

MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 8TH JANUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Kiernan a unanimous vote of sympathy to Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer and his family on the recent death of his Sister, Ms. Peggy Mannion, R.I.P., in South Africa, was adopted. 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 seconded by Cllr. Kiernan a unanimous vote of sympathy to Mrs. Phyllis O'Connor and family on the recent death of her husband, Mr. Denis O'Connor, R.I.P., was adopted. 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.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATIONS.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of congratulations to the Corporation Staff and the Fire Brigade on their excellent work during unprecedented bad weather over the week-end preceding the meeting was unanimously adopted. During discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Roche and unanimously agreed that sand-bags should be available on stand-by basis at all times and it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would consider this matter. Following further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck to request the Minister for the Environment to provide financial assistance

to cover losses and damages of those affected by flooding during the recent storms.

CIVIC RECEPTION.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that the Association of Ambulance Drivers were holding their Annual Conference in Wexford shortly and on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was proposed that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the Executive of the Association. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Byrne, Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty, Kiernan.

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong.

MEETINGS

It was agreed to hold the following meetings:-

1. Protocol Committee Meeting - 8/1/96 following Monthly Mtg.
2. G.P. Committee Meeting - 22/1/96 at 7.30 p.m.
3. Public Lighting Committee Meeting - 15/1/96 at 5.00 p.m.
4. Recreation Park Committee Meeting 17/1/96 at 4.00 p.m.
5. Housing Committee Meeting - 6/2/96 at 7.30 p.m.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 4th December, 1995 and the Statutory Estimates meeting held on 30th November, 1995, 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 Meeting and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

a. Special Meeting held on 1st December, 1995.

DISPOSAL OF LAND.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at John Street Backlands to the National Building Agency pursuant to the terms of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88

of the Housing Act, 1966 in accordance with Notice dated 20th December, 1995.

DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of fee simple of property at Windmill Hills to James & Paula O'Connor pursuant to the terms of Section 141 of the Municipal Corporation's (Ireland) Act, 1840 in accordance with Notice dated 11th December, 1995.

DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of fee simple of land at the rear of Westlands to Mr. James J. O'Connor pursuant to the terms of Section 141 of the Municipal Corporation's (Ireland) Act, 1840 in accordance with Notice dated 11th December, 1995.

REVISION OF REMUNERATION.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the revision of remuneration of Clerical/Administrative Grades in accordance with Department of Environment Circular EL 18/95 dated 18th December, 1995.

REPORTS.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the Corporation would be advertising in the week following the meeting giving notice of a housing assessment and a review of the housing lists being undertaken. The review of applications will incorporate all applications received prior to 29th March, 1996 and it was expected that the revised lists would be available in April 1996.

MOTIONS

Cobbling on Main Street.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. A. Fenlon:-

"That this Borough Council take immediate action to rectify the serious condition of the cobbling on Main Street".

In reply to the motion His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that adjustment work on this section of paving had commenced in the week previous to the date of the meeting and that this work was expected to be completed, weather permitting, during the week of the meeting. This was noted with satisfaction by the meeting.

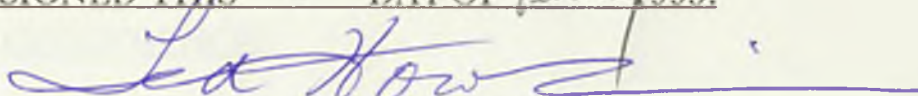
QUESTIONS

Womens Refuge in Wexford

In reply to Alderman Fenlon the Town Clerk stated that the identification of a site for a Womens Refuge in Wexford had not yet been finalised and that a report on this matter would be considered by the Borough Council at a future meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF February 1995.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 8.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 8TH JANUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

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

BIRMINGHAM WEXFORD FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that he had been invited to attend the Birmingham Wexford Friendship Society Annual Dinner Dance and on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Mayor would so attend and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

CONFERENCES.

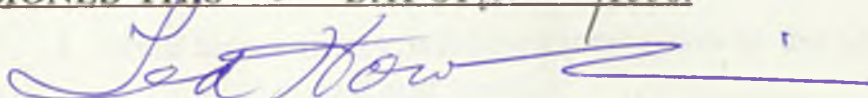
Consideration was given to the following conferences and it was agreed to recommend on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that two delegates would be sent from the Corporation to each of the Conferences at Nos. 1, 6 and 7.

1. Tourism & Development Conference.
Dates:- 1st-3rd February, 1996.
Venue:- Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney.
Conference Fee:- £150.00
Expenses per delegate:- £450.27
2. The 1996 Total Quality Management Conference.
Venue:- Brussels.
Dates:- 23/24th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- BF115,000
Expenses per delegate:- £416.50
3. Tourism Ireland Conference 1996, People and Partnerships.
Venue:- Adair Arms Hotel, Ballymeana.
Dates:- 14th/16th February, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £155
Expenses per delegate:- £520.04

4. Social Study Conference 1996 Summer School.
Venue:- Inchigeela, Co. Cork.
Dates:- 3rd-7th August, 1996.
Conference Fee:- (not notified).
Expenses per delegate:- £510.24
5. General Council of County Councils - Annual Seminar 1996.
Date:- 26th January, 1996.
Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Shannon, Co. Clare.
Conference Fee:- £80.00
Expenses per delegate:- £294.76
6. A.M.A.I. 1996 Seminar.
Venue:- Allingham Arms Hotel, Bundoran.
Dates:- 9th & 10th February, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £125.00
Expenses per delegate. £468.82
7. 7th Colmcille Winter School.
Dates:- 23rd-25th February, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00
Expenses per delegate:- £532.17

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF February 1996.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.30 P.M. ON
WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- A. Fenlon.

Councillors:- E. O'Connor, D.M. Kiernan.

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

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

Mr. M. Carthy, Assistant Engineer.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the meeting had been called to discuss the public lighting improvement programme. The report of the Borough Engineer as had been circulated to the Borough Council at meeting held on 17th October, 1995 was again considered. Arising out of discussion it was agreed that five standards of lighting would be considered ranging from the high standard of the refurbished pedestrian area of the Main Street to suitable suburban housing estate public lighting. A report from the Borough Engineer categorising lighting standards for the following areas would be considered at the next meeting:-

1. Main Street (incorporating access roads to the Quays and lanes, east and west).
2. Town Centre area (i.e. within the old town wall).
3. Through roads route lighting.
4. In-town commuting access roads.
5. Housing estates.

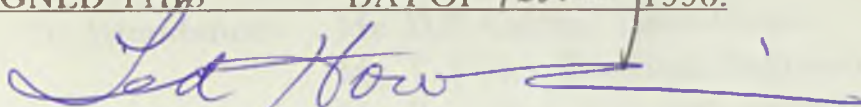
It was further agreed that consideration would be given to a programme of public lighting to enhance buildings/features, upon the conclusion of the general programme.

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on 30th January, 1996 at 4.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Wexford and that arrangements would be made to inspect standards of lighting in appropriate places to be identified by the E.S.B. within the town if possible and in other suitable locations. It was further agreed that a

meeting with the Wexford County Council District Committee would be sought for a date after the next meeting and that the public lighting improvement programme should be implemented and constructed by the Autumn of 1996.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF February 1996.

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

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17TH
JANUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Councillors:- D.M. Kiernan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Ferrybank Swimming Pool.

At the outset of the meeting the Town Clerk outlined the up-to-date position with regard to the upgrading of the facilities at the Swimming Pool. He stated that the National Building Agency report to accompany the application for funding would be completed by the end of February and that a survey of users of the pool would take place shortly.

Mr. J. Barry stated that numbers using the pool in 1995 were similar to the previous year. During discussion regarding ways to increase the usage of the pool it was suggested that the caravan park be extended to include hard stands for private users, thereby increasing numbers using the pool - land at the rear of Ely House could be acquired to facilitate the expansion and consideration could be given to setting up a private company to run this operation. Following further lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Town Clerk would investigate this proposal and report to a future meeting of the committee.

Coastal Erosion - Ferrybank.

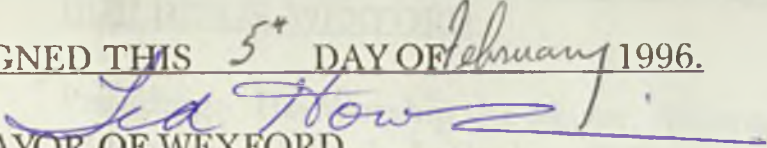
The Borough Engineer reported on the serious erosion taking place at Ferrybank and the need for works to combat same. Following lengthy discussion it was agreed that approaches be made to Wexford County Council with regard to the danger to pedestrians walking alongside the cliff face. It was further agreed to appraise the members of the Borough Council of the situation at the G.P. Meeting to be held on Monday 22nd January, 1996 with a recommendation that a detailed survey be carried out by our consultants and that an application for funding to the Department of Environment be prepared.

Next Meeting.

It was agreed that the Committee would meet again in early March at the Swimming Pool to consider the detailed report of the N.B.A. with regard to the upgrading of the Swimming Pool.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF February 1996.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY
22ND JANUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, D.M. Kiernan.

Apologies from Cllr. O'Flaherty for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

Ms. A. Laffan, Assistant Staff Officer.

Civic Reception.

It was noted that the Leinster Council of the G.A.A. would be holding their Annual Conference in Wexford in the near future. It was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the Council would be afforded a Civic Reception at a date and time to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Byrne, Cllrs. Enright,
Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, Kiernan.

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong.

Car Park Bye-Laws.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered. In addition the Town Clerk stated that in accordance with the decision at the Estimate Meetings the schedules for on-street parking would be adjusted to bring them into line with the use of one disc per hour in all locations. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Kiernan that the Car Park Bye-Laws would be adopted.

Arising out of discussion on this matter it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck that a discussion on the current disc parking areas to include

2. A.M.A.I. Seminar.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Roche would attend. On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend.

3. 7th Colmcille Winter School.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that Cllr. O'Connor and Cllr. Kiernan would attend.

Ald. Byrne then departed from the meeting.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE

Wexford General Hospital.

Letters from the Minister for Health in reply to all Wexford Oireachtas members in relation to Wexford General Hospital were then considered and following a lengthy discussion noted.

The following resolution from Bundoran U.D.C. was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"That this Council calls on the Department of Finance and Tourism to investigate Bank Charges in general and particularly the handling charge on sterling as it is affecting tourism".

A letter from Mr. B. Howlin, Minister for the Environment, copy of which had previously been circulated, regarding remedial works schemes in Wexford was then considered and noted. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that proposals for environmental works at Talbot Green had been made to the Department and this was noted with satisfaction by the meeting.

The following resolution from Carlow U.D.C. was adopted:-

"That Carlow Urban District Council make representations to the Minister for Equality Law & Reform, calling on him to let Publicans/Shopkeepers maintain the right to refuse".

During discussion on the motion it was agreed to seek clarification from the Minister for Law Reform.

Correspondence from the A.M.A.I., copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

A request from Wexford Harbour Rowing Club requesting permission to use the Wexford Crest on their club's stationary was then considered and following discussion unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by His Worship the Mayor, subject to the usual conditions.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding grant for first time buyers of second hand houses, stating that the contents of same were noted, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding extension of urban renewal in the south end of town, stating that the contents of same were noted, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding increase to Social Welfare Recipients, stating that the contents had been noted by the Minister, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding the cost of prescribed drugs, stating that the matter is receiving attention, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter in connection with assistance for individual houses and their residents to make connections to public mains supply stating that the Minister has noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter in connection with signposting all public pathways and rights of way, was noted.

The following resolution from Tipperary SR County Council was unanimously adopted:-

"That this Council calls on Bus Eireann to provide a "pick-up - drop off" service for free travel card holders on all their bus routes on at least one day per week".

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residential estates bordering on the disc parking areas would be held at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

Casual Trading Act 1995.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne that revised Bye-Laws would be drafted and considered at the next meeting of the Borough Council.

Bye-Laws regulating Parks & Open Spaces.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and on the proposal of Cllr. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Nolan, unanimously adopted.

Bye-Laws regulating drinking in public places.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche. Arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would write to the Vintners Federation informing them of the provisions of the Bye-Laws and inviting them to make submissions where appropriate in relation to drinking on public roads and footpaths in front of licensed premises.

Local Government (Water Pollution) Act, 1977.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to adjourn this item to a future G.P. committee Meeting.

Conferences/Seminars.

The attached list of conferences/seminars, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and the following delegates were nominated to attend the following conferences:-

1. Tourism & Development Conference.

On the proposal of Cllr. Kiernan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed that Cllr. Nolan and Ald. Reck would attend.

The following resolutions from Tipperary SR County Council were noted:-

"That the Department of Social Welfare adopt some other method of distributing the E.E.C. Social Assistance Butter Scheme".

"That this Council call on the appropriate Minister to provide grant aid at national level to enable the agricultural sector to undertake work to resolve the problem of overgrown hedges on the roadsides so as to improve vision for road users and help the tourist industry, and that this motion be circulated to all Local Authorities and the General Council of County Councils".

A letter from C.I.E. regarding Wexford South Station, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor that a request would be forwarded to the Chairman and Chief Executive of C.I.E. and all Oireachtas Members for their support.

A letter from Ms. N. Bhreathnach, T.D., Minister for Education, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Justice acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter regarding Garda Manpower in Coolcotts stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention, was noted.

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

"This Council, recognising the seriousness of the current impasse in the Peace process, calls on the Dublin and London Governments to immediately set a date for the commencement of all inclusive talks, the essential forum for the realisation of a negotiated settlement and wherein all issues can be raised".

Letter from Mr. J. Fitzsimons, M.E.P., copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed to support same on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor.

PLANNING.

Planning applications made since the previous meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated were then considered. Questions raised were answered by officials in attendance.

P&D Reg. 4931.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Kiernan to commence the Section 39(d) process of the 1976 Planning Act in relation to this application.

Cllr. Enright then departed from the meeting.

Coolree Reservoir.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Roche.

Erosion along boundary of Swimming Pool/Caravan Park.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kiernan.

Municipal Museum of Wexford's Industrial & Social History.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Cllr. Kavanagh referred to the 1996 Parade and outlined the proposals of the Committee. Following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Council would consider their participation in the parade at the conclusion of the February Monthly Meeting.

