

MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13th JANUARY, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh.

Apologies from Councillors Kelly & Corish for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In attendance:-
Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.
Mr. P. Callery, County Engineer.

NEW COUNTY ENGINEER

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor introduced Mr. P. Callery who had recently been appointed as County Engineer for Wexford. His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. Callery to Wexford and wished him well in his work in the County and all members associated with the remarks of the Mayor.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Reck a unanimous vote of sympathy to Mr. E. Hall (Former Mayor) and the sons and daughters of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hall who had recently died. The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Monday 9th December, 1985, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Howlin.

The minutes of the following committee meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed, and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

- (a) Housing Committee Meeting held on 20th December, 1985.
- (b) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 20th December, 1985.

Arising out of the minutes Alderman Reck referred to the availability of houses at Wolfe Tone Villas arising out of the recent allocation of tenancies in the new housing scheme at Coolcotts and a lengthy discussion ensued on the methods by which these vacant houses would be allocated. In response to the discussion the Town Clerk stated that the accepted procedure which had been adopted on the occasion of the last housing review that all remaining approved housing applicants on the three-bedroomed housing list and on the two-bedroomed housing list would be surveyed to establish demand for houses in various housing estates throughout the town and houses at Wolfe Tone Villas were allocated in accordance with the results of the survey. It was agreed that the accepted procedure again be followed. Arising out of further discussion on the housing lists/^{it was agreed} to re-examine the housing circumstances of Mrs. O'Loughlin, High Street, which were stated to have altered substantially since the review.

MOTIONS

Youth Employment Agency.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Borough Council request the relevant Minister to utilise the Youth Employment Agency funding from P.A.Y.E. deductions for the purposes for which it was deducted".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder stated that the funds were not being used at present to provide jobs and were being used for other purposes. They requested that finance be made available immediately to create permanent jobs for the youth of the country. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Roman Lane.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That this Borough Council will takeover responsibility for the upkeep of "Roman Lane" and would bring this up to standard and provide lighting".

The Town Clerk stated that he had been informed by the Harbour Board that they were considering a scheme for the improvement of Roman Lane at their next meeting and it was agreed to defer the proposal to take-over responsibility for the lane until the improvement works had been completed.

Oireachtas Pensions.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Borough Council, at a time when we are being asked to implement double taxation through local charges, condemns the practice of T.D.'s receiving pensions along with their salaries as a waste of public monies and an insult to the overburdened taxpayer, and calls on the Government to terminate this practice".

Arising out of discussion on the motion the following amendment was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Byrne:-

"That this Borough Council, at a time when we are being asked to implement double taxation through local charges, condemns the practice of T.D.'s receiving pensions along with their salaries and all public servants in receipt of similar pensions in addition to public service salaries, as a waste of public monies and an insult to the overburdened taxpayer, and calls on the Government to terminate this practice".

Following discussion the amendment was unanimously adopted.

Cultural Committee.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That Wexford Corporation establish a Cultural Sub-Committee to examine how the Borough Council can best help the advancement of cultural and artistic works in the town, including:-

- (i) the use of Arts Centre;
- (ii) assistance to Wexford Festival and Neighbourhood Playschemes;
- (iii) improvement of the town -community murals/shrub planting, etc."

Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that the Protocol Committee would consider appropriate arrangements in relation to size, function, etc., and report back to a meeting of the Borough Council.

I.C.L.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That Wexford Corporation recognises the importance and value of Irish Continental Line (I.C.L.) to Wexford and to the country; and calls on the Government to ensure that the company stays in Irish, State ownership".

Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Renovation of Derelict Properties.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Corporation encourage the renovation and or replacement of derelict properties in the town by the formal adoption of the following:-

- (i) A Grant Scheme, b Pre-planning consultative facilities, c. remission in whole or in part any development charges.
- (ii) In the case of commercial properties that the Minister for the Environment be requested to introduce enabling legislation to allow for short-term remissions in valuations on that part of the valuation attributable to the improvements".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the need to re-instill life and commercial activity in the north end of the town, particularly in the Selskar area and the need for the renovation of Selskar Abbey. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to the discussion the Manager stated that the Corporation were precluded under existing legislation from applying a grant scheme for derelict sites, and that pre-planning consultative facilities will also be available to any developer in relation to the development of derelict sites or other properties. In addition he had been and would continue to be as flexible as possible in relation to the imposition of development charges particularly in relation to derelict sites development. In relation to the Selskar area the Manager stated that this area was being surveyed with a view to compiling a development programme for the area at present and that a report incorporating the proposals would be submitted to the Borough Council in future months. Following further lengthy discussions to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Alderman Kiernan to request the Minister for the Environment to introduce a similar Environmental Improvement Scheme for Wexford as that announced by the Taoiseach in early 1985 which would apply in Dublin, Cork, Limerick and Waterford.

Wolfe Tone Housing.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Nolan:-

"That this Borough Council takes immediate steps to solve the problems of Wolfe Tone Housing".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the fact that 15% of recent allocations of new houses went to persons with Wolfe Tone addresses and suggested that this was because of the conditions of the houses in Wolfe Tone. A discussion then ensued on the improvement of these houses in reply to which the Manager stated that a scheme for the improvement of the Wolfe Tone houses had been submitted to the Department and a response was awaited. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted. Arising out of the discussion it was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Roche to request the Minister for the Environment to provide finance for the improvement of housing schemes at Wolfe Tone Villas, Maudlintown and Croke Avenue as a matter of urgency in accordance with the improvement scheme submitted to the Department. This was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Borough Engineer stated that the position in relation to the proposal for a car park adjoining the Bridge was that C.I.E. would not allow cars to cross the railway track.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Town Clerk stated that the sanction of the Department of the Environment was awaited in respect of two infill housing schemes.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that the provision of more car park spaces for disabled drivers the need for which arose out of the introduction of pedestrianisation, was currently being considered.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that the Corporation would make arrangements with the owners of the property, to allow the Corporation to clean up the area between the Crescent Car Park and Anne Street.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that the County Council had been informed that the Corporation would contribute £5,000 towards the cost of providing a controlled pedestrian crossing at George Street/John Street junction.

In reply to Councillor Kavanagh the Borough Engineer stated that the number of houses repaired in 1985 amounted to 1,271 and that the cost of repairs was Materials - £109,800 .. Labour - £42,800 .. Overheads - £8,600.

In reply to Councillor Kavanagh the Borough Engineer stated that no bathrooms and showers had been installed in the older local authority housing schemes in 1985.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the proposal for the commencement of the next phase of the Coolcotts housing development would be before the next meeting of the Borough Council.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the total number of applicants for rehousing including one, two and three-bedroomed applications, made since the closing date for receipt of applications for consideration in the latest review of housing lists, amounted to 56.

MEETINGS

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Howlin that the Statutory Estimates Meeting of Wexford Borough Council would be held on Monday 24th February, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

The following dates were set for the following Committee Meetings:-

- (1) Public Lighting Committee @ 7.30 p.m. on 21st January, 1986.
- (2) Protocol Committee on 21st January, 1986, immediately following the meeting at (1) above.
- (3) Inaugural Meeting of Wexford Twinning Council - 23rd January, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.
- (4) General Purposes Committee - (Preceded by Housing Committee Meeting) 24th January, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.
- (5) Employment Committee - 27th January, 1986 at 7.00 p.m.
- (6) Special Meeting to discuss R.T.E. Programme on Money Lending - 27th January, 1986 immediately following the meeting at (5) above.
- (7) Preliminary Estimates Meeting - 6th February, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.

Alfred Byrne M.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 21st January, 1986 at 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty, P. Roche.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

A discussion was held on the provision of public lighting in Wexford and it was noted with satisfaction that the programme of improvements to the public lighting system adopted in 1985 had been completed satisfactorily. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed to recommend that the programme for 1986 would provide new light at each of the following locations:-

- (1) Belvedere Road, (at Summerhill end).
- (2) Industrial Estate Road (near Church).
- (3) Davitt Road South/Waterloo Road junction.
- (4) At Wolfe Tone Villas.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that he would discuss with the E.S.B. problems being created by lights being broken at Belvedere Grove and the lack of adequate lighting because of this. In reply to His Worship the Mayor the Borough Engineer stated that he would discuss with the E.S.B. proposals for improving safety of the public light at Keyser's Lane.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS *3rd* DAY OF *February* 1986.

Ald. Gus Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 21st JANUARY, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE
MEETING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty, P. Roche.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, TownClerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

CIVIC AWARDS

The following nominations submitted by members of the Borough Council were then considered having regard to the rules for the presentation of Civic Awards adopted by the March 1984 Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council:-

- (1) Mr. James Mahoney, 84, Bishopswater, Wexford.
- (2) Captain & President - Wexford Golf Club.
- (3) Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan (deceased).
- (4) Mr. Michael Way, Theatre Workshop, Larkin's Lane, South Main Street, Wexford.
- (5) Mr. Phil Lyons, Wexford Family Centre, St. Peter's Square.
- (6) Mr. Seamus McMenamin, "Bohemian Girl", North Main Street, Wexford.

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed to recommend the following for Civic Awards:-

Cultural & Educational Category.

The award under this heading to be awarded to Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan, R.I.P., for his outstanding contribution in his life-time to the development of Wexford both socially and culturally and in recognition of his invaluable and tireless efforts to improve a wide variety of cultural and other public orientated events and occasions.

Public/Community Service Category.

The award in this category to be made to Mr. James Mahoney for his dedicated service to the people of Wexford during his 18 years as Councillor and Alderman with Wexford Corporation and his 5 years as Councillor with Wexford County Council and in recognition of his achievements during his three terms of office as Mayor of Wexford. All of these positions he held and carried out in his own unique, generous and selfless manner.

Commercial/Industry Development Category.

The award in this category to be made to Wexford Golf Club for their invaluable contribution to the tourist and amenity infrastructure of Wexford by the extension of the 9 hole course at Mulgannon to a first class 18 hole course.

STANDING ORDERS

Consideration was then given to the revision of the Standing Orders of the Borough Council. Draft revised Standing Orders, copies of which had previously been circulated, were considered and following discussion it was unanimously agreed to recommend the following Standing Orders for adoption on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

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BOROUGH OF WEXFORD

STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL

DATES OF MEETINGS

- (1) A Monthly Meeting of the Council shall be convened for the First Monday in each month in which a Quarterly Meeting of the Council is not appointed to be held in pursuance of Local Elections Act, 1963, provided always that when the first Monday of any month falls on either a Church, Public or Bank Holiday, then a Meeting for the transaction of the business of the Council shall be convened for the next Monday.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

- (2) A Special Meeting of the Council may be convened by the Mayor, or upon a requisition signed by not less than five members of the Council or should his Worship The Mayor refuse to act upon such a requisition or neglect to do so within a week, a Special Meeting for the purpose defined in it may be convened by five or more members of the Council, provided that not less than three clear days shall elapse between the date of the Notice convening the Special Meeting and the date of the Special Meeting.

TIME OF MEETINGS

- (3) The Meetings of the Council shall be convened for the hour of half-past seven o'clock p.m., except where otherwise fixed by statute or by special summons.

CONSTITUTION OF MEETINGS

- (1) The chair is to be taken at a Meeting of the Council precisely at the hour mentioned in the summons for the commencement of such meeting (or as soon after as a quorum is present) by the Mayor, or in his absence by any member called thereto by motion; provided always that if the Mayor shall attend during the progress of the Meeting he shall take the chair
- (2) A quorum of the Borough Council shall be 3 Members.
- (3) If at the expiration of 30 minutes after the hour appointed a quorum shall not be present, the Meeting shall not take place.
- (4) If during the sitting of the Council it is found that there is not a quorum present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to such a day and hour as the majority then present shall determine.
- (5) Every member of the Corporation attending a meeting of the Council or a Committee shall sign his name in the attendance book kept for the purpose. Any member not so signing his attendance shall not be recorded.

- (6) The Chair having been taken the Council shall proceed with the business of the Meeting as set out on the Agenda.

CHAIRMAN

- (5) If at any Meeting of the Council or of any Committee the Mayor or Chairman be absent at the time specified in the summons for the commencement of such Meeting and more than one member be moved to the chair, then the Town Clerk, or substitute acting in the place of the Town Clerk shall put the question and shall proceed to obtain a decision of the Council or Committee thereon in the manner provided by the Statutes or Standing Orders, provided that if the Voting shall be equal the question shall be decided by lot.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- (5) At Meetings of the Council the following shall be the Order of Business:-
- (a) Confirmation of Minutes of last Meeting.
 - (b) Confirmation and adoption of Minutes of Committees.
 - (c) Business prescribed by statute.
 - (d) Finance business of Council.
 - (e) Reports and/or recommendations of Committees/or officers of the Corporation.

- (f) Notices of Motions.
- (g) Correspondence.
- (h) Notices of Questions.

No matter not appearing on the Agenda may be discussed except to refer it to a Committee for consideration or to give Notice of intention to raise it at a subsequent Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order No. 7.

NOTICES OF MOTION

- (7) All notices of Motion shall be in writing or print; shall state the subject of such motion; shall be dated and signed by the member giving it and shall be delivered to the Town Clerk at his office at least five days before the date of the Meeting at which it is to be discussed. Provided always that a Notice of Motion shall be relevant to some question affecting the administration of the Borough, and the Mayor may exclude from the Agenda any motion as he may deem to be out of Order or he may make such alterations as will bring any Notice into due form, but a notice shall not be deemed invalid merely by reason of its having relation to a matter not within the scope of the ordinary work of the Council, so long as in the opinion of the Mayor such matter is one of local public interest and importance. A member shall not have more than two notices of motion on the Agenda for the same Meeting notwithstanding the fact that any of such Notices were adjourned from a previous meeting.

CONCLUSION

- (8) When at a Meeting of the Council the whole of the business set down for such Meeting has been transacted or when the Council has sat for the period of two and one half hours whichever is the earlier, the Meeting shall end and any business remaining to be transacted shall be adjourned to the next meeting.

RECISSION OF RESOLUTIONS

- (9) A motion (in pursuance of Standing Order 7) to alter or rescind a resolution of the Council shall not be competent within six months from the date of such resolution unless (a) the motion shall be brought forward as a recommendation of a Committee concerned with the Original Motion; or (b) the Notice shall bear in addition to the name of the member who proposes the motion, the signatures of at least one-fourth of the members of the Council.

Notice of intention to propose the recission or alteration of a resolution must be given to the Town Clerk at least 10 days before the holding of the meeting at which the motion is to be discussed and shall be circulated to each Member of the Borough Council by the Town Clerk at least 7 days before the holding of the said meeting. In order for the rescinding motion to be passed those voting for

- (a) in the event that the number present at the meeting at which the rescinding motion is being considered is less than the number present when the original resolution was adopted, must constitute at least $\frac{2}{3}$ of the Members present at the subsequent meeting.
- (b) In the event that the numbers present at the subsequent meeting is equal to or greater than the number present at the original meeting, must constitute a simple majority.

QUESTIONS DECIDED TWICE IN SAME YEAR

- (10) A question which within any Financial year has twice been decided by the Council in the same way shall not in the same financial year be again submitted for the Councils consideration, and this Order shall not be evaded by the substitution of any Motion differently worded but in principle the same.

CONDUCT OF DEBATE

- (11) Members Speaking.

A Member who speaks shall stand and address the Chair and confine his speech strictly to the subject under discussion.

DURATION OF SPEECHES

No speech shall occupy more than ten minutes without the consent of the Chair; such consent to be given only in exceptional circumstances and then only to permit the speech to occupy an extra five minutes.

MEMBER OUT OF ORDER

- (13) The Chairman shall call attention to continued irrelevance, tedious repetition, unbecoming language, or any breach of order or of these Standing Orders on the part of a member; and shall direct such member to discontinue his speech, or in the event of persistent disregard of the authority of the Chair, to retire for the remainder of the Meeting, and may be removed by order of the Chair.

ADDRESSING COUNCIL AND RESERVATION OF SPEECHES.

- (14) No Member shall address the Council more than once on any motion, but a member may formally second a motion reserving his speech for a later period of the debate. The mover of an original motion may, however, reply, but he shall strictly confine himself to answering previous speakers and shall not introduce any new matter into the debate. The right of reply shall not extend to the mover of an Amendment which, having been carried, has become a substantive motion. After the reply the Chairman shall conclude the debate and put the question.

POINT OF ORDER OR EXPLANATION.

- (15) Any member, whether he has spoken on the matter under discussion or not, may with the permission of the Chair rise to a point of Order or in explanation, but in the case of a member who has spoken such explanation shall be confined to some material part of his former speech which may have been misunderstood. A Member so rising shall be entitled to be heard forthwith.

RULING OF CHAIR FINAL.

- (16) The ruling of the Chair on all question of order and of matters arising in debate shall be final and shall not be open to discussion.

WITHDRAWING OR ALTERING MOTIONS & AMENDMENTS.

- (17) A motion or amendment to amend a motion may be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of the Council which shall be signified without debate; and it shall not be competent for any member to speak upon it after the mover has asked permission for its withdrawal, unless such permission shall have been refused.

AMENDMENTS.

- (18) When a motion is under debate at any Meeting of the Council no further motion shall be received except;

- (a) To amend the motion;
- (b) That the Council do now adjourn;
- (c) That the debate be adjourned;
- (d) That the question be now put;
- (e) That the Council do proceed with the next business.

(a) TO AMEND THE MOTION.AMENDMENT MUST BE RELEVANT AND NOT NEGATIVE OR INCONSISTENT.

- 19) Every amendment shall be relevant to the motion on which it is moved; it must not be a mere negative; and must not be inconsistent with anything already agreed upon at the same meeting.

SECOND AMENDMENT NOT TO BE MOVED

When an amendment upon an original motion has been moved and seconded, a second or subsequent amendment shall not be moved until the first amendment has been disposed of. If an amendment be carried the motion as amended shall take the place of the Original motion, and shall become the question upon which any further amendment may be moved. A Member shall not be at liberty to move an amendment if he has previously spoken to the motion or to move more than one amendment to any motion nor shall more than one amendment be moved with the same or similar object.

(b) THAT THE COUNCIL DO NOW ADJOURN.

- (21) Any member of the Council who has not already spoken to any motion or amendment then under debate may move that the Council do now adjourn. Such a motion must be seconded but it need not be reduced to writing. The mover and seconder shall not speak beyond formally moving and seconding the motion which shall be put to the meeting without debate.
- (22) In the event of the motion for the adjournment being carried the Chairman shall (unless stated in the motion) fix the date for the adjourned meeting for the continuation of the debate on the motion or amendment under discussion at the time of the adjournment and for the transaction of the remainder (if any) of the business on the Agenda for the Meeting so adjourned.
- (23) A Second Motion "that the Council do now adjourn" shall not be made within half-an-hour unless in the opinion of the Chairman the circumstances are materially altered.
- (24) A member shall not move more than one motion for the adjournment of the Council.

(c) THAT THE DEBATE BE ADJOURNED.

- (25) Any member of the Council who has not already spoken to any motion or amendment then under debate may move "that the debate be adjourned".
- Such a motion must be seconded but it need not be reduced to writing. The mover and seconder shall not speak beyond moving and seconding it.
- (26) If the motion be carried the Council shall proceed to the next business on the Agenda and the discussion of the adjourned debate shall be resumed at the next meeting of the Council.
- (27) On resuming an adjourned debate the member who moved its adjournment shall be entitled to speak first.
- (28) A second motion that the debate be adjourned shall not be made within half-an-hour.
- (29) No member shall move or second more than one motion for adjournment of the same debate.

(d) THAT THE QUESTION BE NOW PUT.

- (30) Any member of the Council who has not already spoken to any motion or amendment then under debate may move "that the question be now put". Such motion must be seconded; but it need not be reduced to writing. The mover and seconder shall not speak beyond formally moving and seconding it.
- 1) Unless it appears to the Chairman that the debate is not exhausted, he shall put the motion "that the question be now put" to the vote without debate and if same is carried the motion or amendment under discussion shall be put to the Council.
- 2) A second motion "that the question be now put" shall not be made on the discussion of the same question within half-an-hour; nor shall a member move or second more than one motion "that the question be now put" on the discussion of the same question.

(e) THAT THE COUNCIL DO PROCEED TO THE NEXT BUSINESS.

- 33) Any member of the Council who has not already spoken to any motion or amendment then under debate may move "that the Council do proceed to the next business". Such a motion must be seconded but it need not be reduced to writing. The mover and seconder shall not speak beyond formally moving and seconding the motion which shall be put without debate.
- (34) When a motion is carried "that the Council do proceed to the next business" the question under discussion shall be considered as dropped.
- (35) A second motion "that the Council do proceed to the next business" shall not be made on the same question within half-an-hour; nor shall a member move or second more than one motion "that the Council do proceed to the next business" on the discussion of the same question.

MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO BE REDUCED TO WRITING.

- (36) All original motions and all Amendments to amend a motion shall be reduced to writing by the mover and signed by him, read to the meeting and handed to the Chairman and approved by him as valid before being spoken to by such proposer, and a motion or amendment shall not be discussed by anyone other than the mover, or put to the Council, until the same shall have been seconded.

VOTING AND DIVISIONS.

- (37) When a vote is taken the question shall be read from the Chair and the members shall respond by saying "Aye" or "No" or by a show of hands at the discretion of the Chairman. When a division or poll is demanded (which demand must be made immediately before or after the question is put and before the Chairman has called for the next business) the Town Clerk or deputy shall call the name of those present and record in the minutes of the Council's proceedings the names of those (a) Voting for the question and (b) Voting against the question and (c) Not voting.

DEPUTATIONS.

- (38) Deputations from any body or Association or individual shall not be received by the Council unless the Town Clerk shall have received 24 hours previous notice of the intended deputation and the object thereof. This request shall be considered by the Borough Council at their next appropriate meeting and if agreed by the Borough Council, the deputation shall be received at a meeting, the date of which shall be fixed by the Borough Council.
- (39) The privilege of such a deputation shall be confined to the presentation of a memorial, statement, or copy of resolutions and to the making of short addresses by two members of the deputation. The length of such address to be governed by Standing Order No. 12.

MINUTES

- (40) Copies of the minutes of the Council and of any Committees not composed of the entire Council shall be furnished to each Member of the Council with the Agenda for each Meeting of the Council; and the Minutes of such Committees as are composed of the entire Council shall be laid on the table for 15 minutes prior to the hour of each meeting at which they are to be confirmed; or they may be inspected by any member at the Town Clerk's Office on any day not less than seven days after the Meeting to which they relate has taken place.
- (41) It shall not be competent for any member to raise any matter on a motion to confirm the minutes of the Council except as to their accuracy.

COMMITTEES.

- (42) A Committee of the whole Council shall be composed of all the members and 3 members shall constitute a quorum.
- (43) A Meeting of the Council in Committee may be formed any time during the progress of a Meeting of the Council on such Meeting of the Council passing a motion resolving itself into Committee and adjourning for the purpose without any further notice to the Members.

The following shall be the Standing Committees of the Council:-

- (a) General Purposes.
- (b) Traffic Management.
- (c) Protocol.
- (d) Public Lighting.
- (e) Swimming Pool.
- (f) Finance Committee.
- (g) Housing Committee.

and shall be composed of the following Council members;

- (a) General Purposes .. 12 Members.
 - (b) Traffic Management .. 12 Members; 2 Reps. of Gardai Siochana;
1 Rep. Chamber of Industry and Commerce;
1 Rep. Wexford Trades Council.
 - (c) Protocol. .. 3 Members + Mayor Ex-Officio.
 - (d) Public Lighting .. 3 Members + Mayor Ex-Officio
 - (e) Swimming Pool .. 5 Members + Mayor Ex-Officio, + Rep. St. Peter's
College; Rep. of Wexford Swimming Club, Town Clerk,
Borough Engineer, Recreation Park Manager
 - (f) Finance Committee .. 12 Members.
 - (g) Housing Committee .. 12 Members.
 - (h) Employment Committee:: 12 Members.
 - (i) Cultural Committee :: 6 Members + Mayor Ex-Officio.
- Statutory Committees shall be composed of such number and in such a manner as is laid down in the Statutes Constituting such Committees.

- (45) The Council may from time to time appoint special Committees for any particular purpose.
- (46) The several standing or Special Committees may appoint sub-Committees to whom may be allotted sections of the duties of the parent Committees.
- (47) The quorum of every Committee or sub-Committee or Committees Meeting jointly shall be one-fourth of the total number of the Members disregarding fractions, provided that the quorum shall not in any case be less than three, except in the case of a sub-Committee of three when the quorum shall be two.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

- (48) In the case of any emergency requiring immediate action on the part of the Corporation or for the purpose of affording greater freedom of debate, any of the Standing Orders may be suspended at any Meeting of the Council so far as regards any business at such Meeting upon a motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously or by a vote of the majority of the whole number of the Council. Previous notice of any such motion shall not be necessary.

AMENDMENT OF STANDING ORDERS AND REPEAL.

- (49) These Standing Orders may be altered or rescinded by Resolution of the Council passed at one Meeting and confirmed by another Meeting of same. All existing Standing Orders and all Resolutions of the Corporation inconsistent with these Orders or as far as they are inconsistent with these Orders shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

ADOPTION OF THESE STANDING ORDERS

- (50) These Standing Orders shall come into force as soon as passed by one Meeting and confirmed by a second, Meeting of the Council.

ATTENDANCE OF PUBLIC AT MEETINGS

Consideration was then given to the feasibility of having members of the public attend meetings of the Borough Council. It was unanimously agreed to recommend that six members of the public would be allowed to attend each of the Monthly Meetings of the Borough Council. A lengthy discussion on the method by which members of the public would be selected from applications for tickets to attend the meetings was held during the course of which a number of suggestions were made. It was agreed to defer further consideration of this aspect of the matter to the next meeting of the Protocol Committee to allow members time to consider the various suggestions.

IRISH LANGUAGE

The methods by which the use of the Irish language could be encouraged at Corporation meetings were then considered. It was unanimously agreed to recommend that motions for consideration at Borough Council meetings should not be in Irish alone but when submitted in Irish should be printed on the agenda in both Irish and English. It was further agreed to recommend that the form of the Agenda would be amended by the Town Clerk to incorporate Irish language and that a review of this matter would be undertaken from time to time by the Protocol Committee.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was agreed to recommend that a Civic Reception be afforded to Our Lady's G.A.A. Club who had recently won their division of the All-Ireland Feile Na Gael Competition.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed to recommend that a Civic Reception would also be afforded to the Clonard Community Games Relay Race Team who had been victorious in the All-Ireland Community Games competition.

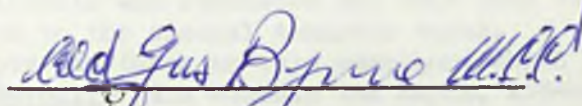
It was further agreed to recommend that both Civic Receptions would be held simultaneously at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 18th February, 1986 in the Municipal Buildings and that the Mayor's Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

The constitution and functions of the Cultural Committee, which in principle had been formed at the January 1986 Quarterly Meeting of the Borough Council, was then considered. It was unanimously agreed to recommend that the Cultural Committee would consist of the Mayor ex-officio and six members of the Borough Council. It was further agreed that the functions of the Committee would be considered at the next meeting of the Protocol Committee prior to making a recommendation on this aspect to the Borough Council.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor Kelly for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

HOUSING APPLICANTS

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the application of Mrs. Fox, 84, Liam Mellows Park was not considered in the review since Mrs. Fox did not comply with the residency qualification in the Corporation's Scheme of Letting Priorities.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the review of the circumstances of Miss O'Loughlin, High Street, was currently in progress.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the position of Mr. John Moran on the one-bedroomed housing list was based on the objective evaluation of Mr. Moran's application in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the feasibility of undertaking repairs on the house of an approved transfer applicant which would obviate the need for the transfer, would be investigated.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Town Clerk stated that all vacant Corporation houses had been allocated to those on the adopted housing list.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Town Clerk stated that there were currently four applications with the Borough Council and three with Wexford County Council for the £5,000 grant payable to Local Authority tenants who purchased private accommodation.

SPECIAL TRANSFER CASES

Alderman Reck referred to the survey carried out of local authority tenants living in three/four bedroomed houses either alone or with a spouse and for whom smaller housing units would be more appropriate. The Town Clerk stated that due to the low level of response to this survey, those tenants who had responded positively had been merged in the normal transfer list for one and two bedroomed houses. The Town Clerk pointed out that whilst giving priority to these transfer applicants would favourably assist the family housing lists, the one and two bedroomed housing lists would be detrimentally affected. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. Arising out of this discussion it was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche that the Corporation adopt a policy of allowing two transfers from the Special Transfer Category for every 10 vacancies which would arise in one and two bedroomed units. Following further discussion an amendment was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Kavanagh that the existing policy of the Corporation whereby one transfer would be allowed for every ten vacancies would continue until the new housing list for one and two bedroomed applicants was exhausted and that when this list was exhausted priority would be given to the special transfer cases.

A vote was taken on this amendment which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. O'Flaherty, Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Kavanagh, Cllr. Corish (7).

Against:- Ald. P. Reck, Ald. D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs. V. Byrne, P. Roche (4).

The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment was declared carried. The amendment was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion and was adopted on the same vote as had taken place on the original amendment.

(2)

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.

