

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9TH JANUARY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, 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 on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty a unanimous vote of sympathy to His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Howlin and other members of the family of the late Mrs. Bridget Roche of Corish Park was adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff of the Corporation associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

SEASONS GREETINGS

His Worship the Mayor then wished all members, staff and people of Wexford a happy and prosperous New Year.

JOHNSTOWN CASTLE

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to suspend Standing Orders to enable the Corporation to be up-dated on recent developments in relation to Johnstown Castle. At the request of His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Howlin informed the meeting that a proposal had been made by Teagasc to cut the Johnstown Castle budget by 60%, thereby effectively reducing staff by 60 (50%). Following representations the Teagasc Plan had been put 'on hold' for the present and a decision on the matter would be made in the two weeks following the meeting. A deputation from the Oireachtas Members for Wexford was to meet with the Minister during the week of the meeting and His Worship the Mayor stated that he would attend at this meeting if his attendance was requested. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed to call on the Oireachtas Members to ensure that the Johnstown Castle present operation was not further reduced and requested the Mayor to send a telegram expressing the concern of the members to the Taoiseach and the Minister for Agriculture.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Statutory Meeting held on 12th December, 1988, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

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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 Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

- (a) Statutory Estimates Meeting held on 9th December, 1988.
- (b) Cultural Committee Meeting held on 20th December, 1988.
- (c) Special Meeting held on 21st December, 1988.

The minutes of the Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 20th December, 1988, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne. The adoption of the recommendations contained therein were proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne and a vote on the adoption of the recommendations resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, Kelly,
----- O'Flaherty, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish (10).

Against:- Cllrs. Byrne & Enright (2).

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

RAISING OF LOAN FROM HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the raising of a loan of £140,000 from the Housing Finance Agency for the funding of house purchase/reconstruction/unsecured loans.

SALE OF DWELLING

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwelling at No. 2, Mount George to George & Christine Ryan for the sum of £8,675 in compliance with Notice under the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946, as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

VARIATION TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN 1984

The following report from the Town Clerk was then considered:-

"At your Statutory Meeting on the 5th September, 1988 you adopted the following motion:-

"That this Council vary Objective A.15 of the Wexford Development Plan 1984, which provides for an amenity open space at Bishopswater and Whitemill South, including a linear public river walk along Bishopswater Stream, otherwise the Horse River, by eliminating the section of the river walk on the Northern bank of the stream commencing at a point in line with the boundary between houses numbered 11 and 12 in Alvina Brook and ending at Bishopswater Bridge as depicted on Town Detail Map No. 4 of the Wexford Development Plan, as varied in 1985".

Public Notice of the proposed variation was given in local and National newspapers and in Iris Oifigiúil and the prescribed bodies were given formal notice of the proposed variation.

A copy of the written statement comprised in the draft of the proposed variation, together with drawings showing the existing position and proposed variation were put on public display in the entrance hall of the Municipal Buildings for the period of 3 months from the 16th September, 1988 to 15th December, 1988.

Within the display period the draft was inspected by a number of persons. No objections were raised by any persons or bodies.

It now remains for the Borough Council to formally make the variation of the Development Plan in accordance with the motion adopted on 5th September, 1988".

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin to vary the plan in accordance with the motion adopted on 5th September, 1988.

MOTIONS

1988 Tenant Purchase Scheme

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

"That the 1988 House Purchase Scheme closing date for receiving applications be extended to the last day of January 1989 in view of the fact that the Municipal Buildings were closed from 23rd December, 1988 to 3rd January, 1989"

Following discussion it was agreed to amend the motion to call on the Minister to extend the closing date of the House Purchase Scheme to the 31st January, 1989 and following discussion the amended motion was unanimously adopted.

Footpaths adjoining Development Works

The following motion was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"That where a Building Contractor is carrying out building work, he be responsible for the proper cleanliness of adjoining public footpaths and the relevant section or sections of public roads".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred in particular to the condition of the roadways adjoining the development at Old Mercy Convent on Belvedere Road and at Westgate and following discussion the motion was unanimously agreed.

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Tax Free Allowance for Children

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh econded by Ald. Byrne and following discussion was adopted with Cllr. Enright abstaining:-

"That this Borough Council request the Government to re-introduce tax free allowance for children, particularly the P.A.Y.E. sector, this allowance would be additional to the present monthly child benefit payment".

Local Radio

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kelly:-

"That Wexford Corporation would support the concept of Community Based radio within Wexford Town."

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the desireability of ensuring that the Community Radio for County Wexford would be based in Wexford Town and following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted with Ald. Kiernan abstaining.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Engineer stated that 1,133/had been repaired in 1988 at a cost of (a) Labour £118,792 (b) Materials/Machinery £66,142 (c) Overheads & Miscellaneous £25,000.

In further reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Engineer stated that the provision of bathrooms or showers in all of the older local authority housing schemes depended on the release of Government funds for this work.

DATES OF MEETINGS

It was unanimously agreed that meetings would be held as follows:-

- (a) Swimming Pool Committee - 24th January, 1989 at 5.00 p.m.
- (b) Employment Committee Meeting - 20th January, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.
- (c) G.P. & Housing Committee Meetings - 23rd January, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received an invitation to reciprocate the visit of the Exeter Mayor who had recently visited Wexford and had been received by His Worship the Mayor in the Municipal Buildings. On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed to approve of the reciprocate visit by His Worship the Mayor to Exeter and the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

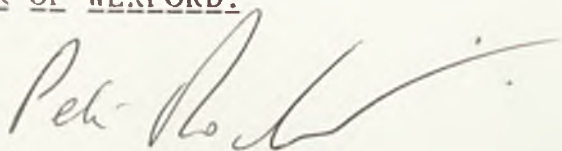
THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th DAY OF

February 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23RD JANUARY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

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Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. T. Nolan, Acting Borough Accountant.

PLANNING

Planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, a list of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted. Questions raised were answered by officials in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re funding for a hospital transport system for the South East, was noted.

Letter from Enniscorthy U.D.C. stating that the Council gave their full support to the Borough Council's resolution re Job Crisis and stating that they had forwarded same to Mr. Albert Reynolds, T.D., Minister for Industry & Commerce, was noted.

The following resolution from Bundoran U.D.C. was noted:-

"That this Council request the Government to continue payment of Social Welfare Assistance to young people between the ages of 17 and 20 who volunteer to work for Concern/Gorta or other Relief Agencies."

Letter from New Ross U.D.C., stating that they supported the Borough Council's resolution re Job Creation, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Agriculture & Food acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding hare coursing and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention, was noted.

The following motion from Ceanannus Mor U.D.C., was noted:-

"That we call on the Government to introduce, without delay, legislation prohibiting enclosed hare coursing. That we seek the support of every other local authority in the country to achieve this objective".

Letter from Gorey Town Commissioners stating that the Commissioners at their November Meeting agreed to support the Borough Council's motion re the Government's inaction on Wexford's Job Crisis. was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Agriculture and Food to Mr. Ivan Yates, T.D., acknowledging receipt of his representations on behalf of Wexford Corporation regarding job losses at Johnstown Castle and stating that enquiries are being made into the matter and a further reply would issue shortly to Deputy Yates. was noted.

A letter from Mr. Donal Minnock re the 1798 Bi-Centenary Association, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. On the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Corish would be the representative of Wexford Corporation to attend on the Committee for the period up to the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council in 1989 and thereafter the representative would be chosen at the Annual Meeting.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour re Borough Council's resolution re unemployment in Wexford. copies of which had previously been circulated. was noted.

Letter from Wexford County Council acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re resurfacing of Windmill Road and stating that same is receiving attention. was noted.

Letter from Wexford County Council acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re Inter Connector Link at Carnsore Point (Planning Applications) and stating that same is receiving attention. was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution and stating that enquiries were being made in the matter and a further reply would issue shortly, was noted.

The following resolution from Westport U.D.C., was noted:-

"That the Council call on the Minister for the Environment to formulate a Scheme whereby individuals or companies who sponsor the financing of Environmental Schemes approved by a Local Authority can obtain full tax relief up to a certain maximum figure".

Letter from Private Secretary to Mr. Alan Dukes acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re part-time workers and stating that the contents of same had been brought to Mr. Duke's attention. was noted.

Letter from Mr. D. O'Malley, T.D., thanking Borough Council for their letter re part-time workers. was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Winter Fuel Scheme, stating that the contents of same had been noted, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Mr. D. Spring, T.D., thanking Borough Council for their resolution re part-time workers and stating that same would be seen by Mr. Spring at the earliest opportunity, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Education acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Leaving Certificate Fees and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re 60/40 ratio of dividing tenant purchase receipts in the housing capital and housing revenue accounts, stating that the matter was receiving attention and a further letter would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to An Taoiseach thanking Borough Council for their resolution re part-time workers and stating that same had been noted and had been passed on to the Minister for Labour, for his attention, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Justice acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Don O'Leary and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment re proceeds of house sales to revenue and capital accounts, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Marine acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Cork/Seansea Ferry Service and Rosslare Harbour stating that the resolution would be brought to the Minister's attention as soon as possible and that he had forwarded a copy of the resolution to the Minister for Tourism and Transport for his attention, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Tourism & Transport acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Cork/Swansea Ferry Service stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention as soon as possible, was noted.

A request from M/S. Williams Ltd. to use the Crest of the Borough Council in the awards presented at their annual awards ceremony was then considered and the use of the crest was authorised on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan subject to the usual conditions.

A report received from Johnstown Castle regarding "Amenity Development Plan" for Johnstown, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

BOUNDARY EXTENSION

Consideration was then given to the proposal to extend the Borough Boundary and concern was expressed at the lack of progress in this regard. In reply to questions the Manager stated that he was presently updating the financial implications of the extension proposal and would report in the immediate future to the two authorities. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by His Worship the Mayor that a final report on the proposal to extend the Borough Boundary would be presented to the G.P. Meeting of Wexford Borough Council in March 1989 setting out the implications of the extension and should the position of the County Council not be clarified by then, the Corporation would at that stage formally apply for an extension to the Minister.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

An application from Slogadh for a contribution from the Borough Council to the holding of the Regional Finals in Wexford in February 1989 was then considered. On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to allocate £250.00 from the Amenity/Cultural Grants Scheme for this event and it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Corish to request the Minister for Youth Affairs to grant assistance to the Slogadh Movement in the current year and in future years to ensure not only the continuation of the present Slogadh activities but indeed to ensure their extension.

MEETINGS

It was unanimously agreed that meetings would be held as follows:-

Employment Committee - Monday 13th February, 1989 at 7.45 p.m.
Traffic Management Committee - Friday 10th Feb., 1989 at 7.45 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the holding of a Mayoral Reception for the members of the Rosslare Harbour Development Committee and Rosslare Harbour Advisory Committee on 2nd February, 1989 and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the holding of a reception for the presentation of the Book of Condolences to the ~~Russian~~ ^{Soviet} Embassy and a cheque of monies collected in Wexford to the Irish Red Cross in connection with the recent Armenian Earthquake and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk and His Worship the Mayor would contact Bord Telecom expressing the concern of the Borough Council regarding the charge of £100 per line being charged to each of the companies who wished to relocate their business from their present Rosslare operations in the new Terminal at Rosslare Harbour.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th

DAY OF

February 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Peter Roche

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 23RD JANUARY, 1989 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

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----- Enright, N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.

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HOUSING

In reply to a question by Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer outlined the difficulties he had encountered in undertaking the Housing Stock Survey and following discussion it was agreed that the survey in the first instance would be a comprehensive survey of flats in private ownership with a view to finalising the entire housing stock survey in due course.

A discussion was held on the recent appointment of a Caretaker at Westlands. The Town Clerk outlined the reasons for the appointment which was necessary because of vandalism and break-ins at Westlands and to the fact that a number of similar appointments had been made in Westlands previously. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. Byrne that where properties belonging to the Corporation were to be let for housing purposes, the proposals would be discussed at a Corporation Meeting prior to the allocation of tenancies or caretaker agreements.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Manager stated that refusals by the Corporation to applicants to purchase houses because of inability to pay would not issue prior to further discussion with the Borough Council.

REPORTS

Heating Charges & Rents

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

"I would advise that all differential rents have been reviewed with effect from 1st January, 1989.

In relation to the above charges the following is the position:-

Heating Charges

(1) Elderly Persons or persons on social welfare will have thier charge increased by 10p from 60p to 70p per week.

- (2) Employed person or higher earners will have their charge increased by 10p from £4.60 to £4.70 per week.

Fixed Rents

- (1) All fixed rents will be increased by 20p per week.

The members should note that heating charges have not been increased since May 1980 in the case of the first category and January 1982 in respect of the second. All persons on fixed rents are entitled to opt to the differential rent basis should they wish to do so and in many cases this would bring about a reduction in rent. Old age pensioners in particular are advised to opt to be assessed on a differential rent basis."

Arising out of lengthy discussion on the report, a number of points raised in relation to the application of the revised rents were made and it was agreed that these would be further investigated. On the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed to recommend that in the case of persons who had made applications to purchase their houses, any increase in rent effective from 1st January, 1989 would be rebated against the purchase price of their dwelling if and when the purchase was proceeded with. The Manager stated that he was currently considering the proposal and would inform the members in due course of the position. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Byrne to recommend that rents of sub-standard houses be frozen at their December 1988 levels until such time as the houses are upgraded. In reply to further discussion the Manager stated that in future reviews old age pensioners living alone would be identified and alternative arrangements to increasing rents to the maximum rents would be used where practicable (e.g. through contact by rents collectors etc.), to ensure that income returns are properly made.

PROPOSED CAR PARK AND PLAYGROUND AT KING STREET

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

"Please find hereunder copy of Borough Engineer's Report regarding the above.

We have been endeavouring since 1986 to come to an arrangement with the Office of Public Works for the temporary use of this land. Despite a number of requests for discussion, the Corporation have not received any favourable reply to date. A reply to further recent letters to the Office of Public Works is awaited."

"REPORT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER"

- (1) There is a post and interlink wire fence to the rear of the houses fronting onto Barrack Street.

- (2) The surface of the yard is mainly gravel which is presently overgrown with grass and the surface undulates considerably. It would be necessary to fill in the undulating surface to bring it to one level.
- (3) Access to the yard is by two gateways opening onto King Street. Behind one gateway there is a tarmacadam pathway extending about 40 m. into the yard and it is about 5m. wide throughout its length. Access via the second gate opens into a rectangular tarmacadam surface about 20 m. deep by 11m. wide.
- (4) The most suitable site for a playground would be the rear most section of the yard. It is surrounded by walls of solid construction. The ground here again would need to be resurfaced. For safety make access onto Lambert Place.
- (5) In general the ground surface is an undulating gravel surface which is presently overgrown with grass. In order to make a car park the grass would have to be removed and the ground filled to bring it to the one level.

See schedule of costings." (Map attached hereto (1)).

SCHEDULE OF ESTIMATED COSTS FOR PROPOSED CAR PARK AND PLAYGROUND AT BORD OF WORKS YARD AT KING STREET, WEXFORD.

Provide Playground and Access to Lambert Place.....	£5,500.00
Grade and Hardcore as necessary Car Park Area.....	£2,400.00
Tarmac Car Parking Area.....	£40,000.00
Provide Footpath along Lambert Place edge.....	£1,900.00"

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to write to the Minister of State at the Office of Public Works requesting that the Office of Public Works enter into discussion with the Corporation officials to further pursue this matter and with a view to a full report on the proposal being considered by the Borough Council at an early date.

CASUAL TRADING AT MARKET PLACE

The following report from the Town Clerk (Attached hereto (2)) was then considered and following discussion noted.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Town Clerk would write to existing stall holders outlining the dates of trading available to them.

COLLECTION OF MORTGAGE PAYMENTS

Further to previous discussions at Housing Committee Meetings regarding the method of collection of mortgage payments, a sample mortgage and indentures and a report outlining the payments position and accrual position in relation to that same mortgage, together with advice from the Corporation's Solicitor in relation to the entitlements to accrue the half yearly payments in respect of that mortgage was then considered.

Following lengthy discussion the report was noted.

NAMING OF KING STREET FLATS

The Town Clerk reported that as had been requested at a earlier meeting of the Housing Committee, suggestions for the naming of flats at King Street were sought from the tenants and the Wexford Historical Society. The two name suggestions were as follows:-

- (1) Cearnog Sean MacGiolla Bride (suggestion of the tenants).
- (2) Leinster Court (suggestion of Historical Society).

These suggestions were circulated to the tenants and nine tenants opted for Cearnog Sean MacGiolla Bride. It was then unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the flats complex would be named Cearnog Sean MacGiolla Bride and it was further agreed that Sean McBride's son, Tiernan would be informed accordingly.

NAMING OF SCHEME AT COOLCOTTS 5

Further to previous discussion at Housing Committee Meeting, consideration was given to the naming of the scheme of houses at Coolcotts 5. The Town Clerk reported that two suggestions had been made to the tenants for the naming of the Scheme as follows:-

- (1) Cui Aobhainn (Cool Even).
- (2) Cnoc Ban (Knockbawn).

Only 12 of the 43 tenants replied, one reply expressed a preference for Cui Aobhainn, two replies expressed a preference for Cnoc Ban and the nine remaining replies expressed a preference for Ferndale Park to remain as the name. The Town Clerk also stated that the Rent Collector reported that the majority of tenants in this Scheme wished the name to remain as Ferndale Park. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the scheme would remain as part of Ferndale Park and would be so called.

RESIDENTS GROUPS AND COMMITTEES

The following motion was deferred for consideration to the next Housing Committee Meeting:-

"That this Borough Council deems it desirable to devise a formal structure for contact with residents groups and committees, believing that consultation and participation are essential elements of local democracy".

URBAN RENEWAL

The County Manager then attended at the meeting and His Worship the Mayor welcomed him. The County Manager outlined for the meeting the results of meetings held with officials of the Corporation and M/S. Noonan Construction Ltd. who were the proposers for the development at Remdond Place. The original £650,000 offer by the proposed developers had now been increased to £714,000 with payment on an agreed deferred basis and subject to the Main Drainage Scheme element effecting Redmond Place being undertaken. The County Manager recommended the offer for acceptance and further stated that he had formulated a Planning Liason Committee which was already meeting with the developers' technical officers with a view to ensuring smooth passage of the consideration period for the planning permission which would be required for the proposed development. This was being done having regard to the limited time-scale available for the tax incentives schemes under the designated area legislation. The County Manager also stated that it was proposed that there would be a public exhibition of all of the successful tenders in the near future when all of the preliminary legal formalities had been completed. The recommendation of the County Manager was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor.

COMMUNITY RADIO

The County Manager stated that he had been approached on behalf of the five local authorities to become involved in one of the applications for Community Radio by shareholding and loan to a total committment of £10,000. He intended raising the matter with each of the five local authorities and if there was any objection by any local authority the proposal would not be proceeded with. The Wexford Corporation was the first local authority with whom he was consulting. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed, following which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Reck to accept the principle of involvement in local radio by the local authorities if necessary through shareholding in the local radio but only when the decision had been made on which proposal had been accepted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF February 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.


Pete Roche



- BOUNDARY WALLS
- CONCRETE POST & LINK WIRE BOUNDARY
- PLAYGROUND AREA

AVERAGE HEIGHT
OF BOUNDARY
WALLS IS 2M.

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WEXFORD CORPORATION  BOROUGH ENGINEER'S DEPT. WEXFORD CORPORATION MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS WEXFORD. TEL. 053-22811		JOB TITLE PROPOSED CAR PARK AND PLAYGROUND AT O.P.W. SITE AT KING ST. WEXFORD.	
		DRAWN DATE JAN 89 SCALE AS SHOWN O.S. SHEET NO. 5451-22	AREA OF SITE BOUNDED IN RED 1.018 acres 4927 sq. Yards

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,

WEXFORD.

23RD JANUARY, 1989.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ CASUAL TRADING AT THE MARKET PLACE, THE BULLRING,
WEXFORD.

Dear Member,

Attached is a list of the traders currently trading in The Market Place, The Bullring, together with a map of the area. Stalls 1-12 are in occupation and marked on the ground. Stalls 13-17 are now to be marked out and made available to traders. The following persons have expressed an interest in trading in the area and will now be informed that extra trading spaces have been created:-

- (1) Mr. Noel Treacy, 67 Oaklands, Arklow, Co. Wicklow.
- (2) Marie Furlong, 73 Talbot Green, Wexford.
- (3) Laura Connolly, Wygram Cottage, Wygram, Wexford.
- (4) Mrs. Bridie Delaney, Ballyboggan Lower, Castlebridge, Co. Wexford.
- (5) Mr. Nick Donnelly, Talbot Green, Wexford.
- (6) Mr. John Hunt, The Hill, Fethard-on-Sea, New Ross, Co. Wexford.
- (7) Ms. Ann Marie Hartrey, 38 Pinewood Avenue, Hillview, Waterford.

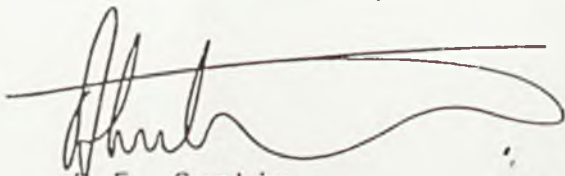
FEES:-

Under the Casual Trading Act 1980 a Local Authority is entitled to charge an annual fee of £20.00 for a Permit to trade in a designated trading area.

TRADING DAYS:-

Traditional trading days in Wexford Town were Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. However, the Wexford Corporation Casual Trading Area Bye-Laws 1983 allowed for trading every day except Sundays, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays, Good Friday and Christmas Day.

Yours faithfully,



D.F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

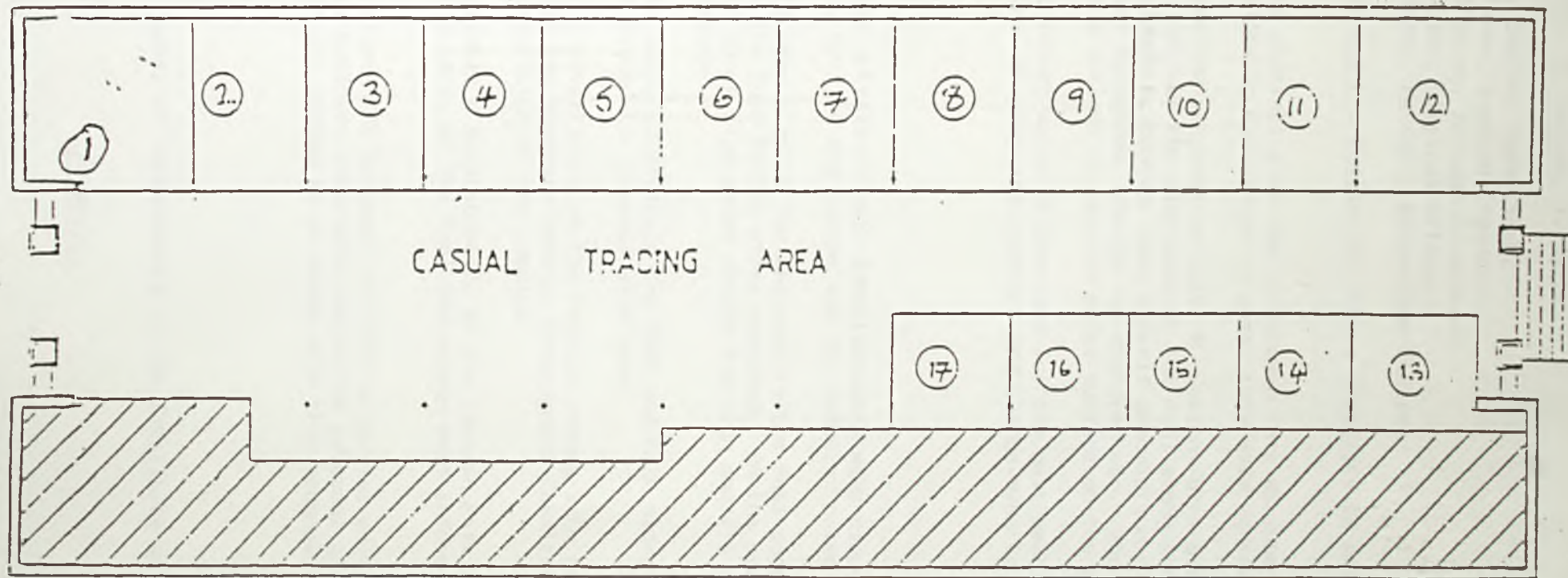
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CASUAL TRADING AREA.

STALL NO.

NAME AND ADDRESS

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|---------|--|
| 1. | Paddy Cash, c/o Ballywilliam Post Office,
Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. |
| 2. | Pauline Stafford, Ballyhurst, Taghmon,
Co. Wexford. |
| 3. & 4. | Mary O'Keeffe, 16 Ard Garman, Wexford. |
| 5. | Mr. & Mrs. Bousse De Garsigny, Seaview,
Murrinlown, Co. Wexford. |
| 6. | Mr. & Mrs. Brousse De Gersigny, Seaview,
Murrinlown, Co. Wexford. |
| 7. | Bridie Eustace, Berkley, New Ross, Co. Wexford. |
| 8. | Anwar Ali, Kilbora, Camolin, Enniscorthy,
Co. Wexford. |
| 9. | Anwar Ali, Kilbora, Camolin, Enniscorthy,
Co. Wexford. |
| 10. | Catherine Rowley, Belvedere House, Wexford. |
| 11. | Margaret Bradshaw, 19 Ashfield Drive, Wexford. |
| 12. | Damian Jacques, Cork Road, Waterford. |



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MINUTES OF SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON TUESDAY 24TH JANUARY, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty, H. Corish, V. Byrne.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.
Mr. T. Nolan, Clerical Officer.
Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Recreation Centre.

Apologies from Mr. Ffrench and Fr. Collins for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

The meeting considered the statistics of use of Caravan Park as submitted to a previous meeting and following discussion on same, they were agreed.