Housing Meeting.

It was agreed that the Housing Committee meeting scheduled for 6th February, 1996 would be held at 7.00 p.m. instead of 7.30 p.m.

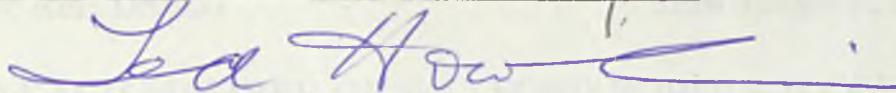
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John Street Flats.

The Town Clerk stated that he would investigate the alleged disturbances at John Street Flats.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF February 1996



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

Our Ref: DS/ED

10th January, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Dear Member,

I attach herewith draft Car Park Bye-Laws which allow for the proposal to make all car parks one hour parking zones and other minor procedural amendments.

I also attach herewith the procedure for the introduction of these Bye-Laws and the draft timescale for same.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK

ENCL.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACT 1994

PROCEDURE FOR MAKING BYE-LAWS

- (1) Draft Bye-Laws circulated to members of Wexford Corporation.
- (2) Wexford Corporation consult with Garda Commissioner.
- (3) Publish notice in newspaper indicating proposal to make Bye-Laws indicating inspection may be made by public for one month.
Representations to be made in writing within a further two weeks.
Copy of draft Bye-Laws may be purchased.
- (4) Consider representations made by Garda Commissioner and /or public.

WEXFORD CORPORATION

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1. The purpose of these By-Laws is to regulate the use of car parks owned or controlled by the Corporation and to provide for the efficient and safe use of such car parks.

2. These By-Laws shall apply to all car parks owned or controlled by the Corporation, whether or not such car parks are situated on land owned or controlled by the Corporation.

WEXFORD CORPORATION

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CAR PARK BYE-LAWS ,1996

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WEXFORD CORPORATION

DRAFT CAR PARK BYE-LAWS 1996

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter) referred to as "the Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 101 of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 (No. 24 of 1961) as amended by Section 6 of the Road Traffic Act, 1968 (No. 25 of 1968) hereby make the following Bye-Laws as to the use of car parks provided by them adjoining the public roads as set out in Article 1 of these Bye-Laws:-

- (1) In these Bye-Laws "car park" includes each of the car parks provided by the Corporation adjoining (a) Crescent Quay, (b) Custom House Quay/Common Quay Street/Church Street, (c) Bride Street, (d) High Street, (e) Mallon Street, (f) Abbey Street, and (g) Wellington Place, Wexford.

"Car Parks Supervisor" means a person employed by the Corporation or its Agents having duties relating to the operation, management and control of car parks.

"Business Hours" means the period from 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. every day (apart from Sunday) that is not a holiday.

"Holiday" means a Good Friday or any day that is a public holiday for the purposes of the Holidays (Employees) Act, 1973 (No. 25 of 1973) as amended.

"Parking Bay" means a space in a car park intended for the parking of one vehicle and so indicated by surface or other signs or markings or where the space is intended for the parking of motorcycles, more than one vehicle.

"Parking Disc" means a disc(s) issued by the Corporation having marks or symbols capable of indicating the year, date and time when the discs becomes a valid parking disc.

"Valid Parking Disc" means a parking disc(s) issued by the Corporation which

- (a) has been marked so as to indicate clearly the year, month, day in the month, hour of the day and (to the nearest following five minute period) minute of the hour of the commencement of a period of parking of the vehicle in which the disc is exhibited in accordance with these Bye-Laws,
 - (b) indicates no other year, month, day, hour or minute, and
 - (c) indicates that the vehicle is so parked for a period not exceeding the period for which it may be parked in a car park in accordance with these Bye-Laws.
- (2) A vehicle other than a motorcycle parked in a car park during business hours shall not be so parked for longer than:
- (a) Where one parking disc is exhibited in the vehicle, a period of one hour from the time of commencement of parking.
 - (b) Where two parking discs are exhibited in the vehicle, a period of two hours from the time of commencement of parking.
 - (c) Where three parking discs are exhibited in the vehicle, a period of three hours from the time of commencement of parking.
 - (d) Where four parking discs are exhibited in the vehicle, a period of four hours from the time of commencement of parking.
- (3) These Bye-Laws apply to each of the car parks provided by the Corporation within the Borough of Wexford as set out in Bye-Law 1.
- (4) No person shall use the car park for any purpose other than for the parking of a mechanically propelled vehicle.

- (5) Where a vehicle other than a motorcycle is parked in a car park during business hours:-
- (a) separate distinct marks indicating the year, month, day in the month, hour and (to the nearest following five minute period) minute of the hour when the parking commences shall be made on a parking disc at such commencement.
 - (b) The valid parking disc shall be so exhibited in the interior of the vehicle that a person outside the vehicle can ascertain by reference to the marks when the parking commenced.
 - (c) The valid parking disc shall be exhibited in accordance with paragraph (b) for so long as the vehicle is parked in that car park.
- (6) A vehicle parked in a car park during business hours shall not be so parked for longer than a period of four hours.
- (7) Where a vehicle is parked in a car park during business hours, a person shall not interfere with a valid parking disc exhibited on the vehicle.
- (8) A vehicle parked in a car park at a time which is not during business hours shall be removed from the car park when a period of business hours commences unless at such commencement and during the remainder of the period of parking a valid parking disc is exhibited in the interior of the vehicle in accordance with paragraph (b) of Bye-Law 4 and paragraph (c) of that Bye-Law shall apply from such commencement in respect of such parking.
- (9) (i) This Bye-Law applies to a vehicle the registered owner and the driver of which is a disabled person.
- (ii) Bye-Laws 4,5 and 7 shall not apply where a vehicle is parked by a disabled person who holds a valid permit for a disabled driver in respect of the parking of that vehicle granted by the Corporation under Sections 89 and 90 (as amended by Section 6 of the Road Traffic Act, 1968 (No. 25 of 1968) of the Road Traffic Act, 1961 (No. 24 of 1961) provided the permit is prominently displayed in the vehicle.

(iii) In this Bye-Law:-

“disabled person” means a person who is suffering from a permanent disability that prevents that person from walking or causes undue hardship to the person in walking.

- (10) Parking discs shall be made available by the Corporation and put on sale.
- (11) A fee of thirty pence shall be paid for a parking disc.
- (12) No person shall park or cause to be parked in a car park a vehicle in such a position or in such condition or in such circumstances that it would be likely to cause danger to other persons using the car park or to obstruct the entrance to or exit from the car park or to obstruct the free flow of traffic within the car park.
- (13) A person shall not park or cause to be parked in a car park a vehicle in such a position that it or any portion of it extends from one parking bay to another.
- (14) A person shall not overhaul or carry out repairs to a vehicle while it is parked in a car park save where it is necessary in order to enable the vehicle to be removed from the car park.
- (15) A vehicle while parked in a car park shall not be used for the sale of goods in or from the vehicle or as an office, nor shall any such vehicle be offered or displayed for sale or for hire or as a prize.
- (16) A person shall not make any unnecessary noise by means of or in relation to a vehicle while it is parked in a car park or by means of any equipment, fitting or instruments fitted to or carried on the vehicle or any loudspeaker or radio in or on or in any way connected to the vehicle.
- (17) A person shall not throw, place, or leave any bottle or any broken glass, nail, litter or other substance on or in a car park, and no person shall at any time without the consent in writing of the Corporation play ball or any game in a car park.

- (18) Every person using a car park shall comply with the lawful directions given by a Car Parks Supervisor or Member of the Garda Siochana in relation to parking of a vehicle in or its removal from a car park or in relation to any of these Bye-Laws:
- (19) A person shall not in any car park wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt or annoy a Car Parks Supervisor in the execution of his/her duty including the execution of any work in connection with laying out or maintenance of any part of a car park by Corporation staff and agents.
- (20) A person shall give on demand to a Car Park Supervisor or a member of the Garda Siochana his name and address and a person shall not in any car park resist, obstruct or aid or incite any person to resist or obstruct any Car Parks Supervisor or other person in the execution of his duty or lawful exercise of his authority.
- (21) Any person may be requested by a Car Parks Supervisor or a member of the Garda Siochana to quit or leave a car park and shall forthwith comply with such request.
- (22) A Car Parks Supervisor shall produce, if required to do so, evidence of his/her identity and employment by the Corporation as such to any person alleged by him/her to be in breach of these Bye-Laws.
- (23) Wexford Corporation Car Park Bye-Laws 1991 are hereby revoked.
- (24) These Bye-Laws shall be known as the Wexford Corporation Car Park Bye-Laws, 1996.

BARDAS LOCH GARMAN

MADE AND ADOPTED UNDER THE COMMON SEAL OF THE CORPORATION THIS DAY OF 19 .

PRESENT WHEN THE COMMON SEAL OF THE CORPORATION WAS AFFIXED THERETO:-

MAYOR.

TOWN CLERK.

ASST. CO. MANAGER.

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

OUR REF: DS/ED

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: CASUAL TRADING ACT, 1995.

I attach herewith a copy of the above Act, for your information.

I would advise that the Casual Trading Act, 1980 will be repealed with the commencement of the Casual Trading Act, 1995 on 1st May, 1996. Section 6 of the new Act relating to Local Authority Powers to make appropriate Bye-Laws commenced on 16th October, 1995.

It will be necessary for Wexford Corporation to make new Bye-Laws in respect of our Casual Trading Area, particularly to take account of the following:-

- (1) Power to grant Casual Trading Licences.
- (2) Provision of Trading Places for Disabled Persons.
- (3) Fixing of Fees in respect of Casual Trading Licences, in accordance with Section 6 (2) (d) of the Act.

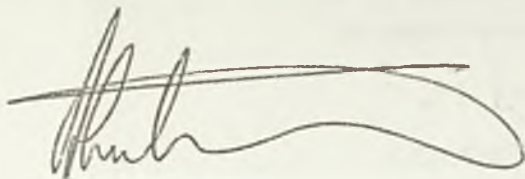
With regard to no. (3) above, we could take the opportunity to increase our income from Casual Trading by increasing the licence fee.

This would take account of the fact that only one document will now be needed for Casual Trading and this will be available locally i.e., from the relevant Local Authority.

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In accordance with Section 4 (11) of the Act, following the granting of a Casual Trading Licence, the Local Authority must notify the Minister for Social Welfare, in writing, of the name and address of the person to whom the licence was granted, conditions (if any) contained in the licence and the duration of the licence. .

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D.F. Curtin', written over a horizontal line.

**D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK**

16TH NOVEMBER, 1995



AN BILLE CORR-THRÁDÁLA, 1994
CASUAL TRADING BILL, 1994

Mar a ritheadh ag dhá Theach an Oireachtais
As passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas

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[No. 4c of 1994]

ACTS REFERRED TO

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Housing Act, 1966	1966, No. 21
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Occasional Trading Act, 1979	1979, No. 35
Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878	1878, c. 52
Roads Act, 1993	1993, No. 14



AN BILLE CORR-THRÁDÁLA, 1994
CASUAL TRADING BILL, 1994

BILL

entitled

- 5 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL AND REGULATION OF CASUAL TRADING AND TO PROVIDE FOR CONNECTED MATTERS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

1.—(1) In this Act—

Interpretation.

- 10 "the Act of 1980" means the Casual Trading Act, 1980;

"authorised officer" means a person appointed under *section 10* to be an authorised officer;

"casual trading area" means land standing designated by bye-laws under *section 6* as an area where casual trading may be carried on;

- 15 "casual trading licence" means a licence granted under *section 4*;

"Dutch auction" means a sale of goods by auction in which the price is reduced by the auctioneer until a purchaser is found;

"local authority" means the council of a county, the corporation of a county or other borough or the council of an urban district;

- 20 "market right" means a right conferred by franchise or statute to hold a fair or market, that is to say, a concourse of buyers and sellers to dispose of commodities;

"the Minister" means the Minister for Enterprise and Employment;

"prescribed" means prescribed by regulations made by the Minister;

- 25 "selling" includes agreeing or offering to sell, or displaying for sale, or inviting an offer to buy;

"reserved function" means—

- 30 (a) in the case of the council of a county or an elective body, a reserved function for the purposes of the County Management Acts, 1940 to 1994,

(b) in the case of the corporation of a county borough, a reserved function for the purposes of the Acts relating to the management of the county borough.

(2) In this Act—

- (a) a reference to any enactment shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, adapted or extended by or under any subsequent enactment including this Act, 5
- (b) a reference to a section is a reference to a section of this Act unless it is indicated that reference to some other enactment is intended,
- (c) a reference to a subsection, paragraph or subparagraph is a reference to the subsection, paragraph or subparagraph 10 of the provision in which the reference occurs, unless it is indicated that reference to some other provision is intended.

Casual trading.

2.—(1) Subject to *subsection (2)*, "casual trading" means selling goods at a place (including a public road) to which the public have access as of right or at any other place that is a casual trading area. 15

(2) Casual trading does not include—

- (a) selling by auction (other than by Dutch auction) by the holder of a licence or permit for the time being in force under the Auctioneers and House Agents Acts, 1947 to 1973, 20
- (b) selling to a person at the place where he resides or carries on business,
- (c) selling in respect of which it is shown by the seller—
 - (i) that any profits therefrom are for use for charitable purposes or for other purposes from which no private profit is derived, and 25
 - (ii) that no remuneration, emolument, gain or profit will accrue to the seller or his servants or agents therefrom. 30

(3) The Minister may, by regulations, amend (whether by the addition, deletion or alteration of classes) the classes of selling specified in *subsection (2)* and that subsection shall have effect in accordance with any such regulations.

(4) A local authority may, as respects its functional area, by bye-laws under *section 6* add to the classes of selling specified in *subsection (2)* and that subsection shall, in relation to that functional area, be construed and have effect in accordance with any such bye-laws for the time being in force. 35

Restriction on casual trading.

3.—(1) A person shall not engage in casual trading unless he is, or is the servant or agent acting as such of, a person who holds a casual trading licence that is for the time being in force and the casual trading is in accordance with the licence. 40

- (2) (a) Where there is a casual trading area in the functional area of a local authority, a person shall not engage in casual trading in that functional area other than in that casual 45

trading area unless he is the holder of a casual trading licence granted under *section 4 (1) (a) (iii)* for the time being in force and the casual trading is in accordance with the licence.

