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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 25TH JANUARY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, Senators U. Burke and T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, and P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, M.J. Kilgannon, Deputies M. Killilea and M. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator 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; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; M.J. Dunne, County Engineer; H. Kearns, and D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; F. Monahan, Senior Executive Engineer; L. Kavanagh and B. Callagy, Senior Executives (Planning); E. Lusby, Finance Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1388 - SYMPATHY:

On the proposition of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council extended its sympathy to the relatives of the late Dr. Raymond O'Beirne, Mountbellew.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, the Council also extended its sympathy to Mr. Jospeh O'Kelly, Administrative Officer, County Council, on the death of his mother. The County Manager joined in the expression of sympathy to Mr. O'Kelly on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council.

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:

Mrs. Keaveney, Knockogonnell, Ballymoe.
Mairin Bn. Mhic an Adhastair, Beal a'Daingin P.O., Co. na Gaillimhe.
Mrs. Anne King, Derrygimla, Ballyconneely.
Mr. Peadar Hodgins, St. Grellan's Terrace, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Kathleen Cloherty,
Mrs. Mary Roche & Family, Killahawn, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Burke & Family, Tiaquin, Colemanstown, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Mary Joyce, Kilconnell, Ballinasloe.
The Glynn Family, Ennis Road, Gort.
Mr. John Kennedy & Family, Cahercrin, Athenry.
Mr. Brian Touhy, Coose, Woodford.
Mr. Ignatius Touhy, Moyglass, Loughrea.
Miss Ciss Fordham, Lisbrien, Gort.
Miss Molly Fahey, Barrack Street, Gort.
Mr. Kevin Dooley, Tynagh Road, Loughrea.
Mr. John Joe Dooley, Templemartin, Craughwell.
The Cosgrove Family, Renville, Oranmore.
The Burke Family, Coolarne, Turloughmore.
The O'Neill Family, Gortacurnaur, Gort.
Mr. & Mrs. Malachy Quinn, Peterswell, Gort.
Mr. Matt Linnane, Pollagh, Kilcolgan.

Mrs. Michael Mahon, Geeha, Kinvara.
Miss Maggie Joyce, Westport Road, Clifden.
Mr. John Duane, Cooliney, Kilrickle, Loughrea.
Mrs. Mary Hynes & Family, Aille, Loughrea.

1389 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 39553 - HENRY CONNOLLY:

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

"LOCATION:

The site is located on the Errislannon Peninsula to the north of Lough Atholla.

HISTORY:

- (a) Three previous applications for this development have been refused by the Planning Authority, and two of these have been appealed to and refused by the Minister for Local Government.
- (b) Five previous applications for the construction of a dwellinghouse have been refused by the Planning Authority, and one on appeal has been refused by the Minister for Local Government.
- (c) A previous application, Planning Register Reference No. 30546, was granted by the Planning Authority under a Section 4 Notice, but was refused on appeal by An Bord Pleanala.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

Full planning permission has already been granted to the applicant on the family holding, Planning Register Reference No. 7067.

A further outline planning permission was granted on appeal by An Bord Pleanala to the applicant's brother, Mr. Raymond Connolly, Planning Register Reference No. 20512, on the family holding on 29/5/78.

The applicant now states that the house for which he obtained planning permission is occupied by his brother, Mr. Raymond Connolly.

The Planning Authority are of the opinion that:

- (a) Mr. Henry Connolly can avail of the outline planning permission granted on the family holding,
- (b) That there are alternative more suitable sites less injurious to the visual amenities of the area on the family holding than the site now applied for.

RECOMMENDATION

It is proposed to refuse the application as follows:-

1. The proposed development, located in an open rugged treeless landscape, would erode the scenic character of the area, because it would be intrusive and out of keeping in an area which should properly be kept free of all non-essential development.
2. Permission has been refused three times for the specific development proposed and six times for a new dwellinghouse on this site and a larger site including the above site."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Councillor Welby.

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

1390 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 34701 - PETER BURKE:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

In the circumstances, the resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

1391 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 40743 - MICHAEL COLLINS:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed house is located on an unrealigned section of the road from Galway to Headford approximately five miles south of Headford. There have been two previous applications on this site which have been refused by Galway County Council, Planning Ref. Nos. 37904, 39263.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed site is located on the National Secondary Route where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to restrict housing development to limited categories, for traffic reasons.

The applicant has made a "replacement of sub-standard house" claim. However, this claim does not come within this category as defined by the County Development Plan because (a) the "substandard house" is in fact a modern bungalow which would continue to be occupied and (b) the Collins family have other lands away from the National Secondary Route; which have not been declared by the applicant.

RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed development located on a busy unrealigned section of the National Secondary Route where Class 1 control operates under Table number 3 of the 1979 County Development Plan would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site is located where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic turning movements generated by the development would interfere with the free flow and safety on the said road."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor Molloy.

Councillor Brennan proposed that the permission sought be refused. As there was no seconder to this proposal, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor Molloy passed.

1392 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41449 - P. GREANEY:

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

"This is a repeat application for change of use to nursing home which was refused in September, 1981, planning reference no. 39053.

The difficulty arising is that the site area is approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ acre with an extension to the front. The septic tank with its associated percolation area is also to the front. The site layout shows the septic tank 18 feet from the front boundary wall with the percolation area between the tank and the front wall.

With the addition of a laundry and sluice room, the Planning Authority do not consider that the disposal of effluent has been properly catered for and feel that a discharge will result onto the public road causing a health hazard to adjoining house owners and road users.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended as follows -

The proposals submitted for dealing with the increased domestic effluent and the discharge from laundry facilities have not been dealt with to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, when taken in conjunction with the restricted nature of the site, its proximity to the adjacent road and the combined use of a percolation area and carpark."

The County Manager referred in particular to the inadequate arrangements for the disposal of domestic effluent and the discharge from laundry facilities which it is considered would cause a health hazard.

Councillor O Foighil stated that he understood that arrangements had been made for the proper treatment of the effluent and in view of the contents of the report in this regard, he stated that he would not propose the resolution.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

1393 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41421 - MARTY O'MALLEY:

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

1394 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41447 - JOHN KEARNEY:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed development is located on the National Primary Route approximately one mile north of the Loughgeorge junction with the National Primary Route. Permission has been refused by the Planning Authority for permission to erect a workshop, store and office and for permission for a garden centre (Planning Ref. Nos. 40684 and 40659). Both of these applications are on appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The development constitutes commercial development on the National Primary Route which is wholly restricted on such routes by the County Development Plan, 1979.

This development is contrary to the Planning Authority's policy because the traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The proposed development which constitutes commercial development on the National Primary Route would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area and the 1979 County Development Plan because it would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the additional traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route."

Deputy Killilea proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and stated that the Appeals in respect of applications numbered 40684 and 40659 had been withdrawn.

Councillor Ruane seconded Deputy Killilea's proposal and stated that no new entrance had been created.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

1395 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41453 - JOHN KEARNEY:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed development is located on the National Primary Route approximately one mile north of the Loughgeorge junction with the National Primary Route. Permission has been refused by the Planning Authority for permission to erect a workshop, store, and office and for permission for a garden centre (Planning Ref. Nos. 40684 and 40659). Both of these applications are on appeal to An Bord Pleanála.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The Development constitutes commercial development on the National primary route which is wholly restricted on such routes by the County Development Plan, 1979.

The garden centre has already been established and is unauthorised. It is contrary to the Planning Authority's policy because the traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route.

RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed development which constitutes commercial development on the National Primary Route would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area and the 1979 County Development Plan because it would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the additional traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor Ruane. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

1396 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41495 - THOMAS NAUGHTON:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located on the main Galway road in Tuam, immediately inside the Town Boundary. The site is a long narrow site with a fifty feet frontage with the main road. Permission for development on this site has been refused on five previous occasions, and these decisions have been upheld on appeal (See Planning Ref. Nos. 10137, 11912, 40272, 40858, and 41135).

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

This site has a Specific Development Control Objective in the 1979 Tuam Town Plan which is shown as H1 on the accompanying map. This objective is required to preserve access to lands zoned for comprehensive residential development to the rear of this site.

The possibility of finding a compromise permitting the erection of a house on the site, and the creation of access to the backlands has been investigated but found to be impractical. Such a compromise would be to the disadvantage of the landowner, and would render it impossible to provide a satisfactory junction.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended as follows:-

1. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area because the proposed site affords access to lands which are zoned for future residential development and the preservation of this access is a specific development control objective of the 1979 Tuam Development Plan."

The County Manager reminded the Council that a similar application had been refused on five previous occasions and these decisions had been upheld on Appeal.

Deputy Killilea proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and stated that the applicant has no other site other than this which is owned by his family. He did not agree that this is the only means of access to the backlands and some alternative arrangements for access should have been made. He said that there is plenty of other land which would give access to the development land in question.

Councillor Finnegan seconded Deputy Killilea's proposal and stated that this man has been making applications for the past 10 years. It has cost him a considerable amount of money because he was held up for so long.

Councillor Brennan asked if any prior consultations in this case had taken place, and Councillor Finnegan stated that consultations had taken place over the years.

The County Manager stated that he would like to have an opportunity to re-examine the case in the light of the case which had been made on the grounds of an alternative access being available and on the grounds of hardship. Deputy Killilea stated that there was other land nearby for which planning permission was given and through which access could have been gained to the development land in question.

The County Manager again asked for an opportunity to re-assess the situation as he pointed out that this creates a very particular legal problem and that if the resolution was passed, he might not be in a position to implement it.

Deputy Donnellan stated that if the Council required this land for access to the development land, they should have bought it before now.

The County Manager stated that the Council does not need it for its purposes and that it has no reason to purchase it.

Deputy Killilea stated that the owners of the development land never approached Mr. Naughton. He stated that he did agree to adjourn the matter for one month and he asked the County Manager to consult the three people in whose names the Section 4 resolution had been submitted when the matter is being re-examined.

The County Manager stated that the applicant would have to agree to an extension of the time for decision.

Councillor Glynn stated that the owner of the development land should be informed also.

The County Manager stated that he must be guided by the legal requirements of considering the proper planning and development of the town of Tuam.

It was agreed to adjourn the matter to a later date.

1397 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41501 - MARTIN DONOHUE:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1398 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41281 - MICHAEL KENNELLY:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1399 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41419 - MARTIN KENNY:

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Councillor Welby. The County Manager submitted the report in the attached schedule which had been circulated to each Member of the Council. Deputy Killilea stated that Mr. Kenny looks after the Cairn referred to in the report and that the proposed development will not adversely affect it.

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

1400 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41120 - THOMAS SHAUGHNESSY:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

Replying to Councillor McCormack, the County Manager stated that although this man had applied for an extension of time a request for further information had been issued and that a date for decision would depend on the date on which the applicant sends the information requested.

1401 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41580 - L. O CUALAIN:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1402 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41063 - WILLIAM SULLIVAN:

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

"The proposed site is located on the road from Kinvarra to Parkmore Quay, close to Kinvarra Bay. This is classified as an Area of High Amenity by the 1979 County Development Plan.

The site has a road frontage of 230 ft. but has a site depth ranging from 60 ft. at one end and 30 ft. at the other end. Therefore, this site has a long road frontage but very little depth.

Planning Permission was granted to Mr. William Crampton of Kilcolgan to erect a dwellinghouse on the site immediately to the rear of the site under consideration (Planning Ref. no. 25296).

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The minimum site requirements for housing in Areas of High Amenity are 164 ft. of road frontage and a minimum site depth of 197 ft. This requirement is included to reduce the visual obtrusiveness of permitted houses and to lessen the visual effects of ribbonisation of houses in Areas of High Amenity.

Building line and septic tank provisions of the County Development Plan require a minimum front building line of 45 ft. and that a septic tank be located at least 60 ft. from the roadside boundary of the site. Neither requirements can be complied with by this applicant on this site.

The erection of this dwellinghouse would be seriously to the detriment of the owner of the site immediately to the rear of this site, Mr. William Crampton. Moreover, Mr. O'Sullivan's residential amenity and privacy would be seriously affected by the permission for a dwellinghouse immediately to the rear.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. The proposed development located in an Area of High Amenity as classified by the 1979 County Development Plan, is contrary to the provisions of that Plan because the site does not comply with the requirements which apply in such an Area of High Amenity which stipulate a site depth of 60 metres. This is listed in Table 10 of the Plan.
2. The proposed development is contrary to the proper planning and development of the area, because a dwellinghouse cannot be located satisfactorily on the site in compliance with building line or septic tank requirements of the Planning Authority.
3. The proposed development would seriously interfere with the residential amenities of the proposed dwellinghouse on the adjacent site to the rear."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Councillor Welby.

Replying to Councillor Brennan, the County Manager stated that no consultation had taken place between the applicant and the Planning Authority on this matter.

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

Senator Byrne stated that he could not see why this area is classified as one of high amenity.

The taking of a vote on those resolutions was postponed until after 4.30 p.m.

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

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Senators Burke, Byrne, Deputy Callanan, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, Haverty, Deputy Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillor McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O Conchubhair, O Foighil, O Higgins, O Morain, Ruane, and Welby. (21)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Glynn, Holland. (4)

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

Deputy Connaughton and Councillor Kilgannon did not vote.

1403 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41370 - A.J. CORLESS:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1404 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 39918 - MICHAEL MULHALL:

The County Manager stated that this proposal was before the Council at the December meeting but that inadvertently a vote was not taken. A report on the application was circulated to Members for the meeting of the Council held on the 21st December, 1981.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Deputy Killilea.

Councillor J. Brennan proposed and Councillor J. Burke seconded that the permission sought be refused.

A vote taken on those proposals was deferred until after 4.30 p.m.

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

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Senator Burke, Deputy Callanan, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors F. Fahey, M. Fahy, Haverty, Deputy Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillor McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O Conchubhair, O Foighil, O Higgins, O Morain, Ruane and Welby. (20)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Glynn, Holland.

(4)

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

Senator Byrne, Deputy Connaughton, and Councillor Kilgannon did not vote.

1405 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 40813 - MICHAEL DONOGHUE:

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

"Mr. O'Donoghue erected a hayshed type structure with leanto attached on his lands, based on advice as to its location from his Agricultural Advisor and in the belief that it was exempted development. He was also proposing to construct slatted flooring for cattle and underground slurry tanks but he has not carried out this particular development to date following objections from nearby householders who called to the Planning Office and submitted a letter of objection. The Planning Authority subsequently informed Mr. O'Donoghue that since the development was within 100 metres of an inhabited house it required Planning Permission.

He subsequently submitted the current application for retention of the development and in a request for further information it was pointed out that he had not in fact carried out all of the development, in particular the slurry tanks, which he had submitted on his drawings and he was requested to state whether he would be agreeable to locating the silage pit, and by implication the slurry tanks, elsewhere on his lands so as to be more than 100 metres from any house.

In the recently received reply to the request for further information he stated that he could not afford the expense of relocating the silage pit and that the proposed slurry pit would be enclosed and emptied as required.

The report from the County Medical Officer recommends refusal of the development because it is situated within 100 metres of a dwellinghouse and would be liable to cause a nuisance.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is consequently proposed to refuse retention of the development as follows:

The proposed development would be liable to cause a public health nuisance because it would be located less than 100 metres from an inhabited dwellinghouse."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Senator T. Byrne who stated that he had explained the circumstances of this case on a number of occasions to the Planning Office staff. The work had been carried out by Mr. Donoghue on the advice of an Agricultural Advisor and he believed that the work was exempt from Planning Permission. The work which he had done had been enclosed and the structure is east of the buildings owned by the objector - away from the direction of the prevailing winds. He considered that the distance to which this fell short of the 100 metres would not make much difference with regard to a health nuisance and in consultation with the Agricultural Advisor, it is considered that no nuisance would arise. He pointed out that it would be a considerable expense to this man if the structures had to be discontinued or removed.

Deputy Donnellan seconded Senator Byrne's proposal.

Replying to queries about objections, the County Manager stated that eight objections had been received and that the development is 60 metres from one of the houses.

Senator Byrne stated that only two of the houses are within a distance of 100 metres.

Councillor Glynn stated that he saw no point in objecting in view of the Council's attitude to Section 4 resolutions.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared Senator Byrne's proposal carried.

1406 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 40891 - JOHN PRYCE:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed development site is located on the Clifden to Claddaghduff road at Doon. This is an Area of High Amenity in the 1979 County Development Plan where it is the policy of the Planning Authority to restrict non-essential development especially on visually obtrusive areas.

Planning permission for a dwellinghouse was granted on the adjacent site on the basis of a second family claim on condition that the applicant enter into a written agreement with the Planning Authority.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed site is an elevated site and the proposed house would be located on a rocky hillside where it would be visually obtrusive and seriously detract from the visual amenities of this important amenity area.

Due to the elevated topography, the rocky and boggy nature of the soil, it is felt that the soil is not suitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent particularly in view of the granting of permission for one house on the adjacent site.

The applicant, Mr. Pryce, does not seem to be from the Claddaghduff area as no address has been given to the Planning Authority. A Mr. Joe King is the owner of the site which he seems to be selling to Mr. Pryce. Therefore, this development cannot come within the categories of housing need to which development is normally restricted in such an area. No such claims have been made by the applicant.

An Taisce have objected to development on this site.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal as above."

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

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

1407 - MINUTES:

The Minutes of Meeting held on the 21st December, 1981, were approved and signed by the Chairman on the proposition of Councillor Frank Fahey and seconded by Councillor Kilgannon.

Arising from the Minutes, the County Engineer informed Councillor Frank Fahey that the Maree Area had been connected with the Oranmore Water Supply Scheme.

Referring to Minute No. 1382 regarding permission for industrial development at Ballybrit, Councillor McCormack stated that he did not get a complete answer to his queries on this matter at the last meeting, and that he understood that he could raise the question again at the January Meeting.

The County Manager stated that he thought that Councillor McCormack was to call into the office for whatever further information he required.

Councillor McCormack stated that permission for industrial development had been given in an area zoned "Commercial". He had also asked when a decision was made to grant permission and if the public notice was in order.

The County Manager stated that the development took place on land which was owned by the I.D.A. and that there was a scarcity of sites for small industry in the city surroundings and that the County Development Team had been pressing the I.D.A. for sites. For those reasons and in the interests of job creation, it was decided to grant the permission sought. He stated that the area was not an attractive commercial area, land was already in the ownership of the I.D.A., and it was not considered to be damaging to the amenities of the area, and that the area is not in the category of an amenity area in the development plan.

Councillor McCormack stated that he did not agree as the area was not defined as an industrial area in the County Development Plan and that the permission given was contrary to the provisions of the Plan. The people in the nearby houses had hitherto a view of the racecourse which is now cut off. He stated that permission was granted on the 9th March and he asked the date on which the application was received.

The County Manager stated that the I.D.A. had previously been urged to come up with sites by the County Development Team and others. The site was bought by the I.D.A. for the purpose of establishing a small industry, and it was felt that those type of industries could be located satisfactorily in the area without diminishing the amenities any more than they would be diminished by strictly commercial enterprises.

Deputy Donnellan stated that he had brought in some people from the locality who had objected and he understood that the developers would be told to stop while the matter at issue is on Appeal. He considered that the wall of the building is too near the proposed road wall and that the business^{which} is carried on there is not suitable for the area. Local people are under the impression that no heed was paid to their objections.

The County Manager, replying to further queries, stated that the measures taken by the Council on the various applications involved in this case were outlined at the last meeting. He stated that he would write to Councillor McCormack regarding the date of the application. The question of the unauthorised extension is on Appeal to the Planning Appeals Board - the result of this is awaited. When the result of the Appeal is received, the Council will see if any further action is called for and whatever conditions are imposed by the Planning Appeals Board, the Council will see that they are carried out.

The County Manager stated that he understood that Councillor McCormack at the last meeting had expressed satisfaction with the reply then given.

Councillor McCormack stated that he did not say that he was satisfied.

1408 - DATES OF MEETINGS:

It was agreed that the Estimates Meeting would be held on the 8th March.

It was agreed that since no notification about Road Grants had been received, the Roadworks Programme and Estimates for Roads could be discussed at the Estimates Meeting. If necessary, a further meeting on the Roadworks Programme could be held after the Estimates Meeting.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION

Deputy Killilea stated that he did not see any point in holding this meeting as it would be a waste of time. He proposed that no meeting be held for this purpose.

Councillor Michael Fahy seconded this proposal.

Councillor Kilgannon proposed and Councillor J. Burke seconded that the meeting be held. A vote taken on those proposals resulted in 13 votes for holding the meeting and 12 against. The date of the meeting was then fixed for Friday, 12th February.

1409 - APPOINTMENT OF PADRAIG HYNES, BALLINAFAD, TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE:

It was proposed by Senator Mannion, seconded by Councillor O Morain, and resolved:

"That Mr. Padraig Hynes, Canal Stage, Ballinafad, be appointed to fill a vacancy on the County Committee of Agriculture - Mr. Hynes having been nominated by the Connemara Pony Breeder's Society."

1410 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - DUNMORE/GLENAMADDY REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME, STAGE 1.:

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan seconded by Councillor Ryan and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £444,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of completing the Dunmore/Glenamaddy Regional Water Supply Scheme - Stage 1, the loan to be repaid over such period and on such terms as may be approved by the Minister."

1411 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - OUGHTERARD REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

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

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £12,300 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of completing the Oughterard Regional Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be repaid over such period and on such terms as may be approved by the Minister."

1412 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - EXTENSION TO ORANMORE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - STAGE 1

It was proposed by Councillor Molloy seconded by Councillor McCormack and resolved:-

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £7,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of completing the Extension to Oranmore Water Supply Scheme - Stage 1, the loan to be repaid over such period and on such terms as may be approved by the Minister."

1413 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - BRIERHILL RESERVOIR:

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

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a Supplementary Loan of £12,900 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of completing the Brierhill Reservoir, the loan to be repaid over such period and on such terms as may be approved by the Minister."

1414 - SALE OF HOUSES:

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of the houses occupied by them to Mr. Patrick Reilly, Lissybroder, Dunmore, and Mr. Joseph Barnacle, Carrowmanagh, Oughterard, in accordance with Notices under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966, as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, which was given to each Member of the Council."

1415 - SALE OF HOUSING SITE AT CULLAIRBAUN, ATHENRY:

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of a housing site at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to Miss Christina Kearns, Caherroyne, Athenry, in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 13th January, 1982, under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, given to each Member of the Council."

1416 - RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR ELDERLY PERSONS:

The County Manager read for Members letter dated 14th December, 1981, from the Minister of State, Department of Education, and stated that enquiries would be made regarding the availability of suitable sites.

On the proposition of Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Senator Ulick Burke, the Council agreed with the County Manager's proposal.

1417 - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE DISABLED:

The County Manager stated that this matter was put on the Agenda in response to a decision of the Council on the 23rd March, 1981, in order to remind the Council of the needs of the disabled.

Senator Burke asked what the Council did in 1981.

The County Manager stated that a number of proposals had been put before the County Council and approved.

The County Engineer stated that approximately £1,000 was spent in each of the Engineering Areas to provide easy access to footpaths and similar work.

The County Manager replying to Councillor Coogan, stated that the Council has no scheme which would permit it entering private houses for the purpose of repairing burst pipes.

Replying to Councillor F. Fahey, he stated that the Council are considering the possibility of employing a disabled person as Switchboard Operator.

1418 - FIRE SERVICES ACT, 1981:

The County Manager outlined the main provisions of the Act as set out in his memoranda of 25th January, 1982, and 27th April, 1981, both of which were circulated to Members.

1419 - APPLICATION FOR RATE REMISSION - FACTORY AT TONLEEGEE, CLONBUR. - C.D.S. TEORANTA:

It was proposed by Councillor O Morain, seconded by Councillor O Conchubhair, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the remission of two-thirds of the rates leviable in respect of the factory at Tonleegge, D.E.D. Clonbur, occupied by C.D.S. Teoranta, in respect of the local financial years 1981 - 1990 inclusive, in accordance with Section 26 of the Udaras na Gaeltachta Act, 1979, the appropriate certificate under the Act having been issued by Udaras na Gaeltachta."

Replying to comments by Members, the County Manager suggested that the legal provision under which such remissions are given should be revoked and the necessary incentives given by the State or State Agencies and he also stated that the viability of an industry is not a factor in deciding whether to give rate remission.

1420 - RATE COLLECTION AND RATE REMISSIONS:

Replying to a query from a previous meeting, the County Manager stated that at the 31st December, 1981, 226 farmers owed a total of £158,021 in respect of Rates and that the total amount of Rates remitted under the heading of Industrial Remissions for the year 1981 amounted to £58,265.47 - the number of industries involved was 32. He also stated that the amount of Rates relieved by the application of the Agricultural Grant in 1981 was £4,922,050.67.

BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER:1421 - RATE INCREASE 1982:

The County Manager informed the Council that a notification had been received from the Department of the Environment that the Rate Increase for 1982 over than that for 1981 is 15% but according to rumours in the media, it is suggested that receipts from water charges and possibly charges to be made for Planning Applications would be deducted from this sum.

Deputy Callanan stated that the Council should object strongly to taking any receipts off the 15% increase proposed.

1422 - BEIRTREACH TEO AGUS TAIGHDE MARA TEO:

The County Manager informed the Council that an acknowledgement had been received from the Office of An Taoiseach to a Telex message sent by the Council on the 22nd December, 1981, in connection with the Shellfish Research Laboratory in Carna.

Councillor O Morain referred to the problems experienced by Beirtreach Teoranta and Taighde Mara Teoranta which were being considered by the Minister for the Gaeltacht.

Mhol se annsin go gcuirfi an run seo leanas tre Telex chuig Aire na Gaeltachta:

"Molaim go dtoigthe Aire na Gaeltachta cinneadh fabharach i gceist Bheirtreach Teoranta agus Taighde Mara Teoranta roimh deire na seachtaine seo an 29adh Eanáir."

Deputy Donnellan stated that he had arranged with the Minister for the Gaeltacht to meet a deputation in connection with this matter that week.

1423 - ROAD CLEARANCE ETC. DURING SNOW:

Deputy Kitt congratulated the staff of the Council for hard work done in clearing roads during the period of the recent snow. Councillor McCormack seconded Deputy Kitt's proposal.

Supporting the proposal, Councillor Haverty asked why the work was not done in time. He stated that a length of road of about three miles in the Hearnbrook Area was sanded only on the first day of the thaw.

Mr. Dunne also congratulated the workers and stated that he had been informed that the section referred to by Councillor Haverty was not in a bad condition.

Replying to further enquiries, the County Manager stated that the cost of the work in clearing snow is being compiled and a claim will be made for recoupment.

Councillor F. Fahey asked if any emergency number was available which could be contacted over weekends and he also recommended that four extra firemen, employees of the County Council, be taken on in Gort Fire Brigade and that one of them be trained as driver.

The County Manager stated that considerable efforts have been made over a long period to get extra firemen in Gort but one of the persons named by Councillor Fahey lives about five miles away. The cost is considerable and the Council could not take on anybody unless it was satisfied that they would be available if required. Councillor Fahey stated that three of the four people he had in mind were within hearing distance of the siren.

1424 - SUPPLEMENTARY WELFARE ALLOWANCES - SUMS DUE TO WESTERN HEALTH BOARD:

The County Manager stated that on a previous occasion he had reported to the Council that the sum of £550,000 was due to the Western Health Board under this heading. The deputation to the Minister dealt with this extensively but in the meantime, the revised figure notified to the Council has increased to £778,000. This is a case in which the Department of the Environment and the Department of Social Welfare should come to the assistance of the Council.

Deputy Callanan proposed and Councillor O Morain seconded that the Ministers again be asked to remove the Council's liability for this sum. Replying to a further query, he stated that if the amount due is taken off Road Grants due to the Council, it would be necessary to close down Roadworks.

1425 - REGISTER OF ELECTORS:

The County Manager referred to a Circular from the Department of the Environment asking that late claims would be dealt with and he stated that this is being arranged. He also stated that a suggestion had been made that the qualifying date would be brought forward from the 15th September to the 1st September but that this could cause problems in relation to times for publication during the Christmas holidays. He stated that the scheduling is very tight and could create difficulties.

Deputy Donnellan stated that the Draft Register was supposed to be available on the 1st December, and that it was not available until some time afterwards.

Councillor McCormack proposed and Councillor O Morain seconded that the period of preparation of the Register be taken out of the Christmas period altogether and that the qualifying date be brought forward to July or early August in order to avoid the Christmas period completely. The Council agreed with this suggestion.

1426 - HOUSING APPLICANT - LOUGHREA:

Councillor M. Fahy proposed that Mr. D be appointed a tenant of a house in Loughrea. He outlined medical problems of Members of the family.

The Chairman pointed out that this was a matter for the County Manager.

1427 - WORK OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT TEAM:

Councillor Glynn proposed that the Council compliment the County Development Team on their activities for 1981 in accordance with the report recently circulated to Councillors. He pointed out that very good progress had been made by them at a very low cost per job.

1428 - BYE-PASS ROAD AT LOUGHREA: MOTION BY DEPUTY CALLANAN AND COUNCILLOR HAVERTY:

Deputy Callanan asked that this matter be adjourned to the next meeting.

1429 - RESTRUCTURING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Councillor M. Fahy stated that too much time is being devoted to Section 4 resolutions at meetings and he suggested that the discussion on those be restricted to a half hour from 3.30 p.m. to 4.00 p.m., and that instead, the Council would debate the housing needs of the County, finances, and other important aspects of the Council's work.

The Chairman stated that he could not accept Councillor Fahy's proposal to limit discussion on Section 4 resolutions to a half hour.

Councillor Fahy also criticised the condition of the Bye-Pass at Labane.

1430 - INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING:

On the proposition of Councillor O Conchubhair, the Council agreed to invite the three elected Members of the European Parliament to a meeting of the Council.

The County Manager stated that the invitation would be passed on to them and he gave a brief outline of the manner in which funds are allocated for various projects in Ireland by the E.E.C.

1431 - GRUP SCEIM - AN TULACH:

The County Secretary gave a history of this case from 1978 onwards and stated that while the Department's Estimate of the cost of the Scheme is £186,558, the Council's Estimate was £84,588 and a copy of this Estimate for the increased pipe sizes had been sent to the Department and was not refuted at any time.

No acceptable reasons had been submitted to justify the increased contribution sought.

Councillor O Conchubhair proposed and Councillor O Foighil seconded that an additional contribution of £10,500 be paid.

The County Manager stated the Council is responsible for its own expenditure apart from whatever recommendations are made by Government Departments. The Council in this case had asked the Department what was wrong with the Council's own estimate. The Council is responsible only for the extra cost of pipe sizes and it seems that an effort is being made to make the Council responsible for expenditure under headings for which it has no responsibility.

Councillor O Foighil stated that the Department should be asked to substantiate its case for the additional money as he felt that the matter should be sorted out by the Department of the Environment.

The County Manager stated that the Department's Inspector is welcome to come and meet Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, and the Council's Engineers to discuss the matter.

Councillor O Foighil asked that he and Councillor O Conchubhair as well as a representative of the Group would be asked to attend any meeting with the Department's Inspector.

1432 - DERRYNEA COURTHOUSE - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN AND COUNCILLOR O FOIGHIL:

The County Secretary stated that for over 30 years the Council has been renting a Courthouse building in Derrynea at a rent of £412 which was last fixed in 1976. Only one Court per month is held and generally, the Courts are of short duration. The Courthouse accommodation consisted of a total of about 710 square feet.

During the past year without consulting the Council about the proposal, the owner of the existing building applied for Planning Permission for carrying out a major extension to the Courthouse - Permission was granted and an extension of approximately 1,200 square feet was constructed. Apart from the Planning application, the first the Council knew of the matter was when the tenant demanded a rent of £50 per week for the extended building. It has been pointed to her that the Council never requested her to carry out any extension to the building and that in the circumstances, the Council had no liability for payment of increased rent.

Deputy Donnellan and Councillor O Foighil proposed that an increase in the rent be paid to the owner.

The County Manager pointed out that nobody except the County Council has authority to deal with the provision of new Courthouse accommodation. He pointed out that the Council has very limited funds and that the rent being paid in this case is more than what is paid in similar circumstances elsewhere.

Replying to Councillor McCormack, he confirmed that the Council gets no contribution towards the cost of Courthouse accommodation from the Department of Justice. Councillor O Conchubhair also supported the proposal that an increased rent be paid.

1433 - NEW BURIAL GROUND AT CLYNAGH, CARRAROE: MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN AND COUNCILLOR O FOIGHIL:

The County Secretary stated that the new Burial Ground in this place has been completed and the Council is not aware of any reason why it is not being used.

1434 - ADDITIONAL PUBLIC LIGHTING AT SPIDDAL - MOTION BY DEPUTY DONNELLAN:

The County Secretary stated that no funds are at present available for additional public lighting and the matter will be reconsidered in the light of funds available in 1982.

1435 - PUBLIC LIGHT AT KILLORAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that whilst it is desirable to have a light at this location, no funds were at present available but the matter will be re-examined if funds become available in 1982.

1436 - PROVISION OF ROADSIDE FENCE AT ARDBERREEN, KILTORMER. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that the Council had no responsibility for the provision of fencing for private lands. He also stated that "no dumping" signs at the site are being ignored.

1437 - PUBLIC LIGHTS AT MULLAGH CHURCH - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR HAVERTY AND DEPUTY CALLANAN:

The County Secretary stated that a public light is desirable at this location but it could not be provided unless funds for additional lighting become available in 1982.

1438 - EXTENSION TO KILLANIN NATIONAL SCHOOL - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR WELBY:

On the proposition of Councillor Welby, seconded by Councillor O Conchubhair, the Council resolved:

"That the Minister for Education be requested to proceed immediately with the proposed extension to Killanin National School."

This proposal was supported by Councillor McCormack.

1439 - OTHER ITEMS ON AGENDA:

It was agreed that replies to the remaining motions on the Agenda would be sent to the Members who submitted them.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED
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SUBMITTED, APPROVED + CONFIRMED:

Proseal CHAIRMAN

22.1 February 1982. DATE.

MINUTE NO. 1399

SECTION 4 REPORT

SCHEDULE

APPLICANT: MARTIN KENNY,
Annaghkeen, Ower, P.O.,
CO. GALWAY.

PLANNING REF. NO. 41419

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located on an elevated site overlooking Lough Corrib, adjacent to Annaghkeen Cairn and Castle which is vested in Galway County Council. This Cairn is a bronze age cairn and is listed in the County Development Plan as a heritage item for conservation and preservation control. Permission has been granted for one dwellinghouse further away from the cairn. Permission has been refused on three previous occasions.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed site is a backlands site over 700 feet from the public road and is elevated overlooking Lough Corrib. In normal circumstances, the Planning Authority would be reluctant to grant permission for such a visually obtrusive site. Furthermore, the proposed dwellinghouse would be seriously out of character with the adjacent cairn and castle which have a prominent location and would be dwarfed by the proposed dwellinghouse.

No second family or other classes of housing need claim have been made in this case and in fact, Mr. Kenny is the owner of the adjacent site which has already received planning permission.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development, if permitted, would be unduly obtrusive overlooking Lough Corrib.
2. The proposed development by its close proximity to a cairn of archaeological interest would be undesirable, and if permitted, would be contrary to the County Development Plan."

