH SEPTEMBER, 1979.

50 - REPORT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE MEETING - 25TH JUNE, 1979:

THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT AT THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE, IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE PERIOD FOR SHEEP DIPPING WOULD BE SHORTENED BY TWO WEEKS. ON REVIEW, HE CONSIDERED THAT NO CHANGE SHOULD BE MADE IN THE PERIOD AND THIS WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED BY THE COUNCIL.

ON THE PROPOSAL OF COUNCILLOR MCCORMACK, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BYRNE, MR. HUBERT REYNOLDS, GORT NA GROUCH, ROSCAHILL, WAS APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEE.

51 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £32,200 FOR GROUP SCHEMES:

IT WAS PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR COOGAN, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MCCORMACK AND RESOLVED:

"THAT GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVE OF THE RAISING OF A LOAN OF £32,200 FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC WORKS OR FROM SUCH OTHER SOURCE AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE MINISTER, TO FINANCE THE COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE COST OF INCREASED PIPE SIZES FOR GROUP SCHEMES AT CLYBAWN, DERRYGIMLA / BALLYCONNELLY, AND PORTUMNA No. 1 (ST. JOSEPH'S ROAD) - THE LOAN TO BE REPAID OVER SUCH PERIOD AS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE MINISTER WITH INTEREST AT THE USUAL RATE APPLICABLE TO SUCH LOANS."

52 - PUBLIC LIGHTING PROGRAMME, 1979:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT THE PREPARATION OF THIS PROGRAMME HAD NOT BEEN COMPLETED BUT THAT IT WAS HOPED TO HAVE IT AVAILABLE FOR THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

53 - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES, 1979:

THE DEPUTY COUNTY ENGINEER REFERRED TO THE LIST OF SCHEMES TO A TOTAL VALUE OF £95,500 WHICH WAS CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS AND APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH MAY, 1979, AND STATED THAT WHILE A BALANCE OF ONLY £34,000 IS AVAILABLE IN THE CURRENT YEAR, A SUPPLEMENTARY LIST SHOWING SCHEMES TO THE VALUE OF £64,250 IS NOW BEING CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS. HE STATED THAT THE LIST WHICH WAS APPROVED IN MAY LAST INCLUDED A SCHEME IN THE TEMPLEJARLATH OLD CEMETERY IN TUAM, AND THAT BECAUSE OF CERTAIN LEGAL PROCEDURES WHICH HAVE TO BE COMPLIED WITH BEFORE THE WORK CAN BE COMPLETED, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO DEFER THIS SCHEME IN THE CURRENT YEAR, AND INSTEAD TO SUBSTITUTE A SCHEME OF FOOTPATH WORK AT HEADFORD WHICH IS ALSO ESTIMATED TO COST £5,000. HE REQUESTED THE APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL TO THE SUPPLEMENTARY LIST IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT IF ANY DIFFICULTIES ARISE IN RELATION TO LAND ACQUISITIONS OR OTHER PROBLEMS RELATING TO THE LIST APPROVED IN MAY OR THE LIST NOW BEING CIRCULATED, THERE WOULD BE SUFFICIENT SCHEMES APPROVED TO ENABLE THE FULL ALLOCATION TO BE SPENT IN THE CURRENT YEAR.

REPLYING TO DEPUTY CALLANAN, THE DEPUTY COUNTY ENGINEER STATED THAT A NUMBER OF SCHEMES HAD ALREADY STARTED AND THAT WORK ON OTHERS WOULD COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS.

WELCOMING THE SCHEME PROPOSED FOR MENLOUGH VILLAGE ESTIMATED TO COST £5,000, COUNCILLOR KILGANNON ASKED THAT THE COUNCIL WOULD INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF ACQUIRING AND DEVELOPING AN OPEN SPACE NEAR THOMPSON'S PUBLIC HOUSE AS HE CONSIDERED THAT THIS WOULD BE A MAJOR AMENITY IN THE VILLAGE IF DEVELOPED AS AN OPEN SPACE. SENATOR CONNAUGHTON STATED THAT IF POSSIBLE, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO ACQUIRE AND DEVELOP THIS AREA IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE AN OVERALL IMPROVEMENT IN THE VILLAGE ITSELF.