- 5 (b) The restriction effected by *paragraph (a)* shall not, during the currency of a casual trading licence granted to a person in respect of the functional area of a local authority and in force immediately before the designation of a casual trading area (being the first such area so designated by that authority under this Act) in the functional area of that authority, have effect in relation to the person.

(3) A person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence.

- 15 (4) In a prosecution for an offence under *subsection (1)*, it shall be presumed until the contrary is shown that, at the time of the casual trading to which the offence relates, the defendant, or, if he was at that time acting as a servant or agent of another person in relation to such trading, that that other person was not the holder of a casual trading licence for the time being in force.

- 20 (5) In a prosecution for an offence under *subsection (2) (a)* where it is shown that a person was engaging in casual trading, it shall be presumed until the contrary is shown that, at the time of the casual trading to which the offence relates—

25 (a) there was a casual trading area in the functional area of the local authority concerned.

(b) the casual trading was carried on in an area that was not a casual trading area, and

30 (c) the defendant or, if he was at that time acting as a servant or agent of another person in relation to such trading, that that other person was not the holder of a casual trading licence granted under *section 4 (1) (a) (iii)* for the time being in force.

- 35 4.—(1) (a) Subject to the subsequent provisions of this section, a local authority shall, on the application in writing of a person therefor and on payment to the local authority of the fee (if any) fixed by bye-laws under *section 6*, grant to the person a licence (referred to in this Act as "a casual trading licence"), in such form and specifying such matters as the local authority may determine, authorising the person to engage in casual trading on specified days—

Casual trading licences.

40 (i) if no casual trading area stands designated in respect of the functional area of the authority under *section 6*, in that area, or

45 (ii) at one place only in one specified casual trading area in the functional area of the authority, or

50 (iii) at an event or events specified in the licence to which the public are admitted, whether subject to or free of charge, or at or in the immediate vicinity of the place where and on the day on which the event takes place.

- (b) A local authority may grant more than one casual trading licence to a person in respect of casual trading in different casual trading areas or at different specified places in a casual trading area.
- (2) An application for a casual trading licence shall be made to the local authority concerned not less than 30 days before the first day on which it is intended to engage in the casual trading to which the application relates and shall be in such form as may be prescribed or in a form to the like effect. 5
- (3) (a) A casual trading licence may contain such conditions (if any) as the local authority concerned determines and specifies in the licence. 10
- (b) A person who holds a casual trading licence shall comply with the conditions of the licence.
- (c) A person who contravenes *paragraph (b)* shall be guilty of an offence. 15
- (4) A local authority may revoke a casual trading licence if it is satisfied that a condition of the licence is being or has been contravened or if the person to whom it was granted is convicted of an offence in relation to the importation, possession or sale of goods committed while he was the holder of a casual trading licence or an offence under *section 3*. 20
- (5) A local authority may refuse to grant a casual trading licence to a person if—
- (a) the person fails to furnish a completed application form for a casual trading licence. 25
- (b) the person fails to pay the appropriate fee (if any) with the said application form, or
- (c) a trading place for the purpose of casual trading is not available. 30
- (6) A local authority may refuse to grant a casual trading licence to a person who has been convicted of an offence in relation to the importation, possession or sale of goods committed while he was the holder of a casual trading licence or an offence under this Act (other than an offence under *section 5*) during the period of 3 years before the date of application for the licence. 35
- (7) A local authority shall not grant a casual trading licence to a person who was convicted of two or more offences (each offence being either an offence in relation to the importation, possession or sale of goods committed while the person was the holder of a casual trading licence or an offence under this Act (other than an offence under *section 5*)) if two, at least, of the convictions occurred less than 3 years before the first day on which the person proposes to engage in casual trading to which the application for the licence relates. 40
- (8) A casual trading licence, if not previously revoked, shall continue in force for such period not exceeding 12 months as may be specified in the licence and shall then expire. 45

(9) A person who applies to a local authority for a casual trading licence shall furnish to the local authority the information requested in the form prescribed together with such further information as the local authority may request for the purposes of the exercise of its powers and functions under this section and, if the person fails to comply with this subsection, the local authority may refuse to grant the person the licence.

(10) This section is without prejudice to the provisions of statutes or instruments made under statute or of any other laws governing the sale of goods by a person while the person is the holder of a casual trading licence.

(11) Upon the grant of a casual trading licence, or as soon as may be thereafter, the local authority concerned shall notify the Minister for Social Welfare in writing of the name and address of the person to whom the licence was granted and the conditions (if any) contained in the licence including the duration thereof.

5.—(1) A person carrying on casual trading at any place shall— Display of casual trading licences.

(a) display the number of the casual trading licence relating to the trading in such manner as may be determined by the local authority and in such a position at the place as to be clearly visible and easily legible to members of the public at the place, and

(b) if so requested, produce the licence on demand to any person at the place.

(2) A person who contravenes this section shall be guilty of an offence.

6.—(1) A local authority shall, as soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, make bye-laws in relation to the control, regulation, supervision and administration of casual trading in its functional area. Bye-laws.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1), bye-laws under this section may make provision in relation to one or more of the following matters:

(a) the designation of—

(i) any land (including a public road, other than a motorway or a busway within the meaning in each case of the Roads Act, 1993) in its functional area to which the public have access as of right or any land occupied by and in the functional area of the authority, or

(ii) with the consent of another local authority, any land (including a public road, other than a motorway or a busway within the meaning in each case of the Roads Act, 1993) in the functional area of that other authority or any land occupied by and in the functional area of that authority.

as a place where casual trading may be carried on (in this Act referred to as "a casual trading area").

(b) the specification of the maximum area that may be occupied in a casual trading area by a person engaged in casual trading,

(c) the regulation of access to casual trading areas,

(d) the fixing of fees in respect of casual trading licences including the fixing of different fees for different circumstances and for different classes of persons and the fixing of fees for some circumstances only or for all circumstances or for some classes of persons only or for all classes of persons.

(e) the provision of trading places for disabled persons,

(f) the enforcement of the bye-laws.

(3) When deciding whether to designate any land as a casual trading area or to revoke a designation made in bye-laws under this section, a local authority shall have regard to the proper planning and development of its functional area (including the preservation and improvement of the amenities thereof), the development plan for its functional area and any special amenity order (within the meaning in each case of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Acts, 1963 to 1993) relating to its functional area, the traffic likely to be generated by the casual trading in the casual trading area and to all other matters that it considers relevant to its decision.

(4) When making bye-laws under *subsection (2) (d)*, a local authority may have regard to the facilities and services provided by it to persons engaged in casual trading.

(5) Bye-laws under this section may contain such incidental, subsidiary and ancillary provisions as a local authority considers necessary or expedient for the purposes of the bye-laws.

(6) Before making bye-laws under this section (other than bye-laws under *subsection (2) (d)*), a local authority shall—

(a) publish notice of the proposed bye-laws in at least two newspapers circulating in the area to which the proposed bye-laws relate—

(i) indicating the times at which, the period (being not less than one month) during which and the place (being a place within their functional area) where a copy of the proposed bye-laws may be inspected, and

(ii) stating that the local authority will consider any submissions in relation to the proposed bye-laws which are submitted to the authority in writing by any person within 2 weeks after the end of the period referred to in *subparagraph (i)* of this paragraph.

(7) A person may, within 2 weeks after the end of the period for inspection of the proposed bye-laws, make submissions in writing to the local authority in relation to proposed bye-laws and the local authority shall, before deciding whether to make the bye-laws, take into consideration any submissions duly made to it and not withdrawn.

5 (8) (a) A person who is aggrieved by any proposed bye-laws (other than bye-laws under *subsection (2) (d)*) may, within a period of 21 days beginning on the date of compliance by the local authority concerned with *subsection (6)*, appeal to the District Court against the proposed bye-laws and that Court may, on the hearing of the appeal, prohibit the proposed bye-laws or authorise them subject to such conditions (if any) as it may deem appropriate and specify.

10 (b) Notice of an appeal under this subsection shall be given to the local authority concerned and an officer of the local authority shall be entitled to appear and be heard on the hearing of the appeal.

15 (c) A party concerned may appeal to the Circuit Court from a decision of the District Court.

(9) The making of bye-laws under this section shall be a reserved function.

20 (10) As soon as may be after the making of bye-laws under this section, notice of their making and of the place where copies thereof may be purchased or inspected shall be published in *Iris Oifigiúil* and in at least two of the newspapers circulating in the area to which the bye-laws relate.

25 (11) A local authority shall not proceed to make bye-laws relating to casual trading (other than bye-laws under *subsection (2) (d)*) before the expiry of 30 days from the date of compliance by the local authority concerned with *subsection (6)* in relation to the bye-laws and, if an appeal is brought against the proposed bye-laws, before the final determination of the appeal.

30 (12) A person who contravenes a bye-law under this section shall be guilty of an offence.

7.—(1) A local authority may acquire any market right in respect of a market or fair in its functional area by agreement or compulsorily. Acquisition and extinguishment of market rights.

35 (2) Section 10 of the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960, and Part V of and the Third and Fourth Schedules to the Housing Act, 1966, shall apply in relation to a market right in respect of markets or fairs as they apply in relation to land—

(a) with the substitution of references to such market right for references to land.

40 (b) with the deletion of—

(i) "and of the map referred to therein" in section 78 (1) of the said Housing Act, 1966,

45 (ii) "and shall have attached thereto a map of the land to which it applies" in section 82 (1) of the said Housing Act, 1966.

(iii) "by reference to a map" in paragraph 3 of the said Third Schedule, and

(iv) "and of the map referred to therein" in paragraph 4
(a) of the said Third Schedule, and

(c) with any other necessary modifications.

(3) References in the said Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960
(other than section 2), to the appropriate Minister shall, in relation 5
to acquisition under this section or borrowing for the purposes of
such acquisition, be construed as references to the Minister for the
Environment.

(4) Where, after the commencement of this section, a market right
in respect of a market or fair in the functional area of a local auth- 10
ority remains unexercised for a period of not less than 10 years, then,
the market right concerned shall stand extinguished.

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authorities in
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them.

8.—(1) A local authority may carry on, manage and regulate a
market or fair to which a market right owned by it relates as if it 15
were a market established by it under the Public Health (Ireland)
Act, 1878, and shall have all such powers as may be necessary for
those purposes.

(2) A local authority may by order extinguish a market right
owned by it.

(3) (a) A local authority shall not extinguish a market right under 20
this section unless it provides, or has already provided,
alternative facilities in the same vicinity as the market or
fair to which the right relates and comprising or including
facilities reasonably corresponding in all respects, having 25
regard to all the circumstances, to the market or fair.

(b) Where a local authority acquires a market right compul-
sorily under this Act, it shall not discontinue the holding
of the market or fair to which it relates unless it provides,
or has already provided, alternative facilities in the same 30
vicinity as the market or fair to which the right relates
and comprising or including facilities reasonably corre-
sponding in all respects, having regard to all the circum-
stances, to the market or fair.

(4) (a) Whenever a local authority proposes to extinguish a mar-
ket right under this section the local authority shall— 35

(i) give notice in writing of the proposal to any person
appearing to the authority to have an interest in the
right, and

(ii) publish notice of the proposal in at least two news-
papers circulating in the area in which the market or 40
fair to which the right relates is held.

(b) Notices under this subsection shall include particulars of
the facilities proposed to be provided or already provided
by the local authority in the place of the market or fair
to which the right proposed to be extinguished relates. 45

(c) A notice under this subsection may be served on any per-
son by sending it by registered post in an envelope
addressed to him at his usual or last known address.

5 (5) (a) A person who is aggrieved by a proposal of a local authority to extinguish a market right may, within a period of 21 days beginning on the date of compliance by the local authority concerned with *subsection (4) (a) (ii)* in relation to the right, appeal to the District Court against the extinguishment and that Court may, on the hearing of the appeal, if it is of opinion that the extinguishment would, notwithstanding the alternative facilities to be provided or already provided by the local authority and having regard to all the circumstances, constitute an undue interference with the facilities enjoyed by the public in relation to the market right, prohibit the proposed extinguishment or authorise the extinguishment subject to such conditions (if any) as it may deem appropriate and specify.

(b) Notice of an appeal under this subsection shall be given to the local authority concerned and an officer of the local authority shall be entitled to appear and be heard on the hearing of the appeal.

20 (c) A party concerned may appeal to the Circuit Court from a decision of the District Court.

(6) A local authority shall not proceed with a proposal to extinguish a market right under this section before the expiry of 30 days from the date of compliance by the local authority concerned with *subsection (4) (a) (ii)* in relation to the right or, if an appeal is brought against the proposal, before the final determination of the appeal.

(7) The extinguishment of a market right under this section shall be a reserved function.

30 (8) A local authority may do any act or thing which may be necessary or incidental to the doing of anything which the local authority is authorised by the other provisions of this section and of *sections 6* and *7* to do.

35 9.—(1) A person shall not give false information to a local authority in relation to an application for the grant of a casual trading licence.

Prohibition of false information and alteration of licences.

(2) A person shall not with intent to deceive either alter or use a casual trading licence.

40 (3) A person shall not forge a document purporting to be a casual trading licence.

(4) A person who contravenes *subsection (1), (2) or (3)* shall be guilty of an offence.

45 (5) It shall be a defence for a person charged with an offence under this section in relation to the giving of false information to a local authority to show that he did not know and could not, with the exercise of reasonable care, have known that the information was false.