The meeting then considered the proposal of Cllr. M. Enright at a previous meeting of the Borough Council to upgrade the play area at the Pool along the lines of the Leisure Centre in Galway. The Borough Accountant gave a breif description of what this would entail - fencing, new play equipment, charges on children etc. The Borough Engineer gave details of the various options to provide safer surface on the play area.

It was agreed that a full report would be provided for the next meeting giving aspects and costings on the new play area surface and change-over to a charge basis on access.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

The Borough Accountant gave details of what advertisements were placed in newspapers and catalogues in Ireland, Britian and Europe and the members noted same.

The proposed change in the main sign at the entrance to the Pool complex was detailed and it was agreed to have the Bord Failte offer accepted. On the proposal of Cllr. H. Corish it was agreed to place flag poles around the sign and fly continental flags during the caravan park season.

The proposal to place road signs advertising the Pool and Park along the Rosslare Road was considered and it was agreed to proceed with same.

It was proposed to consider advertising on the Ferries coming into Rosslare and in this regard to make contact with the Rosslare Harbour Development Committee and S.E.R.T.O. to further develop the advertising of the complex.

It was agreed to make available a questionnaire in the Caravan Park for the 1989 season to further study the users of the Pool and obtain more information and statistics on same.

The Borough Accountant outlined the proposal to erect a special advertising area in the Caravan Park for local business interests and on the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Byrne it was agreed to go ahead with this proposal for the 1989 season.

OTHER FACILITIES.

The meeting considered a number of improvements in the facilities at the complex and agreed as follows:-

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- (1) On the proposal of the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed to go ahead with the Borough Engineer's proposal to plant special shrubs along the sea bank to assist the protection of same against erosion.
- (2) On the proposal of Cllr. J. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. V. Byrne it was agreed to install in the complex drink dispensing machines for the use of the public, provided same did not interfere with the person renting the shop.
- (3) It was agreed by the meeting that a report on the costing involved in providing seating along one side of the pool be made available for the next meeting.
- (4) It was agreed that in future the shop rental be offered on tender for one season or three seasons so as to assist the persons involved in providing equipment etc.

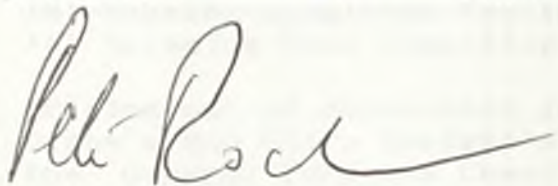
The meeting was informed by the Borough Accountant that certain capital resources were available now for a major development of the complex. Added to this were revenue resources made available due to the clearing of capital debts on the complex. The meeting held a broad discussion on various types of projects and on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne it was agreed to hold a special meeting of the Committee to further develop and formulate a Development Plan for the complex and allow a full airing of all views. On the proposal of the Mayor it was proposed that the Committee should travel to other larger leisure centres so as to view first-hand developments possible in this field and that an itinerary be prepared of same for the special meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS.

Cllr. V. Byrne raised the question of seasonal tickets and the Borough Accountant explained the results of the deliberations on Cllr. Byrne's previous proposal on same. The meeting agreed to consider at the next meeting a proposal on same.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF February 1989.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. T. Nolan, Acting Borough Accountant.

CIVIC RECEPTION

On the proposal of Alderman Kiernan seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to Mr. Patrick Sutton the departing Arts Centre Administrator at a time and date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor and the Town Clerk. It was further unanimously agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 9th January, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered.

- (a) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 23/1/89.
- (b) Housing Committee Meeting held on 23/1/89.
- (c) Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 24/1/89.

Arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed to note Cllr. Byrne's and Cllr. Enright's dissention from the motion adopted by the General Purposes Committee Meeting in relation to Community Radio. Following this decision the amended minutes, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were adopted.

Conveyance of land at 3, Barrack Street, Wexford

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to approve the conveyance of land at 3, Barrack Street to Mr. Edward Murphy, Castlebridge, for the sum of £2,750 in accordance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended as had previously been circulated.

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MOTIONS

It was noted that the following motion from Ald. Reck had been dealt with at the previous meeting of the Borough Council:-

"That Wexford Corporation publicly acknowledges its support for the granting of a broadcasting licence to Community Wexford Radio".

Sub-Standard Housing

The following motions from Ald. Howlin and His Worship the Mayor respectively were then considered:-

"That Wexford Corporation seek a deputation to meet the Minister for the Environment to press for the completion of the sub-standard housing refurbishment schemes: and to establish a timescale for same".

"That this Council call on the Minister for the Environment to make the necessary funds available to complete work on all estates where pilot schemes have been undertaken on sub-standard housing and other schemes".

In reply to the motions the Town Clerk stated that notification had been received in recent days prior to the meeting of an allocation being made by the Minister for the Environment of £500,000 for the purposes of carrying out remedial works at Maudlintown, Wolfe Tone Villas and Talbot Green. A copy of the notification was circulated to the meeting and the allocation was noted with satisfaction. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that it was hoped to start within a month from the date of the meeting the remedial works in each of the three estates.

Disused Petrol Pumps

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

"That this Council is concerned about petrol pumps which are not in use and are a hinderance on public footpaths to the elderly and women pushing prams and demand action to rectify same".

On the proposal of Cllr. Enright it was unanimously agreed to amend the motion to read "people" rather than "women". In reply to the motion the Town Clerk stated that at present a survey of all petrol pumps was being undertaken by the County Fire Officer from a fire safety point of view. When this survey was completed a report would be submitted to the Corporation and joint action under the Fire Services Act by the County Council and by the Corporation as Planning Authority could then be undertaken. This position was noted by the meeting and the motion was unanimously adopted.

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V.H.I. Drugs Refund Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin and following discussion unanimously adopted.

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Health to reverse the decision by the V.H.I. to cease the V.H.I. drugs refund scheme or to provide a comprehensive and adequate scheme of free drugs".

House Building Programme

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"In view of the impending housing crisis in Wexford, this Borough Council resolves to organise a campaign of public pressure to force the Fianna Fail Government to allocate money so that we can continue with our house-building programme".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the existing need for new local authority houses in Wexford to cater for the demand in excess of 170 applicants. Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted with Ald. Kiernan abstaining.

Graffiti

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Corish seconded by Ald. Kiernan:-

"To ensure that Wexford town presents an attractive and clean image to its citizens and tourists, this Corporation agrees to do everything possible to solve the problem of:-

- (a) graffiti on walls and buildings throughout the town and its environs,
- (b) the fouling of our footpaths, open spaces etc. by stray dogs unsufficiently attended to by their owners".

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held to which all members contributed, in response to which the Town Clerk stated that the removal of graffiti was a matter for the owner of the property concerned and that the Litter Act 1982 contained an Enforcement Procedure which could be operated by the Corporation. In relation to stray dogs, the Control of Dogs Act 1986 and Bye-Laws under same were not the full solution as the Act places the onus for the control of the dog on the owner of the dog and therefore this gave rise to difficulties in enforcement. In relation to litter the Town Clerk stated that the Wardens were presently active in enforcing the Litter Act and that prosecutions had been taken and will continue to be taken against those who break the laws. It was regrettable that our street cleaning staff who do

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an excellent job had to be wasted effectively in cleaning up litter whereas much more productive work was available for them to be involved in for the betterment of the environment of the town. The Manager stated that the County Council employ a Stray Dogs Warden and that he would take up the matters complained of with this Warden. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that a full report on the graffiti, control of dogs and the possibility of introducing a Litter Warden Scheme would be submitted to the next General Purposes Meeting.

Facilities at Crosstown Cemetery

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Corish seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"This Corporation agrees that more thought should be given to planning and the provision of extra facilities for visitors at Crosstown Cemetery, Wexford".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the lack of footpaths at the new section of the Graveyard which was stated to be very congested and to the lack of toilets, seating, landscaping and shelter. Arising out of discussion on the motion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate the matters referred to and the feasibility of refurbishing the Gate Lodge at the entrance to the Cemetery and that a report on these matters would be submitted to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Budget 1989

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"This Borough Council deems the recent Budget to be a totally inadequate government response to the problems of unemployment, poverty and unfair taxation on PAYE workers".

Following discussion to which all members contributed a vote on the motion was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh,
----- Corish (6).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Cllr. O'Flaherty (2)

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

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Tenant Purchase Scheme 1988

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"This Borough Council, acknowledging the right of tenants to purchase their houses, hereby resolves that no tenant purchase applicant shall be refused solely on the grounds of low-income except in very exceptional circumstances and that prior to a tenant's application being formally refused, a full report shall be presented to the members for their consideration".

In reply to the movers of the motion the Manger stated that there would be no difficulty in complying with the spirit of the motion and following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Acting Borough Accountant stated that the amount of domestic water charges collected in 1988 was £90,246.20. The total arrears of domestic water charges at 31st December, 1988 was £141,800.55. The amount of rates and commercial water charges collected in 1988 were £765,480.73 and £99,046.89 respectively and that the amount of arrears on these accounts at 31st December, 1988 were £145,553.80 and £31,690.41 respectively.

In reply to Alderman Reck the Town Clerk stated that local authorities had powers to (1) invite offers from owners (2) to carrying out necessary works and (3) to acquire derelict sites. In relation to derelict sites in the Barrack Street area the Corporation were presently selling one of those properties and that further action was in train in relation to other properties in Barrack Street, both under the Derelict Sites Act and the Dangerous Structures Act.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation had four vacant houses in Wolfe Tone Villas which were intended to be merged with adjoining houses in order to relieve overcrowding in those adjoining houses as had previously been agreed.

In reply to Councillor Enright the Town Clerk stated that whilst approval in principle had been received for the continuation of remedial works at Wolfe Tone Villas, Maudlintown and Talbot Green, the formal sanction of the Department of the Environment was still awaited and that it was expected that this sanction would be received in the immediate future.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the total amount of applications received under the 1988 Tenant Purchase Scheme was 407 which 184 were written to seeking information in writing as to how they propose to pay. These 184 were categorised as follows:-

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Unemployment Assistance (62)
Unemployment Benefit (20)
Old Age Pensions/Widows Pension (31)
Those in employment (29)
Disability Benefit (12)
Invalidity Pension (8)
Deserted Wives Allowance (5)
S.W.A. (2)
Maintenance (1)
Fixed Rents (14).

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th DAY OF *March* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 1989 AT 7.45 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Kelly for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
----- Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Insp. M. Gilhooley, Garda Siochana.
Sgt. D. Littleton, Garda Siochana.
Mr. D. Burke, Wexford Chamber of Commerce.
Mr. F. Bolger, Wexford Trades Council.

DISC PARKING

The Town Clerk stated that arising out of the Chamber of Industry & Commerce's submission to the last Traffic Management Committee Meeting a recommendation to alter the business hours during which parking is restricted in Wexford Town was submitted to the Commissioner of the Garda Siochana who had responsibility for making Bye-Laws in relation to this matter. The Commissioner had responded stating that an amendment to the Bye-Laws at this time is not feasible. In addition arising out of the same submission a recommendation had been submitted to the Commissioner suggesting the insertion of a special code in residents parking discs instead of the name and address which was currently required under the Bye-Laws made by the Commissioner in relation to parking in Wexford Town. The Commissioner had responded stating that the case made on security grounds would not appear to be valid because of the fact that private individuals names are readily available from the phone directory, Thom's directory, voters lists etc. Following lengthy discussions to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Reck to write again to the Commissioner requesting his reconsideration of these points.

RESIDENTS DISCS AT SOUTH MAIN STREET

The Town Clerk stated that 33 residents discs had been issued in 1988 for the 28 parking spaces in South Main Street. A submission had been made by traders in the area stating that these spaces should be, if possible, available to shoppers and the Town Clerk stated that it was proposed to write to the residents involved outlining the difficulties to them and pointing out that in 1989 it is being considered that the free parking available to them be restricted to streets adjoining the South Main Street and would exclude South Main Street. On the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by Alderman Howlin it was agreed with Ald. Reck dissenting to proceed accordingly.

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EXTENSION OF DISC PARKING AREA

The Town Clerk stated that at the September meeting of the Traffic Management Committee it had been agreed that the extension of the Disc Parking System to the Clifford Street/Peter's Square/Trimmer's Lane and High Street areas would be further discussed at this meeting. The Town Clerk outlined the procedures by which such extensions could be implemented and the potential difficulties that could be envisaged. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed following which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by Mr. Burke to:-

In relation to High Street - Consult with all of the residents in High Street outlining two options to them, namely the total restriction of parking at all times on High Street and (2) the implementation of Disc Parking on one side of High Street with a total restriction on parking on the other side of High Street, for their observations.

In relation to Trimmer's Lane - To recommend to the Garda Siochana to extend the Disc Parking area to include that section of Trimmer's Lane from number 2 to the corner of Trimmer's Lane at the Offices of O'Connor's Solicitors.

In relation to Clifford Street/Peter's Square - That the Borough Engineer and Inspector Gilhooley would identify potential parking spaces and that Disc Parking be introduced in those areas for those spaces with parking on the balance of the area to be prohibited at least by a single yellow line.

In relation to the introduction of a one-way system at Peter's Square/High Street - The Borough Engineer and Insp. Gilhooley would investigate the feasibility of this proposal and would report thereon to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

PEDESTRIANISATION

Mr. Burke referred to the submission of the Chamber to the last Traffic Management Committee Meeting in relation to pedestrianisation and in particular to the suggestion therein that the pedestrianised hours would be reduced. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Enright that the hours of pedestrianisation should remain as at present. Mr. Burke invited members of the Traffic Management Committee to meet with himself and other members of the Chamber to inspect the operation of pedestrianisation on site and following discussion during which it was agreed that this suggestion would be complied with, the proposal in relation to the hours was adopted with Mr. Burke abstaining.

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OTHER BUSINESS

The Town Clerk stated that a request had been received from the Management of Whites Hotel to have parking at George's Street restricted by a double yellow line for the length of the Hotel frontage between the houses of the late Dr. Tom Walsh and Mr. John O'Keeffe in order to facilitate the manouvering of of coaches visiting the Hotel. Following discussions between the Borough Engineer and the Management of Whites Hotel this request had now been modified to the provision of double yellow lines for a distance of 15ft. on either side of the entrance piers to the Hotel Car Park and on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to recommend accordingly to the Garda Siochana for appropriate amendment of the Bye-Laws.

In reply to Ald. Reck Insp. Gilhooley stated that he would investigate further traffic and parking difficulties arising at the corner of Parnell Street/King Street.

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Borough Engineer stated that a proposal from Wexford County Council regarding the provision of Traffic Lights at Pierce's Corner was currently being examined and that a formal proposal would be put to a meeting of the Corporation in the near future in relation to this matter.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the Borough Engineer and Insp. Gilhooley would investigate the feasibility of providing a one-way entry/exit system at Rowe Street Church.

In reply to Cllr. Corish the Borough Engineer stated that he would investigate the feasibility of sloping the kerb at the Swimming Pool Entrance.

In reply to Cllr. Enright Insp. Gilhooley stated that he would investigate the alleged speeding of traffic on the Industrial Estate Road and in other areas throughout the town which were mentioned at the meeting.

In reply to Ald. Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that he would have a report for the next meeting of the Traffic Managment Committee on the provision of a pedestrian crossing at Wygram.

In reply to Ald. Kiernan the Borough Engineer stated that he would investigate the safety of a pole in Monck Street which had been damaged over the years by vehicles.

The business of the Traffic Management Committee Meeting then being completed the non-Council members departed.

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VISIT OF MAYOR TO ANNAPOLIS

The Town Clerk stated that His Worship the Mayor had been invited to the City of Annapolis in Maryland for a period centering on St. Patrick's Day and outlined previous discussions of the Protocol Committee relating to the establishing of a relationship between Annapolis and Wexford. On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to approve of the visit of His Worship the Mayor who would be accompanied by his wife to Annapolis and to the incidental expenses which would be incurred arising out of this visit and it was further unanimously agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

CIVIC RECEPTION

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Powers Sports Star Awards Committee had been informed that the Sponsors were withdrawing sponsorship and that the Committee had decided that the remaining monies in the funds would be given to a local charity at a presentation ceremony which he suggested would be hosted by him at a Corporation Meeting. On the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the holding of a Civic Reception for this purpose and following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to express the Corporation's regret to I.D.L. at the ending of the 25 year association of the Company with these Awards.

NEW YORK A.O.H. - ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The Town Clerk stated that the A.O.H. in New York had requested a local artist to provide suitable replicas of the Commodore Statue at The Crescent which they intended to award each year for the best float in the New York Parade. It was suggested that the Corporation would sponsor the first such award which was expected to cost in the region of £350 and on the proposal of Cllr. Corish seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that the Corporation would so sponsor this award and it was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th DAY OF *March* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Pete Roche

MINUTES OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 1989 AT 7.45 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

At the outset of the meeting the Town Clerk stated that as had been agreed at the previous Employment Committee Meeting the agenda for the meeting consisted solely of consideration of a Draft Development Plan for Tourism comprising of elements identified at a day long seminar held on 15th January, 1988. Those elements were principally (a) a Marina, (b) a Lagoon at Ferrybank, (c) a Conference/Sports Centre, (d) River Cruises, (e) extension of the Promenade (f) provision of facilities for deep sea fishing (g) provision of a museum (h) the promotion of an Irish/American Festival (i) the promotion of a Heritage Festival (j) promotion of a music festival (k) the provision of week-end entertainment on the Main Street (l) the producing of promotional material for Wexford Town. In relation to the Marina the Town Clerk outlined the proposal for the provision of a Marina at Ferrybank being pursued by the Harbour Commissioners with the Minister for the Marine and stated that a small group were at present preparing a proposal which would include the dredging of routes through the harbour. The provision of a Marina at Ferrybank had been part of the five year programme adopted in relation to the infrastructural funds and the Marina proposed would be sufficiently large to be viable as a commercial entity and would not conflict with the provision of marina facilities within the protective break-water being provided as part of the Main Drainage Scheme. A lengthy discussion on this matter ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin to request the Harbour Commissioner's Sub-Committee to meet with members of the Corporation to discuss the proposal and to make available to the members of the Corporation prior to this meeting the interim report prepared by the Sub-Committee. It was also agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by His Worship the Mayor to discuss the proposal with Lett's who were familiar with many aspects of the Harbour which could effect the provision of a Marina.

In relation to the provision of a lagoon for water sports at Ferrybank the Town Clerk stated that there was tremendous scope for development of sea-related activities from peddle-craft to sail-boarding to scuba-diving in Wexford Harbour and posed the question as to who were the agency who should be most involved in this matter since the capacity of the Corporation to actively pursue the project in its entirety was limited.

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The Town Clerk therefore suggested that the Harbour Commissioners and S.E.R.T.O. be approached to establish if they were interested in pursuing this proposal and if not to open the matter up to the public by means of a formal press release in which submissions would be sought from the public for all or any of the activities which could be incorporated in such an area. This was unanimously agreed.

The provision of a multi-purpose centre for conferences, sporting and other activities was then discussed and consensus was reached on the need for the provision of such a major centre in Wexford. Cllr. Enright referred to the model available for inspection at Salthill and on his proposal seconded by Cllr. Kelly it was agreed that a delegation of members and officials to Galway would be organised to establish how the centre there was financed and how the centre was run on a day to day basis. Arising out of discussion on this matter it was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor to write to the Minister for Sport requesting his confirmation of the allocation of monies for the provision of a new sports complex at Carcur.

It was agreed that the remaining items would be discussed further at a future meeting of the Employment Committee.

I.D.A.

His Worship the Mayor expressed his concern at the establishment by the I.D.A. of permanent offices in Killarney and the setting up by the I.D.A. of a Task Force for the provision of industry in Ballina and compared this to the apparant lack of effort in the Wexford area. His Worship the Mayor stated that he intended to raise this matter with the I.D.A. and this proposal received the unanimous backing of the meeting. It was further agreed that representatives of the I.D.A. would be requested to attend at the next meeting of the Employment Committee to further discuss this matter.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS

His Worship the Mayor stated that a Welsh Choir would be visiting Wexford on the 1st April, 1989 for the purposes of giving a Concert and on his proposal seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that a Civic Reception would be held for the members of this Choir and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Corish it was unanimously agreed that a Civic Reception would be held for the Wexford Historical Society in the restored Westgate Tower when the work on this Tower was completed and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

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On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed that the replica of the Commodore Barry Statue would be formally presented by the Mayor to Ald. Kiernan with the members of the Corporation present at a date to be agreed.

Cllr. Kavanagh who had been deputising for His Worship the Mayor at recent meetings of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee reported that the Committee were suggesting the alteration of the Mass time to 9.30 a.m. and the taking of the salute at the old Weighbridge at Spawell Road rather than at John Street. Following discussion Cllr. Kavanagh agreed to report to the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee on the views expressed by the members at the meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF April 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Peter Rod

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 1989 AT 5.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty.

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

FLAG IN COUNCIL CHAMBER.

The Town Clerk stated that as had been agreed by the Borough Council the National Flag was now flown each day the offices were open. The Town Clerk further reported that he had investigated the position in relation to the displaying of the flags in the Council Chamber and outlined the manner by which both the National Flag and Town Flag could be displayed simultaneously during meetings of the Borough Council. These arrangements were noted and approved.

CIVIC AWARDS

The Town Clerk reported that nominations for Civic Awards had been received as follows:-

CATEGORY A

Colman Doyle
Billy Roche

CATEGORY B

Mrs. Betty Kelly
Mr. Harry Keyes
Mr. Lee
Stephen Martin
Patrick Sutton

CATEGORY C

Fr. J. McCabe
Sola Lenses

Following a lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed to recommend the awards as follows:-

CATEGORY A

Colman Doyle

CATEGORY B

Stephen Martin

CATEGORY C

Sola Lenses

It was further unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would pursue the acquisition of the Pikeman Statue for each of the awards and that His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk would arrange a date for the presentation ceremony if the recommendation was approved by the Borough Council.

A discussion was held on rules pertaining to the Civic Awards and it was agreed that a report on aspects of these rules would be submitted from the Protocol Committee to the next appropriate meeting of the Borough Council.

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THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th DAY OF *March* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Pete Roche

MINUTES OF STATUTORY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH MARCH, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, 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 unanimous vote of sympathy to former Mayor John Roche and the rest of the family on the recent death of Mr. Roche's Father, was adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

MINUTES

The minutes of Statutory Meeting held on 6th February, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck.

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 Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan:-

- (a) Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 10/2/89.
- (b) Employment Committee Meeting held on 13/2/89.
- (c) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 22/2/89.

CARCUR SPORTS COMPLEX

His Worship the Mayor stated that notification had been received of an allocation of £300,000 towards the development of a new sports complex at Carcur. His Worship the Mayor and all members of the Council thanked the Minister for this allocation and it was agreed that a report on the implementation of the proposal would be considered at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

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Right-of-Way over land at Temperance Row.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the conveyance of a right-of-way over land at Temperance Row to Ms. Kathleen Kinsella in accordance with the Notice under provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88(3) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

Sale of houses.

On the proposal of Councillor Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve the vesting of dwellings at various locations in accordance with the terms of Notice dated 9th February, 1989 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

Sale of land at Westgate Yard.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to approve of the conveyance of land at Westgate Yard and Temperance Row to the National Building Agency, or their Nominees, in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88(3) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

Filling of Casual Vacancy on Town of Wexford V.E.C.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that Fr. Hugh O'Byrne, Adm., would be nominated to fill the vacancy on the Town of Wexford V.E.C., created by the resignation of the former Administrator, Fr. J. McCabe. The members present paid tribute to the retiring member and wished the new member well in his new position.

MOTIONS.

Full-time I.D.A. Office in Wexford.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by His Worship the Mayor:-

"This Borough Council calls for the establishment in Wexford of a full-time I.D.A. Office with staff to include an I.D.A. Executive".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to the request already at a previous meeting that Senior Officials of the South Eastern Regional Office of the I.D.A. would attend at the next meeting of the Employment Committee and suggested that this motion would also be discussed at that meeting. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed a vote on the motion was taken which resulted as follows:-

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In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Kelly, Byrne, Enright, Roche,
----- Kavanagh (6).

Against:- Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty (2).

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

E.C. Structural Funds.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"Given the undemocratic manner by which regional plans for E.C. Structural Funds were prepared, this Borough Council calls for the establishment of a Regional Development Authority with democratically-based participation, so as to ensure the proper expenditure of the structural fund".

A lengthy discussion was held to which all members contributed. Arising out of the discussion an amendment to the motion was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh that the word "undemocratic" be excluded from the motion. The amended motion was then put to the meeting and was adopted with Cllrs. Byrne and Enright dissenting and Ald. Reck abstaining. The amended motion was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion and was unanimously adopted.

Shopping in Coolcotts Area.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan:-

"This Borough Council takes every necessary step to ensure that adequate shopping and other facilities are provided in the Coolcotts area as a matter of urgency".

In reply to the motion the Town Clerk stated that the provision of shopping facilities at Coolcotts had been an objective of the Corporation for a long number of years. Developers who had been approved by the Corporation for a site reserved on Corporation lands for a shopping complex had in recent months received planning permission and since then had advertised the units for occupiers. The proposal was for a mini-market and six smaller units and discussions with the potential occupiers were reaching conclusion. The Town Clerk further pointed out that the developers had made substantial financial commitment in the preparation of plans, revised plans, planning permission, advertising, etc. and it appeared that the development proposed would be undertaken as soon as negotiations with the occupier of the mini-market proposed for the site were completed. The report of the Town Clerk was noted by the meeting and the motion was unanimously adopted.

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Commodore John Barry Memorial Trophy

His Worship the Mayor stated that in accordance with approval received at a previous meeting of the Corporation, a memorial trophy to be presented to a category of float in the New York St. Patrick's Day Parade had been received by the Corporation and paid tribute to the sculpture, Mr. Seamus Dunbar, for the excellence of his work. As had been agreed the trophy would be presented on behalf of the Corporation by Ald. Kiernan during the course of the St. Patrick's Day celebrations in New York and the parade organisers in New York intended to provide a similar trophy in future years from their own resources.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF April 1982

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Peter Rod

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 20TH MARCH, 1989 AT 10.00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- Cllr. J. O'Flaherty.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin.