Alfred G. Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
FRIDAY 24th JANUARY, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh,
H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor Kelly for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

PLANNING

The list of planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee Meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted. Councillor Roche referred to the application by C.I.E. for outline permission for shopping development at the South Station and suggested that the area should be acquired by the Corporation for a park. Following a discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed that the acquisition of the site by the Corporation should be investigated for use as a park should the planning application not be successful.

CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) The following motion from Killarney Urban District Council was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

"That Killarney U.D.C. supports the call of Rev. Fr. Denis Faul of Dungannon that in conjunction with the new Anglo-Irish Agreement, a few hundred prisoners now being held in Northern Irish jails, both Catholic and Protestant, be released on a good-will gesture. This would show the families of Northern Ireland that peace and stability can be built by showing good-will to all sides. This motion to be circulated to all Local Authorities".

- (2) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for Foreign Affairs regarding Borough Council's resolution on E.E.C. Food Stocks and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention at the earliest opportunity, was noted.

- (3) Letter from Mr. J.R. Furlong, Assistant General Manager, Bank of Ireland, re Bank Charges, as had previously been circulated, was noted.

- (4) A letter from the Private Secretary to the Minister for Health regarding residential accommodation for the elderly in Wexford, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Arising out of discussion on the matter and in reply to Councillor Corish the Manager stated that a meeting would be held with officials of the South Eastern Health Board in the coming weeks regarding the development of Westlands and the adjoining property owned by the S.E.H.B. and he expected that a project team consisting of officials of the Corporation and the S.E.H.B. would be set up arising out of this meeting to pursue the co-ordinated development.

- (5) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter regarding the financing of the 1985 house improvement grant scheme and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

REPORTS

Neighbourhood Centre.

The Town Clerk stated that two proposals had been received for the Neighbourhood Centre site at Coolcotts from private developers in response to the advertisement of the Corporation and that having considered the proposals, the proposal of

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Messrs. Noonan Construction Ltd. was being accepted. They proposed to purchase the site by way of delayed conveyancing for a sum of £20,000 and the drawings of their outline proposals for the site were considered by the members of the Borough Council. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Roche to adopt the proposal as outlined and the proposed development was unanimously welcomed by the Borough Council. The Town Clerk then outlined the time-scales within which the developers would be obliged to operate in relation to applying for planning permission and commencing development. Further arising out of the discussion it was unanimously agreed that the residents associations in the area would be given details of the proposal as soon as practicable.

CIVIC AWARDS

The Town Clerk stated that the Protocol Committee had considered the nominations for Civic Awards and had agreed to recommend unanimously that the awards be granted as follows:-

Cultural & Educational Category.

The award under this heading to be awarded to Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan, R.I.P., for his outstanding contribution in his life-time to the development of Wexford both socially and culturally and in recognition of his invaluable and tireless efforts to improve a wide variety of cultural and other public orientated events and occasions.

Public/Community Service Category.

The award in this category to be made to Mr. James Mahoney for his dedicated service to the people of Wexford during his 18 years as Councillor and Alderman with Wexford Corporation and his 5 years as Councillor with Wexford County Council and in recognition of his achievements during his three terms of office as Mayor of Wexford. All of these positions he held and carried out in his own unique, generous and selfless manner.

Commercial/Industry Development Category.

The award in this category to be made to Wexford Golf Club for their invaluable contribution to the tourist and amenity infrastructure of Wexford by the extension of the 9 hole course at Mulgannon to a first class 18 hole course.

It was unanimously agreed that on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to accept the recommendation of the Protocol Committee and it was further agreed that the presentation of the awards would be made as soon as practicable at a ceremony to be held in the Council Chamber and that the Mayor's allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.

Alfred Gus Byrne M.C.C.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27th JANUARY, 1986 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Alderman:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider the constitution of an Employment Committee for Wexford Borough Council as had been agreed at the January 1986 Quarterly Meeting of the Borough Council. A lengthy discussion on the concept was held and arising out of this discussion it was agreed as follows:-

- (1) That the Committee would consist of the 12 members of the Borough Council only.
- (2) The Committee would meet periodically after the conclusion of other meetings of the Borough Council but the Mayor would have authority to call a meeting of the Committee at short notice to discuss any relevant matters which may arise from time to time.
- (3) The general function of the Committee would be to nurture existing employment in the town and promote the development of further industry and employment.
- (4) The Committee would pursue the compilation of a promotion brochure for Wexford Town.
- (5) The Committee would have as a priority the creation of additional employment within the Corporation's workforce.
- (6) Consider the provision in the annual estimates of the Corporation of a sum designated towards economic development promotion.
- (7) Request National Manpower Service to undertake an identification of the skills available on the employment market in Wexford by way of a comprehensive survey of the towns households.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed the discussion and the positive approach of the members to the employment issue. He stated that a number of the items he had undertaken on behalf of the Corporation in the initiative announced by him recently and that some of the other items could be dealt with by the members in the forthcoming estimates meetings.

Arising out of further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor to write to the Chamber of Industry & Commerce requesting their individual or collective evaluation of Wexford as an industrial site. Arising out of further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the Town Clerk would draft and issue a Press Statement informing the public of the formation of the Committee and requesting submissions from interested parties.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.

Ald Gus Byrne M.C.C.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27th JANUARY, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

The meeting was held in response to a motion adopted at the meeting of the Borough Council in December 1985 for the purposes of discussing a recent programme on Moneylending televised by R.T.E.

At the outset of the meeting it was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Byrne that following discussion of the subject matter of the meeting by the members, no statement would issue from the meeting. A lengthy discussion on this proposal was held to which all members contributed. Following this discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Howlin that the meeting would adjourn for five minutes and the meeting so adjourned.

After the five minutes adjournment the meeting reconvened and it was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Reck that the meeting be adjourned pending the receipt of legal advice which would be sought on the implications of the Borough Council discussing the subject matter of the meeting and that the following statement would issue from the meeting:-

"A special meeting of Wexford Corporation was convened on Monday last after the conclusion of another meeting of the Corporation to discuss a recent R.T.E. television programme on money lending. A discussion on the legal implications of discussing the subject matter of the meeting was held. It was agreed, without the subject matter of the meeting being discussed, to adjourn the meeting pending receipt of legal advice."

The original motion of Alderman Reck and Councillor Byrne was withdrawn by the proposer and seconder with the consent of the meeting and the motion proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Reck as outlined above was unanimously adopted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF February 1986.

Ald G. Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
3rd FEBRUARY, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

ADJOURNMENT OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed that Standing Orders would be adjourned to enable the presentation by the National Building Agency's Managing Director in relation to the housing development at Coolcotts to be taken before the other business of the meeting.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT COOLCOTTS

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. D. Foley, Managing Director of the N.B.A. to the meeting. Mr. Foley stated that at a meeting of the Borough Council in October 1985 it had been agreed that the N.B.A. would formalise plans for the development of the balance of lands in Coolcotts in accordance with the proposal considered at that meeting. Subsequently the officials of the Corporation in response to the request from a number of local Clubs requested that the design would be amended to take account of a proposal for the amalgamation of the major open space areas proposed in the original layout into one area to facilitate the use of the area for both a G.A.A. pitch and two soccer pitches. Mr. Foley presented a sketch plan showing the revised layout which accommodated this proposal and following discussion the revised layout was unanimously approved by the Borough Council on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the recommendation of the N.B.A. which had already been approved by the Department of the Environment, in relation to the allocation of the 43 house contract at Coolcotts was that the Contract would be awarded to Messrs. Browne & Sons Ltd. The recommendation was accepted by the Borough Council on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Kiernan and it was noted by the meeting that the contract would start within a 4/6 week period from the date of the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. Foley for his attendance at the meeting and Mr. Foley suitably responded. Mr. Foley then left the meeting.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 13th January, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Nolan.

The Minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

- (a) Public Lighting Committee Meeting held on 21st January, 1986.
- (b) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 21st January, 1986.
- (c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 24th January, 1986.
- (d) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 24th January, 1986.
- (e) Employment Committee Meeting held on 27th January, 1986.
- (f) Special Meeting re R.T.E. Programme on Moneylending - 27th January, 1986.

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CIVIC AWARDS 1985.

His Worship the Mayor announced that Civic Awards would be presented as follows in the immediate future in accordance with the recommendation of the Protocol Committee as adopted by the Borough Council:-

Cultural & Education Category.

The award under this heading to be awarded to Mr. Eugene O'Sullivan, R.I.P., for his outstanding contribution in his life-time to the development of Wexford both socially and culturally and in recognition of his invaluable and tireless efforts to improve a wide variety of cultural and other public orientated events and occasions.

Public/Community Service Category.

The award in this category to be made to Mr. James Mahoney for his dedicated service to the people of Wexford during his 18 years as Councillor and Alderman with Wexford Corporation and his 5 years as Councillor with Wexford County Council and in recognition of his achievements during his three terms of office as Mayor of Wexford. All of these positions he held and carried out in his own unique, generous and selfless manner.

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MOTIONS

Old Folks Home

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Corish:-

"That this Borough Council initiates the setting up of a Hospital Trust with a view to financing an Old Folks Home".

In reply to questions the Manager stated that the provision of an Old Folks Home was a matter for the South Eastern Health Board and that the Corporation did not have legal authority to provide same. The Manager further stated that in conjunction with the the Health Board, the Corporation at present were investigating the provision of a joint integrated development in the Westlands area with the Health Board providing the health functions and the Corporation providing accommodation for the elderly in houses. The Manager suggested that the members of the Corporation should visit a similar type development in Clonmel in the near future and this was agreed by the meeting. Following further discussion the following amendment was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Kavanagh:-

"That the Assistant County Manager be requested to submit a written report as soon as practicable to a meeting of the Borough Council on the proposal for the joint development of Westlands with the South Eastern Health Board."

Following discussion a vote was taken on this amendment which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan. Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh (8).

Against:- Cllr. Kelly (1).

Abstained:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Byrne, Corish (3)

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The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment was declared carried. The amendment was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion and was unanimously adopted.

Allocation of Houses.

Prior to proposing the motion as appeared on the agenda it was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kelly that the item would be taken in Committee. Following discussion a vote on this proposal was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Kelly & Kavanagh (3).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish (9).

The majority being against the proposal the proposal was declared lost. The following motion was then proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kavanagh:-

"That this Borough Council takes immediate steps to introduce a system of rules governing the allocation of housing".

Following discussion to which all members contributed the following amendment was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That the Scheme of Letting Priorities be examined as soon as possible".

The amendment was unanimously adopted and was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion. The meeting unanimously adopted the substantive motion.

Footpaths.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Nolan:-

"That a definite policy be drawn up here for footpath repairs ensuring that the County Council do their share".

Following discussion to which all members contributed and referred to areas of the town where footpaths were in need of replacement/repair the motion was unanimously adopted. Further arising out of the discussion on the motion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by His Worship the Mayor that a meeting between the Corporation members and the members of the Wexford County Council District Committee would be held as soon as possible and that the condition of footpaths in the town would be considered on the agenda for this meeting.

Low Cost Housing.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That this Council request the Minister for the Environment to include Wexford in his five million plan to rectify faults in low cost housing as we have had to suffer the result of this policy for years".

Arising out of discussion on the motion the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation had applied in early 1985 for inclusion in a Government Scheme designed to upgrade older and low cost housing stock and that the Corporation were awaiting the Department's response to this request. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Social Welfare System.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Social Welfare to assess people on their own incomes and not on the basis of income coming into a house, for Social Welfare purposes, and calls for a £45 p.w. minimum dole payment from age of 16. This motion to be circulated to all other local authorities".

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The proposer and seconder of the motion outlined difficulties in the present system and the discriminatory effect of the system particularly for young people and their parents. Following discussion to which all members contributed a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish (9).

Against:- Ald. Howlin, Cllr. Kavanagh (2).

Abstained:- Alderman Byrne (1).

The majority being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

Prisons

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

"That this Council calls for the resignation of the Minister for Justice in view of his inability to deal with the crisis within our prisons. This motion to be circulated to all other local authorities".

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held to which all members contributed. Arising out of this discussion the following amendment was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That this Borough Council calls for a review of the prison system and of prison facilities generally".

A vote was taken on this amendment which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Byrne, Howlin, Cllrs. Roche, Kavanagh, Corish. (5).

Against:- Ald. Reck, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright (7).

The majority being against the amendment the amendment was declared lost. A vote was then taken on the original motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright (7).

Against:- Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Kavanagh, Corish (3).

Abstained:- Ald. Byrne, Cllr. Roche (2).

The majority being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

Neighbourhood Watch.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That the Corporation invite representatives of the Garda Siochana to a meeting to discuss whether the introduction of a 'Neighbourhood Watch' scheme in Wexford would be an appropriate way of assisting in the fight against crime at the present time".

Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

Tax Equity.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That the Corporation condemns the continued failure of the Coalition Government

to introduce a system of taxation that is based on equity."

Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted with Councillor Kavanagh dissenting.

Standing Orders.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Howlin that Standing Orders be adjourned so as to enable the business on the agenda to be concluded.

Deferrment of Motions.

Alderman Kiernan, with the consent of the meeting agreed to defer the following motions to the next Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council:-

(a) "That this Council take whatever action is necessary to compel the owners of properties to clean or repair chutes that overspill onto the pavements."

(b) "That a greater effort is made to involve the young people of this town in a Keep Wexford Tidy Campaign".

QUESTIONS

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that he would examine the danger of cobblestones creating a slippery surface outside Rowe Street Church (John's Gate Street entrance).

In reply to Ald. Reck the Borough Engineer stated that bollards were currently being erected at the Cemetery at Crosstown so as to stop cars from mounting kerbing on the headstones and graves.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that the "No Dogs Allowed" sign for Crosstown Cemetery was currently on order.

In reply to Councillor Roche the Town Clerk stated that the selection of people for court proceedings for non-payment of water charges had been carried out on a random basis.

In reply to Councillor Roche the Borough Accountant gave details of the public and group hours at the Swimming Pool.

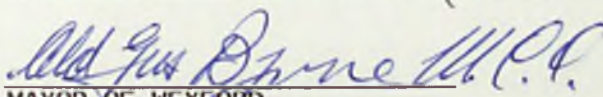
In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that buildings in the Caravan Park are painted on an on-going maintenance programme basis.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that the New Lane/Tuskar View roadway would be tarmacaded in early March, weather permitting.

In reply to Ald. Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that plans to expand the Swimming Pool Complex at Ferrybank were currently being prepared and would be presented to the Borough Council as soon as they were finalised.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF March 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF 1st PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 6th FEBRUARY, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N.
Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant

The Estimate of Expenses as attached together with the Manager's Report thereon, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. His Worship the Mayor paid tribute to the Manager and officials for the presentation of the estimates and at the request of the Mayor the Manager outlined the approach adopted by him in the preparation of the estimate and gave details of the major changes over previous years. The members considered Programmes 1 and 2 of the estimate and a lengthy discussion was held thereon to which all members contributed. Queries raised by members were answered by the officials in attendance.

Following further discussion it was agreed that further consideration of the Estimate of Expenses would be adjourned to the next Preliminary Estimates meeting which would be held on Friday 21st February, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

3rd

DAY OF

March

1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF 2nd PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 21st FEBRUARY, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. I. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

REQUEST FROM PUBLIC TO ATTEND AT CORPORATION MEETINGS.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had been requested by a Social Study Group for permission to attend at a meeting of the Corporation. A total of nine persons were involved in the Social Study Group and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Nolan that five of this group would attend at the March Monthly Meeting and the remaining four would attend at the April Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1986.

Discussion resumed on the Estimate of Expenses as previously circulated. The Town Clerk stated that since the 1st Preliminary Estimates Meeting the Corporation had been notified by the Department of an increase in the Domestic Rates Support Grant which had the effect of reducing the rate increase from £25.78 (10% increase) to £23.50 (8.8% increase). This was welcomed by the meeting.

Discussion on the detailed estimate resumed with Programmes 3 to 8 being considered. During this discussion His Worship the Mayor stated that he was obliged to attend a formal function on behalf of the Corporation at 8.30 p.m. and on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed that Councillor O'Flaherty would assume the Chair for the remainder of the meeting. Councillor O'Flaherty then assumed the Chair. A lengthy discussion on all aspects of the estimate was then held. Arising out of this discussion and in reply to Alderman Howlin the Manager stated that the rewiring of Corporation houses would be undertaken in total immediately but that the cost of carrying out the work would be spread over a four year period. He was prepared to extend this period and thereby reduce the expenditure level in 1986 so as to reduce the rate in the £. The Manager further stated that he was satisfied with the estimate as presented and referred to the fact that the estimate did not provide for an increase in Commercial Water Charges and to the substantial increase in the provision for rate refunds and irrecoverable rates. In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Manager stated that he would pursue the question of reducing the charge on Corporation tenants in Belvedere Grove/Ashfield Drive in line with the Domestic Water Charges in the Borough area. Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Kavanagh that the Statutory Estimates Meeting which was to be held at 7.30 p.m. on 24th February, 1986 would be adjourned to 8.30 p.m. so as to enable a further Preliminary Estimates Meeting to be held at 7.30 p.m. on the same evening.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

3rd DAY OF FEBRUARY 1986
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MINUTES OF STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.
ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.
COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager,
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Statutory Estimates Meeting would adjourn until 8.30 p.m. in accordance with the decision at the 2nd Preliminary Estimates Meeting held on 21st February, 1986.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 31st DAY OF March 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF 3rd PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE
STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.
ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.
COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Discussion resumed on the Estimate of Expenses as had previously been circulated. In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Manager stated that he would be willing to extend the period over which the cost of carrying out the electrical wiring replacement/renovation in local authority houses to seven years which would have the effect of reducing the nett requirement in 1986 by £10,000. The effect of this reduction together with the appropriate reduction in the Domestic Rates Relief Grant shortfall had the effect of reducing the rate in the £ to 25.11. On the proposal of Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Kavanagh the Manager was requested to reduce the rate to 25.00 and the Manager stated that he would be able to do so by anticipating increased receipts of £2,900 in the Administration & Miscellaneous Programme. A further lengthy discussion was then held to which all members again contributed. In reply to Alderman Howlin the Manager stated that he was sympathetic to Alderman Howlin's suggestion that some relief would be granted in the Domestic Water Charges levied on houses without bathrooms or shower facilities and that he would investigate the feasibility of applying such relief within the estimate provisions and would report back to the Borough Council on this matter. The Manager also stated in reply to Alderman Howlin that he would review the Waiver Scheme in relation to Domestic Water Charges so as to enable relief to be granted over and above the normal relief applied in previous years. In reply to Councillor Enright the Manager stated that it was not possible to increase car parking charges without receiving the approval of the Department of the Environment to amendment of the Bye-Laws governing the car parks and that it was unlikely that the legal formalities required to alter the Bye-Laws could be completed before the end of the current year. In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Manager stated that he was hopeful that the legal difficulties in relation to the bringing to the same level, the water charges levied on Domestic Consumers who were Corporation tenants in the ex-Borough area to that applicable within the Borough area, could be overcome and that he was still pursuing this matter.

His Worship the Mayor again congratulated the Manager and the officials on the presentation of the Estimate.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.


SIGNED THIS

3rd

DAY OF

March

1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24th FEBRUARY, 1986, AT 8.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne M.C.C.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

ARTS COUNCIL GRANT TO WEXFORD OPERA FESTIVAL.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the recent publicised decision of the Arts Council to cease the payment of a grant to the Wexford Festival Opera and expressed his shock and grave concern at this decision. His Worship the Mayor stated that he had privately and was now publicly expressing his full support for the position taken by the Festival Council and their Chairman, Ms. Barbara Wallace. All members present associated with His Worship the Mayor's remarks and following the discussion it was agreed unanimously to write to the Festival Opera Committee expressing the full support of the Corporation in their endeavours to rescind the decision of the Arts Council and in addition to write to the Minister of State with responsibility for the Arts expressing the concern of the Borough Council and to the Arts Council requesting them to rescind their decision.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1986.

The Estimate of Expenses as prepared by the Manager and considered by the Borough Council at the three Preliminary Estimates Meetings was then considered. It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C., seconded by Councillor Kavanagh that the Estimate of Expenses as set out in Tables A and B attached which incorporate a Domestic Water Charge in respect of the financial year 1986 in the sum of £25.00 per dwelling, and in accordance with the said Estimate of Expenses determine the rate in the £ set out in Column 10 of Table B.3 as attached, in the sum of £25.00, to be the rate in the £ to be levied for the 1986 financial year for the purposes set out in the said Column 10 Table B.3.

It was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kelly that the inclusion of Water Charges for 1986 in the estimate be suspended. The Manager stated that the suspension of a receipt from the estimate without a consequential reduction in expenditure would be illegal and His Worship the Mayor ruled this amendment out of order.

A further amendment as follows was then proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Enright:-

"To remove the nett £55,000 requirement in the estimate for Water Charges.

To reduce expenditure as follows:-

Foreign Travel Provision -£2,200.

Twinning Provision -£500.

Planning Service Provision -£5,000.

Economic Promotion Provision -£10,000.

Cultural Promotion Provision -£2,000.

And in addition to double existing car parking charges income in the estimate."

The Town Clerk in reply to this amendment referred to the discussion regarding the car parking charges at the 3rd Preliminary Estimates Committee Meeting where it was pointed out that it would not be possible to anticipate an increase in income in this programme arising out of increasing the existing level of car parking charges because of the legal difficulties involved and that in any event the amendment was not self-financing as it would have to be paid for the same reasons as the first amendment proposed. It was then proposed by Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Kavanagh that the motion proposed by His

(2)

Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Kavanagh would be put to the meeting

A poll vote was called which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Alderman G. Byrne, Alderman B. Howlin, Alderman D.M. Kiernan,
Councillor J. O'Flaherty, Councillor N. Kavanagh, Councillor
H. Corish(6).

Against:- Alderman P. Reck, Cllr. P. Nolan, Cllr. P. Kelly, Cllr. V. Byrne,
Cllr. M. Enright, Cllr. P. Roche (6).

The result of the vote being a tie His Worship the Mayor then gave his casting vote in favour of the motion and the motion was declared carried.
His Worship the Mayor and the Town Clerk then signed the Statutory Certificate in relation to the adoption of the Estimate and the striking of the rate.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

3rd

DAY OF

March

1986.

Ald Gus Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Programme Group & Programmes (1)	YEAR 1986				CURRENT YEAR 1985			
	EXPENDITURE		INCOME		EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	Estimated By Manager (2) £	Adopted By Council (3) £	Estimated By Manager (4) £	Adopted By Council (5) £	Adopted By Council (6) £	Estimated Outturn (7) £	Adopted By Council (8) £	Estimated Outturn (9) £
1. HOUSING & BUILDING								
1.1. Local Authority Housing.	1,798,623	1,788,623	1,814,000	1,814,000	1,495,602	1,427,115	1,599,313	1,458,938
1.2. Assistance to persons housing themselves.	296,350	296,350	296,631	296,631	268,076	268,076	270,631	240,275
1.3. Assistance to persons improving houses.	12,000	12,000	39,000	39,000	19,000	14,200	19,000	34,500
1.8. Administration & Miscellaneous.	193,734	192,298	10,346	10,346	172,096	172,096	7,790	9,490
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	2,300,707	2,289,271	2,159,977	2,159,977	1,954,774	1,881,487	1,896,734	1,743,203
2. ROAD TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY								
2.1. Road Upkeep	145,485	145,485	—	—	158,929	158,929	—	—
1.2. Road Improvement	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	14,000	14,500	14,000	14,000
2.3. Road Traffic	44,514	44,514	55,000	55,000	42,419	38,419	51,750	42,500
2.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	78,848	72,839	6,797	6,797	57,475	57,475	4,901	3,501
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	283,847	277,838	76,797	76,797	272,823	269,323	70,651	60,001

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<u>PROGRAMME GROUP AND PROGRAMMES</u>	<u>YEAR 1986</u>				<u>CURRENT YEAR 1985</u>			
	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>INCOME</u>	
	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>
(1)	(2) £	(3) £	(4) £	(5) £	(6) £	(7) £	(8) £	(9) £
<u>3. WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE</u>								
3.1. Public Water Supply Scheme	253,525	253,525	237,516	237,516	248,740	242,111	236,633	199,800
3.2. Public Sewerage Scheme	125,760	125,760	62,052	62,052	100,034	95,900	49,383	47,827
3.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	102,264	98,998	7,286	7,286	86,461	86,461	5,463	5,463
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	481,549	478,283	306,854	306,854	435,235	424,472	291,479	253,090
<u>4. DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROLS.</u>								
4.1. Land Use Planning.	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	5,000	5,000	12,000	12,000
4.5. Tourist Promotion.	3,450	3,450	—	—	3,450	1,500	1,450	1,450
4.8. Administration & Miscellaneous.	17,098	16,682	3,201	3,201	14,660	14,660	108	108
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	35,548	35,132	18,201	18,201	23,110	21,160	13,558	13,558

PROGRAMME GROUP AND PROGRAMMES (1)	YEAR 1986				CURRENT YEAR 1985			
	EXPENDITURE		INCOME		EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	Estimated By Manager (2) £	Adopted By Council (3) £	Estimated By Manager (4) £	Adopted By Council (5) £	Adopted By Council (6) £	Estimated Outturn (7) £	Adopted By Council (8) £	Estimated Outturn (9) £
<u>Environmental Protection</u>								
5.1. Waste Disposal	178,418	178,418	—	—	168,914	169,164	—	—
5.2. Burial Grounds	41,523	41,523	11,500	11,500	42,680	42,700	10,000	10,000
5.3. Safety of Structures & places.	3,250	3,250	2,000	2,000	6,300	4,800	2,000	500
5.5. Pollution Control	9,000	9,000	—	—	7,500	8,120	—	—
5.7. Contribution by other Local Authorities.	—	—	20,100	20,100	—	—	18,300	18,300
5.8. Admin. & Misc.	126,367	118,355	7,179	7,179	91,854	94,261	5,214	5,214
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	358,558	350,546	40,779	40,779	317,248	319,045	35,514	34,014
<u>6. RECREATION & AMENITY</u>								
6.1. Swimming Pools	93,135	93,135	51,500	51,500	89,790	90,000	48,550	48,550
6.3. Parks & Open Spaces	57,321	57,321	29,500	29,500	48,540	45,880	28,500	25,400
6.4. Other Rec. & Amen.	12,500	12,500	—	—	6,500	6,500	—	—
6.8. Admin. & Misc.	48,059	44,921	3,556	3,556	35,372	35,372	1,920	1,920
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	211,015	207,877	84,556	84,556	180,202	177,752	78,970	75,870

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PROGRAMME GROUP AND PROGRAMMES (1)	YEAR 1986				CURRENT YEAR 1985			
	EXPENDITURE		INCOME		EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
	Estimated By Manager (2) £	Adopted By Council (3) £	Estimated By Manager (4) £	Adopted By Council (5) £	Adopted By Council (6) £	Estimated Outturn (7) £	Adopted By Council (8) £	Estimated Outturn (9) £
<u>7. AGRIC., EDUC., HEALTH & WELFARE.</u>								
7.2. Education	57,600	57,600	45,800	45,800	54,300	54,800	38,950	38,450
7.3. Health & Welfare	130,650	130,650	129,000	129,000	20,950	106,950	119,000	105,000
7.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	20,329	17,817	605	605	13,052	13,052	590	590
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	208,579	206,067	175,405	175,405	188,302	174,802	158,540	144,040
<u>8. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES</u>								
8.2. Plant & Materials	86,632	86,632	87,330	87,330	82,830	82,660	82,830	82,830
8.3. Financial Management	28,584	28,584	16,300	16,300	13,973	15,058	16,330	16,205
8.4. Elections	--	--	--	--	5,000	5,000	--	--
8.6. Property Damage	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
8.6. Administration & Miscellaneous	78,898	76,547	2,416	5,368	58,502	58,502	6,566	5,766
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	194,114	191,763	106,046	108,998	160,305	161,220	105,726	104,801
<u>ALL PROGRAMME GROUP TOTALS</u>	4,073,917	4,036,777	2,968,615	2,971,567	3,531,999	3,429,261	2,666,172	2,428,577

TABLE B.3

WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

PROGRAMME GROUP	Estimated Gross Revenue Expenditure	Estimated Revenue Income	Estimated Nett Revenue Expenditure	Services provided by the Co. Council		Estimated Balance at beginning of year		Amounts to be levied	Rate in the pound
				General Charges	Separate Charges	Debit	Credit		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
1. Housing & Building	2,289,271	2,159,977	129,294	2,898	--	--	60,000	72,192	1.40
2. Road Transportation & Safety	277,838	76,797	201,041	69,550	--	--	--	270,591	5.27
3. Water Supply & Sewerage	478,283	306,854	171,429	--	--	--	--	171,429	3.34
4. Development Incentives & Controls	35,132	18,201	16,931	8,694	--	--	--	25,625	0.50
5. Environmental Protection	350,546	40,779	309,767	75,345	--	--	--	385,112	7.49
6. Recreation & Amenity	207,877	84,556	123,321	23,183	--	--	--	146,504	2.85
7. Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare.	206,067	175,405	30,662	69,550	--	--	--	100,212	1.95
8. Misc. Services.	191,763	108,998	82,765	40,570	--	--	10,000	113,335	2.20
ALL PROGRAMME GROUP TOTALS	4,036,777	2,971,567	1,065,210	289,790	--	--	70,000	1,285,000	25.00

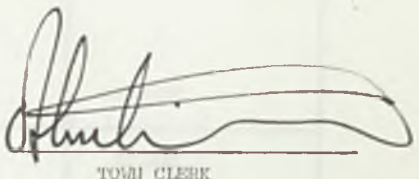
CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that at the Estimates Meeting of the Wexford Borough Council held this 24th day of February 1986 the Council by resolution adopted for the financial year ending 31st December, 1986 the estimate of expenses set out in Tables A and B by resolution determined in accordance with the said estimate the rates in the pound set out in Column (10) at Table B3 to be the rate in the Pound to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in Column 10 Table B.3.