50 10.—(1) A local authority may appoint officers of the local authority or other persons to be authorised officers for the purpose of this Act, and an authorised officer appointed under this subsection may exercise the powers conferred by this section on authorised

Powers of authorised officers and Garda Síochána.

officers only in the functional area of the authority by which he was appointed or in the functional area of another local authority with whom an agreement exists for the exercise or performance by officers of the first-mentioned authority in the functional area of that other authority of the powers and functions of an authorised officer. 5

(2) (a) An authorised officer or a member of the Garda Síochána may—

(i) enter, inspect and examine any place where he has reasonable cause to believe that casual trading is being engaged in. 10

(ii) require any person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to be engaging in casual trading—

(I) to produce, if it is not being displayed, a casual trading licence authorising such trading and to permit the officer or member to examine the licence, and 15

(II) if he fails, neglects or refuses to produce such a licence or, in a case in which it is not being displayed, to furnish to the officer his name and address and, if he is the servant or agent of another person, the name and address of the other person. 20

(iii) make such examination and inquiry as may be necessary to ascertain whether the provisions of this Act or of bye-laws made thereunder are being complied with. 25

(iv) require any person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to be engaging in casual trading in contravention of this Act to give such information as is in his power to give as to the ownership of any goods being sold in the course of such trading. 30

(v) require any person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to be engaging in casual trading in contravention of this Act to produce to him any documents, books or records relating to such trading in his power, possession or control and give to him such information as he may request in relation to entries in those documents, books or records and examine, copy or take extracts from any such document, book or record. 35 40

(b) An authorised officer who proposes to perform a power or function conferred on him by *paragraph (a) (i)* may request a member of the Garda Síochána to accompany him if he has reasonable cause to apprehend any obstruction in the execution of his duty. 45

(3) A person shall not obstruct or interfere with, or give false information to, an authorised officer or a member of the Garda Síochána in the performance of his functions under this Act.

(4) (a) A person shall not fail, refuse or neglect to comply with a requirement of an authorised officer or a member of the Garda Síochána under this section. 50

5 (b) A person shall be deemed not to have failed or refused to comply with a requirement of an authorised officer or a member of the Garda Síochána under this section to produce a casual trading licence if he gives to the officer or member his name and address and, if he is the servant or agent of another person, the name and address of that other person.

10 (5) If a person fails, refuses or neglects to comply with a requirement of a member of the Garda Síochána under this section, the person may be arrested and any goods which he is selling or has in his possession for sale at the place where the member believed him to be engaging in casual trading and the receptacle, vehicle or stand on or in which the goods are and all utensils, boxes and other articles (including money) thereon and any draught animal attached thereto
15 may be seized, detained and removed by the said or any other member of the Garda Síochána without a warrant.

(6) A person who contravenes subsection (3) or (4) (a) shall be guilty of an offence.

20 11.—(1) A member of the Garda Síochána may, without warrant, arrest a person whom he has reasonable cause to believe to be contravening a provision of this Act at any place and may seize and remove any goods which he is selling or has in his possession for sale at the place. Further powers of Garda Síochána.

25 (2) If a member of the Garda Síochána has reasonable cause to believe that a person is engaging in casual trading in contravention of this Act at any place he may require the person to remove himself and his goods from that place and, if the requisition is not complied with, may without warrant arrest the person and seize and remove any goods which he has in his possession at the place for the purposes
30 of casual trading.

(3) References in this section to goods include references to the receptacle, vehicle (including a vehicle used for towing) or stand in or on which the goods are exposed or carried and all utensils, boxes and other articles (including money) which are on or in such receptacle, vehicle or stand for the purposes of the trading and any
35 draught animal attached thereto or left at the place where the receptacle, vehicle or stand is for the purpose of moving it.

40 12.—(1) Whenever any goods are seized and removed under this Act by a member of the Garda Síochána, a Superintendent may in the case of perishable goods not less than 12 hours and in the case of any other goods not less than 3 days after the seizure cause the goods to be sold and shall out of the proceeds of such sale defray all expenses incurred in the seizure, removal, storage and sale of the goods and shall pay the surplus of such proceeds to the person who
45 at the time of the seizure was the owner of the goods. Disposal of goods seized by Garda Síochána.

(2) Whenever any such goods as aforesaid include any article intended for human food or drink and such article is at any time before the sale thereof under this section unfit in the opinion of the Superintendent for human consumption, the Superintendent may
50 cause such article to be destroyed.

(3) If, before any such goods as aforesaid are sold under this section, any person satisfies the Superintendent that he is the owner of such goods and pays to the Superintendent all expenses incurred

in the seizure, removal, storage and any intended or attempted sale of the goods, the Superintendent shall hand over such goods to such person.

(4) (a) In this section "a Superintendent" means a Superintendent of the Garda Síochána.

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(b) References in this section to goods include references to every receptacle, vehicle, stand, utensil, article, and animal seized and removed under this Act with the goods.

Registers of
licences.

13.—(1) A local authority shall establish and maintain a register (which shall be known as the Register of Casual Trading Licences and referred to subsequently in this section as "the register") for the functional area of the authority of the casual trading licences granted by it under this Act containing such particulars (including particulars in relation to the revocation of such licences) as the Minister considers appropriate and specifies to the authority.

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(2) A local authority may amend an entry in or delete an entry from the register.

(3) The register may be established and maintained in a form that is not legible if it is capable of being converted into a legible form.

Penalties.

14.—(1) A person guilty of an offence under *section 3* shall be liable—

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(a) on summary conviction—

(i) in the case of a first offence, to a fine not exceeding £50,

(ii) in the case of a second offence, to a fine not exceeding £250,

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(iii) in the case of a third or subsequent offence to a fine not exceeding £1,000, or

(b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine not exceeding £10,000 together with, in the case of a continuing offence, a fine not exceeding £500 for each day or part of a day on which the offence is continued after the first such day or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both the fine or fines and the imprisonment.

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(2) A person guilty of an offence under this Act (other than *section 3*) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £1,000.

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(3) A summary offence under this Act may be prosecuted by the local authority in whose functional area the offence is alleged to have been committed or by another local authority with whom an agreement exists for the exercise by the latter authority of the powers and functions under this section of the former authority.

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(4) Where an offence under this Act is committed by a body corporate and the offence is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of, or to have been attributable to any neglect on the part of, any person who, being a director, manager or secretary of such body, or a person who was purporting to act in any

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such capacity, that person as well as the body corporate, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished as if he were guilty of the first-mentioned offence.

5 15.—Every regulation made under this Act shall be laid before
each House of the Oireachtas as soon as may be after it is made and,
if a resolution annulling the regulation is passed by either such House
within the next 21 days on which that House has sat after the regu-
lation is laid before it, the regulation shall be annulled accordingly,
but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done
10 thereunder.

Laying of
regulations.

16.—(1) The Occasional Trading Act, 1979, is hereby amended—

Amendment of
Occasional Trading
Act, 1979.

(a) in section 2, by the substitution of the following subsection
for subsection (3):

15 “(3) The Minister may, by regulations, amend
(whether by the addition, deletion or alteration of
classes) the classes of selling specified in subsection (2)
and that subsection shall have effect in accordance with
any such regulations.”.

20 (b) in section 4, by the insertion of the following subsection
after subsection (13):

25 “(14) Upon the grant of an occasional trading per-
mit, or as soon as may be thereafter, the Minister shall
notify the Minister for Social Welfare in writing of the
name and address of the person to whom the permit
was granted and the conditions (if any) contained in
the permit, including the duration thereof.”, and

(c) in section 9—

(i) by the substitution of the following subsection for
subsections (1), (2) and (3):

30 “(1) A person guilty of an offence under section
3 (1) of this Act shall be liable—

(a) on summary conviction, to a fine not
exceeding £1,000, or

35 (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine not
exceeding £10,000 together with, in the case
of a continuing offence, a fine not
exceeding £500 for each day or part of a
day on which the offence is continued after
the first such day or to imprisonment for a
40 term not exceeding 6 months or to both the
fine or fines and the imprisonment.”, and

(ii) in subsection (4), by the substitution of “£1,000” for
“£500”.

45 (2) Regulations under subsection (3) of section 2 of the
Occasional Trading Act, 1979, in force immediately before the com-
mencement of this section, shall continue in force after such com-
mencement as if made under the said subsection (3), as inserted by
this section, and may be amended or revoked accordingly.

Repeal and
transitional
provision.

17.—(1) The following are hereby repealed:

(a) the Act of 1980, and

(b) section 6 of the Dublin Corporation (Markets & c.) Act,
1901.

(2) *Subsection (1) (a)* shall not, during the currency of a casual trading licence or a casual trading permit in force immediately before the commencement of this section, apply in relation to the licence or permit or the holder thereof and the carrying on of casual trading in accordance with the licence or permit shall be deemed not to be in contravention of this Act, and the Act of 1980 shall, notwithstanding *subsection (1) (a)*, continue to apply during such currency in relation to the licence or permit and in relation to the holder thereof. 5 10

(3) *Subsection (1) (a)* shall not affect the amendments effected by section 7 (3) or section 17 of the Act of 1980.

Short title and
commencement.

18.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Casual Trading Act, 1995. 15

(2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as, by order or orders made by the Minister, may be fixed therefor either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision and different days may be so fixed for different purposes and different provisions and for the repeal of different provisions of the enactment specified in *section 17 (1) (a)*. 20

AN BILLE CORR-THRÁDÁLA, 1994

CASUAL TRADING BILL, 1994

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dá ngairtear

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An Act to provide for the control and regulation of casual trading and to provide for connected matters.

*Ritheadh ag dhá Theach an Oireachtais,
11 Iúil, 1995*

*Passed by both Houses of the Oireachtas,
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17TH JANUARY, 1996

REPORT TO G.P. MEETING ON 22ND JANUARY, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

RE: DRAFT BYE-LAWS REGULATING THE USE AND
ENJOYMENT OF OPEN SPACES.

Dear Member,

Further to my report of 5th October, 1995 regarding the above, I would advise that the Notice of Bye-Laws was published in the People Newspaper on 22nd November 1995 (copy attached). No submissions were received from the public on foot of this advertisement.

I attach herewith a copy of the Bye-Laws. In accordance with the procedure for making Bye-Laws (Local Government Act, 1994) the Bye-Laws may now be considered for adoption by Wexford Borough Council.

Yours faithfully,

D. F. Curtin

D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK

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CORPORATION OF WEXFORD.

BYE-LAWS FOR REGULATING THE USE AND ENJOYMENT OF OPEN SPACES MADE IN EXERCISE OF POWERS CONTAINED IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1994.

DEFINITIONS:-

In these Bye-Laws, unless the context otherwise requires: "the Corporation" means His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Corporation of Wexford;

"*Open Space*" includes all lands, parks, gardens, or open spaces vested in or under the control of the Corporation; and all land managed by the Corporation for the provision of facilities for games and recreation thereon.

"*Employee of the Corporation*" shall include every Superintendent, Supervising Officer, Officer, Servant and other person employed by and duly authorised by the Corporation to administer and enforce these Bye-Laws;

"*Controlled Drug*" means any substance, product or preparation which is specified in the schedule to the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1977.

OPENING AND CLOSING:-

- (1) The Open Space shall be closed to the public each day at such hours as may, from time to time, be intimated by notice, displayed at or near the principal entrances to a particular Open Space or Spaces. The Corporation may, by notice, close the Open Spaces, or any portions thereof, to the public for such time as they are authorised by statute to do so.

ENTRANCE AND EXIT:-

- (2) No person shall enter or leave any Open Space except by the gateways or other openings provided for the purpose.
- (3) No person shall enter or wilfully remain within any Open Space at any time when it is closed to the public, or refuse to leave any Open Space when requested to do so by an employee of the Corporation or by a member of the Garda Siochana.

CONTROL OF TRAFFIC:-

- (4) No person in any Open Space shall drive or wheel, or cause, or allow to be driven or wheeled, any carriage, cart, motor car, truck, barrow, machine, motor cycle, scooter or moped or other vehicle except in any part of any Open Space that may for the time being be set apart by the Corporation to be used as a carriageway, provided that this Bye-Law shall not apply to wheelchairs, perambulators or other similar vehicles moved, drawn or propelled by hand and or mechanically which are used solely for the conveyance of children or disabled persons.
- (5) No person shall in any Open Space ride on a bicycle, tricycle, motor cycle, scooter or moped or other motorised vehicles in particular, no person shall mount or ride a bicycle or tricycle, motor-cycle, scooter or moped on any footpath in any Open Space provided, however, that this Bye-Law shall not apply to bicycles and tricycles ridden by children under the age of 10 years who are accompanied by and under the care of an adult.
- (6) Any person driving any vehicle, or riding any bicycle, motor cycle, scooter or moped in any Open Space shall stop when called upon to do so by signal or otherwise by an employee of the Corporation, or by a member of the Garda Siochana, and if he/she refuses or wilfully fails to do so, shall be guilty of an offence under these Bye-Laws.
- (7) No person shall in any Open Space drive or in any way use any mechanically propelled vehicle, motor cycle, scooter or moped for the purpose of giving or receiving instruction in driving, managing or repairing such vehicle.
- (8) No person shall without the permission of the Corporation, in writing, take into or drive on any road in any Open Space any vehicle whether same be mechanically propelled or drawn or supported by human beings or animals, bicycle, tricycle, wheelbarrow or truck, motor cycle, scooter or moped, constructed, designed or used for trade purposes, or any vehicle bearing or exhibiting an advertisement, or in any unfinished condition.

ANIMALS:-

- (9) No person shall in any Open Space ride or drive any horse, pony, donkey, or other animal, and no person shall in any part of any Open Space gallop, canter, lunge, or break-in any horse, pony or donkey or other animal, or carelessly, recklessly or furiously ride or drive any horse, pony, donkey or other animal.
- (10) No person shall in any Open Space lead from horseback any riderless horse which is not appropriately bridled and rugged or saddled, or so as to endanger the public.
- (11) No person shall in any Open Space turn out to graze or feed or allow to stray or remain any animal without the consent of the Corporation, in writing.
- (12) No person shall in any Open Space wilfully disturb, harry, ill-treat, injure or destroy any animal, bird or fish, or take or attempt to take any animal, bird or fish or wilfully displace, disturb, injure or destroy any bird's nest, or take, injure or destroy any bird's egg or set any trap.
- (13) No person shall cause or allow any dog belonging to him/her, or in his/her charge to enter or remain in any Open Space, unless such dog be on a lead or be otherwise effectually restrained from therein injuring, annoying or disturbing any person, animal, bird or fowl, or from entering any lake, river or pond, or running on any flower bed, or injuring any tree, shrub or plant, and no person shall use any Open Space for coursing or for training or exercising any greyhound or other dog.
- (14) No person shall cause or allow any dangerous dog belonging to him/her or in his/her charge to enter or remain in any Open Space unless such dog is kept muzzled, and no person shall in any portion of any Open Space where a notice prohibiting the admission of dogs is exhibited, cause or allow any dog belonging to him/her or in his/her charge for the time being to enter or remain.
- (15) No person shall in any Open Space carry on ferreting without the consent of the Corporation, in writing.