COUNCILLOR ULICK BURKE ASKED IF THE WORK PROPOSED IN WOODFORD VILLAGE WAS IN THE AREA KNOWN AS THE BAY. MR. MONAHAN STATED THAT IT IS NOT AS THE AREA KNOWN AS THE BAY IS THE PROPERTY OF THE E.S.B.

COUNCILLOR BURKE STATED THAT THE AREA TO WHICH HE IS REFERRING IS NOW DRY LAND AND THAT THE COUNTY COUNCIL HAS ERECTED AN UNSIGHTLY DEMOUNTABLE HOME THERE.

ON THE SUGGESTION OF THE CHAIRMAN, IT WAS AGREED THAT COUNCILLOR BURKE WOULD DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH THE COUNCIL'S ENGINEER.

THE COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE LIST OF SCHEMES PROPOSED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER FROM WHICH THE SCHEMES COSTING £129,500 BEING THE TOTAL COUNTY COUNCIL ALLOCATION FOR THE CURRENT YEAR CAN BE SELECTED.

54 - DOON CEMETERY, EYRECOURT:

REPLYING TO A PROPOSAL MADE BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE AT THE MEETING HELD ON THE 28TH MAY, 1979, THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT A TURNSTILE FOR THE DOON CEMETERY AT EYRECOURT IS ON ORDER AND WILL BE ERECTED.

55 - BRIDGE OVER CORRIB AT KNOCKFERRY:

REFERRING TO REPRESENTATIONS MADE SOME TIME AGO BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL, THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT A FURTHER ENQUIRY HAD BEEN ADDRESSED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT REGARDING THE QUESTION OF FUNDS FOR A BRIDGE OVER THE CORRIB AT KNOCKFERRY, AND STATED THAT THE FOLLOWING REPLY DATED 19TH JUNE, 1979, HAD BEEN RECEIVED:

"I AM DIRECTED BY THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT TO REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF 8TH MAY, 1979, REGARDING THE QUESTION OF PROVIDING A BRIDGE OVER LOUGH CORRIB AT KNOCKFERRY AND TO

STATE THAT THE PROPOSED BRIDGE WOULD CONNECT TWO COUNTY ROADS AND ACCORDINGLY, THE QUESTION OF UNDERTAKING SUCH A SCHEME AND THE PRIORITY TO BE AFFORDED WOULD BE MATTERS FOR THE COUNTY COUNCIL. ANY SUCH PROPOSAL, NORMALLY, WOULD FALL TO BE FINANCED FROM THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S OWN RESOURCES SUPPLEMENTED BY THE BLOCK ROAD GRANT PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE BLOCK GRANT TO GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL AMOUNTS TO £478,000 IN THE CURRENT YEAR."

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THE BLOCK GRANT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AMOUNTED TO £478,000 AND THAT THIS HAD ALREADY BEEN ALLOCATED.

COUNCILLOR McCORMACK EXPRESSED DISSATISFACTION WITH THE REPLY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND STATED THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD PREPARE A PROPER ESTIMATE ON WHICH TO BASE AN APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL ALLOCATION FROM E.E.C. FUNDS TO CONSTRUCT THE BRIDGE. HE CONSIDERED THE DOCUMENTS AND AN ESTIMATE PREPARED SOME YEARS AGO WHICH ARE AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL COULD BE REVISED AND USED AS A BASIS FOR AN APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT.

THE DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT E.E.C. FUNDS GENERALLY GO TO THE MINISTER WHO DISPENSES THEM AS HE SEES FIT. HE SUGGESTED THAT IF THE COUNCIL WISH, THE MATTER WOULD BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT WITH A REQUEST THAT FUNDS BE SOUGHT FROM E.E.C. SOURCES.

COUNCILLOR McCORMACK PROPOSED THAT THE LETTER BE REFERRED BACK TO THE MINISTER WITH AN APPLICATION FOR THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM THE E.E.C.

SENATOR CONNAUGHTON AGREEING STATED THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD APPROACH THE MINISTER DIRECTLY ON THE MATTER.