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

Apologies from His Worship the Mayor and Ald. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting due to their being abroad, were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Acting County Manager.
Mr. F.A. Doyle, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. O'Flaherty would assume the Chair for the meeting in the absence of His Worship the Mayor and Cllr. O'Flaherty so assumed the Chair.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

The Chairman referred to the recent sudden and tragic death of Cllr. P. Kelly. Cllr. O'Flaherty spoke of the high calibre of representation on Wexford Borough Council of Cllr. Kelly and expressed the deep regret of all on the Corporation at the passing of such a friend and colleague who had been held in such high esteem. Cllr. O'Flaherty stated that Wexford would be the worse for his loss and proposed a sincere vote of condolence and sympathy to his wife, his sons and daughter, mother, brothers and sister and other members of the family. The vote of sympathy was seconded by Ald. Howlin and all members and the Manager and Town Clerk on their own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expressions of sympathy.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS ^{3rd} DAY OF *April* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Pete Row

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 3RD APRIL, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, 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 Ald. Kiernan a vote of sympathy to the widow and family of the late Larry Meyler who had been so involved in the Wexford Sea Angling Club was unanimously adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy.
The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the untimely death of Cllr. Kelly and to his unfortunate absence from town on Council business on the occasion of the Special Meeting and took the opportunity at the meeting to express formally his sympathy to Cllr. Kelly's wife and family. Ald. Kiernan who was likewise absent also associated with the remarks of His Worship the Mayor.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne a unanimous vote of congratulations to the Loch Garman Silver Band on winning the All-Ireland Band Championships was passed and it was further agreed that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the Band at a date to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan a unanimous vote of congratulations to Buffers Alley on their victory in the All-Ireland Hurling Club Championships was passed.

MINUTES

The minutes of Statutory Meeting held on 6th March, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. G. Byrne seconded by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the Special Meeting held on 20th March, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

SALES OF HOUSES

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the sale of houses as follows in accordance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966 as had previously been circulated:-

- 19, St. Aidan's Crescent.
- 41, St. Aidan's Crescent.
- 54, St. Aidan's Crescent.
- 78, St. Aidan's Crescent.
- 29, Wolfe Tone Villas.
- 57, Wolfe Tone Villas.
- 78, Wolfe Tone Villas.
- 12, Belvedere Grove.
- 14, Belvedere Grove.
- 18, Belvedere Grove.
- 19, Belvedere Grove.
- 29, Belvedere Grove.
- 30, Belvedere Grove.
- 32, Belvedere Grove.
- 33, Belvedere Grove.
- 34, Belvedere Grove.
- 35, Belvedere Grove.
- 37, Belvedere Grove.
- 38, Belvedere Grove.
- 52, Belvedere Grove.
- 59, Belvedere Grove.
- 79, Belvedere Grove.
- 88, Belvedere Grove.
- 90, Belvedere Grove.
- 91, Belvedere Grove.
- 94, Belvedere Grove.
- 105, Belvedere Grove.
- 127, Belvedere Grove.
- 128, Belvedere Grove.
- 130, Belvedere Grove.
- 132, Belvedere Grove.
- 138, Belvedere Grove.
- 142, Belvedere Grove.
- 1, Ashfield Drive.
- 2, Ashfield Drive.
- 3, Ashfield Drive.
- 4, Ashfield Drive.
- 17, Ashfield Drive.
- 18, Ashfield Drive.
- 20, Ashfield Drive.
- 24, Ashfield Drive.
- 30, Ashfield Drive.
- 38, Ashfield Drive.
- 39, Ashfield Drive.
- 41, Ashfield Drive.
- 45, Ashfield Drive.
- 49, Ashfield Drive.
- 5, Ferndale Park.
- 7, Ferndale Park.

13. Ferndale Park.
14. Ferndale Park.
27. Ferndale Park.
31. Ferndale Park.
32. Ferndale Park.
40. Ferndale Park.
47. Ferndale Park.
56. Ferndale Park.
57. Ferndale Park.
59. Ferndale Park.
66. Ferndale Park.
75. Ferndale Park.
78. Ferndale Park.
82. Ferndale Park.
21. Liam Mellows Park.
42. Liam Mellows Park.
44. Liam Mellows Park.
52. Liam Mellows Park.
100. Liam Mellows Park.
124. Liam Mellows Park.
128. Liam Mellows Park.
145. Liam Mellows Park.
11. Antelope Road.
17. Gulbar Road.
10. Antelope Road.
44. Antelope Road.
62. Whiterock View.
2. Kennedy Park.
88. Kennedy Park.
1. Corish Park.
100. Corish Park.
24. Bishopswater.
51. Bishopswater.
60. Bishopswater.
104. Bishopswater.
8. Bernadette Place.
11. Thomas Clarke Place.
9. Distillery Road.
4. Emmett Place.
27. Talbot Green.
28. Talbot Green.
60. Talbot Green.
71. Talbot Green.
81. Talbot Green.
90. Talbot Green.

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY LOAN

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the raising of a loan of £168,000 from the Housing Finance Agency for the funding of Income-Related and Convertible Loans in 1989.

MOTIONS.

Loans & Grants

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh:-

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment and Finance to provide 100% loan facilities for prospective house purchasers and they further call on both Ministers to extend the £2,000 Grant for first time house purchasers, to all houses".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder spoke of the high cost to young people of deposits and legal fees and of the potential for considerable improvement in the rehousing problem if the terms of the motion were implemented. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Playing Pitches at Coolcotts

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"That the Borough Council proceed with plans for the development of playing pitches on Corporation land at Coolcotts."

The Town Clerk stated that the development of the playing pitches on Corporation lands at Coolcotts had been proposed by the Borough Council to be effected as part of the remaining phases of the housing development at Coolcotts. The intention had been to create a major open space which would be managed by a committee representative of a G.A.A. Club a Soccer Club, the residents in the area, the Clonard Community Games and Scoil Mhuire. However because of the deferment of the housing development due to lack of capital resources, the proposal would not be implemented in the short-term. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that it would be difficult to develop the pitches without the housing development because of financial implications to the Corporation and potential difficulties for the completion of the housing developments with playing pitches in situ prior to the commencement of the housing developments. Having regard to this the motion was adopted and it was agreed that the Town Clerk would discuss the matter further with the clubs and groups interested and report back to the Borough Council at a future appropriate meeting.

Solvent Abuse.

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

"That this Borough Council calls on the Departments of Health and Education to initiate an information campaign on the dangers of solvent abuse".

Horses and Dumping at Ferndale Park.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Corish:-

"That Wexford Corporation in co-operation with all other relevant authorities take immediate action to prevent horses from trampling around Ferndale Park causing damage to the environment and danger to residents, particularly children. Furthermore that every action be taken to prevent dumping at the site of the proposed Neighbourhood Centre".

On the proposal of the proposer and seconder of the motion it was agreed to amend the motion by the addition to the end of the motion of "and in other areas of Ferndale Park". The Town Clerk and Manager outlined the legal position in relation to the trespass by animals and to the impending legal action which was being undertaken by the Corporation. Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that all groups had been contacted in relation to the proposed Seminar on Poverty and that the I.P.A. were presently finalising details for the Conference.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer stated that a number of proposals for the Swimming Pool and Caravan Park including the painting of the Swimming Pool will be considered by the Swimming Pool Committee at their next meeting.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that discussions were taking place with the developers of the Urban Renewal Sites with a view to providing an information office for the Corporation in the Town Centre.

In reply to Cllr. Byrne the Town Clerk stated that the envisaged development line for the new housing scheme at the rear of the John Street houses had been marked out by Corporation staff but that it was premature without submissions from developers to formalise this line.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor stated that six visitors from Annapolis would be attending at the Barry Day Celebration on 11th June at his invitation and on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted to cover expenses incurred on this visit.

His Worship the Mayor read a letter from the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee offering the sympathy of that Committee to the Council on the recent untimely death of Cllr. Kelly.

It was agreed that an Employment Committee Meeting would be held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday 10th April, 1989 followed at 8.00 p.m. by a General Purposes Committee Meeting and a Housing Committee Meeting.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the vacancy on the Borough Council created by the death of Cllr. Kelly would be formally filled at the May Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council.

The Town Clerk stated that a vacancy had arisen in the tenancy of a ground floor flat at 12, King Street. In accordance with the previous policy decision of the Borough Council this vacancy was to be filled by the next elderly persons on the two bedroomed list. However due to the acquisition by the Corporation of a site at Cornmarket which included a flat occupied by Mr. & Mrs. Reville for redevelopment purposes, the Manager proposed to rehouse Mr. & Mrs. Reville in this flat. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which at the request of His Worship the Mayor the Town Clerk stated that he would meet with the next person on the two-bedroomed list, Carrie Power and discuss with her the loans and grants which she may be entitled to in the event of her purchasing a house of her own. Following the lengthy discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by His Worship the Mayor that this matter would again be considered at the Housing Committee Meeting on the following Monday.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS ^{15th} DAY OF *May* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Peter Rod

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 10TH APRIL, 1989 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Contact with Residents Groups

The following motion which had been deferred from the Housing Committee Meeting held on 23rd January, 1989 was then considered:-

"That this Borough Council deems it desirable to devise a formal structure for contact with residents groups and committees, believing that consultation and participation are essential elements of local democracy".

It was noted that the motion had been unanimously adopted at the Statutory Meeting of the Borough Council and that the purpose of considering the motion at the Housing Committee Meeting was to consider the best manner in which the terms of the motion could be implemented. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed that the Protocol Committee would consider the matter and make recommendations to a future meeting of the Housing Committee.

REPORTS

Respond Co-operative Housing

The Town Clerk stated that preliminary discussions had been held with a voluntary housing agency called Respond who had indicated a desire to become involved in the provision of housing for special categories such as elderly groups, in the Westlands property. The Town Clerk outlined in general terms the potential for such an involvement and the type of housing and tenants therefor which would be accommodated in any such development and outlined briefly how the Respond Organisation operated. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the Manager stated that the South Eastern Health Board would not be directly involved in this group and that in principal there would be no negative implications in the bequest conditions under which the Corporation obtained title to the property. In relation to allocation of tenancies the practise elsewhere by the respond group was that an admissions sub-committee of a locally structured management committee on

which the Corporation would be represented would allocate vacancies as they arose from time to time and the Manager further stated that the development of the Westlands site by the Respond Group would appear to be the only way in the short-term that this site would be developed for the rehousing of persons whom the Corporation would wish to see rehoused.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to approve in principle the proposal subject to a final decision on Corporation involvement being made when further discussions with the Respond Group had clarified the detailed proposals which they proposed. It was further agreed that the Booklet issued by the Agency would be circulated for the information of all members and it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin that the Borough Council and appropriate officials would view some the existing schemes of this Agency prior to consideration of the detailed proposals.

Housing Allocation

The Town Clerk referred to discussion at the previous meeting of the Borough Council in relation to the allocation of a tenancy to a Mr. & Mrs. Reville of Cornmarket who were being displaced by the acquisition of the premises, part of which they occupied at Cornmarket by the Corporation under the Urban Renewal Proposals and stated that since the previous discussions two further flats had become available at Johns Gate Street adding to the flat at King Street which had been discussed at the previous meeting. The Town Clerk stated that the Manager proposed to appoint Mr. & Mrs. Reville to No. 1, Johns Gate Street and that in accordance with accepted policy of the Corporation the flat at King Street would be allocated to Mr. & Mrs. Hess of Whiterock View who are the next elderly persons on the two-bedroomed list and that the second flat at Johns Gate Street would be allocated to the next person on the one-bedroomed list. On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed to recommend accordingly with Ald. Reck dissenting. It was also agreed that prior to the allocation of the flat at King Street to Mr. & Mrs. Hess the loan application of Carrie Power who was next on the two-bedroomed list would be finalised. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne to recommend that when the Corporations vacant house at Trinity Street had been completed, the tenancy would be allocated to the Rossiter sisters of The Folly who were second to Carrie Power on the two-bedroomed list.

Cleanwatch

The Town Clerk stated that as had previously been discussed by the Borough Council an award of £500 and a trophy had been awarded to Wexford as the winners of the largest town category in the Cleanwatch Campaign organised as part of the Tidy Towns Competition and it was now proposed that each of the participants in that award scheme would obtain a suitably framed memento of their participation in the award. These mementos would be

presented by the Borough Council at a Civic Function to be held in the Municipal Buildings and on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to proceed accordingly and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

French Wildlife Service

His Worship the Mayor stated that a group of Senior Officials from the French Wildlife Service would be visiting Wexford in the days following the meeting and that he proposed to afford them a Mayoral Welcome. This was unanimously approved on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne and it was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a Reception for the presentation of the Tidy Gardens & Estates Competition Awards would be held on 19th April, 1989 and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Mayor of Fishguard together with Councillors from Presceli District Council and Dyfed County Council intended to visit Wexford on 22nd April and that he intended to receive them formally and arrange meetings in the locality for them. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to adjust the Mayoral Allowance accordingly for the costs incurred.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had been invited by the Chairman of Presceli District Council to visit Presceli in conjunction with a group from Wexford and requested authorisation for himself and the Town Clerk to so attend. This was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin and it was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that he would discuss the position in relation to Mr. Evans of Cornmarket and his eviction from property acquired by the Corporation under C.P.O. at Cornmarket with the Corporations Senior Counsel on the day following the meeting and that if possible regard would be had to the request of the meeting for a deferment of eviction of 14 days.

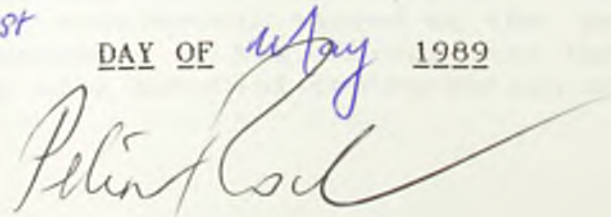
THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

1st DAY OF

May 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF G.P. COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 8.00 P.M. ON 10TH APRIL, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, 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 Ald. Reck a unanimous vote of sympathy to the Murphy family on the recent death of one the Corporations staff members, Mr. John (Ogie) Murphy was adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne a unanimous vote of sympathy to the family of the late Br. Nicholas O'Grady and to the Christian Brother Community on the recent death of Brother O'Grady was unanimously adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the Staff associated with the expression of sympathy.

The votes were passed in silence, all standing.

Planning

Planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and questions raised in relation to individual applications were answered by officials in attendance.

The Town Clerk reported to the meeting that an application had been made by M/S. Nunn Ltd. for an extension to their present operation which would require a material contravention of the Development Plan to enable consideration of the proposal to be allowed. Following discussion to which all members contributed the Manager outlined the procedure in relation to material contraventions and agreed to circulate a copy of the application from Nunn's requesting such contravention. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne that the procedure to consider the making of a material contravention of the Plan would be instituted.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re the recognition of Asthma under the Long-term Illness Scheme, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution stating that same had been noted by the Minister and would be borne in mind by him in the context of the forthcoming Budget, was noted. (Re: Demand of the Irish National Organisation of the Unemployed).

Correspondence from Mr. R.T. O'Niadh, County Secretary, Wicklow County Council re Wylfa "B" Power Station, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following motion from Edenderry Town Commissioners, was noted:-

"That Edenderry Town Commissioners request all Town Commissioners, Urban District Councils and County Councils to call on the Government to make available a major portion of the National Lottery funding to maintain our hospitals".

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention at the earliest opportunity, was noted. (Re: Demands of the Irish National Organisation of the Unemployed).

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour re Part-time workers, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Correspondence from I.P.A. re Local Government Financial Reform, copies of which has previously been circulated, was noted.

Notification of Conference "Problems of Algal Blooms in Aquaculture" to be held on 14/16th June, 1989 was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re the 1988 House Purchase Scheme, stating that the contents of same had been noted, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance re reintroduction of the child tax allowance, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following motion from Athlone U.D.C., was noted:-

"That we hereby call on the Minister for Fisheries to take all necessary steps to find an amicable solution to the present Rod Licence dispute".

The following motion from Carlow Urban District Council was proposed by Ald. Reck and seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"Carlow U.D.C. expresses its deep concern at the refusal of the Fianna Fail Government to allocate adequate finance for the construction of Local Authority Housing, especially in rural urban areas and believes that it is now Government policy either deliberate or by design to force young married couples to emigrate".

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

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Howlin, Cllrs. V. Byrne, P. Roche,
----- N. Kavanagh, H. Corish (6).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Kiernan. Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty (4).

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

The following motion from Castleblayney Urban District Council, was noted:-

"Castleblayney Urban District Council requests the Minister for Industry & Commerce, Mr. Raphael Burke, to intervene immediately in the crisis which has arisen in the Bakery Industry, resulting in a serious loss of jobs. This Council feels that this is as a result of price-cutting by Supermarket Chain Stores and the Council suggests a minimum retail price of 65p per loaf be set by the Minister under a Prices Control Order".

The following motion from Westport Urban District Council, was noted:-

"That the Council call on the Minister for Education to:-

- (a) withdraw Sections 7 and 8 of the Circular B:88 which gives the Department of Education alone the power to determine whether or not a student may repeat a year of post-primary school, and which restricts the grounds upon which a repeat year may be undertaken, and
- (b) drop the £200 charge for repeating the Leaving Certificate examination".

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister of State at the Department of Education acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re financial assistance to hold the Regional Finals of Slogadh in Wexford this year and stating that the matter is being examined and a further letter would issue shortly, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister of State at the Department of Education re Regional Finals of Slogadh, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Mrs. Mary O'Rourke, T.D., Minister for Education re Repeat Leaving Certificate Examination, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Industry & Commerce to His Worship the Mayor re the I.D.A., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Notification of Conference - National Housing & Town Planning Conference to be held from 31st October-2nd November, 1989 was noted.

The application from Mr. Liam Young, Blarney regarding the use of the Corporate Seal on laminated bookmarks was unanimously approved on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty subject to the usual conditions.

Letter from Department of the Environment re Sanitary Services Capital Allocations 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Order of Malta, Wexford re site for carnival, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

The position in relation to Youth Affairs was noted.

REPORTS

Local Authority Housing Capital Allocation

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

"Notification has been received from the Department of the Environment of the Local Authority Housing Construction Capital Allocation for 1989. The allocation for Wexford Corporation is in the sum of £172,000 which includes £47,454 for existing commitments. The balance of £124,546 has been allocated for the purpose of commencing work on the 1st Phase of 12 houses of the replacement of Croke Avenue. The layout of this proposed scheme has already been considered and approved by the Borough Council and the National Building Agency who are the Corporation's Consultants on this scheme have been instructed to prepare formal Contract Documents.

As discussed at a previous meeting of the Borough Council it is the intention of the Corporation to rehouse all of the families in Croke Avenue in the houses being provided on the adjoining site at John Street and to ensure that the existing neighbours in Croke Avenue will be rehoused with the same neighbours in the new scheme.

It is expected that this scheme will be advertised within the next two months and that work on the scheme will commence around August/September of the current year".

His Worship the Mayor welcomed the allocation of sufficient monies to enable the commencement of the replacement of Croke Avenue to be undertaken and this welcome was echoed by all members. The meeting however again expressed serious concern at the lack of capital to enable the provision of new houses for first-time tenants.

Carcur Sports & Amenity Complex

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

"As stated by His Worship the Mayor at the March Monthly Meeting confirmation has been received from the Department of Education that Wexford has been designated a Local Sports Centre under the Governments multi-annual capital programme for such facilities which is to be funded from the National Lottery.

A maximum capital grant of £300,000 or 70% of construction costs (whichever is the lesser) has been provisionally allocated in principle for the Wexford project. The approval of the Department of the Environment to the Corporation's proposal as required in the letter of sanction has been sought. As soon as this approval has been received the formal approval of the Department of Education, Sports Section, will be sought.

The National Building Agency prepared the draft layout of the facilities proposed for the site which was considered at a meeting of the Borough Council in December 1987 and the Agency has been requested to prepare a formal cost plan of the works proposed. It should be noted that the approval includes a local expenditure of 30% of the construction costs and when the formal costings have been received from the Agency the method of raising this local contribution which could be raised by local or public funds or a combination of both will be further discussed and considered by the Borough Council".

The allocation was noted and the letter of sanction welcomed and it was agreed that following receipt of the costings for the proposals already approved by the Corporation that the matter would be further considered by the Borough Council with particular emphasis on the funding of the local contribution from within and without Corporation sources together with consideration of the management structure which would be required for the long-term maintenance and operation of the complex.

Road Grants 1989

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

"I would advise that notification has been received on the above.

The Block Road Grant for 1989 is as estimated at £18,000. A special works grant for road strengthening in 1989 of £20,000 is also available.

This gives a total grant of £38,000 for 1989.

The Borough Engineer is presently preparing a draft programme for the expending of this grant and this draft programme will be considered at the next G.P. Meeting".

Following discussion the terms of the report were noted and welcomed.

Coueron Celebration of Bi-Centenary of French Revolution

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

"As part of its celebrations of the 1798 uprising it is intended to celebrate on 2nd July, 1989 the Bi-Centenary of the French Revolution. A copy of the Press hand-out is attached.

It has been suggested that all towns with French links would request formal participation by the French Towns in the County Wexford celebrations. The Town of Enniscorthy has already invited its sister town Gimont to be present for the celebrations and it is recommended that Wexford Town would invite a small official delegation from Coueron to also be in attendance. Preliminary discussions have already been held with the official members of the recent delegation from Coueron and a favourable reaction has been received. The official delegation wish that a reciprocatory official delegation from Wexford be present at Coueron's celebrations of the French Revolution to be held on 27th/28th May next.

It is recommended that an official delegation of the Mayor and two members would attend with the appropriate officials."

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to adopt the recommendations in the report and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly and following discussion it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Cllr. Corish (on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Byrne), Cllr. Nolan (on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne) and the Town Clerk would attend at the Coueron celebrations on behalf of the Corporation.

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THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS ^{1st} DAY OF *May* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Peter Roche

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON 10TH APRIL, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. Peter Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. T. Carr, Chairman, Wexford Harbour Comm.
Mr. J. Jenkins, Chairman, Marina Sub-Comm.,
Wexford Harbour Commissioners.
Mr. P. O'Connor, Member, Wexford Harbour Comm.
Mr. P. Fitzgerald, Member, Marina Sub-Comm.
of Wexford Harbour Commissioners.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed the members of the Harbour Commissioners and outlined for them the discussion at the last Employment Committee Meeting of the Wexford Borough Council when it was decided that a meeting of the Borough Council and members of the Harbour Commissioners would be desirable to discuss the proposal for a Marina at Ferrybank having regard to the proposal of the Corporations Main Drainage Scheme for a Protective Breakwater which would by its nature incorporate a Marina facility at The Crescent.

Mr. Carr thanked His Worship the Mayor and members of the Corporation for the opportunity of discussing the matter and introduced Mr. Jenkins, Chairman of the Marina Sub-Committee to the meeting and requested him to outline the position. Mr. Jenkins then submitted to the meeting a report as hereunder:-

"Seaside leisure activity is growing rapidly. Boating is no longer restricted to the privileged few. All over Europe more and more people are taking to the water.

The Irish Republic follows the same trend. Between Dunlaoghaire and Dunmore East there is no recognised stopping off point for yachts. Wexford would be an ideal halfway house. Wexford is also a very convenient landfall for Continental Europe cruising yachts, and those coming to Irish waters from the south of Britain. The proximity of the Rosslare passenger ferries from Europe and Britain also favours Wexford.

There is a whole new interest in Marinas in government and yachting circles in mainland Europe (E.E.C.), Britain and in Ireland.

It is recognised that a completely new distinctive bouying of the Wexford Harbour Channel from the bar to the quayside is needed. Such bouys would simplify a safe passage in from the open sea.

The Marina would in no way affect the implementation of the badly needed Main Drainage Scheme. The breakwater which is part of this scheme would provide ideal safe berthage for local small boats and the visiting yachtsman on a flying visit of a day or two.

The leisure complex at Ferrybank with its caravan park, swimming pool, washing facilities and large car park is an ideal starting point for further development, including the Marina.

The presence of a good hotel and excellent hospital nearby, and garages are additional points favouring Ferrybank.

It would be for an expert Marine Engineer to decide on the exact best location for a Marina. Either a basin east of the North breakwater dug from the shallows there, or the use of a stretch of the river on the town side of the breakwater must be decided upon.

The ancillary services would be best sited on reclaimed ground off Ferrybank. The outfill from the basin could be used to form this reclamation - if that site was decided upon.

Entry to the basin would be through an opening made in the breakwater. Both sites would have expansion possibilities.

Costings and advice from other Marinas would indicate a Marina of 100 berths as a viable beginning.

The reclaimed area and approaches to the Marina would be surrounded by a high fence for security. Making the ancillary service area and the yachts safe would be vital.

We now need to employ a firm of marine engineers with experience of Marina development to produce a technical plan and costing of same.

We would then advise undertaking a Market Survey of potential users of the facility.

To fianance these two surveys and carry out bouying of the Harbour Channel we need £50,000.

We look to the County Council, Corporation and Oireachtas representatives for full co-operation in furthering this worthwhile job creating enterprise and finding the funding mentioned above.

We believe favourable surveys must attract companies to invest in a Wexfore Marina which might be supplemented by a Marina Fishing Village Development on land nearby. (Such complexes are becoming "la mode").

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members present contributed. Following this lengthy discussion a consensus in favour of the provision of a major Marina at Ferrybank was reached. In reply to questions in relation to the Channel into Wexford Harbour Mr. Jenkins stated that with some minor dredging the existing Channel would be sufficient for the vast majority of yachts and that what would be required and what would be proposed as part of the Marina development would be the provision of a proper buoying system which would be regularly monitored to ensure its accuracy.