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

16u Feabhra, 1982.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionólfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 22u Feabhra, 1982, 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 requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Michael Kennelly at Bunowen, Aillebrack. - Planning Reference Number 41289."

John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. T. Welby.
 - (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 Mr. Bernard O'Connor, Oranmore, Co. Galway, for the erection of serviced housing development at Oranmore, Co. Galway. - Planning Reference Number 41134."

Mark Killilea. Michael Fahy. Edward Haverty.
 - (c) "Sin de reir Roinn 4 de Acht Bainistíochta Chathrach agus Chondae (Leasaithe), 1955, iarann Comhairle Condae na Gaillimhe ar an mBainisteoir Condae cinneadh go gceadófar L. O'Cualain d'reir na pleannaí a tugadh isteach le haghaidh dha theach nua ag Cor-na-Ron. - Uimhir Tagartha Rolla Pleanala 41580."

P. McCormack. P. O'Foighil. F. O'Cuagain.
 - (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 retention of advertising sign at Dungory East, Kinvara to Mr. A.J. Corless, "White House Bar", Kinvara. - Planning Ref. No. 41370."

Michael Fahy. G. Bartley. 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 Outline Planning Permission to Joseph Rooney of Esker Road, Blean, Athenry, Co. Galway, for four dwellinghouses at Blean, Athenry. - Planning Reference No. 41399."

John Donnellan. Ulick Burke. Toddie Byrne.

(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 John Hughes for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Aille. - Planning Ref. No. 41569."

Thomas Welby. John Molloy. G. Bartley.

(g) "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 erect a local authority house for Martin Carter, Burnthouse, Roscahill. (site available).

Thomas Welby. Michael Fahy. G. Bartley.

- 2. Minutes.
- 3. Report on Planning Meeting of 22nd January, 1982. (copy herewith)
- 4. Overdraft for quarter ending 30th June, 1982.
- 5. Sale of land at Carrowmoneash, Oranmore, to Mr. Michael Burke, Glenascaul, Oranmore, Co. Galway. - Notice dated 10th February, 1982, already circulated.
- 6. Sale of Housing Sites:
 - (a) at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to Miss Catherine Diffley, 306 Tirellan Heights, Terryland, Galway. - Notice dated 11th February, 1982, already circulated.
 - (b) at Stradbally South, Clarinbridge, to Mrs. Teresa Neylan, Weir Village, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway. - Notice dated 12th February, 1982, already circulated.
- 7. Sale of Houses to:
 - Patrick & Kathleen McHugh, Ardour, Cloghan's Hill, Tuam, Co. Galway, - Notice dated 10th February, 1982, already circulated.
 - Frank McDonnell, Roundstone, Co. Galway, - Notice dated 10th February, 1982, already circulated.
- 8. Capital Allocation - Loans and Grants)
Circular herewith.
- 9. Annuities - transfer to Capital Account)
- 10. Housing Finance Agency. (Report herewith)
- 11. Seeds & Fertilisers Loan Scheme - copy herewith.
- 12. National Housing and Town Planning Council - National Conference in Brighton from 9th to the 11th November, 1982.
- 13. Fix date of Estimates Meeting.
- 14. Fix date of Meeting on Local Government Re-Organisation.

- 15. (a) Western Health Board - Auditors' Report for 6 years ended 31st December, 1980.
- (b) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee - Auditors' Report for year ended 31st December, 1980.
- 16. Increase in Rate of Interest on issues from Local Loans Fund from 1st February, 1982.
- 17. Abstract of Accounts - 1980.
- 18. Raising of Supplementary Loan for Spiddal Regional Water Supply Scheme.
- 19. Loan for the Weirs, Tuam Group Water Supply Scheme.
- 20. Malicious Damage Decrees. (List herewith)
- 21. Business submitted by the County Manager.

DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN & COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - We will propose:

22. That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have now agreed on an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR FRANK FAHEY: - I will ask:

23. For details of areas zoned for development in the environs of Galway City which have adequate water and sewerage facilities.
24. What are the proposals for the proper manning of Gort Fire Brigade?
25. What percentage of applications for Higher Education Grants to Galway County Council, for 1981/'82, were successful, and what was the total number of successful applicants who submitted P 60 from the Revenue Commissioners (P.A.Y.E. Tax Payers).

SENATOR JOHN M. MANNION & DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - We will propose:

26. That Galway County Council grant permission to Dawros Group Water Scheme to connect to the Letterfrack Water Supply.

COUNCILLOR PADRAIC McCORMACK - I will propose:

27. That a refuse collection be taken up at Carnmore, Knock Cross, Collinamuck, when the collection takes place at Collinamuck pier on Tuesdays.
28. That the Council remove two bad bends on the main Galway/Moycullen road at Killeen and Gortacleava, Bushypark,
29. That the Council move back the yield^{right} of way sign at Tonebrucky Cross, Bushypark, and that the Council erect a yield right of way sign at the Ballagh Road, entering the Tonebrucky/Gortacleava Road.

COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:

30. That extra public lighting be provided in Caltra between the National School and the Presbytery.
31. That a protective barrier and adequate reflectorised warning signs be provided at the dangerous bend south of Gurteen Village which at present is a death trap and the scene of numerous accidents.

COUNCILLOR FRANK GLYNN - I will propose:

32. That Galway County Council provide an adequate lighting system for Milltown before the winter of 1982.

COUNCILLOR P. FINNEGAN - I will propose:

33. That finance be made available immediately to relieve the flooding at Ballinakill Cemetery, Glinsk.
34. That the footpaths near the Dispensary at Abbeyknockmoy be repaired as their present condition is a hardship to people attending the doctor.

COUNCILLOR P. FINNEGAN, DEPUTIES MICHAEL KITT AND JOHN CALLANAN - We will propose:

35. That the L.I.S. application made to repair the road leading to John Mullen's house at Currylea, Lavalley, be accepted by the County Council as the road is in a very bad condition.

DEPUTY MARK KILLILEA - I will propose:

36. That a special contribution of £4,035 be paid towards the cost of the headworks for Ballinastaig/Killmoran Group Water Scheme.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

37. That the Clonlahan (Kiltormer) Group Water Scheme be allowed to commence the laying of the pipe-lines and other necessary work.
38. That the Esker (Banagher) Group Water Scheme be taken over by the County Council

COUNCILLOR THOMAS WELBY - I will propose:

39. That Galway County Council make available to the people of Moycullen an area of land from the property held by the County Council in Moycullen for a playground for the youth of the village.
40. When will the traffic bye-laws for Oughterard be brought into force?
41. When will the traffic bye-laws for Headford be brought into force.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE - I will propose:

42. That the caravan given to Mrs. Margaret Warde, Athenry Road, Tuam, have its windows repaired. She has been requesting same for six months.
43. That this Council stop the practice of levying development charges, especially on private houses with Planning Permission.
44. That Galway County Council rectify the problem of raw sewerage washing over Athenry Road, Tuam.

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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 including costs
Kevin Doyle, (Senior), c/o Devin Doyle (Jnr.) Odeon Hotel, Williamsgate Street, GALWAY.	Breaking of Windscreen - car reg. no. KZM 401.	Borough of Galway.	£27.00	£77.04
James & Annie O'Connor, Georges Street, Gort, Co. Galway.	Sign destroyed and broken.	County at Large.	£250.00	£88.90
Patrick Casey, Derrymore, Gort, CO. GALWAY.	Glass broken & destroyed in windows & Doors and curtains destroyed.	County at Large.	£150.00	£199.55
Michael Murphy, Raven Terrace, Galway.	Damage to a plate glass window.	Borough of Galway.	£50.00	£130.26

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(County Buildings)
GAILLIMH
(Galway)

10th February, 1982

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL/

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, Notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:

Land Acquired from: Galway Corporation

Location: Carrowmoneash, Oranmore, Co. Galway

Area: 27 sq. perches

To whom the land is to be transferred: Mr. Michael Burke, Glenascaul, Oranmore, Co. Galway.

Consideration in respect of Disposal: £500

In 1981 Galway County Council acquired 2 rds. 23 perches of land from Mr. Burke for road widening. Part of the transaction required that Galway County Council transfer 27 sq. perches of land which they acquired from Galway Corporation, to Mr. Burke for the sum of £500.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next monthly meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

Signed: 
COUNTY SECRETARY

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

11th February, 1982.

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, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:-

FROM WHOM REQUIRED:

Annie J. Duffy, Villanova, Upper Salthill, Galway.

<u>PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:</u>	<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Area of Plot:</u>
Miss Catherine Diffley, 306 Tirellan Heights, Terryland, Galway.	52	.11 acre

Consideration in respect of disposal:

<u>Site No:</u>	<u>Price:</u>
52	£3,500

Other Covenants or Conditions in connection with Disposal:

1. The site will be sold in fee simple.
2. The County Council will retain wayleaves in respect of watermains and sewers.
3. The erection of a house to be completed by the purchaser within two years.

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.

K. Doyle
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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

12th. February, 1982

To Each Member/

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:

Land Acquired From:- William Neylan, Weir Village, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway.

Location:- Stradbally South, Clarinbridge, Co. Galway.

Area:- .121 acres

To whom land is to be transferred:- Mrs. Teresa Neylan, Weir Village, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway.

Consideration in respect of Disposal:-

Exchange for plot containing .124 acres in the townland of Stradbally South.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next monthly meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/10/1438

10th. February, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Patrick Casey, Ardour, Cloghans Hill,
Tuam, Co. Galway.

Location:- Ardour, Cloghans Hill, Tuam, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Patrick & Kathleen McHugh of: Ardour, Cloghans Hill, Tuam,
Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £6,815

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/2/231

10th. February, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Mrs. L. K. Tuohy, Roundstone, Co. Galway.

Location:- Roundstone, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Frank McDonnell of: Roundstone, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £983.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

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The following is being added to the Agenda issued to you on the 16th instant -

19. (a) Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads - list herewith.

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K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE (Galway County Council)

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Galway County Council at a Meeting to be held at the County Council Chamber, Galway, on the date of Publication of this Notice, will consider the making of a Declaration that the following roads shall be Public Roads:-

Area	From	To	Metres
Loughrea	Chainage 320 from Woodford-Loughatorick Road	towards gate near James McMahon's house	150
Portumna	C.R. 591 Cranacragh	gate leading to Mrs. N. Madden's house	172
Portumna	C.R. 563 Cloonacusha	towards terminal point of C.R. 574	130
Portumna	C.R. 576 Gortnasillagh	towards R. Cooney's house	270
Loughrea	M.R. 390 Knockadrum	T. Murphy's / Stephen Griffin's houses in townland of Carrion	150
Gort	C.R. 329 in townland of Carrion	T. O'Dea's house in townland of Caherillan	200
Ballinasloe	C.R. 336 in townland of Caherillan	towards J. Cunningham's house	684
Ballinasloe	C.R. 553 Kellsagrove	Bannerton's entrance gate, Castlegar	110
Ballinasloe	Chainage 749 from J.C.R. 517 Castlebar	J. Ward's house, Cappataggle	70
Ballinasloe	L.C.R. 524 Cappataggle	L. Connor's house, Knockaogher (Kiltulla)	50
Athlery	Chainage 159 metres from end of C.R. branch 437 Knockaogher	towards M. Scullion's house	371
Ballinasloe	Chainage 766 yards from J. 456 Barnaville	towards Day's house, Barnaville	200
Ballinasloe	Junction C.R. 514 Chainage 838 Cloonmen (Bally)	towards J.C.R. 513 Eskmore	40
Athlery	Chainage 189 metres C.R. 433 Cloonbar	towards gate leading to Naughton's and Mitchell's houses	55
Ballinasloe	J. 477 Chainage 250 metres Killaghamore	towards T. J. Nevin's house, Killaghamore	34
Portumna	J.M.R. 420 Craughwell (Laurincetown)	M. McKenna's house, Craughwell (Laurincetown)	563
Portumna	C.R. 585 Townparks (Court)	M. Hogan's house in townland of Townparks	152
Athlery	M.R. Jnc. M.R. 489 in townland of Park	C. Coyne's house in townland of Park	237
Athlery	M.R. 420 in townland of Rockfield	M. Flanagan's house in townland of Rockfield	144
Milltown	C.R. 156 in townland of Cloonbar	J. Roche's house in townland of Cloonbar	78
Gort	Main Road 106 in townland of Killeen	towards first gate at F. Dolan's house in townland of Killeen	80
Athlery	C.R. 434 Chainage 30m. in townland of Craughwell, Dunsandle	towards Foran's house in townland of Dunsandle (Bookena end)	160
Milltown	Co. Rd. 137 in townland of Cloonbar	J. Sheehy's house in townland of Cloonbar	437
Milltown	Jnc. C.R. 225 in townland of Curraghadery	J. Burke's house in townland of Curraghadery	230
Portumna	Co. Rd. 225 in townland of Lurgan	M. Hannon's house in townland of Lurgan	48
Portumna	C.R. 594 in townland of Cappagh	L. Fahy's house and branch to S. Fahy's house in townland of Cappagh	172
Portumna	C.R. 575 in townland of Craughwell	M. Quinn's house in townland of Craughwell	72
Portumna	C.R. 572 in townland of Ballylawn	M. Donoghue's house in townland of Ballylawn	30
Portumna	J. Hough's house, Fossal	M. Deely's house, Fossal	110
Portumna	Junction C.R. 533 Kibbeg	P. Watson's house in townland of Kibbeg	422
Portumna	Co. N.S. Road 339 Killinac and Ballybeg	gate leading to E. O'Hara's house in townland of Killinac and Ballybeg	172
Galway	U.D. Boundary in townland of Dangan Lower	M. O'Hara's house in townland of Dangan Lower	268
Portumna	M.R. 449 Ballylawn	Morris' gate, River Street, Eyrecourt, in townland of Ballylawn	91
Ballinasloe	Chainage 150 J.M.R. 479 in townland of Killoony (Ballinasloe)	towards J.C.R. 321 in townland of Killoony	65
Ballinasloe	E. Whyte's Sandpit in townland of Cloonacrath	towards Kellysgrove	400
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 427 in townland of Colemanstown	towards J. Browne's house in townland of Colemanstown	143
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 127 in townland of Pollnacum	W. Duggan's house in townland of Gorteendrisagh	22
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 127 in townland of Pollnacum	Mullon's house in townland of Bullmaroan	45
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 127 in townland of Pollnacum	C.R. 428 in townland of Bullmaroan	142
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 127 in townland of Pollnacum	C.R. 428 in townland of Bullmaroan	37
Moanbellaw	Co. Rd. 127 in townland of Pollnacum	C.R. 428 in townland of Bullmaroan	113
Athlery	Road from Junction Co. Rd. 121 in townland of Carracagh East	J. Keane's house in townland of Carracagh East (Traquagh)	90
Athlery	Road from Jct. M.R. L.90 - 419	B. Quaher's field gate in townland of Gortnalone North (Gort)	106
Moanbellaw	C.R. 196 in townland of Clonkeen	towards C.R. 416 in townland of Danganbeg	29
Ballinasloe	C.R. 471 in townland of Hampstead	Kenny's house in townland of Hampstead	71
Ballinasloe	C.R. 467 in townland of Garfine	J. Rock's house in townland of Garfine	59
Tuam	N.63 in townland of Lackagh More	M. Grath's house in townland of Lackagh More	32
Galway	C.R. 439 in townland of Danesfield	Southwestwards to T. Gane's house in townland of Danesfield	99
Tuam	C.R. 124 Chainage 370m. in townland of Keckill	towards Mitchell's house	370
Galway	Main Galway Spinal Road in townland of Park	Dr. S. O'Berne's new house in townland of Park	120
Tuam	C.R. 235 in townland of Grange	J. Greaney's house in townland of Grange	118
Tuam	C.R. 135 in townland of Annagh West	Muiryan's house in townland of Annagh West	165
Athlery	C.R. 378 in townland of Caheracmore South	north by John Babbett's house in townland of Caheracmore South	140
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 37 in townland of Eighterard	P. Gill's house in townland of Eighterard	70
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 37 in townland of Doon	P. Gavin's house in townland of Doon	90
Galway	Co. Rd. 106 in townland of Porridgetown	Walsn's and D'Arcy's houses in townland of Porridgetown	70
Milltown	C.R. 264 in townland of Pellinspark	J. Brady's house in townland of Pellinspark	40
Milltown	C.R. 281 in townland of Scotland	Michael Meek's house in townland of Scotland	131
Milltown	C.R. 251 in townland of Parkoan	M. Ronayne's house in townland of Parkoan	66
Milltown	P. J. Hyer's house in townland of Shanaghbeg	M. Davilly's gate in townland of Shanaghbeg	131
Gort	C.R. 332 in townland of Caheracmore	B. Hall's house, Caheracmore	110
Gort	End of C.R. 362 in townland of Bunnasrah	J. Lander's house, Bunnasrah	97
Loughrea	End of C.R. 497 west of Fahy's house	north towards Clare Barber, Loughatorick	150
Gort	C.R. 338 in townland of Caheracmore	end of J. Glynn's house, Caheracmore	72
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 34 in townland of Barraderry	M. Flaherty's house in townland of Barraderry	80
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 34 in townland of Maumeen	towards T. Conroy's house in townland of Maumeen	105
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 34 in townland of Carrowroe North	M. O'Flaherty's in townland of Carrowroe North	150
Milltown	C.R. 267 in townland of Pollaneyster	M. Golden's house in townland of Pollaneyster	216
Milltown	Road from Jct. C.R. 233 in townland of Quinalagh	M. Reddington's house in townland of Quinalagh	136
Gort	Co. Rd. No. 333 in townland of Blackrock	T. Cunniffe's house in townland of Blackrock	240

K. DOYLE, County Secretary.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, J. Burke, Senators U. Burke, T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan, P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Deputy M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, P. O'Foighil, M.G. O'Higgins, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer; L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer (Planning); S. McMahon, Senior Executive Engineer; Miss J. Forde, Staff Officer; and Miss C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; Messrs. E. Lusby, Finance Officer; H. Kearns, Senior Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1440 - SYMPATHY:

The Council, on the proposition of the Chairman, and seconded by Councillor O'Morain extended its sympathy to the following -

Mr. John Noone, Executive Engineer, Clifden, on the death of his wife;
Mr. Frank Monahan, Senior Executive Engineer, on the death of his brother;
Miss Maureen Feeney, Assistant Staff Officer, on the death of her sister;
Mrs. McDermott & Family, Limerick, on the death of her husband, Mr. T.F. McDermott, former City Manager Limerick, and Assistant County Manager Galway.

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

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:

Mr. James Donnellan, Lagoo, Moyglass, Loughrea.
Mrs. Shiel & Family, Drimkeary, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
Mrs. Michael J. McDonagh, Leagaun, Moycullen.
Mrs. Tim Kyne, Dovepark, Moycullen.
Mrs. May Porter & Family, Ballyhugh, Gort.
Mr. Patrick O'Dea & Family, Gortroe, Ardahan.
The Carr Family, Teernevin, Gort.
Mr. Paul Kelly, Perrse Park, Ballinasloe.

1441 - CONGRATULATIONS:

On the proposal of the Chairman and seconded by Councillor Coogan, the Council extended its congratulations to the Members of the Council who had been elected to the Dail in the recent Election and it extended its sympathy to those who had been candidates and who had not succeeded.

1442 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41289 - MICHAEL KENNELLY, BUNOWEN,

ATLEBRACK:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had been

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issued in this case in relation to the proposal to lay a sewer through land which may not be the property of the applicant.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

1443 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41134 - BERNARD O'CONNOR:

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

"Permission for development of these lands has already been refused by the Minister for Local Government and also by the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanala for the following reasons:-

1. The proposed development would be premature by reference to the absence of a public sewerage system and to the period within which this deficiency may be expected to be made good.
2. The proposed access to the development from the Limerick Road is inadequate to serve a development of the scale proposed.
3. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area because it would be located in an area zoned for commercial development in the Galway Development Plan for Oranmore village and would thus be prejudicial to the said plan.
4. The proposed development has already been refused by An Bord Pleanala on appeal (Ref. No. 7/5/42907).

In relation to number 1 above, the preliminary report for Oranmore Sewerage Scheme proposes a trunk foul sewer through this site, and also proposes the construction of a pumping station on the site. The Consultant Engineer has requested details of the proposed floor levels of each house and the remainder of the plot so as to relate the development to the design levels of the sewerage scheme. We have requested this information from the applicant, together with details of his entitlement to use his proposed right-of-way for the laying of pipes and services. The applicant has not furnished the required details and it must be advised that the development as proposed will conflict with the scheme as designed and be incompatible with its implementation. A grant of Permission, therefore, would prejudice the Sewerage scheme and while the other reasons for refusal remain valid, this in itself is a most serious reason for refusal.

Refusal is recommended as follows:-

1. The proposed development would be premature by reference to the absence of a public sewerage system and to the period within which this deficiency may be expected to be made good.
2. The proposed access to the development from the Limerick Road is inadequate to serve a development of the scale proposed.
3. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area because it would be located in an area zoned for commercial development in the County Development Plan for Oranmore village and would thus be prejudicial to the said plan.
4. The proposed development has already been refused by An Bord Pleanala on appeal (Ref. No. 7/5/42907).
5. The site contains a section of the proposed Oranmore drainage scheme and the proposed development would prejudice the implementation of the scheme by its conflict with the location of a main pumping station and drainage pipelines."

The County Manager asked Members to bear particularly in mind the importance of this application in relation to the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Oranmore pointing out that the proposals for the scheme include a trunk foul sewer through this site and also the construction of a pumping station on the site.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Councillor E. Haverty.

Replying to Councillor J. Burke, the County Manager stated that if the Council passes a Section 4 resolution and the work is carried out, it will mean that the Council will again have to start designing alternative arrangements for the Oranmore Sewerage Scheme after several years of preparation had been put into it.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor J. Burke seconded that the permission sought be refused.

Replying to further queries from Councillor M. Fahy, the County Manager stated that the site in question is vital for the sewerage scheme as a pumping station is proposed to be put on the site, and he reminded Members also that the sewerage scheme is vital for the whole development of Oranmore.

Replying to a query from Councillor Haverty who asked if consultation had taken place with the applicant, the County Manager stated that a request for information was issued to the applicant on the 5th February, 1982, and it had not been replied to.

Councillor Welby asked if enough room is available on the site for the development and for the sewerage pipe and pumping station. The County Manager stated that this would be examined if the applicant replied to the Council's letter of 5th February, 1982, but his present information is that the proposed development would interfere with the plans for the scheme to the extent that only the housing scheme or the sewerage scheme can go ahead. He pointed out that a decision must be made on the application by the 16th March, 1982.

Councillor J. Burke stated that it was incomprehensible to him that the Council would pass a Section 4 resolution which would have the affect of setting back indefinitely the provision of a sewerage scheme for Oranmore.

Councillor Haverty suggested that consultation should take place with the applicant and that it might be possible to reach an agreement whereby both the housing scheme and the sewerage scheme could be accommodated.

The County Manager stated that this planning application has to be refused by the 16th March and then it is open to the applicant to submit a new application if he wishes to do so.

Councillor Haverty stated that in the circumstances he would not wish to force through this Section 4 resolution.

Agreeing with Councillor Haverty, Councillor M. Fahy withdrew his proposal.

1444 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41580 - L. O CUALAIN:

The County Manager stated that a decision to grant permission had been made in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

1445 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41370 - A.J. CORLESS:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The advertising sign was erected without permission by the applicant on this site, practically opposite Dungalraire Castle, Kinvara. The Castles and Museum Manager of Bunratty Castle and folk park of the castle, objected to the erection of this sign in a letter dated 16th April, 1981, on the basis that the sign "is vulgar, shoddy and completely out of character with the sensitivity of this area".

The applicant was asked by the Planning Authority to submit revised proposals for a smaller sign with a simpler colour scheme. The applicant did not respond to this request nor to another letter sent to him on the 8th February.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The advertising sign located on the Kilcolgan to Kinvarra National Secondary route would endanger public safety and cause a traffic hazard because it would cause a distraction to road users adjacent to the access to Dungalraire Castle's car park.

The advertising sign in the opinion of the Planning Authority seriously interferes with the amenity of this area of high amenity adjacent to Dungalraire Castle due to its relatively large size in a prominent location and because of the unsatisfactory design and colour scheme of the sign.

The Planning Authority are prepared to enter into consultation with Mr. Corless with a view to relocating the advertising sign within the speed limit area of Kinvarra.

RECOMMENDATION:

The advertising sign located on the National Secondary route adjacent to Dungalraire Castle's car park interferes with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route because the sign by its size and location constitutes a distraction to road users on this unaligned section of the road close to a junction.

The advertising sign by virtue of its location, size and colour scheme, seriously interferes with the visual amenities of this area and the adjacent Dungalraire Castle and would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Councillor Welby.

Councillor J. Burke stated that the applicant had not responded to the County Manager's request for consultation in relation to the possibility of providing a smaller sign. He would propose that the permission sought be refused.

Councillor Brennan seconded Councillor Burke'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. for or against the resolution set out on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR: Senator Byrne, Deputy Callanan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ryan and Welby.

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Senator U. Burke, Deputy Connaughton, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, O'Foighil.

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

Councillors Coogan and McCormack did not vote.

1446 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41399 - JOSEPH ROONEY:

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

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

1447 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41569 - JOHN HUGHES:

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

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

"The site in question is on an elevated section of bogland of open aspect, along the Ragoon/Furbo road near its junction with the Moycullen/Barna road at Paddy's cross. It is in the focal point of view for a long distance when travelling from Ragoon towards Paddy's Cross and it is still undeveloped.

The site has been the subject of four previous applications, two of which were lodged by the present applicant, and the two earlier ones by separate applicants which were the subjects of Requests for Further Information, but were never replied to. The two most recent applications by this applicant were refused, and in the case of number 37395 it was also refused on appeal.

Discussions have taken place with the applicant both at the Planning Office and on site with a view to relocating the house. Since his uncle owns a very large area of land, it was possible to indicate at least two other locations which would avoid or minimise any damage to visual amenities and in fact place the house near the electricity supply. The present site is approximately 700 metres from the nearest E.S.B. pole. The applicant was confident that he would be enabled to acquire one of these alternative sites, but his uncle was not prepared to give him either one. It would be difficult to locate a house on a more obtrusive spot on this holding and refusal is recommended for the following reason:-

The proposed development would seriously detract from the visual amenity of the area, because it would be visually obtrusive in an elevated location and could not be satisfactorily assimilated into the open rugged landscape."

Councillor Welby stated that the applicant proposes getting married and this is the only site which his uncle would give him on his holding. He had brought the applicant into the Planning Office and discussed the matter and he is prepared to provide screening if permission is granted.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

1448 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - ERECTION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSE FOR MARTIN CARTER, BURNTHOUSE, ROSCAHILL:

The Chairman stated that the Council should be very careful about the use of Section 4 resolutions for this type of proposal as he pointed out that it could lead to a huge number of such resolutions being introduced and that if any particular person is to be housed as a result of a Section 4 resolution, it could mean that a person who is not very urgently in need of a house could get one in preference to a person who is much more urgently in need. He suggested that there should be full consultation before such a course is followed.

Councillor Welby stated that the applicant in question is entitled to housing and still lives in a caravan. It was suggested that he should apply for a Galway Corporation house but he wanted to live near his relations where a site is available and he has a slightly retarded child.

The County Manager stated that his application would be considered sympathetically but in competition with other applicants. The passing of a resolution such as that suggested could have the affect of taking him in priority to other applicants who might be in more urgent need. He pointed out that the Council's policy has been that priority would be given to people who have the greatest need.

Senator Ulick Burke stated that he could not see any justification for using Section 4 resolutions in matters like this and he considered that the Housing Section was operating very fairly in relation to the provision of houses for needy persons.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated that the Council had no information on the child as mentioned by Councillor Welby and it was suggested to the applicant that he might apply to Galway Corporation for housing as he was living and working in the City. He was also told that he would be considered for a village scheme which might be provided at any time, but the fact that he has a site does not automatically entitle him to have a house provided for him. He pointed out that taking a person out of priority could create problems in relation to State funds and the regulations relating to the allocation of such funds which requires the Council to comply with certain rules and regulations. The Council is not saying that the man is not entitled to a house.

Mr. Howlett then read letters which were sent to the applicant and stated that Tenders had been received for the erection of housing in Moycullen and an advertisement will be published again when an allocation of funds is made for this purpose.

The Chairman pointed out that the County Manager has stated that this man's application will be dealt with sympathetically and he appealed to Councillor Welby to withdraw his proposal.

Councillor Welby then withdrew his proposal.

1449 - MINUTES:

Councillor Finnegan referring to Minute No. 1396 of the Council meeting of 25th January last asked why the question of the application of Mr. Thomas Naughton (No. 41495) was not on the Agenda.

The County Manager stated that it was agreed that consultations would take place and that the three Members who submitted the Section 4 resolution would be invited to participate. It had not been possible due to Election activities to arrange a consultation but this will be arranged as soon as possible. He said also that a decision need not be made on this application until after March Meeting.

Deputy Kitt asked to be included in the consultations in this case.

Referring to Planning Application number 41120 - Thomas Shaughnessy, Councillor McCormack stated that this applicant was required to get further information from Galway Corporation but the information in question would not be given by the Corporation. He asked what the applicant can do if he cannot in fact get the information which he was requested to obtain.

The Chairman suggested that Councillor McCormack would discuss this with the County Manager in his office.

Referring to Minute No. 1246, Councillor Michael Fahy asked if any decision had been made on the applicant to whom he referred in that Minute. Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated that no decision had yet been made on the appointment of tenants to the scheme in question but that the circumstances of the applicant referred to would be considered.

Referring to the question of objections, the County Manager stated that any group of persons cannot be allowed to make decisions on who is to be allocated the tenancy of Local Authority houses.

On the proposition of Councillor Kilgannon, seconded by Councillor Brennan, the Minutes of meeting held on 25th January, 1982, (numbers 1388 - 1439, incl.) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1450 - PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING - 22ND JANUARY, 1982:

On the proposition of Councillor Kilgannon, seconded by Councillor Molloy, the report on the Planning Committee meeting held on the 22nd January, 1982, copy of which was circulated to each Member of the Council, was adopted.

1451 - OVERDRAFT:

It was proposed by Councillor Molloy, seconded by Councillor Holland, and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £3 million be borrowed on the Council's Revenue and Capital Accounts for the quarter ending 30th June, 1982."

1452 - SALE OF LAND AT CARROWMONEASH, ORANMORE:

On the proposition of Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Coogan, the Council approved the disposal of its interest in a plot of land at Carrowmoneash, Oranmore, to Mr. Michael Burke, Glenascaul, Oranmore, in accordance with the terms of notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, dated 10th February, 1982, circulated to each Member of the Council.

1453 - SALE OF HOUSING SITES AT CULLAIRBAUN, ATHENRY, AND STRADBALLY SOUTH, CLARINBRIDGE:

It was proposed by Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Murphy, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of a housing site at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to Miss Catherine Diffley, 306 Tirellan Heights, Terryland, Galway, and a site at Stradbally South, Clarinbridge, to Mrs. Teresa Neylan, Weir Village, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway, in accordance with the terms of notices dated 11th February, 1982, and 12th February, 1982, respectively, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council."

1454 - SALE OF HOUSES TO TENANTS:

It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of the houses which they occupy to Patrick & Kathleen McHugh, Ardour, Cloghan's Hill, Tuam, and to Frank McDonnell, Roundstone, Co. Galway, in accordance with the terms of notices dated 10th February, 1982, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966, as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council."

1455 - CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR HOUSING LOANS AND GRANTS AND THE TRANSFER OF PURCHASE ANNUITIES TO CAPITAL ACCOUNT:

The County Manager referred to Circular letter H2/82 from the Department of the Environment dated 29th January, 1982, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council, and stated that the allocation for House purchase and House Construction Loans for 1982 had been fixed at £3,125,000. He pointed out also that the Circular provided that 100% of all proceeds of sales of local authority dwellings must be applied to expenditure on these housing loans, and for that purpose, had to be transferred to Capital Account.

Replying to Deputy Connaughton, the County Manager stated that it may be possible that the Council will get an additional allocation later in the year if the present allocation proves inadequate as two supplementary allocations were made in 1981. He stated that the present allocation is 21.6% over the original allocation in 1981.

Members raised the question of the income which is being taken into account when a joint application is received from persons about to get married and they asked that the Council interpret as liberally as possible the conditions specified by the Minister particularly in relation to whether the employment of the spouse should be regarded as temporary or permanent for the purpose of deciding whether a particular income should be taken into account.

Replying to the queries, Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated that the Council treats applicants as liberally as it is possible to do so, and he stated that the main problems arise in relation to the income of Nurses and Civil Servants whose employment is of a permanent nature. No problems had arisen in relation to people in employment not in the public sector.

Councillors McCormack, Murphy, and Deputy Kitt stated that they were satisfied that a reasonable effort was being made here to be liberal in dealing with such applications, but Councillor McCormack pointed out that some people who have permanent employment in the public service may wish to retire on marriage.

Referring to the direction that the full amount of purchase annuities had to be transferred to Capital Account, the County Manager stated that this direction has very serious implications for the Council's finances. Up to 1981, 40% of the annuities were retained in Revenue Account, and in 1982, as a result of a new direction there will be shortfall of approximately £50,000 which will affect the standard of maintenance of the Council's houses which can be carried out.

Councillor Joyce agreed that this has serious implications for the housing service and pointed out that Councillors get a large number of complaints about the lack of maintenance of houses.

It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Joyce that the Minister would be asked to reverse the direction which has been given and to revert to the situation as it existed in 1981.

Deputy Callanan asked if the Council would get the benefit of a full 15% rate increase.

The County Manager stated that the Council has been notified that the rate increase permitted would be 15% over that for 1981, but in the published Estimates provision was made for payment of only 10% increase on the domestic rate. It is suggested that only 91% of the loss in respect of the domestic would be recouped by the Minister and that local authorities would be required to raise the balance by way of charges for services. He stated, however, that no firm direction on this matter had been received from the Minister.

1456 - HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY:

The County Manager referred to Circular dated 16th February, 1982, from Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, together with the Memorandum received from the Department of the Environment and stated that the Council has not yet complete information on how the scheme of loans under the Agency will operate but it had been decided to give the Council what information the Council had in its possession. He stated that one aspect of the matter in which the Council has a vital interest is to ensure that the Council itself does not have to incur any losses in the event of a borrower being unable to discharge his liabilities.

Replying to queries about delays in sanctioning loans, Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, stated there is a temporary delay because of the need to clarify the question of the application of the increased rate of interest in relation to housing loans. An enquiry seeking clarification had been sent to the Minister.

Senator Byrne stated that the Council should welcome the scheme as it enabled persons to get much higher loans now than the £14,000 which is available hitherto from Local Authorities and it has a more satisfactory repayment system.

Deputy Fahey criticised the scheme stating that in certain circumstances the repayment of a loan of £22,500 over a 24 year period could result in total payments of up to £280,000. It is considered that the Banks, Insurance Companies and other financial agencies should be prepared to put up money cheaper than it is proposed in this scheme.