DEPUTY CALLANAN STATED THAT THE COUNCIL SHOULD CONSIDER ITS PRIORITIES AND HE REFERRED IN PARTICULAR TO THE URGENT NECESSITY OF GETTING FUNDS FOR VARIOUS SEWERAGE SCHEMES AND HE SUGGESTED THAT IF THE COUNCIL DID GET AN ALLOCATION OF MONEY, IT SHOULD CONSIDER WHAT ITS PRIORITIES WERE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT APPARENTLY THIS BRIDGE WAS NOT A TOP PRIORITY IN THE CONTEXT OF ALL THE NEEDS OF THE COUNCIL.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE MATTER WOULD BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT POINTING OUT THAT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY THAT THE COUNCIL COULD MAKE ANY FUNDS AVAILABLE FROM THE BLOCK GRANT, THAT THIS SHOULD BE TREATED AS AN APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS AND THAT AN APPROPRIATE GRANT BE SOUGHT FROM E.E.C. SOURCES FOR IT.

56 - HOUSING AND GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME GRANTS:

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR RUANE, SECONDED BY SENATOR CONNAUGHTON, IT WAS RESOLVED THAT THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT BE REQUESTED TO ARRANGE FOR THE ATTENDANCE OF DEPARTMENT ENGINEERS DEALING WITH GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES AND ALSO WITH HOUSING GRANTS IN THEIR OFFICES IN GALWAY AT LEAST ONE DAY EVERY WEEK TO DEAL WITH PEOPLE OR GROUPS WHO CALL IN CONNECTION WITH GRANTS FOR GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES AND FOR HOUSING, AND IN ADDITION, THAT CLERICAL ASSISTANCE BE PROVIDED IN THE OFFICE DURING NORMAL WORKING HOURS EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK TO BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ENQUIRIES FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

57 - WATER SUPPLY PROBLEMS:

COUNCILLOR BYRNE STATED THAT THE WATER SUPPLY PRESSURE IN KINVARA IS VERY LOW AND HE ASKED THAT TREATMENT PLANT BE PROVIDED FOR CRAUGHWELL WATER SUPPLY WHICH HE STATED IS IN AN UNSATISFACTORY CONDITION.

COUNCILLORS HAVERTY AND BURKE ASKED THAT THE POSITION REGARDING THE INTAKE OF THE WATER FOR THE PORTUMNA SUPPLY BE INVESTIGATED AS THE LEVEL OF THE SHANNON HAD BEEN LOWERED BY THE E.S.B. AND THE LEVEL OF THE WATER IS AT PRESENT CRITICAL AT THE POINT OF INTAKE.

58 - MICHAEL DAVITT CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS - STRAIDE, CO. MAYO:

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR KILGANNON SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE, IT WAS AGREED THAT TWO MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WOULD ATTEND THE CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS AT STRAIDE, CO. MAYO, ON THE 5TH AUGUST, 1979, AND IT WAS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT AN OFFICIAL WOULD ATTEND.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF COUNCILLOR McCORMACK, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ULICK BURKE, IT WAS AGREED THAT COUNCILLOR KILGANNON WOULD ATTEND, AND ALSO ON THE PROPOSITION OF SENATOR KITT, SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY THAT COUNCILLOR JOYCE WOULD ATTEND.

59 - SYMPATHY:

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY WERE ADOPTED WITH THE FOLLOWING:

MR. MICHAEL HICKEY, MAIN STREET, WOODFORD.
 SR. DOROTHY, MERCY CONVENT, SPIDDAL.
 MRS. O'REILLY, MAIN STREET, WOODFORD, CO. GALWAY.
 MR. JOHN FLETCHER, SOCIETY STREET, BALLINASLOE.

60 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WOULD BE ADJOURNED TO THE AUGUST MEETING.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

P. Mac Fionn CHAIRMAN.

27/8/79. DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Aras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

20u Lunasa, 1979.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 27u la Lunasa, 1979, ag tosnu ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955.

- (a) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Joseph Bourke for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Rossadillisk. - Planning Ref. No. 32173."

G. Bartley. Thomas Welby. Nioclás O Conchubhair.

Copy of Planning Officer's Report herewith.