SIGNED:-


MAYOR

COUNTERSIGNED:-


TOWN CLERK

DATE:-

24th February 1986

PROGRAMME: - 1.1. Local	1985		1986	
Authority Housing.	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
SUB-PROGRAMMES:-				
1. Maintenance/Repair/ Improvement.	172,110	172,110	267,050	257,050
1a. Heating Charges.	36,650	37,850	35,600	35,600
1b. Fire Damage.	8,000	2,887	8,000	8,000
2. Rent/Annuity Collection	35,818	35,818	37,942	37,942
3. Other Housing Estate Management	9,000	9,400	11,638	11,638
6. Loan Charges.	1,224,793	1,158,300	1,424,000	1,424,000
7. Tenant Purchase Administration	8,931	9,250	10,043	10,043
8. Miscellaneous.	300	1,500	4,350	4,350
PROGRAMME TOTAL	1,495,602	1,427,115	1,798,623	1,788,623
Programme 1.2. - Assistance to Persons Housing themselves.				
Sub- Programmes.				
3. L.R.M. Subsidy.	1,250	1,250	1,250	1,250
6. Loan Charges.	206,556	202,556	199,500	199,500
H. H.F.A. Repayments	60,270	64,270	95,600	95,600
PROGRAMME TOTAL	268,076	268,076	296,350	296,350
Programme 1.3. - Assistance to persons improving houses.				
Sub-Programmes.				
6. Loan Charges.	19,000	14,200	12,000	12,000
PROGRAMME TOTAL	19,000	14,200	12,000	12,000
PROGRAMME 1.8. Administration & Miscellaneous				
Sub-Programmes.				
1. Direct Administration & Overheads.	9,100	9,100	378	378
2. Apportioned Administration & Overheads.	155,466	155,466	181,739	181,739
8. Miscellaneous.	—	—	—	—
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	7,530	7,530	11,617	10,181
PROGRAMME TOTAL	172,096	172,096	193,734	192,298
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	1,954,774	1,811,487	2,300,707	2,289,271

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PROGRAMME: - 1.0. LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
SUB-PROGRAMMES:-				
1.9.1. Subsidy on Local Authority Housing.	1,224,793	1,130,551	1,424,000	1,424,000
TOTAL GRANTS	1,224,793	1,130,551	1,424,000	1,424,000
Goods, Services, Etc.				
1.1.1. Rents	274,500	245,000	288,000	288,000
1.1.2. Purchase Annuities	79,500	72,000	85,500	85,500
1.1.4. Heating	12,520	8,500	8,500	8,500
1.1.8. Fire Damage	8,000	2,887	8,000	8,000
TOTAL	374,520	328,387	390,000	390,000
PROGRAMME TOTAL	1,599,313	1,458,938	1,814,000	1,814,000
PROGRAMME: 1.2.9. Assistance to persons housing themselves.				
SUB-PROGRAMMES.				
1.2.1. Loan Repayments	206,556	173,000	196,556	196,556
1.2.2. L.R.M. Subsidy	625	625	625	625
1.2.5. T.P. Capital Transfer & Redemptions.	--	--	--	--
12 H H.F.A. Repayments	61,500	65,500	97,500	97,500
1.2.6. Loan Fees	1,950	1,150	1,950	1,950
PROGRAMME TOTAL	270,631	240,275	296,631	296,631
PROGRAMME 1.3.9. Assistance to Persons Improving Houses.				
1.3.1. Loan Redemptions	--	--	--	--
1.3.2. Loan Repayments	19,000	34,500	39,000	39,000
PROGRAMME TOTAL	19,000	34,500	39,000	39,000
PROGRAMME: 1.8.9. Administr- ation & Miscellaneous.				
SUB-PROGRAMMES				
1.8.7. Contribution to Superannuation	7,100	7,100	7,500	7,500
1.8.8. Other Income	350	2,050	2,500	2,500
1.8.9. Agriculture Grant	340	340	346	346
PROGRAMME TOTAL	7,790	9,490	10,346	10,346
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	1,896,734	1,743,203	2,159,977	2,159,977

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PROGRAMME: - 2.1. ROAD UPKEEP	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
4. Urban Roads	90,550	90,550	87,175	87,175
5. Public Lighting	50,600	50,600	55,400	55,400
6. Loan Charges	305	305	310	310
8. Miscellaneous	2,500	2,500	2,600	2,600
9. Transfer to Capital	14,974	14,974	--	--
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	158,929	158,929	145,485	145,485
<u>Programme 2.2. - Road Improvements.</u>				
5. Urban Roads	14,000	14,500	15,000	15,000
8. Miscellaneous	--	--	--	--
<u>SUB-PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	14,000	14,500	15,000	15,000
<u>Programme 2.3. - Road Traffic.</u>				
1. Traffic Wardens/Car Parks.	39,419	35,419	41,514	41,514
2. Car Parks - Loan Charges.	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	42,419	38,419	44,514	44,514
<u>PROGRAMME 2.8.</u>				
<u>Administration & Miscellaneous</u>				
<u>Sub-Programmes.</u>				
1. Direct Administration & Overheads.	--	--	--	--
2. Apportioned Administration & Overheads..	25,911	25,911	30,227	30,227
8. Miscellaneous.	--	--	--	--
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	31,564	31,564	48,621	42,612
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	57,475	57,475	78,848	72,839
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	272,823	269,323	283,847	277,838

PROGRAMME: - 2.2.9. ROAD IMPROVEMENT.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
2.2.9. Urban Road Improvement Grant.	14,000	14,000	15,000	15,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	14,000	14,000	15,000	15,000
<u>PROGRAMME 2.3.9. ROAD TRAFFIC</u>				
2.3.9. Traffic Warden & Car Parks	51,750	42,500	55,000	55,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	51,750	42,500	55,000	55,000
<u>PROGRAMME 2.8.9. Administ- ration & Miscellaneous.</u>				
2.8.2. Road Openings.	2,500	1,100	2,600	2,600
2.8.7. Contribution to Superannuation.	975	975	2,750	2,750
2.8.9. Agricultural Grant	1,426	1,426	1,447	1,447
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	4,901	3,501	6,797	6,797
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	70,651	60,001	76,797	76,797

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PROGRAMME: - 3.1. - PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SCHEME.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
1. Operation/Maintenance.	156,340	156,340	160,600	160,600
2. Provision/Improvement.	--	--	--	--
6. Loan Charges.	60,000	53,371	60,375	60,375
9. Water Charges Waiver.	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
8. Miscellaneous.	12,400	12,400	12,550	12,550
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	248,740	242,111	253,525	253,525
<u>Programme 3.2. - Sewerage.</u>				
1. Operation of Drainage.	14,913	14,400	13,577	13,577
2. Operation of Public Conveniences.	15,808	16,500	17,533	17,533
4. Provision/Improvement of Drainage.	--	--	--	--
6. Loan Charges.	67,313	63,000	92,650	92,650
8. Miscellaneous.	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	100,034	95,900	125,760	125,760
<u>PROGRAMME 3.8. - Administ- ration & Miscellaneous.</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES.</u>				
1. Direct Administration	8,042	8,042	4,057	4,057
2. Apportioned Administration & Overheads.	61,539	61,539	71,788	71,788
8. Miscellaneous.	--	--	--	--
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	16,880	16,880	26,419	23,153
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	86,461	86,461	102,264	98,998
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	435,235	424,472	481,549	478,283

PROGRAMME 1 - 3.1.9. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SCHEME.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
3.9.1. Subsidy on Loan Charges	29,303	25,300	30,186	30,186
3.0.0. Water Charges	122,500	122,500	122,500	122,500
3.0.1. Water Charges Domestic	75,000	58,000	75,000	75,000
3.0.8. Other Income	9,830	9,000	9,830	9,830
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	236,633	214,800	237,516	237,516
<u>PROGRAMME 3.2.9. PUBLIC SEWERAGE SCHEMES.</u>				
3.9.2. Subsidy on Loan Charges	33,656	32,100	46,325	46,325
3.0.8. Other Income	3,331	3,331	3,331	3,331
3.0.1. Contribution by Wexford County Council.	12,396	12,396	12,396	12,396
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	49,383	47,827	62,052	62,052
<u>PROGRAMME 3.8.9. ADMINISTRATION & MISCELLANEOUS.</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES</u>				
3.0.7. Contribution to Superannuation.	4,700	4,700	6,500	6,500
3.8.9. Agricultural Grant	763	763	786	786
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	5,463	5,463	7,286	7,286
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	291,479	268,090	306,854	306,854

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PROGRAMME:- 4.1. Land Use Planning.	1985		1986	
	<u>REVENUE</u>		<u>REVENUE</u>	
	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
4.1. Planning Service.	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
4.3. Tourist Promotion(serto)	3,450	1,500	3,450	3,450
4.4. Economic Promotion	—	—	10,000	10,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	8,450	6,500	18,450	18,450
<u>1.8. Administration & Miscellaneous.</u>				
4.8.1. Direct Administration & overheads	9,036	9,036	9,853	9,853
4.8.2. Apportioned Administration & Overheads.	3,239	3,239	3,873	3,873
4.8.9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	2,385	2,385	3,372	2,956
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	14,660	14,660	17,098	16,682
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	23,110	21,160	35,548	35,152

PROGRAMME:- 4.8.9.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
ADMINISTRATION & MISCELLANEOUS				
SUB-PROGRAMMES:-				
4.0.6. Contribution from S.E.R.T.O.	1,950	--	--	--
4.0.7. Contribution to Superannuation	1,450	1,450	3,100	3,100
4.0.8. Planning Fees	7,500	12,000	15,000	15,000
4.0.9. Agricultural Grant	108	108	101	101
PROGRAMME TOTAL	11,008	13,558	18,201	18,201
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	11,008	13,558	18,201	18,201

PROGRAMME:- 5.1. WASTE DISPOSAL	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
1. Operation of Dump	22,264	22,264	23,000	23,000
3. Domestic Refuse	65,710	66,000	70,068	70,068
4. Street Cleaning	71,040	71,000	75,350	75,350
6. Loan Charges	9,900	9,900	10,000	10,000
8. Miscellaneous	—	—	—	—
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	168,914	169,164	178,418	178,418
<u>5.2. Burial Grounds</u>				
1. Upkeep	38,130	38,500	40,753	40,753
2. Provision/Improvement	3,700	3,700	—	—
6. Loan Charges	—	—	—	—
8. Miscellaneous	850	500	770	770
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	42,680	42,700	41,523	41,523
<u>PROGRAMME 5.3. - SAFETY OF STRUCTURES AND PLACES.</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES</u>				
2. Dangerous Buildings.	2,000	500	2,000	2,000
3. Water Safety.	1,100	1,100	1,250	1,250
4. Flood Relief/Coast Protection	3,200	3,200	—	—
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	6,300	4,800	3,250	3,250
<u>5.5. POLLUTION.</u>				
2. Monitoring & Enforcement	7,500	8,120	9,000	9,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	7,500	8,120	9,000	9,000
<u>PROGRAMME 5.8. ADMINISTRATION & MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES.</u>				
1. Direct Administration & Miscellaneous.	16,065	18,500	19,977	19,977
2. Apportioned administration & Overheads.	35,628	35,600	41,562	41,562
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	40,161	40,161	64,828	56,816
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	91,854	94,261	126,367	118,355
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	317,248	319,045	358,558	350,546

PROGRAMME: - 5.2.9. BURIAL GROUNDS.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
SUB-PROGRAMMES:-				
5.0.1. BURIAL FEES	10,000	10,000	11,500	11,500
PROGRAMME TOTAL	10,000	10,000	11,500	11,500
WASTE DISPOSAL				
1. Contribution by other Local Authorities.	18,300	18,300	20,100	20,100
2. Dangerous Places.	2,000	500	2,000	2,000
PROGRAMME TOTAL	20,300	18,800	22,100	22,100
5.0.7. Administration & Miscellaneous.				
5.0.7. Contribution to Superannuation.	3,400	3,400	5,250	5,250
5.8.9. Agricultural Grant.	1,814	1,814	1,929	1,929
PROGRAMME TOTAL	5,214	5,214	7,179	7,179
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	35,514	34,014	40,779	40,779

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PROGRAMME: - 6.1. SWIMMING POOL.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
1. Operation & Improvement	72,090	72,500	77,535	77,535
6. Loan Charges	14,100	14,000	12,000	12,000
8. Miscellaneous	3,600	3,500	3,600	3,600
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	89,790	90,000	93,135	93,135
<u>PROGRAMME 6.2. PARKS & OPEN SPACES.</u>				
1. Operation of Caravan Park	25,670	23,200	27,221	27,221
2. Operation of Redmond Park and Other Parks.	7,380	7,380	7,390	7,390
3. Improvement of Caravan Park	7,000	7,000	5,650	5,650
4. Improvement of Other Parks	800	800	9,500	9,500
6. Loan Charges.	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
8. Miscellaneous.	2,690	2,500	2,560	2,560
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	48,540	45,880	57,321	57,321
<u>PROGRAMME 6.4. OTHER RECREATION & AMENITY.</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES.</u>				
Contribution to Other Bodies. Cultural Activities	6,500	6,500	7,500 5,000	7,500 5,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	6,500	6,500	12,500	12,500
<u>6.8. Administration & Miscellaneous.</u>				
1. Direct Administration	--	--	--	--
2. Apportioned Administration	19,433	19,433	22,671	22,671
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	15,939	15,939	25,388	22,250
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	35,372	35,372	48,059	44,921
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	180,202	177,752	211,015	207,877

PROGRAMME: - 6.1.9. - SWIMMING POOL.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
6.1.9. Subsidy on loan charges.	4,050	4,050	4,000	4,000
6.0.1. Swimming Pool Fees.	35,500	34,500	35,500	35,500
6.0.0. Other Income (Co. Co.)	9,000	10,000	12,000	12,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	48,550	48,550	51,500	51,500
<u>PARKS & OPEN SPACES</u>				
Caravan Park Fees	28,000	24,900	29,000	29,000
Other Receipts	500	500	500	500
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	28,500	25,400	29,500	29,500
<u>PROGRAMME - 6.8.9. - ADMINISTRATION & MISCELLANEOUS</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES</u>				
6.0.7. Contribution to Superannuation	1,200	1,200	2,800	2,800
6.8.9. Agricultural Grant.	720	720	756	756
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	1,920	1,920	3,556	3,556
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	78,970	75,870	84,556	84,556

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PROGRAMME: - 7.2. EDUCATION	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
1. Contribution to V.E.C.	5,800	5,800	6,100	6,100
2. S/Ann. of V.E.C.	43,500	45,000	46,300	46,300
5. School Meals.	5,000	4,000	5,200	5,200
8. Miscellaneous	--	--	--	--
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	54,300	54,800	57,600	57,600
<u>7.3. HEALTH & WELFARE</u>				
3. Unemployment Assistance	1,950	1,950	1,650	1,650
7. Cheap Fuel	119,000	105,000	129,000	129,000
<u>SUB-PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	120,950	106,950	130,650	130,650
<u>7.8. MISCELLANEOUS.</u>				
7.8.9. Domestic Rate Grant Support.	13,052	13,052	20,329	17,817
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	188,302	174,802	208,579	206,067

PROGRAMME: - 7.2. EDUCATION	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
7.9.2. V.E.C. Government Gr.	21,750	21,750	23,000	23,000
7.9.4. School Meals Grant	2,500	2,000	2,600	2,600
7.0.7. Contribution to Superannuation V.E.C.	14,700	14,700	20,200	20,200
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	38,950	38,450	45,800	45,800
<u>7.3.9. Health & Welfare</u>				
7.9.5. Cheap Fuel Scheme.	119,000	105,000	129,000	129,000
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	119,000	105,000	129,000	129,000
7.8.9. AGRICULTURAL GRANT	590	590	605	605
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	158,540	144,040	175,405	175,405

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PROGRAMME: - 8.2. PLANT & MATERIALS	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	<u>Adopted By Council</u>	<u>Estimated Outturn</u>	<u>Estimated By Manager</u>	<u>Adopted By Council</u>
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
1. Operation & Mtce. of Plant	14,830	14,830	15,402	15,402
5. Stores - Purchase of Materials.	68,000	67,830	71,230	71,230
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	82,830	82,660	86,632	86,632
<u>PROGRAMME 8.3. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT.</u>				
1. Rate Collection.	8,973	8,973	9,584	9,584
2. Refund Rates.	3,000	4,085	16,000	16,000
3. Irrecoverable Rates.	2,000	2,000	3,000	3,000
4. Miscellaneous.	--	--	--	--
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	13,973	15,058	28,584	28,584
<u>PROGRAMME 8.8. ADMINISTRATION & MISCELLANEOUS.</u>				
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES</u>				
1. Direct Admin. & Misc.	--	--	--	--
2. Apportioned Admin. & Misc.	22,672	22,672	26,448	26,448
3. Municipal Buildings.	20,170	20,170	22,232	22,232
6. Loan Charges.	5,000	5,000	7,500	7,500
8. Foreign Travel.	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,220
8a. Town Twinning	--	--	1,500	1,500
9. Domestic Rate Grant Support	8,660	8,660	19,018	16,667
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	58,502	58,502	78,898	76,547
<u>PROGRAMME 8.4. ELECTIONS</u>				
Local Elections.	5,000	4,900	--	--
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	5,000	4,900	--	--
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	160,305	161,120	194,114	191,763

PROGRAMME: - 8.2.9. PLANT & MATERIALS.	1985		1986	
	REVENUE		REVENUE	
	Adopted By Council	Estimated Outturn	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
<u>SUB-PROGRAMMES:-</u>				
Hire of Plant.	14,830	14,830	15,480	15,480
Stores Issues to other services.	68,000	68,000	71,850	71,850
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	82,830	82,830	87,330	87,330
<u>PROGRAMME 8.3.9. - Financial Management.</u>				
Contribution in lieu of rates.	16,330	16,205	16,300	16,300
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	16,330	16,205	16,300	16,300
<u>8.8.9. Administration & Miscellaneous.</u>				
8.0.3. Corporate Estate.	1,200	400	300	300
8.0.7. Contribution to S/Ann.	975	975	50	1,250
8.0.0. Other Income.	4,000	4,000	1,500	3,252
8.8.9. Agricultural Grant.	391	391	566	566
<u>PROGRAMME TOTAL</u>	6,566	5,766	2,416	5,368
<u>PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL</u>	105,726	104,801	106,046	108,998

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY, 3RD MARCH, 1986, AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty,
V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh and H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, Co. Manager,
Mr. J. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer,
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

At the outset of the meeting a vote of sympathy to the Malone family of Corish Park on the recent tragic drowning of their young son, was unanimously adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Reck. All Members and the County Manager on behalf of himself and the staff associated with the vote of sympathy and paid tribute to the subaqua team and the fire brigade involved in the recovery of the body. The vote was passed in silence all standing.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 3rd February, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Councillor Nolan.

The Minutes of the following meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Alderman Howlin.

(a) General Purposes Committee Meeting held 6th March, 1986.

(b) Housing Committee Meeting held 6th March, 1986.

(c) Protocol Committee Meeting held 26th March, 1986.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

The County Manager outlined the present position in relation to the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme. A plan showing the proposed extension of the Quay front was also presented and considered by the meeting. The Manager recalled the progress of the Scheme since it was first mooted in 1978 and emphasised the importance of the development for Wexford. He expressed his pleasure that the Scheme was now at contract document stage and paid tribute to the Members and all involved in progressing the Scheme to this point. A lengthy discussion on the proposals in the Scheme, particularly in relation to the Quay front was held following which it was agreed unanimously on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Reck that the plan showing the extension of the Quay front be adopted. It was further agreed to consider an inspection by all Members of the Borough Council of the model of Wexford Harbour being prepared in U.C.C. as part of the preliminary survey works.

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ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Because of a breakdown in the electricity supplies it was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the meeting would adjourn. Following a discussion a vote was taken on the proposal which resulted in a majority being in favour of continuing the meeting. The meeting so continued.

DATE FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING.

It was unanimously agreed that the General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on Thursday, 6th March, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

MOTIONS.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan, seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

"That this council take whatever action is necessary to compel the owners of properties to clean or repair chutes that overspill onto the pavements".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred particularly to the bad condition of the chutes and down-pipes in the Main Street / High Street area. The Town Clerk stated that this problem had already been discussed with the Chamber of Industry and Commerce and that Organisation had arranged for a Contractor to be available to the property owners in the Main Street / High Street area commencing in the coming weeks. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

KEEP WEXFORD TIDY CAMPAIGN.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan, seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That a greater effort is made to involve the young people of this town in a Keep Wexford Tidy Campaign".

A lengthy discussion was held on the motion to which all Members contributed. The Manager welcomed the discussion as being timely since a review of the Keep Wexford Tidy Campaign was currently being undertaken and welcomed the provision of funds in the Estimate of Expenses as adopted which would enable a more concerted and effective approach to be undertaken in the Campaign. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

HEALTH CENTRE AT COOLCOTTS

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright, seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That the South Eastern Health Board be requested to provide a comprehensive Health centre, incorporating a Family Planning Clinic, in the new Coolcotts Neighbourhood centre".

A lengthy discussion was held on the motion to which all Members contributed. Following this discussion a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Alderman Howlin, Councillors Nolan, Byrne Enright, Roche and Corish (6).

Against:- Aldermen Reck, Kiernan, Councillors O'Flaherty, Kavanagh (4).

Abstained:- Alderman Byrne, Councillors Kelly, O'Connell

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The majority being in favour of the motion, the motion was declared carried.

AMENITIES AT FERRYBANK

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright:-

"That the Borough Engineer be requested to prepare a feasibility study on the proposals for Ferrybank submitted by Mr. Brendan Maher, Corish Park, Wexford".

A discussion was held on whether or not the motion should be considered since neither the Town Clerk nor all of the Members had been circulated with the proposal mentioned in the motion. Following this discussion His Worship the Mayor ruled that the motion be adjourned to the first General Purposes Committee Meeting, which would be held after the proposals had been formally submitted by Mr. Maher to the Town Clerk.

FACILITIES FOR HANDICAPPED PEOPLE.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Roche, seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"That the up-to-date position on the provision of facilities and access facilities for handicapped people by this Council be given".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder requested that an up-to-date report on the provision of such facilities mentioned in the motion would be submitted to a forthcoming meeting of the Borough Council. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

BOROUGH BOUNDARY EXTENSION.

The following two motions were considered together and both motions were proposed by Councillor Roche, seconded by His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Byrne:-

"That this Council again actively pursue the implementation of a Borough Extension".

"That this Borough Council at its forthcoming meeting with the District Committee of Wexford County council discuss the promotion of an extension of the Borough Boundary".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the anomalies created by having a substantial section of the physical town outside the official borough boundary. A lengthy discussion then ensued to which all Members contributed. The Manager stated that there were a number of aspects which had to be considered in relation to the extension of the boundary not least of which was the re-organisation of Local Government proposals currently being considered by the Minister. The Manager stated that he would have the financial implications for both the Corporation and Co. Council up-dated and would submit a full report encompassing a traditional boundary extension together with a proposal for the redefining of the traditional local Government structures. This was accepted by the Meeting and the motion were unanimously adopted.

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CROSSING AT ROCHE'S TERRACE/ ST. PETER'S SQUARE JUNCTIONS.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That Wexford Corporation in conjunction with the St. Peter's Square development seeks to establish a safe crossing at Roche's Terrace/ St. Peter's Square junction".

It was noted by the Meeting that a report on such a proposal contained in the motion would be submitted to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee and it was agreed to await this report before further considering the matter.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk gave details of the provision in the adopted Estimate of Expenses in 1980 to 1986 in respect of the Mayoral Allowance and further stated that there was no specific provision for expenses in the Estimate of Expenses other than the provision for Members' Expenses etc.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that the Corporation were trying to establish the original source of the lake at Redmond Park with a view to refilling the lake in the park.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Accountant stated that the contract price for the redevelopment of the 43 houses at Coolcotts, stage (5) was one million, one hundred and fifty five thousand eight hundred and eleven pounds. In further reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that this contract would commence within two or three weeks from the date of the Meeting.

In reply to Councillor O'Flaherty the Town Clerk stated that the first advertisements for the new jobs provided for in the Estimate of Expenses would be placed in the local papers on the week following the Meeting.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Town Clerk stated that a response from the Department of the Environment to a request for funding for the upgrading of the older housing stock was being awaited prior to setting a commencement date for the provision of shower units in those houses.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Borough Engineer stated that the rewiring of houses as provided for in the Estimate of Expenses was currently under way.

In reply to Alderman Howlin the Town Clerk stated that a reply from the Co. Council regarding a meeting between the Corporation and Wexford County District Committee was currently being awaited.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF April 1986.

Alfred Gus Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan,

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty,
V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer,

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

At the outset of the Meeting a vote of sympathy to Mrs. Quinlivan, wife of the Manager, on the recent death of her Mother was unanimously adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor. The Town Clerk on behalf of the Staff associated with the vote of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence all standing.

NAMING OF HOUSING SCHEME.

The following report on the naming of the new 55 house scheme at Coolcotts, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

On 3rd February, 1986 the tenants of the new dwellings at Coolcotts, Stage 4 were invited to choose a name for this Estate. The results are as follows:-

<u>COUERON PARK</u>	..	16
<u>SLANEY VIEW ESTATE</u>	..	5
<u>MOUNTAIN VIEW</u>	..	5
<u>CLONARD CLOSE</u>	..	1
<u>CLONARD HEIGHTS</u>	..	3
<u>COOLCOTTS HEIGHTS</u>	..	1
<u>FERNDALE PARK</u>	..	25

It is accordingly recommended to you that the scheme be named "Ferndale Park".

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Nolan, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the new Estate would be named Ferndale Park. It was further agreed that the nameplate for the Estate would be bi-lingual and that number plates showing the location of houses in the development at Coolcotts would be erected on the outside walls of the Schemes.

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HOUSING APPLICANTS.

Alderman Reck referred to the housing application of Mrs. P. McLoughlin who is No. 58 on the adopted priority list and Councillor Nolan referred to the application of the Hores from Gulbar Road who are No. 38 on the adopted priority list. A discussion was held on these applications and it was suggested that these applicants should be offered houses which had recently become available at Mount George and Abbey Street. Following a lengthy discussion to which all Members contributed it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Alderman Howlin to request the Manager to have regard to the discussion of the Members in relation to these cases.

A discussion was also held on a number of applicants for rehousing who, though being recommended for rehousing on the basis of their housing conditions, had been excluded from the housing lists on income grounds. Following a lengthy discussion to which all Members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Roche to recommend to the Manager that a review of the circumstances of the 14 applicants recommended for rehousing but excluded from the housing lists on income grounds, to establish if the financial circumstances still pertained.

£5,000 GRANTS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY TENANTS

Alderman Howlin referred to a difficulty he had recently been confronted with in relation to an existing tenant of the Corporation who claimed the £5,000 grant but had been informed by the Department that his rent for the past two years would have to be re-assessed. The Town Clerk stated that rents on all Corporation tenants had been assessed in accordance with the terms of the National Differential Rent Scheme and that he would submit a report on this matter to the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF April 19

Md Gus Byrne M.C.C.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING ON THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH, 1986,
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty,
V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

DEPUTATION FROM TALBOT GREEN.

A request from the Talbot Green Housing Committee that a deputation regarding housing repairs be received by the Borough Council was considered and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Enright that the deputation would be received at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting in accordance with the provisions of Standing Orders.

STANDING ORDERS.

Consideration was given to new draft Standing Orders recommended by the Protocol Committee, which had previously been circulated. It was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Alderman Howlin to defer consideration of revised Standing Orders to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

PLANNING.

A list of planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council, details of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted.

AMENITY GRANTS.

Alderman Howlin referred to the recent allocation of £60,000 to the Corporation for the purposes of providing a community centre in the Coolcotts area. The Town Clerk stated that official notification of this allocation had not been received yet. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the Borough Council would meet with representatives of the Residents Associations in the area to discuss proposals for this Community Centre.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- (1) Circular letter from Sligo Corporation asking that the following motion passed at their Meeting on 2nd December, 1986, be placed before Wexford Borough Council, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

"That Sligo Corporation concerned at the continued discrimination against married women under our Social Welfare Code calls on the Minister for Social Welfare to introduce the necessary legislation so as to ensure that the Irish Social Welfare Code complied with the E.E.C. Equality Directive".