Deputy Callanan stated that while the scheme is attractive to young people particularly in the early years of repayment, they could incur very severe liabilities later. He considered that some effort should have been made to impose a limit on the amount which they would have to repay. Deputy Connaughton did not agree with the criticism of the scheme as outlined by Deputy Fahey and stated that the Agency would be putting £50 million into housing.

The Chairman ruled out any further discussion on the matter stating that it was brought before the Council at that meeting for noting only.

1457 - SCHEME FOR THE SUPPLY OF SEEDS AND FERTILISERS ON LOAN TERMS 1982:

The Council agreed to continue the scheme in accordance with the draft circulated to Members for the year 1982.

1458 - NATIONAL HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL NATIONAL CONFERENCE AT BRIGHTON - 9TH - 11TH NOVEMBER, 1982:

It was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting.

1459 - DATE OF ESTIMATES MEETING:

It was agreed that the Estimates meeting of the Council would be held on the 2nd April, 1982.

1460 - DATE OF MEETING ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION:

It was agreed to defer consideration of this matter to the next meeting.

1461 - AUDITORS' REPORTS:

The County Manager informed the Council that the Auditors' Report on the Accounts of the Western Health Board for the 6 years ended 31st December, 1980, and on the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1980, had been received and were available for Members if they wished to see them.

1462 - RATE OF INTEREST ON ISSUES FROM LOCAL LOANS FUND:

The County Manager informed the Council that notification had been received that the rate of interest on issues from the Local Loans Fund from the 1st February, 1982, would be 15% instead of the existing figure of 12% but he stated that confirmation had been sought from the Minister that the increased rate would not apply in respect of loans approved by the Council before the 1st February, 1982, and that the Council would not be at any loss in relation to such loans.

Councillor Burke expressed the hope that the Council would implement the loans scheme under the Housing Finance Agency Act as expeditiously as possible.

Councillor J. Burke asked that the Council would expedite the resolution of problems in relation to titles and loans in respect of sites on the Tuam Fairgreen.

1463 - ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS 1980:

The County Manager informed the Council that the Abstract of Accounts for 1980 had been prepared and was available for inspection by Members. He stated that the total expenditure for the year on both Capital and Revenue Accounts amounted to £21,344,000.

He stated also that the debit balance on Revenue Account at the 31st December, 1980, was £871,597 which was a deterioration of £741,493 for the year. The debit balance on Capital Account was £2,210,595, a deterioration of £534,874 for the year. Capital Debt outstanding at 31st December, 1980, was £23,523,000.

1464 - SUPPLEMENTARY LOAN - SPIDDAL REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

It was proposed by Councillor Coogan, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan £44,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works towards the completion of the Spiddal Regional Water Supply Scheme - the loan to be repaid over such period as may be approved by the Minister with interest at the rate in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

1465 - LOAN - THE WEIRS, TUAM GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £828 from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister towards the cost of increased pipe sizes for the Weirs, Tuam Group Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be repaid over such period and at such rate of interest as may be approved by the Minister."

Deputy Connaughton asked that the Council would expedite examination of the application for a grant of £52,000 for the New Inn Water Supply Scheme and that it would also complete its arrangements for the Carrownrilar Group

Replying to Councillor Kilgannon, Mr. Howlett stated he hoped that a proposal regarding the New Inn Group Scheme would be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Deputy Fahey also asked that the Council expedite the Cahermore Group Water Scheme.

1466 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the declaration of the roads set out in the schedule to item no. 19 (a) on the Agenda circulated to each Member of the Council to be public roads."

Replying to a query, the County Manager stated that he expected that a proposal regarding L.I.S. roads would be brought before the Council for the March meeting.

1467 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

It was noted that Malicious Damage Decrees as listed in the schedule to item no. 20 on the Agenda had been received since the last meeting.

1468 - COMPLETION OF UNFINISHED HOUSING ESTATES:

The County Manager referred to Circular PD.50/35, PD.2/82 dated 10th February, 1982, from the Department of the Environment stating that a maximum grant of £5,000 towards the completion of unfinished housing estates had been allocated to Galway County Council for 1982. He pointed out, however, that the present estimated cost of the completion of a number of estates in the County was £74,702.

Senator Burke stated that an appropriate clause should be inserted in planning permissions requiring applicants for planning permission to complete estates to a reasonable standard and that the Council should ensure that conditions in Planning Permissions are complied with.

1469 - BYE-PASS ROAD AT LOUGHREA - MOTION BY DEPUTY CALLANAN AND COUNCILLOR HAVERY:

It was agreed to defer consideration of this matter to the next meeting.

1470 - DEVELOPMENT LAND IN THE ENVIRONS OF GALWAY CITY - MOTION BY DEPUTY FAHEY:

The County Secretary supplied the following information:

The Ballybane area is zoned for residential development.

Ballybrit is zoned for industrial and commercial development.

Doughiska is zoned as an area of special development control and will probably be rezoned for industrial development in the future.

Water Supply:

Public water supply is adequate for the present and future needs of Ballybane, Ballybrit and Doughiska.

Improvements to the distribution system may be required in due course.

Sewerage System:

Ballybane and Ballybrit are adequately serviced for immediate needs but future development would require an extension of the existing public system. The present spare capacity could be compromised, however, depending on the water consumption characteristics of new industry in the area, etc.

Doughiska is not servicable at all at present.

A new foul and surface water system will be required to be designed for the area. A Preliminary Report is being prepared. When new works become necessary, they will involve heavy Capital expenditure.

KNOCKNACARRA

This area is zoned for fully serviced residential development with associated commercial and community facilities.

Water Supply:

Adequate water supply is now available. An agreement with Galway Corporation for a precise allocation has not yet been formally entered into.

Sewerage System:

The existing sewerage system is approaching its limit due to lack of capacity of Tidal Storage Tanks at Gention Hill. This could be augmented in the short term to allow the zoned development areas to be fully developed in response to public demand by constructing another storage tank.

A detailed Preliminary Report has been prepared for the drainage of the entire area and is currently being studied by the County Council staff. This scheme will have to be given urgent priority for implementation in the Sanitary Services Capital Allocation.

Deputy Fahey stated that he had noted that there was a shortfall in the services in the area surrounding the city and that recently a number of planning applications had been refused in the area zoned for housing because of lack of services.

The County Manager stated he did not see a major problem with regard to water as considerable work was done in the extension of the water service to these areas over a number of years. He stated, however, that Knocknacarra is developing at a fast rate and further development cannot go ahead until the sewerage system is augmented considerably. Referring to the Eastern area, he stated that there is reasonable provision of services for the needs of the next five years but that plans are being prepared to serve the areas outside those which are served by the existing services. Plans for those extensions will be brought before the County Council as soon as they are ready.

Councillor Joyce stated that it seemed to him unfair that the allocation for sanitary services would be used to a very great extent at the expense of smaller towns in the eastern part of the County, many of which are urgently in need of services particularly sewerage schemes.

The County Manager stated that the extension of the services in the vicinity of Galway City are absolutely essential priority if industrial development is to be facilitated and that the cost will be very high. He pointed out that the industrial estate is of considerable benefit not alone to the city but to the County.

Councillor J. Burke stated that Tuam is very urgently in need of services for the past five years and it now seems that the Galway City area is to step in and get a large portion of the money required for Capital Works in the remainder of the County including Tuam.

1471 - GORT FIRE BRIGADE - MOTION BY DEPUTY FAHEY:

The County Secretary stated that the authorised strength of the Gort Fire Brigade is 10 and that steps have been taken to recruit 4 further part-time firemen.

1472 - HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS - MOTION BY DEPUTY FAHEY:

The County Secretary stated that applications received in respect of the 1981/82 scheme totalled 411. Of those, 155 did not qualify and 49 did not avail of the grants. Of the remaining 207 who qualified, 80 had submitted forms P.60.

Deputy Fahey stated it was felt that many people who were not in the P.A.Y.E. system and who appeared to be much better off than those in the P.A.Y.E. class had in fact got educational grants while people in lower incomes on the P.A.Y.E. system were refused.

The County Manager stated that all applications for grants are closely scrutinised and the incomes have to be verified by way of audited accounts, income tax assessments or whatever evidence is available.

1473 - DAWROS GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY SENATOR MANNION AND DEPUTY DONNELLAN:

The County Secretary stated that there is no possibility that a water supply for this Group Scheme can be made available from the Letterfrack Scheme which is inadequate for present needs.

1474 - PUBLIC LIGHTING - CALTRA - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON:

The County Secretary stated that no funds are available for this work and that it can be reviewed in the context of available funds in the 1982 Estimates.

Councillor Kilgannon stressed the importance of lighting in this area which he stated is dangerous and asked if special consideration could be given to it when Estimates are being prepared.

Councillor J. Burke asked that some provision be made in the Estimates for improvements of public lighting systems but the County Manager stated that it appears unlikely at present that such provision can be made.

Councillor Joyce asked if the old lamps which will be removed when the traffic route lighting is provided in Kilrickle could be used for improvement of the lighting in Caltra and Killoran.

1475 - WARNING SIGNS - GURTEEN VILLAGE - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KILGANNON:

The County Secretary stated that suitable signs will be provided.

1476 - FLOODING AT BALLINAKILL CEMETERY, GLINSK. - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN:

The County Secretary stated that consideration will be given to this matter when the Estimates for 1982 are being prepared.

1477 - FOOTPATHS NEAR DISPENSARY AT ABBEYKNOCKMOY - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FINNEGAN:

The County Secretary stated that there are no footpaths near the Dispensary which is located approximately 100 lineal yards outside the village. The provision of footpaths at this location will depend on the adequacy of funds for this purpose available in 1982.

1478 - REPAIR OF ROAD TO MULLEN'S HOUSE AT CURRYLEA, LAVALLEY - MOTION BY COUNCILLORS FINNEGAN, DEPUTIES KITT AND CALLANAN:

The County Secretary stated that this road was repaired under a Local

Improvements Scheme in 1973/74 and under this scheme regulation no. 10 states that when the work has been carried out, the applicants are obliged to maintain it in good order and repair it at their own expense. The Council will not have any liability for future maintenance.

Replying to further queries, Mr. Howlett stated that a grant had been paid in respect of this work already and the Council is precluded from giving any other grants.

Councillor J. Burke enquired if the County Council could take over the road and the County Manager pointed out that the Council had taken over approximately 1,000 miles of road in the last 20 years and that no adequate provision for repair of those roads has been available in the meantime.

1479 - CLONLAHAN (KILTORMER) GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that road opening licence application forms were forwarded to the Group on the 14th December last and when the completed application forms together with the Group's Insurance Policy are returned, the road opening licence can be issued.

1480 - ESKER (BANAGHER) GROUP WATER SCHEME - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR JOYCE:

The County Secretary stated that when this scheme was inspected in April and June 1981 to determine if it was in a proper order and state of repair, a number of defects were found and the Group were requested to put those right - those included leaks in the mains, valve washer plates, stop cock covers, pressure vessel air control. When those matters are rectified, the Council will examine the application further.

1481 - REPAIR OF CARAVAN - MRS. MARGARET WARD - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR J. BURKE:

The County Secretary stated that this caravan had now been repaired.

Councillor Burke stressed that the Council should have some priority and deal with the urgent cases without delay.

The County Manager pointed out the restrictions on finance which applied last year in the case of housing maintenance, and that the Maintenance staff were on a three day week for a long time.

1482 - DEVELOPMENT CHARGES UNDER PLANNING ACTS - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR J. BURKE:

The County Secretary stated that development charges are levied by the Council in respect of expenditure already incurred or to be incurred on acquisition of land, relevant roads, open spaces, car parks, sewers, watermains, etc., that those services add considerably to the value of the site due to the investment of public funds and that no reason is seen why the owner should benefit to the full extent without paying a contribution towards them.

Replying to Councillor Burke, the County Manager stated that a standard set of charges had been fixed and that no charge is imposed in respect of a refuse collection service.

1483 - SEWERAGE PROBLEM - ATHENRY ROAD, TUAM: - MOTION BY COUNCILLOR J. BURKE:

The County Secretary stated that surcharging of the sewer in this street occurs in periods of heavy prolonged rain. A permanent solution to the problem will be found when Stage 11 of the proposed Main Drainage Scheme is carried out, but pending this, short-term measures to relieve the situation are being examined including an interim scheme as a Small Sanitary Services Scheme in 1983 or perhaps, a short section of By-Pass sewer.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED / APPROVED & CONFIRMED:
 [Signature]
 CHAIRMAN
 02/3/82 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

15u Marta, 1982.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 22u Marta, 1982, ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnona.

Mise, le meas,

C.O'DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

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

(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 Planning Permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse in the townland of Castledaly. - Planning Reference Number 41555. to Mr. Cyril Kelly."

Frank Fahey. Tony Murphy. Edward Haverty.

(ii) "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 Brendan Callanan of Frenchfort, Oranmore, Co. Galway for Service Station and construction of septic tank at Cloonoo East, Loughrea. - Planning Reference Number 41584."

Edward Haverty. John Callanan. Michael Fahy. Paul Connaughton.
Tony Murphy. Ulick Burke.

(iii) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Thomas Doyle for the erection of a serviced Motor Engineering Workshop at Carrowmore, Loughrea. - Planning Reference Number 41936."

Michael Fahy. Thomas Welby. Mark Killilea.

(iv) "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 Reg. Leonard of Castlegar, Co. Galway for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Tooreeney, Moycullen. - Planning Reference Number 41972."

John Donnellan. Ulick Burke. Toddie Byrne.

(v) "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 Edward Dixon at Portacarron. Planning Reference Number 39360."

Thomas Welby. Mark Killilea. G. Bartley.

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(vi) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Michael Kennelly at Bunowen, Aillebrack. - Planning Reference Number 41289."

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

(vii) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to William Dillon C/o Aughrim Inn, Cloonamerragaun, Aughrim, Ballinasloe for the erection of Petrol Pumps & Storage Tank. - Planning Reference Number 41840."

James Joyce. M. J. Kilgannon. John Callanah. Michael P. Kitt.
Joe Brennan.

(viii) See Supplementary Agenda (Page 5).

2. Minutes.

3. Application for Outline Permission received from Mr. P. Flanagan, Oranbeg, Oranmore for 3 Warehouses in Oranbeg - such development being a material contravention of the County Development Plan.

4. Sanitary Services Capital Allocation 1982 - Report herewith.

5. Local Authority Housing - Capital Allocation 1982 - Report herewith.

6. Local Improvements Scheme - Allocation for 1982 - Report to follow.

6(a) Road Grants 1982.

7. European Communities (Toxic & Dangerous Wastes) Regulations 1982 - Report herewith.

8. Public Service Pay Proposals.

9. Proposal to set up the Irish Council of European Municipalities (Copy of letter of 18th February, 1982 from County Council's General Council, and Draft Constitution herewith).

10. Annual Conference of County Councils' General Council - 20th-22nd May, 1982 at "The Hotel Keadeen", Newbridge, Co. Kildare - (Resolutions for Conference to be submitted by 23rd April, 1982.)

11. Appointment of Nominee on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

12. Improvement and Extension of Kilronan Pier.

13. Filling of vacancy on Fergus Drainage District Joint Committee.

14. Raising of Loan of £364,000 for Killimor Sewerage Scheme.

15. Raising of Loans for Group Water Scheme Contributions:-

(a) New Inn.

(b) Carrownurlar £3,000

(c) Ballinastaig/Killemoran - £4,035

16. Fix date for Meeting of Housing Committee.

17. Fix date for Meeting on Local Government Re-Organisation (adjourned from February Meeting).

18. Sale of Houses to Tenants:-

Frank McDonnell, Roundstone.
Patrick & Kathleen McHugh, Ardour, Cloghan's Hill, Tuam.
(Notices dated 10th February, 1982).

Joseph & Betty Creane, Errisbeg East, Roundstone.
Mrs. Mary Joyce, Poulywerrin, Lettermore.
(Notices dated 10th March, 1982).

19. Sale of site at Lemonfield, Oughterard to Western Health Board - (Notice dated 12th March, 1982).
20. Issues from Local Loans Fund - Variable rate of interest.
21. National Housing & Town Planning Council - Conference at Brighton - 9th - 11th November, 1982.
22. I.F.H.P. Congress, Oslo - 6th - 11th June, 1982.
23. Report on Rate Collection, 1981. (Copy herewith).
24. Malicious Damage Decrees - List herewith.
- 24(a) Business submitted by the County Manager;

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION:

DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN & COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - We propose:

25. That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have now agreed on an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

26. That Galway County Council are requested to complete Road and By-pass at Labane as quickly as possible.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

27. That seeing that the present Council has now passed mid-term I propose that we recommend to future Councils that they give representation on the various Sub-committees in accordance with the numerical strength of the various political groupings in the Council.
28. That the Council provide finance to pay travelling expenses to the Archaeologists who carry out examinations of ancient monuments in the County on behalf of the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee.

AN COMHAIRLEOIR M. O'MORAIN - Molaim:

29. Ba mhaith liom fhail amach ce'n chaoi a ndailítear conraí innealra agus an dtugtar aon aitheantas do uinearai aitiúla nuair a bhíod an obair i gceist agus ce'n na tairiscintí a scrúdiú nuair a bhí an obair ag Roillig Maighreois i gceist.

30. That monies be made available for sand erosion this year.

31. Cen staid in a bhfuil ceannacht talún do Roillig Muighinnse faoi seo.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

32. That this Council calls on the Government to amend Article 40 of the Constitution to guarantee the right to life to the unborn.
33. That the Oireachtas members of this Council be asked to use appropriate means within Government to ensure that Galway County Council gets sufficient funds to complete its projected work.

COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose

34. That this County Council request the Minister for the Environment to cause a Public Enquiry to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the delay in completion of road works between Killeen and Woodstock on the N.59 road.

35. That the road in the Fahy Estate at Claremount, Oughterard be taken over by the County Council and declared public.

COUNCILLORS T. WELBY, G. FASTLEY & JOHN MOLLOY - We will propose:

36. That Galway Council direct the County Manager not to proceed with the acquisition of land at Gortrisagh, Oughterard from the Land Commission for the provision of a County Council refuse dump.

COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:

37. That Galway County Council accept the road leading to Fohenagh Cemetery for the purpose of development under Councillors N.O.M.

DEPUTY MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

38. That two acute bends on the Shruffaun Road, Caltra, Ballinasloe, be eased and that a drain on the left hand side as the road is entered, be filled in and the carriage-way widened.

39. If an estimate is being prepared to make a road into Fohenagh Graveyard as I have allocated some of the Councillor's Notice of Motion Money for this road.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Resolution under Section 4 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

- (viii) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City & County Management Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Planning Permission to Thomas Moran at Cartron, Kilcolgan - Planning Reference Number 41680."

Frank Fahey. Ulick Burke. John Callanan.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/10/1438

10th. February, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Patrick Casey, Ardour, Cloghans Hill,
Tuam, Co. Galway.

Location:- Ardour, Cloghans Hill, Tuam, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Patrick & Kathleen McHugh of: Ardour, Cloghans Hill, Tuam,
Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £6,815

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/2/231

10th. February, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Mrs. L. K. Tuohy, Roundstone, Co. Galway.

Location:- Roundstone, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Frank McDonnell of: Roundstone, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £983.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/2/12

10th. March, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Particulars cannot be obtained by reasonable enquiry but Council in possession and receiving rent since 1909.

Location:- Errisbeg East, Roundstone, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Joseph & Betty Creane of: Errisbeg East, Roundstone, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £1,635.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/8/1408

10th. March, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Dudley Folan, Pouleywerrin, Lettermore, Co. Galway.

Location:- Pouleywerrin, Lettermore, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Mrs. Mary Joyce of: Pouleywerrin, Lettermore, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £6,201.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

12th March, 1982.

TO EACH MEMBER/

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:-

Land Acquired From: Irish Land Commission

Location: Lemonfield, Oughterard, Co. Galway.

Area: 25 sq. perches.

To whom land is to be transferred: Western Health Board - for use as a site on which a Health Centre will be provided.

Consideration in respect of Disposal: £1700

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next monthly meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

SIGNED:


COUNTY SECRETARY.

MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amt. of Claim	Amt. of Decree including costs.
1. Mary O'Connor, 10, Monivea Road, Mervue, Galway.	Damage to property at Scragg West, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.	County at Large	£150.00	£166.90
2. Thomas McKeon, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe.	Damage to windows of two JCB diggers.	Ballinasloe Urban District Council	£350.00	£472.90
3. Fr. Christopher Glynn, Ballinasloe.	Damage to several windows of St. Grellan's National School	Ballinasloe Urban District Council	£50.00	£63.70
4. Fr. Christopher Glynn, Ballinasloe.	Damage to several glass windows at Creagh School, Ballinasloe.	Ballinasloe Urban District Council	£30.00	£52.95
5. Diocesan Trustees for Diocese of Clonfert	Damage to stain glass window in St. Michael's Church, B'sloe.	Ballinasloe Urban District Council	£200.00	£763.42
6. Presentation of Mary Sisters, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe.	Damage to plate glass windows	County at Large	£150.00	£212.60
7. Desmond Grant, 17 University Road, Galway.	Damage to two tyres of Toyota Starlet	Borough of Galway	£100.00	£30.00
8. Thomas Mullen, Ballyglass, Ballymoe, Co. Galway.	Burning of rick of turf	D.E.D. of Kiloran	£180.00	£289.25
9. James Carr, 6, Henry Street, Galway.	Damage to right hand door of motor vehicle AZM 6	Borough of Galway	£50.00	£39.39.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

24th March, 1982.

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 Friday, 2nd April, 1982, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL,
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A G E N D A

1. Adoption of Estimate of Expenses for the year 1982. (Copy of Estimate and of County Manager's Report herewith).
2. Making and Sealing of Demands on Urban Authorities.
3. Policy for taking over L.I.S. Roads.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 22ND MARCH, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, J. Burke, Senator T. Byrne, Deputies J. Callanan and P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M. J. Kilgannon, M. Killilea, P. McCormack, J. Molloy, 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; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; F. Monahan, Senior Executive Engineer; B. Callagy and L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineers (Planning); Miss C. Hett, S.S.O.; Messrs. E. Lusby, Finance Officer; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; B. Kennedy, D. Barrett, and A. Murphy, Senior Staff Officers; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1484 - SYMPATHY:

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, the Council extended its sympathy to Mr. Frank Dunleavy, Executive Engineer, on the recent death of his wife. The County Manager joined in the expression of sympathy to Mr. Dunleavy on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council.

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:

Mr. Bartley O'Healy, St. John's Terrace, Galway.
Mr. Thomas Finnerty, St. Grellan's Terrace, Ballinasloe.
Mrs. Larkin, Ballymarkaun, Ardrahan.
Mrs. Gannon, Boyounagh via Castlereah.

1485 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41555 - CYRIL KELLY:

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

"BACKGROUND

The proposed site is located approximately 300 yards from Castledaly crossroads on the Gort to Loughrea National Secondary Route. There have been two previous applications on this site, both of which have been refused.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed site has a stream flowing on its southern boundary and the furthest distance the septic tank and field drainage area could be located from the said stream is 80 feet, whereas Galway County Council's requirement is 200 feet. The County Medical Officer is of the opinion that the proposed septic tank would cause a serious danger of pollution to the stream. A grant of permission in this case would be a contravention of the 1979 County Development Plan.

The proposed site is located on the National Secondary Route where it is the Planning Authority's policy to restrict housing development to substantiated second family claims, where no alternative site exists. The applicant's family have alternative sites not fronting onto the National Secondary route.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development, located on a site abutting a stream, would contribute towards a health hazard because the proposed septic tank and percolation area could be located too close to the adjacent stream and would not be satisfactorily relocated to comply fully with Galway County Council's regulations.
2. The proposed development, located on a National Secondary Route where the maximum speed limit applies would contribute to a traffic hazard and endanger public safety because the traffic turning movements associated with the development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said road.
3. The proposed development would be contrary to the 1979 County Development Plan because the housing need claimed can be adequately satisfied on alternative sites not fronting onto the National Secondary Route."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Deputy Fahey. He stated that much consultation had taken place with the Planning staff in connection with this application, but he stated that he did not see any problem with regard to the septic tank as the soil had good percolation.

Mr. L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive (Planning) stated that the main problem in this case was the possible health hazard arising from the proximity of the proposed septic tank to a stream.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

1486 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41584 - BRENDAN CALLANAN:

The County Manager submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council, but he stated that the report should have stated that the location is about 2 miles west of Loughrea instead of East of Loughrea.

"BACKGROUND

The proposed site is located on the Galway to Loughrea National Primary Route, about two miles east of Loughrea. The site is a low-lying site with a high water table, and it becomes waterlogged in parts. The site is approximately 1/2 mile west of the site of 41936, item no. 1(iii) on the Agenda.

The applicant, Mr. Brendan Callanan, was granted Outline Permission and approval for a dwellinghouse on this site, on the basis of a second family claim made by him. This permission was granted on condition that -

- (a) an enurement agreement was entered into with the Planning Authority;
- (b) not more than one house should be erected on the entire site.

Planning Ref. No. 34901 refused permission to Mr. Callanan for a further house on this site.

Planning Ref. No. 37740 refused permission to Mr. Callanan for a service station and septic tank on this site:-

- (a) Traffic grounds;
- (b) Because the County Development Plan prohibits all commercial development on National Primary Routes.

Mr. Callanan appealed this decision to An Bord Pleanala which upheld the decision of Galway County Council.

Planning Ref. No. 40066. A decision to grant permission was made in this case as a result of Section 4 resolution but permission was refused on appeal by An Bord Plenaala on 4/2/'82 on the grounds of traffic hazard.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

- (1) The proposed development located on the National Primary Route would be contrary to the provisions of the 1979 County Development Plan because it constitutes commercial development on the National Primary Route, which is wholly restricted by Table No. 3 of the plan.
- (2) The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of a traffic hazard because it is located on the National Primary Route where the maximum speed limit applies."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Callanan and seconded by Deputy Connaughton. Councillor J. Burke stated that a similar application had already been refused by An Bord Pleanala. He proposed that the permission sought be refused and Councillor Brennan seconded this proposal.

Councillor Killilea referred to the fact that an official of the Planning Section had objected to the Section 4 resolutions already and he considered it improper that an official involved in Planning should do this. In the current application, he stated that the livelihood of two families was involved.

The County Manager stated that he had already dealt with the problem raised by Councillor Killilea and stated that ~~lest~~ there be any misunderstanding the official concerned acted totally on his own and in conflict with the advice that the County Manager had given him. He considered that officials who lodged such objections act without the restraint which ^{should} characterise those officials in discharging their role as Local Government officials.

It was agreed that a vote on both proposals in this case would be taken after 4.30 p.m.

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

FOR: Deputies Callanan, Connaughton, Donnellan, F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Kilgannon, Killilea, Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Foighil, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ruane, Ryan and Welby.

(18)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Coogan, Holland.

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The Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried. Senator Byrne did not vote.

1487 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41936 - THOMAS DOYLE:

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

"The proposed development is situated adjacent to the National Primary route with an entrance opening onto a small non-public lane which in turn opens onto the main Galway/Loughrea road. It is approximately 1/2 mile west of the site of planning reference number 41584 - item 1 (ii) on the Agenda. If permitted, it would be contrary to the provisions of Table No. 3 page 36 of the County Development Plan which restricts commercial development along these routes.

The Development has already been refused on two occasions under reference numbers 40271 and 40933 and it is proposed to refuse this application for the following reasons -

The proposed motor engineering workshop located on the National Primary route where the maximum speed limit applies would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area and endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard, because the traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said road."

Councillor M. Fahy proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and this proposal was seconded by Councillor Killilea.

The County Manager stated in reply to queries that if the laneway were a public by-road, he would be more sympathetically disposed to granting permission in this case, i.e., if the access to the premises would be off a by-road.

Councillor Haverty stated that he proposed nominating this by-road as one to be taken over by the County Council under the Notice of Motion procedure. He stated that a Mr. Corbett had recently built a house off this by-road and permission had been given for another house.

The County Manager stated that he would examine the matter again in view of the submissions made by Councillors and he asked if the developers of land on this by-road would be prepared to improve the condition of the road. He stated that the road would be examined with a view to ascertaining whether it is suitable for taking over for future maintenance.

It was agreed to adjourn the matter to a later meeting.

1488 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41972 REG. LEONARD:

The County Manager informed the Council that a request for further information had issued in this case in connection with the housing needs of the applicant.

1489 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 39360 - EDWARD DIXON:

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

"LOCATION:

The site is located in the townland of Portacarron on a County Road off the Oughterard/Moycullen road leading to Lough Corrib.

HISTORY:

A previous application by the same applicant on the same site was refused by the Planning Authority on 7th January, 1981.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The applicant was requested to dig a trial hole to ascertain the suitability of the site for the treatment of septic tank effluent. This was examined by a Senior Health Inspector who reported that the site is not suitable for the treatment of septic tank effluent. The applicant has not made a claim for any particular housing need.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse the proposed development on the grounds:

"The site proposed to be developed is lowlying, water-logged and boggy and unsuitable for the effective disposal of septic tank effluent and the proposed development, if permitted, would be liable to endanger public health."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Welby and seconded by Councillor J. Molloy.

Councillor Welby stated that the applicant is coming from England to live at home and with regard to the problems referred to in the report in connection with septic tank effluent, he suggested that the Council consider putting a condition in the permission that the applicant would provide a "destroilet".

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution proposed by Councillor Welby carried.

~~1480~~ RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41289 - MICHAEL KENNELLY:

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

"LOCATION:

The site is located immediately to the west of the Atlantic Alginates Factory on the road from Ballyconneely to Aillebrack. The proposed house would be located in the area designated for the septic tank to serve the house permitted under Ref. No. 17002, referred to hereunder.

HISTORY:

Permission was granted for a dwellinghouse on this site, planning reference number 17002 on 12th August, 1974. This permission has been further extended by the Planning Authority until the 31st October, 1986.

An application for a further dwellinghouse on the site, planning reference number 38974 was refused by the Planning Authority in June 1981 and was also refused on appeal by An Bord Pleanála on the grounds that the proposed development would constitute a health hazard.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

- (a) There is an existing permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank on this site.
- (b) The applicant has proposed to locate the septic tank and percolation area approximately 450 ft. to the rear of the proposed dwellinghouse in lands owned by his father. However, this will necessitate laying the sewer pipe under a fast flowing river and through lands which do not appear to be in the applicant's or the applicant's family's ownership. The effect of laying the pipe under the river and 450 ft. from the proposed dwellinghouse would be to have the septic tank and percolation area located a minimum of 10 ft. under ground level.

The applicant was written to on 19th February, 1982, with a view to clarifying the question of land ownership and to ascertain why he could not avail of the existing permission on the site. No reply has been received to date.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is proposed to refuse the applicant on the grounds that:

"The proposed development would necessitate the construction of a septic tank and percolation area, at a minimum of 10 ft. under ground level and below the level of the adjoining lake, which would be unsuitable for the effective disposal of septic tank effluent and the proposed development, if permitted, would be liable to endanger public health by reason of a health hazard."

Referring to the position with regard to land ownership, the County Manager stated that the permission, even if granted, would be invalid if the applicant had not the consent of the owner of the lands.

In the circumstances, the resolution set out on the Agenda was not proposed.

~~1481~~ RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41840 - WILLIAM DILLON:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located on the main Galway to Ballinasloe National Primary route on the section of newly constructed National Primary route which comprises Aughrim village bye-pass. The proposed site has also been the subject of various other planning permissions.

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| 4882 | Extension to licensed premises granted to Mr. Michael Dowd (in 1968) |
| 12769 | Extension to lounge granted to Mr. Michael Dowd in 1973. |
| 34012 | Extension to dwellinghouse granted to Mr. William Dillon in 1980. |
| 40343 | Erection of dwellinghouse granted to Mr. William Dillon in 1982 (February). |

The above developments showed accesses onto the existing village street and not onto the national route.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site adjoins the junction between a County road, giving access to the village and the N.6. On the opposite side of this junction, and adjoining the national route, there is an existing petrol filling station, for which permission was granted in 1965 when the bye-pass was newly constructed, and when there was no other petrol facility between Kilrickle and Ballinasloe.

A grant of permission such as is proposed would both be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan, which restricts commercial development along the National Routes, where maximum speed limits apply, and in this particular case, would give rise to further complicated traffic movements close to the junction and would thus constitute a traffic hazard.

REASONS FOR REFUSAL:

1. The proposed development being a commercial development located on the National Primary route would if allowed, contravene the Planning policy of Galway County Council as stated in the County Development Plan with regard to the National Primary route (Class 1 control Table No. 3; page 36 of the said plan).
2. The proposed development would be seriously prejudicial to public safety because the proposed development would if allowed constitute a serious traffic hazard on the adjacent National Primary route on which the maximum speed limit applies. Such hazard would be accentuated by virtue of the proximity of the adjacent road junction to the east."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Callanan and seconded by Councillor Brennan.

Deputy Callanan stated that this development would open onto the village of Auhrim - there is open parking space available and from this, there is a direct access to the village.

Councillor Brennan stated that there are so many commercial developments in the area that no serious objection is seen to the development now proposed and that this would not generate excessive traffic.

As there was no amendment, the resolution proposed by Deputy Callanan was declared passed by the Chairman.

1492 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41680 - THOMAS MORAN:

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

"BACKGROUND

The proposed site is located on the Kilcolgan to Kinvara National Secondary Route, approximately 2 miles south-west of Kilcolgan. This section of the National Secondary Route has not been satisfactorily realigned and sight distances are inadequate to the east of the site.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed development is contrary to the Planning Authority's policy on National Secondary Routes which is to restrict the creation of new accesses on to the said routes. The only exception to this policy is substantiated bonafide second family claims where no alternative site exists. No second family claims have been made in this case. Therefore, a grant of permission in this case would be a material contravention of the 1979 County Development Plan.

The applicant states that he wishes to give this site to his cousin. However, this cannot be considered by the Planning Authority as the County Development Plan restricts second family claims to members of the farm holder's family on the farm holding of land.

RECOMMENDATION

Refusal is recommended for the following reason:-

The proposed development located on the National Secondary Route where the maximum speed limit applies on a stretch which has not been satisfactorily realigned and where sight distances to the east of the site are inadequate, would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard, because the traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Fahey who stated that this application had been the subject of consultations with the Planning staff and that the landowner proposed to sell the site to a teacher who was in a teacher's residence and who had no other housing accommodation on his retirement. He stated that it is a low traffic road and did not feel that there would be any interference with proposals for realignment.

Deputy Callanan seconded Deputy Fahey's proposal.

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

1493 - MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41790 - MR. PADDY FLANAGAN:

The County Manager stated that this application arose originally from a Section 4 resolution and because it would involve a material contravention of the County Development Plan the provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1976, were applied to it which had the effect of taking the application out of the normal category of applications dealt with under Section 4 resolutions. He then submitted the following report which had been circulated to each Member of the Council:

"The site is located adjacent to the Dublin road approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the village of Oranmore. The proposed development is situated adjacent to a National Primary Route and if permitted, would contravene Class 1 control restrictions as set out in Table 3, page 36 of the County Development Plan which restricts commercial developments on these routes.