- (b) "In accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Peter O'Toole for the erection of a dwelling house at Ballyburke. - Planning Ref. No. 31932."

Nioclás O Conchubhair. Thomas Welby. Micheal O Morain.

Copy of Planning Officer's report herewith.

- (c) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant permission to Richard Mayes for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Corboley. - Planning Ref. No. 32625."

Thomas Welby. F. O Cuagain. G. Bartley.

- (d) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we the undersigned propose that the Galway County Council require the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Sean Tyrrell for the erection of a dwelling house at Menlo. - Planning Ref. No. 31757."

Thomas Welby. Fintan Coogan. G. Bartley.

(Note: A decision to grant Permission in this case has been made.)

2. Minutes.

3.(a) Malicious Damage Decrees. - List Herewith.

(b) Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads - List Herewith.

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4. Overdraft - Quarter ending 31st December, 1979.
5. Committees on Itinerancy - appointment of two non-local authority members for each Electoral Area. (Minute No. 41 - meeting of 23rd July, 1979.)
6. Salary revisions - grades IV to VII - Clerical/Administrative staff.
7. Raising of Loans:-
- (a) £30,600 - Dunmore/Glenamaddy Regional Water Supply Scheme (Supplementary).
- (b) £80,000 - for small Sanitary Services Schemes 1979.
- (c) £2,000 - contribution to cost of headworks for Knockdoe Group Water Scheme.
8. Application for Remission of Rates - Messrs. N. Foss Electric Limited, Tuam.
9. "People of the Year" Awards - copy of correspondence from Rehabilitation Institute herewith.
10. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION

(a) ADJOURNED FROM MEETING OF 23RD JULY, 1979:

11. COUNCILLOR FINTAN COOGAN - I will propose:

That traffic lights be erected at Merlin Park Gate.

12. COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:

What is the present position regarding the extension to Moycullen Burial Ground? Has any progress been made in acquiring land?

13. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

(a) That a pragmatic approach be taken to the provision of serviced land for housing throughout the County and a programme developed to inform people of the advantages of constructing their own homes with the assistance of County Council Loans on the sites made available.

(b) That applications for County Council Loans be accepted from single people and also from people who are under 21 years of age.

14. DEPUTY MARK KILLILEA - I will ask:

Would the County Council make every effort to finalise arrangements with the I.D.A. for a portion of ground for a small industry site for Tuam.

15. COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will ask:

(a) What is the present position regarding the Mid-Galway Regional Water Scheme with particular reference to the Group Scheme for the greater Monivea Area organised by Rev. Fr. Sammon, C.C., Ryehill.

(b) That improvements be carried out at the junction of the Colemanstown/Galway Road at Garbally Castle to improve sight distance.

(c) That roads brought up to standard under L.I.S. improvement schemes qualify for taking over as public roads.

16. AN COMHAIRLEOIR P. O'FOIGHIL

Iarann an cruinniú seo ar an gComhairle Contae glacadh leis an bprionsabail go gcuirfi coras aistriúchan díreach ó Ghaeilge go Béarla ar fail i seomra Cruinnithe an Chontae agus tugann an cruinniú seo treoir don Bhainisteoir Contae gach eolas faoi Chostas, riaradh agus gníomhu coras den chineál seo a bheith bailithe agus reitithe le cur os comhair an chead chruinniú eile den Choiste seo.

17. COUNCILLOR P. RUANE - I will propose:

- (a) That a wire fence be placed around the dump at Ballindoooley to prevent papers flying around the farmers land there, and also to apply sand or some covering over the dump to prevent smoke and foul smell reaching Cloon, Cloonacauneen, and other villages across on the east side.
- (b) That this Council call on the two Itinerant Families at Caltra, Belclare, to have their scrap and old motor cars, etc., removed from the County roadside as it is causing great inconvenience to the local people.

(b) OTHER NOTICES OF MOTION RECEIVED:

18. DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - I will propose:

- (a) That Galway County Council erect public lighting at Esker, Athenry, Co. Galway.
- (b) That Galway County Council erect a sign or signs indicating where the Retreat House is at Esker, Athenry.
- (c) That Galway County Council provide a refuse collection at Kiltullagh, Athenry.