His Worship the Mayor then proposed that the Harbour Commissioners and the Corporation would consider the co-option of two members of the Corporation onto the Marina Development Committee and this was agreed by all present subject to formal consideration by Wexford Harbour Commissioners. His Worship the Mayor then thanked again the delegation from the Harbour Commissioners and Mr. Carr on behalf of the Harbour Commissioners delegation suitably reciprocated.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS ^{1st} DAY OF *May* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Pete Rod

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 1ST MAY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Kiernan a unanimous vote of congratulations to Mr. Michael Heverin, Reporter with the People Newspaper on his recently announced pending appointment as News Editor with the Clonmel Nationalist, was adopted. The proposer and seconder and all members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of good wishes for his future career.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of congratulations to Wexford Wanderers Under 18 Rugby Team on their winning the Leinster Under 18 Championship was adopted and on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the team and their officials would be afforded a Civic Reception at a date to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a vote of congratulations to the County Wexford Ladies Darts Team on their recent achievements was unanimously adopted.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 3rd April, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

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 Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty:-

- (a) Employment Committee Meeting held on 10th April, 1989.
- (b) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 10th April, 1989.
- (c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 10th April, 1989.

Arising out of the minutes Cllrs. Enright and Nolan referred to particular commercial premises which were leaving rubbish out overnight for collection by the Corporation refuse service and this rubbish was being strewn about the streets before collection.

The Town Clerk stated that this practice was contrary to the legal requirements on these owners and stated that the areas complained of would be investigated by the Litter Wardens.

FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY

Consideration was then given to the filling of the Casual Vacancy on the Borough Council occasioned by the recent demise of Cllr. Philip Kelly.

Mr. James Mahoney was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin.

Mr. Stan Kelly was proposed by Ald. Kiernan without being seconded.

Mr. Mahoney was then declared the only valid candidate and the Town Clerk stated that Mr. Mahoney had indicated his consent in writing to act as Councillor if elected prior to the meeting. His Worship the Mayor then duly declared Mr. Mahoney to be elected to fill the casual vacancy without dissent.

MOTIONS.

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

"That we request the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee to examine the possibility of erecting some kind of pedestrian lights/pelican lights outside Kennedy Park School".

Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report on the proposal to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

HOUSING

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

(1) (a) "That this Borough Council renew efforts to secure an adequate allocation for new local authority housing by seeking a meeting with the Minister for the Environment".

(b) "That monthly up-dated reports on all our housing application files be submitted to members of the Borough Council".

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

NATIONAL HOLIDAY

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"This Borough Council calls on the Government to declare May 1st 'Mayday' a national holiday each year".

Following discussion on the motion an amendment as follows was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"That this Borough Council calls on the Government to declare May 1st 'Mayday', and Good Friday National Holidays each year".

Following discussion the amendment was put to the meeting and a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

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

Against:- Ald. Kiernan, Cllrs. Byrne & Enright (3).

The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment was declared carried and the amendment was then put to the meeting as the substantive motion which was carried with Ald. Kiernan dissenting.

OTHER BUSINESS.

A letter of thanks to His Worship the Mayor for his message of condolence to the leader of the City Council of Liverpool in connection with the Hillborough Disaster was noted.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed that a Mayoral Reception would be afforded to the American Food and Travel Writers Association on the occasion of their visit to Wexford and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Enright it was unanimously agreed that Ald. Byrne, Cllrs. Byrne and Corish would attend at Westmeath County Council Seminar on Development and the Environment in Mullingar on 1st/2nd June, 1989.

The Town Clerk stated that a request had been received from Senator Cullimore that the Borough Council nominate a deputation to meet with the Minister for Industry & Commerce. On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed that the deputation would consist of His Worship the Mayor and Ald. Reck and Byrne and Cllr. Corish together with the County Development Officer.

It was further agreed that the Town Clerk would obtain information from the I.D.A. on the provision for funding for advanced factories for circulation prior to the Employment Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF June, 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Pete Row

MINUTES OF MEETING OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 23RD MAY, 1989 AT 5.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche, P.C.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty.

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

COMMODORE JOHN BARRY CEREMONY

His Worship the Mayor stated that the meeting had been called to finalise arrangements for the Commodore John Barry Commemoration Ceremony to be held on 11th June, 1989 and the meeting considered the draft programme and guest list for the commemoration ceremonies. Following discussion the programme and guest list was unanimously agreed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF June, 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Roche', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 12TH JUNE, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche.

Aldermen: P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin.

Councillors: P. Nolan, V. Byrne, M. Enright, N. Kavanagh,
----- H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, 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 Cllr. Mahoney to his first Council Meeting since his co-option to the Council and all members associated with the welcome. Cllr. Mahoney suitably reciprocated.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan a unanimous vote of sympathy to Deputy Howlin and his family on the recent death of Billy Howlin (Uncle) was adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of congratulations to the Wexford Civil Defence Unit on their victory in the All-Ireland Welfare Section Competition for Civil Defence, was passed. On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the winning team and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Howlin a unanimous vote of congratulations was adopted to the Wexford participants in the New York Games for the Physically Challenged on their successes in these games.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 1st May, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

The minutes of the Protocol Committee Meeting held on 23rd May, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne.

ANNUAL MEETING

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed that the Annual Meeting for 1989 would

be held at 7.30 p.m. in the Arts Centre, Cornmarket on Monday 3rd July, 1989.

SALE OF LAND AT MANNIX PLACE

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Mahoney it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Mannix Place to the Wexford Pigeon Club for the sum of £500 plus a nominal annual charge in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966 as had previously been circulated.

SALE OF LAND AT WHITEMILL ROAD

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise the conveyance of land at Whitemill Road to St. Ibar's Boxing Club for the sum of £300 in accordance with Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88(3) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

SSALE OF LAND AT MANNIX PLACE

On the proposal of Cllr. Mahoney seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Mannix Place to St. John's Volunteers Gaelic Football Club for the sum of £500 in accordance with Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966, as had previously been circulated.

MOTIONS

Water Charges

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Mahoney:-

"That this Borough Council resolves to abolish domestic water rates by not including provision for these charges in the 1990 Estimates".

A lengthy discussion was held on the motion to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the motion be deferred for consideration at the Special Estimates Meeting to be held prior to the formal submission of Estimate of Expenses by the Manager. A vote on this amendment was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Byrne, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Nolan,
----- Byrne, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish (8).

Against:- Cllrs. Enright & Mahoney (2).

The majority being in favour of the amendment the amendment

was declared carried and the substantive motion was then put to the meeting and was adopted on a vote as per the voting on the amendment.

PASSAGEWAY THROUGH BISHOPSPARK.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"That the Borough Council agrees to eliminate the need for a passageway through Bishopspark and that the town plan be altered to suit the condition herein".

The Borough Engineer outlined the proposal, as made to him by the people from the area and the details of the provision in the Development Plan in relation to this estate. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted. The Town Clerk outlined the legal procedure to be adopted to amend the plan and it was noted that the adoption of the motion as proposed was to commence the formal procedure.

Graveyards.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That a programme of cleaning old graveyards and white-washing surrounding walls be undertaken".

French Revolution Bicentenary.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Corish seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"In line with the activities taking place in other parts of the County, we agree to commemorate the Bicentenary of the French Revolution, in an appropriate manner to be agreed by the Corporation".

Cllr. Corish outlined the functions of the Comoradh '98 Committee on which she represented the Borough Council, for the purpose of seeking support from the Borough Council for the activities of the Comoradh Committee. It was unanimously agreed that the Protocol Committee would discuss the motion at their next meeting and submit their deliberations to the Borough Council at a future meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to Mr. George Carley who was retiring from service as Station Officer, Wexford Fire Station.

It was unanimously agreed that the General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on Monday 26th June, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

AMENITY & CULTURAL GRANTS

The attached report from the Town Clerk outlining all applications made for grant assistance under the Corporation's Amenity & Cultural Grant Scheme was then considered.

It was agreed that the following applications would be reviewed with a view to increasing the amounts to be allocated:-

St. Mary's Handball Club.
Town Celtic A.F.C.
The Faythe School.
Wexford Male Voice Choir.
Clonard Community Games.
Wexford Athletic Club.

With the exception of the foregoing six applications it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne that the grants as recommended in the Town Clerk's report be authorised and it was further agreed that the remaining grants would be considered at the General Purposes Committee Meeting.

SUMMER PLAYScheme.

The attached report from the Town Clerk was then considered.

A discussion on the proposed Playscheme was held to which all members contributed and all members congratulated the officials on the proposed content for the scheme. The scheme was adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne.

His Worship the Mayor then wished every success in the elections to the Dail to Ald. Howlin and Cllr. Enright who were both candidates in the election.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF September 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Patrick Molloy

WEXFORD CORPORATION : 1989 AMENITY / CULTURAL / RESIDENTIAL

GRANTS.

AMENITY GRANTS:-

<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION.</u>	<u>GRANTED IN 1988</u>	<u>PROPOSED GRANT 1989.</u>
Able-Disabled Club	£100.00	£100.00
Ferndale Park Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00
Davitt Road South Playscheme	--	£120.00
Talbot Green Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00
Liam Mellows Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00
St. Joseph's Youth Club	£300.00	£200.00
C.B.S. Boxing Club	--	£250.00
Talbot Green/Davitt Road Womens Group	£ 75.00	
2nd Wexford St. Columbanus Scouts	£200.00	£200.00
Clonard Majorettes	£100.00	£100.00
Coolcollis Centre	£500.00	£500.00
13th Wexford Scout Unit	£100.00	£100.00
Wexford In Bloom	£600.00	£600.00
Wexford Gym Club	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
National Graves Assoc.	£110.00	£110.00
Co. Wexford Darts Organisation	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Wexford Life Saving Club	£100.00	£100.00
Coolcollis Senior Citizens	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Centre for the Unemployed	£ 85.00	£100.00
Wexford Athletic Club	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
St. Mary's Handball Club	£100.00	£100.00
D.H.P. Athletic Club	£100.00	£100.00
Bishopswater Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00
Clonard Community Games	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Town Celtic F.C.	£100.00	£100.00
Wexford Twinning Council	£450.00	£500.00
Coolcollis Preschool Playgroup	£ 60.00	£ 75.00
Maudlintown Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00

MUSICAL GRANTS:-

<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION</u>	<u>GRANTED IN 1988</u>	<u>PROPOSED GRANT 1989.</u>
Barefoot Dance Company /	£450.00	£500.00
Wexford Festival Singers /	£250.00	£250.00
Wexford Sculpture Workshops /	£200.00	£200.00
Holy Family Confraternity Band /	£300.00	£300.00
The Works	£ 50.00	--
Riff Raff Theatre /	--	£100.00
Wexford Community Writing Group /	--	£100.00
St. Patrick's Fife & Drum Band /	£300.00	£300.00
Loch Garman Silver Band /	£300.00	£300.00
Wexford Light Opera Society /	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Action Arts /	--	£100.00
Arts Project - Kennedy Park School /	--	£120.00
Clonard Youth Brass Band /	£120.00	£120.00
Pocket Theatre Co. /	£200.00	£200.00
Wexford Ladies Choir /	--	£100.00
Rowe Street Church Choir /	--	£ 50.00
Clonard Community Festival /	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Wexford Male Voice Choir /	£120.00	£120.00
Wexford Historical Society /	£100.00	£100.00
St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee /	£120.00	£120.00
Wexford Arts Centre /	£1,250.00	£1,250.00
Faythe School /	--	£ 50.00
Bride Street Church /	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Wexford Chamber of Commerce	--	
Wexford Festival Opera /	£1450.00	£1450.00

WEXFORD CORPORATION

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,

WEXFORD.

12TH JUNE, 1989.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

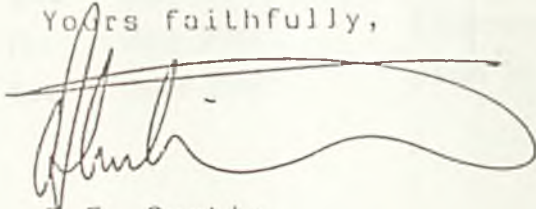
Dear Member,

I enclose for your information details of the proposed Summer Playscheme for Wexford Town which will take place during the month of July.

The Playscheme will engage a team of five leaders with vast experience in such projects. This year the leaders will visit the various Housing Estates where all the activity will take place in preference to last years project which was concentrated in the Redmond Park.

A copy of the programme for the month, together with a list of activities is enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'D.F. Curtin', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

D.F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

ENCLS.

PROGRAMME

SUMMER PLAYScheme BOROUGH OF WEXFORD JULY, 3rd - 29th, 1989

Mon	July 3rd	Wolfe Tone
Wed	July 5th	Wolfe Tone
Fri	July 7th	Coolcotts Community Centre
Sat	July 8th	Main St., Pedestrianised Area

Mon	July 10th	Bishopswater
Wed	July 12th	Bishopswater
Fri	July 14th	Coolcotts Community Centre
Sat	July 15th	Main St. Pedestrianised Area

Mon	July 17th	Maudlintown
Wed	July 19th	Maudlintown
Fri	July 21st	Coolcotts Community Centre
Sat	July 22nd	Main St. Pedestrianised Area

Mon	July 24th	King St. and Davitt Road South
Wed	July 26th	King St. and Davitt Road South
Fri	July 28th	Coolcotts Community Centre
Sat	July 29th	Main St. Pedestrianised Area

Puppet Show every day

Time: Everyday from 10a.m. to 12p.m.
and 1.30p.m. to 3.30p.m.

N.B. One Friday will be spent in Clonard Community Centre.
Date to be arranged

A C T I V I T I E S

MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

For 6 years and under

Puppet show and making of puppets

Play-time with paper and paints

Blackboards - chalk drawing

Wendy House and Shop

Dressing up time

Sand pit play

Rocking Horse

For 7 - 12 year olds:

Puppet Theatre & Instruction

Face Painting for clowning

Stilt Walking

Construction and decoration of projects for use by children
for play and for use during Street Theatre and carnival
during Wexford in Bloom Festival

Saturdays

Puppet Show twice daily

Face painting hourly

Street Theatre playing on pedestrianised area of Main St.

Emphasis for sketches will be on fun and colour

e.g. (a) Vincent the Viking Tourist

(b) Human Puppets

(c) Cops and Robbers

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 26TH JUNE, 1989 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. T. Nolan, Acting Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting it was unanimously agreed that a Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on Monday 10th July, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

Vote of Sympathy

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan unanimous votes of sympathy were adopted to the wife and family of the late Eddie Gibson, former C.E.O. of the County Vocational Educational Committee and the Lucking family on the untimely death of Billy Lucking. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

Congratulations

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of congratulations to Ald. B. Howlin and Seamus Cullimore on their recent election to the Dail was adopted and commiserations were extended to Cllr. Enright and former Member, Avril Doyle who were defeated candidates.

Arising out of discussion on the recent election His Worship the Mayor and a number of other members referred to errors which had been notified to them in the Register of Electors. The Manager stated that he was examining the position at present and if any members were aware of errors they should notify him. He pointed out that there were in excess of 70,000 people on the register and that in the 1988/1989 review 6,000 people had been removed from the register and 6,300 had been put on the register. To-date about 100 names had been notified to the County Council offices as errors.

Planning.

Planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and noted.

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The following report from the Town Clerk in relation to a development at 1, Temperance Row, which had been requested at the previous meeting of the Council, was then considered and following discussion noted:-

"In February, 1988 Ms. Kathleen Kinsella of 1, Temperance Row wrote enquiring as to what the Corporation's attitude might be to the change of use of the ground floor of her house at above address to "a business situation".

As the location is in an area zoned Town Centre, the proposed use is permissible. In addition, as the proposed development would be in a sensitive area, the National Building Agency Ltd., was asked to comment. The report received from the Agency was to the effect that no objection, in principle, was seen to the proposal, subject to a definitive design being available for comment. It was suggested that treatment of the flank wall should form part of the proposal for the building and that new window openings should be suggested to the developer. Ms. Kinsella was informed of the foregoing.

On 23rd March, 1989 an application for permission for development at 1 Temperance Row was received from Mr. Martin Fitzgerald, Architect, on behalf of Ms. Kinsella. This described the proposed development as follows:-

"Conversion of livingroom to retail shop, erection of rear first floor bathroom, provision of 3' wide doorway for rear garden access".

In accordance with Article 25 of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Regulations 1977 the following bodies were notified of the development due to its proximity to an area of historical and possible archaeological interest:-

- (1) An Taisce.
- (2) Bord Fáilte Éireann.
- (3) National Monuments Advisory Council.

The latter body, because of possible archaeological interest, laid down a requirement for supervision of trenches, where necessary.

Defects in the application in relation to public notice and fee were raised and resolved. However, in dealing with one query the applicant, in a letter received 25th April, 1989 mentioned that the entire ground floor is to be let exclusively with the shop unit and the remainder of the structure is for use as one dwelling. This was a radical variation from the application submitted. When this is resolved with Ms. Kinsella, a recommendation will be made".

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Material Contravention of Wexford Development Plan.

Consideration was then given to reports of 29th May, 1989 and 26th June, 1989 on a proposal by W.B. Nunn Ltd. for premission to erect a grain store at Muigannon Road, Maudlintown, which proposal required a material contravention. The report of 26th June, 1989 incorporated copies of objections received to the proposal. The Town Clerk stated that the applicants had requested that further consideration of their application be deferred until the autumn to enable them to consider the project further. On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Mahoney it was unanimously agreed to adjourn further consideration of the proposal to materially contravene the Development Plan to the September General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Correspondence

(1) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding the VHI Drug Refund Scheme, was noted.

(2) Seminar on "Development & Environment" to be held on 1/2nd June, 1989 by Westmeath County Council, was noted.

(3) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re establishment of a Regional Development Authority, stating that the contents of same had been noted, was noted.

(4) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Education acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re dangers of solvent abuse stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention as soon as possible, was noted..

(5) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance thanking Borough Council for resolutions on housing and stating that same had been noted, was noted.

(6) The following resolution from Monaghan U.D.C. was noted:-

"That this Council states it's opposition to the introduction of a property tax while the existing tax structure remains in place".

(7) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re solvent abuse and stating that same is receiving attention, was noted.

(8) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re loan facilities for prospective house purchasers and the £2,000 grant for first time house purchasers and stating that same had been noted, was noted.

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(9) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re May 1st and Good Friday and stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention, was noted.

Site for Festival Carnival (Order of Malta)

The Town Clerk stated that application had been received from the Order of Malta for permission to site a Carnival at Ferrybank Car Park during the Wexford Festival. A lengthy discussion on the application was then held to which all members contributed. Concern was expressed regarding the possible effect of the siting of the Carnival at this location on the hospital and hotel in the area and it was unanimously agreed that the Borough Engineer would discuss this matter with the Management of both the hotel and hospital and report back to the September General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

Marina Sub-Committee of Wexford Harbour Commissioners.

A request from Wexford Harbour Commissioners for the Corporation to nominate two members to sit on the Marina Sub-Committee of Wexford Harbour Commissioners was then considered. Following discussion Cllr. Nolan was proposed by Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty and Cllr. V. Byrne was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty. Both nominees were unanimously approved.

Motions for A.M.A.I. Conference.

On the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the following two motions would be submitted for consideration at the A.M.A.I. Conference:-

"That having regard to the promises made by successive Governments to issue a White Paper on Local Government Reform with particular reference to Boundary Extensions, Finance and Functions, Conference call on the Minister for the Environment to issue this report to enable Local Authorities to fully discuss the proposals and that the necessary legislation be introduced to make it effective prior to the next Local Elections".

"That Conference request that capital for Local Authority Housing be made available as a matter of urgency to ensure that sufficient housing stock will be available to those in our society who cannot afford to house themselves".

REPORTS

Respond Co-operative Housing and Westlands.

The following report from the Town Clerk dated 26th June, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

"Further to the decision at the Housing Committee Meeting held on Monday 10th April, 1989 with regard to the proposed involvement of Respond in the development of Westlands, the Respond Groups existing housing operation was recently viewed by a group from the Corporation lead by the Mayor, Cllr. Peter Roche.

Respond, Franciscan Friary, Lady Lane, Waterford is registered by the Department of the Environment as a Voluntary Organisation having approved status under Section 5 of the Housing Act, 1988 by which it qualifies for loans, grants, periodic contributions subsidy or contribution in kind in respect of its provision or management of housing accommodation.

The Management of the houses provided to-date by Respond in Waterford is under a local committee which deals with lettings, maintenance and fund raising. The Corporation could itself have representation on a Committee constituted to manage a housing development at Westlands.

The plans already prepared by the National Building Agency Ltd., would be the basis of a housing development at Westlands by Respond which initially would aim at rehousing elderly persons and might later extend to newly weds.

In order that Respond may begin to make arrangements with regard to the financing of proposed housing development at Westlands it is necessary that the Corporation approve, in principle, the transfer of lands to the organisation".

Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Kiernan that the Corporation agree that the principle of the Respond Organisation developing the Westlands site as a voluntary housing agency be adopted and it was further agreed that the full proposals of the Respond Group be considered at the September General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Vesting of Houses

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of the following houses in compliance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 of the Housing Act 1966 dated 26th May, 1989, which had previously been circulated:-

Mrs. Teresa Hayden	45 St. Aidan's Crescent	£7,550
Michael & C. Connors	25 Wolfe Tone Villas	£4,150
Mary Bergin	66 Wolfe Tone Villas	£4,000
Christina Tyghe	83, Wolfe Tone Villas	£4,250
David & A. Whitty	16 Ashfield Drive	£10,600
James & M. Hore	22 Ashfield Drive	£10,180
Brendan & C. Duggan	27 Ashfield Drive	£10,180
Anthony & B. Conway	36 Ashfield Drive	£11,200
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Aidan & C. Gordan	46 Ashfield Drive	£11,200
Laurence & C. Flood	62 Ashfield Drive	£10,600
Sean & Anita Doyle	36 Belvedere Grove	£10,780
Brendan & M. Murray	46 Belvedere Grove	£10,300
Brendan & C. Browne	57 Belvedere Grove	£10,775
Sean & M. Dempsey	68 Belvedere Grove	£10,780
George & C. Reville	76 Belvedere Grove	£10,780
N. & A. Rossiter	83 Belvedere Grove	£10,300
Michael & S. Creane	106 Belvedere Grove	£11,380
Sean & E. Cullimore	113 Belvedere Grove	£10,300
Nicholas & M. Farrell	6 Ferndale Park	£10,480
Derek & S. Carty	19 Ferndale Park	£10,120
John & K. Kavanagh	33 Ferndale Park	£12,990
Michael & M. O'Connor	60 Ferndale Park	£10,480
Joseph & C. Harpur	61 Ferndale Park	£10,480
Denis & E. Murphy	71 Ferndale Park	£10,120
Patrick & J. Doyle	76 Ferndale Park	£10,480
John & Rose Fowler	94 Ferndale Park	£10,120
Patrick Roche	41 Liam Mellows Park	£10,120
Sean Reck	78 Liam Mellows Park	£10,120
Albert Walsh	99 Liam Mellows Park	£10,120
Eileen Haughton	39 Hantoon Road	£ 4,250
Thomas Meyler	53 Hantoon Road	£ 4,500
Michael & M. Farrell	31 Kennedy Park	£ 9,640
Mary Roche	113 Kennedy Park	£ 9,940
Nicholas & T. Pender	20 Abbey Street	£ 9,900
T. & E. McGuire	3 Mount George	£ 8,375
Victor Kelly	5 Bishopswater	£ 7,000
John Randall	33 Bernadette Place	£ 8,300
Thomas & L. Rossiter	14 Talbot Green	£ 8,200
Michael O'Leary	85 Talbot Green	£ 8,200
Patrick Murphy	82 Bishopswater	£ 7,000

It was further agreed that a discussion on the First Registration Applications which had not yet been finalised would be held at the Special Housing Committee Meeting to be held on 10th July, 1989.

Amenity & Cultural Grants

The attached list of grants was adopted on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Nolan:-

It was further agreed that a letter would be issued with all of the paying orders requesting details from the organisations as to how they intended to acknowledge in their activities the grant awarded by the Corporation.

Extension of Offices

Consideration was then given to the proposal to extend the offices at the Municipal Buildings to incorporate canteen and washing facilities for the outdoor staff, extra office and toilet accommodation for the indoor staff and a room for members. It was agreed that further consideration would be given to some of /over....

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the facilities being provided and that the matter would again be discussed at the Housing Committee Meeting to be held on 10th July, 1989.

Other Business

Cllr. Nolan referred to the access to Trespan Rocks at Maudlintown and stated that it was in a dangerous condition and that two people had recently been injured on this access. It was unanimously agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate the matter and particularly investigate the feasibility of extending the existing barrier.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF September 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Patrick Nolan.

AMENITY GRANTS:-

<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION</u>	<u>GRANTED IN 1988</u>	<u>PROPOSED GRANT 1989.</u>
Liam Mellows Ladies Group	Nil	£ 75.00
Talbot Green/Davitt Road Womens Group	£ 75.00	£ 75.00
Ashfield /Belvedere Womens Group	£ 75.00	£ 75.00
St. Claire's Day Care Centre	£100.00	£100.00
St. Michael's Day Care Centre	£300.00	£300.00
Young Scientists of Co. Wexford	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Wexford Albion Soccer Club	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
King Street Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00
Carmel Wallace - School of Speech & Drama	Nil	£ 50.00
Rowe Street/Bride Street Community Games	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
Volunteers G.F.C.	Nil	£ 50.00
A.R.C.H. Club	£100.00	£100.00
Sports & Entertainment Comm. Coolcollis Centre	Nil	£ 50.00
Wexford Athletic Club	£ 50.00	£ 50.00
St. Mary's Handball Club.	£100.00	£150.00
Clonard Community Games	£ 50.00	£100.00
Town Celtic F.C.	£100.00	£150.00
Wexford Male Voice Choir	£120.00	£150.00
Faythe School	Nil	£100.00
Able-Disabled Club	£100.00	£150.00
Wexford Majorettes	Nil	£100.00
<u>RESIDENTS GRANTS:-</u>		
Ferndale Park	£250.00	£200.00
St. Aidan's Crescent	-	£200.00
Parklands	£100.00	£100.00
Bishopswater	£350.00	£200.00
Corish Park	£250.00	£200.00
Wolfe Tone St. Committee	-	£100.00
Kennedy Park	£500.00	£200.00
Talbot Green	£200.00	£200.00
Liam Mellows Park	£350.00	£200.00
Fisher's Row	-	£200.00
Bishop's Park	£250.00	£200.00
Ashfield Drive	-	£200.00
<u>CULTURAL GRANTS:-</u>		
Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann	£100.00	£100.00

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE, 1989 AT 6.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty.