The development has already been refused by the Planning Authority Reference no. 36548 in August, 1980, and by An Bord Pleanála in April, 1981. It is recommended that the application be refused for the following reasons.

1. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the turning movements generated by it would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the adjoining road where the maximum speed limit applies and which is likely to continue to function as a national primary road for a considerable time.
2. The proposed development would contravene Class 1 control restrictions of the County Development Plan as set out in Table 3, page 36, which restricts commercial development along National Primary Routes."

Councillor M. Fahy proposed and Councillor Killilea seconded that the Permission sought be granted.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor J. Burke seconded that the Permission sought be refused.

Replying to criticism by Members that this application was not included with the Section 4 resolutions on the Agenda, the County Manager stated that the matter is properly on the Agenda as legally it is not being dealt with as a Section 4 resolution. Following a further discussion, the County Manager stated that if the applicant comes immediately and applies for an extension of time, the Council would agree.

It was agreed that the matter would accordingly be deferred.

1494 - LIMIT ON DURATION OF PLANNING PERMISSIONS:

Members expressed dissatisfaction with regard to the uncertainty which existed at the moment about the limit of duration on planning permissions having regard to the provisions of the 1976 Planning Act and proposals for amendment of this section which were announced in December last.

Following discussion, it was agreed on the proposition of Councillor Haverty, seconded by Councillor Welby,

"That the Minister for the Environment be asked to carry out the policy in relation to the amendment of this section as proposed by the previous Minister for the Environment."

1495 - MINUTES:

The Minutes of Meeting held on the 22nd February, 1982, (Numbers 1440 - 1483, inclusive) were approved and signed on the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, and seconded by Councillor O Morain.

1496 - SANITARY SERVICES - CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR 1982:

The County Manager referred to the ^{report of} Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, dated 15th March, 1982, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council.

On the proposition of Deputy Fahey, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, it was agreed that the Minister for the Environment would be asked to increase the allocation to Galway County Council. Many Members expressed dissatisfaction at the amount of the allocation and pointed out the long list of schemes at planning and the slow rate of progress which was being made with them. The County Manager agreed that the allocation was grossly inadequate and in relation to the Council's finances in general stated that there are two problems which cause concern. One is that enough Capital is not being made available to carry out the schemes which have been planned and the second is that the Council through inadequate funds in its Revenue Account is experiencing difficulty in repaying loans.

Councillor Joyce criticised the report in that there were no schemes proposed for the Ballinasloe Electoral Area, and referring in particular to Laurencetown, complained about the long delay in having a sewerage scheme provided there. He asked to be informed about why there is such a long delay and when progress can be made. He considered that a plan should be drawn up for the entire County which would show that whatever funds are available are equally distributed throughout the County.

Replying to further queries, the County Manager stated that the rate at which schemes go on depends on the rate at which money is given by the Government.

The County Manager gave information to Members on the present stage of various schemes referred to by them.

1497 - LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING - CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR 1982:

It was agreed that this would be deferred to the special meeting on Housing.

1498 - LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES - ALLOCATION FOR 1982:

It was agreed that this matter would be deferred to the special meeting which would be held to consider Housing and other matters.

1499 - ROAD GRANTS 1982:

It was agreed that this matter would be deferred to the Estimates Meeting which would be held on the 2nd April, 1982.

1500 - EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (TOXIC AND DANGEROUS WASTES) REGULATIONS, 1982:

The County Manager stated that the workload in relation to the implementation of these regulations is being examined and a further report will be brought back to the County Council when this examination is complete.

1501 - PUBLIC SERVICE PAY AGREEMENT:

The County Manager stated that proposals for a Pay Agreement in the Public Service between the Public Services Committee of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions and the Minister for the Public Service had been agreed. The commencement date of the Agreement would be the 1st October, 1981, in respect of Craftsmen and Allied Grades, and the 1st December, 1981, in respect of others including Officers. Particulars of the pay increases agreed are as follows -

1st Phase	-	3 months	-	2% of basic pay or £4 per week whichever is the greater.
2nd Phase	-	7 months	-	6% of basic pay.
3rd Phase	-	5 months	-	5% of basic pay.

He stated that the estimated cost of the Agreement in the year 1982 is a total of £615,920. Sanction to terms of the agreement had been received from the Minister.

He requested the approval of the Council to the terms of the Agreement.

It was proposed by Deputy Fahey, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the remuneration increases under the "Proposals for Pay Agreement in the Public Service" for 1981/82 between the Public Service Committee of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions and the Minister for Public Service as outlined by the County Manager - with appropriate increases to related grades and part-time employees - from the 1st October, 1981, in the case of Craftsmen and Allied Grades and from the 1st December, 1981, in the case of other grades."

1502 - IRISH COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN LOCAL AUTHORITIES:

The County Manager outlined the purposes of the Council of European Municipalities and stated that it was advisable that an Irish Council would be set up which would have a voice in the Council of European Municipalities. He referred to the letter dated 18th February, 1982, from the General Secretary of the County Councils' General Council and the Draft Constitution of the Irish Section enclosed therewith.

On the proposition of Councillor Haverty, seconded by Councillor Coogan, the Council unanimously agreed to support the establishment of the Irish Body.

1503 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:

It was agreed on the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor O'Morain that the Council would participate in this Conference as outlined in Circular letter of 9th March, 1982, from the Secretary.

1504 - APPOINTMENT OF NOMINEE ON THE IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LTD.:

Councillor Bartley was proposed by Councillor O'Morain and seconded by Councillor M. Fahy.

Councillor Coogan was proposed by Councillor Kilgannon and seconded by Councillor O'Foighil.

A vote taken resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR BARTLEY: Deputies Callanan, Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Killilea, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Morain, and Welby.

(10)

FOR COUNCILLOR COOGAN: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Deputy Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, O'Foighil, Ryan.

(10)

The Chairman gave his casting vote for Councillor Coogan, and declared him to be the Council's nominee on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., for the year 1982/83.

1505 - KILRONAN HARBOUR:

The County Manager informed the Council that notification was received some time ago from Roinn na Gaeltachta of the allocation of a full cost grant of £245,000 towards the cost of carrying out improvement and extension works to Kilronan Harbour which would involve putting a new facing on the pier, construction of ladders and the provision of bollards. He requested the approval of the Council to having the work carried out and to taking over the pier for maintenance on completion of the works.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Welby, the Council approved the works proposed in the letter from Roinn na Gaeltachta and also approved having the works maintained by the County Council on completion.

1506 - FILLING OF VACANCY ON THE RIVER FERGUS DRAINAGE DISTRICT JOINT COMMITTEE:

Senator Byrne stated that he had found it impossible because of other responsibilities to attend meetings of this committee, and accordingly, had sent in his resignation. He proposed that Senator Ulick Burke be appointed to the Committee in his place and this proposal was seconded by Deputy Connaughton.

Councillor Killilea proposed and Councillor O'Morain seconded that Councillor Michael Fahy be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted as follows:

FOR SENATOR BURKE: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Senator Byrne, Deputy Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, O'Foighil, Ryan.

(11)

FOR COUNCILLOR M. FAHY: Deputies Callanan, Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Killilea, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Morain, Welby.

(11)

The Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of Councillor M. Fahy and declared him appointed a Member of the Fergus Drainage District Joint Committee for the remainder of the term of that committee.

1507 - KILLIMOR SEWERAGE SCHEME - RAISING OF LOAN OF £364,000:

It was proposed by Councillor Haverty, seconded by Deputy Callanan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £364,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the construction of the Killimor Sewerage Scheme, the loan to be repaid over a period of 30 years with interest at the rate in force at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

1508 - NEW INN GROUP WATER SCHEME - LOAN OF £50,112:

It was proposed by Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Kilgannon and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £50,112 to finance its contribution towards the cost of headworks for the New Inn Group Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister at the usual rate of interest."

1509 - CARROWNURLAR GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - LOAN OF £3,000:

It was proposed by Deputy Connaughton, seconded by Councillor Ryan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £3,000 to finance the cost of laying a pipeline from the source of the Group Water Scheme in Ballindine Village to the first house on the scheme in County Galway - the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister at the usual rate of interest."

1510 - BALLINASTAIG/KILLMORAN GROUP WATER SCHEME - LOAN OF £4,035:

It was proposed by Councillor Killilea, seconded by Councillor Kilgannon, and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £4,035 to finance its contribution towards the cost of headworks for the Ballinastaig/Killmoran Group Water Scheme - the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister at the usual rate of interest."

1511 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION:

It was agreed to defer the fixing of a date for a meeting in connection with this matter.

1512 - SALE OF HOUSES TO TENANTS:

It was proposed by Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Councillor Finnegan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of the houses which they occupy to the following tenants in accordance with the terms of notices under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966, as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, circulated to each Member of the Council:-

Frank McDonnell, Roundstone.
Patrick and Kathleen McHugh, Ardour, Cloghan's Hill, Tuam.
- Notices dated 10th February, 1982.

Joseph and Betty Crean, Errisbeg, Roundstone.
Mrs. Mary Joyce, Poulywerrin, Lettermore.
- Notices dated 10th March, 1982."

1513 - SALE OF SITE AT LEMONFIELD, OUGHTERARD, TO WESTERN HEALTH BOARD:

It was proposed by Councillor Welby, seconded by Councillor McCormack, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of a plot area, 25 square perches approximately, at Lemonfield, Oughterard, to the Western Health Board in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 12th March, 1982, under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as circulated to each Member of the Council."

Councillor Welby asked that some improvements would be carried out to the carpark adjoining the site and also that the possibility of providing boundary walls which it was intended to be provided some years ago would be investigated.

The County Manager stated that this matter would be examined and the possibility of utilising the funds from the sale of this site to carry out the improvement works recommended would be examined.

1514 - VARIABLE RATE OF INCREASE - LOCAL LOANS FUND ADVANCES:

The County Manager informed the Council that a notification had been received in January last from the Department of the Environment that the Minister for Finance proposed to introduce a variable rate of interest in respect of advances from the Local Loans Fund and that such rate would be adjusted automatically at six monthly periods in line with changes in the cost of Government funds. He stated that if this were applied to the Council in the current year, it would result in additional charges of £80,000 which would have the affect of reducing the permitted rate increase from 15% to 14.25%. He stated that if any change is notified in this proposal, he will inform the Council.

1515 - ATTENDANCE AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES:

The County Manager asked the Council to consider this matter very carefully in view of the severe financial problems facing the Council in the current year. He stated that although he wished to make some provision for this in the Estimates, he could only recommend the sum of £2,500 under this heading and this had been shown in the Estimates which will be presented to the Council on the 2nd April. He stated that the cost of the Oslo Conference is estimated at £1,000 per person and of the Conference at Brighton at £500 per person.

Councillor O'Morain stated that Galway County Council was one of the few authorities which showed restraint in the numbers who were being sent to International Conferences and he considered that the Council should be prepared to send representatives to them.

Deputy Connaughton stated that the Council should cut the number attending to a minimum this year.

Councillor Killilea stated that the Councillors give alot of their time free to the public service and that they should be allowed to attend such conferences.

Councillor Kilgannon referred to unfair criticism of Councillors for attending such conferences and he stated that the cost of attending those should be related to the total cost of the services administered by the Council.

After further discussion, it was agreed that the provision for attendance of those representatives at the conferences would be increased and that four Members and an official would attend the Oslo Conference and an official would also attend the Brighton Conference with four Councillors.

Replying to a query by the County Manager, Councillors stated that they wished to have an official attend with the Members at each venue.

It was agreed that the following Councillors would be nominated to attend:

(a) Conference at Brighton - 9th to the 11th November, 1982:

Councillors E. Haverty, J. Joyce, F. Coogan, and J. Brennan.

(b) Conference at Oslo - 6th to the 11th June, 1982:

Councillors N. O Conchubhair, M. Fahy, M. Ryan, and M.J. Kilgannon.

1516 - STATE OF RATE COLLECTION:

The County Manager submitted the following information to the Council setting out particulars of the rate collection in 1981 with comparable figures for the 1980 collection.

	1981	%
(a) Collected	£1,356,922.21	
(b) Irrecoverable	£66,308.93	78.41
(c) Carried Forward	£307,247.11	3.83
		17.76
Total Warrant	£1,730,478.25	
	1980	
(a) Collected	£1,764,930.99	88.7
(b) Irrecoverable	£32,916.82	1.65
(c) Carried Forward	£192,028.04	9.65
Total Warrant	£1,989,875.85	

He stated that of the total amount carried forward as temporarily uncollectable - £207,815 or 12% of the warrant was made up as follows -

- £158,021 or 9.13% due by farmers
- £ 27,981 or 1.62% due by 3 Companies in Receivership
- £ 10,500 or 0.6% due on 9 factories vacant or in financial difficulties
- £ 11,313 or 0.65% due on 6 hotels and licensed premises closed down or in financial difficulties.

He also stated that during the months of January and February the sum of £79,812.86 had been collected of which £11,256.18 was collected from farmers.

1517 - 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.

1518 - FIRE OFFICERS' STRIKE:

The County Manager informed the Council that despite negotiations which were proceeding, no settlement had been reached in a dispute which is going on for some time with the Fire Officers. He stated that notification had been received that they are to go on a one day strike on Monday, 29th March. He stated that attempts to settle the dispute were continuing.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

John Callaghan

CHAIRMAN

26/4/82

DATE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 2ND APRIL, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, Deputy J. Callanan, Deputy P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P.J. Finnegan, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Deputy M. P. Kitt, Senator J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, N. O'Conchubhair, M.G. O'Higgins, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; Miss C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; Miss J. Forde, Staff Officer; Messrs. K. Hays, F. Monahan, S. McMahon, and R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineers; B. Kennedy, N. Egan, and D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1519 - ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1982:

The County Manager referred to his reports dated 23rd March, 1982, and 30th March, 1982, on the Estimate of Expenses for the current year which had been prepared and he elaborated on the contents of those reports outlining the serious financial situation in which the County Council found itself. He referred, in particular, to the contradictory provisions in the Law whereby on the one hand a local authority is required to prepare an Estimate providing for the liabilities and requirements of the authority during the next financial year, and on the other hand, the provision in the Local Government(Financial Provisions) Act, 1978, which gives power to the Minister to limit the amount of Rate which can be levied. He pointed out to the Members that the Estimate submitted to them was not adequate to maintain the Council's services at a proper level during 1982 and he had so certified.

Regarding the estimated shortfall of £300,000 which is intended should be raised from charges for services, he stated that two difficulties have immediately arisen in connection with this - one is that the legislation has not yet been introduced and its terms are not known. The second problem is that a quarter of the year has already gone, and if the Council does not succeed in collecting the sum of £300,000 shortfall, there will have to be still further curtailment of services.

Summarising the Council's position, the County Manager stated that the Council is powerless to remedy its financial situation, only Government can do this. The provision for all services is totally inadequate, debit balances are increasing at an alarming rate resulting in huge increases in overdraft interest, new statutory services have been added without any financial provision being made for their administration, funds are not available for forward land acquisition and every pound spent on Capital Works extends services without making any financial provision for administering them.

In general discussion on the Council's financial position, the following comments were made by Members:-

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1. Surfacing of roads every 50 or 60 years is useless and will result in serious deterioration of County Roads.
2. Charges should not be made for Planning Permissions except for large size developments.
3. The shortfall of £300,000 should be met completely by the Minister and any sums collected for services should be available for improvement of services over and above the full rate revenue.
4. Methods of financing local authorities are completely outdated and need a complete review.
5. The possible lay-off of County Council Roadworkers who thought they had permanent employment is a matter for serious concern.
6. Local authorities should approach the administration of their services in a businesslike way, they should have confined expenditure to the percentage rate increase allowed but it is acknowledged that they are hindered by existing legislation.
7. The inability of the Council to maintain County Roads adequately is a matter of serious concern and the grants available for Primary, Secondary and Arterial Roads for one year should be allocated to the maintenance of County Roads.

Details of the Estimate for the various services were then discussed:

HOUSING

The County Manager informed the Council that following a recent Government decision the Council could retain 40% of purchase annuities for Revenue purposes, the sum of £50,000 would now be available for Housing Maintenance.

ROAD SERVICE

Having reviewed the finances available in 1981 and in 1982, the County Manager asked the Council to consider seriously the problems created by the policy of taking over additional roads for maintenance each year without any provision being made for maintaining them. He pointed out that in the last 20 years over 1,000 miles of road had been taken over and that this contributes to the general downgrading in the standard of maintenance of County Roads.

On the proposition of Deputy Callanan, seconded by Councillor Kilgannon, the Council agreed to ask that the Minister provide additional money in the way of Block Grant for improvement of County Roads.

WATER SUPPLIES AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

The County Manager stated that the Council cannot stop maintaining those services and must continue to spend on them even at the expense of other services such as roads.

Councillor O Conchubhair suggested that the Council should apply to Roinn na Gaeltachta for special funds for road restoration following Group Schemes in Connemara.

DUMPING GROUNDS

The County Manager stated that the sum of £112,300 was estimated to be required but all that could be provided in the Estimates was the sum of £33,000 for dumping grounds. He stated that if the Council does not succeed in getting a dumping ground site between Galway and Clifden, the service in many areas will have to be discontinued.

FIRE SERVICE

The County Manager stated that the cost of this service is continually increasing but as it is a statutory service, the Council must continue providing it.

Replying to Councillor O'Higgins regarding the Fire Officers' dispute, the County Manager stated that an agreement was signed by the Unions covering Engineers and Fire Officers, and that despite this, the Union had been in clear breach of the signed agreement for which 23% extra pay had been negotiated.

Replying to the Chairman, the County Manager stated that the duties of a Chief Fire Officer were not changed in the slightest degree and there is no proposal to change them. He stated that what is being sought is to get away from the supervision of the County Engineer in order to make an extra pay claim.

Replying to a suggestion by Councillor Brennan that the Minister be asked to intervene in the dispute, the County Manager stated that this would not be helpful. The Union who had entered into a productivity agreement for a 23% salary increase - which agreement they now wish to break. He stated that the Chief Fire Officers already got a 12% increase and had refused to implement the remainder of the agreement.

LIBRARIES

The County Manager stated that as a result of the decision to remove liability for Value Added Tax on books, the sum of £15,770 was now available and he proposed that this be transferred to Programme No. 7 (Drainage).

ACOT

The County Manager stated that this, being a semi-state body, should be financed completely by Government.

On the proposition of Councillor Burke, seconded by Deputy Connaughton, the Council agreed that the Government be asked to provide all its funds for ACOT and that the County Council be relieved completely of this responsibility.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that the problem about this is that he saw in it a removal of the element of local democracy.

HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS

The County Manager stated that the refusal of the Department of Education to recoup the cost of education grants to the Council until the year after the payments are made would cost the County Council approximately £75,000 in overdraft interest at the expense of Roadworks. After discussion, it was agreed on the suggestion of the County Manager that the Council would write to the Department of Education, point out the financial difficulties involved for the County Council and state that it is impossible for the Council to pay grants under the present arrangement. - the Department to be asked what arrangements they propose to remedy the situation.

SUPPLEMENTARY WELFARE ALLOWANCES

The County Manager explained to the Council in detail how he had arrived at the figure set out in the Estimates and he referred to the efforts which had been made over the years to have this inequitable burden removed. He stated, however, that he had found the Chief Executive Officer and the Western Health Board most understanding in their dealings with the Council regarding this difficult matter. He pointed out also that the base now established by the Department was an exceptionally high one and to this was added a figure of 18% in respect of the current year.

He could see no justification for making local authorities liable for Supplementary Welfare costs, that these are also being paid at the expense of the Roads Service.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Brennan, it was resolved:

"That the Minister for Social Welfare be asked to meet the entire cost to Health Boards of Supplementary Welfare Allowances."

It was also agreed that the Western Health Board be asked to arrange for reception of a deputation by the Minister for Social Welfare consisting of Members of the Health Board and of the County Council in order to impress on the Minister the urgency of having the cost of this service paid out of State funds.

On the proposition of Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor Brennan, it was agreed that the amount to be provided in the Estimates for 1982 in respect of Supplementary Welfare Allowances be the sum provided in 1981 with the addition of 18%.

ISLAND RIVER

It was agreed on the proposition of Councillor Finnegan, seconded by Councillor Ryan that the sum of £20,000 be made available in the current year for cleaning of the Island River.

The County Manager stated that agreements signed by three landowners contained additional clauses and that there is no question of going ahead with the work unless all of the landowners concerned signed the agreements as presented to them.

COURTHOUSES

The County Manager stated that the sum provided represents an increase of 27% over the figure provided in 1981.

It was agreed that the Minister for Justice would be requested to bear the entire cost of the provision and maintenance of Courthouses having regard especially to the large amount of fines, fees, and other duties which are collected in recent years through the Courts - the work to be done by the County Councils on the basis of full recoupment of cost.

NOTICE OF MOTION ROADS

It was agreed on the proposition of Deputy Callanan, seconded by Deputy Donnellan that the sum of £2,500 per Member be provided in the Estimates for the current year for Notice of Motion Roads.

PUBLIC LIGHTING

The County Manager stated that it had not been possible to make any provision whatever in the Estimates in the current year for improvement of lighting systems other than taking over of new estates where the lighting system had been installed by the developers.

Councillor Haverty stated that he understood that when traffic route lighting was provided in Portumna, the old lights which would be removed would be utilised to provide a better lighting system throughout the remainder of the town.

The County Manager stated that this had not been agreed, and that in fact no funds had been available for a number of years for any improvement of ordinary lighting systems.

After further discussion on the matter, it was agreed that enquiries would be made regarding the cost of utilising lights which would be removed following the introduction of traffic route lighting and that the Council would then consider whether to provide funds for improvement of ordinary lighting out of the funds available for County Road Maintenance.

Councillor Finnegan asked that whenever traffic route lighting is being provided, the existing lights should be used elsewhere.

L.I.S. ROADS

On the proposition of Deputy Callanan, seconded by Councillor Haverty, it was agreed that the list of L.I.S. Roads which qualify for taking over would be published.

AMENDMENTS AND ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and resolved:

"That the Estimate be amended by increasing the expenditure provision for local authority housing by £50,000 and by increasing the income provision for local authority housing by the same sum as a result of the transfer of 40% of purchase annuities from Capital to Revenue Account."

It was proposed by Councillor J. Burke, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and resolved:

"That the Estimate be amended by reducing by £430,595 the expenditure provision for Health and Social Welfare (Programme 7) and that the net balance (allowing for Urban Account Receipt loss) i.e., £306,766, be transferred to Programme 2.1.5. - County Road Maintenance."

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Deputy Callanan, and resolved:

"That the Estimate be amended by increasing the expenditure provision for agriculture (Programme 7) by £15,770 to provide for increased payment to the Office of Public Works in respect of Arterial Drainage and that a corresponding reduction be made in the expenditure provision for Libraries (Programme 6) due to the abolition of V.A.T. on book purchases."

It was proposed by Councillor Finnegan, seconded by Councillor Ryan and resolved:

"That the Estimate be amended by increasing by the sum of £20,000 the expenditure provision for agriculture (Programme 7) to provide for cleaning of the Island River and that a corresponding reduction be made in the revised provision for County Road Maintenance in Programme 2 - Tuam, Mountbellew and Milltown Engineering Districts."

It was proposed by Deputy Callanan, seconded by Deputy Donnellan and resolved:

"That the Estimate be amended by increasing by the sum of £43,400 the expenditure provision for Councillors' Notice of Motion Roads in Programme 2 and that a corresponding reduction be made in the revised provision for County Road Maintenance in Programme 2."

ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE

It was proposed by Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Ryan and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby adopt for the financial year ending 31st December, 1982, the Estimate of Expenses, as amended, set out in Tables A, B1, C and D, and hereby determine in accordance with the said Estimates, as amended, the rates set out in Column 11 of Table B1, Column 11 of Table C and Column 7 of Table D, to be the rates in the £ to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in Column 1 of Table B1 and in Tables C and D."

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

DEMANDS ON URBAN AUTHORITIES

It was proposed by Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor J. Burke and resolved:

"That the statutory demands on the Galway Borough Council and the Ballinasloe Urban District Council for the year ending 31st December, 1982, be sealed and signed."

The Demands were then sealed and signed.

EYRECOURT COURTHOUSE

On the proposition of Councillor Joyce, seconded by Deputy Callanan, it was resolved that the Council would remove dangerous trees near Eyrecourt Courthouse which are on the property of the Representative Church Body.

WITHHOLDING OF ROAD FUND FINANCES

The following resolution was proposed by Councillor Kilgannon and seconded by Councillor Joyce:

"That in view of the inadequate resources available to Galway County Council to maintain its services in 1982, this Council feels compelled as a gesture of protest to withhold payment of the Road Fund finances collected in County Galway to Central Government until a satisfactory system of financing is arrived at between the County Council and the various Government Departments involved."

The County Manager stated that he would have to refer this resolution to the appropriate Government Department.

CORRESPONDENCE

Deputy Fahey stated that he wished to protest strongly at the manner in which his letters remained unanswered. He stated that he requires replies within a reasonable time and is not getting them.

Deputy Donnellan stated that while acknowledgements are issued, decisions are not communicated within a reasonable time.

The County Manager stated that he would look into the matter and see what can be done.

Councillor Brennan stated that to keep all the correspondence answered as requested would need extra staff.

THANKS TO STAFF

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, the Council expressed its thanks to the County Manager and the staff for the comprehensive and clear manner in which the Estimates were presented to the Council.

SYMPATHY

Resolution of sympathy was adopted with Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Murray & Family, of Liscune, Ballymacward, on their recent bereavement.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

John Lollan CHAIRMAN

26/4/82 DATE

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(Galway County Council)

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CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 26u Aibreain, 1982, ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise le meas,

C. DUBHGHAILL,
Runai.

A G E N D A

1. Resolutions under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:
 - (i) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Thomas Doyle for the erection of a serviced Motor Engineering Workshop at Carrowmore, Loughrea. - Planning Reference Number 41936."

Michael Fahy. Thomas Welby. Mark Killilea.
 - (ii) "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 Reg. Leonard of Castlegar, Co. Galway, for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Tooreney, Moycullen. - Planning Reference Number 41972."

John Donnellan. Ulick Burke. Toddie Byrne.
 - (iii) "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 full permission to Martin Carty, Oldthort, Portumna, to build a house and septic tank at Thornfield, Portumna, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42280."

Ulick Burke. Edward Haverty. M.J. Kilgannon.
 - (iv) "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 planning permission to Mrs. Nessa Austin for a dwellinghouse at Currywongan. - Planning Reference number 42007."

John Donnellan. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon.

(v) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Sean Kelly for the erection of a new house and septic tank at Pollaghrevagh, Claregalway. - Planning Reference No. 42146."

Patrick Ruane. P. McCormack. John Molloy.

(vi) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse in the townland of Caherkelly, Ardahan, to Mr. Michael Monaghan. - Planning Ref. No. 41846."

Michael Fahy. Edward Haverty. Tony Murphy. Mark Killilea.

(vii) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission for the erection of a chalet block to William O'Sullivan, Connamara, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42135."

Nioclas O Conchubhair. Mark Killilea. Thomas Welby.

(viii) Material Contravention of the County Development Plan arising out of the following resolution:-

"That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Planning Permission to Paddy Flanagan of Oranbeg, Oranmore, for three Warehouses at Oranbeg. - Planning Reference number 41790."

Mark Killilea. Thomas Welby. Michael Fahy.

2. Minutes.

3. Raising of loan of £17,000 for Murvey/Dolan Group Water Supply Scheme.

4. Raising of loan of £95,000 for Small Sanitary Services Schemes.

5. Approval to nomination by County Libraries' Committee of Councillor Michael Fahy and Mr. Padraic Conneely to attend Library Conference in Killarney.

6. Revision of remuneration - Craftsmen and Mates.

7. Revision of Allowances - Full-time Firemen.

8. Arts Grants 1982 - Proposals herewith.

9. Sale of Houses to tenants:-

Michael and Kathleen Finnegan, Meenleana, Dunmore.
Michael and Evelyn Nolan, Roevehagh, Kilcolgan.

10. Sale of Housing site at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to Mr. John Patrick Farnan, "Westpark", 75, Clareview, Ballybane, Galway.

11. Additional Road Grants - (if notified).

12. Malicious Damage Decrees (list herewith).

13. Fix date for meeting on Local Government Re-Organisation (adjourned from March meeting).

14. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION:

A. Motions not dealt with at March 1982 Meeting

DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN & COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - we propose:-

15. That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have now agreed on an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

16. That Galway County Council are requested to complete Road and By-Pass at Labane as quickly as possible.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

17. That seeing that the present Council has now passed mid-term I propose that we recommend to future Councils that they give representation on the various Sub-committees in accordance with the numerical strength of the various political groupings in the Council.

18. That the Council provide finance to pay travelling expenses to the Archaeologists who carry out examinations of ancient monuments in the County on behalf of the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee.

AN COMHAIRLEOIR M. O'MORAIN & Molain:

19. Ba mhaith liom fhail amach ce'n chaoi a ndailítear connraí innealra agus an dtugtar aon aitheantas do uinearai aitiula nuair a bhí an obair á gceist agus ce'n na tairiscinti a scrúdiu nuair a bhí an obair ag Roilig Maighrois i gceist.

20. That monies be made available for sand erosion this year.

21. Cen staid in a bhfuil ceannacht talun do Roilig Muighinnse faoi seo.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

22. That this Council calls on the Government to amend Article 40 of the Constitution to guarantee the right to life to the unborn.

23. That the Oireachtas members of this Council be asked to use appropriate means within Government to ensure that Galway County Council gets sufficient funds to complete its projected work.

COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:

24. That this County Council request the Minister for the Environment to cause a Public Enquiry to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the delay in completion of road works between Killeen and Woodstock on the N.59 road.

25. That the road in the Fahy Estate at Claremount, Oughterard be taken over by the County Council and declared public.

COUNCILLORS T. WELBY, G. BARTLEY & JOHN MOLLOY - We will propose:

26. That Galway County Council direct the County Manager not to proceed with the acquisition of land at Gortrisagh, Oughterard from the Land Commission for the provision of a County Council refuse dump.

COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:

27. That Galway County Council accept the road leading to Fohenagh Cemetery for the purpose of development under Councillors N.O.M.

DEPUTY MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

28. That two acute bends on the Shruffaun Road, Caltra, Ballinasloe, be eased and that a drain on the left hand side as the road is entered, be filled in and the carriage-way widened.
29. If an estimate is being prepared to make a road into Fohenagh Graveyard as I have allocated some of the Councillor's Notice of Motion Money for this road.

B. Other Motions Received:

COUNCILLORS M. J. KILGANNON, J. BRENNAN, DEPUTIES PAUL CONNAUGHTON, JOHN CALLANAN & CLR. J. JOYCE. - We will propose:

30. That this Council ask C.I.E. to provide an adequate service in the passenger and freight areas and propose that morning rail stops be re-provided at Woodlawn and Attymon stations for people seeking to travel to Ballinasloe and Dublin.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL RYAN - I will propose:

31. That the Council remove large bank of clay from roadside, near "The Halfway House", Browns Grove. It is obstructing the view of motorists.
32. That the Council make some improvements to widen road at Browns Grove School, to ensure the safety of school children.
33. That the Council give an up-to-date report on the Nanny River Drainage Scheme, as the farming community of that area are badly affected.

COUNCILLOR PADDY RUANE - I will propose:

34. That the Cemetery at Cloughanover, Headford, be extended as the present cemetery is taken up for any new graves.
35. That the E.S.B. lighting at Ballybane Cottages be extended along to the Loop Road houses at Ballybane near the Reservoir.
36. That the bad bend on the Loughgeorge/Augclogheen County Road, at Smiths house be removed as soon as possible.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE-I will propose:

37. That this Council take over the entrance to the Mill Stream Park Estate in Tuam.

DEPUTY PAUL CONNAUGHTON - I will propose:

38. That lights would be erected at Kilisolla, Mountbellew, Ballinasloe, as this happens to be a very dark area near the shop and school.

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

39. That Galway City Water Scheme be extended to the Craughwell Water Scheme and supply Group Water Schemes in adjacent areas.
40. That Galway County Council examine the possibility of having a Refuse Collection service provided by Private Refuse Collections Firms and paid for by local communities throughout the County.
41. That the lands in the Council's ownership at Clarenbridge be developed as service sites.

MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECFE INCLUDING COS
(1) Grainne Hartigan, 15, Lakeview, Cleregalway.	Damage to Motor Car.	Borough of Galway	£100.00	£141.23.
(2) Martin T. Hession, 40, Dominick Street, Galway	Damage to Motor Car	Borough of Galway	£79.48	£145.67
(3) Coachman Hotel Ltd., Dominick Street, Galway.	Damage to Polish Wire Glass in Main Door of Hotel.	Borough of Galway	£77.37	£171.87.
(4) Joseph Ward, Oughterard, Co. Galway	Damage to Motor Car.	Borough of Galway.	£100.00	£186.46.
(5) Coras Ibmair Eireann, Galway.	Damage to 3 Buses.	Borough of Galway.	£134.00	£268.07.
(6) Gabriel Charles, 3, Seamans Drive, Riverside, Galway.	Damage to Plate Glass in door of shop.	Borough of Galway.	£60.00	£163.07.
(7) Sean McGarry, Flat No. 7, Corrib House, Newcastle, Galway.	Damage to contents of Flat No. 7.	Borough of Galway.	£310.00	£413.67.
(8) Glenn Holdings Ltd., 40, Dominick Street, Galway.	Damage to Plate Glass Windows	Borough of Galway.	£53.00	£151.37.
(9) Irish Permanent Building Society, Eyre Square, Galway.	Damage to Windows at 21, Eyre Square.	Borough of Galway.	£153.47	£237.31.
(10) Kevin P. Hallinan 5, Mauor Ave., Kingston, Galway.	Damage to Motor Car.	Borough of Galway	£128.70	£288.49.
(11) John O'Dolan, 2, Coen Flats, Newcastle.	Damage to Motor Car.	Borough of Galway	£250.00	£265.61
(12) Hynes Ltd., St. Augustine Street, Galway.	Damage to Plate Glass Windows in Shop.	Borough of Galway	£600.00	£658.48

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCLUDING COSTS
(13) G. Day Investments Co. Ltd. 35/37, Dominick St., Galway.	Damage to two panes of tinted glass	Borough of Galway.	£200.00	£242.22.
(14) Joan Mahley, c/o Fallons Flats, St. Helens Street, Galway.	Damage and burning of Ford Escort Car 461 FIZ and Contents.	Borough of Galway	£2,848.40	£635.69.
(15) Osborne King & Megran	Damage and breaking of Offices and contents	Borough of Galway	£800.00	£330.93.
(16) Sr. Treasa Ni Mharta Holy Trinity School, Mervue.	Damage and Breaking of two Windows.	Borough of Galway	£65.81	£148.76.
(17) Patrick Cunningham 1, Michael Collins Road, Meroun.	Damage to Motor Car.	Borough of Galway	£291.50	£512.78.
(18) Ernest Deacy, 'Brolias' Sea Road, Galway.	Damage to front Window of Shop.	Borough of Galway.	£77.23	£194.14.
(19) Garry Harriman, Mainsguard Street, Galway.	Damage and breaking of St. I. Grille in front of shop and shop window.	Borough of Galway	£120.00	£271.23.
(20) Dr. Enda O'Byrne, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.	Damage to lock up shop at 44, Fr. Griffin Rd. and Sundry premises at 42, Fr. Griffin Rd.	Borough of Galway.	£100.00	£233.08.
(21) Shawn McMahon, Kinvara.	Damage to Window.	County at Large.	£ 30.00	£66.75.
(22) Kathleen Jordan, Clochroak, Ardrahan.	Damage to walls, fences and bushes.	Electoral Division of Killogilleen.	£500.00	£156.90.
(23) John Fahy, Toreguirraue, Corredulla, Co. Galway.	Damage to Wiperscreen Window of Driver's seat and front right wing of Motor Car III 543.	County at Large.	£400.00	£333.95.