19. DEPUTY JOHN M. MANNION - I will propose:

- (a) That Galway County Council blacktop the Oorid Road, Recess.
- (b) That Galway County Council clean the drain in Lettermore Cemetery.

20. COUNCILLOR FRANK GLYNN - I will propose:

- (a) That the view at Heaney's Cross, Tullindaly, be improved and the junction be made more safe.
- (b) That the County Council improve the view at the entrance to Pollaturick, Village and the view of the Railway Gates from the Pollaturick Junction, Milltown.
- (c) That Galway County Council protest to the Minister for Health at the poor state of the dental service in the Western Health Board area.

21. AN COMHAIRLEOIR P. O'FOIGHIL

- (a) Iarraimse ar an GComhairle Contae fairsingiu ar Reilig na Tra Baine, Reilig an tSean Baile (Baile na Cille) agus Reilig Leitir Meallain agus bothar cearta a chur isteach go Reilig Leitir Meallain.
- (b) Iarraimse ar an GComhairle Contae casan a reiteach siar on Spideal Chomh fada le boithrin Tuar Beag in ngeall ar na timpisti ata tarlaithe ann le blianta anuas.

22. COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

That the road leading to the Station, Gort, be widened and in particular, the dangerous right hand bend be removed in order to allow better traffic movement.

23. COUNCILLOR PADRAIC McCORMACK - I will ask:

- (a) What is the cause of the long delay in the County Council providing a pump for the people of Sheاون Park (Cartymore), Athenry.
- (b) That the County Council take steps to cover the Reservoir at Kilronan, Aran, supplying water to Kilronan and the surrounding areas.
- (c) For a report on the present position of the Currandulla Group Water Scheme.

24. SENATOR MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

- (a) That the road at the head of the road leading into Tommy Nolan's house, Lehenagh, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe, be widened. This road leads off the Lehenagh/Castleblakeney Road.

24. (b) That Galway County Council would make enquiries from Comhlucht Siucra Eireann to determine the possibility of acquiring land from them for building houses at Muckloon, Ballyforan.

(c) That Galway Council would ease a number of bends on the road from Glentane, Castleblakeney to Menlough and in particular, the bend between Gormally's and O'Hara's Fairhill, bend opposite Michael Ryan's house and the bend at Killeen's Gate, Fairhill.

25. COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

That the County Council purchase land in Gort, Loughrea, Clarinbridge, Kinvara, Ardahan, and the Council erect Local Authority Houses on these sites as there is a great housing requirement by people in these areas.

26. COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE - I will propose:

- (a) That this Council provide ranges for tenants who request them.
- (b) That this Council take over all the completed Housing Estates in Tuam.

27. COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

- (a) That The Council make a permanent appointment to the post of Waterworks Caretaker in Eyrecourt and that the person appointed be employed by the Council to look after the maintenance of the town of Eyrecourt as was Michael Kenny in the past.
- (b) That funds be made available by the Council to assist the provision of a children's playground in Laurencetown on the area of land around the Parochial Hall, which is available for such development.
- (c) What are the results of the quality and quantity tests carried out last year on the new County Council pump at Blacksticks, Eyrecourt.

28. DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN - I will propose:

That the County Engineer be asked to carry out repairs immediately on public road leading from Killalaghton N.S. to Killoran Church and the road leading off same.

29. COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:

That the Council carry out immediately the improvement to the street in Killimor as promised.