- (16) Every person bringing a dog into the Park shall be responsible for its conduct and shall be liable for any damage or injury which may be caused by it. Any person bringing a dog into the Park must remove it from the Park if so directed by an authorised employee of the Corporation.

PREVENTION OF INJURY:-

- (17) No person shall in any Open Space (a) destroy or damage, pluck, cut or remove, or lift, or pull up, or burn, or cause to be burned any tree, shrub, bush, plant, flower, leaf, bulb, corm, turf, grass or any blossom or any fruit on any tree; (b) wilfully destroy, injure or damage any playing pitch, green or court, (c) walk upon or injure any flower bed, verge, border or shrubbery; (d) pass into or go over any part of any Open Space at or near which a notice is placed prohibiting the public from passing into or going over it; (e) throw or put sticks, stones or substances of any description into any water, or cause the water to be fouled or polluted; (f) throw or put upon any pond, lake or river covered with ice any sticks, stones or substances of any description or break, cut or injure the ice, or go on the ice without the permission of the Corporation.
- (18) No person shall in any Open Space remove, displace, break, injure or deface (a) any part of any building, shelter, bridge, fence, wall, railing, gate, tree-guard, seat, fountain, monument, statue or other erection, or (b) any notice board, label, or tablet or any support, fastening or fitting thereof; or (c) any fitting, apparatus, appliance or any other article or thing provided by or under the control of the Corporation.
- (19) No person shall in any Open Space stand on any seat or place thereon anything that defiles it or causes or tends to cause discomfort to any member of the public, or climb upon any tree, shrub, wall, fence or railing or upon any monument, fountain, sculpture, statue or building.

NUISANCES:-

- (20) No person shall in any Open Space, or in any river, lake, pond, fountain or ornamental water therein, deposit or leave any dead animal, offensive litter, house or trade refuse, or any turf, sod, trash, gravel, sand, clay, glass, tin, crockery, or other substance, or except in receptacles provided by the Corporation for the purpose, any bottle, container, broken glass or crockery, waste paper or other like article or thing.
- (21) No person shall in any Open Space wilfully break any glass, china or other like thing.
- (22) No person shall in any Open Space discharge any gun, syringe, squirt, catapult or other instrument, or shall wantonly or recklessly throw or discharge any stone or missile, or make any bonfire or let off any firework.
- (23) No person shall in any Open Space consume intoxicating liquor or inhale, inject or absorb controlled drugs or solvents.
- (24) No person under the influence of intoxicating liquor, controlled drugs or solvents shall enter or remain in any Open Space and no person visibly under the influence of intoxicating liquor, controlled drugs or solvents or who is drunk or incapable of taking care of himself/herself shall be allowed to enter or remain in any Open Space, and no person shall in any Open Space commit any nuisance, or beg or jostle, trip or cause any obstruction or annoyance to any other person, or shout or make unseemly noises or indulge in any rough play or unseemingly conduct or play cards, pitch and toss or other games of chance, or shall bet, brawl, fight, or use indecent or improper language or designedly do any act which outrages public decency.
- (25) No person shall take or remove any soil, sand, gravel, stone, or timber from any Open Space save with the permission, in writing, of Wexford Corporation.
- (26) No male person above the age of six years shall in any Open Space intrude upon or use any building or place set apart for the use of females and children, and no female shall intrude upon or use any building or place in any Open Space set apart for the use of males.

- (27) No person shall in any Open Space play at any organised game or make preparations to play at any such game or take part in any sport, race, gymnastics or other organised form of recreation, or take part in any community or choir singing, music, dancing exhibition or open air concert, or operate play or make sounds on any musical or other instrument, including any gramophone, television, video or radio apparatus, or sing any sacred or secular song, without the permission of the Corporation, except at such time or times and in such part or parts of such Open Space as may, from time to time, be set apart by the Corporation for these purposes, and on condition of observing the directions of any authorised officer of the Corporation, and any such game, sport, race, gymnastics or recreation shall be played or engaged in according to the rules made by the respective Associations governing it and subject to any rules and regulations in regard thereto made by the Corporation from time to time.
- (28) No person shall take part in any game or athletics in any Open Space when the Parks Superintendent or other authorised officer of the Corporation considers the ground to be unfit for use.

**SALE OF ARTICLES, EXHIBITION OF ADVERTISEMENTS,
PLYING FOR HIRE, PUBLIC MEETINGS, MUSIC AND SINGING:-**

- (29) No person shall in any Open Space (a) sell, offer for sale, exhibit for sale or distribute any book, pamphlet, leaflet, card, bill, advertisement or literature of any kind whatsoever; (b) subject to the foregoing provision, sell, offer for sale, exhibit for sale or distribute any article or let or hire any article or place any stand, seat, or chair for hire, or display any advertisement, or erect, exhibit, affix, chalk or paint any picture, bill, placard, banner, tract or notice in any Open Space or on any wall, fence or hedge enclosing any Open Space without the permission, in writing, of the Corporation.
- (30) No person shall in any Open Space ply for hire, or let out any horse, or other animal, or any vehicle, or take any photograph with any type of camera or use a video, for the purpose of business or with a view to gain, without the consent of the Corporation.

- (31) No person shall in any Open Space deliver, utter or read any public speech, lecture, prayer, scripture, sermon or address of any kind or description whatsoever, or enter into any public discussion, or hold, or cause to take part in, any public meeting, demonstration, exhibition or show, without the permission of the Corporation, and then only subject to the conditions applicable thereto.
- (32) No person, organisation, club, or other group of persons shall in any Open Space, levy any charge for the participation in or viewing of any game, sport or exhibition, save with the permission of the Corporation and subject to the terms and conditions of such permission.
- (33) No person shall in any Open Space erect any tent or camp save with the permission of the Corporation and subject to the terms and conditions of such permission.
- (34) No person shall place or keep any caravan or dormobile in any Open Space save with the permission of the Corporation and subject to the terms and conditions of such permission.

PAVILIONS, SHELTERS, ETC:-

- (35) Pavilions, shelters and other buildings in any Open Space shall not, except with the permission of the Wexford Corporation, be used otherwise than for the purposes for which they are provided.
- (36) No person shall throw water about the rooms, spit upon or litter the floor, or deface any part of any pavilion, shelter or building in any Open Space, or otherwise behave in such a manner as to interfere with or cause discomfort to any visitors therein.
- (37) No person shall in any Open Space infringe any regulation of the Corporation with respect to the use of apparatus and equipment (including lockers and other conveniences) or dressing accommodation provided or maintained by the Corporation.

OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CORPORATION:-

- (38) No person shall in any Open Space wilfully obstruct, disturb, interrupt, or annoy any employee of the Corporation in the execution of his duty, or any person or employee of any contractor engaged by the Corporation for the execution of any construction work or planting, improvement or maintenance of any part of any Open Space.
- (39) Nothing in these Bye-Laws shall interfere with or affect or prevent the carrying on of any work or duty in connection with the Open Spaces by employees of the Corporation or by a contractor instructed by the Corporation, or by an employee of any such contractor.

OBSTRUCTION OF OFFICERS:-

- (40) No person shall in any Open Space resist, obstruct, or aid or incite any person to resist or obstruct, any employee of the Corporation or other person in the execution of his duty or lawful exercise of his authority.

OFFENDERS:-

- (41) Any person (not being an employee of the Corporation acting in execution of his duty or other person acting in lawful exercise of any Authority) committing any breach of these Bye-Laws shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding £100.00
- (42) It shall be lawful for any employee of the Corporation or, for a member of the Garda Síochána, to exclude or remove from any Open Space any person committing any breach of the above Bye-Laws. If any such person after being told by an employee of the Corporation or by a member of the Garda Síochána to go therefrom, shall neglect or refuse to go, such person shall be guilty of an offence against these Bye-Laws, and shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty not exceeding £100.00
- (43) Nothing in these Bye-Laws shall take away, abridge or limit any remedy now existing by way of indictment, or shall interfere with the powers of the Garda Síochána or any authority legally existing for preventing or punishing offences.

- (44) All powers given the Corporation by these Bye-Laws shall be deemed to be in addition to, and not in derogation of, any other powers vested in the Corporation, and such other powers may be exercised in the same manner as if these Bye-Laws had not been made, provided that no person who has been adjudged to pay any penalty under these Bye-Laws shall, for the same offence, be liable to a penalty under any other enactment.
- (45) Playground equipment shall be used in a safe and proper manner and at users risk.

**MADE AND ADOPTED UNDER THE COMMON SEAL OF THE
CORPORATION THIS DAY OF 1996.**

**PRESENT WHEN THE COMMON SEAL OF THE
CORPORATION WAS AFFIXED HERETO.**

**WEXFORD CORPORATION
BYE-LAWS**

**WITH RESPECT TO
THE CONSUMPTION OF
INTOXICATING LIQUOR
IN PUBLIC PLACES**

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 6 of the Local Government Act, 1991 and Part VII of the Local Government Act, 1994, hereby make the following Bye-Laws with respect to the consumption of intoxicating liquor in designated places as set out in Article 1 of these Bye-Laws.

(1) In these Bye-Laws

"Designated Place" means any specified in the schedule, excepting:-

- (a) Any area which is within the curtilage of any licensed premises or registered club and
- (b) Any place at which the sale of intoxicating liquor is authorised by virtue of an occasional licence, and
- (c) Any use of a public roadway adjacent to a licensed premises, where the sale of intoxicating liquor is authorised, by the issue, by the Corporation of a licence to and payment of a licence fee by the owner of such premises, the amount of such fee to be determined from time to time by the Corporation.

"Intoxicating liquor" has the same meaning as in the Licensing Acts 1833-1962.

"Licensed Premises" and "Occasional Licence" have the same meaning as in the Licensing Acts 1833 - 1962.

"Registered Club" is a club registered under the Registration of Clubs Act 1904 - 1960.

2. (i) These Bye-Laws apply to all designated places.

(ii) Notice of the effect of these Bye-Laws shall be given by signs placed in such positions as the Corporation may consider adequate to inform persons using designated places.

3. Any person who consumes intoxicating liquor in a designated place shall be guilty of an offence.

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CORPORATION THIS DAY OF 1996.
PRESENT WHEN THE COMMON SEAL OF THE CORPORATION WAS
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It was agreed at the Protocol Committee Meeting of Wexford Borough Council held on 8th January, 1996 to recommend that two delegates would be sent from the Corporation to each of the following conferences.

1. Tourism & Development Conference.

Dates:- 1st-3rd February, 1996.

Venue:- Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney.

Conference Fee:- £150.00

Expenses per delegate:- £450.27

2. A.M.A.I. 1996 Seminar.

Venue:- Allingham Arms Hotel, Bundoran.

Dates:- 9th & 10th February, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £125.00 Expenses per delegate £468/82

3. 7th Colmcille Winter School.

Dates:- 23rd-25th February, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £100.00

Expenses per delegate:- £532.17

The following Conferences were also considered:-

1. The 1996 Total Quality Management Conference.

Venue:- Brussels.

Dates:- 23/24th May, 1996.

Conference Fee: BF 115,000

Expenses per delegate:- £416.50

2. Tourism Ireland Conference 1996, People and Partnerships.

Venue:- Adair Arms Hotel, Ballymeana.

Dates:- 14th/16th February, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £155.

Expenses per delegate:- £520.04

3. Social Study Conference 1996 Summer School.

Venue:- Inchigeela, Co. Cork.

Dates:- 3rd-7th August, 1996.

Conference Fee (Not notified).

Expenses per delegate:- £510.24

4. General Council of County Councils - Annual Seminar 1996.

Date:- 26th January, 1996.

Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Shannon, Co. Clare.

Conference Fee:- £80.00

Expenses per delegate:- £294.76

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REPORT TO ASST. CO. MANAGER.

RE/ P. & D. REG. 4931 - 58 NO. RESIDENTIAL UNITS,
COMPRISING 8 NO. TOWN HOUSES, 8 NO. MAISONNETTES, 18
NO. 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS, AND 24 NO. 2 BEDROOM
APARTMENTS: 405 SQ. METRES OF SHOPS, 310 SQ. METRES
OF CLASS 2 + 3 OFFICE SPACE AND THE DEMOLITION OF
WAREHOUSE TO REAR OF PAUL QUAY, AS LISTED IN LIST
2, BUILDING 33 AND LIST 2, BUILDING 17 OF THE 1993
WEXFORD DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND DEMOLITION OF
BUILDINGS AT PAUL QUAY, PAUL QUAY LANE, KING
STREET, SINNOTT PLACE, WEXFORD.

The above planning application includes the demolition of the granary structure which is a List 2 Building in the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs, 1993. This listing means that when a planning application is received for development/demolition of a listed building, the Planning Authority consider the preservation of the structure and can refuse planning permission where the Authority decides such a structure should be preserved.

The building is of mid-early 19th Century construction and being six stories high is unusually high for such buildings in Wexford. It was designed for the storage of grain. It is, therefore, important as a piece of industrial architecture of historical significance in the town.

The Consulting Engineer for the developer has submitted a report in which he sets out the poor state of repair of the existing building and identifies some structural faults. The report does not, however, state that the structure is beyond repair, but that it would be uneconomic for his client to do so.

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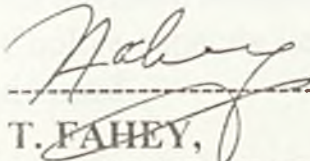
Correspondence from the developer also focuses on the question of cost. He states that, as a commercial company they will always apply commercial success criteria to any financial investment and that the only source of funding for the restoration identified by him, to date, is the companies own resources. The developer has made contact with E.U. Officer in Waterford, the Revenue Commissioner and the O.P.W. and Leader 1. I am not, however, satisfied that he has exhausted all avenues of grant aid which might be available for such development.

The proposed development is located in an area designated for Urban Renewal.