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCLUDING COSTS.
(24) O'Flaherty Motors Ltd., Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.	Damage to Car Wash Machine	Borough of Galway.	£30.00	£66.75
(25) Catherine Keane, Liss, Abbeyknockmoy, Tuam	Damage to Grocery Shop Window & Cash Register, and Goods stolen from Shop.	County at Large	£1,050.00	£310.00.
(26) James Stewart Ltd., 43, Fr. Salthill, Galway.	Damage to Compressor.	District Electoral Division of Knockboy.	£67.20	£195.79.
(27) Patrick O'Sullivan, 46, Prospect Hill, Galway.	Damage to glass panel Door and door lock.	Borough of Galway	£100.00	£ 97.90.
(28) Roland E. Cooke, 2, Norman Villas, 88, Fr. Salthill, Galway.	Damage to electrical wiring and a door lock of car.	Borough of Galway	£214.00	£153.52
(29) John Raftery & Son Ltd. Mainsguard Street, Galway.	Damage to one shop window, six guitars, one Harp and one Accordion.	Borough of Galway	£263.28	£354.56
(30) Mary Dowling, 36, Connacht Road, Connacht St., Dublin.	Damage to Wiperscreen and side Mirror of Motor Car.	Borough of Galway.	£80.76	£180.47.
(31) Peter O'Neill Crowley c/o Crowley & Co., Solicitors, 9, Eyre Sq. Galway.	Damage to Motor Car and contents.	Borough of Galway	£300.00	£173.85.
(32) Patrick Duignan 5, Crescent View, Riverside Estate Galway.	Damage to Chrysler Motor Car.	Borough of Galway.	£150.00.	£123.27.

NAME AND ADDRESS	PARTICULARS OF CLAIM	AREA OF CHARGE	AMOUNT OF CLAIM	AMOUNT OF DECREE INCLUDING COSTS.
(33) Noel Finan, Kingston, Taylors Hill, Galway.	Breaking and destroying four panes of Glass at Seapoint Ballroom.	Borough of Galway	£35.80	£123.60.
(34) Gabriel Charles, 3, Seaman Drive, Riverside Estate, Galway.	Plate Glass Window broken and destroyed at Raheen Park Store.	Borough of Galway	£140.00	£182.52.
(35) Stanley Lowe, Ruttledge Tee., Salthill, Galway.	Plate glass in door broken and destroyed in premises at Eglinton St.	Borough of Galway.	£300.00	£200.57.
(36) James Goaley, Balroebuck Mor, Corrandulla, Co. Galway.	Cigarette Machine taken, broken and destroyed from O'Flaherty Garage, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.	Borough of Galway.	£120.00	£213.92
(37) Coras Iompair Eireann, Heuston Stn., Dublin.	Almex Ticket Issuing Machine damaged and destroyed.	Borough of Galway.	£478.00	£585.12.
(38) Coras Iompair Eireann, Heuston Stn., Dublin.	'Naomh Eanna' Broken into - damage to engine, fittings and equipment.	Borough of Galway	£5,000.00	£667.18
(39) Finola O'Brien, c/o McDonalds Pharmacy, Dominick Street, Galway.	Damage and destroyed two doors, two windows and steel cabinet.	Borough of Galway.	£500.00	£590.87.
(40) Ardus Holdings Ltd., 35/37 Dominick Street, Galway.	7 Doors and 4 Panes Glass broken and destroyed.	Borough of Galway.	£400.00	£250.97.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/10/287

14th. April, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

Land Acquired From:- Thomas Gleeson, Meenleana, Dunmore,
Co. Galway.

Location:- Meenleana, Dunmore, Co. Galway,

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Michael & Kathleen Finnegan of: Meenleana, Dunmore, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £3,876.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/5/1438

14th. April, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Mrs. Anne Garvey, Roeveagh, Kilcolgan,
Co. Galway.

Location:- Roeveagh, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Michael & Evelyn Nolan of: Roevehagh, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £7,481.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

8th April, 1982.

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, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:-

FROM WHOM REQUIRED:

Annie J. Duffy, Villanova, Upper Salthill, Galway.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:

Mr. John Patrick Farnan, Westpark, 75 Clareview,
Ballybane, Galway.

<u>Site No.</u>	<u>Area of Plot:</u>
7	.073 acre

Consideration in respect of disposal:

<u>Site No:</u>	<u>Price:</u>
7	£3,000

Other Covenants or Conditions in connection with Disposal:

1. The site will be sold in fee simple.
2. The County Council will retain wayleaves in respect of watermains and sewers.
3. The erection of a house to be completed by the purchaser within two years.

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.

K. Doyle
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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
Galway.

To: Each Member.

Dear Member:

You are requested to attend a special meeting of the Council at the County Buildings on Wednesday, 14th. April at 3.30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

K. Doyle
Co. Secretary.

AGENDA

1. Appointment of representative of Galway County Council to Directorship of the Western Regional Tourism Organisation for 1982/83.
2. Local Improvement Schemes - capital allocation for 1982 - (report to follow).
3. Capital allocation for House Construction for 1982 - copy of Department's letter and Assistant County Manager's report herewith.
4. Progress report with regard to House Construction - Bar Chart herewith and list of applicants approved for rural housing since 29/6/1981.
5. Housing Loans.
6. Improvements to Council houses, copy of Department's letter of 24/3/1982 herewith.
7. Other Business.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON WEDNESDAY, 14TH. APRIL, 1982

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland

ALSO PRESENT:

Members:

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, F. Coogan, M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M. Kilgannon, P. McCormack, J. Molloy, N. O'Conchubhair, M. G. O'Higgins, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, T. Welby.
Deputies J. Callanan, P. Connaughton, J. Donnellan, F. Fahey, M. D. Higgins, M. Kitt.

OFFICIALS:

Messrs. J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, K. Hayes, C.E.E. S. O'Neill, C.E.E.
Misses J. Forde, S.O. M. Nolan, S.O. Mrs. M. Egan S.O. and C. Hett, S.S.O.

The opening prayer was recited

1520 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL TO DIRECTORSHIP OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION FOR 1982/3.

Having been proposed by Councillor Coogan and seconded by Deputy Donnellan Councillor B. Holland was unanimously re-elected to the Directorship of the Western Regional Tourism Organisation for 1982/3 and was authorised also to attend the Annual General Meeting of this organisation at the Hotel Westport on the 22nd. April.

1521 LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

Mr. Howlett referred to the Circular regarding the Local Improvement Scheme allocation for 1982 issued to the Councillors. He informed them that we had been awaiting the issue of the road grants before making the allocation. However, as this information had not yet come to hand, the circularised allocation had been made under the principle used in former years viz a basic fixed amount to each area and the balance divided on a percentage basis. He asked that a certain flexibility would be allowed with this allocation, as it might be necessary to re-allocate some of this money later in order to assist employment in the roads section. He also pointed out the changes in the Local Improvement Scheme this year,

- (1) a minimum of 10% Local Contribution is now required for all farm roads.
- (2) £262,000 out of the total allocation of £278,000 must be spent on farm roads.

Replying to a question by Deputy Donnellan Mr. Howlett said these changes had been made by the Department of the Environment. Deputy Callanan said that in his area Local Contributions had always been substantial due to the calculation on valuations. It was confirmed for Councillor Finnegan that roads to farmhouses and land qualified as farm roads. Deputy Connaughton was informed that the allocation for 1982 was £278,000 as against £229,300 for 1981. He agreed with the present proposal, as he felt at a time

when the work force was under threat, this scheme had a twofold benefit of assisting employment and getting work done for rural areas. Councillor Haverty asked if the money coming from the E.E.C. was of any extra benefit, as it appeared to him that the Western Package was now being called Local Improvement Scheme funds. The Assistant County Manager quoted the relevant paragraph from the Circular from the Department of the Environment. "The overall State provision under the Local Improvement Scheme for 1982 takes due account of the aid available for farm road projects under the Western Package and the individual allocations to County Council under the scheme have been determined accordingly". He pointed out that he was making the reservation that the Council was not told directly the amount of aid available under the Western Package.

Councillor Haverty expressed his dis-satisfaction with scheme as offered and said that one bog road in his area would require the entire allocation of £16,000 allowed for bogs and drains.

Councillor Joyce asked if there was any funds for drainage and was informed that there was £16,000 available for drainage and bog roads. He felt that this was a very retrograde step as drainage and bog roads were more important. Replying to his question, the Assistant County Manager informed him that standards were applied to assess the benefits of a scheme in relation to its costs. Councillor Joyce also said that processing of schemes seemed to be slow and it was pointed out that there is only a part-time Local Improvement Scheme Inspector for the eastern section of the County. However, this had not affected the situation, as the allocation had in fact been overspent.

Councillor Ruane asked how many years later could an Local Improvement Scheme be done again and was informed that according to the regulations, a scheme can only be done once. Deputy Fahey asked that the Council accept the proposal as offered.

Councillor Kilgannon felt that it was a good thing to have a Local Contribution, as people felt more involved in the scheme when they contributed towards it. He raised the point that the road to the Fohenagh Burial Ground should be carried out as a Local Improvement Scheme. He felt that the Council should have the discretion to spend money on this work and proposed that it should be approved by the Council (without referring it to the Department of the Environment) and this was seconded by Deputy Callanan.

Deputy Callanan requested the Council to ask Bord na Mona for a copy of their scheme for bog roads and to circulate it to Councillors. He agreed with Councillor Haverty that there was a general impression that large amounts of money were being spent in the West under the Western Package and asked what Local Improvement Scheme allocation would the Council have got if there was no Western Package.

Deputy Donnellan enquired what proportion of the allocation referred to the Western Package and who decided that a minimum of 10% Local Contribution was required. Assistant County Manager quoted the relevant sections of the Department's circular and made the comment that if the allocations for the country as a whole could be seen, it was likely that this county was getting a big allocation. Replying to Deputy Donnellan's question if a farmer could have a road through his own lands done under the Local Improvement Scheme the Assistant County Manager said this was not possible.

Councillor O'Connor asked regarding his Notice of Motion at a previous meeting - "that the three elected Members of the European Parliament be invited to a special meeting of the Council in order that the people of Co. Galway be made aware what money is being made available to them". The Assistant County Manager said that it would be checked with the County Secretary, as he would have been dealing with this matter. Deputy Michael D. Higgins asked if a table could be circulated

to the Councillors showing the local improvement schemes done and to mark the schemes which benefited from E.E.C. aid. Deputy Kitt again raised the problem of the road to Fohenagh Burial Ground and asked if it had been explained to the Department of the Environment. Assistant County Manager agreed that it was a very deserving case and said that as it was a departure from the rules a request had been sent to the Department of the Environment and it had been turned down. As it was on as a Notice of Motion for the next meeting of the Council, a full reply would be available at the meeting. The proposal to allocate £15,000 per area and the balance on a percentage basis was accepted by the Council and it was agreed to allow for flexibility if money was needed for employment,

1522 CAPITAL ALLOCATION FOR HOUSE CONSTRUCTION '82

Mr. Howlett Assistant County Manager referred to his report dated 15th. March, 1982 which had been circulated to each member. This report gave details of the initial allocation made to the Council in respect of commitments and showed how the Council proposed to utilise it. Councillors welcomed this report and in their comments which followed expressed satisfaction with the Council's housing programme especially in regard to rural housing. In reply to a question by Councillor McCormack Mr. Howlett said the Council expects to complete 100 rural houses this year. Some members said consideration should also be given to village schemes e.g. Caltra, Kilconnell, Williamstown. Mr. Howlett said with the escalation of the rural programme and having limited resources village schemes would not have a high priority. However, they will be considered in relation to new works.

Referring to three-bedroomed rural houses a number of members asked if the Council would allow an extra room be provided where an applicant or tenant would be prepared to pay for this himself. Mr. Howlett replying said that the Council would not be prepared to allow applicants negotiate for extra rooms with builders. Four-bedroomed houses are provided for applicants where such are considered necessary. Existing tenants, he said, can add an extra room when they purchase their houses. In the past the Council provided an extra room for tenants in exceptional circumstances. Unfortunately there are no funds available at present for this work.

Councillor Kilgannon was critical of the design of rural houses. He said they should be indistinguishable from conventional private houses.

Councillor U. Burke urged the Council to increase its land bank especially in large centres. This is an opportune time he said since prices have dropped with the slowing down of private development. Referring to the tenant purchase scheme he felt a more attractive scheme was necessary, a scheme whereby tenants would vacate Council houses and provide their own but be allowed transfer the discounts allowable under the tenant purchase scheme. He said the special loan scheme in operation at present is not attractive enough.

In reply to a question by Councillor Haverty Mr. Howlett said a layout has not yet been prepared for the Killimor lands.

Deputy F. Fahey asked if the Council would consider acquiring land from the National Building Agency at Clarinbridge which is adjacent to the Council's land there. Mr. Howlett said this would be investigated.

1523 HOUSING LOANS

Mr. Howlett referred to the recent Government announcement which extended the Small Dwellings Loans scheme to single people. Councillor J. Brennan expressed dis-satisfaction

with this announcement which restricted eligibility to single persons entering contracts or having foundations completed after 25th. March, 1982. He proposed that the Minister be requested to rescind the decision of the last Government with effect from 23rd. July, 1981. This was agreed by all. In the discussion regarding income for eligibility some members felt that applicants income only should be taken into account when assessing income eligibility even in cases of married couples. Mr. Howlett replying referred to circular letter H.14/81 which clarified assessment of income for S.D.A. Loans. He said the Council has received no official notice of the changes mentioned in the recent press announcement. In the meantime the scheme will be administered as it was prior to 23rd. July, 1981.

1524 IMPROVEMENT TO COUNCIL HOUSES

Mr. Howlett referred to the Department's letter of the 24th. March copy of which had been circulated to each member regarding the provision of ranges in existing Council houses. Members expressed disappointment with the contents of this letter and after some discussion it was agreed that strong representations should be made again to the Minister to have money made available for this purpose.

The meeting then terminated.

SUBMITTED APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

Proctor and CHAIRMAN

24th May 1982 DATE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1982.

In the Chair: Deputy J. Callanan.

Also Present:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, U. Burke, Senator T. Byrne, Deputies P. Connaughton, J. Donnellan, and F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy M. P. Kitt, Senator J. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, N. O'Conchubhair, M.G. O'Higgins, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

An apology for inability to attend was received from the Chairman, Councillor B. Holland.

Officials:

Messrs. P. Kearns, Deputy County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer; L. Kavanagh, R. Faherty, and R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineers; B. Callagy, Senior Executive (Planning); Miss B. Cunningham, Temporary Planning Assistant; Messrs. H. Kearns and B. Kennedy, Senior Staff Officers; D. Commins, Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1525 - SYMPATHY:

Deputy Donnellan proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to Councillor Pol O Foighil and his wife on the recent tragic death of their son and he also proposed that as a mark of respect the Council would transact only urgent essential business that day and adjourn the other items to a later date.

Those proposals were seconded by the Chairman and unanimously agreed. Other Members of the Council expressed their sympathy with Councillor O'Foighil as also did Mr. Kearns, Deputy County Manager, on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council.

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:

Senator T. Hussey on the death of his uncle.
Mrs. Walshe on the death of her husband Jimmy Walshe, photographer. Relatives of the late Thomas Flynn, Kilnadeema, Loughrea.
The wife and family of the late Mr. Eamon Joyce, retired County Council Official.
Mr. Micheal Hughes, Post Office, Claregalway.
Mr. Patrick Giblin, Atharney Road, Loughrea.

1526 - WELCOME TO MR. R. FAHERTY, B.E.:

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Richard Faherty, Senior Executive Engineer, who recently took up duty with the County Council.

1527 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41936 - THOMAS DOYLE:

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

"The proposed development is situated adjacent to the National Primary Route with an entrance opening onto a small non public lane which serves an existing house and site, which is one of two houses permitted under reference no. 29275 by the Planning Authority as a substantiated housing need for the sons of the adjacent restaurant owner, The Meadow Court. A condition was included in this permission that the dwellinghouses would be for the benefit of the applicant and his family only because the siting of these houses adjacent to National Primary Road was being permitted under special circumstances. It is now proposed to open the garage development onto this non public laneway which outlets onto the National Primary Galway/Loughrea road, 50 yards to the north.

Since the last meeting of the Council, this non-public laneway has been re-examined and its junction with the National Primary Route where it enters at a westward angle of 45° would in the opinion of the Planning Authority constitute a major traffic hazard due to the nature of the traffic now proposed, the traffic turning movements and the substandard dimensions of the roadway for large vehicles.

The development would further interfere with the residential amenity of the adjacent permitted houses due to the nature of the development proposed.

It is proposed to refuse this development which has already been refused on two occasions under reference numbers 40271 and 40933 in October and December of 1981, neither refusals having been appealed. The refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-

The proposed motor engineering workshop located on the National Primary route where the maximum speed limit applies would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area and endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard, because the traffic turning movements generated by the proposed development would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said road."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Councillor Welby.

Councillor Fahy stated that he and Councillor Haverty had agreed to put Notice of Motion funds into the repair of the road adjoining this site in the current year so that it could be adopted as a public road.

Councillor Brennan proposed that the permission sought be refused. As there was no seconder to Councillor Brennan's resolution, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda passed.

1528 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41972 - REG. LEONARD:

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

1529 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42280 - MARTIN CARTY:

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

"HISTORY

The present application was first considered under Ref. No. 41027 and refused by the Planning Authority on 2nd March, 1982, having been deemed a non essential house on a National Secondary Route.

It was not appealed. The present application is similar in all respects and it is recommended to refuse it for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development would constitute a traffic hazard because it would be located on a National Secondary traffic route where a maximum speed limit applies, and the traffic generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic along the route.
2. The proposed development would contravene the provisions of the County Development Plan which seeks to restrict development along National Routes to housing related to members of a farm holder's family or replacement houses. This application does not relate to either category."

Councillor U. Burke proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and stated that the only housing development which has taken place in Portumna is County Council housing. He previously had asked the Council to look at the restrictions imposed on the development plan for the Portumna Area and stated that the road which is adjoining the site and which is the subject of the present application, is the only suitable one for a building site.

Deputy Connaughton seconded Councillor Burke's proposal.

Replying to a query as to whether any consultation had taken place, Councillor Burke stated that he had called on a number of occasions to the office but that often too short a period is given between the date on which notice of the intended decision is given and the final date for decision.

As there was no amendment to the proposal, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda passed.

1530 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42007 - MRS. NESSA AUSTIN:

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

"LOCATION:

The site is located on the south western side of the back road leading from Tullywee Bridge to Tully Cross, in the townland of Currywongaun.

HISTORY:

A previous application was received from the applicant, Planning Ref. No. 41392 on the immediately adjacent site to the south but this was withdrawn.

The current application under discussion was then received. The location of the dwellinghouse was marked with pegs and a trial hole was excavated.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The trial hold, which was located in a bog, was full to capacity with water when inspected on 19/3/'82 and the site is therefore unsuitable for the effective disposal of septic tank effluent.

Further, the proposed dwellinghouse would be located in the field of view of one of the views of special amenity value as set out in the County Development Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

1. The site proposed to be developed, consisting of lowlying waterlogged bogland, is unsuitable for the effective disposal of septic tank effluent and, if permitted, the proposed development would be liable to endanger public health by reason of a health hazard.
2. The proposed development is situated in the foreground of a fine panoramic view of the Dawros/Tullycross area which is designated as being a view of Special Amenity Value in the County Development Plan. It is an objective of the County Development Plan to provide for the total restriction of development in the fields of such views and the proposed development, if permitted, would be contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan and to the proper planning and development of the area."

Deputy Donnellan proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and stated that the site in this case is over one acre in extent and there is adequate land available for percolation of septic tank effluent. He also stated that the house on this site would not interfere with the view as the site is 9 feet under road level.

Senator Mannion seconded this proposal.

Councillor Brennan asked if there is any alternative to the problem of septic tank effluent.

Mr. Liam Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer, stated that it would be possible to bring in sand into the site and he agreed that the site is a large one.

As there was no amendment to the proposal, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

1531 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42146 - MR. SEAN KELLY:

The Deputy County Manager stated that a request for Further Information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1532 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41846 - MR. MICHAEL MONAGHAN:

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

"The site is located north of Labane village on the N.18 Primary Route. It forms part of a larger area of lands for which Planning Permission was refused by both the Planning Authority and An Bord Pleanala, on the grounds of traffic hazard, Planning Ref. No. 22613.

Mr. Monaghan received planning permission for a dwellinghouse on his lands closer to the village, Planning Ref. No. 21431. He has stated in his submission that he intends to sell this site to secure finance for agricultural development. It does not come within the category of second family housing need, as claimed on the application form, but more recently disclaimed.

Mr. Monaghan has an extensive area of lands some of which abut minor county roads and which could accommodate a housing site for the purposes stated.

It is recommended that permission be refused for the following reasons:-

1. The proposed development located on the National Primary Route where the maximum speed limit applies would seriously interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route and thereby cause a traffic hazard.
2. The proposed development would be contrary to the provisions of the 1979 County Development Plan because it does not come within the categories of housing need, to which development on National Routes is restricted."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Senator Killilea.

Deputy Brennan proposed that the permission sought be refused as the information supplied by the applicant regarding family need was inaccurate, and as plenty of land is available for sites on minor roads.

Councillor Brennan's proposal was seconded by Councillor Glynn.

It was agreed 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 on the Agenda resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Deputy Callanan, Deputy Donnellan, Deputy Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ruane, and Welby.

(17)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, Glynn, Kilgannon, and Ryan. (4)

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

Councillor Ulick Burke, Senator Byrne, and Senator Mannion did not vote.

1533 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42135 - WILLIAM O'SULLIVAN:

The Deputy County Manager stated that a request for Further Information had issued in this case.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1534 - MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41790 - MR. PADDY FLANAGAN:

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

"The site is located adjacent to the Dublin road approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the village of Oranmore.

The proposed development is situated adjacent to a National Primary Route and if permitted, would contravene Class 1 control restrictions as set out in Table 3, page 36 of the County Development Plan which restricts commercial developments on these routes.

The development has already been refused by the Planning Authority Reference no. 36548 in August, 1980, and by An Bord Pleanala in April, 1981. It is recommended that the application be refused for the following reasons.

1. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the turning movements generated by it would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the adjoining road where the maximum speed limit applies and which is likely to continue to function as a national primary road for a considerable time.
2. The proposed development would contravene Class 1 control restrictions of the County Development Plan as set out in Table 3, page 36, which restricts commercial development along National Primary Routes."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor M. Fahy and seconded by Senator Killilea.

Councillor Brennan proposed that this application be refused and he stated that the County Development Plan is being contravened at meetings of the Council and that the rules are constantly being broken.

Councillor Welby stated that applicant has suffered a lot of inconvenience arising from land acquisition for the proposed new road.

The Deputy County Manager stated that it had been drawn to his attention that the future dual carriageway between Galway and Loughrea was designed to pass through part of site no. 3 referred to in this application. He stated that a decision did not have to be made on the application till the 14th June and he suggested that it might be possible to adjourn a decision on the matter so discussions could take place with the applicant in the meantime.

It was agreed that this matter would be adjourned to the May meeting.

Referring to the question of consultation in cases where Section 4 resolutions could be contemplated, the Chairman stated that he had recently called to the office and seen a Planning Official but what occurred transpired not to be consultation as he understood it should be. There was the case of a person who had applied for permission to build eight houses, he was told of difficulties about giving permission for four of those and he agreed that this could be left over but he was informed that permission would be given for the other four. When the decision was made however, he found out that a condition had been inserted in it to the effect that a service road for the four houses would have to be provided. He stated that he should have been informed at the time of the so called consultation if this condition was intended and he stated that if this is the type of consultation which is to be available to Members, it is no wonder the Section 4 resolutions would follow. He asked that this application would be reviewed and stated that when consultations take place, the Planning official should consult openly and fully with the Councillors.

1535 - MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Brennan, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Minutes of Meeting held on 22nd March, 1982, and 2nd April, 1982, (numbers 1484 - 1519 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1536 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £17,000 FOR MURVEY/DOLAN GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

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

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £17,000 to finance the cost of headworks for the Murvey/Dolan Group Water Supply Scheme, the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works or such other source as may be approved by the Minister, at the usual rate of interest."

1537 - RAISING OF LOAN OF £95,000 FOR SMALL SANITARY SERVICES SCHEMES:

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £95,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of financing Small Sanitary Services Schemes in 1982, the loan to be repaid over a period of 30 years with interest at the usual rate."

1538 - JOINT LIBRARY CONFERENCE 1982:

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, the Council approved the nomination of Councillor Michael Fahy and Mr. Padraic Conneely as delegates to the above Conference, with Councillor Haverty as a substitute in the event of either nominee being unable to attend.

1539 - COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL POSITION:

The Chairman stated that it was agreed prior to the last Election that a request for a deputation would be sent to the new Minister for the Environment. He asked that the Council would now approve the appointment of a deputation to meet the Minister for the Environment to request additional funds from him.

After discussion, it was agreed that the deputation would consist of the Deputies and Senators for the County together with the following Councillors -

Michael Ryan, Ulick Burke, Gerald Bartley, Micheal O Morain, and Brendan Holland.

Replying to Councillor Kilgannon, the County Secretary stated that when a reply is received to the Council's resolution regarding retention of road fund finances, it will be brought before the Councillors.

1540 - SEANAD ELECTION 1982:

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, extended congratulations to the Councillors who were elected to the Seanad and expressed his sympathy with the candidates who were not successful.

1541 - ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING:

It was agreed that the remaining business on the Agenda would be adjourned to a special meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, 7th May, 1982.

THE MEETING THEN ADJOURNED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

B. O'Connell CHAIRMAN

24th May 1982 DATE.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

30u Aibreain, 1982.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a Special Meeting of Galway County Council to be held at the County Buildings, Galway

on Friday,

7th May, 1982 at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHGHAILL

Runai

A G E N D A

1. Revision of Remuneration - Craftsmen and Mates.
2. Revision of Allowances - Full-time Firemen.
3. Arts Grants 1982.
4. Sale of Houses to tenants:-
Michael and Kathleen Finnegan, Meenleana, Dunmore.
Michael and Evelyn Nolan, Roevehagh, Kilcolgan.
5. Sale of Housing site at Cullairbaun, Athenry to Mr. John Patrick Farnan, "Westpark", 75, Clareview, Ballybane, Galway.
6. Additional Road Grants.
7. Fix date for meeting on Local Government Re-Organisation (adjourned from March Meeting).
8. Malicious Damage Decrees
9. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION: - Adjourned from Meeting on the 26th April, 1982.

A. Motions not dealt with at March 1982 Meeting

DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN & COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - we propose:-

15. That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have now agreed on an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

16. That Galway County Council are requested to complete Road and By-Pass at Labane as quickly as possible.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

17. That seeing that the present Council has now passed mid-term I propose that we recommend to future Councils that they give representation on the various Sub-committees in accordance with the numerical strength of the various political groupings in the Council.

18. That the Council provide finance to pay travelling expenses to the Archaeologists who carry out examinations of ancient monuments in the County on behalf of the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee.

AN COMHAIRLEOIR M. O'MORAIN - Molaim:

19. Ba mhaith liom fhail amach ce'n chaoi a ndailítear conraí innealra agus an dtugtar aon aitheantas do uinearai aitiúla nuair a bhí an obair á gceist agus ce'n na tairiscintí a scrúdiú nuair a bhí an obair ag Roilig Maighrois i gceist.

20. That monies be made available for sand erosion this year.

21. Cen staid in a bhfuil ceannacht talun do Roilig Muighinnse faoi seo.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

22. That this Council calls on the Government to amend Article 40 of the Constitution to guarantee the right to life to the unborn.
23. That the Oireachtas members of this Council be asked to use appropriate means within Government to ensure that Galway County Council gets sufficient funds to complete its projected work.

COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:

24. That this County Council request the Minister for the Environment to cause a Public Enquiry to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the delay in completion of road works between Killeen and Woodstock on the N.59 road.

25. That the road in the Fahy Estate at Claremount, Oughterard be taken over by the County Council and declared public.

COUNCILLORS T. WELBY, G. BARTLEY & JOHN MOLLOY - We will propose:

26. That Galway County Council direct the County Manager not to proceed with the acquisition of land at Gortrisagh, Oughterard from the Land Commission for the provision of a County Council refuse dump.

COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:

27. That Galway County Council accept the road leading to Fohenagh Cemetery for the purpose of development under Councillors N.O.M.

DEPUTY MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

28. That two acute bends on the Shruffaun Road, Caltra, Ballinasloe, be eased and that a drain on the left hand side as the road is entered, be filled in and the carriage-way widened.
29. If an estimate is being prepared to make a road into Fohenagh Graveyard as I have allocated some of the Councillor's Notice of Motion Money for this road.

B. Other Motions Received:

COUNCILLORS M. J. KILGANNON, J. BRENNAN, DEPUTIES PAUL CONNAUGHTON, JOHN CALLANAN & CLR. J. JOYCE. - We will propose:

30. That this Council ask C.I.E. to provide an adequate service in the passenger and freight areas and propose that morning rail stops be re-provided at Woodlawn and Attymon stations for people seeking to travel to Ballinasloe and Dublin.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL RYAN - I will propose:

31. That the Council remove large bank of clay from roadside, near "The Halfway House", Browns Grove. It is obstructing the view of motorists.
32. That the Council make some improvements to widen road at Browns Grove School, to ensure the safety of school children.
33. That the Council give an up-to-date report on the Nanny River Drainage Scheme, as the farming community of that area are badly affected.

COUNCILLOR PADDY RUANE - I will propose:

34. That the Cemetery at Cloughanover, Headford, be extended as the present cemetery is taken up for any new graves.
35. That the E.S.B. lighting at Ballybane Cottages be extended along to the Loop Road houses at Ballybane near the Reservoir.
36. That the bad bend on the Loughgeorge/Augclogheen County Road, at Smiths house be removed as soon as possible.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE - I will propose:

37. That this Council take over the entrance to the Mill Stream Park Estate in Tuam.

DEPUTY PAUL CONNAUGHTON - I will propose:

38. That lights would be erected at Kilisolla, Mountbellew, Ballinasloe, as this happens to be a very dark area near the shop and school.

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

39. That Galway City Water Scheme be extended to the Craughwell Water Scheme and supply Group Water Schemes in adjacent areas.
40. That Galway County Council examine the possibility of having a Refuse Collection service provided by Private Refuse Collections Firms and paid for by local communities throughout the County.
41. That the lands in the Council's ownership at Clarenbridge be developed as service sites.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 7TH MAY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillor G. Bartley, Deputy J. Callanan, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputies J. Donnellan, F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy M.P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, N. O Conchubhair, M. O'Higgins, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; T.J. O'Donoghue, Law Agent; J. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineer; B. Kennedy, Senior Staff Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1542 - DEATH OF MR. M.J. DUNNE, COUNTY ENGINEER:

The Chairman proposed that the Council extend its sincere sympathy to the wife and family of the late Mr. Michael Dunne, County Engineer. He outlined Mr. Dunne's career in the public service and stated that he had carried out the duties of his office with distinction, with efficiency and with a humble and cheerful disposition which endeared him to everybody who came in contact with him. He also proposed that the meeting adjourn after transacting only urgent business, in memory of the late Mr. Dunne.

Deputy Callanan seconded those proposals and it was unanimously agreed that the meeting be adjourned. He also paid tribute to Mr. Dunne's kindness and consideration to Members of the County Council and to the general public.

All other Members of the Council present joined in the expressions of sympathy and in the tributes paid to Mr. Dunne.

The County Manager, joining in the expressions of sympathy, stated that he and the staff in general felt a deep sense of loss at Mr. Dunne's passing. He said that Mr. Dunne had always shown a sympathy for the public and had a deep appreciation of Councillors' role and needs in the Public Service. He had shown expertise, competence and skill in his work which earned him the respect of all who came in contact with him. He stated that he had been asked by Mrs. Dunne to thank the Councillors and the staff of the Council for the kindness shown to him and also to her and to her family in their bereavement.

Mr. Crotty, Deputy County Engineer, on his own behalf and on behalf of the Engineers of the Council joined in the expressions of sympathy.

1543 - DEPUTATION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH:

The Chairman stated that he had been informed that the Deputation to the Minister for Health arranged by the Western Health Board in which the County Council was participating was to be received by the Minister on Tuesday, 11th May and that he (Chairman) would not be in a position to attend. He asked the Council to nominate another delegate in his place.

It was agreed that Councillor Coogan and the Vice-Chairman, Deputy Callanan, would attend on the deputation.

1544 - SEMINAR - BORD NA GAELIGE - BALLYFERRITER - 21ST/22ND MAY:

The Chairman asked the Council to nominate two Members who would attend this Seminar which deals with the role of Irish in Local Authorities. It was agreed that Councillor Kilgannon and Councillor O'Conchubhair be appointed to attend this Seminar.

THE MEETING THEN ADJOURNED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

Proceeant CHAIRMAN

22nd May 1982 DATE

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Arus an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

18u Bealtaine, 1982.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 24u Bealtaine, 1982, ag 3.30 a chlog sa trathnóna.

Mise, le meas,

T. O'CAOMHANAIGH,
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 requires the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Patrick Burke of Castlecreevey, Currandulla, for housing development (four houses) at Castlecreevey. - Planning Reference No. 40330."

Mark Killilea. John Molloy. Michael Fahy.
 - (b) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Mary Sylver for a dwellinghouse at Kingstown, Glebe, Clifden. - Planning Reference Number 41978."

John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon. J. Donnellan.
 - (c) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Mrs. Kathleen D. Lane, Killeely, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42383."

Frank Fahey. Tony Murphy. John Molloy.
 - (d) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Planning Permission to Mr. Michael O'Shaughnessy, Cahernamadra, Kinvara. - Planning Ref. No. 42220."