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had called the meeting of the Protocol Committee to discuss arrangements proposed for the forthcoming French Naval Ship's visit to Wexford in conjunction with the Bi-Centenary Celebrations in County Wexford of the French Revolution. Details of the protocol arrangements were discussed and agreed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

4th DAY OF *September* 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 3RD JULY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE ARTS CENTRE,
CORNMARKET, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Roche.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin for his inability to attend the meeting due to the elections in the Dail, were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. A. Doyle, Deputy Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. T. Nolan, Acting Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. O'Connor, Solicitor.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed all of the members of the public to the meeting and especially welcomed the Mayor of Coueron the two Deputy Mayors from Coueron and their wives. His Worship the Mayor thanked all members, press, staff and the people of the town for their help and co-operation to him during his year of office.

His Worship the Mayor then called for nominees for the position of Mayor who would hold office until the Quarterly Meeting due to be held on a day not being more than 14 days before or after 1st July, 1990. Nominations were received as follows:-

Nominee	Proposed By	Seconded By
Cllr. P. Nolan	Cllr. J. O'Flaherty	Ald. G. Byrne
Cllr. N. Kavanagh	Ald. P. Reck	Cllr. N. Kavanagh
Cllr. M. Enright	Cllr. J. Mahoney	Cllr. M. Enright

A poll was taken which resulted as follows:-

Candidate	In Favour
Cllr. Nolan	Ald. Byrne, Ald. Kiernan, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. O'Flaherty, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. Corish (6).
Cllr. Kavanagh	Ald. Reck, Cllr. Kavanagh (2).
Cllr. Enright	Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Mahoney (3).

The majority of those present and voting being in favour of Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. Nolan was declared to be elected as Mayor.

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Cllr. Nolan was then vested with the robe and chain of office and assumed the Chair. He thanked his proposer and seconder and the Borough Council for electing him as Mayor and paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor, Cllr. Roche for the excellent work he had undertaken during his term of office and the excellent manner in which he had represented the Borough Council. He stated that in his year of office he intended particularly to pursue as priorities:-

- (1) Employment for Young People.
- (2) Environmental Improvement incorporating continued improvements with the assistance of the residents groups in the town.

All members and the County Manager on behalf of the staff and on his own behalf congratulated the new Mayor on his election and also paid tribute to Cllr. Roche for the excellent manner in which he had undertaken the duties of office during his year as Mayor.

Quarterly Meetings

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck that Quarterly Meetings for 1989/1990 would be held at 7.30 p.m. on 2nd October, 1989, 8th January, 1990 and 2nd April, 1990.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF September 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 10TH JULY, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

Apologies from Cllr. Enright for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Titles on Housing Estates

The following report from the Town Clerk which had previously been requested by the Borough Council and which had previously been circulated was then considered:-

"Except for the following Estates the freehold title of all Corporation Housing Estates is registered and houses therein may be, and are being sold to tenants.

- (a) Estates in respect of which applications for First Registration have been lodged with the Land Registry and in which sales will proceed in anticipation of Registration being finalised, namely:-

Lr. Abbey Street
Mannix Place
Trinity Street
Wygram Place

- (b) Estates in which negotiations are still proceeding to secure the freehold title where difficulties, including identity of owners are inhibiting the Corporation in completing purchase and in which sales will not proceed until all titles have been acquired, namely:-

Davitt Road South (part of)/College View
Thomas Clarke Place
Talbot Green (Part of)."

In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that sales in cases where applications were made in previous years under previous tenant purchase schemes would proceed under the terms of the tenant purchase scheme which the tenants had applied under. In relation to Talbot Green it was agreed that the Corporation would write to each of the tenants who had opted for the 1988 scheme and under previous schemes and where appropriate request that they now opt for the scheme of their choice.

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In relation to estates where negotiations were still proceeding to secure the fee simple title as outlined in the report it was agreed that compulsory acquisition procedures would be instituted if necessary if such titles had not been acquired within 6 months of the date of the meeting. In general it was noted that substantial and considerable progress had been made in the past 5 years in relation to the Corporation title in their housing estates and satisfaction was expressed with this.

1988 Sales Scheme.

A discussion was held on those applicants under the 1988 Tenant Purchase Scheme whose applications were being still considered in relation to the ability of tenants to repay the tenant purchase repayments. Arising out of this general discussion it was agreed that the applications be dealt with by officials and as had been previously been decided no tenant would be refused permission to purchase without discussion of the circumstances by the Borough Council at an appropriate General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Assessment of Housing Needs.

Cllr. O'Flaherty referred to a recent advertisement in the name of all of the Wexford Local Authorities in relation to the assessment of housing needs and on his proposal seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed that the Corporation would advertise separately and inform all existing applicants, by letter, that they should respond even though their position on the existing list would not be affected by the response.

Remedial Works

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to adopt the programme for the remedial works on Wolfe Tone Villas, Maudlintown and Talbot Green as attached.

Crosstown.

The attached list of proposed works at Crosstown Cemetary was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Kiernan. It was noted that the works proposed would be financed by way of internal loan and levied in the estimates in future years. Arising out of discussion on this matter it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche that the Borough Engineer would investigate the feasibility of providing more litter bins at the Cemetary and on the proposal of Cllr. Corish that the Borough Engineer would investigate the feasibility of providing a tap in the new part of the cemetary. In reply to Cllr. O'Flaherty the Town Clerk stated that an investigation of monument sizes would be undertaken with a view to regulating same by means of appropriate bye-laws.

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Planning application for Womens Refuge"

The Town Clerk stated that a petition had been received in relation to a proposal for outline planning permission being submitted to the Corporation for a Womens Refuge at Talbot Street. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that His Worship the Mayor and officials would meet with all those concerned and discuss the matter and would report back further to a future meeting of the Borough Council.

Other Business

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that a Mayoral Reception for a group of Northern Ireland Students who were going on a joint visit with Wexford Students to Cherbourg would be afforded and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had been invited to attend at the Borough of Staten Island Commemoration of John Barry Ceremony in conjunction with a group from the County and on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk would represent the Corporation at this Ceremony and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Borough Council would be represented at a conference entitled "The Role of Local Government after 1992" to be held in Sligo on 6th/7th October, 1989. Cllr. Roche was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne. Ald. Byrne was proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Roche, Ald. Byrne and the Town Clerk would represent the Borough Council at this Conference.

The revisions of the extension proposal for the Municipal Buildings were then considered and drawings of same were circulated to the members for their observations. The revised arrangements as outlined by the Borough Engineer were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne.

At the request of Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed that the provision of a pedestrian crossing at John Street/Wygram and disc parking in general would be items for discussion at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF September 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Valeur

REPORT - REMEDIAL WORKS.WOLFE TONE VILLAS

	<u>PHASE</u>	<u>HOUSE NO.</u>	<u>STAGE</u>	<u>START-FINISH</u>
Remedial Work	Phase 1	13-18	Completed	Finished.
Remedial Work	Phase 2	19-24	Contract Document	July - September
Remedial Work	Phase 3	House Numbers as for merged improved	In progress	May - October.
Merging and Improvement	Phase 1	35-36, 50, 51, 58-59, 69-70, 19, 33, 72, 73	In progress	May - October.
		<u>MAUDLINTOWN</u>		
Remedial Work	Phase 1	Hantoon Road 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31,	In progress	July, 1989.
Remedial Work	Phase 2	Antelope Road 25 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37,	Under negotiation	July, 1989 - September, 1989
Remedial Work	Phase 3	2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, Hantoon Road	Contract Document	August, 1989 - Nov., 1989.
Improvements	Phase 1	39 and 19 Antelope Rd.	Design	August, 1989 - Oct., 1989.

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TALBOT GREEN

	<u>PHASE</u>	<u>HOUSE NO.</u>	<u>STAGE</u>	<u>START-FINISH.</u>
Remedial Work	Phase 1	70 - 76	Completed	Finished.
	Phase 2	54 - 69	Under negotiation	July - September.
	Phase 3	60 - 69	Contract Document	August - November.

EXPENDITURE

Remedial Work 1987.....£50,000
1988.....£89,000
1989.....£500,000

Merging Improvements 1989.....£100,000 depends on availability of finance.

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PROPOSED WORKS AT CROSSTOWN CEMETERY AS PER DRAWING.

COST.

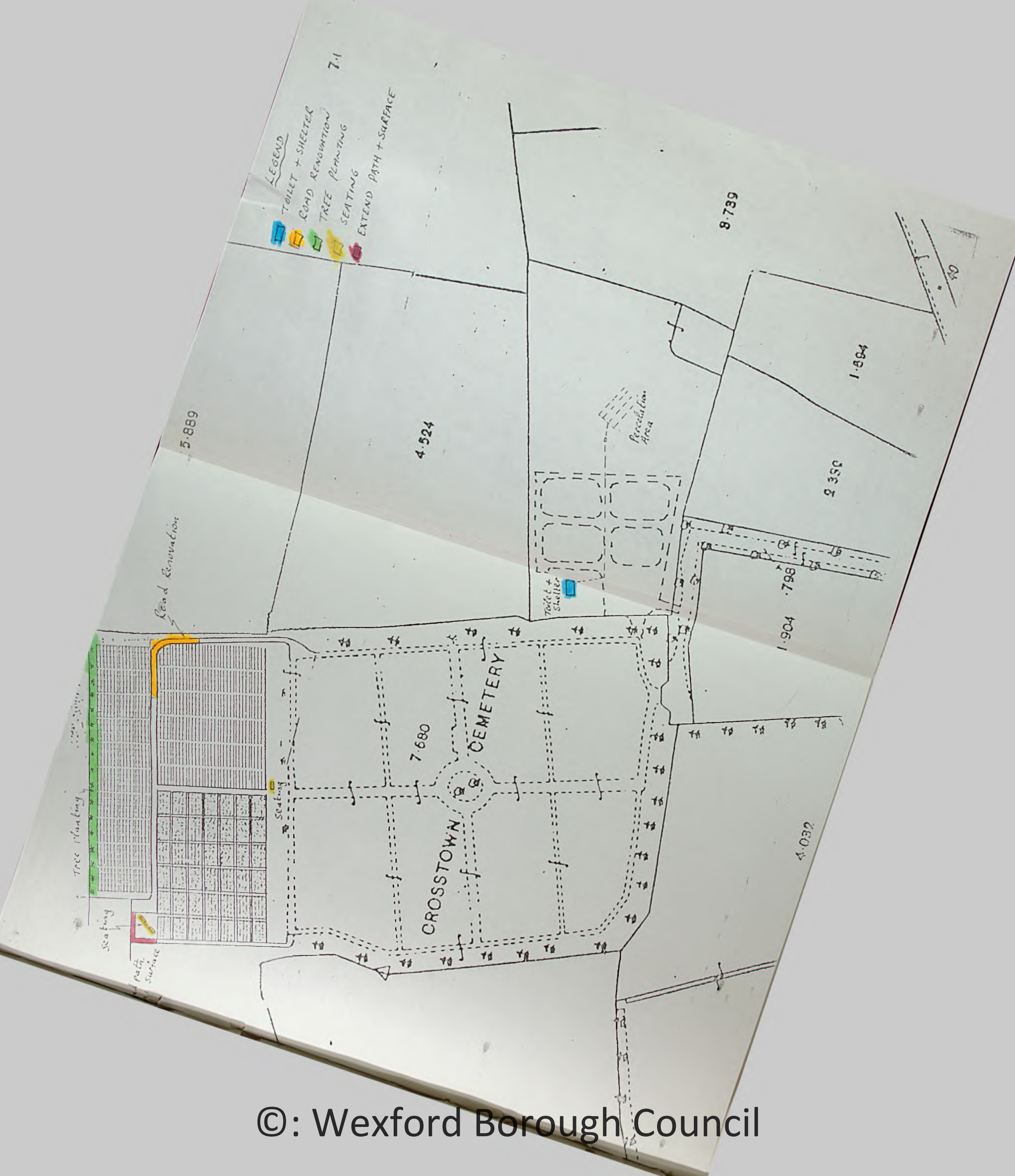
Two Units, Toilet and Shelter plus drainage.....£15,000.00

Repairs to Road and Tarmac Paths.....£ 3,500.00

Planting screen of Evergreen Trees and Planting
Generally.....£ 450.00

Sealing.....£ 450.00

T O T A L.....£19,400.00



MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Notan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
----- Mr. S. Dooley, 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 the new Manager, Mr. Dooley to Wexford and wished him well in his new post of Assistant County Manager. All members and the County Manager associated with the Mayor in his welcome and Mr. Dooley suitably responded.

Vote of Sympathy

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne a unanimous vote of sympathy to the family of the late Andy Ninihan of New Ross was adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

On the proposal of Cllr. Mahoney seconded by Ald. Kiernan a unanimous vote of sympathy to Cllr. Roche and the Roche Family on the recent death of Dermot Roche was adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. Cllr. Roche suitably responded and the vote was passed in silence, all standing.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor a vote of congratulations to Mrs. Avril Doyle on her recent election to the Senate was unanimously adopted.

On the proposal of Cllr. Corish seconded by His Worship the Mayor a vote of congratulations to the Constructive Waste Company who had undertaken a summer playscheme on behalf of the Corporation was unanimously adopted.

MEETINGS

It was unanimously agreed that a General Purposes Committee and Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on 25th September, 1989 at 7.30 p.m. and that the Traffic
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Management Committee Meeting would be held on 29th September, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

A discussion was held on the closure of the Swimming Pool and the County Manager outlined again the sequence of events which lead to the closure of the pool. The County Manager stated that he was presently compiling a report incorporating the technical solutions to the problem and outlining the substantial financial implications which would be involved for the Corporation. The Manager stated that applications for assistance had already been submitted to the National Lottery and to the Department of the Environment and to Bord Failte because of their co-ordinating role in the structural funding allocations. A lengthy discussion ensued during which a consensus opinion was expressed in favour of the action of the County Manager in closing the pool and following this discussion it was unanimously agreed that a meeting of the Swimming Pool Committee would be held on Monday 25th September, 1989 at 6.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 12th June, 1989 and the Annual Meeting held on 3rd July, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded Cllr. O'Flaherty.

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 Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

- (a) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 26/6/89.
- (b) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 28/6/89.
- (c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 10/7/89.

Arising out of the minutes the Town Clerk stated in reply to questions that the applications to purchase houses at Belvedere Grove were being dealt with and that difficulties relating to the first registration of the estate had been resolved.

Further arising out of the minutes it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Roche that the merging of Nos. 69 and 70 Wolfe Tone Villas would be commenced prior to the end of September.

Disposal of 14, Skeffington Street, Wexford.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at 14, Skeffington Street, Wexford, to Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Walsh for the sum of £2,000 in accordance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966, as had previously been circulated.

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On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Whitemill Road (0.095 acres) to Wexford Albion Soccer Club for the sum of £300 in accordance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966, as had previously been circulated.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwellings at the following locations in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 of the Housing Act 1966, as had previously been circulated:-

28, Dolphin Road, Wexford.
21, Bishopswater, Wexford.
3, Talbot Green, Wexford.
10, Talbot Green, Wexford.
15, Talbot Green, Wexford.
21, Talbot Green, Wexford.
31, Talbot Green, Wexford.
47, Talbot Green, Wexford.
66, Talbot Green, Wexford.
80, Talbot Green, Wexford.
84, Talbot Green, Wexford.
88, Talbot Green, Wexford.
89, Talbot Green, Wexford.
93, Talbot Grene, Wexford.
28, George Street, Wexford.
63, Talbot Green, Wexford.

Increase in Remuneration

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the increase in remuneration of Craftsmen and Related Grades in accordance with the terms of Circular Letter EL 10/89 dated 27th July, 1989.

Increase in V.E.C. Contribution.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise the increase in 1990 in the contribution to the Vocational Education Committee so as to make a total contribution of £5,589, noting that this was the equivalent of an excess payment of 0.4167 new pence in the pound over the 1989 contribution.

MOTIONS

Tenant Purchase Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

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"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to introduce a 1989 Tenant Purchase Scheme".

Arising out of discussion on the motion an adendum as follows to be added to the motion was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Enright:-

"And to recommence a National Local Authority house building programme".

The motion and adendum were unanimously adopted.

Wexford Jobs Forum.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"That this Borough Council establish under the auspices of the Employment Sub-Committee a Wexford Jobs Forum and that such body shall meet quarterly".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder outlined the benefits which could be obtained from bringing together all of the agencies both public and private who were involved in the creation of employment. The County Manager in reply to a lengthy discussion stated that the post of Economic Development Officer proposed for the County Development Team who would have a special brief for Wexford town and environs had been submitted to the Department of the Environment for sanction and that sanction was awaited. The County Manager further added that he fully supported any ideas which would progress employment in the county and particularly the notion of the creation of a new think-tank forum. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

House Purchase Loans

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor and following discussion was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council calls on the Department of the Environment to eliminate from applications for house purchase loans the conditions that applicants must have a letter from a Bank and Building Society of a refusal of such a loan".

Washing Facilities

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

"That this Corporation instructs our officials to provide proper washing facilities at 43, St. Aidan's Crescent, Wexford, for tenants who have been there for just 40 years, by installing a new bath".

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In reply to a discussion the Borough Engineer stated that he would further examine the premises at 43, St. Aidan's Crescent with a view to ensuring that proper washing facilities were provided in this house and following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Housing Applicants on Special Housing List.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh:-

"That Wexford Corporation agrees to move all applicants on the Special Housing List drawn up in 1987 over to the priority list when applicants reach the age of fifty".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder suggested that applicants who qualified under the terms of the motion should be included on the list at the end of the appropriate list. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. O'Flaherty, Byrne,
----- Roche, Kavanagh, Corish, Mahoney (8).

Against:- Cllr. Nolan (1).

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

Main Drainage & Water Augmentation Scheme.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"That Wexford Corporation clearly outlines to the Minister for the Environment our utter disgust at the lack of progress with Drainage & Water Augmentation Scheme".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder stated that the Department of the Environment should be requested for urgent clarification of the proposals for the Main Drainage Scheme and Water Augmentation Scheme for Wexford and outlined the necessity for not only future development but for the existing town of providing these infrastructural improvements. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

Church Gate Collections.

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

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"That this Borough Council calls on all the political parties to discontinue the holding of Church Gate Collections in Wexford".

Following lengthy discussion on the motion to which all members contributed a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Roche, Kavanagh, Mahoney (4).

Against:- Ald. Byrne, Howlin, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty,
Byrne, Enright (6).

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 Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin that standing orders would be adjourned to allow the business of the meeting to be completed.

Annual Remembrance Ceremony.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty:-

"That this Borough Council hold an annual remembrance ceremony in June or July to honour the memory of those who died in the service of Ireland".

Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that the motion would be referred to the Protocol Committee to suggest an organising committee on the lines of the St. Patrick's Day Committee who would undertake the holding of this annual remembrance ceremony.

Transport for old age pensioners.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Mahoney seconded by His Worship the Mayor and following discussion unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council call on the Minister for Health, Dr. R. O'Hanlon, to provide free transport for all old age pensioners who have to attend at the Wexford County Hospital".

Pedestrian Crossing at Wygram".

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"That financial provision be made in the Estimates for 1990 for the erection of a Signalised Pedestrian Crossing over the N.11 and N.25 at Wygram Place".

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In moving the motion the proposer and seconder requested that the Borough Council would commit themselves to 50% contribution to be provided in the 1990 Estimate to be matched by a contribution which the proposer hoped would be sought by the County Council representatives on the Borough Council from that body. Following discussion to which all members contributed and during which the need for such a crossing was accepted by all members the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that the planning application fee paid in relation to the following developments were as follows:-

Urban Renewal Development At:-	Planning Application Fee:-
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North End	£10,000
Westgate	£587.83
Cornmarket	£2,930.25
Temperance Row	£1,690.25

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that all residents of Maudlintown and Wolfe Tone Villas were not circulated in relation to the remedial works being carried on in these estates and that application forms do not apply since the theory of the scheme is that all houses will be upgraded. The Borough Council have decided the houses for remedial works schemes from time to time over the past two years and residents associations were aware of the schemes and they have made suggestions in relation to the schemes in a number of cases.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that application was first made to the Department of the Environment for remedial works schemes at Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown on 18th September, 1986.

OTHER BUSINESS.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the leader of the Exeter City Council and his party on their forthcoming visit to Wexford and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed that a Mayoral Reception would be afforded to a Welsh Band and the Mayor of Fishguard on their forthcoming visit to Wexford and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.
SIGNED THIS 2nd DAY OF October 1989.

Patrick Nolan

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. S. Dooley, 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 Cllr. Roche a vote of sympathy to the Clegg family of London on the recent death of Mr. Pat Clegg a former Vice-President of the London Wexfordmens Association was unanimously adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

Good Wishes

On the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by His Worship the Mayor a vote of good wishes to Billy Walsh of Wexford who was boxing for Ireland in the World Championships was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that a telegram on behalf of the Corporation would be sent to Billy Walsh.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne a unanimous vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery to Mr. Brendan Corish who was recently hospitalised, was adopted.

Special Meeting.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed that a Special Meeting of the Borough Council would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 17th October, 1989 to consider the following matters:-

- (1) Westlands Housing Development.
- (2) Backlands of John Street Housing Development.
- (3) Main Drainage Scheme.
- (4) Urban Renewal Developments - Progress Report.
- (5) Carcur Sports & Recreational Complex.

Planning

Planning applications submitted since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were considered and noted. Questions raised in relation to the applications were answered by officials in attendance. In relation to P&D REF. 3933 a lengthy discussion

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was held and arising out of this discussion it was unanimously agreed to write to Bord Telecom expressing the concern of the Borough Council at the erection of poles in new locations and suggesting that underground cables should be undertaken by Bord Telecom in all future cases in Wexford Town.

Material Contravention of Development Plan.

The Manager referred to the application by Messrs. Nunn Ltd. for permission for development which if granted would be contrary to the Development Plan and to previous discussions and reports in connection with same. The Manager stated that the Borough Council were still awaiting a response to the further information request sent to the applicant and it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that further consideration of the material contravention proposal would be adjourned to the Monthly Meeting following receipt of the further information.

CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Agriculture & Food regarding Borough Council's resolution calling on the Government to ban hare coursing, as previously circulated, was noted.
- (2) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour re Borough Council's resolution calling on the Government to declare Mayday and Good Friday public holidays, as previously circulated, was noted.
- (3) Correspondence re Group Personal Accident Schemes - Members of Local Authorities from the I.P.B.M.I. Ltd., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (4) Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health re Information Campaign on solvent abuse, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (5) Correspondence re 1989 People of Year Awards, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.
- (6) Details re Seminar "La Touche Legacy" (Greystones Town Commissioners) was noted.
- (7) Details of a Conference to be held at the Imperial Hotel, Cork with the Theme "Can Industry and the Environment Live Together" on 2nd/3rd November, 1989 were considered and following discussion it was unanimously agreed that two delegates would attend. On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin it was agreed that Cllr. Corish would attend and on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Enright it was agreed that Cllr. Mahoney would attend.

- (8) The 1989 Tidy Towns Competition Results, copies of which had previously been circulated, were noted.
- (9) On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche a request from Wexford Community Association to use the Crest on lottery literature in connection with the Association's activities, was unanimously approved subject to the usual conditions.
- (10) A letter from residents of John's Road re the pruning of trees was considered. The Borough Engineer stated that some pruning had already taken place and that the Corporation's Gardener would carryout further pruning when the the leaves died. The Borough Engineer also stated that he had recommended that the light be moved away from the chestnut tree on John's Road and that the Gardener had spoken to Mr. Scallan of John's Road and explained what had been done and what further works would be carried out.

The Borough Engineer's recommendation was unanimously adopted.

Tidy Towns Report 1989

The results of the Tidy Towns Competition 1989 and the adjudicator's comment in relation to Wexford Town, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed that there would be further discussion on the report with a view to creating a potential 'hit-list' of items emanating from the report at which immediate attention could be directed with a view to improving the towns standing in the competition.

REPORTS

Cllr. Roche and Cllr. Mahoney reported on their recent attendance at the Municipal Authorities Conference in Fermoy and stated that the motions submitted by the Borough Council had been adopted.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had had a very successful visit to Staten Island as part of the County-wide delegation for the Barry Ceremony there and was hopeful of results from contacts with the I.D.A. New York Office and Bord Failte New York Office. He stated that a full report on the visit would be submitted to the members in due course.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor referred to an article in one of the local papers based on a press statement issued by one member which intimated that the service being provided by Corporation officials in Wexford was not as efficient as it could be.

His Worship the Mayor refuted the sentiments expressed and all other members with the exception of the member who submitted the article associated with the remarks of His Worship the Mayor. The Manager stated that he would be concerned if the functions of the Corporation were not being efficiently carried out but pointed out that if any member had any complaints in this regard, the complaints should be made through the official channels open to them and that he would investigate any such complaints made.

In reply to Cllr. Corish the Town Clerk stated that the application by Wexford Swimming Club for a grant from the Corporation would be further considered.

In reply to Ald. Byrne the Town Clerk stated that the Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held prior to the G.P. Committee Meeting had adjourned consideration of the action to be taken in relation to the closure of the Swimming Pool to a further meeting of the Committee to be held on the Tuesday following the meeting at the Swimming Pool. On the proposal of Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that a full report on the position of the closure of the Swimming Pool would be circulated to each member following the adjourned meeting and that His Worship the Mayor would issue a press statement following this meeting.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Town Clerk outlined the position in relation to the proposed development of a Neighbourhood Shopping Development at Coolcotts and following discussion it was unanimously agreed that the developers be requested to provide shopping facilities at this centre as a matter of urgency.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

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Patrick Molloy

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES
COMMITTEE MEETING ON 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
----- Mr. D.P. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Housing Applicants

Cllr. Roche and Ald. Byrne referred to the need for a transfer from flat accommodation to family-type accommodation of Mr. Paddy Roberts of Skeffington Street and requested that the Manager would give consideration to this case.