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MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCLUDING COSTS
GALWAY FERRIES LIMITED, HIBERNIAN HOUSE, EYRE SQUARE, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO TWO LIFE BELTS.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£193.05	£162.20
DENIS KELLY, 18 BAYSIDE SQUARE, SUTTON, CO. DUBLIN.	DAMAGE TO A FORD ESCORT CAR REG. No. 14 RIK, STEREO RADIO UNIT AND 12 STEREO TAPES.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£45.00	£73.95
WILLIAM COSTELLO, KILROGHTER, CO. GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO 11 COCKS OF HAY.	COUNTY OF GALWAY AT LARGE.	£ 33.00	£ 46.65
BLACKROCK HOUSE LTD., 35, UPPER ABBEY STREET, DUBLIN.	DAMAGE TO CINEMA.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£3,593.63	£3,043.83
GALWAY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE, HYNES BUILDING, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO BUILDING CONSTRUCTION SHED.	COUNTY OF GALWAY AT LARGE.	£262.00	£363.13
WILLIAM COSTELLOE, KILROGHTER, CO. GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO 36 COCKS OF HAY.	COUNTY OF GALWAY AT LARGE.	£106.00	£136.54
MICHAEL O'MALLEY, MUCKANAGHDEERDAUHAULIA, OUGHTERARD, CO. GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO REEK OF TURF.	COUNTY OF GALWAY AT LARGE.	£120.00	£200.32
ANTHONY J. BYRNE, c/o MESSRS. MACDERMOT & ALLEN, SOLICITORS, ST. FRANCIS STREET GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO A LANCIA BETA COUPE REG. No. Y10 401	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£150.00	£173.60

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCLUDING COSTS
JOHN MONROE, c/o MACDERMOT & ALLEN, SOLICITORS, ST. FRANCIS STREET, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO ONE RADIO PLATE GLASS WINDOW AND SPIRITS.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£145.00	£109.00
BARTLEY HARTY, 39, COOKES TERRACE, BOHERMORE, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO A MOTOR CAR WINDSCREEN.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£20.00	£40.05
MARGARET KENNEDY, 4, THE CRESCENT, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO A MOTOR CAR, FIAT 127, REG. No. 1255 FI.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£44.00	£91.53
BRIDGET O'FLAHERTY, 7, PLUNKETT AVE., MERVUB, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO SHOP AND BUILDING.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£22.00	£48.45
ROCHES STORES (LIMERICK) LTD. EYRE STREET, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO WINDOW AND DOORS.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£46.35	£104.93
SHEILA COONEY, DROGHEDA, CO. LOUTH.	DAMAGE TO A MOTOR CAR.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£106.70	£171.35
MICHAEL O'DONOGHUE, SALTHILL, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO A CAR AND CONTENTS.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£3,500	£3,334.51
PETER J. WALSH, BALLYBANE ROAD, GALWAY.	DAMAGE TO A TRAILER, ELECTRICAL FITTINGS AND SOME TOOLS.	BOROUGH OF GALWAY.	£223.42	£296.08

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree, including costs
Kevin Hallinan, Salthill, Galway.	Damage to a plate glass window.	Borough of Galway.	£60.00	£96.58
John Keane, Bohermore, Galway.	Damage to one left hand rear window, door and the upholstery in the car.	Borough of Galway.	£41.38	£77.66

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 Building, Galway, on or after Monday, 27th August, 1979, consider the making of a declaration that the following roads shall be public roads.