Frank Fahey. Tony Murphy. 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 Martin Fleming of Clough, Cummer, Tuam, for a dwellinghouse at Tawnaghmore. - Planning Reference Number 42376."
- John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon. J. Donnellan.
- (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 to Mrs. Cawley of Craughwell for a dwellinghouse at Craughwell. - Planning Ref. No. 42709."
- John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon. Toddie Byrne. John Donnellan.
- (g) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission for the erection of a dwellinghouse and shed at Truskey West to Miss Bernadette Walsh, Truskey West, Barna, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42314."
- Thomas Welby. John Molloy. Nioclás O'Conchubhair.
- (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 Planning Permission for the erection of a Filling Station and Garage in the townland of Greeneenagh, Loughrea, on the Dublin Road. - Planning Ref. No. 42139."
- (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 Outline Permission to Sean Mannion of Sky Road, Clifden, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Cloghaunard. - Planning Ref. No. 42683."
- G. Bartley. Thomas Welby. John 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 Planning Permission to Mrs. Kathleen Burke of Cartron, Oranmore, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Roscam. - Planning Ref. No. 42360."
- John Donnellan. John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon.
- (k) "We, the undersigned Councillors will propose that in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Permission to Mr. Val Butler for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Petersburg, Clonbur. - Planning Ref. No. 42468."
- P. McCormack. John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan.
- (l) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to grant permission to Mr. Tim Devaney, c/o Paul F. Severs and Co. Ltd., Shop Street, Tuam, for the erection of two dwelling houses at Gallagher. - Planning Ref. No. 42491."
- Michael P. Kitt. John Callanan. M.J. Kilgannon. James Joyce.

- (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 Joe Campbell for the erection of a dwellinghouse at Menlo. - Planning Ref. No. 42727."
- John Molloy. Thomas Welby. Michael Fahy.
- (n) Material Contravention of the County Development Plan arising out of the following resolution:-
- "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Planning Permission to Paddy Flanagan of Oranbeg, Oranmore, for three Warehouses at Oranbeg. - Planning Ref. No. 41790."
- Mark Killilea. Thomas Welby. Michael Fahy.
2. Minutes.
 3. Overdraft - Quarter ending 30th September, 1982.
 4. Additional Road Grants - Copy of Acting County Engineer's Report herewith.
 5. Arts Grants 1982 - list of proposals herewith.
 6. Revision of Remuneration - Craftsmen and Mates.
 7. Revision of Allowances - Full-time firemen.
 8. Youth Employment Schemes, 1982 - Proposals herewith.
 9. Declaration of Roads to be public roads - list herewith.
 10. Fix date of Annual Meeting.
 11. Fix date for Meeting on Local Government Re-Organisation - adjourned from previous meetings.
 12. Sale of Houses to tenants:
 - Michael & Kathleen Finnegan, Meenleana, Dunmore.
 - Michael & Evelyn Nolan, Rovehagh, Kilcolgan.
 13. Sale of Housing sites at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to -
 - John Patrick Farnan, "Westpark", 75 Clareview, Ballybane, Galway. (Notice dated 8th April, 1982.)
 - Christopher Burke, 29, Tirellan Heights, Headford Road, Galway. (Notice dated 3rd May, 1982.)
 14. Applications for Rate Remission on factories:-
 - (a) Comhthogail Gaillimh Teo., Doire an Fhia, Casla.
 - (b) Kebios Teo., Ruisin na Manach, Carna.
 15. Limit on duration of Planning Permissions - Copy of Circular from Department of the Environment herewith.
 16. Seminar for Elected Members - Great Southern Hotel, Galway, - 2nd June, 1982. Copy of Programme herewith.

17. Circular dated 8th April, 1982, (received 17th May, 1982) from the Department of the Environment re:
- Rate of Interest.
 - Eligibility of Single persons for house loans and Mortgage subsidy.
 - Application of proceeds of sales of Local Authority houses.
- Copy herewith.
18. Agricultural Grant - copy of circular dated 4th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment herewith.
19. Malicious Damage Decrees - List herewith.
20. Business submitted by the County Manager.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

DEPUTY JOHN CALLANAN & COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - we propose:-

- That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have now agreed on an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

- That Galway County Council are requested to complete Road and By-Pass at Labane as quickly as possible.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

- That seeing that the present Council has now passed mid-term I propose that we recommend to future Councils that they give representation on the various Sub-committees in accordance with the numerical strength of the various political groupings in the Council.
- That the Council provide finance to pay travelling expenses to the Archaeologists who carry out examinations of ancient monuments in the County on behalf of the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee.

AN COMHAIRLEOIR M. O'MDRAIN - Molaim:

- Ba mhaith liom fhail amach ce'n chaol a ndailítear conraí innealra agus an dtugtar aon aitheantas do uinearai aitiula nuair a bhios an obair á gceist agus ce'n na tairiscintí a scrúdiú nuair a bhi an obair ag Roilig Maignrois i gceist.
- That monies be made available for sand erosion this year.
- Cen staid in a bhfuil ceannacht talun do Roilig Maigninnse faoi seo.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

- That this Council calls on the Government to amend Article 40 of the Constitution to guarantee the right to life to the unborn.
- That the Oireachtas members of this Council be asked to use appropriate means within Government to ensure that Galway County Council gets sufficient funds to complete its projected work.

COUNCILLOR T. WELBY - I will propose:

- That this County Council request the Minister for the Environment to cause a Public Enquiry to be held for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of the delay in completion of road works between Killeen and Woodstock on the N.59 road.
- That the road in the Fahy Estate at Claremount, Oughterard be taken over by the County Council and declared public.

COUNCILLORS T. WELBY, G. BARTLEY & JOHN MOLLOY - We will propose:

- That Galway County Council direct the County Manager not to proceed with the acquisition of land at Gortrisagh, Oughterard from the Land Commission for the provision of a County Council refuse dump.

COUNCILLOR M. J. KILGANNON - I will propose:

- That Galway County Council accept the road leading to Fohenagh Cemetery for the purpose of development under Councillors N.O.M.

DEPUTY MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

14. That two acute bends on the Shruffaun Road, Caltra, Ballinasloe, be eased and that a drain on the left hand side as the road is entered, be filled in and the carriage-way widened.
15. If an estimate is being prepared to make a road into Fohenagh Graveyard as I have allocated some of the Councillor's Notice of Motion Money for this road.

COUNCILLORS M. J. KILGANNON, J. BRENNAN, DEPUTIES PAUL CONNAUGHTON, JOHN CALLANAN & CLR. J. JOYCE. - We will propose:

16. That this Council ask C.I.E. to provide an adequate service in the passenger and freight areas and propose that morning rail stops be re-provided at Woodlawn and Attymon stations for people seeking to travel to Ballinasloe and Dublin.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL RYAN - I will propose:

17. That the Council remove large bank of clay from roadside, near "The Halfway House", Brownsgrove. It is obstructing the view of motorists.
18. That the Council make some improvements to widen road at Brownsgrove School, to ensure the safety of school children.
19. That the Council give an up-to-date report on the Nanny River Drainage Scheme, as the farming community of that area are badly affected.

COUNCILLOR PADDY RUANE - I will propose:

20. That the Cemetery at Cloughanover, Headford, be extended as the present cemetery is taken up for any new graves.
21. That the E.S.B. lighting at Ballybane Cottages be extended along to the Loop Road houses at Ballybane near the Reservoir.
22. That the bad bend on the Loughgeorge/Augclogheen County Road, at Smiths house be removed as soon as possible.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE-I will propose:

23. That this Council take over the entrance to the Mill Stream Park Estate in Tuam.

DEPUTY PAUL CONNAUGHTON - I will propose:

24. That lights would be erected at Killisolla, Mountbellew, Ballinasloe, as this happens to be a very dark area near the shop and school.

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

25. That Galway City Water Scheme be extended to the Craughwell Water Scheme and supply Group Water Schemes in adjacent areas.
26. That Galway County Council examine the possibility of having a Refuse Collection service provided by Private Refuse Collections Firms and paid for by local communities throughout the County.
27. That the lands in the Council's ownership at Clarenbridge be developed as service sites.

COUNCILLOR PADRAIC MCCORMACK - I will propose:

28. a) What is the total amount of money to be allocated to this County over the 10 years under the Western Package Scheme; how much of this money was spent or earmarked for work in 1981, and how much is to be spent in 1982?
b) Under what heading and on what specific jobs have these monies been spent to date or will be spent this year and how many jobs have been completed?
c) How many applications from farmers have been received for different jobs under this section of the Package?

DEPUTY J. DONNELLAN AND COUNCILLOR P. O'FOIGHIL We will propose:

29. That Galway County Council erect additional lights at Spiddal, Co. Galway.
30. That Galway County Council erect a footpath at Spiddal, Co. Galway, on the northside of the road from Bohoona Road to Creggduff.

COUNCILLOR MICHAEL FAHY - I will propose:

31. That Galway County Council re-organise its refuse collection in rural areas and the County Council in certain areas employ private transport for refuse collection.

SENATOR MARK KILLILEA - I will propose:

32. That the County Councillors have a full and frank discussion on the recent policy of the County Council to install on the schedules of planning permissions sums of money as contributions to be made payable to the planning authority.

SENATOR TODDIE BYRNE - I will propose:

33. That as provided for in the 1982 Estimates, steps should be taken as a matter of urgency to augment the Kinvara water supply.
34. A treatment plant is to be provided for the public sewerage system at Kinvara.
35. What is the up-to-date position on the question of the provision of a new fire brigade station at Gort.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
Galway County Council

DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

Notice is hereby given that Galway County Council at a Meeting to be held not less than one month from the date of publication of this Notice, will consider the making of a Declaration that the following roads shall be Public Roads.

Area:	From:	To:	Metres:
Tuam	Access road from junction with Co. Rd. 163.	Millstream Park, Tuam.	158
Gort	Co. Road 368 in Townland of Derry.	P. McDermott's house in Townland of Derry.	113
Gort	National Primary Road N.18 in Townland of Barratreana.	M. Rock's house in Townland of Barratreana.	252
Gort	Co. Road 356 in Townland of Derrybrien South.	M. Kilcooly's house in Townland of Derrybrien South.	772
Athenry	Junction with County Road 198 in Townland of Shantallow.	Join County Road 169 in Townland of Ballynamana.	1,175
Athenry	Laraghmore village road in Townland of Laraghmore.	The Crumlin/Ballybrone Road in Townland of Laraghmore.	360
Athenry	Junction with County Road 376 in Townland of Tisaxon.	P. Monaghan's house in the Townland of Tisaxon.	632
Gort	County Road 358 (branch) in Townland of Lisbrine.	Gate at A. Mullin's land in Townland of Lisbrine.	306
Loughrea	C.R. 498 in Townland of Loughatorick South.	Gate at C. Hickey's house Loughatorick South.	155
Portumna	Jnc. with C.R. 536 at Reaskmore.	W. Dervan's house.	217
Mountbellew	C.R. 508 in Townland of Clonruff.	National Secondary N.63 in Townland of Thornfield.	3,053
Mountbellew	C.R. 281 in Townland of Kilclough.	J. Britton's house in Townland of Kilclough.	286
Mountbellew	C.R. 282 in Lahaghllass South.	J. Lynch's house in Lahaghllass South.	166
Mountbellew	C.R. 282 in Townland of Fairfield.	County Road. 279 in Townland of Fairfield.	914
Mountbellew	C.R. 259 in Shankill West.	County Road 259 in Shankill West.	164
Mountbellew	C.R. 462 in Townland of Bovinion.	J. Conneely's house in townland of Bovinion.	164
Mountbellew	M.R. 270 in Townland of Glebe.	Glebe house in townland of Glebe.	393
Mountbellew	C.R. 416 in Windfield Demesne.	T. Conneely's house in Windfield Demesne.	622
Milltown	C.R. 221 in townland of Lisaleen.	M. Daly's house in Townland of Lisaleen.	132
Athenry	C.R. 175 Grange East (Lackagh).	South to gate to McDonagh's house, Grange East, Lackagh.	165
Athenry	C.R. 172 at Geraghty's house, Parkgarve, Ballinvoher.	Galvin's new house, Parkgarve.	320
Athenry	C.R. 437 Knockroe, Attyrnon.	North to County Road 437 Knockroe.	356
Athenry	Main Athenry/Tuam Road (L13) at Garrauncreen.	West to gate to V. Joyce's house, Garrauncreen.	729
Athenry	C.R. 197 Garraunard (Ryehill, Monivea).	West to B. Keary's house, Garraunard.	152
Tuam	C.R. 122 in Ballyconlought.	Joyce's gate, Ballyconlought.	352
Ballinasloe	Jnc. 436 at Currahulla.	P. O'Neill's house.	439
Ballinasloe	Jnc. C.R. 467 Kinclara.	M. Hogan's house.	585
Ballinasloe	Jnc. C.R. 467 Garafine.	J. Kelly's house.	123
Loughrea	Cnn. 648 L. yds. east of M. Hickey's house, Ranamackan.	North to C.R. 539 in Townland of Streamstown.	1,337
Loughrea	C.R. 481 opposite J. Connolly's land in Townland of Carra.	South and west to C.R. 481 in Townland of Carra.	1,921
Portumna	Jnc. with C.R. 587 at Brackloon.	B. Burn's house.	352
Gort	Road No. 350 in Townland of Newhall.	Co. Rd. No. 347 in Townland of Newtown.	1,710
Milltown	C.R. 268 in Townland of Straid.	F. Connaughton's house in Townland of Straid.	898
Gort	C.R. 338 in Townland of Caherlissane.	P. J. Callanan's field gate in Townland of Caherlissane.	160
Gort	C.R. No. 358 (branch) in Townland of Lisbrine.	Gate at A. Mullin's land in Townland of Lisbrine.	306
Gort	C.R. 303 in Townland of Caherdiva.	J. Forde's frontage in townland of Caherdiva.	122
Gort	C.R. 362 in Townland of Beagh.	Towards O'Donnell's house in Townland of Beagh.	214

K. Doyle,
County Secretary.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/ 3rd May, 1982.

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, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:-

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED:

Annie J. Duffy, Villanova, Upper Salthill, Galway.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE SOLD:	Site No.	Area of Plot
Mr. Christopher Burke, 29 Tirellan Heights, Headford Road, Galway.	14	.073 acre approx.

Consideration in respect of disposal:

Site No.	Price
14	£3,000

Other Covenants or Conditions in connection with Disposal:

1. The site will be sold in fee simple.
2. The County Council will retain wayleaves in respect of watermains and sewers.
3. The erection of a house to be completed by the purchaser within two years.

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.

K. Doyle
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MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree including costs
Francis Fitzgerald, Rathwilladoon, Shanaglish, Gort.	Damage to a Ford Escort Car	County at Large	£50.00	£42.50
William & Kathleen Murphy, Crosse, Kilconnell, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.	Damaging of men's wristlet watch, a Ford Corsair motor car, the main shop door, lounge bar door, 10 drinking glasses, the walls and furniture in both lounge bar and shop premises owned by Kathleen and Wm. Murphy.	D.E.D. of Kilconnell	£133.52½	£119.30
Mr. Carter, c/o Sandys & Co., 6 Sea Road, Galway.	Damage to garage gates by fire	Borough of Galway.	£300.00	£307.44
O'Weara's Garage, Athlone, Co. Westmeath.	Damage to two tyres of car	"	£41.13	£77.25
Murrugh O'Brien, c/o Sandys & Co., Solicitors, 6 Sea Road, Galway.	Damage to window	"	£150.00	£57.35

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 24TH MAY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Deputy P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, Deputy Higgins, Councillors Joyce, Kilgannon, McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ruane, Ryan, and Welby.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; P. Kearns, and J. Howlett, Assistant County Managers; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; D. Barrett, and H. Kearns, Senior Staff Officers; S. McMahon, R. Killeen, and J. Kinneen, Senior Executive Engineers; L. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer (Planning); and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Misses Mary O'Reilly and Eilish Timoney from the School of Public Administration, Dublin.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1545 - WELCOME TO STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN DUBLIN:

The Chairman extended a welcome on behalf of the Council to Misses Mary O'Reilly and Eilish Timoney to the meeting of the Council.

1546 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 40330 - PATRICK BURKE:

The County Manager informed the Council that a request for further information had issued in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1547 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41978 - MARY SILVER:

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

1548 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42383 - MRS. KATHLEEN D. LANE:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located at Caherpeak East on the Main Galway to Gort National Primary Route, 1½ miles south of Kilcolgan.

Planning Permission has been refused on this site on four previous occasions by Galway County Council and these decisions have been upheld on appeal (see Ref. Nos. 11327, 20296, 28260 and 39070). The applicant have been Mr. Eamon Lane and Mrs. Kathleen Lane. A more recent application, Ref. No. 40011 was granted by Section 4 resolution of the County Council but, following a third party appeal, was also refused by An Bord Pleanála.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

1. The proposed development constitutes non-essential housing not related to any existing farm holding in the area and such development is contrary to the Planning Authority's policy of wholly restricting housing on the National Primary routes unless bona fide second family claims are substantiated.
2. The applicant has never made any second family housing need claim. The applicant is the owner of the house in which she now lives and, therefore, housing need is not relevant to the consideration of this application. The applicant states that the site was bought in 1970, and has submitted a copy of a contract to show evidence of this. However, this is not a valid consideration for the Planning Authority.
3. The proposed development would be prominently located on an isolated hillock and it would be visually obtrusive and not capable of being satisfactorily assimilated into the surrounding countryside.

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

1. The proposed house adjoining a National Primary road would
 - (a) adversely affect traffic safety and traffic flow,
 - (b) be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area,
 - (c) conflict with the policy of the Planning Authority as set out in the County Development Plan which aims to restrict access points onto such roads in the interests of traffic safety.
2. The proposed development has previously been refused by the Planning Authority and the Minister for Local Government on appeal.
3. The proposed development would be prominently located on a small isolated hill, and would thus detract from the visual amenity of the area because it would be visually obtrusive and not capable of being satisfactorily assimilated into its surroundings."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor O Morain and seconded by Councillor Joyce.

Councillor O Morain stated that the Council had previously decided to give Permission by Section 4 resolution in this case but an objection had been lodged by an employee in the Planning Office.

The Chairman stated that this official had lodged the objection in his private capacity and Deputy Donnellan stated that it is the privilege of any individual to lodge an objection if he wishes to do so.

Councillor J. Burke stated that this had already been discussed and there is nothing further the Manager could do about it. Deputy Fahey expressed surprise that an objection had been lodged to this particular case.

As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda carried.

1549 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42220 - MICHAEL O'SHAUGHNESSY:

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

"BACKGROUND:

The site of the proposed development is located on an unimproved section

of the Kinvara to Ballyvaughan National Secondary Route, where the maximum speed limit applies. It is the policy of the Planning Authority as contained in the County Development Plan to restrict housing development on this route. The only exceptions to this policy are cases of bona fide second family and new farmhouse claims on family holdings, where no alternative sites exist.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The proposed development is contrary to the provisions of the 1979 County Development Plan which restricts all development on National Routes for traffic reasons. Mr. O'Shaughnessy has claimed a housing need on the family holding which has been investigated, and there are alternative sites on which the housing need can be accommodated.

Mr. O'Shaughnessy has made three previous applications to the Planning Authority for a dwellinghouse on this site, which have been refused (Planning Ref. Nos. 26551, 38914 and 41393). The grounds of refusal have been upheld by An Bord Pleanala on appeal (Planning Ref. No. 26551).

RECOMMENDATION:

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:-

1. The proposed house would be located along a National Secondary road at a point where the maximum speed limit applies and the traffic generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic along the road.
2. The claimed housing need can be adequately catered for on alternative site on the holding which fronts onto minor road."

Deputy Fahey proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda and stated that this is a genuine second family holding. Alternative sites referred to in the report were not suitable.

Councillor Welby seconded Deputy Fahey's proposal.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor J. Burke seconded that the Permission sought be refused.

It was decided to take a vote on those proposals after 4.30 p.m.

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

FOR: Councillors Bartley, U. Burke, Deputy Donnellan, Deputy Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, McCormack, Molloy, Murphy, O Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ruane, and Welby.

(16)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Coogan, and Holland.

(4)

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

Councillor Glynn, Deputy Higgins, Councillor Kilgannon, and Councillor Ryan did not vote.

1550 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42376 - MARTIN FLEMING:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

~~1551~~ - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42709 - MRS. CAWLEY:

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

1552 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42314 - MISS BERNADETTE WALSH:

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

~~1553~~ - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42139 - GERARD FARRELL:

As the names of the Councillors sponsoring this resolution had been omitted in error from the Agenda, the County Secretary informed the Council that the resolution was in the names of Councillors T. Murphy, M. Ryan, Deputy P. Connaughton, Councillors P. McCormack, and M. Fahy.

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

"The site in question is located on the N.6 route approximately 300 metres outside and east of the Loughrea Town Boundary on a junction with a county road. It has a road frontage of approximately 207 feet and a depth of approximately 103 feet. There have been two previous refusals on the site for the construction of a workshop and septic tank on the ground of traffic hazard and the inadequacy of the site to accommodate the required building line of 90 feet from the road boundary.

The current proposal is a much more extensive one, incorporating a repair garage, showrooms, component storage area, petrol station and septic tank. It has a number of deficiencies relating to building lines, public health requirements, storage of dangerous substances and site drainage.

- (a) The proposed building line is only 35 ft. from the National Primary boundary as against the Development Plan requirement of 90 ft. and the building line measured from the adjoining County road is only 18 feet whereas the requirement is 40 feet. It would not be possible to comply with the building line for National Primary Routes due to the inadequate site depth.
- (b) The septic tank is shown under the forecourt area 15 feet from the petrol pumps, as indeed is the percolation area which could not be located the required distances from either the road or the building.
- (c) The underground petrol storage tanks adjoin the National Primary road boundary and are immediately adjacent to the percolation area from the septic tank. A heating oil storage tank is shown on the county road boundary.
- (d) Apart from septic tank drainage there are 5 no. sumps proposed on site for disposal of surface water run-off from the paved area which is almost 100% of the site area.

Leaving aside the problem of traffic hazard and the policy of restriction of such development along national routes outside speed limits this proposal would involve the overdevelopment of this restricted site which has no drainage services attached and which would be totally deficient in car parking space for vehicles being repaired, attended to or stored. There would very likely be an overspill of vehicles on to the National Route constituting a specific traffic hazard.

While the aforementioned items dictate a refusal on their own merits a further and serious constraint arised in this case.

An alternative route for the Loughrea by-pass is presently being surveyed and a report is to be presented to the Council by the end of September. The alternative route has already been discussed with some Councillors in relation to two other applications which are affected by the line currently shown in the County Development Plan. Present indications are that the by-pass route will pass through this site and, more specifically, that a roundabout will be necessary to accommodate access from the existing minor and major roads. The road design layout as it presently stands shows the roundabout totally affecting this site and the proposed development, if permitted, would prejudice the proposed alternative by-pass route now being designed and further defer the roads plan for the area.

It is recommended that Permission be refused for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development would constitute a traffic hazard because it would be located on a National Route outside Loughrea Town in the neighbourhood of a road junction and the traffic generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic along the major road.
2. The proposed development would constitute overdevelopment of this very restricted site in that it is not possible to accommodate the required building thereon nor accommodate septic tank and percolation area in accordance with development plan requirements, nor provide sufficient on-site parking in the interests of orderly development.
3. The proposed development would prejudice the preparation of the plan for the Loughrea by-pass route because the present design detail indicates that it will be necessary to locate a roundabout at this junction which will totally affect this site."

The County Manager stated that this proposal is conflicting with proposals for an alternative route for the Loughrea By-Pass Road which had been of considerable interest to Members of the County Council in connection with another Planning application submitted by a Mr. Houlihan.

On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Deputy Donnellan, it was agreed to defer the matter and to invite the Councillors for the Loughrea Electoral Area and the Councillors who submitted the resolution to meet the Planning and Road Design staff to discuss the matter.

Replying to Councillor Ulick Burke, the County Manager stated that as certain information is expected from the Ordnance Survey in July, it is hoped the design for the By-Pass would be completed by the end of December.

1554 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42683 - SEAN MANNION:

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

"SITE LOCATION:

The site is located on the Sky road approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from Clifden immediately north west to the rear of the Abbeyglen Hotel in the townland of Cloghauard.

HISTORY:

There have been four previous planning applications on this site, or variations thereon.

Outline planning permission, Planning Register Reference No. 34558, for the erection of two dwellinghouses was refused by the Planning Authority on the 7th March, 1980. This decision was appealed to An Bord Pleanala, but the appeal was subsequently withdrawn.

Outline Planning permission, Planning Register Reference No. 40611, for the erection of two dwellinghouses was refused by the Planning Authority on the 19th November, 1981.

Outline Planning Permission, Planning Register Reference No. 41240 and 41962, each for the erection of a dwellinghouse were refused by the Planning Authority on the 21st January, 1982, and the 5th April, 1982, respectively.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS:

The site is situated approximately 85 yards from the public road on ground that rises steeply from the public road and upwards through the site. There are two number existing dwellinghouses situated approximately 20 ft. lower and 150 ft. below the proposed development.

The Health Inspector's report indicates that in view of the high-lying and rocky nature of the site, there is a danger that effluent from the septic tank could flow downhill and pollute springs which rise in the area.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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

1. The proposed development in conjunction with existing and permitted development on adjoining lands, would constitute an excessive density of septic tanks on unsuitable soil which slopes steeply to the public road and the existing permitted development, and would thus constitute a public health hazard.
2. The proposed development would detract from the visual amenity of the area because its elevated location would render it unduly prominent and incongruous in the landscape overlooking Clifden Town.
3. The proposed development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area because it would constitute disorderly and piecemeal development of backlands.
4. The proposed development would detract from the residential amenity of the adjacent permitted development, now almost completed, because it would overlook the said development from a height of approximately 20 ft."

The County Manager stressed that there is a danger of pollution arising from this development and he informed the Council also that An Taisce had lodged an objection to this proposal.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Bartley and seconded by Deputy Donnellan.

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

1555 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42360 - KATHLEEN BURKE:

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

"The site in question is on the seaside of the N.6 Route between Galway and Oranmore. Its access is along a minor County Road which joins the national route directly opposite the junction of the County road leading to Doughiska, Castlegar G.A.A. Centre. There have been three previous applications on this and an adjoining site.

Ref. No. 19511 Outline Permission for 5 no. houses refused by the Planning Authority and by the Minister on appeal. There were third party objections to the proposed development.

Ref. No. 22718 Outline Permission for one house on adjoining site refused by the Planning Authority and by An Bord Pleanala. The same objectors as those in 19511 were involved.

Ref. No. 38867 Decision to grant Outline Permission for one house on current site was made by the Planning Authority, but following an Appeal by An Taisce was refused by An Bord Pleanala.

The proposed house would be in the foreground of a very fine scenic view of Oranmore Bay and its hinterland on this very important traffic route. Control policy has been very successful in restricting development between the Borough Boundary and Oranmore, particularly along the seaside of this road. In the past ten years only two houses have been permitted on the southside of the road between Merlin Park and Oranmore village boundary, other than those permitted on the Roscam Peninsula which have access on to the bypassed main road. Two other decisions to grant Permission in recent months by Section 4 resolution of the Council are currently on appeal by An Taisce to An Bord Pleanala. An Taisce have also objected to the current application.

The applicant has not pleaded her application as being within any of the special categories of housing need and has agreed her case fully in the three previous appeals.

She has also had a recent application refused approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile nearer to Oranmore along the N.6.

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard because the site adjoins a heavily trafficked National Primary Route at a point where the maximum speed limit applies, where it is fully super-elevated and where there is another junction on the opposite side, and the traffic generated by the development would interfere with the safety and free flow of traffic on the route.
2. The proposed development, located in the middle of a field on the seaward side of the main road, could not readily be assimilated into this scenic landscape and would therefore be seriously injurious to the visual amenities of the area."

The County Manager, outlining the circumstances of this case, also told the Councillors that an objection to the development had been received from An Taisce.

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Deputy Donnellan and seconded by Councillor Ryan.

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

1556 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42468 - MR. VAL BUTLER:

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

Councillor O'Morain asked on what side of the road the proposed development is to take place and how near is it to property owned by the County Council in the area.

The County Manager stated that this information will be available when the matter comes up for consideration again.

1557 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42491 - MR. TIM. DEVANEY:

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

1558 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42727 - JOE CAMPBELL:

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

"HISTORY

Mr. Campbell has made three previous applications on this site and been refused under reference numbers 41987 and 33489 and 28732. Application under reference number 28732 was further refused on Appeal by An Bord Pleanala.

The main reason for refusal in this case is that the width or frontage of the site is only 25 feet and would be too narrow to accommodate a septic tank to minimum public health requirements. It is recommended to refuse for the following reasons:

Having regard to the narrowness of the site and to its location in an unserviced rural area, the proposed development could lead to a concentration of houses with an inappropriate standard of residential amenity and to a concentration of septic tanks which could lead to a serious public health hazard."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Councillor Welby and seconded by Councillor M. Fahy. As there was no amendment, the Chairman declared the resolution carried.

1559 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 41790 - PADDY FLANAGAN:

The County Manager informed the Council that this application had been withdrawn.

1560 - CONSULTATIONS RE SECTION 4 PLANNING RESOLUTIONS:

Deputy Fahey stated that all efforts made up to now to curtail the number of Section 4 Planning Resolutions had failed. Efforts to hold a meeting of Councillors in Committee before Council meetings had not materialised for various reasons as Councillors were not in a position to attend. Deputy Fahey stated that the Council should now set aside say one day per month to bring in people to the offices who have planning applications with which there are difficulties for the Council so that they may be discussed fully with the Councillors, the applicants, and the planning officials.

Deputy Fahey stated that in two cases, he felt that there was no justification for permission being refused and that there is no justification for an objection in one case by An Taisce.

The County Manager stated that the reasons for refusal ^{are} because applications are contrary to the provisions of the County Development Plan. The County Manager understood that when the matter was discussed at a previous meeting, it was agreed that the Party Whips would meet among themselves and discuss what might be done and would then come to the Manager's Office with proposals.

Deputy Fahey stated that he understood that the Party Whips were to be invited in the first instance to the County Manager's Office.

The County Manager stated that this was not his recollection of the decision but he had no objection to meeting the Party Whips to discuss the matter. He thought, however, that they wished to discuss the matter among themselves in the first instance and then come to him.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that an effort previously made by him for meaningful consultations had not been successful.

The County Manager stated that the consultation process which was agreed some time ago is still there and is available much more frequently than monthly.

1561 - MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Ryan, seconded by Councillor M. Fahy, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 14th and 26th April and 7th May, (Numbers 1520 - 1544 inclusive) were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1562 - OVERDRAFT:

It was proposed by Deputy Higgins, seconded by Councillor Glynn, and resolved:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Overdraft accommodation not exceeding £3 million be borrowed on the Council's Revenue and Capital Accounts for the quarter ending 30th September, 1982."

1563 - ADDITIONAL ROAD GRANTS AND ROADWORKS SCHEME 1982:

The County Manager stated that a revised Roadworks Scheme was being circulated to each Member at the meeting and that it was essential that the Council should be in a position to get on with the Roadworks during the fine weather period.

Councillor Glynn proposed and Councillor Joe Burke seconded that the Council go ahead and consider the Roadworks Scheme at that meeting.

Councillor O Morain proposed that a special meeting to consider the Roadworks Scheme be held on Friday, 28th May, and this proposal was seconded by Councillor M. Fahy.

A vote taken on those proposals resulted in 17 Members voting for holding a special meeting on Friday to consider the Roadworks Scheme and 6 Members voting for ... considering the scheme on the 24th. The Chairman, therefore, declared that a special meeting would be held on Friday, 28th May, to consider the matter.

1564 - ARTS GRANTS 1982:

Deputy Higgins proposed that the recommendations of the Regional Arts Officer as circulated to Members of the County Council be adopted. He complimented her on the recommendations which she had made and the work which she is doing for the Arts.

This proposal was seconded by Councillor Ulick Burke and unanimously agreed. Councillors O'Morain and Kilgannon also complimented the Regional Arts Officer on her work.

1565 - REVISION OF REMUNERATION - CRAFTSMEN AND MATES:

The County Manager informed the Council that notification had been received from the Minister for the Environment that a special pay increase under the terms of Labour Court recommendation number 6865 had been sanctioned with effect from the 1st October, 1981, for Craftsmen, Craftsmen Mates and Supervisory Craftsmen. The increase applies to approximately 63 employees and ranges between £2.30 and £4.00 per week increase. The total cost of implementing the increase is £12,500 approximately of which £2,386 refers to the year 1981. No provision had been made in the Estimates for this sum.

He informed the Council, however, that because of inadequacy of funds to pay Craftsmen, it was necessary to put 55 men on a three-day week as from the 31st May, 1982. The amount required to pay all those men for a full year is £430,000 but the amount available from the Estimates is only £254,000 including the provision for Housing Maintenance, Sanitary Services, Burial Grounds, Libraries, etc. This leaves a shortfall of £176,000 which is the equivalent of 21 weeks employment for the gangs and would mean a total lay off from Mid-August. However, he pointed out that laying men off could involve the Council in Redundancy payments as an alternative it is proposed to put the men on a three day week commencing on the 31st May, 1982. This would still leave the Council with a deficit of £77,000 at the end of the year.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that he was perturbed at this development and that he could see no reason why men would be let off while the County Council has a programme for building Rural houses. He expressed concern for the pension rights and P.R.S.I. eligibility of the men who are being put on short time.

Councillor McCormack agreeing with what Councillor Kilgannon had stated said that from the National point of view, putting people on short time did not make sense as in the overall, they would get more money from public funds including unemployment assistance.

Councillor Ulick Burke advocated the use of Capital funds where possible to keep the men employed.

Councillor O'Higgins stated that since the State is paying the bill in any event, it did not make sense to have people on a three-day week and be paid unemployment assistance. He stated that the County Council is not geared to direct labour housing construction and that the Council have already a number of small Building Contractors who have been depending on the County Council for their work and have proved to be efficient builders.

Councillor Brennan asked if the Council could re-allocate Notice of Motion funds to keep the men employed.

Councillor Joyce stated that Councillors had not adequate information on the finances of the Council.

The County Manager stated that the Council's financial position was set out very clearly and specifically in the Estimates statements which were sent to Members before the Estimates were adopted. He agreed that it was unfortunate that men had to be put on short time but that the matter was outside of his control. Unions had been informed of the situation and it was pointed out to them that he had no choice in the matter. He pointed out that the Council is not organised for housing construction by direct labour and that this would involve considerable extra cost due to transport of men and materials over long distances throughout the County. With regard to men employed on roads, it is likely that a similar problem will arise later in the year.

Replying to further appeals from Councillors, the County Manager stated that there is no question of being able to keep the Craftsmen employed full time after the 31st May unless money is provided. Already putting the men on a three-day week will result in exceeding the Estimate. The matter will

certainly be taken up with the Minister but the Council is still awaiting a date from the Junior Minister in the Department of the Environment for a meeting with Members and Officials of the County Council.

Councillor O Morain stated that the feeling of the meeting appears to be that money will be made available as it was in other Counties and that it might be good tactics that since a meeting is being arranged with the Minister to keep the men employed until then.

The County Manager stated that apart from Dublin Corporation, his information is that no County Council has got anything other than the additional Road Grants and the Environmental Grants.