Ald. Reck referred to the application for rehousing of Mr. Liam Reville of King Street who was already on the Corporation Priority List and whose circumstances had now changed so as to make him urgently in need of rehousing.

Cllr. Mahoney referred to the application by Mr. Stafford of Bishopswater who lived alone in a family house and who was seeking a transfer to a flat which would enable a family to be housed in the house in Bishopswater.

Cllr. Corish referred to the application of Ann Hall who was urgently in need of rehousing in a flat and requested that urgent consideration be given to rehousing Ms. Hall because of her changed circumstances.

OTHER BUSINESS

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin the attendance of His Worship the Mayor at the Annual Dinner of the London Wexfordmens Association was unanimously approved. It was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that the attendance of the Deputy Mayor, Cllr. Kavanagh at the opening of Limerick University be approved and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the attendance of His Worship the Mayor at the People of the Year Annual Awards Ceremony in Dublin be approved and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to approve of the holding of a Mayoral Reception for a group from La Manche County Council of France and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a Mayoral Reception for the officials of the Irish Hotel & Catering Institute be approved and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the attendance of His Worship the Mayor at the forthcoming All-Ireland Ladies Football Final in Dublin between Wexford and Kerry be approved and that a Civic Reception would be held on the 9th October at 7.30 p.m. for the Football Team and officials and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 2nd DAY OF October 1989

Pabrick Mahon.
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD AT 6.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 25th SEPTEMBER, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

Aldermen:- D. Kiernan.

Councillors: V. Byrne, J. O'Flaherty, H. Corish.

Present:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Swimming Pool.
Mr. J. Ffrench, Wexford Swimming Club.

At the outset of the meeting Cllr. O'Flaherty stated that he wished to record his objection to the calling of the meeting at the time convened as he said the matters to be discussed were of a serious nature and deserved more time than the one hour between 6.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. when a G.P. Meeting was due to be held.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the report of 25th September, 1989 as circulated which dealt with the series of events leading up to the closure of the Swimming Pool. This opened a general discussion on the matter to which the members contributed. In reply to queries the Town Clerk stated that the best estimate at the moment of the costs involved in the remedial works was £65,000 to £70,000 but that no final arrangements were made and when the works were commenced it was a possibility that major extras on the contract would be necessary. The Borough Engineer gave technical advice on the nature and scope of the problem and how it was to be tackled and said that his final recommendation would be with the County Manager before the 29th September. The Borough Engineer also referred to reports on provision of seating, provision of Impact Paving and alterations to Solar Heating System. The meeting had a brief discussion on the financing of the works and the Town Clerk outlined the efforts made to-date in applying for funding from Central Government, Bord Failte and the National Lottery.

Cllr. V. Byrne proposed that the following motion, listed for the October Statutory Meeting be considered and go forward with the Committee's support to the Statutory Meeting on 2nd October. The motion was submitted as follows:-

"That the remedial works necessary to re-open Wexford Swimming Pool be carried out immediately and that a delegation of Wexford Corporation be sent to the Minister for the Environment to seek funding for the work and that the reserve funds of Wexford Borough Council be used pending the allocation of monies by Central Government."

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was agreed to adjourn the meeting to be reconvened at the Ferrybank Pool on Tuesday 3rd October, 1989 at 7.00 p.m. to allow the members time to consider the various reports circulated as well as viewing the situation in the pool itself.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS DAY OF 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1989, AT 7.30
P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin.

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

IN ATTENDANCE:- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Ms. R. Doyle, Chamber of Industry & Commerce.
Sergeant D. Lyttleton, Garda Síochána.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS.

The following report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which have previously been circulated, was then considered :-

"REPORT ON PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN SIGNALISED TRAFFIC LIGHTS (PELICAN SYSTEM) AT:-

Wygram : End of Belvedere Road.

St. Aidans : Close to Shopping Centre.

Whitemill : At Kennedy Park School.

A survey and a pedestrian and vehicle traffic count was undertaken at these three locations in accordance with An Foras Forbartha Publication "Warrants for Pedestrian Crossing Facilities".

The basic criteria is the ratio of carriageway width to the maximum pedestrian and vehicle count in two half hour periods during the period of the count, the relevant count.

Estimated Cost per set of lights installed.....£6,500

Maintenance and Running Cost.....£ 650 per annum.

LOCATION	CARRIAGEWAY WIDTH	SPEED LIMITS	RELEVANT COUNT		WARRANT COUNT		SHORT FALL ON WARRANT.	
			V.	P.	V.	P.	V.	P.
Wygram	10m	30 mph	221	103	750	350	-129	-247
St. Aidans	6m	30 mph	125	176	850	500	-425	-324
Whitemill	9m	30 mph	261	250	750	350	-489	-100

(No warrant satisfied)

V. = Vehicles.

(see attached map).

P. = Pedestrian Traffic.

At Whitemill, outside the Kennedy Park School, the peak pedestrian flows occurred during the periods 12.00 - 12.30 p.m., 1.00 p.m. - 1.30 p.m., and 3.30 p.m., - 4.00 p.m., of these only the 1.00 p.m., - 1.30 p.m., was not controlled by the School Warden System. Outside of these periods the count ranged as low as 5 per half hour. The school obviously generates the only significant pedestrian traffic and is uncontrolled during period 12.30 p.m., - 1.30 p.m. During holidays the problem does not arise. It is difficult to justify lights on that basis. A School Crossing Warden could be appointed to cover the 12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m. period during term time.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:-

Provide for:-

Pedestrian Lights at Wygram.....£6,950 incl. running costs.

School Crossing Warden at Whitemill...£ 800 p.a., incl. uniform.

Pedestrian Lights at St. Aidans.....£6,950, incl. running costs.

Note that the proposed traffic lights at Joseph Street / Distillery road junction will be installed by early December this year. The Corporation contribution will be £10,000 max."

In relation to the proposal for traffic lights at Wygram a lengthy discussion was held. The Borough Engineer further outlined the proposal and it was noted by the meeting that the proposal only referred to the Belvedere Road/St. Ibar's Villas section of the crossing and that the crossing of the National Primary Road would be a matter for Wexford County Council. Following lengthy discussions to which all Members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Enright, seconded by Councillor Roche to proceed with the recommendation of the Borough Engineer and to pursue the County Council for the balance of the crossing of the National Road at the next Joint Committee Meeting of Wexford County Council District Committee and Wexford Corporation. It was noted by the Meeting that the cost of this proposal would be provided for in 1990 Estimates.

In relation to the crossing at St. Aidan's Crescent the Borough Engineer outlined the proposal for the provision of pedestrian crossing lights and following lengthy discussions to which all Members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor Enright to proceed in accordance with the Borough Engineer's and Sergeant Lyttleton's advice to provide a pedestrian crossing facility at St. Aidan's Crescent. It was noted that the cost of this proposal would have to be provided for in the 1990 Estimates.

In relation to the request for a pedestrian crossing at Kennedy Park School, the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, as contained in the report, to provide a School Warden from the hours of 12.30 to 1.30 each day during school term was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Councillor Corish, seconded by Alderman Byrne and it was further agreed that a School Warden Service should also be provided for an hour each morning at school entrance times. The Town Clerk stated that this addendum would cost an additional £800 per annum and pointed out that the provision of this service at Kennedy Park School would, more than likely, create demand for a similar service from the other Schools in the town and that provision would be made in the 1990 Estimates for this service to commence from January, 1990. This was noted by the Meeting.

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ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

Due to His Worship the Mayor then leaving the Meeting in order to attend at an official engagement, it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Byrne that Councillor O'Flaherty would assume the chair.

DISC PARKING.

The Town Clerk read a letter from Inspector Gilhooly of the Garda Síochána, which stated that the Commissioners Office had informed him that it is hoped to commence a review of the County Wexford Traffic and Parking Bye-Laws towards the end of 1989. This was noted by the Meeting. Arising out of a general discussion on disc parking it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish, to formalise a reciprocal arrangement with Enniscorthy U.D.C., in order that discs from Enniscorthy would be acceptable for use in Wexford Town and vice versa.

JOINT RECOMMENDATION OF GARDAÍ SÍOCHANA AND BOROUGH ENGINEER
ON VARIOUS STREETS IN WEXFORD.

The following report from the Borough Engineer and Sergeant Lyttleton, copies which have previously been circulated, was then considered.

" JOINT RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE SUBMITTED BY GARDA SERGEANT D. LYTTLETON AND BOROUGH ENGINEER, T. FAHEY, AS REQUESTED BY TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF 10TH FEBRUARY, 1989.

CLIFFORD STREET:-

This two way street of varying width is giving rise to serious congestion due to parking on both sides.

Recommended Solution :-

Double yellow line on the East, i.e., Town Side of Clifford Street, from St. Peter's Square to Bride Street. Install two hour disc parking from a point 15 ft. from the Clifford Street, St. Peter's Square junction to a point opposite No. 5 Clifford Terrace. This will permit some 20 car parking spaces.

Cost : £650.00 approx.

There are 12 residences approximately in Clifford Street.

ST. PETER'S SQUARE:-

This presents two traffic problems:-

- (a) Traffic exiting onto School Street on the North side of the square, i.e., the continuation of Peter Street, has a very poor sight line to the right along School Street and the junction is considered to be hazardous for exiting traffic.

Recommended Solution :-

Make the circulation of traffic around the Square one-way in a clockwise direction. This will allow traffic to enter only at the hazardous junction and will concentrate exit traffic at the wider and safer junction on the South side of the Square. As this forms, in effect, a staggered junction with Dempsey's Terrace /Roche's Road, it is also recommended that the traffic at the latter be channelled and include the installing of a ghost island, i.e., an island painted onto the road surface.

Manoeuvring of artics using Nunns Granary may need some management during harvest period.

- (b) Residents on the South side of St. Peter's Square complain of long stay parking outside their premises creating a problem, both by preventing the residents parking their cars and by nosing their cars in over the footpaths, thus obstructing same. It is recommended to solve the obstruction problem by installing a raised kerbing some 600 mm back from the existing footpath edge. For the purposes of this report we have no objection to installing disc parking at this location. There are some 13 spaces and a similar number of residences allowing for flats.

Cost :£1,150.00 approx., including for road markings, signing kerbs, including the Dempsey Terrace junction.

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HIGH STREET/MARY STREET.

These are very narrow two-way streets with parking permitted on the West side of High Street. For cars to park on this side they must park up on the footpath to allow for the street to be at all passable, and at that vehicles must travel on the opposite footpath. Both practices are illegal. The congestion is so bad that on occasion the streets are completely impassable. Residents complain that cars are parked so close to their front doors that they cannot get in or out, particularly with prams etc.

Recommended Solution:-

Parking to be prohibited on both sides of High Street from Rowe Street to the public car park during business hours. Parking to be permitted on the West side, outside of business hours. No on-street parking to be permitted on Mary Street. It is also recommended that Mary Street/High Street be made one-way anti-clockwise, i.e., Mary Street one way down towards the town and High Street - one way towards Rowe Street. This traffic flow avoids traffic exiting from Mary Street into the narrow School Street at The Friary. Any problems resulting from the one way system arising during the Opera Festival would be dealt with by the Gardai, who at present make special arrangements for traffic during that period.

Cost : £500.00.

Copy of minutes of meeting with Residents of High Street attached.

CORNMARKET:-

During our inspection we also looked at the difficulty of existing traffic flow in the Cornmarket area. It is suggested that this could be greatly improved by the creation of a roundabout in the middle of the Cornmarket area. It is proposed that a temporary roundabout be created to study the effect on traffic flow in the Cornmarket area.

Study Cost : £250.00 say.

SELSKAR AVENUE:-

The problem here arises from long stay parking creating problems for the business community in the area. It is recommended that 2 hour disc parking be introduced on the South side of Selskar Avenue from a point 15 ft., back from the junction with Selskar Street to a point 15 ft., back from the entrance to the Tyre Company.

Cost : £240.00 approx.

On completion of the proposed Selskar development the disc area could at that time be increased.

ENTRANCE TO WHITE'S HOTEL, GEORGE STREET:-

It is recommended that double yellow lines be placed for 15 ft., on either side of the existing entrance to facilitate manoeuvring of coaches using the hotel.

Cost : £60.00

EXISTING PEDESTRIAN HOURS IN MAIN STREET:-

It is understood that this matter is to be discussed between the Corporation Members and officials & The Chamber of Commerce. However, it is the recommendation of this report that the existing hours should not be reduced. Too short a pedestrianised period leads to confusion and increases the risk due to conflict between pedestrians and traffic.

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ONE-WAY IN AND OUT SYSTEM FOR ROHE STREET CAR PARK:-

It is not recommended that such a system be installed for the following reasons:-

- (a) Because the Church Authorities do not want to generate traffic across the entrance to the Church building, i.e., during funerals or weddings, this effectively limits entrances from the John Street side to a single entrance.
- (b) The peak demand on the car park created at Mass times, funerals and weddings would likely give rise to unacceptable queuing on the road at the single entrance. Conversely, if there were two entrances and one exit, this would compound the existing congestion in the car park.
- (c) The Local Authority's power to enforce such Bye-Laws on Church property is unclear. The Church Authorities, in the past, have indicated that they were not in favour of people being prosecuted for traffic violations on church property.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:-

The Gardai and Traffic Wardens will pay particular attention to deal with complaints of illegal parking at the junctions of Anne Street and The Quay and Parnell Street/Trinity Street, Peter Street/ South Main Street. Illegal parking after business hours is to be given particular attention by the Gardai.

The Gardai will pay particular attention to complaints of speeding in the Corish Park area."

In relation to the recommendation regarding Clifford Street it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Alderman Byrne to proceed as per the joint recommendation. It was noted that the cost of these works would be included in the 1990 Estimate. Arising out of discussion on this matter it was agreed on the request of Councillor Corish that the Town Clerk and Borough Engineer would meet with a delegation of traders from the North end of Wexford regarding the short term disruption of parking and traffic flow in this area during the Urban Renewal Works.

In relation to St. Peter's Square it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Councillor Byrne, seconded by Alderman Byrne to proceed as per the Joint Recommendation contained in the report. It was noted that the costs of these works would be included in the 1990 Estimate.

In relation to High Street/Mary Street it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Reck, to proceed as per the recommendation contained in the report above. It was noted by the Meeting that the cost of the works proposed would be included in the 1990 Estimate.

Alderman Reck referred to difficulties caused to residents at Bride Street because of cars parking in the area and Alderman Byrne referred to similar difficulties at Thomas Clarke Place and John Street and following discussion it was unanimously agreed to consider the introduction of disc parking in these areas at the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee for which a report from the Borough Engineer on the matter would be considered.

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In relation to Cornmarket it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Reck to proceed as per the recommendation contained in the Joint Report. It was noted by the Meeting that the cost of this work would be included in the 1990 Estimate.

In relation to Selskar it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Byrne to proceed as per the recommendation contained in the report. It was noted that the cost of the works proposed would be included in the 1990 Estimate.

Pedestrianisation hours were then considered and the recommendation of the Borough Engineer and Sergeant Lyttleton that the existing pedestrianisation hours would remain was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Byrne.

The provision of a one-way in and out system for Rowe Street Church Car Park was considered and the recommendation of the Borough Engineer and Sergeant Lyttleton that the existing system would not be altered was unanimously adopted.

It was noted that the Gardai and Traffic Wardens would pay particular attention in relation to illegal parking at various locations mentioned throughout the town.

In reply to Councillor Corish the Borough Engineer stated that the provision of Children at Play Signs at Ferndale Park would be considered.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 2nd OCTOBER, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

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

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

Apologies from Alderman Howlin and Councillors Byrne and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

CIVIC RECEPTION.

ON the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Roche, it was unanimously agreed that a civic reception would be afforded to the County Wexford Ladies Football Team on Monday, 9th October at 8.00 p.m., and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

MEETINGS.

It was unanimously agreed that a special meeting of Wexford Corporation previously arranged for the 13th October would now be held on the 20th October, the first Preliminary Estimates Meeting would be held on 23rd October at 7.30 p.m., and a meeting of the Employment Committee would be held on 31st October at 7.30 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN - EXTENSION OF PERIOD

On the proposal of Councillor Roche, seconded by Alderman Byrne, it was unanimously agreed that an extension of the period within which the Plan must be reviewed be sought from the Minister for the Environment to the 31st May, 1990, to enable compliance with the statutory requirements for reviewing the Development Plan.

MINUTES:-

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 4th September, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were 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 were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted.

- (a) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 25.9.1989.
- (b) Housing Committee Meeting held on 25.9.1989.
- (c) Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 25.9.1989.

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LICENCE AT BRIDE STREET CAR PARK

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty, it was unanimously agreed to authorise the granting of a Licence to Ms. Sheila Bourke, 10 Bride Street for the purpose of placing a vehicle access onto Bride Street Car Park in accordance with the Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88 (3) of the Housing Act, 1966, as previously circulated.

MOTIONS:-Wexford Swimming Pool:-

The following Motion was proposed by Councillor Roche, seconded by Councillor Corish:-

"That the remedial work necessary to re-open Wexford Swimming Pool be carried out immediately; that a deputation be sent to the Minister for the Environment to seek funding for this work and that the reserve funds of Wexford Borough Council be used pending the allocation of moneys by central Government".

A lengthy discussion on this matter was held to which all Members contributed in reply to which the Manager stated that the Remedial Works required were of a very technical and specialised field and that there were not sufficient reserve funds available in the Corporation to undertake the works proposed. Arising out of this discussion it was unanimously agreed to defer further consideration of the matter to the Special Meeting of the Corporation to be held on the 20th October.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

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

"That Wexford Corporation arrange a joint meeting with Wexford District Committee of the County Council and our Engineering Consultants to discuss in full the design proposals and plans for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme with a view to arriving at a consensus on how this most important Scheme can be advanced".

Following a lengthy discussion on the terms of this motion to which all Members contributed, a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In favour:- Councillor Corish (1).

Against:- Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Kiernan,
Councillors : Nolan, O'Flaherty, Enright,
Roche, Kavanagh (8).

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

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SOUTH STATION

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Roche, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

"That this Council calls on C.I.E. to have trains make a stop at Wexford's South Station and that we are not impressed with the present state of the station and its surrounds".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder suggested that the station could be used as a pick-up and set down point of convenience for the people in the South end of Wexford town and that tickets could be made available on trains. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

TRAFFIC MOVEMENT

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

"That more slow signs be erected for traffic throughout the town".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder requested that the Borough Engineer and Garda Síochána be requested to identify suitable areas in the town for the provision of such signs for discussion at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting of the Borough Council and it was further agreed that this report would also include the provision of ramps at suitable locations throughout the town to slow down traffic.

COOKERS IN FLATS FOR ELDERLY

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Corish, seconded by Councillor Nolan:-

"This Corporation agrees that cookers are provided in all Corporation flats allocated to our elderly citizens".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder suggested that cookers should be provided with all flats, both new and old for all new tenancies. The Town Clerk stated that the provision of cookers in new flats was a matter for the Department of the Environment and following discussion it was unanimously agreed to refer the motion to the Minister for the Environment.

OZONE LAYER

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Corish, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty:-

"This Corporation should take immediate action to exert pressure on the Government to ban the use and sale of goods containing chlorofluorocarbons (C.F.C.'s) (which are destroying our Ozone Layer)."

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Councillor Corish proposed that the motion would be amended to replace "ban" with "to rapidly phase out". The amended motion was seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty and following discussion unanimously adopted.

SPEED LIMIT AT DISTILLERY ROAD

It was unanimously agreed to defer the following motion from Councillor Mahoney to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee:-

"That this Council call on the Gardai to control the speed limit in the area of the Distillery Road, Bishopswater and Duncannon Line and barriers be placed at each side of St. Joseph's Youth Club to safeguard the lives of the youth".

ANTI-NUCLEAR POLICY.

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

"That this Borough Council, fully aware of the dangers of Nuclear Power Producing Plants, call on the Government to ensure that no link-up with the E.C. Electricity Grid be even contemplated thereby comprising this State's Anti-Nuclear Policy".

DECADE OF THE DISABLED

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

"In this the United Nations declared decade of the disabled that we as a caring and concerned Borough Council make a special effort to promote interest and co-operation with agencies dealing with developmental disabilities".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder requested that the motion be circulated to all Local Authorities and to write to the Government suggesting extra state/lottery funding for organisations and agencies dealing with developmental disabilities which exists in all communities throughout the country. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

BOUNDARY EXTENSION

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

"That this Corporation, recognising the aspirations of the disfranchised people of Wexford Town expressed for many years at meetings of this Borough Council, recognising the de-facto town of Wexford and its medium-term development prospects and to allow for uniform planning of the Wexford Town Urban Community, immediately take the necessary legal steps to have the archaic boundary of the Borough extended prior to the next local elections".

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Arising out of discussion on the motion it was unanimously agreed the Manager would investigate the position and up-date previous reports on the proposal to extend the borough boundary with a view to expediting this matter and following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS:-

In reply to Councillor Roche the Borough Engineer stated that the Contract Documents for the Main Drainage Scheme had been submitted to the Department in 1986 for approval and that the decision of the Department was awaited. In reply to Councillor Roche the Town Clerk gave details of the land and infill sites owned by the Corporation and designated for house building purposes.

In reply to Councillor Roche the Town Clerk stated that small dwellings provided by the Corporation for the housing/elderly or special category cases were excluded from the National Tenant Purchase Scheme.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor O'Flaherty referred to the Register of Electors which was currently in the process of being revised and asked what special arrangements were being made in the current year to ensure that the errors of previous years were not repeated. Following discussion the Town Clerk stated that the Revenue Collectors who prepared the Register of Electors initially had requested a Meeting with the Borough Council to consider this matter and this was welcomed by the Meeting. It was agreed that the Meeting with the Revenue Collectors/^{would} be held at the next appropriate meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
3rd OCTOBER, 1989 AT WEXFORD SWIMMING POOL AT 7.00 p.m.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

Aldermen:- D.M. Kiernan.

Councillors:- J. O'Flaherty, H. Corish, V. Byrne.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Ferrybank Recreation Centre.
Mr. J. Ffrench, Wexford Swimming Club.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor suggested that the members should inspect the pool area so as to view at first-hand the problems and to discuss the proposals to alleviate same. This was agreed. When the inspection was complete the meeting reconvened in the shop area of the pool.

A general discussion took place on the various proposals and projects and it was proposed by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. H. Corish to accept the costings on these proposals as follows:-

- (1) Re-insulation of pool walls and ceiling - tender of C.F.O. recommended at £40,000 gross.
- (2) Construction of new Chlorine House and extensions to Ladies & Gents Changing Rooms - Cost £45,000.
- (3) Replacement of tarmacadam surface with Impact Paving in playground - Cost £10,800.
- (4) Alterations to solar panel heating system and spectator seating in pool - Cost £2,500.

It was further agreed that a report be prepared for the next meeting of proposals to provide new facilities such as a gym and an extension of the Caravan Park.

After a lengthy discussion on all aspects of the various proposals it was proposed by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. D. Kiernan and unanimously agreed:-

- (1) That the committee recommend to the Borough Council that a programme of works amounting to £100,000 be adopted and that the Borough Council be recommended to make formal application to the Department of the Environment and seek a deputation with the Minister to obtain 100% funding for the works.
- (2) The £40,000 gross estimate for the re-insulation works be accepted and request the Borough Council to consider the methods by which this could be funded.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1989 AT 6.00
P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

ALDERMEN:- P. Reck,

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

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that the purpose for calling the meeting was to consider appropriate arrangements for a number of persons and following discussion to which all Members contributed, it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty, to recommend that the Freedom of the Borough be conferred on His Lordship the Bishop of Ferns, Bishop Brendan Comiskey, to afford a civic reception to Very Reverend Archbishop Eames on his forthcoming visit to Wexford and to Mr. Tony O'Reilly on his forthcoming visit to the opening of the Wexford Opera Festival and in addition to honour in a special way former Mayor, Tom Byrne at a civic reception recommended to be held prior to the end of the current year for former Mayors and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER, 1989 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. M.X. Dillon, County Manager,
Mr. S. Dooley, Manager,
Mr. D.E. Curtin, Town Clerk,
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer,
Mr. D. Foley, National Building Agency,
Mr. M. O'Connor, National Building Agency,
Fr. P. Cogan, Respond,
Mr. F. Roche, Respond.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed the four visitors to the meeting.

WESTLANDS DEVELOPMENT

His Worship the Mayor introduced Fr. Cogan who gave a slide and plans demonstration of the Respond activities to-date and proposals for the Westlands Development. Questions raised by members were answered by Fr. Cogan and in reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that the proposal was to dispose of the Westlands site for the costs to-date to the Corporation (approx. £80,000) to Respond to develop the lands in accordance with the plans shown at the meeting and the market value of the house and lands was in the order of £240,000. The difference between the acquisition price and the market value would be allowable as a local contribution for the purposes of state assistance with the voluntary housing project. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin to proceed with the proposal as outlined. His Worship the Mayor thanked Fr. Cogan and Mr. Roche for their attendance at the meeting and Fr. Cogan and Mr. Roche then departed.

DEVELOPMENT OF JOHN STREET BACKLANDS.

His Worship the Mayor then introduced Mr. Foley and Mr. O'Connor to the meeting and Mr. O'Connor of the N.B.A. then gave a presentation of the development proposals for the local authority and private housing developments at John Street Backlands. The plans of the proposed development were circulated for consideration and the County Manager outlined details of the proposal which included the appointment of the N.B.A. as the development agents for the private housing section and the revision of the development line at the rear of the existing houses in John Street to allow existing residents to retain a further (approx.) 31 ft. of garden space. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to proceed.

with the development as proposed and it was noted by the meeting that tenders for the development of the 1st phase of local authority and private development would be sought within two weeks of the meeting. The Manager in reply to questions outlined the uncertainty in relation to financing because of the sale of lands prior to the establishment of compensation and outlined the potential for loss to the Corporation funds of undertaking this form of development which he stated was in a similar position to the undertaking of the urban renewal developments in general. This was noted by the meeting. The members paid tribute to the Manager, staff and the N.B.A. for all of the works undertaken in this and the other urban renewal ventures and the proposal was unanimously adopted.