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- (2) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Communications thanking Borough Council for resolution regarding Irish Continental Line Ltd., and stating that the Minister has noted the contents of same, copy of which had been previously circulated, was noted.
- (3) Letter from Private Secretary to An Taoiseach thanking Borough Council for resolution adopted concerning pensions for Members of Dail Eireann, stating that An Taoiseach had noted the contents and referred the said resolution to the Minister for Finance and the Minister for the Public Service for their attention, copy of which had been previously circulated, was noted.
- (4) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough council's request that an Environmental Improvement Scheme for Wexford be introduced similar to that announced by An Taoiseach in 1985 and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, copy of which had been previously circulated, was noted.
- (5) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour acknowledging receipt of Borough council's resolution regarding Youth Employment Levy stating that the matter is being examined and a further letter would issue shortly, copy of which had been previously circulated, was noted.
- (6) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Public Service acknowledging receipt of resolution re pension scheme for Members of Dail Eireann and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (7) Letter from Cork Corporation, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (8) Letter from Castlebar Urban District Council requesting that the following motion be brought before the Borough Council:-
- "That this Council calls on the Minister for Foreign Affairs to continue through whatever channels available to him, calling on the British Government to discontinue the Diplock Courts, and Supergrass Trials, in the North of Ireland which are so repugnant to all people" copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (9) A letter from the Private Secretary to the Minister for Labour regarding the Youth Employment Levy, copy of which had been previously circulated, was then considered. On the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Kelly, it was agreed to write again to the Minister and express concern that not enough was being done in the Wexford Area with the Youth Employment Levy Finance to promote employment for the use of the town.
- (10) Letter from Minister for the Environment re annual subscriptions by member local authorities to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (11) Local Authority Members Association - Conference.
Re/ The Role of Local Authorities.
Date / 4/5th April, 1986.
Venue:- West Co. Hotel, Ennis, Co. Clare, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

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- (12) Letter from Minister foreign Affairs re EEC Food Stocks copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (13) A request from the Wexford Twinning Council for permission to use the Wexford Coat of Arms on the official stationary of the Council was considered and was unanimously approved on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty, subject to the usual conditions.
- (14) Circular letter from Navan Urban District Council requesting that the following resolution unanimously adopted by the Members of Navan Urban District Council be brought to the attention of Wexford Borough Council:-
- "Iarraimid ar an gComhchoiste don Ghaeilge i dIithe an Oireachtais a mholadh go reachtofar Bille Cearta don Ghaeilge chun comhchearta le lucht labhartha on Bhearla a thabhairt do lucht labhartha na Gaeilge", copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (15) Circular Letter from Carlow Urban District Council requesting that the following resolution be brought to the attention of Wexford Borough Council:-

"That this Council condemns the action of the Minister of the Environment on directing the Council to utilize annuities receipts on Capital account for the purpose of relieving the Government of the necessity to pay the Domestic Rate Grant in full in 1986", copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

A request from the Wexford Twinning Council that a formal delegation from the Corporation would lead the forthcoming visit by a group of sporting and cultural citizens to Coueron was then considered. It was unanimously agreed that the following Members from the Borough Council would form this formal delegation and that the Mayoral allowance be adjusted accordingly on the proposal of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Alderman Kiernan.

<u>NOMINEE</u>	<u>PROPOSED BY</u>	<u>SECONDED BY</u>
His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne	Alderman Kiernan	Councillor O'Flaherty.
Alderman D.M. Kiernan	Councillor Roche	Councillor Nolan
Alderman Reck	Councillor Roche	Alderman Kiernan
Councillor Kelly	Alderman Kiernan	Councillor Nolan
Councillor Byrne	Councillor Kelly	Councillor Enright
Councillor Corish	Alderman Howlin	Councillor Roche

An invitation from the Birmingham Wexford Mens' Association to His Worship the Mayor and his wife to attend at their annual dinner dance was noted and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Nolan, seconded by Alderman Reck that His Worship the Mayor would so attend and that the Mayor allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

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His Worship the Mayor stated that he had in the week prior to the meeting attended at a meeting of all Mayors and Chairmen of Local Authorities on the East Coast in the Mansion House in Dublin regarding the Sellafield Nuclear Plant and that he had been selected at this meeting to be part of a small delegation from the meeting to visit the plant. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Alderman Kiernan to give the full support of the Corporation to His Worship the Mayor in this project and that the Mayor's allowance would be adjusted accordingly for any expenses incurred.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF April 1986.

Alfred Byrne M.C.P.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 26TH MARCH, 1986, at 7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

ALDERMAN:- P. Reck.

COUNCILLORS:- J. O'Flaherty, P. Roche.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

PROPOSAL TO TWIN WITH ACIREALE, ITALY.

The Town Clerk reported that as requested at the previous meeting of the Protocol Committee he had made enquiries in relation to the suggestion by the Irish Italian Twinning Committee that Wexford would twin with Acireale as part of a contemporaneous twinning between six Irish towns and six Sicilian towns. The six Irish Towns concerned were Galway, Carlow, Wexford, Drogheda, Killarney and Clonmel and the Authorities in the five other towns had already indicated their consent to the twinning proposal. Acireale itself is a town of 60,000 people and is the main centre for cultural activities in Sicily and Southern Italy. The European Council and European Parliament are involved in the twinning proposal and suggestions have already been made that these bodies would mark the twinning with some visible sign of intervention in each of the areas. The Council of European Municipalities and the World Federation of United Towns are also involved in the proposal and special meetings will be held in Sicily in September, 1986 and in Ireland in 1987 to mark the twinings. The Town Clerk outlined some of the cultural, tourist and trade benefits which could be gained from the twinning and in particular referred to the offer of free transport for samples of the produce of the Wexford Area (machinery, agricultural, tourist etc.) to Acireale in July of this year when a major trade exhibition would be held coinciding with the formal twinning of the towns. The Town Clerk recommended that the twinning would be proceeded with and stated that in the event of the twinning proceeding, the involvement of the Corporation would be in 1986 to (1) arrange for a function in Wexford to launch the twinning (at which the Italian Ambassador to Ireland would attend) and (2) arrange for a small formal delegation to go to Acireale during the twinning week at the end of July, 1986 and there present an exhibition of all trade goods/tourist information at a stand at the major exhibition being organised during that week.

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to recommend to the Borough Council that the Corporation would proceed as recommended by the Town Clerk, and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

ATTENDANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Consideration was given to the proposal to allow the attendance of the public at meetings of the Corporation. It was agreed unanimously that the attendance of the public should be restricted to the four quarterly meetings (at one of which they attend already) and the 7 monthly meetings held each year. The maximum number of Members of the public would be six and attendance would be restricted to ticket holders. Four tickets would be issued each year to each Member of the Borough Council in accordance with a rota based on order of election and the remaining tickets would be issued by the Town Clerk on application from Members of the Public.

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It was further agreed that when a Member of the Borough Council invited a Member of the public to attend at a meeting, that they must take responsibility for the behaviour and decorum of the Members of the public. It was further agreed that the attendance of the public at the meetings would commence with the September Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council. It was then unanimously resolved on the proposal of Councillor Roche, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to recommend in accordance with the foregoing to the Borough Council.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Consideration was given to the constitution of a Cultural Committee of the Wexford Borough Council as had been proposed at a recent meeting of the Borough Council. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the Cultural Committee should consist of not more than 6 Members of the Borough Council, including the Mayor Ex-Officio and that for the current year the Cultural Committee would consist of the existing Protocol Committee, plus Alderman Howlin who had originally proposed the motion that such a Committee would be formed. The functions of the Cultural Committee would be to oversee and where appropriate, initiate all Cultural activities of the Borough Council and make recommendations to the Borough Council in relation to such cultural activities where appropriate.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF April 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
7th APRIL, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh.

Apologies for their inability to attend the meeting by Alderman Howlin, Councillors Nolan, Kelly and Corish, were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. G. Furlong, Acting Borough Accountant.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Councillor Roche referred to the Parade held on St. Patrick's Day and paid tribute to the Organising Committee on the splendored success of the parade. He regretted the lack of national media coverage of the parade and all members associated with all of his remarks. Arising out of discussion on this matter Alderman Kiernan referred to the non-attendance of the armed forces in the parade and on his proposal seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to request of the Minister for Defence to state why the defence forces were not allowed to take part in the Wexford parade.

Minutes

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 3rd March, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Kavanagh.

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 6th March, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the Housing Committee Meeting held on 6th March, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Reck.

The minutes of the Protocol Committee Meeting held on 26th March, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Reck.

Arising out of the minutes Alderman Reck referred to the discussion at the Housing Committee Meeting in relation to the £5,000 grant for tenants of Local Authority Houses who had purchased private houses and in particular to the rent assessments required to be carried out by the Department of the Environment prior to the payment of the grant. The Town Clerk stated that subsequent to the discussion at the Housing Committee Meeting he had discussed this matter with the Department and had been informed that this policy had been applied to all Local Authorities and that over 200 rent reviews had been carried out throughout the country on foot of the policy. The Town Clerk further stated that the Corporation had adequately applied the terms of the National Differential Rent Scheme and following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Roche to write to the Department of the Environment expressing the concern of the Borough Council in relation to this examination of rents on applications for the £5,000 grant.

Raising of Loan.

On the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the raising of a supplementary loan in the sum of £193,000 from the Office of Public Works in relation to the housing scheme at Coolcotts (Phase 4).

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Employment & Development Conference.

Consideration was then given to attendance at a conference on Employment and Development - The Role of Local Authorities organised jointly by Offaly County Council and the I.P.A. to be held at Bridge House, Tullamore, on 29th/30th April, 1986. On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was agreed that two members would attend. On the proposal of Councillor Enright seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was agreed that Councillor Byrne would be one of the nominees and on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Roche it was agreed that Alderman Kiernan would be the second nominee. It was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor would be appointed substitute delegate in the event of neither of the two nominees not being able to attend.

American/Irish Legislators Society of New York State.

A letter from the Department of Foreign Affairs stating that a group of Congressmen and Assemblymen from the New York State Senate and Congress would be visiting Wexford on the week following the meeting and stating that they wished to present a Proclamation to the Borough Council in relation to Commodore John Barry was considered. On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the visiting delegation and that the Mayoral allowance be adjusted accordingly.

MOTIONS

Interest on Deposit Accounts.

The following motion was proposed Alderman Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That this Corporation call on the Minister for Finance to reconsider the proposal in the recent budget which would tax the interest on deposit accounts of voluntary and charitable organisations, and on the savings of Senior Citizens".

It was noted by the meeting that steps had been taken by the Government to rectify the subject matter of the motion.

House Improvement Grant Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

"That this Council call on the Minister for the Environment to make the necessary funding and inspectors available in this area to deal with applications under the House Improvement Grant Scheme, 1985".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder stated that many people were still waiting for payments of grants long after the completion of the improvement works and expressed concern regarding the storage of materials pending inspection of the completed works by the Department Inspectors. Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

Housing Allocations.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Borough Council insists on notification of all housing allocations giving them at least one weeks notice so that representation and comments can be made in certain cases".

In reply to the motion the Manager stated that he would notify the members of all allocations of housing being made and following discussion it was noted and agreed by the meeting.

Estimates Committee.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Byrne:-

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"That this Council sets up an Estimates Committee for 1987 so that elements of income or expenditure can be included or excluded as the Members see fit".

Following discussion to which all members contributed and during which the legal position as outlined by the Town Clerk that an Estimates Committee could not exceed a membership of four, a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllr. Byrne (2).

Against:- Ald. G. Byrne, Mayor, Ald. D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs. J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh (6).

The majority being against the motion the motion was declared lost.

Rates on Properties used by Voluntary Organisations.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. V. Byrne:-

"That this Borough Council requests the relevant Minister to introduce legislation to enable us to exempt properties used by voluntary organisations, particularly youth groups, from rates and other such charges".

The Town Clerk stated that legal provision already existed for the exempting of properties used for community purposes from rates and Cllr. Byrne agreed to discuss the particular properties which were the subject of the motion with the Town Clerk subsequent to the meeting.

South African Goods.

At the request of the proposer Cllr. Byrne it was agreed to defer the following motion sine die:-

"That this Borough Council pledges its support for the Irish Anti-Apartheid Movement and calls on the Government and State Agencies to ensure that no state aid be given to companies with origins or interests in South Africa".

S.D.A Loan Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Roche and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to increase the income limit from £8,000 to £10,000 as a qualifying condition for loans in respect of Reconstruction/Repairs and Improvement Works on dwellinghouses, also the purchase of houses under the S.D.A. Scheme or alternatively the ceiling of £8,000 should be calculated on net income (Gross wages less P.R.S.I./Pension Contributions and P.A.Y.E. deductions)".

House Improvement Grant Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Roche:-

"That this Borough Council welcome the decision of the Minister for the Environment to dispense with the need for a prior inspection for applications received up to 25th February, 1986 under the House Improvement Scheme, but would request the Government to include the installation of central heating in the scheme".

Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted with Alderman Reck dissenting.

Deferring of Motions.

In the absence of the proposer Cllr. Kelly it was unanimously agreed that the following motions be deferred to the May Monthly Meeting:-

(a) "That this Corporation in conjunction with the Chamber of Industry and Commerce promote Wexford's Market Centre as an area of trade".

(b) "This Council requests of An Bord Telecom, the installation of a 'phone kiosk at Talbot Green".

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QUESTIONS

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that the patch of road between the Bull Ring and North Main Street would be repaired within the coming two weeks.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that the provision of a safety barrier at the Joseph Street/King Street Junction was wholly a matter for Wexford County Council and that this matter would be referred to that body.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation had not been notified of any pending rent increase.

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Accountant stated that the total amount collected in rates in respect of 1985 and in respect of Commercial Properties was as follows:-

Supermarkets ... £40,095
Retail Outlets .. £452,028
Manufacturing and Wholesale Business £116,515

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Accountant stated that the net cost of the Local Authority Housing Programme in 1985 was as follows:-

Capital .. Nil
Revenue .. £85,339
Revenue (Excluding Government Subsidy on Loan Charges) £1,243,556.

SPORTING/CULTURAL EXCHANGE WITH COUERON

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Kiernan and Councillor Byrne reported to the meeting on the recent sporting/cultural exchange in which they had represented the Corporation and paid tribute to the organisers of the trip and thanked the hosts of the visitors in Coueron. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Kiernan to formally invite the Mayor and an official party from Coueron to visit Wexford in 1987 to mark the 5th Anniversary of the Twinning Ceremonies.

In Committee.

It was then agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Kiernan that the meeting would go into Committee. Alderman Kiernan then referred to the appalling behaviour of the Community Artist who had represented the Arts Centre on the recent visit to Coueron. The Artist was late arriving in Coueron and was abusive and roudy in his behaviour whilst there. Alderman Kiernan formally proposed that a letter of complaint expressing serious concern of the Corporation be sent to the Board of the Arts Centre for their attention. This proposal was seconded by Alderman Reck and unanimously adopted.

Housing

The Town Clerk stated that from investigations carried out to date on an application for rehousing by Mrs. Peggy Murphy of 10, Monck Street, the application appeared urgent because of pressure on the applicant to vacate her present accommodation and the financial and medical circumstances of the applicant. On face value the case needed urgent rehousing and subject to the confirmation of the Medical Officers report it was intended to rehouse Mrs. Murphy and her remaining family in 10, Emmet Place which had recently become vacant. On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Manager to rehouse Mrs. Murphy at 10, Emmet Place.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF April 1986.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Alfred Gus Byrne M.C.P.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
5th MAY, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:-

Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

CHERNOBLE NUCLEAR PLANT.

At the outset of the meeting Alderman Howlin referred to the recent incident at the Chernoble Nuclear Plant in Russia. He referred to reported noticable rises in radio-activity at monitoring stations on the East and South-East Coast of Ireland and expressed concern at the situation. All members present ^{expressed} similar concern and following discussion on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed to write to An Taoiseach expressing the concern of the Borough Council at the reported situation and requesting him to take sufficient action against any operators of nuclear plants who do not notify the public-at-large as soon as any emission occurs.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Statutory Meeting held on 1st April, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Alderman Reck.

DISPOSAL OF NEIGHBOURHOOD SHOPPING CENTRE SITE.

On the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed to dispose of approximately 1.5 acres of land at Coolcotts to Messrs. Noonan Construction Ltd., for the sum of £20,000 in accordance with Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended, which had previously been circulated.

REPORTS.

S.D.A. Scheme.

The following report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted:-

"We have today been notified by the Department of the Environment of the following:-

(1) With effect as and from 1st May, 1986 loan advances by the Corporation for the purchase, construction or improvement of houses will attract an interest rate of $9\frac{1}{2}\%$ p.a. (This is a decrease of $1\frac{1}{2}\%$).

(2) With effect as and from 1st May, 1986 the maximum Unsecured loan available under the S.D.A. scheme has been increased from £1,000 to £2,000. The new limit applies to work commenced on or after 1st May, 1986. The income limit remains at £8,000 and the maximum secured loan at £6,500".

Remedial Works - Older Housing Stocks.

Copies of letters of approval to the carrying out of pilot schemes for Wolfe Tone Villas, Maudlintown and Talbot Green Housing Estates in accordance with proposals submitted by the Corporation to the Department for the carrying out of a major scheme of remedial works to those schemes, was then considered and noted. The progress on this scheme was generally welcomed and in reply to the discussion the Manager stated that he would have a report on the programme of works for an early meeting of the Borough Council. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed to send details of the proposal together with details of the financial assistance available

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to each of the tenant purchased houses in those estates.

MOTIONS

Market Place.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"That this Corporation in conjunction with the Chamber of Industry & Commerce promote Wexford's Market Centre as an area of trade".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the need to improve trade and commerce in the Bullring area and stated that priority should be given on any proposal to improve the Market Place to the Main Street traders who could be complemented by indigenous groups such as the Wexford Crafts Workers. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Telephone Kiosk at Talbot Green.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"This Council requests of An Bord Telecom, the installation of 'phone kiosk at Talbot Green".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the large number of houses in the area and to the lack of telephone facilities. They accepted there was a high level of vandalism on public telephones and following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further unanimously agreed to invite Senior Executives of An Bord Telecom to attend a General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council to discuss the problems caused by vandalism of public telephones and possible alternatives to same.

B.M.X. Track.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That this Borough Council investigates various areas for suitability as a B.M.X. Track with a view to providing or assisting in the provision of same".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder stated that a large number of youths in the town were engaged in this recreation activity and further stated that the Wexford Wheelers Cycle Club would accept the youngsters as members of their club if a B.M.X. Track was provided. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Body for Complaints against Solicitors.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That this Borough Council calls for the setting up of an Independent Body to deal with complaints against Solicitors".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder outlined examples of why such an Independent Body as mooted in the motion was being suggested and following discussion a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright, Corish (5).

Against:- Councillors Nolan, Kelly, Roche, Kavanagh (4).

Abstained:- Alderman G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs. O'Flaherty (3).

The majority of those voting on the motion being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

At the request of Alderman Reck the meeting agreed to allow Alderman Reck's questions to be taken at that juncture of the meeting:-

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that it was understood that the Department/shortly be approving of the tender prices in respect of the would infill houses at Bride Street and Hantoon Road.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that he would inspect the footpath from the Mayflower to the turn-off at Bishopspark in the immediate future.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that all improvement works to footpaths in the Borough would be commenced in the immediate future.

SUPERVISED PLAYAREAS.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Corish seconded by Councillor Enright:-

"The Corporation agrees that equipped supervised playareas be available in Wexford Town - the employment of the supervisors being the direct responsibility of the Borough Council".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the benefits which could be gained from having equipped supervised playareas as suggested in the motion and whilst aware of the lack of finance in the current year for the implementation of the terms of the motion requested that consideration of the employment provision required by the motion would be considered in the 1987 estimates. Following discussion the motion was unanimously agreed and it was further agreed that further detailed discussion on the motion would be held at a G.P. Meeting prior to the compilation of the 1987 estimates.

Green area at Belvedere Road.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Corish seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"The Corporation considers that development of the Green area at Belvedere Road should take place as soon as possible".

South African Goods & Materials.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Cllr. Kelly and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Borough Council pledges its support for the Irish Anti-Apartheid Movement and further pledges not to purchase South African Goods and Materials, and calls on the Government and State Agencies to ensure that no state aid be given to companies with origins or interests in South Africa".

Sub-Standard Housing.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Nolan and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That a written report be prepared for the next General Purposes Meeting indicating:-

(i) The manner in which the recently announced 'pilot scheme' for substandard housing will be implemented and the date on which work will commence.

(ii) The manner in which the £50,000 Estimates allocation for sub-standard housing will be spent and the date on which work will commence".

Sexual Assault Unit.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Health to provide the resources necessary to enable each Health Board to establish a Sexual Assault Unit within its area".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the increase in reported cases of sexual assault in recent years and stated that at present up to 10 cases per month were being reported to Social Workers in the County. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

CIVIC RECEPTION - INTERNATIONAL SPORTSMEN.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Byrne and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Corporation accord a Civic Reception to the group of Irish International Sportsmen who will be visiting Wexford on the week-end June 14th/15th to take part in a Superstars Competition in Aid of Wexford Charities".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was further unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche to afford a Civic Reception to the Executive of the I.V.E.A. on the 19th May, 1986 on the occasion of the I.V.E.A. Congress being held in Wexford. It was further unanimously agreed that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly in respect of both receptions.

Carcur Development.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Nolan:-

"That this Corporation call together the Sports Clubs in the Wexford area to discuss their ideas on the future use of the land at Carcur formerly used as the Municipal Tip-Head".

In reply to the motion the Manager stated ^{that} an outline development plan of the site at Carcur would be submitted to the Borough Council within the immediate future and that at present the Corporation ~~were retaining~~ ^{were pursuing} acquisition of full ownership rights on the site with a view to its ultimate development by the Corporation. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Borough Engineer stated that the exterior painting of Mount George Houses would commence, weather permitting in the coming month.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Borough Engineer stated that he would examine the feasibility of providing a soakway outside houses 12/13 Liam Mellows Park.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Borough Engineer stated that he would raise the matter of the provision of a safety crossing in the vicinity of the John Street Flats complex and Rowe Street Church with the County Council who were the appropriate authority.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Manager stated that discussions with the South Eastern Health Board regarding the provision of an Old Peoples Home in Wexford were ongoing at present and that he would report to the members as soon as these discussions had been finalised.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk stated that the Supt. of the Garda Siochana would attend at the May G.P. Meeting to discuss the feasibility of introducing "Neighbourhood Watch Schemes" in Wexford.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Borough Accountant stated that the cumulative amount owed to the Borough Council in respect of unpaid rates at 31st December, 1985 was £153,994.24.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that 37 applications in respect of the 3 apprentice positions and 28 in respect of the Caretaking position at the Caravan Park had been received and that the interviews for these positions would be held in the coming weeks.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that the Traffic Lights which were to be provided at the George Street/John Street Junction had not yet been received by the County Council who were the authority who would be undertaking the work.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that discussions had been held with the Chamber of Commerce regarding the repair/replacement of leaking gutters on and near the Main Street and that statutory notices would be served on those who failed to carry out the necessary repairs/replacements to the gutters of their premises.

G.P. Committee Meeting.

It was unanimously agreed that the G.P. Committee Meeting would be held on Wednesday 14th May, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

Model - Quay Extension.

The Town Clerk stated that as decided in principle at a previous meeting of the Borough Council, arrangements were being made for a visit by all of the members of the Borough Council and Senior Officials to U.C.C. where a model of Wexford Harbour incorporating the proposed Quay extension and protective break-water would be viewed. The visit would take place on 1st/June^{week in} and further details would be issued to the members of the Borough Council as soon as final arrangements had been made.

Mayoral Employment Initiative.

The following report from His Worship the Mayor, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted:-

"The Wexford Economic Action Team (which was set up under the Mayor's initiative, previously discussed by the Corporation) is now considering an interim report on job creation in Wexford. The principle recommendations in relation to this report on job creation consists of a programme which would be initially developed by a Board of Directors comprising the current membership of the Wexford Economic Action Team or a similar broadly based group nominated by the Organisations represented on the current Action Team. The Board would provide for an umbrella organisation to encompass a range of activities aimed at supporting job creation activities.

The Board would have a number of Advisory Committees (in the financial, management and marketing areas) and under the auspices of a Management Committee responsible to the Board an Enterprise Manager would be appointed by the Board to promote, develop and manage the Centre. The attached table shows in outline the project currently being considered by the Action Team and whilst there are many details yet to be considered this proposal is certainly a step in the right direction given the commitment from all organisations represented on the Action Team which encompass all of the economic activities of Wexford.

The members will be kept informed of developments as they occur."

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would keep the Members informed of developments on this matter as they occurred.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF June 1986.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Ald Gus Byrne

MEETING OF SWIMMING POOL SUB-COMMITTEE ON 6th May, 1986 AT 5.00 p.m. AT
FERRYBANK SWIMMING POOL.

PRESENT:-

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Alderman D.M. Kiernan.

Councillor J. O'Flaherty.

Councillor Vincent Byrne

Councillor P. Kelly.

Councillor H. Corish

Mr D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Fr. Collins, St. Peter's College.

Apologies were received from Mr. J. Ffrench for his inability to attend.

At the outset the Town Clerk had explained that the meeting was called in the Pool itself to give members of the Committee an opportunity to visit and walk about the complex.

The Town Clerk and Borough Accountant then gave details of the Pool usage as follows for 1985:-

7,710 adults and 22,852 children purchased single tickets in 1985.

560 adults and 1,630 children purchased block book tickets in 1985.

828 people purchased single sauna tickets and 5 books of tickets were sold in 1985.

973 group hours were purchased in 1985 which on an average of 50 people per group represented 48,650 people.

In all therefore 101,990 persons used the pool resources in 1985, paying a total of £35,826.75 in fees leaving approximately £40,000 of a debit on the running of the Pool for the year. The members expressed interest in these statistics and discussed same.

The general discussion moved to the proposed pool for Enniscorthy and Alderman Kiernan expressed the concern of all present when he asked if it was possible to predict the effect on the Wexford Pool usage. A general discussion ensued out of which it was agreed the Enniscorthy Pool would not be open for at least 3 years and in that time the Corporation should use its resources to maximise the Pool use, consider new improvements and generate extra use.

The meeting went on to consider the letting of the shop in the pool and the officials explained that this year it was offered to the parties tendering to let it as normal or for longer periods up to 2 years 9 months as a shop or shop/restaurant complex. It was explained to the meeting that a longer letting may suit the tenderers as they could spread the costs of equipment etc over a longer period and thus make the proposition more profitable while in turn creating a higher income to the Corporation and a better facility in the complex. Alderman Kiernan expressed a view that perhaps a 35 year lease would prove more profitable and effective and went on to suggest that perhaps the Corporation should employ persons direct or on an agency basis to run the shop/restaurant. It was accepted that for the present it was better to proceed as proposed by the management for the moment.

A discussion then arose on the need for extra facilities in the Pool and in particular a swimming bench for the Swimming Club who had received a grant from the V.E.C. and had applied for one from the Corporation. Some members expressed a view that the Swimming Club should be provided with further facilities such as the bench but the officials explained that since 1985 the Corporation had negotiated special rates with the club and also had given extras such as the pool free for the Gala Day and trophies for same. It was also explained to the meeting that the Club at present were in financial difficulties and the officials were concerned that they would have no funds to pay for further facilities.

The meeting went on to discuss the Caravan Park section of the complex and the members expressed praise for the manner in which it was run and administered and Councillor O'Flaherty mentioned the purchase of further land for an extension to same to which suggestion the officials undertook to look at the feasibility of a fixed space park where the spaces would be let on an annual basis.

The meeting then adjourned to allow all present to walk about the complex to view all the facilities.

The meeting reconvened and a letter requested Alderman Kiernan asked if seating could be provided around the pool on Gala Days and the Borough Engineer undertook to look into this.

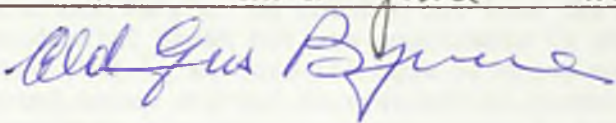
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The Town Clerk gave a breif discription of the preliminary proposals to provide a gym/squash court complex onto the pool area and a general discussion on this proposal ensued

The Borough Accountant explained that he was monitoring the economic efficiency of a similar type complex and this was a matter which would have to be fully satisfied before the proposal would be put in action. The Town Clerk advised that the Committee would see all plans etc before the matter would be put before the Borough Council or put in action.

Before the meeting closed J. Barry mentioned other methods of raising revenue such as video games which would have no pay out and the meeting while welcoming all suggestions to raise further finance suggested that the public objections in the town to these machines was such as to render the use of them by the Corporation as publicly undesirable.

The meeting then closed.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF June 1986.


HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR,
ALDERMAN G. BYRNE, M.C.C.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 14th MAY, 1985 AT 7.00 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. G. Furlong, Acting Borough Accountant.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Supt. D. Kenny to the meeting and explained that his attendance had been requested by the members of the Borough Council to discuss a proposal to introduce a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme to Wexford arising out of discussion on a motion submitted by Councillor M. Enright. Councillor Enright outlined the reasons for submitting the motion and in reply Supt. Kenny stated that he fully supported the concept of a Neighbourhood Watch. He pointed out that the scheme was intended generally for residential areas but was applicable to any area with high crime rate. He stated that in Wexford the bulk of crime occurred in the industrial/commercial areas and not in residential areas and outlined the procedure which would be necessary to adopt prior to the introduction of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme in Wexford. A lengthy discussion on the concept ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which the Supt. stated that he was not greatly concerned at the crime rate in Wexford which he described as generally being of misdemeanour nature. Following the discussion His Worship the Mayor stated that the proposal would be further considered by the Borough Council at a future meeting and thanked Supt. Kenny for his attendance at the meeting. Supt. Kenny suitably replied and departed from the meeting.