The building is located towards the centre of the site and screened by existing roadside buildings. It, therefore, has little current public impact. The height and scale of the building is such that it sterilises much of the site for dense residential development with regard to adequate natural light to windows, orientation of future development etc.

I have discussed the above with the Co. Planning Officer and Co. Architect. The consensus is that, on balance, the structure should be preserved.

Having regard to this consensus, there are no options presently available to enable this application to be further considered by the Planning Authority for permission. It may be, however, that the Borough Council would wish to consider materially contravening the plan and in this event the provision of Section 39 (d) of the 1976 Planning Act would apply.



T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

22ND JANUARY, 1996.

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REPORT TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

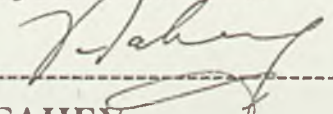
RE/ EXCAVATION AT COOLREE RAW WATER RESERVOIR TO INCREASE STORAGE.

The capacity of this reservoir when full is 45 million gallons approximately. It was formed in the 1880's by building an earthen dam across a river valley. In the 1940's the capacity was increased by building a 3 m high wall on top of the earthen dam. In 1984 the dam was found to be losing water between the base of the wall and the top of the dam. This was contained by grouting along this line. Increasing the capacity of the reservoir by excavation would increase the loading on the dam, requiring its further reinforcing. The water quality is acidic being a mountain source and is subject to a build-up of algae which affects the Newtown Treatment Works throughput.

As the town demand is 2 million gallons per day, a 10% increase in the Coolree capacity i.e., 4.5 million gallons would only meet two days demand.

RECOMMENDATION:-

Other than some minimal de-silting of the reservoir financed from revenue, I would recommend that we increase the town's water supply by continuing with the planned capital programme of replacing pumps at Edenvale, water conservation programme in the town and advance the Wexford Water Augmentation Scheme by linking into the County Council Fardystown Scheme.



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**TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.**

**REPORT ON EROSION ALONG SEAWARD BOUNDARY OF
CORPORATION SWIMMING POOL/CARAVAN PARK LANDS
AT FERRYBANK, WEXFORD.**

This boundary is partially protected from the action of the sea by a relatively light section sea-wall. Over the years, when this wall became undermined or overtopped by the sea, Wexford Corporation carried out piecemeal protective measures with the use of groins and gabions.

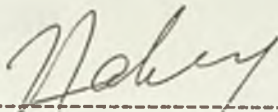
The past winter storms have by-passed these defences and on a recent inspection I found that sections of the wall had been undermined by the action of the sea and the face of the wall was spalled in places and off plumb. The sea is also by-passing the northern end of the wall and has eroded the unprotected cliffs bounding the adjoining lands at twice-three times that of our lands.

The rate of deterioration and damage to the wall, groins and gabions and the accelerated rate of erosion is now beyond the scope of piecemeal action.

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RECOMMENDATION:-

I recommend that the problem be referred to our Consultants for immediate analysis, recommendation of the necessary works and costs of properly protecting these lands.



**T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.**

22ND JANUARY, 1996.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin
22nd January, 1996.

**TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-**

RE: Municipal Museum of Wexford's Industrial & Social History.

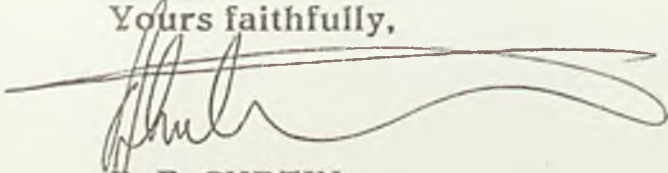
Dear Member,

As agreed at the General Purposes Meeting held on 9th October, 1995 at which a deputation of the above group was received, a further meeting was held in the Municipal Buildings on 20th November, 1995 attended by Cllr. O'Flaherty and the undersigned. The matters discussed were:-

1. The proposal for a museum to house military, political, social and nautical artifacts.
2. Suitable sites for such a museum.
3. Possible involvement of certain local industrialists.
4. Potential funding for the project and sources of local matching funding.

Following lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the group would (1) prepare an indicative sketch of the proposal and (2) identify some local capital contribution following which a further submission will be made to Wexford Corporation.

Yours faithfully,


**D. F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.**

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor stated that he and the Town Clerk had recently attended the Birmingham/Wexford Association Annual Dinner and had been well received. The Association were delighted that representatives of Wexford were present and had asked that their good wishes for the continued improvement of Wexford be passed on to the Borough Council.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of sympathy was extended to Mr. Eddie Dunne, Chairman of the Birmingham/Wexford Association on the recent death of his Mother-in-Law. 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 sympathy was extended to Mr. Paddy Foley and Mr. Michael Scallan on the recent tragic death of Noreen Scallan, R.I.P. 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.

VOTE OF GOOD WISHES.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of good wishes was extended to Mr. Patsy Whelan for a speedy recovery from illness.

VOTE OF GOOD WISHES.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of good wishes was extended to Mr. Mick McCarthy on his recent appointment as Manager of the Irish National Soccer Team.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 8th January, 1996, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Kiernan.

The minutes of the following Committee meetings and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty:-

- a. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 8.1.96.
- b. Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 17.1.96.
- c. Public Lighting Committee Meeting held on 17.1.96.
- d. G.P. Committee Meeting held on 22.1.96.

MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Kiernan.

DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of fee simple of property at William Street, Wexford, to Mr. James J. O'Connor pursuant to the terms of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1996 in accordance with Notice circulated on 2nd January, 1996.

DISPOSAL OF LAND

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Talbot Green to the Order of Malta pursuant to the terms of Section 83 of the Local

Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 in accordance with Notice circulated on 11th January, 1996.

DISPOSAL OF LAND

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at John Street backlands to the N.B.A. pursuant to the terms of Section 88 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 in accordance with Notice circulated on 24th January, 1996.

REVISION OF REMUNERATION.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the revision of remuneration of Draughtsman/Technical Grades in accordance with Department of Environment Circular Letter EL 17/95 dated 8th December, 1995.

MOTIONS

The Knock.

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

"That Wexford Corporation alone or in co-operation with the owner, set about providing a proper amenity area at the Knock which will considerably reduce the danger posed at the moment and will also add to the attractiveness of this open space".

It was further agreed that a report from the Borough Engineer would be considered at the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

Medical Card Scheme.

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

"That Wexford Corporation calls on the Minister for Health to extend the Medical Card Scheme to families with severely mentally or physically challenged children irrespective of income".

Green at Maudlintown.

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

“Councillor P. Nolan will ask Wexford Borough Council to immediately make finance available for the reinstatement of the green at Maudlintown which was destroyed through the Main Drainage works”.

During discussion on the motion the Borough Engineer outlined the works undertaken to-date and to be undertaken and this was noted by the meeting. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Local Authority Housing.

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

“That a report be made available as soon as possible on the up-to-date position of local authority housing in the south end of the town”.

In reply to the motion the Town Clerk stated that this years Local Authority House Building Programme would include the development of approximately 30 units at King Street and a small infill development also located in the south end of Wexford. Corporation officials were already in negotiation with other land owners in the south end of the town with a view to acquiring additional land for further housing development. This was noted by the meeting.

Main Drainage Scheme.

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

“In relation to the delayed pipe laying part of the Main Drainage Scheme and its recommencement, whenever, this Council:-

- a. Appoints a monitoring committee consisting of elected members and officials;
- b. That regular reports on progress, delays and problems be relayed to the full Council;
- c. Receives a report in relation to P.R. work, cost and possible improvement in dealing with the public etc.”

In reply to the motion the Town Clerk reported on the position regarding the appointment of a replacement contractor and outlined the methods which had been employed heretofore in relation to public awareness and claims for damages under the contract. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed that the Monitoring Committee would consist of the Mayor ex-officio and two elected members.

Elected Members.

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

“That this Borough Council treat all its members equally”.

In moving the motion the proposer referred to the need for an induction course for new members when elected and further stated that a members room should be provided in the Municipal Buildings for use of members to meet with their constituents etc. Without such a room being available for all then facilities should not be made available for any one member. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed a vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllrs. Enright, Furlong.

Against:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Byrne, Cllr. Nolan,
Cllr. O'Connor, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. O'Flaherty.

Arising out of further discussion on the motion it was agreed to suggest to the Department of Environment and A.M.A.I. that induction courses for new members of Local Authorities should be held immediately following all elections in the future.

FERRYBANK SWIMMING POOL.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Fenlon:-

“That this Borough Council when making alterations to the Swimming Pool in Ferrybank would ensure that there is proper access to changing rooms for the disabled”.

In reply to the motion His Worship the Mayor stated that the Recreation Park Committee had already considered this matter as part of their

deliberations in relation to the Swimming Pool improvement works and that proposals from this committee which would shortly be coming before the Borough Council would as a matter of course incorporate provisions for disabled persons. This was noted by the meeting.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that a report regarding Bye-Laws for Crosstown Cemetery would be circulated at the next G.P. Meeting and this report would incorporate details of the draft bye-laws.

OTHER BUSINESS

Following representations from Cllr. Enright it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would report on a flooding problem in Belvedere Grove emanating from the North End Soccer Pitch at the next G.P. Meeting.

Following representations from Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that a life jacket would be provided at the Crescent.

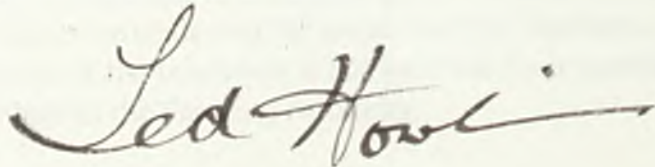
Following representations from Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that he would investigate the flooding problem at the roadway fronting Talbot Green.

Councillor Kavanagh outlined the proposals for the St. Patrick's Day Parade which were noted by the meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF MARCH 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



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5TH FEBRUARY, 1996.

Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

**TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.**

Dear Member,

I attach copy of Notice of Motion pursuant to Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 (Amended by the Local Government Act, 1991), together with copy of Manager's Order stating that the provisions of Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of the application of M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993.

These provisions are as follows:-

Notice in the prescribed form of the intention of the Planning Authority to consider deciding to grant the permission shall be published in at least one daily newspaper circulating in their area.

Copies of the Notice shall be given to the applicant and to any person who has submitted an objection in writing to the development to which the application relates.

Any objection or representation as regards the making of a decision to grant permission and which is received by the Planning Authority not later than twenty one days after the first publication of the Notice shall be duly considered by the Authority.

It will be necessary for the passing of a resolution requiring that a decision to grant a permission be made that the number of the Members of the Planning Authority voting in favour of the resolution is not less than three quarters of the total number of the Members of the Planning Authority.

Yours faithfully,

**D.F. CURTIN,
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NOTICE OF MOTION

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Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act,
1955
(Amended by the Local Government Act, 1991).

Pursuant to Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, (amended by the Local Government Act, 1991), Wexford Corporation hereby require the Asst. County Manager to decide to grant permission to J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993, which would materially contravene the said Development Plan.

SIGNED:-

Ald Anna Lendon
Ald Gus Bruce M.P.
Mr. Dominic P. Keenan
Mr. Fidge Reen M.C.
Mr. Michael Tuohy
Mr. Peter O'Neil
Mr. Eddie O'Connor
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MANAGER'S ORDER

Ref.:

Order No. : 27548

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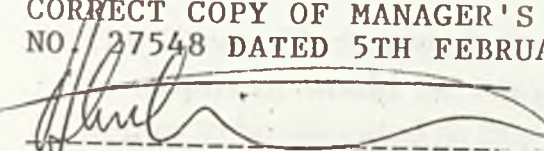
**MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF
DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

ORDER :

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, having received a Notice under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 and having received a report from the Borough Engineer stating that the granting of permission to M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993 would materially contravene the said Development Plan, that the provisions of Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of this development.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND
CORRECT COPY OF MANAGER'S ORDER
NO. 27548 DATED 5TH FEBRUARY, 1996.


D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

J. HUTCHINSON.

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MANAGER WEXFORD CORPORATION

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MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

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

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.
Ms. A. Ringwood, Housing Officer.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a unanimous vote of sympathy was extended to Cllr. P. Nolan and family on the recent death of his Sister-In-Law, Mrs. V. Reck, R.I.P. 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.

CIVIC RECEPTION.

His Worship the Mayor stated that as had previously been agreed a Civic Reception in conjunction with the Agmet Conference would be held on 29th February, 1996.

LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING.

The Town Clerk stated that Phase 2 of the Walnut Grove housing development would be completed in March/April and the remaining houses to be allocated in that phase were as follows:-

7 x 3 bedroomed units.
3 x 4 bedroomed units.
4 x 2 bedroomed units.

In addition a vacant house at 109, Belvedere Grove (3-bedroomed unit) is now available for allocation . He further stated that the 4 bedroomed units would be allocated as follows:-

One to the South Eastern Health Board to utilise as sheltered accommodation under the auspices of Ard Aoibhinn and the remaining two would be allocated as transfers to existing tenants at Belvedere Grove and Ferndale Park. The four 2 bedroomed units would be allocated to the next persons on the two-bed list and all of the approved applicants on the three-bed list will be offered tenancies for the remainder of the three-bed units (including three existing units being allocated to transfer applicants from two-bedroomed units). The two-bed units thus vacated would be allocated to the next persons on the two-bed priority list.

The Town Clerk stated that at present an assessment of housing needs was being undertaken and it was hoped that this would be concluded by April 1996.

The Town Clerk's report was noted with satisfaction and a lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. A number of individual problems for applicants for transfers/housing were noted to be pursued by the housing officer.

Arising out of discussion on the Walnut Grove development it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche that the names of Brendan Corish and Angus Lee should be considered as names for Phases 2 and 3 of the Walnut Grove housing development. It was further agreed that the Borough Engineer and architect would consider the re-organisation of the access to phase 3 of the estate from a safety point of view.

Arising out of general discussion it was agreed that all place names of housing estates and streets should be bi-lingual and it was agreed that the Town Clerk would pursue this matter.

A discussion was then held on John Street flats and it was unanimously agreed that the upgrading of the corridors, painting and carpeting should be undertaken as soon as possible and that consideration would be given to the appointment of a warden in this complex.