CARCUR SPORTS CENTRE

Mr. O'Connor then gave the presentation of the proposals for the development of a Sports Centre at Carcur and outlined the 1st phase proposal which would cost in the order of £430,000. The County Manager stated that of the total cost of £430,000 a grant had been notified from the Department of Education of £300,000 which left a balance of £130,000 to be raised locally and suggested that this local contribution should be at least substantially raised by the local athletic and other groups who would be utilising the facility. The proposal was welcomed by the meeting and arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne that a public meeting would be held for all interested town and county groups including the Able-Disabled Club, St. Michael's, Wexford Soccer District League, the B.L.E., the B.L.O.E., etc., who could be part of this proposal and it was further agreed to contact the Department of Education and the Department of the Environment to clarify the position in relation to the grant and particularly seeking sanction to the commencement of works before the local contribution had been raised.

Urban Renewal Developments - Progress Report

The Town Clerk stated that contracts with the developer of the Temperance Row site had been completed and that developments were now well in hands on the site. It was expected that the contracts for the Redmond Place and Cornmarket sites would be completed within the two weeks following the meeting and that pending the completion of these contracts site clearance work was being undertaken by the approved developers. This was noted with satisfaction by the meeting. The County Manager stated that an approach had been made by a local developer in relation to the lands adjoining the North Station with a proposal for commercial development on these lands. He requested guidance of the members in relation to dealings with this developer since the development lands provided for the provision of a linear park through the site. On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Enright it was agreed that consideration of this matter would be deferred until details of the developer's proposals were available.

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It was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to resolve to call on C.I.E. to reconcile their parking arrangements with the proposed development of the new Town Square at Redmond Place and to facilitate the Corporation in providing this excellent new amenity in Wexford. Arising out of this discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to pursue the transfer of the lands at the Bridge from the Harbour Commissioners to the Corporation.

The County Manager stated that an approach had been made by a local firm of auctioneers on behalf of the developer seeking the assistance of the Corporation in compiling the site at Selskar Street to enable development to be undertaken on this site. The developers had assembled a portion of the site and were unable to complete their intended development site because of their inability to contact the reputed owner of 21, Selskar Street. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin that the site at 21, Selskar Street would be compulsorily acquired and that when acquired would be offered for public tender for development proposals.

In relation to the overall urban renewal programme the County Manager referred to the potential financial difficulties arising out of selling sites to developers prior to compensation being assessed and to the difficulties in having compensation assessed in a number of cases. He reminded members that it had been previously agreed that a potential loss of £150,000 would accrue from the development of the commercial sites. In relation to the Westgate Development the Manager stated that a further grant of £50,000 had been notified by the Department of the Environment on the basis of matching funds being available. The next phase of the Westgate Tower and Coach House restoration would cost £71,000 and that the overall shortfall estimated in relation to the funding of the Westgate Development net of Department Grants already notified amounted to £180,000 if the works were to be completed. The Manager stated that an approach was being made to the Department in the week following the meeting to view the overall amenity proposals for all of the sites as a whole in order to attract extra government grant but could give no guarantee that such would be forthcoming. In the meantime he sought the direction of the members in relation to the completion of the Westgate project. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to proceed with the second phase of the Westgate works as outlined and that the cost would be carried by the Corporation pending resolution of the final financial solution.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that Standing Orders would be adjourned to allow the business of the meeting excluding Items 5 and 6 on the agenda to be completed and on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed to adjourn these items to a further Special Meeting to be held at 7.00 p.m. on 23rd October, 1989.

Other Business

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would make a presentation to the retiring Chairman of the London/Wexfordmen's Association, Mr. Michael Sills, during his forthcoming visit to London to attend the Association's Annual Dinner Dance and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the Very Rev. Arch. Eames at 5.00 p.m. on Saturday 28th October, 1989 and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche the recommendation of the Protocol Committee to grant the Freedom of the Borough of Wexford to His Lordship the Bishop of Ferns, Bishop Brendan Commiskey was agreed without dissent.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER, 1989 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. S. Dooley, 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 he and all members of the Corporation had been invited to attend at a service in St. Iberius on the Sunday following the meeting and notice for this would issue to all members.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme

The County Manager outlined the history of the scheme commencing in 1978 with public participation actively sought by the Corporation. He stated that while the scheme had now homed-in in the public eye to the quay extension and the woodenworks it should be remembered that there were significant engineering works involved. He outlined the proposal of the Corporation established over the years in relation to the development of the quay extension to include bandstand, some parking, existing sea furniture to be retained and the provision of new port-type street furniture and appropriate landscaping including provision of a wooden walkway along the extended quay front. The Manager submitted an outline of the proposals for the detailing of the quay extension in accordance with these expressed wishes. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed in reply to which the County Manager stated that if action was to be taken against C.I.E. in relation to the condition of the existing woodenworks it should be by that part of the community which considers that the woodenworks are a tourist attraction. He reiterated that it was not a new plan which was before the members of the Corporation but the detailing of the expressed wishes of the Corporation over the years. He pointed out that the number of car parking spaces on the quay extension had never been fixed and that it had never been intended that the entire extension would be devoted to car parking and he sought the clarification from the members on whether they wished the scheme to proceed as planned or that the scheme should be deferred pending further study. Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Corporation endorse support for the plans of the Main Drainage Scheme as already proposed and endorse confidence in the ability of the County Manager and his staff to implement the aspirations of the Corporation to ensure that the scheme proceeds whilst noting that the Department of the Environment had stated that an Environmental Impact Assessment

was not required because of the depths of Corporation study at Preliminary Document and Contract Document stage. A vote on this proposal was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Aid. Reck, Aid. Byrne, Aid. Howlin, Aid. Kiernan,
----- Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh,
Mahoney (10).

Against:- Cllrs. Byrne, Corish (2).

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

Wexford Swimming Pool.

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

"At the meeting of the Swimming Pool Committee held on 3rd October, 1989 the recommendation of the Borough Engineer for the acceptance of the lowest tender in the sum of £32,494 for the removal and replacement of the asbestos sound shield was accepted. The meeting further accepted the Borough Engineer's recommendation for the sum of £7,506 to be budgeted to cover the Contract, contingencies, supervision, fees, providing electrical and water facilities for the Contractor, replacement of lights, currently damaged tiles and a number of other alterations which are in need of replacement at the Pool. The Swimming Pool Committee were informed that the replacement insulation proposed by the lowest tenderer was the subject of further discussions with Eolas who are acting as Consultants for the Corporation. These discussions with Eolas resulted in alterations in the materials to be used and arising out of subsequent discussions with the proposed Contractor the revised re-insulation was accepted within the overall original tender price.

Formal application has been made to the Department of the Environment for sanction and finances for the £40,000 estimated expenditure involved and an early decision on this application is expected. There are two options available to the Corporation at this point in time in relation to the carrying out of the proposed works:-

- (1) Await the Department of the Environment sanction prior to accepting the tender;
- (2) To accept the tender and commence work forthwith on the basis of making provision to carry the £40,000 cost over a period of 5 years in the Revenue Est. at £8,000 p.a."

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(3)

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Roche to proceed with the contract for the remedial works on the basis of Department funding being forthcoming and tailing Department funding notification prior to the Estimates Meeting the matter of this provision would be addressed at the Estimates Meeting.

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Enright to await the Department of the Environment sanction prior to accepting the tender and to allow a period of two weeks for the Department to respond and in addition to seek an urgent meeting with the Minister for the Environment to seek finance for the project. On the basis of this proposal Ald. Howlin and Cllr. Roche withdrew their proposal and the remaining proposal was unanimously adopted. It was further agreed that the deputation to the Minister would be the members of the Corporation who were members of the Swimming Pool Committee.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

6th DAY OF November 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF 1ST PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY 23RD OCTOBER, 1989 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.
----- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

The attached discussion document was circulated and considered by the meeting.

The Manager outlined the basis of the discussion document and stated that the estimates were drafted on the basis of the 1989 Rates Support Grant from the Department. Arising out of discussion on the document it was agreed unanimously that the Arts and Amenity Grants would be determined during the course of the estimates. It was further unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor to oppose the introduction of bank charges by the Bank of Ireland and to support the County Manager's stand in this regard.

The Manager stated that for the second preliminary estimates meeting the Book of Estimates would be circulated to each member. It was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Roche that this Book of Estimates be prepared without the inclusion of water charges. It was proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne that a decision on the inclusion or exclusion of water charges be deferred pending considerations during the estimates. A vote on this amendment was then taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Byrne, Kiernan, Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty,
----- Kavanagh (6).

Against:- Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish,
----- Mahoney (6).

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

Other Business

It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that a public presentation of the five major capital items discussed at the special meetings would be made during the month of November to acquaint the public with the work in these

areas being undertaken by the Corporation.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the Statutory Estimates Meeting of Wexford Corporation would be held on Monday 27th November, 1989 at 7.30 p.m. It was further agreed that the 2nd Preliminary Estimates Meeting would be held on Thursday 16th November, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr. Roche referred to an article in the Sunday Indp. on the day preceeding the meeting which incorrectly stated that there was no urban renewal in Wexford and it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would point out the error to the reporter who was covering the Wexford Opera Festival which a view to having a retraction printed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Patrick Valens

BARDAS LOCH GARMAN

Wexford Corporation,

Municipal Buildings,

Wexford.

Telephone Nos. 22611 & 22987

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Aras an Bhardais,

Loch Garman.

20th October, 1989.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

DISCUSSION DOCUMENT FOR 1ST ESTIMATES MEETING TO BE HELD
23RD OCTOBER, 1989.

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS 1990 OVER 1989.

- (1) Net additional requirement in 1990 to maintain the level of services at 1989 levels utilising the same sources and levels of income.....£117,625.00

(2) New Works/New Services

The Members have passed resolutions in 1989 to carry out certain proposals as follows:-

Traffic Improvements.....	£20,000
Crosstown Cemetery Improvement.....	£20,000
Clean-Up of old Graveyards.....	£ 4,400
Sw. Pool Remedial Works.....	£40,000
	<u>£84,400</u>

Provision has been made in the Estimates to carry out these works in 1990, partly by direct charge in 1990 and partly by internal loan for a number of years.

The provision in 1990 amounts to.....£ 22,400.00

A number of other items are provided for in 1990 as follows:-

- (1) A chimney sweeping service of all Corporation tenanted houses. The principle is that by ensuring proper cleaning on a regular basis the Corporation can manage the risk of chimney fires which should show savings in other areas. Estimate provision in 1990 is.....£ 8,163.00
- (2) A C.A.A.S. Report on buildings of architectural interest in Wexford is to be produced. Provision in 1990 is.....£ 3,500.00
- (3) The Corporation's treasurers (Bank of Ireland, Custom House Quay, Wexford) have indicated their decision to break the tradition of not charging service charges. Provision in 1990 is.....£ 3,000.00
- (4) A Scheme to encourage and foster the use of traditional shop fronts and sign writing, removed from the 1989 Estimates has been repeated in 1990. Provision in 1990 is.....£ 2,500.00

- (5) A proposal to set up a fund to finance the 1798 Commemorations has been provided for. Provision in 1990 is.....£ 5,000.00
- (6) Provision must be made in 1990 for the holding of Elections. Provision in 1990 is.....£ 7,500.00

Total additional net expenditure for which extra funding is required in 1990....£169,688.00

AREAS OF POTENTIAL FUNDING FOR NET ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.

(A) Increased Income:-

- (1) Applying net anticipated savings in 1989 expenditure and anticipated higher income than estimated.....£ 53,270.00
- (2) Applying 5% Rate Increase (Incl. Dom. Rates Support Grant Shortfall Adjustment).....£ 39,855.00
- (3) Increase Dom. Water Charges by 100%.....£ 86,000.00
- (4) Increase Commercial Refuse Charges by 100%..£ 10,000.00
- (5) Increase Graveyard Charges to £100 per opening, £100 per sale of spaces would generate extra income of.....£ 6,500.00
- (6) Increase Swimming Pool Charges to -
Children.....75p
Adults.....£1.50
Groups.....£20, £25, & £30
would generate extra income of.....£ 15,700.00

(B) Expenditure Cut-Backs:-

- (1) Removal from estimates of new works/new services at (2) above (other than essential items 2.3 and 2.6 amounting to £10,500) would reduce expenditure by.....£ 41,563.00
- (2) Removal of arts grants, cultural grants, supervised play scheme, resident association grants, housing estate competition, shop fronts and such items would reduce expenditure by.....£ 29,000.00
- (3) Cut in payroll costs by (a) not employing 2 casuals in 1990 would reduce expenditure by £9,344 and (b) not providing temporaries would reduce expenditure by £39,300. (c) stopping all overtime would reduce expenditure by £21,375. All three would reduce expenditure by.....£ 70,019.00

D.F. Curlin,
Town Clerk.

20th October, 1989.

MINUTES OF EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 1989 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. P. Nolan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Ald. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. McAuliffe, Regional Manager, I.D.A.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the President of the Presbyterian Church on his visit to Wexford on the 6th November, 1989 at 12.00 noon and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a presentation would be made by His Worship the Mayor on his forthcoming visit to the London/Wexfordmens Association Dinner Dance to the outgoing Chairman of the Association, Mr. Michael Sills, in view of his dedicated work to the Association over 10 years as Chairman and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Mahoney it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the Order of Malta who were celebrating their 50th Anniversary in Wexford Town on the 18th November, 1989 at 6.00 p.m. and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to the two kick-boxers from Wexford who won World Titles in the recent championships at 7.00 p.m. on 25th November, 1989 and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

Industrial Development

His Worship the Mayor then welcomed Mr. T. McAuliffe, Regional Manager of the I.D.A. to the meeting and reminded the meeting that Mr. McAuliffe's attendance was arising out of the following motion which had been agreed at a previous meeting of the Committee:-

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"This Borough Council calls for the establishment in Wexford of a full-time I.D.A. Office with staff to include an I.D.A. Executive."

All members contributed to a lengthy discussion and outlined particular areas of concern in relation to Wexford. In reply to the motion and to the questions of members Mr. McAuliffe stated that the I.D.A. only operate from 8 Regional Offices and always had had an office in Kerry. It had moved last year from Tralee to Kilarney and the necessity for an office in Kerry was because of the distance from the Regional Office which was located in Cork City. The I.D.A. had limited resources e.g. public finance cut-backs had reduced the I.D.A. staff resources by 250 over the past three years and the I.D.A. did have a permanent small industry representative in County Wexford.

Mr. McAuliffe further pointed out that the general trend during the eighties was for poor economic performance because of the national and international recession. However in Wexford Town between 1988 and 1989 almost 500 net extra jobs in the manufacturing industry were created. This was an encouraging trend since it increased the manufacturing based employment by almost 25%. He pointed out that manufacturing industry was only one component in fighting unemployment statistics and stated that the principle reasons for the increase in net employment in manufacturing in Wexford Town was due to the expansion of existing industry. He stated that the potential of Wexford Town was excellent and praised the developments such as the Ring Road and Urban Renewal as major contributory factors enabling them to promote Wexford more fully. He pointed out that the Enterprise Centre had started two years ago and the I.D.A. as well as the Corporation had contributed to the setting up of this Centre. He stated that at present 4 out of 10 jobs in the county are in food-based industry and that this is an encouraging sign against the background of large-scale rationalisation in the industry nationally. Advanced factories were very successful in County Wexford but some years ago the I.D.A. nationally had its brief to provide advanced factories withdrawn by the Government. This being so they are trying to encourage private investment in advanced factories on sites provided by the I.D.A. In reply to further questions Mr. McAuliffe agreed that the I.D.A. would be represented on the Corporation's Jobs Forum proposed for Wexford and further arising out of the discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Byrne to invite the Irish Goods Council to have the Import Substitution Exhibition in Wexford as was proposed for Dublin, Cork and Galway.

His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. McAuliffe for his attendance at the meeting and Mr. McAuliffe then departed.

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BARRY CEREMONY

A letter from the Deputy Director General of Bord Failte to Cllr. Roche during his period of office as Mayor, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted. Arising out of discussion on the correspondence it was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that a series of lectures or seminars to expand subsequently into a summer school on John Barry would be held in or about the time of the Annual Corporation Barry Ceremony. The Town Clerk suggested the setting-up of a sub-committee of the Employment Committee based on two representatives of the Corporation, two representatives of the Historical Society, two representatives from the Educational field including the C.E.O. of the Wexford Town V.E.C. and a representative from Bord Failte who would pursue the idea of a series of lectures as proposed. This suggestion and proposal were unanimously adopted and on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed that Cllr. Roche would be one of the representatives on the sub-committee and on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh it was agreed that Cllr. O'Flaherty would be the second representative. It was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Cllrs. Roche & O'Flaherty and the Town Clerk would meet to discuss the other proposed persons for this sub-committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor raised the question of reports for meetings being held in Committee appearing in the local press and following discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed that this matter would be further considered at a future date.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that he was actively seeking a commitment from the I.P.A. to the organisation of the Poverty Action Year Seminar and would further pursue this matter with the I.P.A.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to support the provision of a language and technology institute centre based in Wexford for the following reasons:-

- (1) The number of small summer schools for foreign students already being run. These are now mainly for spanish but with projects in France and Germany presently emanating from the town educationalists in Wexford are getting requests from these countries for english language tuition. This was because of the proximity of the ferry service to Wexford.
- (2) The 1992 question and the arrival of the lingua project starting in 1990, not alone students but more especially business people will have a great demand for such courses.

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- (3) The lingua project especially mentions communications technology and the suggested courses in the suggested institute would be for two main areas (a) students and (b) business people incorporating language and technology (also with a tourist/cultural content).

It was further agreed to write to the Regional Construction Industry Federation Group and the local M.E.P.'s pointing out the need for such a centre and the suitability of Wexford for such a project and asking for their assistance.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6th DAY OF November 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. Peter Nolas.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 1989, AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

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

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

Apologies from Alderman Byrne for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. S. Dooley, Manager,
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk,
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer,
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 2nd October, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor O'Flaherty.

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

- (a) Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 29.9.1989.
- (b) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 18.10.1989.
- (c) Special Meeting held on 20.10.1989.
- (d) Resumed Special Meeting held on 23.10.1989.
- (e) 1st Preliminary Estimates Meeting held on 23.10.1989.
- (f) Employment Committee Meeting held on 31.10.1989.

Arising out of discussion of the Minutes, it was agreed that the copy of the reply made by the Town Clerk on behalf of the Corporation regarding the recent Sunday Independent article which stated that Wexford did not have Urban Renewal would be circulated to each Member and that the Town Clerk would again write to The Sunday Independent requesting that they set this matter right.

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Further arising out of the discussion it was noted that in the Minutes of the Employment Committee arising out of discussion of the proposal to support the provision of a Language and Technology Institute Centre based in Wexford, it was the CII and not CTF whose support should be sought.

HOUSING LOANS

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise the raising of a loan of £75,000 for Housing Finance Agency for the funding of income related and convertible loans for 1989.

SALE OF HOUSES

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwellings as listed hereunder in accordance with the Notice of the 19th October, 1989 in accordance with the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 90 of the Housing Act, 1966.

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3
53 Belvedere Grove, Wexford	Donald & Gertrude Sinnott	£10,780
64 Belvedere Grove, Wexford.	Patrick & Kathleen Conway	£10,780
14 Ashfield Drive Wexford.	John & Imelda Harpur	£10,180
38 Ferndale Park Wexford.	Frank & Elizabeth McAuley	£15,500
77 Ferndale Park, Wexford.	Mrs. Helen Walsh	£10,900
85 Ferndale Park, Wexford.	John & Emer Bergin	£10,120
5 Lr. Abbey Street, Wexford.	Mrs. Eileen Cosgrave	£ 9,460
10 Mannix Place, Wexford.	Mrs. Mary A. Hayes	£ 4,790

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COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3
66 Mannix Place, Wexford.	Mrs. Bridget Fenlon	£ 4,790
7 Talbot Green Wexford.	Nicholas White	£ 7,740
20 Talbot Green, Wexford.	Michael Lambert	£ 7,740
64 Talbot Green, Wexford.	Denis Lane	£ 7,415
65 Talbot Green Wexford.	Michael Duggan	£ 7,565
69 Talbot Green, Wexford.	Denis Kehoe	£ 8,090
82 Talbot Green, Wexford.	Liam McGuire	£ 6,865
86 Talbot Green, Wexford.	James Noctor	£ 6,865

Arising out of discussion on Tenant Purchase applications generally the Town Clerk stated in reply to queries regarding the delay in implementation of the Tenant Purchase Scheme that the volume of applications being dealt with with limited resources was very large, and confirmed that over 50% of the applications which could be dealt with had already been dealt with, the remainder of applications in this category would be dealt with during the month of November. It was also intended to finalise all of the applications which had been queried for financial reasons at an early date. The Town Clerk also stated that applications to purchase the ground rents of houses already sold by the Corporation would be dealt with following the completion of the Tenant Purchase Applications referred to. This was so because of the limited staff resources available in the Housing Section. However, it was hoped that the majority of these applications would be completed by early 1990. The Town Clerk also confirmed that where rent credits accrued for individual Tenant Purchase accounts in accordance with the Scheme of crediting of increased rent against Tenant Purchase accounts as previously discussed, the individual purchasers would be notified of the position.

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SALE OF LAND AT FERRYBANK

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Councillor Roche it was unanimously agreed to authorise the conveyance of a plot of ground at Ferrybank to Mr. John Igoe for the sum of £480.00 in accordance with Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88 (3) of the Housing Act, 1966 dated 11th October, 1989 as had previously been circulated.

INCREASE IN STAFF REMUNERATION

On the proposal of Councillor O'Flaherty, seconded by Alderman Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise the revised remuneration of Grades 4 to 7 and analogous grades in accordance with Circular Letter EL 12/89 dated 4th October, 1989.

MOTIONS

Tenant Purchase Schemes for Small Dwelling Units.

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

"That the Tenant Purchase Scheme be extended or amended to include non-elderly tenants of two-bed units who are anxious to purchase".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder and all members of the Council accepted the need to retain the units particularly in the town centre for the re-housing from time to time of elderly persons, but that houses in the suburbs of Wexford such as in Belvedere Grove should be sold to younger couples. The Manager stated that the sale of dwelling units presented a dilemma for the Corporation and that he would examine the position having regard to the comments of the Members. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Priority Lists for single-bedroomed units

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

"That Wexford Corporation supports a motion to draw up a priority list for single bedroom units"

The Manager outlined the effect of the new housing assessment rules currently being implemented and which would be effective from the 1st April, 1990 and this was noted by the Meeting. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Housing Loans Policy

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

"That Wexford Corporation introduces a comprehensive review of its housing loan policy with a view to making it easier for housing applicants to acquire finance".

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held to which all Members contributed and in reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the current system. The Manager stated that he was not adverse to an examination of any of the Corporation's systems to see if further efficiencies could be achieved and that he would examine the position in relation to the Housing Loans procedure. The motion was unanimously adopted.

PROGRAMME FOR THE ABOLITION OF LITTER

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh seconded by Councillor Enright :

"That this Council initiate a programme which will involve the Local Authority, Residents Associations, Business Community, Schools and other Voluntary Groups to free the town and the environs of litter".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder suggested the rigorous prosecution of litter offenders and the formation of a Wexford Tidy Towns Committee. They also suggested the provision of more litter bins in estates and on streets and the fact that roof gutters were in bad condition, particularly in the town centre and this matter should be dealt with. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that the motion would be further discussed at the next G.P. Committee Meeting with a view to forming the Programme suggested in the motion.

DUBLIN/BELFAST RAILWAY LINE

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Enright seconded by Alderman Reck, and following discussion was unanimously adopted:

- (a) "This" Borough Council, noting the success of the Peace Train initiative from Dublin to Belfast, affirms that freedom of movement is a basic civil right and that disrupting the rail line is a denial of this right. Accordingly, we call on the I.R.A. to:

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- (a) Stop disrupting this service which has linked the people of Dublin and Belfast for over a Century.
- (b) Stop putting the lives of passengers and rail staff at risk and
- (c) Stop threatening the jobs of railway workers.

Copies of this motion to be circulated to:-

- (a) Dublin and Belfast City Councils.
- (b) All other Local Councils in County Wexford".

IRISH AMERICAN FESTIVAL

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

"That this Borough Council immediately take the initiative necessary to plan next year's Irish American Festival and that proper funding is sought from private and public tourism promotion sources to ensure that a correct and professional image is portrayed in the United States for the Festival".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was unanimously agreed to refer the motion to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee to discuss the arrangements necessary for the planning of the Festival as proposed. Arising out of discussion on the motion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Enright that Alderman Kiernan would be a Member of the Sub Committee of the Council set up at the Employment Committee for the purposes of promoting the Barry Commemoration Ceremony Lectures.

SMOKING DURING MEETINGS

On the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Roche, it was unanimously agreed that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the following motion to be proposed. Standing Orders were so suspended and the following motion was then proposed by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Roche:

"In order to promote public health that Members, Officials and Visitors refrain from smoking during Meetings of Wexford Borough Council".

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

In favour:

Alderman: Reck, Howlin, Kiernan,
Councillors: Nolan, O'Flaherty, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh,
Corish, Mahoney (10)

Against:- Councillor Byrne (1)

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

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Roche referred to the difficulties created by the illegal parking on Main Street at night and it was agreed to list this matter on the Traffic Management Committee Agenda.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Alderman Reck, the Town Clerk stated that for the purposes of renaming George's Street as St. Oliver Plunkett Street, a formal resolution of intent by the Borough Council was required to commence the procedure.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF December 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD Patrick Nolan.

MINUTES OF SECOND PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1989 AT
7.30 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.
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PRESIDING:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P.
Nolan.

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

COUNCILLORS:- V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Alderman Howlin and Councillor O'Flaherty for
their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

VOTE OF GOOD WISHES

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the
Mayor, seconded by Councillor O'Mahoney a unanimous vote of good
wishes for a speedy recovery to Councillor O'Flaherty, who was
recently hospitalised, was adopted. All Members and the Manager,
on his own behalf, and on behalf of the staff associated with the
vote of good wishes.