DEPUTATION FROM TALBOT GREEN TENANTS ASSOCIATION.

As had previously been agreed a deputation from the Talbot Green Tenants Committee was then received. A Mr. Carthy and a Mrs. Lynch on behalf of the deputation made the following points.

In relation to the proposed pilot scheme for the improvement of the houses, they asked what would the improvement work entail and how many houses were envisaged to be incorporated in the pilot scheme.

The road at the inner circle of the housing estate was not suitable and they requested that it be improved.

They stated complaints regarding repairs by individual tenants were not being inspected.

Good dustbins were being removed with the domestic refuse collection.

The grass in the open spaces was not being cut.

A footpath was required at that part of the estate adjoining the wall between the estate and the Bishop's property.

The roadway servicing Nos. 1 - 23 required to be improved.

Tenants wished to be able to buy their houses and requested details of when they would be able to do so.

The members of the deputation answered questions raised by the members of the Borough Council following which the deputation departed. It was then unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor that a report on the points raised by the deputation would be considered at the next G.P. Committee meeting of the Borough Council.

DEPUTATION FROM WEXFORD TRADERS COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A request submitted by Alderman Reck that the Borough Council receive a deputation from the Traders Committee of Wexford Chamber of Commerce was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor to refer the matter back to the Traders Committee requesting them to make formal application for the deputation which should incorporate the reasons why the Committee were seeking the deputation.

AMENITY DEVELOPMENT AT FERRYBANK.

Consideration was then given to a letter from Mr. B. Maher which proposed an amenity/recreational development at Ferrybank. Copies of this letter had previously been circulated and a discussion ensued to which all members contributed. Arising out of this discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Roche that the Borough Engineer would investigate the proposal and submit a report on it to a future meeting of the Borough Council.

PLANNING

A list of planning applications submitted from the date of the last General Purposes Committee Meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated, was considered and noted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(1) A letter from the Director of the Arts Council regarding suspension of grant to Wexford Festival Opera in 1986, as had previously been circulated, was noted.

(2) A letter from Ms. Barbara Wallace, Chairman, Wexford Festival Opera thanking the Borough Council for their support in the efforts of the Festival Committee to save the Festival and the Theatre, was noted.

(3) Details of the National Housing & Town Planning Council Conference and Exhibition to be held in Bournemouth on 28th/30th October, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Kiernan that two delegates would attend the Conference. Following discussion a vote was taken on this proposal which resulted as follows:-

In Favour: Ald. G. Byrne, Ald. D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs., P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish (7).

Against: Ald. P. Reck, Cllrs. V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche (4).

The majority being in favour of the proposal the proposal was declared carried and it was further agreed that the two nominees to attend at the conference would be decided at the next G.P. Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

(4) The following motion submitted by Killarney Urban District Council, was noted:-

"Killarney U.D.C. strongly condemn the proposed new fares structure coming into operation in June on the cross-channel sea routes. In our view these will further affect our tourist traffic and will discourage families from holidaying in Ireland. These increases in our opinion are only the forerunner of many others since the formation of a cartel on our southern sea routes by Sealing and B&I Lines. We call on the Minister for Transport to intervene and hold an enquiry into these proposed increases. This motion to be circulated to all local authorities in the Munster and South Leinster areas".

(5) The following motion from Kenagh Urban District Council was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That Nenagh Urban District Council express its concern at recent Circuit Court decision which allowed men who damaged statue at Ballinaspittle, County Cork, walk away from Court without any punishment, because of a legal technicality".

A vote on the proposal was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllr. Kavanagh (2).

Against:- Ald. Kiernan, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. Kelly, Cllr. O'Flaherty, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. Corish (8).

Abstained:- Ald. G. Byrne (1).

The majority being against the proposal the proposal was declared lost.

(6) A letter from Private Secretary to Mr. Ted Nealon, I.D., Minister of State regarding Arts Council decision not to allocate grants to festivals, as had previously been circulated, was noted.

(7) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare thanking Borough Council for their letter regarding assessment for Social Welfare purposes and minimum dole payment of £46 p.w. from age of 16, was noted.

(8) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter regarding low cost housing and stating that the matter is receiving attention, was noted.

(9) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour acknowledging receipt of the Borough Council's Letter regarding the use of the Youth Employment Levy in Wexford Town and stating that a reply would issue shortly, was noted.

(10) The following resolution from County Mayo Vocational Education Committee was noted:-

"That this Committee request the Minister for Justice to amend the Liquor Licensing Laws so as to:-

(a) Make it illegal for any under 18 person to be allowed on licenced premises.

(b) Make it illegal to sell drink at an off-licence premises to any person under 18 years of age.

(c) Remove the work 'knowingly' from the Act".

(11) A letter from Alderman Reck regarding the recent visit of Sporting and Cultural Groups to Coueron, was, following discussion, noted.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the Wexford Organisers, Representatives of each of the four Semi-Finalists, and the John Player Company at 12.30 p.m. on Sunday 18th May, 1986 during the course of the National Semi-Finals of the John Player Tops of the Town Competition being held in Wexford. It was further agreed that the Mayoral allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the Californian Male Voice Choir who would be partaking in a concert in Wexford in conjunction with the Wexford Male Voice Choir. The Reception would be held at 6.30p.m. on 24th June, 1986 in the Municipal Buildings and it was further unanimously agreed that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

TWINNING WITH ACIREALE

A discussion was held on the proposed twinning between Acireale and Wexford. The Town Clerk stated that a date on which the announcement of the twinning would be made in Wexford was being finalised with the Italian Ambassador and notification of this date would issue as soon as possible. Arising out of the discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Kelly that the Mayor ex-officio and two members of the Corporation would go to Acireale in July to take part in the trade exhibition and to also take part in the formal twinning ceremony in Acireale. The members from the Corporation were nominated as follows:-

The Mayor ex-officio on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche. Councillor Nolan on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne, Mayor. Councillor Roche on the proposal of Cllr. Corish seconded by Ald. Byrne, Mayor. It was further agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche that Cllr. Kelly would be a substitute delegate.

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VISIT TO U.C.C.

It was noted that the visit to U.C.C. to inspect the Model of Wexford Harbour would take place on Friday 6th June and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche to also invite two representatives from the Wexford Harbour Board to attend with the delegation from the Corporation. It was further agreed that the Mayoral allowance be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF June. 1986.

Old Gus Byrne.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
Wednesday 14th MAY, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MTG.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. G. Furlong, Acting Borough Accountant.

HOUSING GENERAL

Councillor Nolan referred to vacant houses at 8 and 12 Croke Avenue and to complaints he had received from the tenant of No. 10 because of the houses being unoccupied on each side of him. The Town Clerk stated that the matter would be investigated.

Alderman Reck referred to the approved housing application of Eva Barnes who had recently refused the offer of a flat at John Street and requested that consideration would be given to not penalising Miss Barnes.

Councillor Corish referred to the application for a transfer from Mr. & Mrs. Doyle of 46, Wolfe Tone Villas who had applied after the closing date of the last review and requested that consideration be given to the application as soon as possible.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that he would investigate the position regarding the purchase of fee simple by Mrs. Brennan of St. John's Road.

In reply to Cllr. Kelly the Town Clerk stated that the Marian Row housing scheme had been previously designated by the Borough Council to be an estate for the rehousing of elderly persons or other cases of special suitability only.

In reply to Cllr. Kelly the Town Clerk stated that he would have investigated whether or not 39, Wolfe Tone Villas was being occupied by the tenant of this house.

In reply to Cllr. Kelly the Town Clerk stated that he would have investigated an allegation that Mr. Berry tenant of a new house at Ferndale Park was not keeping the house in proper order.

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENTS.

Coolcotts Housing Development.

A layout of the Coolcotts Housing Schemes existing and proposed was then considered by the meeting. The Manager stated that he proposed to extend the brief of the N.B.A. in relation to Phase 5 of the Coolcotts development (the phase currently under construction) by the addition of a 3-bedroomed and a 2-bedroomed house which would be specifically adapted for disabled persons. In addition he proposed to instruct the N.B.A. to commence the development of half of the Stage 6 housing scheme (23 houses) and in conjunction with this stage to provide 2 of the 3 playing pitches planned for the area.

Following discussion the proposals by the Manager were unanimously adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

Private Housing Development.

The proposed layout of the private sites section of the Coolcotts development was then considered. The Manager referred to previous discussions at a meeting between the N.B.A. and the Borough Council and arising out of those discussions to the brief given to the N.B.A. to prepare a scheme including costings and resubmit proposals to the Borough Council. Since that meeting the Manager stated that he had been approached by local builders regarding the state of the building industry locally and at his request the N.B.A. had now agreed to withdraw from the brief. The Manager stated that he proposed to approach local builders to make submissions in relation to the development. Following discussion

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it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty /proceed in accordance with the proposal as outlined by the Manager. to

TOWNPARKS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

A layout plan showing the proposal for the development of the remainder of the Walnut Grove Housing Site was then considered. It was noted that the layout proposed 62 Local Authority Houses, a shop and a small community hall development. The Manager stated that he proposed to give a brief to Mr. N. Hyde, Architect, (who had been responsible for the 1st phase of the Walnut Grove Development) to proceed with the contract documents in respect of half of the remaining development. Following discussion this proposal was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

COMMUNITY HALL, COOLCOTTS.

A sketch plan of the proposed Community Hall at Coolcotts Neighbourhood Centre site, showing approximately 2,500 sq. ft. of space within the proposed centre, was then considered and noted. The Manager stated that he proposed to instruct the N.B.A. to finalise contract drawings for this Community Hall with a view to expending the £60,000 grant from the Department before the end of the current year.

WESTLANDS DEVELOPMENT.

The Manager stated that he was still in discussion with the South Eastern Health Board regarding the development of Westlands and adjoining property. In the meantime he had been approached by a group Community Artists who required space to carryout their art and he proposed to provide this space in one of the out-offices in Westlands since it was the only space available to the Corporation. This proposal was welcomed by the Borough Council and unanimously adopted on the proposal of Alderman Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF June 1986.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9th JUNE, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Howlin votes of sympathy to the family and relatives of the late Brendan Fitzgerald, former Engineer with Wexford County Council and to the Loretto Nuns on the recent tragic fire in Dublin which claimed the lives of some of their Sisters, were unanimously adopted.

The votes were passed in silence, all standing.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 5th May, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

(a) Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 5th May, 1986.

(b) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 6th May, 1986.

(c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 14th May, 1986.

FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Kiernan the 1st Quarterly Meeting for the year 1986 - 1987 was fixed for 7.30 p.m. on Monday 14th July, 1986, to be held at the Arts Centre, Cornmarket.

MOTIONS

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That this Borough Council establishes a special committee to concern itself with the provision of facilities for young people.
That this Committee would:-

(a) Examine the needs of young people in Wexford, with particular attention being paid to:-

(a) Youth Club premises.

(b) 'Drop-In Centre' for youths and unemployed.

(c) B.M.X. Track.

(d) Cycling and Athletics Tracks.

(e) Other sporting and leisure facilities.

(b) Liase and consult with all interested groups and individuals involved in this area.

(c) Examine every method of availing of Central Government Funds (Capital grant scheme, face-lift scheme, employment schemes, etc) to aid in the provision of these facilities.

(d) Examine and devise methods of fund-raising to provide these facilities.

(e) Set itself the task of providing the necessary facilities within the period of office of the present Council".

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On the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to amend the motion by the deletion of "a special committee" and the substitution therefor of "a special section of the General Purposes Committee Meeting". Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

DIVORCE REFERENDUM.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Enright:-

"That this Council welcomes the Governments decision to hold a referendum to remove the prohibition of divorce from the Constitution and also the proposed divorce legislation as a compassionate response to the problem of marital breakdown in Wexford town and the country as a whole".

Arising out of discussion on the motion the following amendment was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Kavanagh:-

"That this Council welcomes the Governments decision to hold a referendum to remove the prohibition of divorce from the Constitution".

Following a lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the amendment was put to the meeting which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:-

Alderman Reck, Alderman Kiernan, Councillors Roche, Kavanagh (4).

Against:-

Alderman Howlin, Councillors Byrne, Enright, Corish (4).

There being an equality of votes on the amendment His Worship the Mayor then cast his vote in favour of the amendment and the amendment was declared carried.

The substantive motion, in the form of the amendment was then put to the meeting and a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:-

Alderman Reck, Alderman Howlin, Alderman Kiernan, Councillors Byrne, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish (8).

Against:-

NIL

The majority being in favour of the substantive motion, the substantive motion was declared carried.

AIR POLLUTION.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche:-

- "That this Borough Council investigates the best method of reducing air pollution from motor cars and lorries".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the difficulties caused by vehicle owners leaving their vehicles running on the narrow streets of Wexford such as the Main Street and following discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed to refer this aspect of the proposal to the Gardai Siochana and to also refer the motion to the Department of the Environment, Health, Transport and Energy to take what action would be considered necessary by those Departments to reduce the level of air pollution from vehicles.

DENTAL, OPTICAL AND SPEECH THERAPHY TREATMENT.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche and following discussion was unanimously agreed:-

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"That this Borough Council makes a strong protest to the Departments of Health and Social Welfare about the difficulties experienced by those seeking dental, optical and speech therapy treatment".

NATIONAL SPORTS CENTRE.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Corporation urgently decides to make a case to the Department of Education, Sports Section, to site the proposed National Sports Centre in Wexford and that for the purpose of making such a proposal that the Corporation employ a specialist Consultant to prepare a full professional detailed submission for consideration by the Corporation."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the suitable transport and amenity infrastructure that existed in Wexford and the availability of siting for the project close to these facilities. Following discussion a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:-

Alderman Reck, Alderman Byrne, Alderman Howlin, Alderman Kiernan, Cllrs., Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, Byrne, Roche, Kavanagh, H. Corish (10).

Against:-

NIL

The majority being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

GRASS CUTTING.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor and following discussion unanimously agreed:-

"That this Corporation realizing the great need there is to have our Town as presentable as it should be to our Visitors and Citizens alike employ forthwith 2 casual workmen for the Summer Months, equip them with the necessary grass cutting machines and use them to keep all grassed areas of the Town properly trimmed and presentable."

QUESTIONS

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Borough Engineer stated that the litter bin which was removed from School Street would be replaced shortly by the Corporation.

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Town Clerk stated that the holding of an official opening ceremony for the new amenity area in St. Peter's Square could be arranged and that the residents would be notified of and could participate in such an event, if held.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer stated that he would inspect the footpath at Wolfe Tone (Whitemill Road) to establish what repairs were necessary to same.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that if the Borough Council still wished to hold the meeting regarding National Aluminium, this could now be arranged.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the approval of the Department of the Environment was awaited to the unit cost of the Bride Street flat development and when this was received the construction of the new flats would commence.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that 11 new jobs provided for in the estimates had been filled.

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the G.P. Committee Meeting would be held on Monday 30th June, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

PLANNING.

The Town Clerk stated that An Bord Pleanála had granted planning permission for the development of the Shopping Centre at New Road. Following discussion it was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche to write to the Minister for Labour and the Minister for the Environment stating the Corporation's regret at the decision. Arising out of further discussion the following amendment was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Byrne to write to the developer of the new shopping centre urging him to ensure that the maximum possible number of local members of the labour force be used on the building of the project. A vote was taken on the amendment which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:-

Alderman Kiernan, Councillors Nolan, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish (7).

Against:-

NIL.

The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment was declared carried and was then substituted for the motion as the substantive motion. The substantive motion was then put to the meeting and carried without dissent.

CLEAN-UP IRELAND WEEK.

The Manager circulated the county-wide plan of action for the Clean-Up Ireland Week which would be commencing in the immediate future. His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the Corporation paid tribute to the Manager and the County Council, Corporation staff for the excellent work over the years at improving the environment in Wexford and commended the Minister for introducing the Week.

VISIT TO LARNE BY ROSSLARE HARBOUR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

On the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the participation by Councillor Byrne on behalf of His Worship the Mayor on a delegation from Rosslare Harbour Development Committee who had recently travelled to Larne and Stranrath to view the loading and unloading facilities there, and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to approve of the travelling by a delegation from the Council to U.C.C. in Cork and of the separate travelling of His Worship the Mayor to view the model of Wexford Harbour prepared in connection with the proposed Quay Extension and the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

CUT-BACK IN GARDA OVERTIME.

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to request the Minister for Justice to ensure adequate policing despite the reported cut-backs in Garda Overtime.

TRIATHLON.

Alderman Kiernan thanked the Corporation and County Council for their assistance in the organising of the Triathlon in recent weeks in Wexford. His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the Corporation commended Alderman Kiernan for his excellent contribution in the organising of this major event to Wexford.

HOUSING ALLOCATIONS.

The Town Clerk stated that the Manager proposed to appoint tenants to vacant houses at Marian Row as follows:-

No. 5 Marion Row to Daniel Hore, Antelope Road (Transfer).
No. 6 Marion Row to James Dunne, Coolcotts.

In the event of a refusal by either of these proposed tenants of the accommodation offered, the accommodation would be offered to Mrs. Anne Middleton of Ferndale Park (Transfer).

The Manger's proposals were welcomed generally and following discussion on other individual applications, discussion on this matter concluded.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF Sept. 1986.

Brendan Hanlon
MAYR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 30th JUNE, 1986
AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- Alderman P. Reck, Alderman B. Howlin, Alderman D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
 Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
 Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
 Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Kelly a vote of sympathy to Mr. James Reck on the recent death of his Wife was unanimously adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

AMENITY/CULTURAL GRANTS.

The following report from the Town Clerk which suggested levels of grants to be awarded to groups, clubs and other bodies in the town, who had made application for same on foot of public advertisement was then considered:-

SCHEDULE (1)
APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTS ACTS
SMALL SCHEMES

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>GRANTED IN 1985</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION FOR 1986</u>
Shfield Drive/Belvedere Cove Playscheme.	Funding of Playscheme starting on 13th July, 1986.	Granted £100 in 1985	Grant of £100
Malbot Green Playscheme	Funding of 1986 Playscheme	Granted £100 in 1985	Grant of £100
Maurlintown Playscheme	Funding of 1986 Playscheme	Granted £100 in 1985	Grant of £100
Malfe Tone Villas Playscheme	Funding of 1986 Playscheme	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
Liam Mellows Park Playscheme	Funding of Playscheme starting on 17th August, 1986.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
Corish Park Tenants Assoc.	Funding of tree planting etc. at Corish Park Green.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
Crosslare Road Club, Kilrane	Funding of works to premises in Kilrane.	Refused in 1985	Refusal
Clonard Comm. Games Comm.	Purchase of Equipment for Games	Granted £50 in 1985	Grant of £50
Clonard Comm. Festival Committee	Funding of craft/handwork Festival	Granted £50 in 1985	Grant of £50

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Clonard Youth Brass Band	Funding towards formation of Youth Brass Band	--	Grant of £100
Our Ladies Hurling & Football Club, Clonard	Funding towards Club's running costs for 1986	--	Refusal
Wexford Swimming Club	Funding towards cost of purchase of gym equipment	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £20
Bride St/Rowe St. Community Games Comm.	Funding towards costs of 1986 events 7 activities.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £50
St. John's Vol. G.A.A. Club	Funding towards costs of fencing at Parc Carman	No appl. in 1985	Refusal
Soc. of Recreational Clubs for handicapped	Funding towards facilities for mentally handicapped	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £50
St. Michael's Day Care Centre, Summerhill	Funding towards facilities for adult mentally handicapped	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £300
Wexford Festival Singers	Funding towards costs of Easter Concert	£250 granted in 1985	Grant of £250
Wexford Light Opera Society	Funding towards costs of musical "The Gipsy Baron".	£250 in 1985	Grant of £250
St. Mary's Family Confraternity and	Funding towards costs of recitals, parades etc. in 1986	£340 in 1985	Grant of £300
Wexford Historical Society	Funding towards costs of tours & cleaning of Westgate Tower.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
Wexford Twinning Council	Funding towards costs of trips to Coueron in 1986	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £300
St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee	Funding towards costs of Parade etc.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
National Graves Assoc., Wexford.	Funding towards costs of upkeep of memorial plot at Hill St.	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £50

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Patrick Grant, 20, High Street, Wexford.	Funding towards costs of exhibition of photographs	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £50
Mark Charman Complex	Funding towards costs of prov- ision of pitches	£750 in 1985	Grant of £750
John Garman Silver Band	Funding towards costs of recitals, parades, etc. in 1986	£230 in 1985	Grant of £250
W.B.S. Band	Funding towards costs of recitals, parades, etc. in 1986	£125 in 1985	Grant of £150
St. Patrick's Fife & Drum Band	Funding towards costs of recitals, parades, etc. in 1986	£450 in 1985	Grant of £300
St. Josephs Youth Club	Purchase of Sporting and recreational facilities	£500 in 1985	£300
Pocket Theatre Group, Clonard	Set up youth theatre in Clonard	No appl. in 1985	£200
Clonard Majorettes	Provision of cloaks/batons	No appl. in 1985	£100
Ashfield/Belvedere Womens Group	Assistance with rent/insurance/ transport/heating	No appl. in 1985	£75
Maudlintown Childrens Playground Committee	Renewal and re-painting of playground equipment.	No appl. in 1985	£100

SCHEDULE II
APPLICATIONS UNDER ARTS ACTS
MAJOR SCHEMES

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>GRANTED IN 1985</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION FOR 1986</u>
Wexford Festival Opera	Funding towards costs of 1986 Festival	£850 in 1985	Grant of £1,500
Wexford Arts Centre	(a) Funding towards strength- ening of Ballroom floor. (b) Funding towards costs of running 1986 events	£1,250 in 1985	Grant of £250 Grant of £750

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Wexford Sculpture Group	Funding towards setting up of workshop in Wexford, matching £ for £ from Arts Council and provision of Mural and sculpture for parks/streets of Wexford.	No app. in 1985	Grant of £200 and lease of premises at Westlands
Anthony Robinson, 69, Ivedere Grove, Wexford.	Funding of mural at Arts Centre Wall.	No appl. in 1985	Grant to be incorporated in overall mural proposal to avoid double granting and better utilisation of Artists.
Refroot Dance Company	Funding towards costs of 1986 events	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £100
William Deeney, Wexford	Funding towards framing of exhibition in Arts Centre in 1986	No appl. in 1985	Refusal
Wexford Theatre Workshop	(a) Grant towards Cultural Work (b) Grant towards running costs	No appl. in 1985	Grant of £300

OTHER PROJECTS (To be pursued by Cultural Committee)

- (1) Tape of Bands, Choirs, and other musical groups (as agreed at November 1985 meeting of Borough Council.
- (2) Scheme of Murals for all of the town to be sited in appropriate areas which are in need of improvement.
- (3) Scheme of Scholarship for advancement of full-time careers in the Arts field.
- (4) Hosting of Concerts.
- (5) Assisting Street Carnival to be held in October during Opera Festival"

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On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to grant £100 to the Bishopswater Playscheme who had omitted to submit an application.

On the proposal of Councillor Nolan seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to increase the allocation for the Maudlintown Playground Committee from £100 to £150.

On the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Byrne it was unanimously agreed to increase the allocation to the National Graves Association from £50 to £100.

It was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Kelly that the grant allocation to the Opera Festival would be reduced by £300, to the Arts Centre would be reduced by £250 and that the savings therein would be used for increases in the allocations to the National Graves Association, the Playschemes and other groups. Following a lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the allocation to the Opera Festival and Arts Centre would remain as in the report and that the allocations to the Maudlintown Childrens Playground Committee, the National Graves Association and Bishopswater would be included. A vote on this amendment was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. P. Reck, Ald. G. Byrne, Ald. B. Howlin, Ald. D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs., P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, (10).

Against:- NIL.

The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment was declared carried and was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion. The vote on the substantive motion resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. P. Reck, Ald. G. Byrne, Ald. B. Howlin, Ald. D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs., P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, (10).

Against:- NIL.

The majority being in favour, the substantive motion was then declared carried.

Alderman Reck referred to the forthcoming publication of a book on the history of the Corporation in Wexford and requested the assistance of the Corporation in acting as Guarantor for him in the publication of this book. It was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Kelly that the Corporation would so assist Alderman Reck by acting as Guarantor. The Town Clerk stated that the legal position in relation to this proposal was not clear and following a discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Roche that Alderman Reck would discuss the matter further with the Manager and officials of the Corporation and that the members would be informed of the outcome of this discussion.

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the grants as allocated would be given to representatives of the groups at a function to be arranged by the Town Clerk and to be held in the Arts Centre, Cornmarket on Monday 7th July, 1986 at 7.30 p.m. and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

MOTIONS FOR ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES OF IRELAND.

The following motion submitted by Councillor Kelly was unanimously agreed to be submitted to the forthcoming Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland on the proposal of Councillor Kelly seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"That the Association of Municipal Authorities immediately launch a campaign to have payments of disability benefits paid locally and not from Dublin which is the present and unsatisfactory method."

The following motion submitted by Alderman Reck was unanimously agreed to be submitted to the forthcoming Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

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"That the A.M.A.I. express concern to the Minister for the Environment regarding the decisions of An Bord Pleanála which at times, do not appear to have regard to the views of the local Planning Authority or the needs of the locality."

CORRESPONDENCE.

(1) The following resolutions from Listowel Urban District Council was noted:-

(a) "That we call for the abolition of Ministerial Pensions to all serving T.D.'s and Senators in this country".

(b) "That we call on the Government to pass necessary legislation to substantially reduce the number of T.D.'s and Senators in this Country".

(c) In view of the danger to our town and country that we support all efforts to have Sellafield and all other nuclear stations closed".

(2) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment stating that the Minister had noted the contents of the Borough Council's letter regarding the inclusion of central heating in the House Improvement Grant Scheme, 1985, was noted.

(3) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment stating that the Minister had noted the contents of the Borough Council's letter regarding the income limit for local authority house improvement and house purchase loans, was noted.

(4) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment stating that the Minister had noted the contents of the Borough Council's letter regarding applications under the House Improvement Grant Scheme 1985, was noted.

(5) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for Defence regarding Borough Council's letter re the non-participation of the Defence Forces in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade in Wexford and stating that same was receiving attention and a further communication would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

(6) A letter from Nenagh Urban District Council re Buy Irish - Castle Brand, Co. Nenagh, as had previously been circulated, was noted.

(7) The following resolution from Monaghan Urban District Council, was noted:-

"That this Council calls on the Government to settle the Teacher's Pay Dispute along the lines suggested by the Government Arbitrator".

(8) The following resolution from Birr Urban District Council, was noted:-

"That Birr Urban District Council calls on the Laois-Offaly Dail Deputies to take the steps necessary to have OLD AGE PENSIONS EXEMPT ENTIRELY from Income Tax.

That copies of this Resolution be sent to:-

(a) Each of the five Deputies for IMMEDIATE action.

(b) All Local Authorities.

(c) The General Council of County Councils for adoption".

(9) A letter of acknowledgement from Private Secretary to Minister for Health regarding Borough Council's letter concerning the provision of sexual assault units within each health board area and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

(10) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Foreign Affairs acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter concerning South African Goods and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention at the earliest opportunity, was noted.

(11) A letter from the President of the Lions Club Wexford conveying the appreciation of the Club to the Members of Wexford Corporation for the reception and hospitality afforded by the Mayor on the occasion of the visit to their Charter Anniversary Dinner Dance of members of the Lisburn Lions Club, was noted.

(12) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Energy, Mr. Dick Spring, T.D., for his attention, was noted.

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(13) A letter from the Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence in response to representations made by the Borough Council regarding the non-participation by the Defence Forces in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and which stated that enquiries had been made in the matter and that the position is that the decision not to participate in the Parade was taken in the light of circumstances prevailing at that time, was then considered. A lengthy discussion was held on this matter and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Kiernan to request the Minister for an explanation of the statement "circumstances prevailing at that time" and to enquire if these circumstances had now changed and if the forces would take part in the parade in 1987. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin that a copy of this letter would be sent the 5 Dail Deputies for the Constituency requesting them to raise the matter with the Minister.

PLANNING.

Councillor Roche referred to planning application from M/s. Lett & Co., for the provision of a seafood processing unit and cold store at Batt Street and outlined some of the difficulties created by this development for residents of the area. A lengthy discussion on the application ensued arising out of which His Worship the Mayor agreed at the request of the members of the Corporation to contact both the residents of the area and the applicants for planning permission and request them to come together to discuss the proposal under his Chairmanship.

REPORTS.

The Town Clerk stated that it had been agreed at the May G.P. Committee Meeting that the Corporation would send two delegates to the National Housing & Town Planning Conference to be held in Bournemouth on 28th-30th October, 1986. Nominations were made and agreed without dissent as follows:-

Alderman Kiernan was proposed by Councillor Nolan seconded by Councillor Roche.
Alderman G. Byrne was proposed by Alderman Howlin seconded by Councillor Nolan.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he and the Town Clerk had been invited by the Irish Arts Council to take part in the joint adjudication of a sculpture project for both Fishguard and Wexford and that this necessitated their attendance at Fishguard in the coming week. The attendance was so approved on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Roche and it was further agreed that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had been invited to attend at the National Commemoration Day in Dublin and on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Howlin the attendance of the Mayor was unanimously approved and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

A discussion was held on the proposed delegation to Acireale from Wexford Corporation in connection with the twinning with Acireale and Wexford and on the proposal of Councillor Kelly seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed that Wexford Twinning Council be invited to nominate a representative from the Council to attend with the delegation from the Corporation and that the Corporation would fund the attendance of such a delegate and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF Sept. 1986.