In the course of a long discussion on this matter, the following proposals were made by Members -

- a) That the men be employed on the construction of Rural Houses.
- b) That Notice of Motion funds be re-allocated to housing in order to keep the men employed.
- c) That the men be kept fully employed until the Council's deputation meets the Minister.
- d) That the men be kept employed while the money holds after which date they could claim redundancy.

To the latter suggestion, the County Manager stated that he would then have no funds to pay redundancy money.

- e) That the men be kept fully employed for one week extra and that if funds are not made available by the Minister by that date that the cost be deducted from Notice of Motion Funds.

Some Members stated that they would object to the N.O.M. allocation being interfered with for this purpose because Roadworks under Notice of Motion Scheme are urgently needed and in any event, there is likely to be a redundancy of Roadworkers later.

- f) That a telegram be sent to the Minister for the Environment requesting a special allocation of funds in order to keep the men fully employed to the end of the year.

Deputy Higgins stated that many people disagree with the idea of having Capital works such as house construction carried out by direct labour. He agreed that such a system must be properly planned and might be looked at as a long term solution. It would need the setting up of a special unit but he pointed out that it is the responsibility of the Minister for the Environment to provide the necessary funds in order to keep the men fully employed.

Replying to further comments by Councillors, the County Manager stated that he does not know when the Minister of State will arrange to meet the Council's deputation but even if the men are put on a three day week, there will no difficulty about getting them back very quickly if the necessary funds are provided. In the meantime, there is no possibility that he can authorise expenditure of money which he has not got in the Estimates.

The County Manager stated that when the Capital Allocation is received he would examine what is the possibility of utilising some of the Capital funds for purposes other than the construction of houses.

After further discussion, it was agreed that a telegram would be sent to the Minister for the Environment asking him to allocate the necessary funds to keep the men fully employed and also requested that he have a decision on the matter conveyed to the Council for consideration at the meeting on Friday, 28th May.

The wage increases outlined by the County Manager were approved.

1566 - REVISION OF ALLOWANCES - FULL-TIME FIREMEN:

The County Manager informed the Council that full-time firemen employed by Limerick Corporation received additional allowances for unsocial hours as from the 1st October, 1979, and that the Galway full-time firemen have now applied for parity with Limerick in accordance with the usual arrangement. He stated that the total cost of the allowances would be £1,800 for the year 1982, and £3,000 in respect of the period ending the 31st December, 1981.

On the proposition of Deputy Fahey and seconded by Councillor Joyce, the Council approved payment of the increased allowances to full-time firemen as outlined by the County Manager as from the 1st October, 1979.

1567 - ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS (YOUTH EMPLOYMENT) SCHEME: 1982:

The County Manager referred to the County Engineer's report of 17th May, 1982, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council setting out proposals for utilising the Grant of £135,000 for Environmental Works (Youth Employment) Scheme, 1982, and requested the approval of the Council to the proposals.

The Council approved those proposals on the proposition of Deputy Fahey, seconded by Councillor M. Fahy. It was agreed that the local engineer would meet interested parties in Headford regarding the proposal to develop Road Garden in Headford.

The Acting County Engineer gave particulars of the Coast Protection Works at Aillebrack, Ballyconneely for which the sum of £15,000 had been provided.

Replying to Councillor Kilgannon, the County Manager stated that he had asked the Acting County Engineer to draw up a further list of proposals and that an application would be sent for funds to implement them. He also asked if any Councillor has any proposals, they should be sent in to be included in the list of further schemes to be carried out and an effort would be made to get funds for them.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that the Council should be preparing schemes both for this year and for next year as a Budget of £90 million was expected for 1983.

Councillor Joyce stated that there are more people on the unemployment list than those under 25 and he asked that consideration should be given to those.

The County Manager stated that the conditions of the scheme stressed the necessity for providing employment for young people.

Councillor Ulick Burke asked that a proposal would be prepared for the development of the land recently acquired from Tynagh Mine at Loughrea. The County Manager stated that it would be examined.

Deputy Higgins stated that when the legislation concerning the scheme was being passed through the Dail, it was stated that it was to be for new ventures in addition to those of the type referred to in previous schemes. He understood that the sum of £90 million provided was intended for broader based schemes than in the two earlier schemes.

Councillor Haverty complained that no provision had been made for any scheme in the Killimor area where a number of young people are in need of employment. He considered that Councillors should have a say in selecting schemes. The County Manager invited Councillor Haverty to submit any schemes which he considered could be provided under the scheme. Councillor Joyce stated that the Council should try to avoid attracting people away from AnCO schemes where the wages paid were less than those being paid by the Council.

1568 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:

The County Manager referred to the list of roads for taking over which had been published and which had been circulated to each Member of the County Council and stated that an objection had been received from a Solicitor to declaring the road in the Tuam Area from CR 122 in Ballyconlaught to Joyce's Gate at Ballyconlaught to be a public road. He asked that the Council would therefore exclude this from the list.

On the proposition of Councillor Ulick Burke, seconded by Councillor McCormack, the Council approved declaring the roads on the list circulated apart from the road referred to, to which an objection had been made, to be public roads.

Councillor McCormack stated that there is a delay in furnishing Estimates for certain Notice of Motion Roads and he pointed out that no roads have been included from the Oughterard or Galway Areas.

1569 - DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING:

It was agreed that the Annual Meeting of the Council would be held on the date of the Monthly Meeting in June, i.e., 28th June, 1982.

1570 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT RE-ORGANISATION:

The County Manager stated that the Minister for the Environment had recently informed the County Councils' General Council that he welcomed submissions for Re-Organisation of Local Government. He stated that when this matter is being considered, submissions made by the Tuam Town Commissioners would have to be taken into account. He stated that the Council could ask the Minister if he wishes to have submissions sent on to him and under what heading. It was agreed that this would be done and that the matter could be brought back to the County Council later.

1571 - SALE OF HOUSES TO TENANTS:

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Finnegan and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of the houses which they occupy to Michael and Kathleen Finnegan of Meenleana, Dunmore, and to Michael and Evelyn Nolan, of Rovehagh, Kilcolgan, on the terms set out in Notice dated 14th April, 1982, under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966, as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, which was circulated to each Member of the Council."

1572 - SALE OF HOUSING SITES AT CULLAIRBAUN, ATHENRY:

It was proposed by Councillor Finnegan, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the sale of housing sites at Cullairbaun, Athenry, to Mr. John Patrick Farnan, "Westpark", 75, Clareview, Ballybane, Galway, and Mr. Christopher Burke, 29 Tirellan Heights, Headford Road, Galway, on the terms set out in notices dated 8th April, 1982, and 3rd May, 1982, respectively, under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, and Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, which had been circulated to each Member of the Council."

1573 - APPLICATION FOR REMISSION OF RATES ON FACTORIES:

The question of granting Rate remission on factories both in Gaeltacht and non-Gaeltacht Areas was discussed and it was suggested that this provision in the law should be changed so that any incentives for factory development should be payable by the I.D.A. or by Udaras na Gaeltachta.

The County Manager stated that as long as this provision is in the Law, some local authorities will grant the necessary remissions and that this might create problems for local authorities which do not. He agreed that there is no justification for the provision and that it should be changed.

Councillor O Morain stated that these were incentives mainly for Western Counties and that both the I.D.A. and Udaras na Gaeltachta give Grant Aid as far as they can. He considered that there was unfair criticism recently of Udaras na Gaeltachta and he considered that people ignore the fact that they build factories to create employment and that the addition of Rates to their other expenses could put factories out of business occasionally. He considered that the Council should be careful before deciding to refuse such permissions.

Councillor Haverty proposed and the Chairman seconded that the appropriate Ministers be asked to arrange for the deletion of the provisions from Law whereby Rate Remissions can be given on factories both in Gaeltacht and non-Gaeltacht areas. This resolution was approved by the Council.

It was also proposed by Councillor O'Morain, seconded by the Chairman, and resolved:

"That Galway County Council hereby approve the remission of two-thirds of the Rates leviable in respect of the factory at Ruisin na Manach, Carna, occupied by Kebios Teo., in respect of the local financial years 1982 to 1989 inclusive in accordance with Section 26 of the Udaras na Gaeltachta Act, 1979, the appropriate certificate under the Act having been issued by Udaras na Gaeltachta."

It was decided to defer consideration of the application from Comhthogail Gaillimh Teo., for the result of further inquiries.

1574 - LIMIT ON DURATION OF PLANNING PERMISSIONS:

The County Manager referred to Planning Circular PD 103/6/5 dated 11th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment, copy of which was circulated to each Member of the Council, and in reply to queries from Councillor Ulick Burke, stated that before the first Circular of 16th December, 1981, was issued, the Council operated the law as it applied under Section 29 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1976. Following the Circular of the 16th December, 1981, the Council operated in accordance with that Circular but since the necessary legislation had not been implemented at the time of the change of Government, the Council again operated the law as it stood then. He stated that from now on the Council will operate in accordance with the provisions of the Circular received from the Minister.

Replying to further queries from Councillor Ulick Burke about particular cases, the County Manager agreed to examine them if a list of particulars were supplied by Councillor Burke.

Councillor Burke agreed to do this.

1575 - SEMINAR FOR ELECTED MEMBERS AT GALWAY - 2ND JUNE, 1982:

It was agreed that Members who wished to attend would notify the County Secretary of their intention to do so.

1576 - DEPARTMENTAL CIRCULARS RE HOUSING:

Circulars H.6/82 dated 8th April, 1982, and HGS.7/82 dated 5th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment, copies of which have been circulated to Members were discussed. It was recommended that representations be made to the Department of the Environment regarding the following matters -

- (a) That Grants should be made available for replacement of doors and windows.

- (b) That a Grant for provision of a toilet in a house should not be turned down in circumstances where certain members of the family have no right of access to an existing toilet in the same house.
- (c) That Grants should be made available for rewiring of houses where existing wiring is defective on the grounds of safety of the occupants.

Councillor Joyce stated he wished to bring to the attention of applicants that they should not commence work on reconstruction until an Inspector has visited the house.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, replied to queries concerning the availability of Grant in respect of local authority rented dwellings.

1577 - AGRICULTURAL GRANT: 1982/83

The County Manager explained the provisions of Circular Fin. 11/82 dated 4th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment in connection with the Agricultural Grant for 1982 and 1983.

1578 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES:

It was noted that Malicious Damage Decrees as circulated to Members had been received.

BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER

1579 - SUPPLEMENTARY WELFARE DEMAND 1982:

The County Manager read for Members letter dated 13th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment which referred to the decision of the Council at its Estimates Meeting to transfer £430,595 from the original provision for Supplementary Welfare Demand to the Council's Road Maintenance Programme in order to avoid the possible lay off of Roadworkers. The County Manager expressed disappointment that after so many letters to the Department about the Council's financial difficulties the reply took no account of the Council's financial problems. He reminded Members that a delegation from the Council joined with a deputation from the Western Health Board to the Minister for Social Welfare and a copy of the submission then made was sent to the Department of the Environment. He pointed out that the base for Supplementary Welfare Contributions now set is far too high and sets too high a basis for future years as well as creating serious difficulties for the current year. Members of the Council expressed astonishment and concern that the Department's letter did not attempt to deal with the Council's problems and it failed to give any indication of measures proposed to remedy a problem which the County Council was not in a position to solve.

It was agreed that the Minister would again be asked in conjunction with the Minister for Social Welfare to give very serious consideration to this very urgent problem and that the matter would be raised with the delegation soon to be received by the Minister of State in the Department of the Environment.

1580 - HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS:

The County Manager read for Members letter dated 23rd April, 1982, from the Department of Education referring to the Council's request for early recoupment of Higher Education Grants expenditure and he informed Members that the letter pointed out that the Minister stated he was not authorised to recoup expenditure in 1982 other than that incurred in the financial year 1981. It was agreed that the matter would again be taken up with the Department of Education and that it be pointed out to them that the Council cannot continue in its present financial situation paying Higher Education Grants under the system of recoupment operated by the Department of Education.

1581 - RETENTION OF EXCISE DUTIES ON MOTOR VEHICLES:

The County Manager referred to the resolution adopted by the Council at its Estimates Meeting regarding the retention of Motor Vehicle Excise Duties until such time as a satisfactory arrangement for financing the Council's service is reached with various Government Departments and stated that a copy of the reply dated 20th May, 1982, from the Department of the Environment was circulated on that date to each Member of the Council.

The reply was noted.

1582 - TYNAGH MINE:

The County Manager submitted the following report to the County Council:

- "1 - The Council has engaged in discussions with the Management of Tynagh Mines for approx. 2 years. The Council was aiming at the execution of an Agreement between the Mines and Council concerning re-habilitation of the site.
- 2 - The agreement was concerned with matters which would normally be the subject of planning conditions in the case of a development which had been the subject of planning permission.
- 3 - When the discussions had progressed sufficiently to enable the Council to draft the agreement in legal form this step was taken. A draft legal agreement was presented to the Company for execution in Dec. 1981.
- 4 - The Mine management were facilitated in relation to further discussions concerning the details of the matters covered in the draft agreement.
- 5 - Within recent weeks the Council felt the time was opportune to press the Company for a decision on the execution of the agreement. The management were informed that elected members of the Council were expecting a progress report and that I wished to make such a report at the May Council meeting. I informed the management that my report to the Council would indicate to the members that,
 - (a) the agreement had been signed, or,
 - (b) the agreement had been signed with or without variation, or
 - (c) the agreement had not been signed.

The management were clearly aware of my intentions in this regard.
- 6 - I have to inform the Council that the agreement as presented has not been signed.
- 7 - The Mine management appear to be reluctant to execute the agreement but, at the same time, have indicated informally that certain matters provided for in the agreement had been carried out.
- 8 - At this stage, I wish the Council to be aware of the situation as I see it. I now propose to formally invite the Company in correspondence to clarify beyond doubt,
 - (a) their intention with regard to the formal agreement, or
 - (b) any alternative intentions which they are considering.

I will ask the Company to conclude the matter in correspondence before the next meeting of the Council, at which time a further report will be placed before the members.
- 9 - In the meantime, as a separate issue, a Statutory Notice under the Water Pollution Act has been served on the company."

Councillor Ulick Burke stated that this is an important issue for present and future Councils and he praised the action taken by the County Manager and staff in the matter. He stated that there was now ample proof that the Mine Authorities were not prepared to spend money in order to leave the site in a proper state.

Replying to Councillor J. Burke, the County Manager stated that because mining commenced before the Planning Act, 1963, came into force, the Council lacks legal power with regard to certain aspects of rehabilitation work but he pointed out that two years ago, the Company had agreed to enter into an Agreement for rehabilitation of the Mine site.

The County Manager stated that a report will be prepared for the next meeting of the Council and will contain a copy of the agreement submitted to the Mine Authorities.

1583 - NEW LIBRARY AND FIRE STATION AT PORTUMNA:

The County Manager suggested that a formal opening of those buildings might be arranged and he suggested that the August Meeting of the County Council might be held in Portumna and that the formal opening would take place on that day.

The Council unanimously agreed to this suggestion.

1584 - ALLEGATIONS RE TOXIC WASTE IN ORANMORE:

Councillor M. Fahy asked the County Manager to clarify the position regarding rumours in connection with accumulations of Toxic Wastes in Oranmore as this was discouraging Industrialists from setting up business in Oranmore.

Councillor McCormack asked if the final I.I.R.S. report has yet been received and he asked if the County Manager could give some indication of the position to allay concern of local people regarding possible contamination of the river and other sources of water in the area.

The County Manager stated that he had asked the I.I.R.S. to prepare a report because of scare publicity which had occurred in connection with this matter. He stated, in particular, that an article in the Irish Press had stated that waste had been left on the site and that the County Council ignored expert advice concerning its disposal. He stated that this was completely untrue and it was published after an interview with a press reporter who was given the facts. He stated that despite all efforts which he had made since then the untruthful report had not been corrected by the paper. He stated that there were two aspects to this matter.

The first was that a small area of ground around the Maxan Factory had been contaminated possibly arising from the disposal of cartons over a period of years. Site investigations were carried out and a programme of monitoring watercourses in the area was undertaken. The results of the tests on the watercourses did not result in the discovery of any levels of contamination which required statutory action. Excavation of contaminated ground was undertaken in order to eliminate a possible source of leaching from contaminated material to watercourses. On the advice of the I.I.R.S., this material has been stored in a safe condition on the site while further monitoring continues. Further testing is to be carried out when the Water Table lowers sufficiently, and when all of this is done the toxic material will be disposed of under the direction of the I.I.R.S.

The second aspect of this matter is that for the past few months a rumour had been circulated in Oranmore that toxic waste was buried in another place adjoining the Maxan site. Despite all the efforts of the Council Officials, nobody could be found who knew anything definite about it or who could say that they saw material being buried there or who could point to a place where the material was alleged to have been buried. The owners of the site stated

that they are prepared to make an Affidavit that nothing whatever is buried there. It was agreed that in 1975 pending disposal, a quantity of chemicals from another factory were temporarily stored on the site but that those chemicals would in any event even if left on the site have disintegrated within three months. The owners are prepared to swear that the materials were removed from that site in 1975. However, the Council is carrying out further investigations in order to ascertain if there is any trace of the ingredients of the chemicals which were disposed of then in existence. He repeated that the Council failed to trace anything but rumour about this matter, that there is no evidence from anyone who has any definite information which would warrant further action.

Councillors McCormack and Fahy thanked the County Manager for the report and for the efforts put into the investigation and Councillor McCormack stated that this should put people in the area at ease. The County Manager stated that the I.I.R.S. report when received will be brought before the Council.

1585 - SYMPATHY:

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted with the following:

Mrs. W. Mannion, Annaghmore, Moylough.
Mr. Hubert Diskin, Lissatunna, Ardahan.
The Kearns Family, Coxstown, Ardahan.
Mrs. Michael Regan, Cloonboo, Currandulla.
Mrs. Patrick Culkin, Ryehill, Monivea.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

Edmund Hanley
CHAIRMAN

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TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a Special Meeting of Galway County Council to be held at County Buildings, Galway, on Friday next, 23th May, 1982, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

C. D. Dillaghall
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AGENDA

To consider the Road Works Scheme for 1982. (Copy of revised Road Works Scheme herewith).

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 28TH MAY, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy J. Callanan.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, Senator T. Byrne, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputies J. Donnellan, and F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P.J. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy M. P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, N. O'Conchubhair, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

An apology for inability to attend was received from the Chairman, Councillor B. Holland.

Officials: Messrs. S. Keating, County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; H. Kearns, Senior Staff Officer; S. McMahon, R. Faherty, Senior Executive Engineers; P.C. O'Connor, Acting Senior Executive Engineer; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1586 - R.T.E. PROGRAMME RE UDARAS NA GAELTACHTA:

On the proposition of Senator Killilea, seconded by Councillor O'Conchubhair, a resolution was adopted protesting to C.I.E. against the funeral scene in a recent R.T.E. programme in connection with Udaras na Gaeltachta and asking for an apology for the inclusion of this scene.

1587 - CONGRATULATIONS:

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by the Chairman, the Council congratulated Mr. Liam Skelly on his recent Election to Dail Eireann.

1588 - SYMPATHY:

The Council adopted resolutions of sympathy with Mr. Michael Tarmey, Moneen, Williamstown, and with Mrs. Delaney and Family, Moyola Park, Taylor's Hill, Galway, on their recent bereavements.

1589 - ROADWORKS SCHEME, 1982:

The County Manager stated that the purpose of the meeting is to present to the Council the Roadworks Scheme for 1982. He pointed out that this could not have been completed until notification had been received of the additional Road Grants made available by the Minister. The Scheme had now been prepared and was before the Members.

The County Engineer then gave an outline of the contents of the scheme which had been circulated to each Member.

Deputy Fahey asked that a hard shoulder would be provided for a half mile at each side of Kiltiernan National School and that the money for this purpose be deducted from the National Primary Grant from another part of the Gort Area. After discussion, it was agreed that the County Engineer would discuss this matter with the Department Inspector as the County Engineer stated that such funds could not be transferred without approval from the Department of the Environment.

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Deputy Fahey and other Members also asked that where Traffic Route Lighting is being provided, consideration should be given to utilising the existing lights being taken down to improve the existing Public Lighting Systems.

Deputy Donnellan stated that he was again proposing that money would be allocated in 1983 for improvement of the road near Brownsgrrove National School.

Deputy Kitt and other Members suggested that a special effort should be made to provide for Public Lighting at Churches, ^{halls} Schools, and at other locations throughout the County where the lack of lighting is creating a hazard. Deputy Kitt also asked for an estimate of the cost of improving the road to Fohenagh Cemetery which he proposed as a Notice of Motion Road and he and other Members also asked that Estimates for Notice of Motion Roads would be furnished as early as possible.

Councillor Murphy asked that an effort be made to provide some money for paths in Athenry, particularly for the restoration of paths which had been opened up by the Department of Posts and Telegraphs.

Councillor O'Conchubhair asked that an effort would be made to improve the condition of the road from Ridge's house at Costello to Derrynea Courthouse, and also the road into Rossaveal as well as the improvement of the road at Rinn, Carraroe, and the improvement of the Trachta Bridge.

Councillor O'Morain criticised the inadequacy of the funds allocated towards the maintenance and improvement of roads in Connemara and he stated that he understood that the Regional Grant was to be spent in the Connemara Area but that other areas had received allocations from it. He asked if money could be provided to improve the bridge at Camus and pointed out that there was a rapid deterioration of the road surfaces throughout Connemara.

Councillor Glynn complained that the increase in Road Grants this year was well below the inflation level and he asked that an effort would be made next year to improve the road from Milltown to the National School. He also asked if something could be done to avoid the breaking of windscreens.

Councillor Finnegan asked that steps be taken to relieve flooding on the road at Curragh West near the Post Office between Glinsk and Creggs. He complained that it takes a long time to get L.I.S. roads adopted as public roads.

Councillor Haverty asked that the Council speed up the provision of Traffic Route Lighting in Portumna and the improvement of the existing system following this and he also complained that signposting throughout the County is very bad. He also complained that the footpath is provided too far out onto the road at the school in Killimor and that this has created a dangerous condition. He asked that this matter would be examined and enquired if the space could be reserved for a school bus. Councillor Haverty also complained about flooding of roads in the Portumna, Tynagh, and Duniry Areas, and that steps should be taken immediately to relieve the flooding. He also asked that steps should be taken to improve the surface on the Stowlin Road. He considered that money allocated for hard shoulders should be spent on the road itself.

Councillor Molloy stated that nothing had been done this year with improvement of the road at Castlepark, Ballybane, and he asked that signs be provided at the two exits from a housing development in the area. He also considered that the speed limit should be moved out. He pointed out that the road to Menlo had been seriously damaged by heavy lorries employed by Lackagh Rock.

Councillor Ryan urged that steps should be taken to complete the Claregalway/Oranmore National Secondary Road and that the road to Carnmore to the Airport should be widened and repaired.

Councillor Bartley asked that the bend at the Cashel Hotel be eased and that retaining walls would be provided at dangerous points on the Maam Cross to Oughterard Road. He urged also that some of the money allocated for Regional Roads should be spent on the Roundstone and Ballyconneely Roads and on roads

in the Cashel Area, as well as North Letterfrack and Tullycross.

Senator Byrne also criticised the low level of grants in relation to inflation and he asked that Traffic Route Lighting would be provided in Craughwell and Oranmore this year.

Councillor Kilgannon stated that many roads will not receive treatment on a regular basis and he criticised the fact that motorists are now paying more in taxes and duties and they are getting less service for their money. He pointed out that roads are now being used for heavy vehicles for which they were not designed and that these are causing a traffic hazard. He considered that there is an urgent need for a road transport policy. He considered that the Monivea road should be upgraded and widened and he also criticised the signposting throughout the County.

Councillor M. Fahy asked that the old water pump at Ardrahan be removed and replaced with the 15th Century Cross and he asked also that something would be done to control parking at Labane, Lough Cutra, Kiltiernan, and Cregmahon.

Councillor Welby expressed approval of the proposal to provide footpaths in Moycullen and he asked that the Council would complete the roadwork at Cloonboo. He also asked that the Council would complete the work on the carpark in Oughterard and erect a boundary wall. He also asked that the Council would restore a sign which was on the carpark and which has been knocked down. In addition, he requested that an effort would be made to relieve flooding on a road at Rosscahill.

Councillor Ryan asked that the Council would extend the footpath to the Council's housing scheme at Moylough. He stated that a wall has been knocked onto the road at Clonberne Creamery and the place is being used for dumping of material. He asked that an effort would be made to clear the refuse and surface the area. He also asked that flooding in the Barnadery Area would be relieved. He requested that the Council would continue the major road improvement on the Newbridge/Mountbellew Road and he pointed out that work had stopped at a dangerous point possibly because of the non-availability of land.

Councillor Joyce referred to a previous motion which he had proposed in connection with the allocation of £1,000 from the allocation for Amenity Grants to be used for prizes for Tidy Towns on the Bord Failte list. He suggested that five prizes should be offered, - £300, £250, £200, £150, and £100. The Council agreed with Councillor Joyce's proposal that these prizes would be made available.

Councillor Joyce suggested that hedge-cutting needed greater attention in East Galway.

He asked that the Council would co-operate with a local sand-pit owner in Kellysgrove who wished to lower the public road in connection with his business and he pointed out that this would be to the advantage of the Council as well as to the sand pit owner concerned. He stated that safety was not mentioned in the Roadworks Scheme and he asked if the Youth Employment Scheme funds could be used for the easing of bends which is an urgent need in many areas. He stated that the Lenafin Road, Ahascragh, and a bridge are in a bad condition.

Councillor McCormack asked that work to improve the view at a bad bend near O'Toole's shop on the Headford/Claran road would be carried out. He expressed regret that no provision had been made for public lighting at Claran Church and Schools and at Maree Church.

Councillor Brennan stated that the expenditure on hard shoulders was excessive in relation to the benefits obtained and he suggested that this money should be re-allocated to more useful work. He suggested also that the Notice of Motion funds allocated to Councillors could be used more usefully in other areas.

The Chairman also referred to the need for improvement of the Public Lighting system in Portumna and stated that signposting is urgently needed at Attiregan, Trust and Ballyglass. He stated that it is obvious that the road to Fchenagh Cemetery will not be done by a Local Improvement Scheme and that an alternative to this proposal should be examined.

On the proposition of Deputy Donnellan, seconded by Councillor McCormack, the Council approved the expenditure of the additional sum of £360,000 on Roadworks in the current year, this being the amount of increased grants allocated by the Department of the Environment since the Estimates were adopted.

The County Engineer then replied to a number of queries raised by Members. He stated that traffic route lighting for Clarenbridge is expected to commence within a few weeks, that an order had been placed with the E.S.B. for traffic route lighting at Mackney, Ballinasloe, and at Oranmore, and Portumna. He stated that an estimate is awaited from the E.S.B. for traffic route lighting at Creagh, Ballinasloe. He informed Councillor Murphy that no proposals are on hands for the provision of Traffic Route Lighting in Athenry.

Replying to Councillor O'Morain regarding Regional Roads, he stated that the grants allocated were for Regional Roads generally and were not confined to any one area. The proposals for the use of this grant included the consideration of the need to spread employment over the entire County.

He stated that investigations would continue with the E.S.B. regarding the use of the old lights in Portumna when new traffic route lighting is provided, but he pointed out that the existing lights belonged to the E.S.B. He stated also that funds have been allocated for the renewal of road signs on the National Primary road from Ballinasloe to Galway which will show distances in Kilometres and he hoped that other allocations for signs would follow for other areas.

Referring to the question of hard shoulders, he stated that the Department of the Environment feels that hard shoulders make a big contribution to Road Safety and it is considered a mistake not to continue the provision of hard shoulders.

Referring to the question of hedge-cuttings, he stated that this is included in funds for ordinary maintenance but this work has to be restricted because of the curtailment of funds for maintenance of County Roads.

Regarding the use of Notice of Motion funds for other purposes, he stated that whenever the County Council discussed this matter, it was generally against any change in the system and it was pointed out that any such work must be within the roads category as it is under this heading the funds are allocated.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & UNFORMED:

Edward Hanley CHAIRMAN

28th June 1982 DATE

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TO EACH MEMBER OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL/

Dear Member,

re: Death of Mr. John Callanan, T.D., Co.C., Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman requests that you would attend a special meeting of Galway County Council to be held at the County Buildings, Galway,

on Friday - 18th June, 1982,
commencing at
4.30 p.m.

The meeting is being called to enable Members to express their appreciation of the public service given by the late Deputy Callanan and to convey sympathy to his wife and family.

Yours sincerely,

K. DOYLE,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
(Galway County Council)

Oifig an Runai,
Áras an Chontae,
GAILLIMH.

22u Meitheamh, 1982.

CHUIG GACH BALL DE'N CHOMHAIRLE/

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe a tionólfar ins na Foirgnithe Chontae, Gaillimh, De Luain, 28u Meitheamh, 1982, nuair a bheas críoch leis an Cruinniú Bliantiúil.

Mise, le meas,

C. O'DUBHSHALL,
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 requires the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Joe Burke to erect a dwellinghouse in Rosscahill. - Planning Ref. No. 42277."
Thomas Welby. John Molloy. Nioclás O Conchubhair.
 - (b) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Outline Planning Permission for the erection of two dwellinghouses to Mrs. Ann Kelly, Caherbriscaun, Athenry. Planning Ref. No. 42796."
Tony Murphy. Patrick Ruane. Frank Fahey.
 - (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 Outline Permission to M. Conroy of Gannoughs, Claddaghduff, Co. Galway, for dwellinghouse at Gannoughs. - Planning Ref. No. 37747."
John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. Thomas Welby.
 - (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 Permission to Nora Bean Uí Laoín of Aillebrack, Ballyconneely, Co. Galway, for a dwellinghouse at Silverhill. - Planning Ref. No. 42774."
John M. Mannion. G. Bartley. 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 Brian Martyn of Gortnaleam, Dunmore, Co. Galway, for 7 houses at Drum, Tuam, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42790."

John Donnellan. John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M.J. Kilgannon.

- (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 Outline Permission to Michael Smith of Clashrue, Tuam, for serviced warehousing development at Kilmore, Tuam. - Planning Ref. No. 42608."

Mark Killilea. Patrick Finnegan. Thomas Welby.

- (g) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Michael Forde for the erection of a dwellinghouse and septic tank at Kiernaun. - Planning Ref. No. 42838."

Thomas Welby. John Molloy. Michael Fahy.

- (h) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant planning permission to Jarlath O'Connor for full planning permission for a housing development at Kinvara, Co. Galway. - Planning Ref. No. 42667."

John Donnellan. M.J. Kilgannon. P. McCormack.
Toddie Byrne. Michael Ryan.

- (i) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Mrs. Mary Quinn, B.P. Filling Station, Labane, Co. Galway, for the erection of a Filling Station, Residence, Cafe, Toilet, Garage and Accessory Shop, at Ballylara, Labane, Ardahan. - Planning Ref. No. 42833."

Michael Fahy. Edward Haverty. Tony Murphy.

- (j) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Mrs. Anne Martyn, "Villa Maria", Stradbally North, Clarinbridge, Co. Galway, for the erection of advertising signs. - Planning Ref. No. 42549."

Michael Fahy. Edward Haverty. Mark Killilea. Frank Fahey.

- (k) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Permission to Patrick Burke of Castlecreevey, Currandulla, for housing development (four houses) at Castlecreevey. - Planning Reference No. 40330."

Mark Killilea. John Molloy. Michael Fahy.

- (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 Planning Permission to Martin Fleming of Clough, Cummer, Tuam, for a dwellinghouse at Tawnaghmore. - Planning Ref. No. 42376."

John M. Mannion. Michael Ryan. M. J. Kilgannon. J. Donnellan.

- (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 Planning Permission for the erection of a Filling Station and Garage in the townland of Greeneenagh, Loughrea, on the Dublin Road. - Planning Ref. No. 42139."

TONY MURPHY. MICHAEL RYAN. PAUL CONNAUGHTON.
P. MCCORMACK. MICHAEL FAHY.

- (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 Planning Permission for the erection of a chalet block to William O'Sullivan, Cornamona, Co. Galway, - Planning Ref. No. 42135."

Nicolas O Conchubhair. Mark Killilea. Thomas Welby.

- (o) "That in accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, Galway County Council requires the County Manager to decide to grant Planning Permission to Sean Kelly for the erection of a new house and septic tank at Pollaghrevagh, Claregalway. - Planning Ref. No. 42146."

Patrick Ruane. P. McCormack. John Molloy.

- (p) "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 Tom Collins for the erection of a dwellinghouse and farm building at Garraun South, Oranmore. - Planning Reference Numbers 41671 and 41672."

Thomas Welby. Mark Killilea. N. O'Conchubhair.

2. Minutes.
3. Sale of land - 23 square perches at Townparks, 2nd Division, Tuam, to Mr. P. Murphy. (Notice dated 17th June, 1982.)
4. Sale of House at Castlequarter, Currandulla, to Thomas & Bridget Nolan. (Notice dated 13th May, 1982.)
5. Working Party on Register of Electors, etc. - Copy of correspondence from Department of the Environment, herewith.
6. Re-Allocation of expenditure 1980.
7. Raising of loan of £56,000 for Portumna Water Supply.
8. Raising of loan of £45,000 for extension of Galway Fire Station.
9. Raising of supplementary loan of £8,250 for Knocknacarra Sewerage Scheme.
10. Raising of loan of £3,790 - contribution to cost of Aillebrack, Ballyconneely Group Water Supply Scheme.
11. Additional Capital Allocation of £430,000 for Local Authority Housing.
12. Additional Capital Allocation of £150,000 for Water and Sewerage Schemes.
13. Restructuring of Fire Service - Report to follow.
14. Appoint Committee for each Electoral Area to consider recommendations on Speed Limits.
15. Rehabilitation of Tynagh Mine.

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16. Casual Trading Act, 1980. - Report herewith.
17. Litter Bill, 1982. - Report herewith.
18. Housing (Private Rented Dwellings) Act, 1982. - Report herewith.
19. Malicious Damage Decrees.
20. Business submitted by the County Manager.

5.

COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:

1. That Galway County Council delete from the County Development Plan the proposed by-pass at Loughrea, which is written into the Plan, as I understand the Planning Authority have agreed an alternative by-pass.

COUNCILLOR JAMES JOYCE - I will propose:

2. That seeing that the present Council has now passed mid-term, I propose that we recommend to future Councils that they give representation on the various Sub-Committees in accordance with the numerical strength of the various political groupings in the Council.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

3. That this Council calls on the Government to amend Article 40 of the Constitution to guarantee the right to life to the unborn.
4. That the Oireachtas members of this Council be asked to use appropriate means within Government to ensure that Galway County Council gets sufficient funds to complete its projected work.

COUNCILLORS M.J. KILGANNON, J. BRENNAN, DEPUTY PAUL CONNAUGHTON, AND COUNCILLOR J. JOYCE - We will propose:

5. That this Council ask C.I.E. to provide an adequate service in the passenger and freight areas and propose that morning rail stops be reprovided at Woodlawn and Attymon Stations for people seeking to travel to Ballinasloe and Dublin.