ESTIMATES

The Manager's estimate of expenses for 1990, as had previously
been circulated, was then considered. His Worship the Mayor
asked the Manager to outline the principal features of the
estimate. The Manager referred to the high costs involved in
1990 for retaining services at 1989 levels. He outlined the new
works included at the request of the Borough Council and outlined
the overall costs and receipts and gave details of the major
changes. He referred, in particular, to the major
Infrastructural Programme adopted in recent years, as outlined in
his statement, to the operational costs of the proposed
Sanitary Services Schemes and to the fact that financial
implications would be involved in any proposed Borough Boundary
extension.

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The Manager stated that he expected sanction for £40,000 for the Remedial Works at the Swimming Pool within the coming days. He stated that in the week following the meeting the first phase of the John Street/Westgate Housing Development would be advertised and gave details of the four other Housing Schemes currently with the Department of the Environment for sanction. He stated that in response to the request of the Borough Council at the previous meeting, arrangements were being made for an exhibition of the major capital projects in Wexford Arts Centre in December and he gave details of the increase in the rates support grant, which he stated was subject to audit and may be adjusted downwards subsequent to audit. However, for the purposes of his estimate he had included the rates support grant figure as notified.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all Members contributed following which the individual programme groups were systematically considered. The Meeting discussed the elements in each of the first four programme groups. Arising out of this discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche that consideration would be given to the introduction of special free discs for parking for persons attending conferences in Wexford with provision on the free disc for the dates parking allowed etc. It was further agreed on the proposal of Councillor Enright that the provision of tasteful advertising hoardings in the car park on a franchise basis would be considered. In reply to questions regarding the provision for the 1798 Commemoration the Manager stated that the provision in his estimate was intended to be the first contribution to a fund which would be used prior to 1998 to suitably commemorate the 1798 Rebellion in the Borough Area by the erection of a suitable and substantial development which would be decided by the Borough Council in due course.

Following further discussion it was agreed to adjourn for the consideration of the estimate to the next Preliminary Estimates Meeting which would be held immediately following the adjournment of the Statutory Meeting on the 27th November, 1989.

OTHER BUSINESS

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, it was unanimously agreed to authorise the attendance of His Worship the Mayor at the People of the Year Awards in Dublin and the County Handball Finals in New Ross and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF December 1989.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD Patrick McLeary.

MINUTES OF STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD

PRESIDING:-

His Worship the Mayor,
Councillor P. Nolan.

ALDERMEN:-

P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin,
D.M. Kiernan,

COUNCILLORS:

V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, J. Mahoney,

Apologies from Councillor O'Flaherty for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. S. Dooley, Manager,
Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR 1990

The Manager's Estimate of Expenses for 1990 and Report thereon (as attached), copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. On the proposal of Alderman Kiernan, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the Statutory Estimates Meeting until Monday 11th December, 1989, at 7.30 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF December 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF THIRD PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27th NOVEMBER 1989
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE STATUTORY
ESTIMATES MEETING, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDING, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING

His Worship the Mayor,
Councillor P. Nolan.

ALDERMEN:-

P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin,
D. M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS

V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Councillor O'Flaherty for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE : DEPUTATION

A request from the President of Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce that the Borough Council receive a deputation at their next Meeting in order to make a submission to the Corporation on the subject of commercial rates and service charges for 1990 was then considered. It was proposed by Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh that the deputation would be received at the December Monthly Meeting. An amendment was proposed by Councillor Enright, seconded by Councillor Byrne that because of time constraints on the Borough Council, the Chamber be invited to make a written submission to be circulated to all Members instead. A vote on the amendment was taken, which resulted as follows:

In favour:

Aldermen : Howlin, Kiernan.

Councillors: Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish and
Mahoney. (9)

Against: Nil

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

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MARINA IN WEXFORD HARBOUR

An invitation from the Secretary of Wexford Harbour Commissioners to the Corporation to nominate two Members to accompany a deputation to the Minister for the Marine in order to seek finance to prepare a detailed study of Wexford Harbour in connection with the Marina Project, was then considered. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Kiernan that Councillor Roche would be one of the Members and it was further unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh, that Alderman Kiernan would be the second Nominee.

GET WELL MESSAGE

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, an unanimous vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery to Councillor O'Flaherty was adopted, all Members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the proposal.

ESTIMATES 1989

The meeting then continued their consideration of the individual programme groups and systematically considered Programme Groups 5, 6, 7 and 8. The Manager gave details of each of the elements in the Programme Groups and a lengthy discussion was held to which all Members contributed. Arising out of discussion on the commercial refuse charges introduced in 1989 it was agreed that a schedule of the refuse charges as assessed be circulated to each Member for consideration at the next Preliminary Estimates Committee Meeting. Further arising out of general discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Roche that details of the total financial transactions with Wexford Co. Council would be given to each Member for consideration at the next Preliminary Estimates Committee Meeting. The Manager stated that the contract for the Remedial Works at Wexford Swimming Pool would be signed during the week of the Meeting and that the second phase of improvement works at the Swimming Pool would be discussed further at a future meeting of the Borough Council. The Town Clerk stated that as had been requested by the Borough Council applications had been invited from clubs and groups in the town for the 1990 Amenity and Cultural Grants, but because of the low number of applications the final date for receipt of applications had been extended. Reminders were being issued to each of the clubs and groups who had applied for such grants in the previous years. Councillor Roche referred to the Archaeological Dig Site at Bride Street and paid tribute to the owner of the site for his civic-mindedness in allowing the dig to be undertaken. However, he pointed out that the hoarding around the site was causing serious obstruction for elderly persons particularly and, following discussion the Town Clerk stated that this matter would be raised with him.

Following consideration of the individual Programme Groups a general discussion on the Estimates was held. A lengthy discussion was held on the provision for domestic water charges arising out of which, at the request of the meeting, the Manager stated that he would give a list of alternative income sources and cuts in expenditure proposed in his Estimate as circulated, for the next Preliminary Estimates Committee meeting which the Borough Council could consider as alternatives to the domestic water charges provision. Further arising out of this general discussion it was agreed that a meeting of the Swimming Pool committee would be held prior to the next Preliminary Estimates Committee Meeting. Following further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by His Worship The Mayor, that further consideration of the Estimates would be adjourned to the next Preliminary Estimates Committee meeting which would be held immediately following the adjournment of the adjourned Statutory Estimates meeting on the 11th December 1989.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

4th DAY OF December 1989

MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 1989, AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD

PRESIDING: His Worship the Mayor. Councillor P. Nolan.
ALDERMEN: P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin, D. M. Kiernan.
COUNCILLORS: V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh,
H. Corish and J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Councillor O'Flaherty for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS SERVICE

His Worship the Mayor stated that each member had been invited to attend at the Childrens' Festival of Carols 1989 to be held in St. Iberius Church on the 9th and 10th of December, at 3.30 p.m. This was noted by the meeting and it was agreed that details of the invitation would be circulated.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on the 6th November, 1989 and the Statutory Estimates Meeting held on the 27th November, 1989, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Reck.

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 Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Reck:-

- (a) Second Preliminary Estimates Meeting held 16th November 1989.
- (b) Third Preliminary Estimates Meeting held 27th November 1989.

Arising out of discussion on the minutes and in particular of a discussion on articles in the local newspapers emanating from the Committee Meetings of the Corporation, it was proposed by Alderman Reck, seconded by Alderman Byrne, that the next and future Estimates Meetings of the Borough Council would be held in public.

MOTIONS

Pathway from Green Street to Talbot Green.
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The following motion was proposed by Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor Roche, and following discussion, unanimously adopted:

"That this Corporation resolve to remove the dangerous old posts and bits of iron on pathway from Green Street to Talbot Green and replace it with a proper fence".

Changing name of Georges Street:
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The following motion was proposed by Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Kavanagh:-

"That a plebiscite be taken in 1990 to change the name of George's Street to St. Oliver Plunkett Street".

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed, during which the meeting was informed that a plebiscite had been held some seven years prior to the meeting, which resulted in the name of the street not being changed. Following discussion a vote on the motion was taken which resulted as follows:-

In favour:- Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin.
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Kavanagh,
Corish and Mahoney. (10)

Against:- Alderman Kiernan (1)

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

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

"That Wexford Corporation condemns the Dept. of Social Welfare for its poor supervision of the Referee Doctors, whose decisions appear to be related to reducing the numbers of those on benefit rather than making a balanced judgement".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder pointed out the hardship created for a number of individuals in Wexford, because of the present system, and following discussion, the motion was unanimously adopted.

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Wexford Main Drainage Scheme:

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

"That this Council calls on the Minister of the Environment and the Minister for Finance to include the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme in the Capital Spending Programme".

In speaking to the motion the proposer and seconder and all members welcomed the announced sanction of the Redmond Place Phase of the Main Drainage Scheme. However, the members pointed out the urgency which the entire scheme was needed and, following discussion, the motion was unanimously adopted.

Bottled Gas:

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Roche, seconded by His Worship the Mayor, and following discussion, was unanimously adopted:-

"That the Fire officer be invited to a Meeting of the Borough Council or that he send us a Report on the storing of bottled gas on premises in built up areas".

Environment Agency Bill 1989:

The following motion was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Councillor Roche, and following discussion, was unanimously adopted.

"That this Borough Council calls on the Oireachtas to enact the The Environment Agency Bill 1989 without delay".

S.E.H.B. Rent Supplement:

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

"That this Corporation contact the S.E.H.B. to initiate procedures which would ensure that the rent supplement paid out to this entitled thereto is being paid for accommodation which is fit for human habitation".

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A lengthy discussion on the proposal ensued to which all members contributed. Arising out of this discussion, the Town Clerk stated that a further full report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Housing Committee of the Borough Council on action taken in relation to flats reputedly owned by the Kinsella family and it was further agreed that the Chief Fire Officer would be asked to respond to the question of the fire safety of flats throughout the town when attending the meeting with the Borough Council regarding the storage of bottled gas on premises in built up areas.

Following further discussion a vote on the motion was taken which resulted as follows:-

In favour: Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan.
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Roche, Kavanagh,
Corish, O'Mahoney (10)

Against: Councillor Enright (1)

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

QUESTIONS

In reply to Alderman Kiernan the town clerk stated that a survey of faulty gutters and downpipes in the town had been completed and that notices under the Town Improvements Clauses Act 1847 and 1854 were being issued to offenders.

In reply to Alderman Kiernan, the Borough Engineer stated that a fault in the public lighting at Liam Mellows Park had been reported to the E.S.B. for attention.

In reply to Councillor Mahoney the Borough Engineer stated that a backdoor and window at 120 Bishopswater would be repaired in mid January.

In reply to Councillor Roche, the Town Clerk stated that he would circulate a written reply to all members in relation to the up-to-date position of Tenant Purchase Applications at Talbot Green.

In reply to Councillor Roche the Town Clerk stated that there were approximately two hundred applications in hands for purchase of ground rents, including that of No. 3 St. Magdalen's Terrace. The Corporation's solicitor was presently advising on the format of the Transfer Order to be used, and when this was finalised sales of ground rents will be dealt with as quickly as the legal complexity of such sales will allow, and having regard to the House Purchase applications which were receiving priority status.

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SPECIAL MEETING

On the proposal of Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Kiernan it was agreed that a Special Meeting of the Borough Council would be held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday 11th of December, to consider items which were required to be dealt with prior to the Christmas period.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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DAY OF

January

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Maher.

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 1989 AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

Aldermen- P. Reck.

Councillor P. Nolan.

In Attendance Mr. D. F. Curtin.

MAYORAL ALLOWANCE

His Worship the Mayor gave details of the actual losses in wages incurred by him because of the Mayoralty and following discussion it was unanimously agreed to recommend on the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Roche that the Mayor allowance for the present Mayor would be increased by an ex-gratia payment of £2,000 to reimburse him for the actual loss of wages incurred during his year as Mayor.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS

It was unanimously agreed to recommend that the Civic Reception for former Mayors and their wives would be held on Tuesday 19th of December at 7.30 p.m. and that a presentation would be made to Mr. T. Byrne, former Mayor in recognition of the uniqueness of his record as a local representative and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

In response to Councillor Roche His Worship, The Mayor stated that he would write to the new Mayor of Menapolis, Maryland, congratulating him on his recent election.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 8th DAY OF January 1990.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Nolan

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11th OF DECEMBER 1989
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

Aldermen: P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin, J. M. Kiernan.

Councillors: V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh,
H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

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

In attendance: Mr. M. N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

His Worship the Mayor referred to a recent article arising out of a discussion on Water Charges at the last Estimates In Committee Meeting. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Manager then reiterated the principle elements of the Estimate as circulated and referred to the following report from the County Manager which had previously been circulated:-

"From the discussions on the Estimates, it is obvious that the continuation of water charges is at the core of the debate in the financing of Corporation services, not only for 1990 but afterwards. The statutory responsibility for deciding on this issue rests with the Members. It is important that each Member is fully aware of the consequences of such a decision.

There are three major consequences, as I see it, that Members should consider carefully:

1. Elimination of Water Charges will remove a minimum of £1m of public investment in services in Wexford Town over the next decade. This will have a profound adverse effect on the Towns development thrust.
2. The Corporation is over-extended financially on our Urban

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Renewal Programme and other liabilities. The elimination of Water Charges will necessitate curtailment of our plans. This may lead to a claim of bad faith by Developers on the Corporation's part. The partnership of Council and Management, which embarked on this investment programmed, will be frustrated if water charges are now eliminated and the programme is restricted as a result.

3. Without the income anticipated from water charges and more besides, the Main Drainage Scheme cannot be carried by the Corporation. Before a Main Drainage contract is entered into, it will be necessary for the Borough Council to resolve a financial plan for carrying construction costs and meeting the heavy maintenance costs which will arise on the operation of the planned scheme.

The policy adopted by the Borough Council which has been aimed at raising Wexford Town to a commercial centre of Regional excellence, is being pursued vigorously by Members and Staff. A decision to eliminate Water Charges will impede Wexford Town from taking its proper Regional place while other provincial towns and cities forge ahead."

The Manager stated that the net value of Domestic Water charges proposed in 1990 was £107,000 and pointed out that collection performance in recent years had been very positive including in 1989 when asked the date of the meeting, over 90% of the net 1989 requirement had been collected.

In reply to questions the County Manager outlined the reason for the Report, as circulated, and expended on the content. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed.

In reply to questions the Manager stated that, as requested, by the Council at the previous meeting, he had prepared a list of options which could be adopted in whole or in part to reduce or abolish the Domestic Water charges provision. He stressed that he had prepared his options at the request of the Council and was not recommending the expenditure cuts options for adoption. The options were:

1. A further increase in the rate in the £ of £3.50.
2. The introduction of Tag-in-Bag for all refuse collection in the Borough at 50p per-tag.
3. The elimination of new works proposed in 1990 as follows:

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Traffic Improvements (20,000 over 4 years)	£5,000
Crosstown Cemetery Improvements - (£20,000 over 4 years)	£5,000
Other Graveyard improvements	£4,400
Swimming Pool Improvements	£4,000
C.A.A.S. Report	£3,500
Comoradh '98 Fund	£5,000

Amenity Projects

Amenity Improvement Fund (Trespan Rocks)	£20,000
Supervised Play Areas	£ 6,500
Housing Estate Competition	£ 1,000
Residents Association Grants	£ 3,000
Cultural Grants	£ 9,750
Amenity Grants	£ 7,000

General

Industrial Promotion	£ 5,000
Local Elections to be charged over a 3 year period at a saving in 1990 of	£ 5,000
Parks & Open Spaces (to return to level prior to employment of new gardener)	£15,000

A lengthy discussion was then held to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Councillor Enright, seconded by Councillor Byrne, that the Estimate of Expenses as submitted would be rejected. A vote was taken on this motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour: Councillors Byrne, Enright, Roche, Mahoney (4)

Against: Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan,
Councillors Nolan, Kavanagh and Corish (7)

The majority being against the proposal was declared lost.

It was then proposed by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish that the Estimate be amended as follows:

The deletion of the provision for the development of Trespan Rocks, at a saving of	£40,000,
The deletion of the provision for the Swimming Pool Development Fund of	£ 4,000,
The charging of the Local Elections over a 3 year period at a saving in 1990 of	£ 5,500,

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the deletion of the provision for the C.A.A.S. Report of	£3,500,
The increasing of the projected income from the Caravan Park fees by	£3,000,
and the increasing of the provision for Planning Fees income by	£3,500,
at a total saving of	£59,500,
and that this saving would be utilised to reduce the Domestic Water Charges Provision.	

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

In Favour: Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan.
Councillors Kavanagh, and Corish (6)

Against: Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche and
Mahoney. (5)

The majority being in favour of the Proposal the Proposal was carried.

Following further discussion it was proposed by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish, that the Support Services Provision would be reduced by £8,000 and that this reduction would be utilised to reduce the rate in the £ by 1%. A vote on this proposal was taken which resulted as follows:-

In favour: Aldermen Byrne, Howlin,
Councillors Kavanagh, Corish (4)

Against: Aldermen Reck, Kiernan,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche and
Mahoney (7)

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

Following further discussion it was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Alderman Kiernan that the Estimate be amended by the implementation of the £59,500 of savings outlined in the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish which had been adopted plus a further £8,000 from the Support Services Provision, giving a total saving of £67,500 which would be used to reduce the Domestic Water Charges per household to £21 and reduce the proposed increase in the rate in the £ to 5%. A vote was taken on this proposal which resulted as follows:

In favour: Aldermen Byrne, Kiernan,
Councillors Kavanagh and Corish (4)

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Against: Aldermen Reck, Howlin,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche and
Mahoney (7)

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

The individual Programme Groups were then further examined by the Meeting arising out of which the following proposals were made and decisions made thereon.

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Roche, that the Residents' Association Grant of £3,000 would be deleted and that £500 would be cut from the Housing Competition provision. A vote on this proposal resulted as follows:

In favour: Councillors Nolan, Enright, Roche, Mahoney. (4)

Against: Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan.
Councillors Byrne, Kavanagh, Corish. (7)

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

It was proposed by Alderman Kiernan, seconded by Alderman Byrne that the provision for the Residents Association Grants and Housing Estates Competitions would be reduced by 50%. A vote on this proposal resulted as follows:

In favour: Aldermen Byrne, Kiernan,
Councillor Kavanagh (3)

Against: Aldermen Reck, Howlin,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche, Corish and
Mahoney (8)

The majority being against the proposal was declared lost.

It was proposed by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Byrne that the Manager's Estimate of expenditure and income in Programme Group 1 would be adopted. A vote on this proposal resulted as follows:

In favour: Aldermen Reck, Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Kavanagh, Corish (8)

Against: Councillors Enright, Roche and Mahoney (3)

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

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It was proposed by Alderman Byrne, seconded by Councillor Corish that the expenditure and income provisions in Programme Group 2 as contained in the Manager's Estimate of Expenses be adopted. A vote on this proposal resulted as follows:

In favour: Aldermen Byrne, Howlin, Kiernan,
Councillors Byrne, Roche, Kavanagh, Corish, (7)

Against: Councillor Nolan (1)

The majority being in favour of the proposal the proposal was declared carried. It was proposed by Alderman Kiernan, seconded by Alderman Byrne, that the £59,500 of savings from the Manager's Estimate as contained in the proposal by Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish which had previously been adopted, would be utilised to reduce the proposed rate increase to 5%, to delete the increase of £10,000 in the Commercial Refuse Charges provision and to apply a £26 per household Domestic Water charges. A vote on this proposal resulted as follows:

In favour: Aldermen Byrne, Kiernan,
Councillors Kavanagh, Corish, (4)

Against: Aldermen Reck, Howlin,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche and
Mahoney (7)

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

Following further lengthy discussions to which all members contributed, it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the Statutory Estimates Meeting to the 16th December 1989 at 9.30 a.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Mahon.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 11th DECEMBER 1989. AT 7 P.M., IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD

Presiding: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor P. Nolan.

Aldermen: P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin, J. M. Kiernan.

Councillors: V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche, N. Kavanagh,
H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

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

In attendance: Mr. M. N. Dillon, County Manager.
Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

CIVIC FUNCTIONS

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Annual Corporation New Year Mass would be held at 6.15 on the 30th December at Rowe Street Church and it was agreed that details of the Mass would be circulated to each member.

On the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Roche, it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to former Mayors and their wives and to make a presentation to former Councillor T. Byrne on the 19th December 1989 and that the Mayoral allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

APPROVAL OF INCREASE TO GENERAL OPERATIVES

On the proposal of Alderman Reck, seconded by Councillor Roche, it was unanimously agreed to authorise an increase in pay for General Operatives and related grades in accordance with Circular Letter EL 15/89 from the Minister for the Environment.

PLANNING APPLICATION - REDMOND PLACE

The following report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Enright, that a discussion on the proposed Scheme with the Urban Design Team of the National Building Agency, would be held at a Special meeting to be held in early January and that consideration of commencing the procedure for materially

contravening the Development Plan would be deferred until then.

SALES OF HOUSES

On the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Alderman Byrne, it was unanimously agreed to approve of the sale of houses as follows, in accordance with the Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 of the Housing Act 1966, as had been circulated on the 17th of November 1989:-

6 Talbot Green, Wexford	Ann Doyle	£7,740
29 Talbot Green, Wexford.	Catherine Byrne.	£8,200
45, Talbot Green, Wexford.	Martin Codd.	£7,565
13, Lr. Abbey St. Wexford.	Joseph & Phillis Matoney	£9,020
63, Belvedere Grove, Wexford.	Richard & Marg. Keeling	£10,300
16, Davitt Rd. Nth. Wexford.	Ellen Creane	£5,650
91, Corish Park, Wexford.	John & Theresa O'Rourke.	£8,750

SALE OF FLATS SCHEMES

The Town Clerk stated that following the discussion at previous meetings regarding the sale of flats, it was proposed to offer for sale all those flats which were occupied by non-elderly couples living in non town centre houses. Details of the small number of houses which would be involved in such sales were discussed and following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed, it was agreed, with Councillor Mahoney dissenting, on the proposal of Councillor Roche, seconded by Councillor Enright, to proceed with the Sale Scheme as outlined.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD

Patrick Maher.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 9.30 A.M., ON SATURDAY, 16TH DECEMBER,
1989, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

PRESIDING : His Worship the Mayor,
Councillor P. Nolan.

ALDERMEN : P. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin,
D. M. Kiernan.

COUNCILLORS : V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,
N. Kavanagh, H. Corish and
J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Councillor J. O'Flaherty for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

FLOODING AT SELSKAR/KING STREET

In response to His Worship the Mayor, the Co. Manager outlined the function of the Fire Brigade in the event of flooding and the procedure under which the Fire Brigade operated when contacted by the general public with a request to relieve flooding. He stated that the Fire Brigade would always respond to emergencies and in response to questions from the Members stated that an emergency service would be provided on the day of the meeting due to the extreme weather conditions forecast.

ESTIMATES

A discussion on the general content of the Estimates then ensued. Arising out of this discussion it was proposed by Alderman Reck that the rate in the pound would not increase by more than 5%. There was no seconder for this proposal. It was proposed by Councillor Byrne that (1) the savings in the Manager's Estimate adopted by the Borough Council on the proposal of Alderman Howlin, seconded by Councillor Corish at the meeting of the 11th December, in the sum of fifty nine and a half thousand pounds and (2) a Community Service Charge on Banks and other Financial Institutions be introduced to levy the shortfall required to eliminate domestic water charges from the Estimate. The formula for the levying of this charge to be agreed at a later date and if no authority for this levy was available, that the Corporation adopt the Estimate on this basis and petition the Minister for the Environment for authority to levy such a charge.
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The County Manager stated that there was no legal basis to levy such a charge and that the budget could not be balanced on something that may be introduced. There was no seconder for this proposal.

It was proposed by Alderman Howlin that the £59,500 already agreed as savings from the Estimate, together with a further cut of £46,680 from the Support Services Provision would be used to eliminate the domestic water charges provision in the Manager's Estimate and that the Estimate of Expenses be adopted accordingly. This was seconded by Councillor Roche. A lengthy discussion ensued on this proposal in response to which the Co. Manager stated that it was not possible to cut £46,680 from Support Services without severe effects on the existing level of services and employment in the Corporation. The proposal was withdrawn from the Meeting.

The Manager stated that he had examined the Expenditure Provisions again in an effort to assist the Members and stated that whilst the expenditure cuts could be implemented, they would have an effect on the Corporation's activities during the coming year. The expenditure cuts he tabled were as follows:-

Support Services.....	£8,000.00
Supervised Play Areas.....	£1,750.00
Amenity/Cultural Grants.....	£1,250.00
Reduction in Domestic Water Charges Waiver Provision in view of the proposed reduction in the Water Charge.....	£4,000.00
Foreign Travel.....	£1,000.00

TOTAL.....	£16,000.00

Following discussion it was proposed by Councillor Kavanagh, seconded by Alderman Kiernan that the Estimate of Expenses be amended by £59,500, as per the agreed proposal of Alderman Howlin and Councillor Corish made at the meeting of the 11th December, and £16,000 as per the Manager's Report above, the said Estimate to contain Domestic Water Charges provision at a rate of £19.00 per household and a commercial rate of 5% of an increase over 1989.

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

In favour : Aldermen Byrne, Kiernan,
Councillor Kavanagh (3).

Against : Aldermen Reck, Howlin,
Councillors Nolan, Byrne, Enright, Roche,
Kavanagh and Mahoney (7).

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that it was, therefore, apparent that the Estimate would not be adopted and no rate in the pound would be struck. This was noted by the Meeting. The Manager stated that the Corporation have an obligation in law to adopt an Estimate and levy a rate in the pound in accordance with that Estimate and that he was obliged to advise the Minister for the Environment of the Corporation's failure to do so. The matter would then be for the Minister for the Environment to determine. It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Byrne and unanimously agreed to request the Minister for the Environment for an extension of time to enable the Corporation to further consider the Estimate and to allocate extra funding for the Corporation in the form of Rate Support Grant to enable the Corporation to abolish the Water Charges Provision.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 8th DAY OF January 1990

MAYOR OF WEXFORD Patrick Nolan.