Brendan Howlin
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING ON MONDAY 30th JUNE, 1986,
IN THE COONCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- Alderman P. Reck, .Ald. B. Howlin, Ald. D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. I. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

TALBOT GREEN DEPUTATION.

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In reply to Councillor Byrne the Town Clerk stated that he/awaiting a report from officials of the Corporation on the items raised by the deputation from Talbot Green at the previous meeting and that a full report would be made to the members on the position regarding the items raised when this report came to hand.

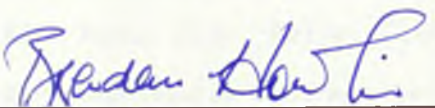
HOUSING APPLICANTS.

A discussion was held on the merits of the applications of a number of housing applicants and their position as explained by the officials was noted.

Councillor Corish referred to the need for a litter bin at Hollyville near Dr. Curtis' surgery and the Borough Engineer stated that he would investigate the provision of same.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS pc DAY OF Sept 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF 1st QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
14th JULY, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE ARTS CENTRE, CORNMARKEt, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman G. Byrne.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.
Mr. M. Redmond, Staff Officer, Housing & Planning.
Mr. G. Furlong, Assistant Staff Officer.
Mr. J. O'Leary, Solicitor.

At the outset of the meeting prior to proceeding to the first business on the agenda His Worship the Mayor thanked the members of the Corporation, the County Manager, Manager, Town Clerk and officials of the Corporation and members of the press for their help and co-operation to him in his year of office. He referred also to the excellent work being carried out by the various voluntary groups and bodies in the town, all of which was contributing to the improvement of Wexford.

ELECTION OF MAYOR

His Worship the Mayor then called for nominations for the office of Mayor who would hold office until the 1st Quarterly Meeting of the 1987/1988 term.

Alderman B. Howlin was proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Corish. Councillor V. Byrne was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kelly.

There being no other candidates a poll was taken which resulted as follows:-

In favour of Alderman Howlin:-

Ald. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Kiernan, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. O'Flaherty, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. Kavanagh, Cllr. Corish (8).

In favour of Councillor Byrne:-

Ald. Reck, Cllr. Kelly, Cllr. Byrne, (3).

Alderman Howlin having receiving the majority of votes of those present, he was declared to be elected to hold the office of Mayor until the 1st Quarterly Meeting of the 1986/1987 term. Ald. Howlin then received the robes and chains of office from the outgoing Mayor and assumed the Chair.

His Worship the Mayor thanked his proposer and seconder and members of the Corporation for his election and paid tribute to his immediate predecessor for the excellent manner in which he had carried out the duties and functions of the office of Mayor. He stated that his theme for his year of office was "Working for Wexford". He envisaged that improvements could be sought in the areas of cultural and artistic developments, central town infill and derelict site development, the improvement of employment prospects by the promotion of Wexford as a centre for both large and small industry and promised that he would have the Irish language to the forefront in his public functions on behalf of the Corporation.

All members of the Corporation paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor on the excellent manner in which he had carried out his functions as Mayor of Wexford and congratulated the incoming Mayor on his election and assured him of their full support and co-operation during his term of office. Alderman Byrne thanked the members of the Corporation for the kind remarks towards him and associated with the remarks made by the other members in relation to the incoming Mayor. The County Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff congratulated the outgoing Mayor and thanked him for his kind remarks towards himself and officials of the Corporation and congratulated Alderman Howlin on his election as Mayor. He referred to the need for an increased income source for the purposes of reaching the goals set by the Corporation, those in the areas of urban renewal and housing and the combating of unemployment. He assured the incoming Mayor of his and all officials' support for the goals set by him for his year of office.

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR 1986/1987 TERM.

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the three remaining Quarterly Meetings for 1986/'87 would be held on the 6th October, 1986, 5th January, 1987 and 6th April, 1987.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS *10th* DAY OF *Sept.* 1986.

Alderman O'Flaherty

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
1st SEPTEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,
WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, M.C.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed those members of the public who had been authorised to attend at the meeting in the new public gallery.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Byrne a vote of sympathy to His Lordship the Bishop of Ferns on the recent death of his Father, was unanimously adopted. The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of sympathy and the vote was passed in silence, all standing.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

It was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Reck that Standing Orders be suspended to allow discussion to be held on recent newspaper reports regarding the acquisition of properties at Selskar by the Corporation. A vote was taken on this proposal which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright, Roche (4).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Cllrs. Kelly, O'Flaherty (3).

The majority of those voting on the motion being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried and Standing Orders were so suspended.

A lengthy discussion on the proposal to acquire properties at Selskar was then held and all members contributed to the discussion. In reply to questions raised in the discussion the Manager stated that the appointment of a member of the Corporation in his private capacity as Auctioneer/Valuer was not illegal and pointed out that the appointment made by him had been enshrined in a Manager's Order the register of which was available for inspection at all meetings of the Borough Council. The Manager pointed out that the Development Plan had as one of its objectives the renewal and development of the north end of the Main Street and referred to the resolution adopted by the Borough Council in January 1986 and the discussion thereon regarding the same subject. The Manager stated that it was normal practice to spread the auctioneering/valuing business of the Corporation amongst the firms in the town and pointed out that other auctioneering firms were also used on an ongoing basis for different projects.

Further arising out of the discussion it was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Byrne that the Manager in light of the discussion which had taken place and the controversy which had taken place would appoint another auctioneer in lieu of the present auctioneer on the Selskar property acquisition.

A vote on this proposal was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright (3).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Roche, Kavanagh and Corish (8).

The majority being against the proposal the proposal was declared lost.

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MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 9th June, 1986 and the minutes of the 1st Quarterly Meeting held on 14th July, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Kavanagh.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne:-

(a) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 30th June, 1986.

(b) Housing Committee Meeting held on 30th June, 1986.

Arising out of discussion on the General Purposes Committee Meeting and the allocation of grants it was noted that a grant of £50 had been allocated to Lilian Deeney for the mounting of an exhibition in the Arts Centre and on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the minute would be amended accordingly.

BRIDE STREET/HANTOON ROAD - INFILL SITES

On the proposal of Councillor J. O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Gus Byrne the Council unanimously authorised the raising of a loan of £171,000 from the Office of Public Works for infill sites at Bride Street and Hantoon Road in accordance with the provisions of Local Government No. 2 Act 1960 and subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment.

TALBOT GREEN - INFILL SITES.

On the proposal of Councillor P. Roche seconded by Alderman G. Byrne the Council unanimously authorised the raising of a loan of £107,000 from the Office of Public Works for flats at Talbot Green in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government No. 2 Act 1960 and subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment.

SOLAR PANELS - FERRYBANK SWIMMING POOL.

On the proposal of Alderman D.M. Kiernan seconded by Ald. G. Byrne the Council unanimously authorised the raising of a loan of £23,000 from the Bank of Ireland, Custom House Quay, Wexford, for solar panels at Ferrybank Swimming Pool in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government No. 2 Act 1960 and subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment".

DELEGATION TO ACIREALE

The following report from His Worship the Mayor, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

Background

At the invitation of the Italian Embassy, the Borough Council agreed to take part in the simultaneous twinning of 5 Irish Towns (Carlow, Clonmel, Drogheda, Killarney & Wexford) with 5 Sicilian cities. The embassy arranged a visit to Sicily for delegations from each of the Irish Towns (the Wexford delegation being the Mayor, Ald. Kiernan, who represented the Twinning Council, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. Roche, County Manager and Town Clerk) and the base for all of the delegations was to be Acireale, Wexford's proposed twin. In addition to these delegations a group from Cheeverstown, County Dublin (centre for mentally handicapped) were also to twin with a similar facility in Trojena, Sicily and Our Lady's Choral Society were to provide Irish choral music at each of the formal functions.

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(1) Trade Exhibition

On Saturday 19th July the delegation arrived in Acireale and shortly after arrival were informed that the trade exhibition had been cancelled for financial reasons. However arrangements were made for the exhibition of each delegation's stand in their respective towns and the Wexford stand was prepared. The Mayor and senior members and officials of the Acireale City Council as well as representatives of the prominent organisations in the city and the members of the other 5 Irish Towns delegations attended a formal presentation on Wexford, incorporating a slide showing the tourist attractions of Wexford and some of the Corporation's capital housing, environmental and sanitary projects presented by the County Manager. The exhibition was very well received at this formal presentation as it was by the many locals and visitors who viewed it. Arising out of the exhibition, arrangements were made to have a permanent exhibition on Wexford in one of Acireale's Municipal Buildings and the basis for the exhibition is the many posters and brochures on Wexford which formed part of the Wexford stand.

(2) Twinning

A number of separate formal functions were attended by the delegation.

(a) At the City Hall, where the formal declaration of intent to twin was made in the Council Chamber and at which the Mayor and members of the Acireale City Council, the Bishop of Acireale and other local dignitaries attended and at which following addresses by the Mayor of Acireale, the Mayor of Wexford and the Bishop of Acireale, Our Ladies Choral Society provided appropriate Choral Music.

(It must be recorded that our Mayor's address outlining the value of twinning and showing the historic links between Wexford and Acireale was very well received not only by those from Acireale but by all Irish representatives present). This ceremony was preceded by a procession of the Acireale Mayor and members and the Wexford delegation to the city's monument to the fallen soldiers, where the Mayor of Wexford laid a wreath.

(b) A service in Acireale Cathedral in honour of St. Venera, the patron Saint of Acireale on the eve of her feast day, and,

(c) Solemn pontifical mass celebrated on the feast day.

In (b) and (c) the Wexford delegation formed part of the City Council's presence and were accorded suitable and appropriate prominence and recognition.

(3) The Wexford delegation also took part in the formal ceremonies in relation to the other twinings.

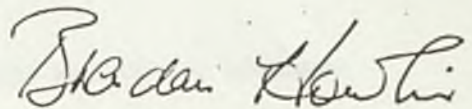
(4) Formal Dinner hosted by the Acireale City Council attended by the members of the Wexford delegation and representatives of the other delegations.

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Conclusion.

The members of the delegation availed of opportunities to view the city outside of the formal functions and conclude that Acireale is one of the most beautiful cities in Sicily (6th in prominence) and there appears to be scope for establishing mutually beneficial rapport in the tourist/aquacultural/agricultural fields. In addition, there is scope for cultural exchange for Wexford children and adults and for co-operation in relation to E.E.C. funding (capital projects).

The main concept behind twinning is friendship and broadening the scope of understanding between different cultures. In the short visit by the delegation the benefit of doing so became apparent in some areas of contact. Communication difficulties added to by lack of formal programme for all delegations caused some minor problems. However, overall, the delegation are pleased to report that the 1st stage of the twinning between Acireale and Wexford has been successfully concluded and that in the immediate future a delegation from Acireale will be coming to Wexford to progress the 2nd stage of the twinning."



His Worship the Mayor,
Senator Brendan Howlin, Ald., M.I

In reply to Councillor Byrne, His Worship the Mayor stated that the Regional Trade Fair at which produce of Wexford and the other Irish towns were to be exhibited had been cancelled by the organising body for financial reasons but that the Wexford Trade Exhibition had proceeded and been attended by the Mayor and senior members and officials of the Acireale City Council as well as representatives of the prominent organisations in the city, representatives of the 5 Irish towns delegations and members of the general public and had been very well received. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the report of the delegation was noted and on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne the delegation was congratulated on the manner in which they had represented Wexford.

MOTIONSWater Charges.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Byrne:-

"This Borough Council resolves that provision for the collection of domestic water charges should not be included in the draft estimates for 1987".

A lengthy discussion was held on the motion to which all members contributed. Arising out of the discussion and in reply to Councillor O'Flaherty the Manager stated that he would prepare a report on the collection of water charges for the next meeting of the Borough Council. Following the discussion a vote on the motion was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. P. Reck, Cllrs. P. Nolan, P. Kelly, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche (6).

Against:- Ald. G. Byrne, B. Howlin, D.M. Kiernan, Cllrs. J. O'Flaherty, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish. (6).

The result being an equality of votes His Worship the Mayor used his casting vote against the motion and the motion was declared defeated.

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Re-call of Oireachtas.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Reck and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Borough Council demands emergency action by the Government to deal with the twin tragedies of unemployment and emigration and calls for an immediate re-calling of the Oireachtas".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was further agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche to invite members of the Oireachtas representing Wexford to attend at the next meeting of the Employment Committee of Wexford Corporation to give an account.

Rescue Service for Wexford Harbour.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Kelly and following discussion was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council calls for the establishment of a proper emergency rescue service for Wexford Harbour and undertakes to have discussions with all necessary parties to achieve this end".

It was agreed that the representatives of the Borough Council on the Wexford Harbour Board would raise this matter at the next meeting of that body.

Traffic.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"That this Council take immediate action to resolve Wexford's chronic traffic problem".

In moving the motion the proposer outlined some of the traffic problems in the town and suggested that a full discussion on the motion would be held at the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee. This was unanimously agreed. Arising out of further discussion to which all members contributed, and in reply to Alderman Kiernan the Manager agreed to investigate the feasibility of the temporary leasing of a site owned by the Office of Public Works at King Street for the purpose of using the site as a temporary car park and also to investigate the feasibility of providing more adequate sign-posting of the existing car parks in the town. Following further discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

Waste Recycling.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Corish seconded by Councillor Kavanagh:-

"This Corporation propose that Waste Recycling can be the basis for community and business projects, that Recycling can provide employment, improve the environment and save natural resources".

In moving the motion the proposer suggested that areas such as glass recycling, waste paper recycling and oil and plastics recycling could be introduced in Wexford and that schemes dealing with these areas were in operation in other areas particularly in Dublin. She suggested that a report on the feasibility of a pilot scheme of waste recycling would be submitted to a future meeting of the Borough Council. Following discussion the motion and the suggestion regarding the report were unanimously adopted.

SOCIAL WELFARE PAYMENTS.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kavanagh and following discussion unanimously agreed:-

"That this Borough Council makes the strongest possible protest about delays in the payment of Social Welfare cheques and that the Council further calls for the immediate localisation of such payments".

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Suspension of Standing Orders.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche that Standing Orders be suspended to allow the remainder of the business of the Agenda to be concluded.

Shopping trollies on streets.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche and following discussion unanimously agreed:-

"That this Borough Council takes immediate steps to remove shopping trollies off the streets on an ongoing basis and recoup the costs by charging for the return of same".

Keep Wexford Warm Campaign.

At the request of Alderman Kiernan it was agreed that the following motion would be adjourned to the next meeting of the Borough Council:-

"That this Borough Council, mindful of the needs of the elderly citizens in our town, initiate a "Keep Wexford Warm" campaign".

QUESTIONS

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Borough Accountant stated that £4,508.19 had been spent on twinning so far this year and that this cost included £2,083.56 and £2,424.63 respectively in respect of members delegation expenses to Coueron and Acireale.

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation awaited application from the Harbour Commissioners who are the owners of Roman Lane for the formal taking over of the Lane.

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Manager stated whilst not accepting that the litter problem in Wexford was solely caused by a lack of litter bins in the town, a comprehensive programme including the replacement of bins and the introduction of a fuller Litter Warden service was currently being considered.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Town Clerk stated that the provision of "No Parking " signs on Wexford Bridge would be referred to Wexford County Council who were the appropriate authority.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Town Clerk stated that 32 houses had been re-wired since the recommencement of work on the sub-standard housing programme and that Contract Documents were currently being finalised for pilot schemes for the upgrading of houses at Maudlintown and Wolfe Tone Villas which incorporated shower units.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Manager stated that further details were not yet available concerning the establishment of an old peoples home in Wexford and that progress would be reported to the Borough Council when made.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Manager stated that the proposal for the extension of the boundary of the Borough of Wexford was currently being costed and a report would be submitted to the Corporation when available.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Manager stated that there was not any provision in the current years estimate for the provision of supervised play areas in Wexford town and that consideration would be given to this matter in the 1987 estimate.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation were not satisfied that the three-storey premises at Selskar which has no roof is safe and that Notice had been served on the owner of the property to make the premises safe.

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MEETINGS.

Meetings of the Committees of the Borough Council were agreed as follows:-

- (1) General Purposes Committee Meeting - 18th September, 1986.
- (2) Protocol and Cultural Committees - 29th September, 1986 - /7.30 p.m.
- (3) Traffic Management Committee Meeting - 30th September, 1986 at 7.30 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF Oct. 1986.

Barbara Butler
Mayor of Wexford.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1986 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman B. Howlin, Senator.
Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.
Councillor:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor P. Roche for his inability to attend the meeting was noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

COMMUNITY HALL AT COOLCOTTS

The Town Clerk reported that tenders for the erection of a Community Hall at Coolcotts had been received and had been examined by the N.B.A. who had recommended the acceptance of a tender from Messrs. Richard Browne & Sons. The overall cost of the development was estimated to be in the sum of £140,000. £60,000 of this would be available to the Corporation by way of grant from the Department and the remaining £80,000 would have to be raised by way of loan. On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed to approve of the raising of a loan of £80,000 for the purposes of the Community Hall at Coolcotts.

The Town Clerk further stated that the development would commence within the coming two weeks and that it was hoped that the development would be completed by Christmas. The proposal was generally welcomed by all members who contributed to the discussion.

PLANNING

Planning applications made since the previous meeting of the General Purposes Committee, details of which had previously been circulated, were noted. Arising out of discussion the Town Clerk informed the meeting that the motion from the Corporation in relation to Bord Pleanala had been unanimously adopted at the Association of Municipal Authorities Conference in Arklow. Councillor Nolan referred to the erection of poles by An Bord Telecom at Maudlintown and to the concern of people of the area because of the location of these poles. Arising out of general discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed to request An Bord Telecom to remove with all possible speed the poles recently placed in the area and use an alternative option for the cabling of the houses in the area. The Borough Engineer stated that he had already had discussions with An Bord Telecom regarding this matter and that he would have further discussions with the Bord outlining the views expressed at the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) A letter from Wexford Arts Centre regarding the National Lottery, which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (2) A letter from Greystones Town Commissioners regarding Social Welfare Unemployment Assistance Benefit, as had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (3) A letter from the Minister for Labour and the Public Service regarding Youth Employment Levy, as had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (4) The following motion from City Manager's Secretariat, Dublin Corporation, was noted:-

"That Dublin Corporation condemn very strongly the robberies with violence which are taking place in Dublin and elsewhere and that we request all other local authorities to equally condemn such acts, and also that we request the Minister to take the immediate and necessary action to stamp out these acts of violence before more of our citizens are murdered".

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- (5) The following resolution from Waterford Corporation was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Councillor Kelly:-

"That this Council calls on the Government to enact amending legislation to the 1933 Money Lenders Act in order to afford adequate protection to the many thousands of money lending victims in Waterford and elsewhere throughout the Country."

- (6) The following resolution from Tipperary Urban District Council, was noted:-

"That this Council deplores the decision made by the E.E.C. to make excess butter stocks available for calf feeding in Europe and urgently calls on the Government to make a real attempt for the first time to have this butter distributed to those on Social Welfare, the lower paid in the Third World".

- (7) A letter from the Private Secretary to Minister for Energy, stating that he would bring the contents of the Borough Council's letter re the aftermath of the Chernobyl Nuclear accident to the Minister's attention as soon as possible, was noted.

- (8) It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to grant permission to the Rehabilitation Institute to use the Wexford Coat of Arms on a presentation piece for local factories and offices subject to the usual conditions.

- (9) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledge receipt of Borough Council's letter regarding dental, optical and speech therapy treatment and stating that a copy of same had been forwarded to the Minister for Health, was noted.

- (10) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter regarding dental, optical and speech therapy treatment stating that the contents had been noted by the Minister, was noted.

- (11) A letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Justice acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter concerning policing, was noted.

- (12) A letter from Department of Energy regarding Borough Council's letter concerning the reduction of the levels of air pollution from vehicles stating that same had been forwarded to the Department of the Environment and that a reply would issue directly from that Department, was noted.

- (13) Letters from Deputy Ivan Yates, Deputy Hugh Byrne, Deputy A. Doyle, Minister of State and Deputy John Browne stating that they had been in contact with the Minister for Defence regarding the non-participation of the F.C.A. in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and that as soon as they had received replies the information would be forwarded to the Borough Council, was noted.

- (14) Memorandum on 1986/1987 Group Personal Accident Schemes for Members of Local Authorities, as had previously been circulated, was noted.

- (15) On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend at the London Wexfordmen's Association Annual Dinner Dance which would be held in November 1986 and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

- (16) Details of a course for Chairing Council Meetings organised by the Institute of Public Administration, was noted.

- (17) A reply from the Administrator of Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce regarding a suggested meeting between the Corporation and the Chamber to discuss the future of the Market Centre was then considered. Arising out of discussion the Manager stated that for some time improvements were being considered for the Market Place with a view to making it a viable and attractive Market Centre and that he would be reporting on his deliberations to a future meeting of the Borough Council on this matter. Arising out further discussion the Town Clerk stated that there was no parking rights for individuals in the Market Place other than for traders parking as part of their stand. It was agreed to await a further report on possible improvements of the Market Place before meeting further with the Chamber of Commerce.

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- (18&23) Letters from the Minister for Defence in response to representations made by the Borough Council and the local Oireachtas members regarding the non-participation of the F.C.A. in the 1986 Parade, was then considered. The members expressed regret at the tone of the reply and requested a definite reply from the Minister on participation by the F.C.A. during the 1987 Parade. His Worship the Mayor agreed to take the matter up personally with the Minister.
- (19) A letter from the Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice regarding Garda Overtime, as had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (20) A letter from the Minister for the Environment re air pollution from motor vehicles, as had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (21) A submission from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland regarding a proposal to set up a joint body with the General Council of County Councils, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. It was agreed that if individual members of the Borough Council had views to express in relation to the proposal that they would make those views known directly to the two representatives of the Borough Council on the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland who would in turn make all of the views to the special general meeting of the Association to be held in October.
- (22) On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the County Wexford Ladies Gaelic Football Board on the occasion of their achievements in 1986.
- On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to Team Yellow Pack, a Wexford Cycling Team who had recently won the team prize in the Paris to Roubaix in France.
- (24) A letter from the Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re the localisation of Social Welfare cheques and stating that a further letter would issue, was noted.
- (25) A letter from the County Engineer regarding "No Parking" sign for Wexford Bridge stating that the matter was being investigated, was noted.
- (26) A letter from Private Secretary to An Taoiseach thanking Borough Council for their letter concerning unemployment and emigration stating that same had been noted and forward to the Minister for Finance, Labour and the Public Service, was noted.
- (27) A letter from Mrs. A. Doyle, I.D., Minister of State, regarding the Borough Council's letter inviting her to attend the next Employment Committee Meeting of the Borough Council and stating that she awaited further communication in the matter, was noted.
- (28) A letter from Deputy John Browne, I.D., regarding the Borough Council's letter inviting him to attend the next Employment Committee Meeting of the Borough Council and stating that he shared the concern of the Borough Council and would be prepared to discuss the situation at the above meeting, was noted.
- (29) A letter from Deputy I. Yates, regarding the Borough Council's letter inviting him to attend at the next Employment Committee Meeting of the Borough Council and stating that he would be prepared to discuss the situation, was noted.
- (30) A letter from Wexford County Council regarding parking on Wexford Bridge was noted.
- (31) A letter from the Secretary of the Talbot Green Residents Association requesting the Borough Council to meet a deputation from the Talbot Green Residents Association was then considered and the request was granted on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Byrne.

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Youth Affairs

His Worship the Mayor stated that this item was appearing on the agenda arising out of a recent motion at a Statutory Meeting of the Borough Council and he then invited the mover of the motion Councillor Byrne to make a submission to the meeting. Councillor Byrne stated that he had three intentions for the Corporation when he had proposed his original motion 1) for the Corporation to act as a pressure group for the Department funding where necessary for the provision of facilities. 2) for the Corporation to act as co-ordinator in the various youth orientated activities and 3) to act as a funding authority for those activities. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan that Wexford Corporation express their condemnation of central government for reducing by 50% the funding for the National Youth Committee for 1986.

On the proposal of Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that Wexford Corporation would advertise seeking written submissions from groups or individuals representing youth affairs in Wexford, on facilities required in the town.

It was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan that the Corporation establish a fund and consider sources of funding to help youth work in Wexford. Following discussion it was agreed with Councillor Byrne dissenting, on the proposal of Councillor Enright to defer consideration of this motion pending the establishment of policy arising out of the first two motions adopted on youth affairs and it was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan that the Corporation would pursue the provision of premises for a group "Contact Youth" who were an umbrella youth group based in Wexford. Following discussion it was agreed with Alderman Kiernan and Councillors Byrne, Kelly and Corish dissenting, to defer further consideration of this motion pending the establishment of policy arising out of the first two motions on youth affairs adopted.

Arising out of further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kelly to nominate Councillor Byrne to be the representative of the Corporation on the Town of Wexford Vocational Education Committees Sub-Committee on Youth Affairs.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF Oct. 1986.

Seán Howlin

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING ON TUESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1986 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman B. Howlin, Senator.
Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.
Councillor:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor P. Roche for his inability to attend the meeting was noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

PILOT SCHEMES AT WOLFE TONE VILLAS & MAUDLINTOWN.

The Town Clerk stated that the Contract Documents for the pilot schemes for the carrying out of remedial works on the Housing Schemes at Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown had now been completed and had been submitted to the Department for approval. The Town Clerk then gave details of the financial implications for both the Corporation and the tenant purchasers of houses involved in the remedial works programme and the Borough Engineer gave details of the works proposed to be carried out and the numbers of the houses which were involved in the pilot schemes. Following discussion during which the Manager stated that he proposed to carry out the work by way of contract and to award that contract on the basis of selective tendering from among local contractors, it was agreed to 1) circularise details of the works proposed to be carried out and houses on which those works were to be carried out in the first instance to the all members of the Corporation and 2) to notify each householder in Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown of the proposal and the scheduling of the works.

COMMUNITY HOUSE AT WOLFE TONE VILLAS.

The Town Clerk stated that the Corporation had been approached by a community group, under the umbrella of the WATCH programme requesting that a house in Wolfe Tone Villas would be allocated as a Community House for the people of Wolfe Tone Villas. The Town Clerk stated that the Manager proposed to make an appointment of such a community group as weekly tenants of a house which was currently vacant at Wolfe Tone Villas for this purpose. Following discussion the proposal was unanimously welcomed by the meeting.

HOUSING CASES

Councillor Enright referred to the application for a transfer of Mr. C. Lynch of Wolfe Tone Villas and requested that the exclusion of Mr. Lynch from the transfer consideration would be reconsidered having regard to his recent record. In reply the Manager stated that Mr. C. Lynch had over the years proved himself to be a bad tenant and that generally speaking bad tenants must be given time to improve their ways.

In reply to Councillor Nolan and Alderman Byrne the Town Clerk stated that the application of Fred Kemp of Croke Avenue for a transfer had been considered and was placed first on the priority list.

Alderman Reck referred to the applications of Mr. & Mrs. Harpur and Mrs. McLoughlin who had been excluded from the current housing lists because of income and requested that the present housing list would be extended by the addition of these two applications. His Worship the Mayor referred to a previous discussion of the Corporation at which a decision was taken not to extend the existing housing lists and in reply to further discussion the Manager stated that he would again look at those applications.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that no decision had yet been taken on the future of the house at Carrigeen Street which had recently been acquired by the Corporation.

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In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that he was not aware of a vacant house in Devereux Villas at present.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that the application of Mr. & Mrs. Warren of 84, Liam Mellows Park who were seeking a transfer to a smaller dwelling unit near the centre of the town because of medical conditions had been investigated and that this applicant was No. 1 on the special category transfer list.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Town Clerk stated that whilst he accepted that there may have been some problem with Christine Goff receiving post at an address from which she applied for housing some 5 years ago, no liability for this communication difficulty could be attached to the Corporation or the Health Inspectors who had sought to investigate her circumstances at that time and consequently it was not possible for her new application from an address at Selkin House, St. Peter's Square, now be given priority over other applications received since the close of the last review. Her application would be considered with the next housing review.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Town Clerk stated that the application of Mrs. Mary Hennessey from Wolfe Tone Villas had been received and was being accepted by the Corporation for inclusion in the next review of housing lists.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that the housing case of Mrs. P. Boyte had been examined and that whilst her present circumstances would merit an additional 5 points, this would only have the affect of moving Mrs. Boyte from her current place at No. 31 on the Housing List to 23 on the housing list and that such a movement could not be done in isolation from the other applicants listed in priority whose circumstances may have equally changed since the date of the last review. It was regretted that no change would be made to this applicants standing.

Arising out of general discussion on the housing list the Manager stated that his cause of regret that he could not between reviews alter the lists which had been published by him. However he did consider that the housing lists adopted in recent years were too long and on the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor it was agreed that a discussion on this subject would be held at the Housing Committee Meeting.