AREA	FROM	TO	Metres
Athenry	Inc. with C.R. 386 Lissadoolan (Dunsandle)	W. Dempsey's yard gate, Lissadoolan	40
Portumna	C.R. 539 Spring Garden	W. Treacy's house, Spring Garden	177
Portumna	C.R. 548 in townland of Lacken	Mrs. J. Craughwell's house, Lacken	117
Portumna	Inc. with C.R. 528 in townland of Kilbride	Towards T. McNamara's house in townland of Kilbride	282
Portumna	C.R. 545 in townland of Ballygowan	J. Kelly's back entrance gate, Ballygowan	48
Gort	C.R. No. 329 Loughcurra North	Second gate of Mrs. Burke's house, Loughcurra North	72
Ballinasloe	Inc. 521 Fairfield	Gate across road leading to Ward's house, Fairfield	800
Athenry	Main Kiltulla/Attymon Road, Laragh, Attymon	Edward Burke's yard gate, Laragh	180
Athenry	C.R. 433 Clooncah	Towards gate leading to Naughton's and Mitchell's houses	180
Mountbellew	C.R. 468 in Townland of Caltra	Towards C.R. 468 in Townland of Caltra	80
Athenry	C.R. 377 Gloves East	Gate on road leading to Glynn's house, Carnakelly North	105
Athenry	Caltraheedy branch of C.R. 433 Clooncah	Towards John Kenny's house	220
Athenry	End of public road branch of No. 432 in townland of Lenamore (Tiaquin)	Towards Monahan's house	122
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 473 Fohenagh	T. Noone's house, Clonbrock	285
Milltown	Murray's house in Townland of Tullybeg South	Moran's house, Tullybeg South	191
Milltown	Co. Rd. 229 Russelstown	Peter Healy's house, Russelstown	82
Milltown	Co. Rd. 227 Carrownurlaur	Brogan's house, Carrownurlaur	127
Milltown	Corless's house in townland of Cloonbar	Towards Burke's house, Cloonbar	120
Portumna	C.R. 236 in townland of Derrary South	Towards Connolly's house, Derrary South	411
Portumna	C.R. 531 in the townland of Knockaun	P. Hardiman's house in townland of Knockaun	417
Portumna	C.R. 585 in townland of Eyrecourt Demesne	Gate at Clarke's field, Eyrecourt Demesne	100
Portumna	C.R. 581 in townland of Lismany	Gate leading to A. Poland's house, Lismany	191
Portumna	C.R. 529 in Townland of Derreenboy	Towards P. J. Gréaney's entrance gate, Cloonlahan	325
Portumna	Inc. with C.R. 529 Ballyhogan	Towards J. Connaughton's house, Ballyhogan	190
Portumna	C.R. 526 Springfield	Towards gate at P. Headd's house, Springfield	100
Milltown	Co. Rd. 207 Aghloragh	Towards Robert Ward's house	101
Tuam	Co. Rd. 206 in townland of Coolcragh	Towards M. Ward's house	112
Milltown	M.R. 220 in townland of Cahernagry	M. McGrath's house, Cahernagry	100
Milltown	M. Byrne's house, Cloonascragh	T. Hughe's house	97
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 467 in townland of Garafine	Towards J. Rock's house	139
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 477 Killaghmore	towards T. J. Nevin's house, Killaghmore	220
Athenry	Inc. with C.R. 376 in townland of Shoodaun	Molloy's house, Shoodaun	200
Mountbellew	C.R. 416 in townland of Skehanagh	M. Dunne's house, Skehanagh	120
Milltown	C.R. 223 in townland of Blindwell	P. Henghan's new house, Blindwell	272
Tuam	C.R. 204 in townland of Clogherboy	Williams' house, Clogherboy	125
Milltown	C.R. 218 in the townland of Tonlegge	J. Kelly's house, Tonlegge	127
Gort	C.R. 302 Killeeneen	C.R. 303 Killeeneen	160
Tuam	C.R. 204 in townland of Clogherboy	Hughes gate in townland of Garraun More	92
Athenry	Inc. with road to S. McDonagh's, Ballybogan	West to J. Daly's house, Ballybogan	196
Mountbellew	C.R. 427 Colemanstown	Towards C.R. 428 Cloonkeenkerrill	155
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 514 Chainage 648 Cloonacannon (Kelly)	Towards Inc. C.R. 513 Eskermore	190
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 517 Chainage 520 Castlegar	Towards Bannerton's entrance gate, Castlegar	120
Ballinasloe	Inc. C.R. 514 (874 chainage) Eglis	Towards Inc. 517 Ballynamona	140
Athenry	Public road at Farrells, Clamperpark, Athenry	Delaney's house, Clamperpark	84
Athenry	End of public road, Kingsland South	J. Connell's house, Kingsland South	143
Athenry	Road from end of public road in townland of Dunsandle	Towards public road at Egan's in same townland	320
Clifden	Inc. with C.R. 49B in townland of Ardmore	Sean Curran's house, Ardmore	174
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 274 (chainage 185M.) in townland of Ussey	Towards Co. Rd. 277 in townland of Cloonfaughna	235
Tuam	N.P. 90 in townland of Racoona	Kelly's house in townland of Racoona	140
Mountbellew	C.R. 409 in townland of Annaghmore East	T. Ryan's house, Annaghmore East	450
Loughrea	Lakeside Park Loop road off N.66 at Cuscarrick, Loughrea		288

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND EACH MEMBER
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A Chara,

The following Notice of Motion was omitted from the Agenda dated 20th instant:

26. (c) COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE:

That this Council requests the Minister for Labour to
extend the Manpower service in Tuam.

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K. DOYLE.
COUNTY SECRETARY.