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

6. That Galway County Council examine the possibility of having a Refuse Collection Service provided by Private Refuse Collection Firms and paid for by local communities throughout the County.

SENATOR MARK KILLILEA - I will propose:

7. That the County Councillors have a full and frank discussion on the recent policy of the County Council to install on the schedules of planning permissions sums of money as contributions to be made payable to the Planning Authority.

OTHER MOTIONS RECEIVED

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will ask:

8. The position with regard to submission of details for the public inquiry and compulsory purchase order to the Department of the Environment for the Gort Regional Water Supply Scheme.

DEPUTY JOHN DONNELLAN - I will propose:

9. That Galway County Council take the necessary steps to have the illegal caravan park at Knocknacarra, Salthill, closed down.

COUNCILLOR FRANK GLYNN - I will propose:

10. That the next section of the Tuam/Milltown National Primary Road commence in Milltown Village in 1982/83 in order to make the road safe for children attending the National School.
11. That funds be made available to straighten the "S" bend between Lavelles and Hehirs, Kilgevrin, in order to make more parking space available at Kilgevrin Cemetery.

SENATOR JOHN M. MANNION - I will propose:

- 12. That two lights be provided at the Church in Cashel.

COUNCILLOR JOE BURKE - I will propose:

- 13. That Galway County Council finalise arrangements with the Board of Works so that work be carried out in Autumn 1982. (River Nanny Drainage)

COUNCILLOR PADRAIC McCORMACK - I will propose:

- 15. That Galway County Council lower the level of a gullet under the Truskey West, Barna, road at Mattie Walsh's land as in the present state, it is causing flooding.
- 16. That the County Council improve the view at a number of dangerous bends on the Treanlawn/Maree road near Sean Greally's house and the G.A.A. Pitch.
- 17. What is the up-to-date position re the provision of extra land for a burial ground in Moycullen.

COUNCILLOR EDWARD HAVERTY - I will propose:

- 18. That Galway County Council would relieve bends on the road leading to Sonnagh School at Seamer's lodge in Monaghan's land in the Ballinagrieve area.

AN COMHAIRLEOIR NIOCLAS O CONCHUBHAIR - Molaim:

- 19. That the Galway County Council hold a public inquiry into the causes of pollution of Costello Bay ^{and} Rossaveal.
- 20. Bothar an Rinn, An Cheathru Rua, a dheisiu.
- 21. An Bothar chuig an tanc uisce ag an Druim, Leitirmoir, agus go dti an Caladh Ban a dheisiu.

DEPUTY FRANK FAHEY - I will propose:

- 22. That the County Council draw-up a scheme for the improvement of the Craughwell Water Supply Scheme under the small water and sewerage scheme's programme.

COUNCILLOR THOMAS WELBY - I will propose:

- 23. What is the present position regarding the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Barna.
- 24. Will the traffic route lighting for Oughterard and Moycullen be carried out before the coming Winter.
- 25. A resolution requesting the Minister for the Environment to sanction the proposed Galway West Water Scheme which includes the erection of a Reservoir at Tonabrucky and trunk mains to Moycullen and Barna.

COUNCILLOR JOE BRENNAN - I will propose:

- 26. That Councillors be allowed to spend Notice Of Motion Roads Money on alternative schemes.

DEPUTY MICHAEL P. KITT - I will propose:

- 27. That the 40 m.p.h. Speed Limit be restored to it's original position on the Urban Boundary Road at Patrick Clarke's House, Mackney, Ballinasloe, and that a new 30 m.p.h. Speed Limit be erected at Mrs. Geraghty's house, Mackney.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
GALWAY.

17th June, 1982.

TO EACH MEMBER/

Pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to dispose of a plot of land, as set out hereunder:-

Land Acquired From: Miss Eileen Burke

Location: Townsparks, 2nd Division, Tuam.

Area: 23 sq. perches (0.143 ac.).

To whom land is to be transferred: Mr. P. J. Murphy, Chapel Lane, Tuam.

Consideration in respect of Disposal: Mr. Murphy has given the Council 1 rood 6 sq. perches (0.287 Ac.) of land for use as an entrance to a carpark.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next monthly meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

Signed : 
County Secretary.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

Ref. No. 63/3/1419

13th. May, 1982

To: Each Member:-

Pursuant to Section 33 of the Local Government Act, 1946 and in accordance with Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as amended by Section 4 of the Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) Act, 1978, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to sell a dwelling owned by the Council to a tenant.

The particulars are as follows:-

Land Acquired From:- Mrs. Bridget Nolan, Castlequarter, Corrandulla, Co. Galway.

Location:- Castlequarter, Corrandulla, Co. Galway.

Person to Whom House is Proposed to be Sold:-

Thomas & Bridget Nolan of: Castlequarter, Corrandulla, Co. Galway.

The sale will be in fee simple

The sale price after making appropriate deductions is £7,676.

The conditions to be included in the sale will contain, among others:-

the conditions as specified in the Form of Transfer Order prescribed in the Housing Regulations, 1980.

This matter will appear on the Agenda for consideration at the next meeting of the Council which will be held after the expiration of 10 days from the date of this Notice.

K. Doyle,
Secretary.

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree including costs
1. Sr. Baptist Egan, Holy Trinity School, Mervue, Galway.	Damage to two windows	Borough of Galway.	£33.84	£139.40
2. Margaret Casserley, Ballindooly, Co. Galway.	Damage to hayshed and contents.	County at Large	£3,000.00	£3,130.50
3. Joseph Moran, The Weir, Kilcolgan, Co. Galway.	Hayshed, burned and destroyed	D.E.D. Clarenbridge	£1,000.00.	£750.10
4. Martin Nohilly, Grealishtown, Bohermore, Galway.	damage to plate glass window.	Borough of Galway	£236.00	£179.94
5. Martin Lally, c/o Blake & Kenny, St. Francis St., Galway.	malicious damage to motorcar	Borough of Galway	£50.00	£95.75
6. Elizabeth Copperwhite, 14, St. Helens St., Galway.	damage to two panes of plate glass windows	Borough of Galway.	£200.00	£326.83
7. James Cunningham, c/o Blake & Kenny, St. Francis St., Galway.	damage to one cash booth and bulbs	Borough of Galway	£200.00	£210.20
8. The Trustees of the Sisters of Jesus & Mary, c/o Blake & Kenny, Solicitors, Galway.	damage to six windows and one door with glass	Borough of Galway.	£116.49	£170.90

MALICIOUS DAMAGE DECREES

Name and Address	Particulars of Claim	Area of Charge	Amount of Claim	Amount of Decree including costs
9. Stewart Homes Ltd., 43 Lower Salthill, Galway.	damage to chain link fencing	Borough of Galway.	£300.00	£359.44
10. Hibernian Insurance Co.	damage to 16 glass windows	Borough of Galway	£1,000.00	£588.05
11. Thomas McDonogh & Sons Ltd., Merchants Road, Galway.	damage to one plate glass window	Borough of Galway	£101.30	£223.98
12. Patrick Simon, High St., Galway.	damage to property	Borough of Galway	£200.00	£179.16
13. Anne Keane, 14 Lenaboy Ave., Salthill, Galway.	damage to slates, down pipe and eveshoot	Borough of Galway	£200.00	£151.03
14. Thomas McDonogh & Sons Ltd., Merchants Road, Galway.	damage to .8 glass window	Borough of Galway	£80.34	£176.05
15. Thomas McDonogh & Sons Ltd., Merchants Road, Galway.	damage to one glass window	Borough of Galway	£263.62	£221.93
16. McDonogh Fisons Ltd., Merchants Road, Galway.	Damage to bags of fertiliser	Borough of Galway.	£97.35	£130.98

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT
THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON FRIDAY, 18TH JUNE, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor B. Holland.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator T. Byrne, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputies J. Donnellan and F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, E. Haverty, J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Deputy M.P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J.M. Mannion, Councillors J. Molloy, T. Murphy, N. O'Conchubhair, P. O'Foighil, M. O'Morain, P. Ruane, M. Ryan, and T. Welby.

Officials: Messrs. P. Kearns, Acting County Manager; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; K. Hays, Acting Deputy County Engineer; P. O'Connor, Acting Senior Executive Engineer; Misses C. Hett, Senior Staff Officer; M. Nolan, C. Burke, and J. Forde, Staff Officers; Messrs. T. Kavanagh, Administrative Officer; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; D. Barrett, H. Kearns, and T. Murphy, Senior Staff Officers; and K. Doyle, County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1590 - DEATH OF COUNCILLOR J. CALLANAN, T.D.:

The Chairman stated that this special meeting had been called to enable Members to pay tribute to the late Deputy Callanan who he stated was a most hard working and dedicated Councillor and Dail Deputy and who was most popular with all sections of the community. He paid tribute to the late Deputy Callanan's ability to present his views clearly and concisely in the Council Chamber and in the Dail and made the welfare of the people in general his first priority. He extended his sincere sympathy to the wife and family of Deputy Callanan.

Deputy Kitt thanked all those who had paid a public tribute to the late Deputy Callanan during the past few days. The late Deputy, he stated, had worked unselfishly for the welfare of the people in general, he defended the rights of Councillors and his public life was dedicated to improving the lot of the underprivileged. He paid tribute to his work in Macra na Feirme, the G.A.A. and other organisations. Deputy Kitt joined in the expression of sympathy to the family of the late Deputy.

Deputy Donnellan also expressed his sympathy with the family and expressed sincere regret at the death of Deputy Callanan who he stated was an excellent public representative. His hard work had presented a problem to all public representatives to try to keep up with the standard of hard work and dedication which Deputy Callanan had exemplified.

Councillor Joyce, joining in the expressions of sympathy with the family of the late Deputy, and in the tributes which had been paid to him by other Members also, stated that he had been asked by the family to state that they appreciated the assistance given to Deputy Callanan at the County Buildings where he became ill on the 14th instant. He also conveyed the thanks of the family to the medical and nursing staff of the Regional Hospital who spared no effort when Deputy Callanan was admitted to the hospital.

All other Members present joined in the expressions of sympathy and in the tributes to Deputy Callanan for his untiring dedication to the welfare of the community.

Mr. Kearns, Acting County Manager, stated that Mr. Keating, County Manager, was out of the country on official business, and on his behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Council, he joined with the Members in the expressions of sympathy with the family of the late Deputy. He paid tribute to Mr. Callanan's work as a Councillor and a public representative and he stated that he was a highly respected Member of the County Council and other Bodies. He had a clear understanding of the powers and responsibilities of Councillors and one could not be but impressed by his devotion to what he saw as his duty as a public representative.

Mr. Howlett, Assistant County Manager, also joined in the expressions of sympathy and in the tributes which had been paid to the late Deputy Callanan.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

Edward Hunt
CHAIRMAN

26/7/82.
DATE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 28TH JUNE, 1982.

IN THE CHAIR: (a) Councillor B. Holland.
(b) Councillor E. Haverty.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator T. Byrne, Deputy P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, Deputy Michael D. Higgins, Councillors J. Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy Michael P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J. 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. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; L. Kavanagh, R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineers; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; H. Kearns, D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; and T. Kavanagh, Acting County Secretary.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

1591 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN 1982/83:

The outgoing Chairman, Councillor B. Holland thanked all the Members of the Council, the County Manager, and staff for their co-operation during his term of office as Chairman. He said it was the highlight of his career and a great honour for him to be Chairman of Galway County Council. He regretted the death of Deputy Callanan which occurred during his term of office.

Councillor Kilgannon and other Members paid tribute to Councillor Holland for the efficient and impartial manner in which he had carried out his duties as Chairman and said that he had enhanced the role of the Chair.

Deputy Kitt then proposed that Councillor Haverty be elected Chairman for the year 1982/83. Cuidigh an Comhairleoir O Morain leis an run seo.

As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared Councillor Haverty elected Chairman of Galway County Council for the year 1982/83 and invested him with the Chain of Office. Councillor Haverty then took the Chair.

Councillor Haverty said that it was a great honour for him to be selected as Chairman of Galway County Council after 15 years in public life. He thanked his party for nominating him and all other Members saying that it was particularly pleasing to have been elected without a vote. He said he would carry out his duties to the best of his ability and referred to the question of improving the layout of the Council Chamber for conducting meetings.

Deputy Connaughton and all other Members congratulated Councillor Haverty on his election.

1592 - ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 1982/83:

Councillor Coogan proposed that Councillor O'Foighil be appointed Vice-Chairman for 1982/83. This was seconded by Senator Mannion.

Deputy Kitt proposed Councillor Welby as Chairman for 1982/83 and this was seconded by Senator Killilea. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR O'FOIGHIL: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator Byrne, Deputy Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillors Glynn and Haverty, Deputy Higgins, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, and Ryan.

(17)

FOR COUNCILLOR WELBY: Councillor Bartley, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, and Welby.

(13)

The Chairman declared Councillor O'Foighil elected as Vice-Chairman of Galway County Council for the year 1982/83.

Ghabh an Comhairleoir O'Foighil buiochas do gach einne da bharr a thoghadh mar leas-chathaoirleach. Dúirt se gur an-onor do bheith in a leas-Chathaoirleach ar Chomhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe.

Councillor Welby and other Members congratulated Councillor O'Foighil on his Election.

1593 - VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were passed to Miss Julia Forde, Staff Officer, on the death of her brother and to the relatives of Jack Holohan, who was a former Member of Galway County Council. A minute's silence was observed.

1594 - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:

Deputy Donnellan proposed Councillor Ryan for the first vacancy and this was seconded by Councillor Brennan.

Deputy Kitt proposed that the three out-going members be re-elected. This was seconded by Senator Killilea.

A vote was taken for or against Deputy Kitt's amendment and resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, and Welby.

(14)

AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator Byrne, Deputy Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillor Glynn, Deputy Higgins, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, and Ryan.

(16)

The Chairman declared the amendment lost.

It was then agreed that Councillor Ryan and Councillor Molloy would fill the first two vacancies.

Deputy Kitt proposed Councillor Haverty for the third vacancy and this was seconded by Councillor Joyce. Deputy Donnellan proposed Councillor McCormack for the third vacancy and was seconded by Councillor O'Foighil.

A vote was taken which resulted as follows:

FOR COUNCILLOR HAVERTY: Councillor Bartley, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, and Welby.

(14)

FOR COUNCILLOR MCCORMACK: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator Byrne, Deputy Connaughton, Councillor Coogan, Deputy Donnellan, Councillor Glynn, Deputy Higgins, Councillors Holland, Kilgannon, McCormack, Senator Mannion, Councillors O'Foighil, Ruane, and Ryan.

(16)

The Chairman declared Councillor McCormack together with Councillors Molloy and Ryan elected as representatives to the County Councils' General Council for the year 1982/83.

1595 - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GALWAY/MAYO REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT GROUP:

As the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council are ex-officio members of the Galway/Mayo Regional Development Organisation, only 4 vacancies remained to be filled.

Councillor Joyce proposed that the out-going members be re-elected and was seconded by Deputy Kitt. Deputy Donnellan proposed Senator Mannion for the first vacancy and was seconded by Councillor Brennan. Councillor Glynn proposed Deputy Higgins for the second seat and was seconded by Deputy Donnellan.

After some discussion, Councillor Glynn proposed that the four out-going Members be re-elected excepted that Senator Mannion be substituted for Councillor Coogan. This was seconded by Deputy Higgins and agreed.

The Chairman then declared Deputy Higgins, Senator Mannion, Councillor O'Morain and Deputy F. Fahey, together with the Chairman, (Councillor Haverty) and Vice-Chairman (Councillor O'Foighil) appointed as representatives on the Galway/Mayo Regional Development Organisation for 1982/83.

1596 - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GALWAY/MAYO REGIONAL ARTS COMMITTEE:

Deputy Donnellan proposed Fintan Coogan Jnr., to fill the vacancy. This was seconded by Councillor Brennan.

There was doubt as to whether or not the person appointed must be a member of the County Council, and therefore, it was decided to leave the filling of this vacancy over to the July meeting.

1597 - APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY LIBRARIES' COMMITTEE:

On the proposition of Councillor O'Morain, seconded by Deputy Higgins, it was agreed that all the out-going members would be re-elected except that Mr. Alf McLoughlin, M.A., Librarian, U.C.G., would replace Mr. C. Townley, former Librarian, U.C.G. The following Members were then declared elected to the County Libraries Committee for 1982/83:

Councillor J. Brennan, Sarsfield Road, Ballinasloe.
 Senator J. Mannion, Main Street, Clifden, Co. Galway.
 Councillor M.J. Kilgannon, Monaveen, Woodlawn, Ballinasloe.
 Councillor M. Ryan, Moate, Moylough, Ballinasloe.
 Mr. Patrick Hynes, Loughrea.
 Mr. Frank Donoghue, Coolfin, Abbey, Loughrea.
 Mr. Padraic Conneely, 5, Upper Newcastle, Galway.
 Mrs. Mary Burke, Kiltelva, Dunmore.
 Mrs. Margaret Stewart, 17, Lr. Newcastle, Galway.
 Mr. Fintan Coogan, Jnr., Menlo, Galway.
 Mr. Alf. McLoughlin, M.A., Librarian, U.C.G.
 Councillor N. O'Conchubhair, Lettermore, Co. Galway.
 Councillor P. Finnegan, 9, Curragh Park, Tuam.
 Councillor E. Haverty, Lissaniska, Killimor, Ballinasloe.
 Councillor M. Fahy, Caherduff, Ardahan.
 Deputy P. Fahey, Kilbeacanty, Gort, Co. Galway.
 Councillor T. Welby, Oughterard.
 Deputy M.P. Kitt, Co.C., Lehenagh, Castleblakeney, Ballinasloe.
 Mrs. Maura Croffey, Creagh, Ballinasloe.
 Mr. Sean Fahy, Killimor, Ballinasloe.

Three vacancies remained to be filled and these would be filled by representatives nominated by Galway Corporation and Ballinasloe U.D.C.

1598 - APPOINTMENT OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 1982/83:

Deputy Donnellan proposed that all the out-going Members (Full Members and Honorary Members) be appointed except that Mr. Norman Morgan would replace the late Very Rev. Canon Quinn as a full member. This was seconded by Councillor Brennan.

Councillor Joyce proposed that Mr. Frank Burke, N.T., Abbey, be elected as an Honorary Member. This was seconded by Councillor U. Burke.

Councillor Holland proposed that Mr. Eoin Kennedy, 27 Hollygrove, Lisbeglawn, Renmore, be appointed as an Honorary Member and this was seconded by Senator Killilea.

All three proposals were agreed and the Chairman then declared the Membership of the National Monuments Advisory Committee for 1982/83 as follows:

Full Members: Rev. P.K. Egan, P.P., Portumna.
 Mr. Norman Morgan, Bride Street, Loughrea.
 Mr. Martin Joyce, N.T., Aghrim, 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. J.J. Molloy, Milltown.
 Mr. James Joyce, Co.C., Lawrencetown, Ballinasloe.

Honorary Members: Mr. Tom Fanning, Dept. of Archaeology, U.C.G.
 Mr. Garry O'Lochlainn, 63, Cruachan Park, Galway.
 Mr. Miko Kelly, Church View, Tuam.
 Councillor Padraic McCormack, 3, Renmore Park, Galway.
 Councillor Thomas Welby, Oughterard.
 Mr. Patrick Holland, Dept. of Archaeology, U.C.G.
 Mr. Frank Burke, N.T., Abbey, Loughrea.
 Mr. Eoin Kennedy, 27, Hollygrove, Lisbeglawn, Renmore, Galway.

1599 - APPOINTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION (GRANTS) COMMITTEE FOR 1982/83:

Deputy Donnellan proposed that all the out-going Members of the Committee be re-appointed for 1982/83. This was seconded by Senator Killilea, and agreed. The Chairman then declared the following to be the Members of the Higher Education (Grants) Committee for 1982/83:

BALLINASLOE: Councillor Joe Brennan, Sarsfield Road, Ballinasloe.
 Councillor M.J. Kilgannon, Monaveen, Woodlawn, Ballinasloe.
 The President, St. Joseph's College, Garbally, Ballinasloe.
 Mr. Michael Hogan, Caltra, Ballinasloe.
 The Principal, Convent of Mercy, Ballinasloe.

CONNEMARA: The Headmaster, Community School, Clifden.
 Mr. Tom Connolly, Clifden, Co. Galway.
 The Headmaster, Community School, Carna.
 Mr. Brendan Flynn, Community School, Clifden.
 Mr. Micheal O Flatharta, Carraroe.

GALWAY: Mrs. B. Whoriskey, Devon Park, Galway.
 Mr. Fintan A. Coogan, Jnr., Menlo, Galway.
 Sr. Brigid, Secondary School, Oughterard.
 Mr. Danny Howley, 58, Glenard Crescent, Salthill, Galway.
 Councillor Micheal G. O'Higgins, Taylor's Hill, Galway.

LOUGHREA: 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: Sr. Dorothy Sommers, Currylea, Secondary School, Tuam.
 The President, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam.
 The Headmaster, Vocational School, Tuam.
 Rev. Mother, Mercy Convent, Tuam.
 Sr. Nuala Courtney, Presentation Convent, Headford.

1600 - APPOINTMENT OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE FOR 1982/83:

Councillor Joyce proposed that the out-going committee be re-elected and that the vacancy caused by the death of Deputy Callanan be filled at the next Council meeting after the co-option. This was seconded by Deputy Kitt and agreed. The Chairman then declared the following appointed to the Sheep Dipping Committee for 1982/83 with one further vacancy to be filled:

Mr. Hugh Melvin, Ganty, Craughwell.
 Councillor Thomas Welby, Oughterard, Co. Galway.
 Councillor Michael Ryan, Moate, Moylough, Ballinasloe.
 Councillor Patrick Ruane, Carnmore, Oranmore.
 Mr. Joseph Higgins, Castletambert, Athenry.
 Councillor Frank Glynn, Cartron, Milltown, Tuam.
 Mr. John O'Connor, Kinturla, Kinvara.
 Mr. Hubert Reynolds, Gort na Grough, Roscahill, Co. Galway.
 Mr. P. Thornton, Carragarew, Maam.
 Mr. Mark Canavan, Glann, Oughterard.
 Councillor Tony Murphy, Willmount, Athenry.
 Councillor Padraic McCormack, 3, Renmore Park, Galway.

WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE RAISED

1601 - SHELLFISH RESEARCH LABORATORY AT CARNA:

Councillor O'Morain referred to the Shellfish Research Laboratory at Carna which he said was in danger of being closed because of the present financial situation and he proposed that the following resolution be sent to the Taoiseach's Office:

"That Galway County Council request the Taoiseach to intervene immediately in the present crisis in the U.C.G. Shellfish Research Laboratory in Carna - that he ensure that adequate continuity of funding be made available and that the present crisis never be allowed to occur again."

The resolution was seconded by Councillor McCormack and passed unanimously.

1602 - BRIQUETTE FACTORY AT BALLYFORAN:

Councillor Kilgannon proposed the following resolution regarding the proposed briquette factory at Ballyforan. He said that there were 600 jobs involved and he called on the Government to proceed with the development as originally planned -

"That this Council calls on Bord na Mona and the Government to proceed immediately with the proposed briquette factory at Ballyforan as originally proposed."

The resolution was seconded by Councillor Joyce and passed unanimously.

1603 - UNAUTHORISED DEVELOPMENT AT FURBO STRAND:

Councillor McCormack raised the question of unauthorised development which had commenced on a site at Furbo Strand. Several Planning Applications had been refused on the site and he asked that the Council take an Injunction against the developers. Councillor Welby said that an application for retention was being lodged. Deputy Higgins supported Councillor McCormack. He said that development had taken place without permission and this was making a mockery of the Planning Act.

The County Manager stated that a statutory notice had been served on the developers and the Acting Law Agent had been asked to get Council's advice in regard to legal proceedings.

1604 - SEWAGE PROBLEM AT COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT AT CLARENBRIDGE:

Deputy F. Fahey said that there was a sewage overflow problem at the Council's housing development in Clarenbridge and he asked that the Council take whatever steps are necessary to remedy the position and instal a proper system.

1605 - REFUSE DUMP AT OUGHTERARD:

Councillor Welby raised the question of the refuse dump at Oughterard saying that it was causing very serious problems for local people and said that in his opinion the dump should be closed.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

SUBMITTED, APPROVED & CONFIRMED:

John A. Harty CHAIRMAN

26/7/82 DATE

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MONTHLY MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON MONDAY, 28TH JUNE, 1982, AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor E. Haverty.

ALSO PRESENT:

Members: As recorded in the Attendance Book.

Councillors G. Bartley, J. Brennan, J. Burke, U. Burke, Senator T. Byrne, Deputy P. Connaughton, Councillor F. Coogan, Deputy J. Donnellan, Deputy F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, P. Finnegan, F. Glynn, Deputy Michael D. Higgins, Councillors Holland, Joyce, M.J. Kilgannon, Senator M. Killilea, Deputy Michael P. Kitt, Councillor P. McCormack, Senator J. 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; J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager; J. Crotty, Acting County Engineer; L. Kavanagh, R. Killeen, Senior Executive Engineers; E. Lusby, Finance Officer; H. Kearns, D. Barrett, Senior Staff Officers; and T. Kavanagh, Acting County Secretary.

1606 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42277 - APPLICANT: JOE BURKE.

The County Manager stated that Planning Permission had been granted in this case.

1607 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42796 - APPLICANT: MRS. ANN KELLY.

The County Manager stated that Outline Permission had been granted in this case.

1608 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 37747 - APPLICANT: M. CONROY.

The County Manager informed the Council that a request for further information had issued in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1609 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42774 - APPLICANT: NORA BEAN UI LAOIN.

The County Manager stated that this site was adjacent to Connemara Golf Links. The decision period was extended to the 31st July, 1982, and he suggested that the resolution be deferred to the July meeting to enable discussions to take place. Senator Mannion agreed to defer the resolution to the July meeting.

1610 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42970 - BRIAN MARTYN.

The County Manager informed the Council that a request for further information had issued in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1611 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42608 - APPLICANT: MICHAEL SMITH.

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

"BACKGROUND:

The proposed site is located on the Tuam to Galway National Primary Route, about two miles south-west of Tuam. It is a low-lying boggy site and is located outside of the Tuam Speed Limit area.

There has been one previous application on this site by the same applicant, which was refused by the Planning Authority for traffic reasons. This decision was not appealed by the applicant.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The proposed warehousing development located on the national primary route where the max speed limit applies, would be a serious contravention of the County Development Plan which wholly restricts all commercial and industrial development on this route. Moreover, this development would contribute to a traffic hazard, because the traffic turning movements generated by a warehousing development would seriously interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route.

The proposed warehouses, would be serviced by septic tanks which in the opinion of the Chief Medical Officer would constitute a health hazard because of the unsuitable boggy nature of the site.

There is no satisfactory water supply available for this development. The applicant proposes concrete rain water tanks which in the opinion of the Planning Authority would be unsuitable.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Refusal is recommended for the above reasons.

NOTE: There was no consultation with the Planning Assistant on this application."

The resolution set out on the Agenda was proposed by Senator Killilea. He said that the area had previously been used for dumping. Taking Coca Cola and other developments, he said that this was a normal extension of the town boundary and would give employment. If the Cloonmore Group Water Scheme was approved, this would be a source of water supply for the development. He said the septic tank could be made extra large to get over any health problem. The resolution was seconded by Councillor Finnegan who said that the proposed development could only improve the situation visually.

Councillor Brennan said that there were two strong reasons in the Manager's report why the application should be refused and he proposed that it be refused on those grounds. Councillor J. Burke said that the access to the site was not directly onto the main road and that with suitable conditions imposed, he could see no objection to the development. As there was no seconder for Councillor Brennan's proposal, the Chairman declared the resolution set out on the Agenda passed.

1612 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42838 - APPLICANT: MICHAEL FORDE.

The County Manager stated that a request for further information had issued in this case.

Councillor Welby proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda. He said the applicant was seeking Permission for a new farmhouse on a farm of 40 acres, the old farmhouse being required for Members of the family. The County Manager stated that this information would be taken into account

in deciding the application. Senator Killilea said that he saw no reason why permission should be delayed. It was agreed to defer the resolution to the next meeting.

1613 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42667 - APPLICANT: JARLATH O'CONNOR.

The County Manager informed the Council that a request for further information had issued in this case. The resolution set out on the Agenda was not, therefore, proposed.

1614 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42833 - APPLICANT: MRS. MARY QUINN.

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

"BACKGROUND

The proposed development site is located on the Labane Bye-Pass Route where the maximum speed limit would apply. Expenditure to date on this bye-pass route has been £290,620 and another £70,000 approximately is required to complete it.

There have been two previous applications on this site, both of which have been refused by the Planning Authority. Neither decision has been appealed to An Bord Pleanala.

Outline permission (P. Ref. No. 8144) was granted to Mrs. Mary Quinn in March 1971 for a dwellinghouse, shop, store, petrol pumps and toilets on a different site, approximately 600 ft. to the south of this site, on the proposed bye-pass. This permission was never used.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

1. The proposed development, would constitute a traffic hazard on this bye-pass route where the maximum speed limit would apply. It is the opinion of the roads design section that stopping sight distance in the Galway direction would be unsatisfactory. Moreover, the traffic turning movements generated by this commercial development would seriously interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on this bye-pass, which would be expected to be travelling at high speed.

2. The proposed development of a filling station, private residence, auto accessory and grocery shop, cafe, petrol pumps and septic tank clearly constitutes commercial development. This type of development is wholly restricted on the national primary route by the 1979 County Development Plan and therefore, this development would be a serious contravention of the County Council's Development Plan.

3. The granting of permission for commercial development on the Labane Bye-Pass would be a serious precedent in view of the proposed Oranmore, Loughrea and other bye-pass routes detailed in the County Development Plan. If such a precedent reoccurred on these other bye-passes, it would bring this policy of bye-passing town and villages into question. This is because such large expenditures of public money could not be justified if the efficiency and safety of bye-passes were to be seriously undermined by the granting of permission for residential and commercial development on them.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Refusal is recommended for the following reasons:

1. The proposed development location on a realigned national primary route where inadequate sight distances prevail would be liable to constitute a traffic hazard.

2. The proposed development would constitute a serious contravention of the 1979 County Development Plan, because it would cause a vehicular access to be opened onto the Labane bye-pass and because the proposed development would generate considerable traffic turning movements which would interfere with the free flow and safety of traffic on the said route."

Senator Killilea said that the Council should have regard to the livelihood of business people in villages which are by-passed and that accessibility to villages which are cut off should be encouraged. The County Manager said that this could have the effect of slowing down the programme for bye-passes. Councillor M. Fahy proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda. He said that Mrs. Quinn made an application early in 1982 and was refused. This was most surprising because of the fact that she had been granted an Outline Permission as far back as 1971. He said that Mrs. Quinn was only looking for one permission and that it was not a question of bringing the old business onto the new Bye-Pass. Her land had been divided in two by the Bye-Pass but since then she had acquired an extra piece of land and wanted to move the location for safety reasons. Senator Byrne said that the Officials may be under the impression that Mrs. Quinn was trying to get two permissions but this was not the case. He was under the impression that if an application was submitted incorporating the two sites that it would be considered sympathetically and he felt that Permission should be granted on that basis. Deputy Fahey said that Permission should be granted in view of the old outline permission.

The County Manager acknowledged that Outline Permission had been granted in 1971 for petrol pumps, etc., on a different site approximately 600 feet to the south of the proposed site. If the resolution was passed, it could result in two permissions and he would like an opportunity to discuss with the applicant the question of forfeiting the previous Outline Permission. Councillor M. Fahy said that the applicant would forfeit the earlier Permission if she got Permission for the present application. On the proposition of Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor J. Burke, it was agreed to defer the resolution and to arrange a consultation on the site about which the proposers of the resolution would be notified.

1615 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 42549 - APPLICANT: MRS. ANN MARTYN.

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

"The proposed location of the signs is approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile south of Clarenbridge village on the National Route N.18 near its junction with the County road to Stradbally. There are already 44 signs of various types both statutory and advertising along the $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile stretch between Clarenbridge and Kilcolgan causing visual disarray and distraction to road users. Planning policy as stated in 6.05, page 38, of the County Development Plan is to -

- (a) control the proliferation of advertising structures
- (b) strictly limit advertising signs in rural areas.

The policy would be inoperable and there would be further intensification of traffic hazard if every house offering accommodation were to erect signs along major routes such as are proposed.

Facilities available along minor roads might best be advertised on a single sign at the junction which would display all services available on such road and avoid a multiplicity of signs of all shapes, sizes and designs.

In the present instance, the more southerly of the signs, giving advance warning of the turn-off should properly be refused and the second sign at the junction, should be granted a temporary permission

of one year so as to allow for a sign which would display this and other accommodation services on a single well designed display board."

Councillor M. Fahy proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda saying that it should not have been necessary to have to submit a Section 4 resolution for this application. Councillor Brennan stated that the report on the application suggested a reasonable compromise and this should be given a chance. It was agreed to defer the resolution to the next meeting and have discussions with the applicant in the meantime.

1616 - RESOLUTION UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955 - PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER 40330 - APPLICANT: PATRICK BURKE.

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

"The lands in question are located on a minor road south of Corrandulla village in an area of limestone rock foundation overlain with a shallow soil covering. The area is approximately 1.15 acres.

Permission for two houses was granted on the middle portion of the lands and an application for two further houses on the eastern and western extremities was refused on the grounds of an overconcentration of houses and septic tanks. The present application is combining both of these proposals in an effort to secure permission for the four houses.

The normal site size for houses in this area is $\frac{1}{2}$ acre where septic tanks and drainage area can satisfactorily be located. In the present case, the average site size would be slightly more than $\frac{1}{4}$ acre and it would not be possible to locate all septic tanks in accordance with regulations. In particular, the rear of site number 4 is totally inadequate for a percolation area and it directly adjoins a boreen which is a right-of-way to other lands.

It is felt that not more than three houses should be permitted on the lands and even then it would be necessary to import gravel filling onto the site to provide suitable drainage for septic tank effluent."

Senator Killilea proposed the resolution set out on the Agenda. He said that the applicant had already been offered Permission for three houses but he required Permission for the fourth house as this was what he had planned in developing the site. He said it was a suitable site and there would be no problem in regard to soakage and he saw no reason for refusing Permission. The County Manager said that the presence of rock on the site militated against soakage and that even if three houses were permitted, it would be necessary to import gravel filling onto the site to provide suitable drainage for septic tank effluent.

Councillor Molloy seconded the resolution. Councillor Brennan said that a $\frac{1}{4}$ acre per house for four houses in a rural area was too small and that Permission should not be granted. This was seconded by Councillor J. Burke. A vote was taken for or against the resolution set out on the Agenda which resulted as follows:

FOR: Councillor Bartley, Deputies Donnellan, F. Fahey, Councillors M. Fahy, Finnegan, Haverty, Joyce, Senator Killilea, Councillors Molloy, Murphy, O'Conchubhair, O'Higgins, O'Morain, Ruane, Ryan, and Welby.

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AGAINST: Councillors Brennan, J. Burke, Senator Byrne, Councillors Glynn, Holland, McCormack.

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The Chairman declared the resolution carried.