On the proposal of Cllr. Enright it was agreed that progress reports on all housing lists would issue to all members where allocations are made in the future and it was further agreed that a draft information for

applicants leaflet outlining the statutory powers and process would be considered by the next meeting of the housing committee.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne it was agreed that number plaques for each section of each estate would be erected in appropriate prominent locations.

His Worship the Mayor was then obliged to leave the meeting to attend a civic function and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that Cllr. O'Flaherty would assume the Chair.

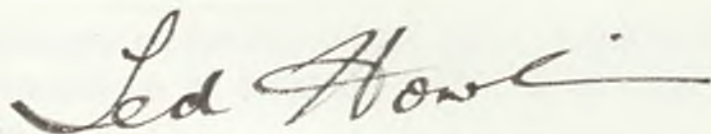
PRIVATE SITES.

The Town Clerk stated that work on the private sites was now nearing completion and outlined the particulars whereby all approved applicants would be allocated sites. It was noted that the number of sites available now exceeded the number of applicants and the particulars of allocation outlined by the Town Clerk were unanimously agreed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF March 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 4TH MARCH, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor unanimous votes of sympathy were extended to the following:-

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk on the death of his Father.

The family of the late Dr. Angus Lee.

Pamela Eastwood & Daughters on the death of Rev. Tom Eastwood.

Mr. Sean McLoughlin on the death of his son.

The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expressions of sympathy. The votes were passed in silence, all standing.

INVITATION TO VISIT PORTLAOISE.

His Worship the Mayor stated that an invitation had been received from the Chairman of Laoise County Council for the Borough Council to visit Portlaoise and discuss items of mutual interest. It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche that the visit would take place at a date and time to be arranged by the Mayor.

Schizophrenia Association.

His Worship the Mayor stated that a request had been received from the Schizophrenia Association that a deputation would be received by the Borough Council from the Association. It was unanimously agreed on the

proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that the deputation would be received at the next G.P. Meeting of the Borough Council.

Meetings.

It was agreed that a General Purposes Committee meeting would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 2nd April, 1996.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

His Worship the Mayor outlined the arrangements in relation to the 1996 St. Patrick's Day Parade which were noted by the meeting.

Material Contravention of Development Plan.

The attached reports from the Town Clerk and Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed following which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh to adjourn further consideration of the application to a future appropriate meeting of the Borough Council to facilitate the submission by the applicants of comments on the 3rd party submissions made.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 5th February, 1996, 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 Meeting and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche-

a. Housing Committee Meeting held on 6th February, 1996.

REPORTS.

1996 Seminar of A.M.A.I.

The attached report from His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Roche on the 1996 Seminar of A.M.A.I., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Design Awards.

His Worship the Mayor reported that Wexford Corporation had achieved the overall winner status in the National Design Awards for Local Authority Housing in respect of its Croke Avenue development and had also achieved a commended status for the development at Selskar Street/Well Lane. The Mayor stated that he had been presented with the Awards at a recent function in the Custom House and the presentation of the Awards were noted with satisfaction by the meeting.

MOTIONS

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

“I call on the Borough Council to condemn the miserly increase of 3% given to Social Welfare recipients in the budget”.

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

In Favour:- Ald. Byrne, Cllr. Nolan, Cllr. O’Flaherty, Cllr. Kiernan,
Ald. Reck, Cllr. Furlong (6)

Against:- Ald. Howlin, Cllr. O’Connor, Cllr. Roche, Ald. Fenlon,
Cllr. Kavanagh, Cllr. Enright (6).

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

Housing Officer/Welfare Officer.

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

“That this Council discuss with Department of the Environment the possibility of financing a Housing Officer cum Welfare Officer on a pound for pound basis or by a method of additionality of finance based on years Capital Housing Allocation”.

During discussion on the motion it was suggested that 1% of additionality on Local Authority Capital Allocation to be matched by Corporation on an

annual basis would fund this proposal which would assist in the promotion of the National Social Housing Programme.

Cllrs. Nolan and Enright then departed from the meeting.

National Sport.

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

“That this Council calls on the Minister for Communications to ensure named/listed events in National Sport are not for sale to the highest bidder”.

Following discussion it was agreed to amend the motion as follows:-

“That this Council calls on the Minister for Communications to ensure named/listed events in National Sport are not for sale to the highest bidder for exclusive coverage by any promoter”.

The amended motion was unanimously adopted.

Cleaning of railed corner at Lr. Bride Street/Clifford Street.

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

“That this Borough Council takes in hand responsibility for the cleaning of the railed area corner, Lr. Bride Street and Clifford Street”.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate this matter.

Rental Subsidy Scheme.

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

“That Wexford Corporation investigate the possibility of building houses under the Rental Subsidy Scheme in line with the Bishopland Housing Estate in Kildare Town”.

Traffic Control zones at Schools.

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

“That this Corporation agree to the establishment of traffic control zones at some schools in Wexford Town”.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Traffic Management Committee would consider a report from the Borough Engineer on this matter.

QUESTIONS.

RE/- Entrance Gate at King Street/Back of Barrack Street Houses.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that at present the site is owned by the O.P.W. and is in the process of legal transfer from the O.P.W. to the Corporation. He further stated that in the medium term the Local Authority Housing programme would resolve the problem and that he would take the matter up with the O.P.W.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF April 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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4TH MARCH, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

At the Monthly Meeting held on the 5th February, 1996 the Members agreed that the procedure under Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of the application of M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993.

Notice in the prescribed form of the intention of the Planning Authority to consider deciding to grant the permission for this development was published in the "Irish Independent" on Friday, 9th February, 1996.

Copies of the Notice were given to the applicant and to any person who had submitted an objection in writing to the development to which the application relates.

Two submissions were received within the prescribed period (copies attached). These must be considered by the Borough Council in reaching a decision to grant or refuse permission for that element of the development which, if granted, would materially contravene the Development Plan.

It will be necessary for the passing of a resolution requiring that a decision to grant a permission be made that the number of the Members of the Planning Authority voting in favour of the resolution is not less than three quarters of the total number of the Members of the Authority.

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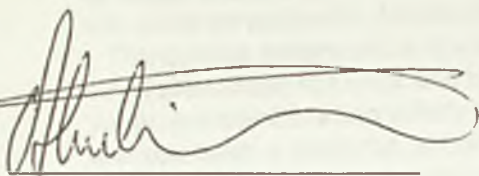
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In the event that the Members decide to grant permission for the demolition of the warehouse, the Manager can then consider the application for planning permission for the remainder of the development i.e., Construction of 58 No. residential units comprising 8 No. townhouses, 8 No. maisonettes, 18 No. 1-bedroom apartments and 24 No. 2-bedroom apartments; 405 sq. metres of shops, 310 sq. metres of Class 2 and 3 office space at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford. Should the Members decide to refuse permission for the demolition of the warehouse, the Manager will refuse permission for the development.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Curtin', written over a horizontal line.

D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

15 Farnogue Drive,
Newlands,
Newtown Road,
Wexford Town.
6/2/1996

For the attention Mr Tom Fahy.

CC: An Taisce, Brendan Howlin, Echo Newspaper, People Newspaper, Wexford Corporation.

A load of old rocks! Do you remember Dublin of some 30 or 40 years ago with its beautiful cobble stone streets, its trams and the pillar. It was a city with great character and beauty. Though I suppose Nelson's pillar can't be blamed on them, it must be said that Dublin Corporation members were mostly to blame for their failure to see the value of the trams and cobble stones to the character of the city, their tourism value and indeed for their practical use to the city. To add insult to injury the taxpayer is now being asked to fork out for a new tram system (they call it light rail to avoid looking like a bunch of wallys) and now they are even putting the cobble stones back in. Let's hope they kept that bunch of old rocks.

Wexford too let the cobbles go and now again the taxpayer to the rescue. This time it's cost us about £70,000 pounds to cobble about 70 meters. I'm sure it's a bargain at that price but it will never be authentic. Maybe we should have preserved them.

The current preservation row is centered on the old granary on Paul Quay which the developers hope to knock and build in its place a hotel and residential complex availing of the government's urban refurbishment scheme. The easy way out is to knock the building and you have a clean run at the site. The architectural consultants who found it impossible to design around the granary would now have a much easier job, God bless them. Having their cut of the £11 million development carrot will I'm sure spur them to come up with a good design at the expense of the granary.

The character of Wexford town is its narrow streets, its monuments and its fine selection of buildings. It would make a joke of Wexford Corporation and the Town Development Plan which lists the granary as an historic building if the go-ahead were given to knock it. The Paul Quay site should be developed because it is a bit of a mess but not at the expense of this fine old building. If the architectural consultants Staffords have hired are incapable of coming up with a plan that does not include the destruction of the granary then Staffords should hire another company who can come up with a plan. The old mill and grain store in Castlebridge which was successfully restored is full of character and is a beautiful place to live in. A scheme like the Castlebridge one could be adapted to preserve the granary as say part of the flats complex. Some of the open space on either side of the granary could be used to house the more modern buildings with maybe a courtyard in between to park cars. The complex would have great character and functionality and it would definitely be a much sought after location to live in. Holiday makers too would choose this type of hotel in preference to the many bland hotels so much in evidence these days. If you do knock the granary then you take away some of the beauty and character that attracts holidaymakers to Wexford and maybe then they will just go somewhere else.

Finally, if you do decide to go ahead with the destruction of this historic building, could you store all the stones, slates and timbers in a safe place so that in 30 or 40 years time when someone decides "Hey, let's build an old style grain store on the site of the old granary", the taxpayers will only be burdened with the construction costs. I urge you not to sanction the destruction of this building otherwise it will mean that any historical building can be bought off the Town Development Plan and we may end up like Dublin trying to bring back the past it has destroyed. Keep those old rocks!

Regards
Brian O' Keefe.

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Town Clerk,
Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings,
Wexford.


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Re: P&D Reg. Nos. 4931 & 4941 - Development at Paul's Quay

Dear Sirs,

We refer to the above proposed developments which, for the purposes of our submission, we have treated as one proposal.

The proposed new buildings will have a major impact on views and in particular, the harbour setting. Therefore, the application should have been accompanied by drawings showing the whole development in elevation to the Quay with the adjoining buildings, together with illustrative photomontage views (it is noted that the existing pub on the quay is not included). Both the listed grain stores and the boundary walls of the sites are constructed of sandstone with brick dressings. However, there is no stone proposed in the new development; all building finishes will be painted sand and cement and all slates will be asbestos cement. The loss of traditional materials from such an extensive and prominent site would be regrettable.

The listed grain stores, which are being used currently for their originally designed purpose, date from the mid-19th century. The western section was built in 1847 during the Famine and the eastern section added shortly afterwards. Both are sandstone with brick dressings and are partially weatherhung with slates. The natural slate roofs are in good condition as are the interior timbers and king post roof trusses. Taken as a whole, the grain store (listed as two buildings) is arguably among the five most important buildings in Wexford Town. It is the tallest building in Wexford apart from the church spires and it dominates a number of harbour views. Its demolition would be a serious loss to the town's architectural heritage and, in our view, the loss of such a quality listed building, which is not derelict, is contrary to the spirit of the Urban Renewal Designated Areas.

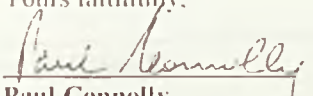
We are, therefore, opposed to the proposed demolition of the grain stores and recommend that planning permission be refused. We would prefer to see a scheme which would allow the building to be retained or converted to a new use, such as a hotel, as has been done successfully with similar buildings elsewhere in the country. Consideration might also be given to re-using the stone from the site boundary walls.

It is proposed also to demolish a number of other buildings including a Victorian timber kiln and quayfront buildings. A photographic record and plans should be made of these and copies lodged with both the planning authority and the Irish Architectural Archive.

Finally, any development on this site involving ground disturbance is likely to result in archaeological implications. Our archaeologist's report and recommendations are enclosed.

Please notify us of your decision as soon as it issues.

Yours faithfully,


Paul Connolly
National Monuments and
Historic Properties Service
21st February, 1996.



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PLANNING REF: 4931

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Construction of 58 residential units, comprising 8 townhouses, 8 maisonettes, 18 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 24 no. 2 bedroom apartments, 405 sq. metres of shops, 301 sq. metres of office space and demolition of warehouse (listed building in Development Plan)

LOCATION: Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street, Wexford

APPLICANT: J. J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford)

ARCHAEOLOGICAL REQUIREMENTS:

The proposed development site is located within the Area of Archaeological Potential in Wexford, as identified in the Urban Archaeological Survey of County Wexford. There is a possibility that archaeological material will be discovered during the course of development of this particular site. Due to the large scale of the proposed development, the extent of the associated sub-surface works and the location of the site within the Area of Archaeological Potential, it shall be necessary to carry-out archaeological investigative work in advance of site works.

It is recommended that the applicant employ a qualified archaeologist to carry-out an Archaeological Assessment of the proposed development site and to prepare and submit a report to the relevant authorities, *prior to the planning decision*. An Archaeological Assessment shall be formally requested as Additional Information.

The Archaeological Assessment shall be based on documentary research and on the excavation of a number of trial trenches within the proposed development site. Archaeological trial trenching shall include trenching along the proposed lines for foundations for the proposed structures within the development site. Archaeological trial-trenching may also be necessary in the vicinity of services trenches and other proposed sub-surface works associated with the development, to determine the presence/absence of archaeological material within the site.

The assessment will involve the preparation of a report on the nature, extent, location and levels of archaeological material (if any) within the proposed development site, based on the excavation of these trial trenches.

Where archaeological material is shown to be present, a detailed Archaeological Impact Statement shall be included within the report. The potential impact of the proposed development on the archaeology within the site shall be described in detail. The impact statement shall give specific information on the extent, levels (corrected to Ordnance Datum) and location of all proposed ground-beams and piling, services trenches and all other sub-surface works associated with the development. The levels of the archaeology within the site shall also be detailed within the report (corrected to Ordnance Datum).

It is essential that the Archaeological Assessment Report be submitted to the Local Authority and the National Monuments Service, Office of Public Works *prior to the planning decision* as Additional Information. Further archaeological requirements may be identified by the National Monuments Service at this stage, pending the results of the Archaeological Assessment.