In reply to further discussion the Manager stated that he was anxious to ensure that the Corporation's housing stock was properly utilised and that where it was possible to do so he would take the necessary steps to ensure that this policy was adhered to.

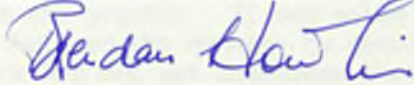
The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed to adjourn Standing Orders so as to enable the business of the meeting to conclude.

S.D.A. ACCOUNTS.

A discussion was held on a number of overdue S.D.A.A. accounts and arrangements were made for members to bring those mortgagees in difficulties to discuss their difficulties with the Town Clerk.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF Oct 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, Ald., M.C.C.

Present:- Alderman Reck.
Councillor O'Flaherty,
Councillor Roche.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

JOHN BARRY MEMORIAL DAY.

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the Memorial Day would be held on Sun. 26th October, 1986. On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed that the Guest List would be as 1985 and that His Worship the Mayor would have authority to invite over and above this guest list should he so think fit. It was agreed that the Minister for Health would be invited to lay a wreath at the monument and that Deputy Browne would be invited to lay the wreath at the Maritime Memorial. It was also agreed that the remainder of the wreaths would be laid as 1985. It was agreed that the luncheon would be held at the Talbot Hotel and it was further agreed that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

Following review it was agreed to recommend the procedure above to the Borough Council on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF MAYORS

It was agreed to defer for the present a proposal for the replaclement of the exisiting photographs of Mayors on the wall of the Council Chamber with uniform photographs.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS.

The Mayor stated that he proposed to hold two separate functions for the Civic Receptions for the Team Yellow Pack and the Ladies Gaelic Football Team during the month of October and this was noted by the meeting.

CIVIC AWARDS.

It was agreed that the Town Clerk would circularise details of the Civic Awards Scheme and timetable to each member of the Borough Council.

FACILITIES OF PUBLIC.

A discussion was held on the lack of facilities for the members of the public who visited the Municipal Buildings and it was further agreed to consider this matter at the next meeting of the Protocol Committee.

HISTORY OF THE BOROUGH.

Alderman Reck referred to his book on the history of the Borough which was near finalisation and outlined the extent of financial assistance which he sought. This consisted of approximately £750 grant together with a loan of £2,500 which he would repay with interest. These monies were required to pay the photographer and the printer. It was noted by the meeting that the Borough Council had authorised the Manager to consider an approach from Alderman Reck and that Alderman Reck had not yet discussed the matter with the Manager. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty to request the Manager to assist if legally possible the proposed venture.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6 DAY OF Oct 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING ON
THE 29th SEPTEMBER, 1986 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, Ald., M.C.C.

Present:- Alderman Reck.
Councillor O'Flaherty
Councillor Roche.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

His Worship the Mayor stated that this was the first meeting of the Cultural Committee and a general discussion took place on the aims and aspirations of the Committee. It was noted that the Corporation had a scheme of assistance for the group of sculptures in the town for the provision of premises at Westlands and that the Community Artist had already been requested to submit a proposal for the provision of murals throughout the town. It was felt that there was scope for links with some of the existing establishments such as the School of Music the Theatre Workshop and Comhaltas Ceoltoiri and as a first step it was agreed that the Mayor and Town Clerk would meet with representatives of Comhaltas to discuss methods by which the Corporation could assist in the promotion of Irish Music and Dance. It was further agreed to invite the Community Artist and Mr. Walsh the Vocational School Arts Officer to attend the next meeting of the Cultural Committee.

Arising out of further discussion it was agreed that the Committee would further consider the provision of a Municipal Museum which could also be used as a small concert hall at the next meeting of the Committee. It was also agreed that the statue which had recently been removed from College View would be replaced as soon as possible.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF Oct. 1986.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 30th SEPTEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, Ald., M.C.C.
Alderman:- G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan, P. Reck.
Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Supt. D. Kenny, Garda Siochana.
Sgt. Darmody, Garda Siochana.
Mr. D. Burke, Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce.

NUMBER OF MEETINGS.

Arising out of discussion on the frequency of meetings of the Traffic Management Committee it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Denis Burke that the Traffic Management Committee would meet on a quarterly basis at least in the future.

SPEEDING IN BISHOPSWATER.

Councillor Roche referred to excessive speeding of cars and other traffic at Bishopswater and in reply Supt. Kenny agreed to investigate this matter. Arising out of the discussion in reply to Alderman Reck the Borough Engineer agreed to take up the question of the need for a barrier at the King Street/Joseph Street Junction with the County Council who were the appropriate authority.

TRAFFIC AT NEWTOWN ROAD/WYGRAM.

Councillor O'Flaherty referred to the volume and speed of traffic using these roads and whilst accepting that little could be done pending the completion of the Ring Road he requested that the Borough Engineer would arrange for the monitoring of the junction at Wygram and that the traffic problems at this area would be listed on the agenda for the next Joint Meeting of Wexford District Committee of Wexford County Council and the members of the Corporation. Arising out of further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the proposed traffic lights as previously agreed by the Borough Council would be erected as soon as possible.

RELIEF ROAD AT MULGANNON.

Councillor Kavanagh referred to the previous discussion which outlined the need for the relief road through the Bord Telecom property at Mulgannon and following discussion on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the Borough Engineer, County Engineer and a representative from An Bord Telecom would meet and pursue this matter.

JUNCTION OF CARAVAN PARK AND NATIONAL PRIMARY ROAD.

His Worship the Mayor referred to difficulties encountered by Traffic entering the Corporation Caravan Park Complex at Ferrybank and following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate possible solutions for the access problems to the Caravan Park. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed that the Borough Engineer would pass on to the Wexford County Council difficulties in relation to the lights at the Bridge.

TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

Councillor Kelly stated that because of the introduction of pedestrianisation traffic in the town had altered some of its patterns and these were creating difficulties at the following locations:-

- (1) At the top of Mary Street.
- (2) At the area outside the flats at John Street.
- (3) At Common Quay Street.
- (4) Entrance to the Crescent Quay and Common Quay Car Parks.
- (5) Skeffington Street.
- (6) At Monck Street.

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It was agreed following discussion that the Borough Engineer would consider these matters and that a report outlining the position and possible solutions would be submitted to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

Arising out further discussion Councillor Nolan referred to speeding at William Street and breaking of traffic lights rules at Mauldintown and to the need for enforcement of parking standards outside the Talbot Hotel. A number of members agreed with the remarks of Councillor Nolan and in reply the Supt. stated that the problem of parking at the Talbot Hotel was being monitored on a continuous basis and that he would investigate the breaking lights at Maudlintown.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that a reply had not yet been received from the Office of Public Works regarding the temporary use of their site at King Street as a car park.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer agreed to submit a proposal for the routing of cars from car park to car park throughout the town to facilitate motorists when one car park was full.

Alderman Byrne referred to a problem of cyclists using the Main Street the wrong way and the Gardai again agreed to investigate this matter.

Alderman Byrne also asked if the Crescent Bye-Pass would be opening in the near future and it was agreed that this would be listed for the joint meeting with the Wexford District Committee.

Councillor Enright stated that the provision of manned car parks would play a large part in the solution of the traffic problems in Wexford. Councillor Enright also suggested half-hour parking at the Crescent on a side to kerb basis and at his request it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report to the next meeting on the parking of cars at High Street.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Borough Engineer stated that the advertising concession on the back of the pay & display tickets had already been sold by the Corporation to the suppliers of the tickets who as yet had been incapable of attracting interest from a local commercial outlet for the use of the space.

Councillor Kavanagh referred to cars using the one-way system at Barrack Street the wrong way and it was agreed that the matter would be referred to the Gardai Siochana for their attention.

DISC PARKING.

The Town Clerk reported as follows:-

"The need for regulation of on-street short-term parking facilities had been discussed at length by the Corporation. This need has also been inunciated by the Chamber of Industry & Commerce who admit that traders are abusing the short-term parking facilities currently available, e.g. in South Main Street. The only satisfactory and economic method of ensuring that this one-hour parking facilities complied with is to introduce disc parking. This controlled system is also suitable for the off-street parking control instead of our present pay & display machines which are now in need of replacement. The proposal to proceed with the introduction of disc parking was the result of a substantial amount of research into the various options of parking control systems. It was not intended that the on-street parking throughout the town would be subject to disc parking but solely the centre town areas amounting to approx. 250 car spaces. The introduction of limited parking in these areas with the control allowed by the disc parking system would mean that the business community would achieve that which they were seeking, i.e., increased turn-over in car parking spaces for customers. The County Wexford Bye-Laws had provision at present for the introduction of disc parking in relation to the on-street basis and in order to proceed with the proposal the existing off-street car park bye-laws were in need of amendment."

The proposal was generally welcomed by all members and the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce. Arising out of discussion on the proposal it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Enright that a report outlining the advantages and disadvantages of disc parking and manual controlled parking systems would be considered at the next meeting . /over....

REPORT ARISING FROM POINTS RAISED AT TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT MEETING.

The following report, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

The meeting between Supt. Kenny, St. Darmody and the Borough Engineer took place on the 8th October, 1985 and consisted of on site inspection of each location referred to below:-

(1) Peter Street.

It was agreed that the one way system which was put into operation in Peter Street for a trial period had proved unsuccessful and that the street revert to a two way system. Consideration was given to making the street a two way down as far as Foundary Lane and one way for the remaining section to the Main Street. The system would create a cul-de-sac and result in dangerous turning movements, this idea was abandoned.

(2) It was agreed that a one way system clockwise around St. Peter's Square should be recommended to stop access of traffic from St. Peter's Square onto School Street at the northern junction of the square.

(3) It was agreed that a ghost island would be painted on to the road surface at the junction of Dempsey's Terrace and Roches Road to channel traffic at this junction. As this painted island would be only on urban road the County Council would not necessarily need to be involved although there would be a need for consultations with them.

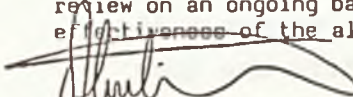
(4) The junction of Bride Place, St. Joseph's Street, Carrigeen and Thomas Street.

The apparent problem with this junction was that traffic travelling from Joseph Street into Thomas Street or Carrigeen was conflicting with traffic travelling from Bride Place into Thomas Street as it was not obvious who had right of way, although the normal rule of traffic giving way to that coming from the right would apply. It is recommended that this regulation should be signposted at the junction. It was not felt that making Carrigeen one way north could be justified as this would direct traffic to the bad junction of Dempsey's Terrace and Roches Road and would not resolve the problem of traffic turning from Joseph Street into Thomas Street.

(5) The Folly.

It was agreed to recommend that the Folly would be made one way east i.e. one way up from which junction with Michael Street and that Michael Street would be made one way north i.e. towards town. This was felt would eliminate the dangerous movement of traffic travelling from Mulgannon to Michael Street/The Folly or travelling from Michael Street into Mulgannon/Mill Road.

The operation of the recommended changes above at (1) to (5) would be subject to review on an ongoing basis in the initial operation period to ensure the effectiveness of the alterations.


D.J. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

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On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was agreed to proceed with the recommendations in relation to Peter Street (1,2&3 of the report).

In relation to the junction of Bride Place/Joseph Street/Carrigeen Street and Thomas Street on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was agreed that there should be no change in the operation of traffic at this junction from the present manner and that the junction would be kept under review by the Supt. of the Garda Siochana.

Following discussion on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was agreed to defer the introduction of the one-way proposal for the Folly (5 above) pending the outcome of the discussion in relation to the relief road with An Bord Telecom.

PEDESTRIANISATION - Submission of Chamber of Industry & Commerce.

The following submission was made by Mr. Denis Burke on behalf of the Chamber of Industry & Commerce:-

WEXFORD CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY & COMMERCE.

Notes re/Traders Meeting held on 24th September, 1986 at 5.45 p.m. in the Chamber offices.

LIST OF PROBLEMS REGARDING TRADERS EXPERIENCE
OF PEDESTRIANISATION TO DATE.

1. Business has been lost - particularly from country customers.
Details can be supplied confidentially to Corporation Officials.
As a matter of concern three shops have closed recently; they are still closed.
2. Traffic control on the Main Street has caused concern particularly in relation to the collection and delivery of goods by customers. We understand that Bye Laws permit many such collections that are now being prohibited.
3. Parking modifications anticipated last year have not yet been implemented as Eye Law approvals are outstanding.
4. Convenient car parking facilities appear to be inadequate.

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Conclusion.

The above items must be attended to urgently. If satisfactory resolution of these points cannot be achieved there would be no alternative but to propose the total suspension of pedestrianisation until such time as the Bye Pass Road and the increased car parking facilities (400 + cars) on the Quay are completed."

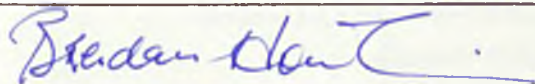
On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would circularise the members of the Corporation with the text of the submission and that the Corporation would consider the matter at the next G.P. Committee Meeting prior to convening a special meeting of the Traffic Management Committee to further discuss the matter.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

A video showing an automatic public convenience in operation was then viewed by all of the members of the Borough Council and was well received. The Manager stated that an approach had been made to the Department of the Environment regarding subsidy and that he would be reporting further to the members in due course in relation to the possible acquisition of such a public convenience for Wexford. It was agreed to defer further consideration pending the Managers report.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 6 DAY OF Oct 1986.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 6th OCTOBER, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.
Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.
Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 1/9/86 copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of the following:-

- (a) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 23/9/86 on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.
- (b) Housing Committee Meeting held on 23/9/86 on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan.
- (c) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 29/9/86 on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.
- (d) Cultural Committee Meeting held on 29/9/86 on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Ald. Reck.
- (e) Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 30/9/86 on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Kavanagh.

HOUSE PURCHASE LOANS

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to authorise the raising of a loan in the sum of 460,000 from the Housing Finance Agency for the purpose of funding Income Related Loans and Convertible House Purchase Loans for the 12 months from January to December 1987.

MOTIONS

KEEP WEXFORD WARM CAMPAIGN

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That this Borough Council, mindful of the needs of the elderly citizens in our town, initiate a "Keep Wexford Warm" campaign".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to difficulties for elderly caused by hypothermia and the proposer showed a sample of a product which could be utilised to combat this. In reply to the discussion the Manager agreed to investigate the proposal and to report to the next G.P. Committee Meeting on the proposal. The motion, following further discussion was unanimously agreed.

TWINNING

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That this Council resolves not to spend any further monies on foreign travel this year, in view of the over expenditure with respect to twinning and because of the unfavourable economic climate".

In reply to Councillor Kavanagh, before the motion was considered the Town Clerk stated that the motion could not be taken as a motion rescinding the previous decision of the Borough Council to send delegates to the Bournemouth Conference. A lengthy discussion on the motion ensued to which all members contributed and following which a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Alderman Reck. Cllrs. Byrne, Enright (3)

Against:- Ald. Howlin, Ald. Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish (8).

The majority being against the motion the motion was declared defeated.

His Worship the Mayor then informed the meeting that the invitation of the Borough Council extended to our twin town in Coueron to visit Wexford to further promote the twinning activities between the two towns, had been accepted by the Mayor and the Council of Coueron and that a formal delegation comprising of 8 to 10 persons would be visiting Wexford from the /over

24th to 28th October, 1986. This would involve the Corporation in the hosting of functions and events for the visiting delegation. However the twinning council would be organising accommodation for the visitors. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh that appropriate arrangements would be made to receive the visitors and that the Mayor allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

LITTER BINS -----

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche:-

"That this Council will provide more litter bins in Wexford town and will have them emptied regularly".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the lack of bins throughout the town at present. In reply to the discussion the Borough Engineer outlined the difficulties the Corporation encountered in the siting of litter bins and following further discussion the following addendum to the motion before the meeting was proposed by Cllr. Corish seconded by Alderman Reck:-

"That the Corporation would write to all residents Associations and business organisations in the town requesting their views on the need for litter bins and their proposals for the siting of same."

Following further discussion the motion and addendum were unanimously adopted.

DEVOLUTION OF RENT SCHEME FUNCTION -----

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Byrne:-

"That this Borough Council a) deplores the decision to transfer the responsibility for rent increases to Local Authorities, b) calls on the Minister for the Environment to rescind this decision and to re-enter negotiations with N.A.T.O. as had hitherto been the case prior to rent increases and c) that no rent increases be imposed in the interim".

A lengthy discussion on the motion ensued to which all members contributed. In response to the discussion the Manager stated that up to 1973 the power to access rents rested with the Manager

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of the Local Authority. He stated that he did not propose to back date rents and was aiming for a review date of 1st January, 1987. Rent adjustments, if any, will be fair and reasonable and he proposed a standard scheme for all of the county. The scheme would be circulated for discussion for the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council. Following further discussion a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-
In Favour:- Cllrs. Byrne, Enright, Roche (3).
Against:- Ald. Reck, Howlin, Kiernan. Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly, O'Flaherty, Kavanagh, Corish (8).
The majority being against the motion the motion was declared lost.

APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL PROFESSIONAL ADVISE

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright and seconded by Alderman Reck:-

Further to the provisions of the City and County Management Act, 1955, this Borough Council resolves that the Manager shall inform the Council of the manner in which he intends to appoint or commission any external professional individual or agency on Corporation business and that such information be conveyed to the members in advance of the Manager undertaking the above-specified executive function".

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held to which all members contributed. Following this discussion a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Alderman Reck, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright(3).
Against:- Ald. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish (8).
The majority being against the motion the motion was declared lost.

ACCESS FROM LIAM MELLOWS PARK/CORISH PARK TO CLONARD.

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Alderman Reck the following motion was unanimously agreed:-

"That Wexford Corporation take in charge the access from Liam Mellows Park/Corish Park to Clonard".

JOB CREATION SCHEMES.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Byrne:-

"That this Corporation, in consequence of decisions of the Council on numerous occasions, initiate schemes to create meaningful jobs for as many unemployed people as possible in the shortest possible time."

In moving the motion the proposer referred to the many activities which could be promoted by the Corporation such as the provision of National Conference Centre or a holiday home centre etc. His Worship the Mayor stated that research was being carried out on his behalf regarding the costings for a conference centre for Wexford and that he would be discussing this matter with the Borough Council in the future. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously agreed.

RESEARCH WORK FOR THE DEAF.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche and unanimously adopted:-

"That this Borough Council urges the Minister for Health to make more funds available to do research work to help the deaf and that the Council further requests R.T.E. to give the fund raising campaign for such research the attention it deserves".

SECURITY FOR MONEY TRANSMISSION.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. Kelly:-

"That Wexford Corporation expresses its concern at the constant practice of delivering large sums of money where a number of the public are close at hand and the area surrounding the delivery tends to be very confined."

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held to which all members contributed. Following this discussion a vote was taken on which motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllr. Kelly(2).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Kavanagh (5).

The majority being against the motion the motion was declared lost.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh that the Standing Orders would be adjourned to allow the business of the meeting to be completed.

WEXFORD GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Nolan seconded by Alderman Byrne and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Corporation, whilst acknowledging that the ultimate blame for this problem rests with the Minister for Health and the present Government, condemn the severe and drastic financial cut-backs by the South Eastern Health Board which have resulted in Ward closures in Wexford General Hospital and cut-backs in transport of patients to Dublin".

QUESTIONS

In reply to Cllr. Byrne the Borough Accountant stated that the cost of expenses of officials of the Corporation in the current year to-date was 509.51. Of the 2,200 allocated for foreign travel 330.00 had been spent in respect of advance travel and hotel bookings for the Bournemouth Conference.

The Bournemouth Conference costs were expected to be 844.00.

In reply to Cllr. Byrne the Borough Engineer stated that he expected to have the required repairs carried out to nos. 24, 25, 26, Talbot Green on the week following the meeting.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer stated that a detailed survey had been undertaken on the condition of wiring in all of the Corporation's housing stock and that a limited survey of the housing stock had been undertaken in connection with the pilot schemes for the sub-standard housing.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the question of the provision of a suitable site/building for victims of family violence had already been raised with the South Eastern Health Board and that the matter would be again pursued with them.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk stated that the commencement of work on the Neighbourhood Shopping Centre was a matter for the developers and that the commencement of work on the community centre at Coolcotts would be undertaken within 10 days from the date of the meeting.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that he would submit a report to the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council on the feasibility of upgrading the present alarm system at John Street and John's Gate Street.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that he would arrange to have the dangerous trees at Liam Mellows Park cut down as soon as possible.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation could consider the purchase of a derelict factory premises at Liam Mellows Park for use as a Community Centre but that in such consideration regard should be had to the existence of the nereby Community Centre.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that he could indicate the no. of previous occasions when Wexford Corporation appointed a member of the Council to purchase ground or property on their behalf while the members was serving on the Council, that the Corporation had not appointed an auctioneer to purchase property anywhere in town, that members of the Council were asked to declare their interest because of statutory requirments under the planning acts and that such a declaration could affect their voting rights in certain legal specified areas.

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Accountant stated that the current minimum and maximum rents being paid by any tenant of the Corporation was 50p and 23.20 respectively.

In reply Councillor Kavanagh the Borough Accountant gave details of the total amount collected during the current years in respect of water charges.

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Town Clerk stated that an inspection of Derelict Sites was carried out on an ongoing basis.

THEATRE WORKSHOP, WEXFORD.

His Worship the Mayor stated that a letter had been received from the Theatre Workshop seeking urgent assistance to enable the workshop to continue in operation. Alderman Reck stated that at a meeting of the County Council it had been agreed to allocate 1,500 to the Theatre Workshop because of a similar appeal to that body and it was proposed by Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. Enright that a similar grant would be paid by the Corporation as that made by the County Council. Following discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the matter be referred to the Cultural Committee and following futher discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Byrne that the Corporation would, because of the urgency for which funding was required, devolve full power in the allocation of a grant to the Theatre Workshop to the Cultural Committee of the Corporation.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 24 DAY OF Nov. 1986.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER, 1986 AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING;— His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, Ald.

COUNCILLORS;— J. O'Flaherty.

Apologies from Alderman Reck and Councillor Roche were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE;— Mr. D.F.Curtin, Town Clerk.

JOHN BARRY MEMORIAL DAY.

- The Town Clerk outlined arrangements made for the commemoration ceremonies and subsequent luncheon and the programme was noted and agreed.

VISIT OF DELEGATION FROM COUERON.

The Town Clerk outlined arrangements proposed for the visit and following discussion the proposed arrangements were adopted.

MAYORAL WELCOME.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Wexford School of Music had in recent weeks travelled to Belfast and had been well received by the City Hall. The group had carried with them a letter of greeting from him and he was now informed that the Ulster Youth Orchestra were planning to attend and play a conference in Wexford during the course of the Opera Festival. It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by His Worship the Mayor to recommend that a Mayoral welcome would be afforded to the members of the Youth Orchestra from Ulster and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 24 DAY OF Nov. 1986.

Brandon Howlin
Mayor

MINUTES OF MEETING OF CULTURAL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING
ON TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER, 1986, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin, Ald.

COUNCILLORS:- J. O'Flaherty.

Apologies from Alderman Reck and Councillor Roche were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

WEXFORD THEATRE WORKSHOP

His Worship the Mayor referred to the decision of the Borough Council at the Monthly Meeting held on 6th October to give authority to the Cultural Committee to decide on the granting of a further grant to the Theatre Workshop. It was noted that the contribution of £1,500 from the County Council had been paid to the Workshop and it was also noted that there was an immediate need for a contribution from the Borough Council in order to ensure that the Theatre did not close. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that a contribution of £1,500 from the Cultural Grant provision in the estimates would be given to the Theatre Workshop.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 24 DAY OF Nov. 1986.

Brendan Howlin
Mayor

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck.

COUNCILLORS:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
----- M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin,
Aldermen Byrne and Kiernan for their inability to attend the
meeting were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

In the absence of His Worship the Mayor Councillor O'Flaherty was
proposed by Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor Corish to act
as Chairman of the Meeting and was unanimously agreed.
Councillor O'Flaherty accordingly assumed the Chair.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

A vote of sympathy to His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin,
his Mother, Mrs. Molly Howlin and the Howlin family on the recent
sudden death of Mr. John Howlin, Father of the Mayor and a former
member of the Corporation, was then proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty
seconded by Alderman Reck.

In proposing the vote of sympathy Councillor O'Flaherty paid
tribute to John Howlin for his diligence in working as a
member of the Corporation, as a trade union official and as a
person in his day to day life. He remarked on the high esteem
with which John Howlin was held by the people of Wexford and
stated this was exemplified by the high attendance at the Funeral
Mass.

All members of the Borough Council associated with the remarks of
the Chairman and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of
the staff and Town Clerk and Borough Engineer on their own behalf
also associated with the expression of sympathy.

The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

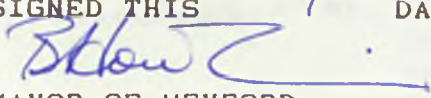
It was then proposed by Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr.
Roche and unanimously agreed that the meeting would stand
adjourned. It was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck

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seconded by Cllr. Kelly that the reconvened meeting would be held at a date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS ^{1st} DAY OF Dec. 1986.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
CONCLUSION OF THE EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Deputy Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 6th October, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

- (a) Protocol Committee Mtg. held on 21/10/86.
- (b) Cultural Committee Mtg. held on 21/10/86.

KING STREET HOUSING SCHEME.

On the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty, the Borough Council authorised, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment and in accordance with the Local Government No. 2 Act, 1960, the raising of a loan of £378,000 from the Commissioner of Public Works for construction of flats at King Street.

MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne, the Borough Council authorised, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment and in accordance with the Local Government No. 2 Act, 1960, the raising of a loan of £350,000 towards preliminary fees on the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme".

REVISION OF REMUNERATION.

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed to approve of the revision of remuneration for Officer Grades in accordance with the terms of Circular EL8/86 dated 12th November, 1986.

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed to approve of the revision of remuneration for Craftsmen and Craftsmen's Mates Grades in accordance with the terms of Circular Letter 9/86 dated 20th November, 1986.

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the revision of remuneration for General Operative Grades as set out in Circular Letter EL6/86 from the Minister for the Environment dated 26th October, 1986.

MOTIONS

Site at Wellington Place.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"That this Council acquire from C.I.E. the Derelict site at Wellington Place".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the use of the site in recent times by persons playing horse-shoes and stated that the site could be used for that purpose and other amenities. The Town Clerk stated that the Harbour Board were the owners of the site and that negotiations for the acquisition of the site by the Corporation had recently been instituted. Following discussion the motion was unanimously agreed and it was further agreed that discussions with the Harbour Board would continue.

Medical Card Facilities.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kelly seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"This Council calls on the local health committee to return medical card facilities to Susan Nolan (Age 3) 3, Avondale Drive".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder outlined the special circumstances of the family concerned. Following discussion it was agreed to amend the motion to read "health board" instead of "local health committee". Following further discussion the amended motion was unanimously adopted.

Sculptors & Tree Planing

The following motions were proposed by Councillor Corish seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"This Corporation proposes that the Wexford Sculptors' Group be approached with the view of initiating discussions with Wexford Borough Council regarding an overall plan for the erection of sculptures on suitable sites in Wexford Town."

"This Corporation suggests that a policy be adopted by the Urban Council, to plant more trees and shrubs in Wexford, to enhance the beauty of our town, a policy which would incorporate a combination of careful municipal planning and community effort".

In moving the motions the proposer and seconder stated that the adopting of these motions would enhance the physical environment of the town and would contribute to the tourist potential of the town. Following discussions both motions were unanimously adopted.

Arising out of discussion on the motions it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by His Worship the Mayor to invite the Sculptors' Group to meet with the Cultural Committee of the Corporation to discuss projects for the town in co-operation with the Arts Department of the Wexford Town Vocational School.

Further arising out of the discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Byrne to convey to Mr. David Redmond, Bernadette Place, the congratulations of the Borough Council on his achievement in winning the National An Taisce/Anco Built-Up Environment Award for his project on Trespan Rocks.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Alderman Byrne the Borough Engineer stated that work on the provision of traffic lights at Geroges Street/Johns Road was in progress and that it was expected to conclude shortly.

In reply to Alderman Byrne the Town Clerk stated that monies could be provided in the forthcoming estimates for the repainting of the external features of Johns Gate Street Flats.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Town Clerk stated that discussions had taken place with the Secretary of the Harbour Commissioners regarding the taking over of Roman Lane by the Corporation and that a conclusion to these discussions was expected shortly.

In reply to Councillor Kelly the Borough Engineer stated that the new railings would be erected to the front of Redmond Park in the near future and that there were not any plans at this time to develop the pond area in the park.

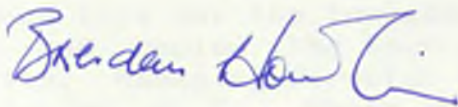
In reply to Councillor Kelly the Town Clerk stated that it was not intended at present to relet the empty dwellings at Croke Avenue since tests were taking place on these houses in relation to the remedial works project for the scheme.

NEXT MEETING.

It was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty that the December Meeting of the Borough Council would commence at 7.00 p.m. rather than 7.30 in order to facilitate the attendance of members of the Borough Council at the presentation of Keep Wexford Beautiful Awards.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF Dec. 1986



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Mr. John Browne, T.D.

Apologies from the Minister of State, Mrs. Avril, Deputies Hugh Byrne & Ivan Yates for their inability to attend the meeting, were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Deputy Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor stated that since this was the inaugural meeting of the Employment Committee, he had copied the text of a Press Release issued by Mr. P. White, Managing Director of the I.D.A. which had recently been released by Mr. White and outlined forthcoming developments on the employment front in Wexford. He had also been informed that the I.D.A. were taking space in the proposed Enterprise Centre for Wexford and that an itinerary this week for a Soft Fruit Company would include Wexford. The document which the Mayor circulated was intended solely as a discussion document.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and during which various aspects of industrial development in Wexford were discussed.

Deputy Browne outlined the Enniscorthy Employment Committee model for the benefit of the members and following further discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Kelly that three sub-committees of the employment committee would be set up with the following briefs.

- (1) Manufacturing Industry (i.e. I.D.A. orientated plus Mariculture/Agriculture related.)
- (2) Services Industry (i.e. non-I.D.A. and including work space and Corporation employment).
- (3) Tourism.

The sub-committees would report on a quarterly basis at least to a full meeting of the Employment Committee. Each sub-committee would comprise of four members and the direction of each of the committees would be assessed by the sub-committee itself subject to overall control of direction by the Employment Committee. His Worship the Mayor would be ex-officio Chairman of each sub-committee and each sub-committee would with the overall control again of the full Employment Committee, have power to nominate

a fixed number of non-council members to assist the sub-committee.

These non-council members preferably to represent view points of organisations involved in the sector concerned.

It was further agreed on the proposal of Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Roche that the Institute of Public Administration be requested to organise a Seminar in Wexford on how Local Authorities can organise themselves to get involved in the job creation field.

Following further discussion to which all members contributed His Worship the Mayor thanked Deputy Browne for his attendance and valuable contribution to the meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS *25* DAY OF *Dec.* 1986



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:-His Worship the Mayor Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Alderman Kiernan for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. P. Callery, County Engineer.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. D. Foley, Manager, N.B.A.
Mr. M. O'Connor, Chief Technical Officer,
National Building Agency.
Mr. D. Tynan, Urban Renewal Planner, N.B.A.

ACQUISITION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF SITES AT SELSKAR/REDMOND
PLACE AND CORNMARKE T.

The following report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

"With reference to the above the ongoing negotiations in relation to the acquisition of the properties are reaching conclusion in the majority of properties concerned. The attached table (Appendix I) gives the up-to-date position. You will see from this table that decisions on the overall projects are now required.

The pursuance of the sites was undertaken having regard to:-

- (a) The provision in the Wexford Development Plan 1984 as varied on 4th March, 1985:-
(T.14 - Provide Car Park at Selskar Street).
(R.2 - Redmond Place area - Investigate renewal).
(R.4 - Cornmarket Area - Encourage Renewal.)

and,

- (b) The resolution adopted by the Borough Council in January 1986 which asked for consideration to be given to the redevelopment of the Selskar area.

Whilst the aspiration and objective of the Borough Council for the redevelopment of the sites is clear, the implementation of the objective offers, theoretically 3 principle options as follows:-

- (a) To await and if possible encourage the redevelopment of the areas by the private sector either on a piece-meal or overall basis.

- (b) The Corporation to acquire the sites for public housing, and,
- (c) The Corporation to acquire the sites for commercial development.

Option (a) is effectively the option which has been adopted heretofore, without, as can be seen great success.

Option (b) if implemented without commercial development would negate the principles of the development plan, in which the sites are zoned as "TownCentre". However, any redevelopment proposal would obviously be enhanced by the inclusion of some public housing.

Option (c) envisages the Corporation acquiring the various properties and interests and promoting redevelopment either by:-

- (1) Private sector (through re-sale of sites).
- (2) Public sector (through Corporation capital programme).
- (3) Joint venture between public and private sector, or,
- (4) A combination of options (1) to (3).

Option (c) offers the most immediate economic prospect for the redevelopment of the 2 areas.

SITES

The extent of the sites is shown on the maps attached to the tables in Appendix I.

The following is a general comment on each of the sites.

(1) Selskar/Redmond Place.

This is a tremendously important site for the north end of the town providing as it does the possibility of a quite large-scale site to the north end of Main Street and fronting onto Redmond Place. It should be noted that perhaps some of the difficulties that the north end of the Main Street is experiencing may indeed be because of the sizes of sites and properties at this end are quite small and considerably smaller than those which are available on the southern and central sections of Main Street. The site also has good frontage onto the entrance roads to Wexford from Enniscorthy and New Ross and this factor should be of commercial importance. In addition, it is close to the railway station and areas where C.I.E. buses park and this could generate a certain amount of activity which would be useful on the site.

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(2) Cornmarket.

This site is of strategic importance in terms of Cornmarket itself and the redevelopment of the north end of the town through Mallon Street/Abbey Street/Selskar area. It is a prime site and clearly it's connection onto North Main Street makes it a viable commercial one also. Compared to the Selskar/Redmond Place site it is, however, a more difficult site to develop because of it's awkward shape and the sloping nature of the site. However it is in a better location and while in the longer term REDmond Place may become a lucrative financial proposition, the direct connection of Cornmakret to Main Street does make it an immediately more attractive proposition.

A report on the proposed purchase of the properties prepared by the Urban Renewal Unit of the N.B.A. is attached herewith (Appendix II).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS.

The total estimated budget for the acquisition of both sites amounts to £460,000. In the short-term and from a cash-flow point of view, this cost will be borne by the Corporation's Capital Account. It should, of course, be reimbursed to the Corporation in due course through:-

- (a) The sale of sites (to the private sector) and/or,
- (b) Direct development by the Corporation (through the individual project's capital finance).

The acquisition of the sites does by the nature of the venture carry an element of financial risk. This risk however, must be weighed by the Council against the possible achievement of an objective considered by the Council as being meritorious and indeed the promotion of the image of Wexford as a town confident of it's future.

Incentives.

In 1986 a number of new incentives in the urban renewal area were adopted in legislation. These are:-

(1) Finance Act 1986.

Under which special tax reliefs can be obtained by developers by the development of properties in specified zones of County Boroughs, and,

(2) Urban Renewal Act 1986

Under which the Minister for the Environment, with the sanction

of the Minister for Finance, may make available a scheme providing for rates remissions for premises situated in a designated area. The Minister for the Environment can, by order, declare an area to be a designated area where he is satisfied that there is a special need to promote urban renewal therein.

The extension of both of these schemes to Wexford generally and in particular for the purposes of securing the redevelopment of the sites at Cornmarket and Selskar/Redmond Place, would be advantageous and helpful.

CONCLUSION.

The report above outlines a development programme together with cost implications for Redmond Place and at Cornmarket. With the approval of the Borough Council to the proposal, contracts for the acquisition of the sites can now be effected and formal proposals for the sites can be undertaken by the Urban Renewal Unit of the N.B.A. These proposals will be presented for consideration by the Borough Council as soon as they are completed. Whilst the undertaking presents an exciting challenge in a relatively new area of activity for local authorities, Wexford Corporation has proved in the past through undertakings such as the Industrial Estate and its innovative approach to infill housing schemes, that it is more than able for such a challenge. In this present proposal, there is no doubt that the Corporation will not be found lacking in the achievement of their objectives."

His Worship the Mayor opened the meeting by calling on the County Manager to outline the proposal. The County Manager outlined the proposal for Urban Renewal for the past number of years and decisions taken by the Borough Council towards the achievement of the goals in the past. The Manager outlined also the major capital developments in hands and planned for the town and concluded by recommending to the Corporation that the investment suggested in the report be made, that proposals for the renewal of the Redmond Place/Selskar and Cornmarket sites would be undertaken and that in joint venture with the private sector to seek to achieve those goals.

The County Manager then called by Mr. D. Tynan, N.B.A. and Mr. Tynan presented a slide showing of sketch proposals showing the potential of the sites at Redmond Place/Selskar and Cornmarket.

A lengthy discussion on the proposal then ensued to which all members contributed. The County Manager responded to queries raised in the discussion and concluded by stating that he considered the recommendation to proceed with the acquisition of the sites as the beginning of a major step in the renewal of Wexford. Following further discussion it was then proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Byrne that having regard to the report in relation to the redevelopment of Selskar and Cornmarket dated 24th November, 1986 that the said report be adopted as policy and that approval be given to the proposal to acquire the sites outlined in the report within an overall budget

of £460,000, and that it be further resolved that the Minister for Finance and Minister for the Environment be requested to extend the tax incentive package for Urban Renewal in the County Borough areas and the rates relief provisions of the Urban Renewal Act 1986 to Wexford.

A vote on this proposal was then taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Aldermen P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin.
Councillors P. Nolan, P. Kelly, J. O'Flaherty,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish. (9).

Against:- Councillors V. Byrne, M. Enright. (2).

The majority being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME


The County Manager stated that Contract Documents for the Main Drainage Scheme had now been prepared and were available at the meeting. The Manager outlined the history of the planning of the scheme and pointed out that the scheme was primarily an engineering scheme of which the County Engineer would give details. However because of imaginative proposals such as the extension of the Quay Front adopted by the Borough Council, the scheme would also have a massive impact on visual amenity of Wexford and presented an opportunity for improvement such as car parking, marina, etc. in a sea-port atmosphere. He stated that it was essential to have expert advice on this and that was the reason for the appointment of the National Building Agency for their advice. He referred to specific design features such as the erection of a wave overlapping wall along the quay front which the members needed to be aware of and which required decisions. The County Engineer then outlined the technical features of the scheme and the improvements to the present sewerage system which would emanate from the application of the scheme. He stated that the design of the scheme catered for an estimated population of 30,000 people by the year 2015 and that the scheme provided treatment for the sewerage whereas at present is non-existent. During his outlining of the features the County Engineer referred to the model of the Quay Extension which had been viewed by members of the Borough Council in U.C.C. and which had been successfully employed to simulate conditions of the completed scheme.

Mr. Matt O'Connor of the National Building Agency stated that they were considering at present the environmental impact of the quay extension and pointed out that Wexford was one of the few towns which properly addresses the sea front. It was therefore a very delicate task and concluded by stating he would be reporting within the coming month to the County Manager on proposals which he hoped would be in keeping with Wexford's traditional heritage.

A discussion was then held on certain aspects of the scheme particularly relating to the safe at Mauldintown and protection measures required for the 50 pleasure boats in this area and to the need to retain old artifacts that are presently on the quay front, the necessity to improve the visual amenity of the area surrounding the Crescent and the provision of life-saving facilities along the Quay Front. It was noted that many of these features would be dealt with in detail in the coming months and it was then unanimously resolved on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman that the Scheme and the Contract Documents for same be adopted and it was further resolved to approve of the investigation of the amenity aspects of the scheme with a view to discussing the matter further at a future meeting of the Borough Council. In the meantime the Contract Documents would be submitted to the Department of the Environment for the Minister's approval.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 20 DAY OF Dec, 1986



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF G.P. COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
ON FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, 1986 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor Kelly for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

DEPUTATION FROM TALBOT GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

As had previously been agreed a deputation was then received from Talbot Green Residents Association. Their spokesperson Mrs. Murial Lynch raised the following points:-

- (1) They had raised a number of points at a previous deputation in May 1986 and had received no satisfactory response on those issues.
- (2) Tenants in Talbot Green were anxious to purchase their houses and wished to know when they could do so.
- (3) Repairs being effected on houses in Talbot Green were not satisfactory.
- (4) A tarmacadam drive is required in the front of the houses at Talbot Green because of difficulties caused by the rear access.
- (5) In a number of houses in Talbot Green flooding had taken place during the recent Hurican Charlie where windows and doors were found to be leaking. Flooding had also caused damage to floor coverings.

Following questions of clarification raised by the members of the Borough Council, the Mayor thanked the deputation for their attendance and informed them that they would have their response from the Borough Council on the points raised by the deputation in due course. The deputation then departed.

In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that the tenant purchase scheme for 1986 would apply and residents of the Estate would be notified of this in the coming week. The Borough Engineer informed the meeting of the progress of the remedial works scheme and outlined the proposals under this

scheme.

A lengthy discussion was then held to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Councillor Roche to write to the Minister for the Environment urging the immediate sanction of the remedial works proposal for Talbot Green. Further arising out of the discussion a consensus view was expressed that a roadway to the front of the houses was required as requested by the deputation and it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a proposal for this roadway for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee. It was further agreed that a report on the points raised by the deputation would be submitted to future meeting of the Borough Council and that a letter of acknowledgement of the delegation's points would be issued to the delegation and a copy of this would be sent to each of the members.

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Councillor Roche it was then agreed at the request of the Manager that the meeting would go into Committee. The Manager stated that he accepted that the Talbot Green situation was bad and because of the history of problems with the condition of the houses and the ground rents acquisition problem he was prepared to put a case to the Minister for a lower sale price for the scheme than would be required under the terms of the existing tenant purchase scheme. This was noted and unanimously adopted by the meeting.

The meeting then returned to public session.

Following further general discussion to which all members contributed and during which Councillor Nolan referred to the need for electrical wiring to be carried out in the houses, further discussion on the matter was adjourned.

STANDING ORDERS.

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the consideration of the revision of Standing Orders to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

RESULTS OF TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

The report of the adjudicators on the 1986 Tidy Towns Competition's entry for Wexford, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. The improvement in the result in 1986 over 1985 was noted and generally welcomed but the meeting acknowledged that more improvements were required. The Town Clerk stated that having regard to the experience of other towns who had achieved prominence in the Tidy Towns Competition, the Corporation, on its own would never be able to ensure that Wexford would achieve similar prominence and that more co-ordinated community effort was required to ensure further gains in the competition for 1987. However the Corporation had a number of incentive schemes (i.e. Resident Association Grants)

and direct works (i.e. the provision of railings currently in hand in Redmond Park and shortly to be undertaken at the Municipal Buildings to assist in the progress of the town in the competition. Following further discussion to which all members contributed, discussion on the report was adjourned.

PLANNING.

Planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were considered and noted. Questions raised by the meeting were answered by officials in attendance.

A number of members referred to the positioning of litter bins in new positions on the Main Street and following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate the matter and would report back to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE.

- (1) A letter from Mr. P. O'Toole, T.D., Minister for Defence regarding the non-participation of An Forsa Cosanta Aitiuil in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Wexford, stating that any requests for the participation by An Forsa in future parades will be considered at the appropriate time, was noted.
- (2) A letter from Private Secretary to An Taoiseach thanking the Borough Council for their letter concerning funding for the National Youth Committee for 1986 and stating that same had been passed to the Minister of State for Youth Affairs, for attention, was noted.
- (3) A conference to be held in the Killiney Court hotel on 27th November, 1986 re "The Health of our Environment", was noted.
- (4) A letter from Carlow Urban District Council re Regional Health Authorities, copies of which had previously been circulated, was adopted on the proposal of Councillor Roche seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.
- (5) The following resolution from Balbriggan Town Commissioners was adopted on the proposal Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Nolan. It was further agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck that the Minister for Education be requested to introduce a scheme for the standardisation of books so as to enable books to be passed from the eldest to the youngest child in the family:-
"That we the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Education to introduce a book hire system in all second level schools due to the high cost of school books and that a copy of this resolution be sent to all local authorities for their support".

REPORTS.

Heating - Johns Gate Street Flats.

The following report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

"The heating to the Corporation flats at John's Gate Street is supplied by a town gas heating system serviced by 2 commercial boilers. These boilers were the original boilers provided with the scheme some 11 years ago. The boilers were originally designed to be operated alternatively to heat the flats (for both space and domestic water heating). One of these boilers is now in need of substantial repair. The second boiler whilst working has lost efficiency due to age and is now incapable of providing the full required output.

The cost of repair for the broken-down boiler amounts to £1,700 + V.A.T. Whilst these repairs can be effected, the long-term operation of the boiler could not be guaranteed because of its age.

An alternative system, based on L.P.G. rather than town gas is available at a capital cost of £2,150 + V.A.T. (including necessary building work). This system would separate the water and space heating functions thereby giving more flexibility. The new boiler system will give an increased efficiency. The installation of this system does not require any remedial works within the flats themselves and the L.P.G. and Town Gas boilers can still be operated alternatively.

The cost per therm of L.P.G. at present is £0.56.
The cost per therm of town gas at present to the Corporation averages £1.51."

In reply to His Worship the Mayor the Borough Engineer stated that he was of the opinion that the L.P.G. system would be more beneficial and would recommend that system for adoption. His Worship the Mayor outlined for the meeting the implications for Wexford Gas Company and further outlined the need for the extension of the natural gas pipeline to Wexford. A lengthy discussion then ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Nolan to adopt the report and install the L.P.G. boiler as soon as possible. The Borough Engineer was requested to ensure that the boiler was installed as quickly as possible.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that the thermometer suggested for the old persons flats and houses was currently being examined by the Borough Engineer.

S.D.A.A. LOANS. - ARREARS.

Alderman Reck referred to recent S.D.A. Loan Accounts which had been issued by the Corporation and some of which were incorrect. The Town Clerk stated that all accounts issued were correct and gave examples of how arrears could have accrued on a typical account. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Roche that the Manager inform the members prior to the issue of legal proceedings, the culmination of which would lead to the repossession or eviction from Council property of houseowners. In reply to this motion the Manager stated that he had no objection in principle to informing the members of such cases but pointed out that there was an implication in some of these instances for a loss of funds to the Corporation's accounts and therefore there was a possibility of charge/surcharge in these cases. Following discussion to which all members contributed a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour -- Ald. Reck, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. Corish (5).

Against -- Ald. Byrne, Ald. Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Kavanagh (5).

There being an equality of votes His Worship the Mayor cast his casting vote in favour of the motion and the motion was declared carried.

Arising out of the discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne that the provision of improved facilities for meeting account holders with the Corporation in confidence should be undertaken.

YOUTH AFFAIRS.

It was unanimously agreed that the consideration of this item would be adjourned to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Council.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS ^{1st} DAY OF Dec 1986


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, 1986 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD..

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Councillor Kelly for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

HOUSING.

Councillor Kavanagh and Alderman Reck referred to the application of Sheila Murphy tenant of 12, Thomas Clarke Place who applied in 1979 to purchase the dwelling at 12, Thomas Clarke Place. Because of fee simple difficulty the Corporation has to-date been unable to effect the sale and Councillor Kavanagh requested that her nephew living with her should be able to pursue the purchase in the event of Mrs. Murphy's death.

Alderman Kiernan referred to the recent eviction of the Doyle and Carthy families from Monck Street and asked for special consideration for these families in relation to a house at Wolfe Tone Villas which was recently advertised for letting. All members contributed to the discussion on this matter and in reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that the house at Emmet Place was not yet available for letting since necessary repairs were being carried out.

In reply to Councillor O'Flaherty the Town Clerk stated that all outstanding interests in the Mannix Place Estate had now been acquired by the Corporation and that the Corporation's legal advisor was currently preparing the necessary application to the Land Registry for first registration of the estate. After this was concluded the houses at Mannix Place could be disposed of by the Corporation.

Alderman Reck requested that an application for rehousing from Mrs. Kelly who had a right of residency in her son-in-laws house at ~~Fisher's Row~~ (Larkins) be accepted since Mr. Larkin intended to emigrate having recently lost his job in Wexford.

Alderman Reck stated that a Mrs. Whelan who had recently been offered a house in College View was not interested in this house but was anxious to be rehoused in the new development at King Street.

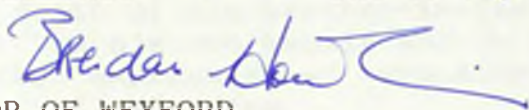
On the proposal of Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Roche it was agreed to request the Manager to investigate the application for a transfer from Mrs. Connors, 30, Croke Avenue, who because of recent medical history now required to have a house with a bathroom as quickly as possible.

CONTRACT SCHEMES.

Councillor Enright referred to the housing contract at Bride Street and stated that it appeared that not all sub-contractors were complying with the terms of the Department of the Environment required regarding sub-contractors. It was agreed that this matter would be investigated.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 1 DAY OF 12 1986



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER, 1986 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Senator B. Howlin.

Aldermen:- G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne, M. Enright,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Apologies from Alderman Reck and Councillor Kelly for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Alderman Byrne a unanimous vote of sympathy to the County Manager on the recent death of his brother-in-law was unanimously adopted. The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy and the vote was passed in silence, all standing.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 3rd November, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the Adjourned Monthly Meeting held on 24th November, 1986, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously confirmed and signed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Alderman Kiernan.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted as follows:-

- (a) Employment Committee Meeting held on 24.11.86 on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne.
- (b) Special Meeting held on 25.11.86 on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne.
- (c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 28.11.86 on the proposal of Alderman Byrne seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.
- (d) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 28th November, 1986 on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne.

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MOTIONS.

In the absence of Alderman Reck it was unanimously agreed to defer the following motions under Alderman Reck's name to the next meeting:-

(a) "That this Borough Council makes provision in the estimates to install a fail safe alarm system in John Street and Johns Gate Street".

(b) "That this Borough Council condemn the shoddy treatment given to the real poor in our society by the present Government".

EQUALISATION OF SOCIAL WELFARE BENEFITS.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"This Borough Council condemns the manner in which the EEC Directive on the equalisation of Social Welfare Benefits was introduced, resulting in major cuts in welfare payments to many families and calls on the Minister for Social Welfare to suspend the scheme pending its revision in a manner that will not result in any loss of income to families dependent on social welfare."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the hardship caused by the implementation of the E.E.C. Directive and suggested that the Commissioner of Social Welfare's recommendations regarding rates of benefits would be implemented. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish. (9).

Against:- Cllr. Kavanagh (1).

The majority being in favour of the motion the motion was declared carried.

CATERING SERVICES - DUBLIN TO ROSSLARE TRAIN

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Alderman Byrne:-

"This Borough Council calls on C.I.E. to restore catering services to a consistent level on the Dublin-Rosslare train service".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the fact that improvements were required on this sub-standard service since the line was a show-case for many of the one million visitors using the train service. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The following motion was proposed by Councillor P. Roche seconded by Alderman Kiernan:-

"That monies be provided in the future to erect toilets on the Quays".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the ideal opportunity for the erection of public conveniences in conjunction with the forthcoming Quays Development. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

WESTLANDS.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Alderman Byrne:-

"That this Corporation use all speed to finalise the necessary work to enable the Wexford Sculpture group to open their workshops at Westlands without any further delay."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder complained of the delay in providing the workshop at Westlands and pointed out that the Arts Council Grants were in danger of being lost to the group if they were unable to move into the premises in the immediate future. In reply to the discussion the Borough Engineer stated that the remedial work on the building for the sculptors was in hands and would be completed within five weeks from the date of the meeting. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT.

The following motion was proposed by Alderman Kiernan seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"That this Corporation resolve that temporary employment be provided to a number of unemployed in town coming up to Christmas and that any money not used up from the Estimates at the end of the year be used for this purpose."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder suggested that the Corporation would employ some employees on a temporary basis in the weeks coming up to Christmas. The Town Clerk stated that presently nine persons were in temporary employment with the Corporation and that in the majority of these cases these employments were due to be terminated on the 30th November, 1986. However the Manager had decided to continue their employment to the end of December. Following further discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

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MOTOR INSURANCE.

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Byrne seconded by Councillor Enright:-

"That this Council urges the Government to review immediately the present situation relating to motor insurance with a view to making it fairer, less expensive and more effective, particularly with regard to third person insurance cover which is compulsory. A detailed study of other systems should be undertaken. This motion to be sent to all other Local Authorities."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder outlined the difficulties for motorists because of the present system of insurance and following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk stated that the Minister for Health had responded to the request of the Corporation that Child Sexual Abuse Centres be established in the Health Board area and that this reply had been considered at the June G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk stated that he understood that the South Eastern Health Board had been in contact with the developers regarding the provision of a health clinic at the Coolcotts Neighbourhood Centre.

In reply to Councillor Roche the Town Clerk stated that a comprehensive listing of buildings on which preservation orders were, was available in the Development Plan and that a copy of this listing would be circulated to all members for their consideration.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that the monies set aside in the estimates for the making of a tape of various bands and groups in Wexford would be retained into 1987.

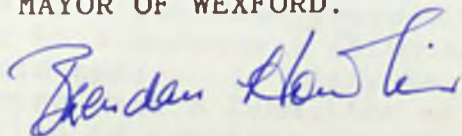
In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that the Hypothermia Thermometer which was the subject of a recent motion passed unanimously by the Borough Council would be purchased and distributed to those entitled thereto.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the Town Clerk stated that interviews had been held for the position of Gardener with the Borough Council but in view of the discussion earlier in the meeting regarding employment of temporary staff, the appointment of the Gardener would be deferred until the new year and in the meantime two extra temporary General Operatives would be employed until the end of the current year.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF January 1987.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 1986,
AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,
WEXFORD.

PRESIDING: His Worship the Mayor, Senator Brendan
Howlin, Ald.

ALDERMEN: P. Reck, G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS: P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, V. Byrne,
P. Roche, N. Kavanagh & H. Corish.

Apologies for inability to attend from Councillors Kelly and
Enright were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. J.A. Quinlivan, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. I. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

DIFFERENTIAL RENT SCHEME 1987.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had requested that this item be placed on the Agenda for the purposes of allowing Members an opportunity to discuss the 1987 Differential Rent Scheme which was being introduced from the 3rd January next. He expressed concern regarding some aspects of the Scheme, particularly the impact of the Scheme on Social Welfare Recipients and whilst all Members would be aware that there had not been a rent review for over three years he suggested that a ceiling be placed on the increase that would apply to any tenant such as was proposed in the County Council. He also suggested that Anco allowances would be excluded from the Scheme for income purposes. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all Members contributed during which a consensus view was expressed regarding the exclusion of the Anco allowances for income purposes in the Scheme and that a limit should be imposed on the increase applicable to tenants. In reply to the discussion the Manager stated that he was glad that the determination of Rent Schemes had been returned to the local scene. He expressed the view that tenants generally were aware that there had not been a review of their rent for over three years and that the majority of tenants accepted that an increase was due in the rents. The Scheme which he proposed to introduce was very reasonable in the National context. Subsidiary earners had always been included in previous Rent Schemes and he pointed out that there was a limit on the rent which can be assessed arising out of a Subsidiary Earner's income. The Manager gave specific examples of the effect of the Scheme on a random sample of tenants and pointed out that there would be no retrospective element in this Scheme. He stated that he would operate the Scheme as sympathetically as possible and having regard to the views of the Members, he agreed to exclude earnings from Anco allowances for the purposes of rent determination and further agreed that he would not apply the full increase immediately on all tenants and that for this purpose a £5.00 max. increase per income earner would apply. In reply to further questions the Manager stated that a Committee of Wexford Co. Council had been set up to consider the Scheme and that this Committee would meet early in the New Year. All Local Authorities in the County would be represented at this meeting. The Manager further pointed out that fixed rents would increase by £1.50 under the terms of the Scheme and that all tenants on fixed rents had the option to opt for the Differential Rent Scheme.

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The meeting noted with satisfaction the amendments proposed by the Manager to the Scheme and this concluded discussion on this matter.

LEISURE AND AMENITY PROGRAMME

The Manager stated that in 1987 a Committee of the Borough Council should be set up to identify existing and required facilities and needs of the Community in the Leisure and Amenity area and following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, that a report on this matter would be submitted to a future meeting of the Borough Council.

PLANNING:-

Planning Applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, details of which have previously been circulated, were noted.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

- (1) The following motion from Tipperary North Riding Co. Council was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Councillor Roche:-

"This Council urge the Minister for Foreign Affairs to make continued strong representations to the British Home Office for a review of the case involving the six persons imprisoned for the Birmingham Bombings in 1974 and that their case be referred to the Court of Appeal".
- (2) Letter from C.E.O., South Eastern Health Board acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re medical card facilities for Susan Nolan, 3 Avondale Drive, was noted.
- (3) Circular Letter from Monaghan Urban District Council requesting that the following motions be brought to the attention of Wexford Borough Council were noted:-
 - (a) "That this Council demands that the laws relating to the sale of alcohol to under age drinkers be enforced nationally".
 - (b) "That this Council calls on the Department of Health to include Coeliacs under the category of long term illnesses, as in relation to medical cards".
- (4) Circular Letter from Loughrea Town Commissioners requesting that the following motion be brought to the attention of Wexford Borough Council was noted:-

"That this Body condemn the continued practise of strip searching of women prisoners in Maghaberry Prison and we call for its immediate cessation".
- (5) Letter from Telecom Eireann re telephone kiosk at Talbot Green, was noted.

YOUTH AFFAIRS:-

In reply to Councillor Byrne the Town Clerk stated that a small number of submissions had been made in response to the Corporation's advertisement seeking submissions from bodies interested in Youth Affairs in Wexford and following discussion it was agreed that a summary of these submissions would be submitted for consideration at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

HOUSING:-

In reply to questions the Manager stated that he had made an Order appointing the Doyle and Carty families (who had recently been evicted from flats in Monck St) to vacant houses in Wolfe Tone Villas and Emmet Place. The decision of the Manager was unanimously welcomed by the Meeting.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS:-

His Worship the Mayor then extended Seasons Greetings to the Members, officials of the Corporation, Members of the Press and people of Wexford.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

5th DAY OF January 1987.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