Maeve O' Callaghan
Archaeologist
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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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REPORT TO MR. J. HUTCHINSON, ASST. CO. MANAGER.

RE/ PLANNING APPLICATION 4931 -

J.J. STAFFORD & SONS (WEXFORD), PAUL QUAY, WEXFORD.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND DEMOLITION OF A LIST 2 BUILDING
IN THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR WEXFORD TOWN AND ENVIRONS
1993.

On receipt of the above planning application, you decided that the List 2 Building be considered a preserved structure under Section 5.10.3 of the above Development Plan. This obliged the Planning Authority to refuse permission for the demolition of the structure, as its demolition would, in these circumstances, be a material contravention of the Development Plan.

The application for the demolition is now the subject of a Notice under Section 39 (d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976.

If the Members decide to contravene the Development Plan, I would recommend the following conditions:-

(1) CONDITION

Where practicable, all cut stone and sound heavy timbers be saved by the developer from the demolition for incorporating in his new developments in the immediate area of the granary.

(1) REASON

To maximise the appropriate reuse of these traditional materials in the area.

T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

4TH MARCH, 1996.

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REPORT ON 1996 SEMINAR OF ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL
AUTHORITIES OF IRELAND - 9TH/10TH FEBRUARY, 1996.

- 1st Paper – Devolution in Local Government given by Mr. P. Flynn, Chairman, Devolution Commission.*
- 2nd Paper – Mr. Jim Lacey, Chairman, Commission on Local Government Review.*
- 3rd Paper – Local Government Change by Mr. F. Ryan, Institute of Public Administration.*
- 4th Paper – White Paper on Education given by Mr. Joe Cooney, General Secretary, I.V.E.A.*
- 5th Paper – Housing Management Paper by Fr. Pat Cogan, Director of Respond.*
- 6th Paper – Litter Campaigns and Tidy Towns. Paper by Mr. F. Matthews, Development Section, Department of Environment.*

Copies of the papers are to be forwarded and should be available shortly.

Negotiations took place between His Worship the Mayor, Town Clerk, Ald. G. Byrne, Cllr. P. Roche and A.M.A.I. Seminar Committee re Spring Seminar in 1998 for Wexford. It seems Wexford will get 1998 Seminar and also a very good possibility of getting it in 1997. A final decision on this will be made by A.M.A.I. Executive in March of this year. Information requested by the Seminar Committee on Wexford will be forwarded as soon as possible to them. Unlike an Annual A.M.A.I. Conference the Corporation will have no costs etc. to bear as all organisation funding etc., is undertaken by the A.M.A.I. Seminar Committee. It is envisaged to attract 300-400 people to Wexford for a two day period during the slack time of February each year - 1997 and 1998.

His Worship the Mayor. Ald. T. Howlin.

Alderman G. Byrne

Councillor P. Roche.

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 6TH
MARCH, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

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

1996 Barry Ceremony.

His Worship the Mayor outlined the proposals for the extended Barry Commemoration Ceremony to celebrate the 40th Anniversary. In brief the proposals are as follows:-

Friday Evening Barbeque - National Heritage Park.

Saturday Street Theatre/Decorated Shop Windows - Irish/
America Theme.

Saturday Evening .. Gala Banquet/Bursary Concert at Theatre Royal -
U.S. Navy Band.

Sunday a.m. Ceremony at Barry Statue.

He further stated that at the Barry Ceremony this year, representatives from the U.S.A. John F. Kennedy including the Admiral of the Fleet will be present and the ceremony on Sunday would include a fly-over of planes from the U.S.S. John F. Kennedy. The proposals were welcomed by all members of the Committee who expressed their thanks to the Mayor for creating this major opportunity to have substantial national public promotion of Wexford. It was unanimously agreed to recommend on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that the additional budget which would be required would be authorised and that the detailed arrangements for the weekend would be discussed at the next Protocol Committee Meeting.

St. Patrick's Day Parade 1996.

His Worship the Mayor outlined the arrangements for the Parade which were noted by the Committee.

Conferences/Seminars.

The following list of conferences/seminars was then considered. It was agreed to recommend that two representatives would be sent to Conferences 4 and 5 and that the Mayor would attend on behalf of the Corporation at Conferences 7 and 11.

1. Second National Conference on Urban Forestry
27th-29th March, 1996.
Limerick Inn Hotel.
Conference Fee - £90.00 Expenses:- £387
2. Thirteenth Irish Sea Forum Seminar
11/12th March, 1996.
County Hotel, Llandudno.
Conference Fee - £25 Expenses:- £414
3. Social Study 1996 Summer School
3rd - 7th August, 1996.
Inchigeela, Co. Cork.
Conference Fee - (Not yet notified) Expenses:- £511
4. National Housing Conference 1996.
24th, 25th and 26th April, 1996.
Tower Hotel, Waterford.
Conference Fee:- £225.00 Expenses:- £267
5. Local Authority Members Association Annual Conference 1996
11th/12th April, 1996.
Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.
Conference Fee: £180 Expenses:- £487
6. Housing & Partnership - A Living Countryside Conference.
17th to 19th April, 1996.
Slieve Donard Hotel, Newcastle, Co. Down.
Conference Fee: £150 Expenses:- £484
7. Conference - Chernobyl - Ten years On - Are we better prepared.
Friday 26th April, 1996.
Cavendish Conference Centre, London.
Conference Fee:- £146.88 Expenses:- £358
8. Managing Customer Value - 1996 Forum.
24th and 25th April, 1996.

Stratford-upon-Avon

Conference Fee:- £934.13 Expenses:- £414

9. Conference on Forestry

16th April, 1996.

Abbey Hotel, Roscommon.

Conference Fee: £80 Expenses:- £286

10. Public Policy Management Programme.

15th April, 1996.

ADC Headquarters, Westminster

Conference Fee:- £217 Expenses:- £358

11. Association of Health Boards in Ireland Annual Conference.

West County Hotel, Ennis.

3rd/4th May, 1996.

Conference Fee: £145.00 Expenses:- £358

12. Environment Conference - Water Quality & Wastes.

Carlow - 8th/9th May, 1996.

Conference Fee: £75.00 Expenses:- £219

13. National Landscape Forum 1996.

University Industry Centre, Belfield, Dublin 4.

17th May, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £75.00 Expenses:- £210

14. National Planning Conference 1996.

Slieve Russel Hotel, Ballyconnell, County Cavan.

11th & 12th April, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £175.00 Expenses:- £302.65

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF April 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 1ST APRIL 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor read two letters of thanks from the Association of Ambulance Drivers and Mr. S. Berry, President, Leinster Council, G.A.A. for recent Civic Receptions in their honour.

In reply to Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would report for the next meeting of the Borough Council on the hard surfacing of the area in front of the Municipal Buildings.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed to afford a Civic Reception to Mr. Conor O'Dwyer on his achievement in winning the Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Material Contravention of Development Plan - Demolition of warehouse at Paul Quay - M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford).

The Town Clerk outlined the statutory procedures that had been undertaken in relation to considering the material contravention of the Development Plan to facilitate the granting of permission in respect of the above development. Copies of submissions and objections made in relation to this application, having previously been circulated to each member and a copy of which is attached hereto, were then considered. In addition the attached reports from the Borough Engineer in relation to this application, copies of which had previously been circulated, were considered. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the Wexford Development Plan 1993 be contravened and that permission to demolish buildings listed in List 2 Building 33 and List 2 Building 17 be granted subject to conditions as outlined in the Borough Engineer's report.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 4th March, 1996, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Reck.

The minutes of the following Committee Meeting and the recommendations contained therein, copy of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:

a. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 6th March, 1996.

MOTIONS

Ely House.

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

"Councillor P. Nolan requests this Council to call on the S.E.H.B., to immediately open the top floor of Ely House to facilitate some of the geriatric cases in Wexford Town".

Bass Fishing.

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

"Councillor P. Nolan requests this Council to call on the Minister with responsibility for fisheries, Mr. Sean Barrett, to immediately rescind the legislation re: bass fishing introduced some years ago".

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

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Fenlon, Ald. Howlin, Ald. Byrne, Cllrs.
Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Furlong, Roche, O'Flaherty,
D.M. Kiernan (11).

Against:- Cllr. Enright (1)

The motion was declared carried.

Crosstown Cemetery.

It was agreed that the following two motions would be taken together and were proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche:-

"That this Borough Council takes another look at the parking and driving situation in Crosstown Cemetery in order to resolve the various problems caused by same".

"That a full report be made available on Crosstown Cemetery for the next G.P. meeting, this report to cover all aspects of the operations of the Cemetery".

Following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report on the Cemetery for the next G.P. Meeting.

Presidency of the E.E.C.

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

"That this Council calls on our two senior Government Ministers to use the upcoming Presidency of the E.E.C. to gain maximum publicity for County Wexford".

Footpaths.

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

"This Borough Council requests that a thorough report be prepared on the condition of footpaths throughout the town and that such report be used for a prioritised reinstatement programme for footpaths".

During discussion on the motion the Town Clerk stated that a comprehensive road and footpath restoration programme is being prepared at present by the Borough Engineer. Preliminary indications would suggest a cost of £4.5m - £5m in respect of roads in the Borough. £700,000 is included in the Main Drainage Scheme Contract for permanent restoration work and the balance would need to be raised by the Local Authorities concerned with the assistance of department grants.

He further stated that the entire programme would be considered at a future meeting of the Borough Council.

Open Spaces.

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

"This Borough Council resolves that a plan of action be drawn up to ensure that the town's public open spaces are kept in a condition fit for public use and enjoyment".

During discussion on the motion it was agreed that a report on Park Attendants would be considered at the next G.P. Meeting.

QUESTIONS

Re/- Tenant Purchase Scheme.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that:-

- a. Under the 1995 Tenant Purchase Scheme, no stamp duty is payable on the sale of the house. The local authority will bear the legal costs associated with the actual sale. The costs associated with the mortgage loan will have to be borne by purchaser(s). It may be possible to have these costs included in the amount of the loan.
- b. Under the old scheme, the local authority bore the costs associated with the sale of the house. There were no loans required and therefore no associated legal fees.
- c. The grant for first time buyers under the 1988 Scheme was £2,000.
- d. The grant is £3,000 under the 1995 Scheme.
- e. The legal fees associated with a mortgage loan would generally be less than £1,000 (average £750).

a. (Re/- Estate Management Programme).

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that a proposal is being drawn up for consideration at the May G.P. meeting in respect of the Wolfe Tone Villas, Maudlintown, Coolcotts and Walnut Grove housing schemes.

b. Re/- T.P. Applications.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that a total of 145 applications to purchase were received. 115 tenants have been notified of their market values, discounts and nett sale prices etc. The market values are presently being assessed in the other 30 cases.

c. Re/- Cellar at top of Anne Street.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer stated that this matter is being pursued by the Corporation's legal advisor.

Councillor J. O'Flaherty referred to a recent Civic Reception afforded to the F.C.A. on the occasion of their 50th anniversary and in particular paid tribute to the Wexford Echo photographer on the excellent photograph printed in the Wexford Echo. On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to obtain a copy of this photograph and mount it in the Council Chamber having regard to the significant historical occasion.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 16th DAY OF May 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'La How', is written over the printed name of the Mayor.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

5TH FEBRUARY, 1996.

**TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.**

Dear Member,

I attach copy of Notice of Motion pursuant to Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 (Amended by the Local Government Act, 1991), together with copy of Manager's Order stating that the provisions of Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of the application of M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993.

These provisions are as follows:-

Notice in the prescribed form of the intention of the Planning Authority to consider deciding to grant the permission shall be published in at least one daily newspaper circulating in their area.

Copies of the Notice shall be given to the applicant and to any person who has submitted an objection in writing to the development to which the application relates.

Any objection or representation as regards the making of a decision to grant permission and which is received by the Planning Authority not later than twenty one days after the first publication of the Notice shall be duly considered by the Authority.

It will be necessary for the passing of a resolution requiring that a decision to grant a permission be made that the number of the Members of the Planning Authority voting in favour of the resolution is not less than three quarters of the total number of the Members of the Planning Authority.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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NOTICE OF MOTION

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Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act,
1955
.(Amended by the Local Government Act, 1991).

Pursuant to Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, (amended by the Local Government Act, 1991), Wexford Corporation hereby require the Asst. County Manager to decide to grant permission to J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993, which would materially contravene the said Development Plan.

SIGNED:-

Ald Anna Lendon
Ald Gus Byrne M.P.
Mrs. Dominic P. Kienan
Ald Lutz Reen vice
Mr. Michael Tuohy
Mr. Peter O'Neil
Mr. Eddie O'Connor
Leo How
Mr. Nicholas Kavanagh
Mr. Patrick Mahon

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WEXFORD CORPORATION

MANAGER'S ORDER

Ref.:

Order No.: 27548

Subject:

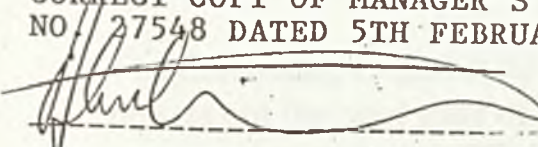
**MATERIAL CONTRAVENTION OF
DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

ORDER:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, having received a Notice under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 and having received a report from the Borough Engineer stating that the granting of permission to M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993 would materially contravene the said Development Plan, that the provisions of Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of this development.

SIGNED THIS 5th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1996.

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND
CORRECT COPY OF MANAGER'S ORDER
NO. 27548 DATED 5TH FEBRUARY, 1996.


D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

J. HUTCHINSON.

MANAGER WEXFORD CORPORATION

HR

Wexford Corporation, K. Lacey, 27/02/96 21:30

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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REPORT TO ASST. CO. MANAGER.

RE/ P. & D. REG. 4931 - 58 NO. RESIDENTIAL UNITS,
COMPRISING 8 NO. TOWN HOUSES, 8 NO. MAISONETTES, 18
NO. 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS, AND 24 NO. 2 BEDROOM
APARTMENTS: 405 SQ. METRES OF SHOPS, 310 SQ. METRES
OF CLASS 2 + 3 OFFICE SPACE AND THE DEMOLITION OF
WAREHOUSE TO REAR OF PAUL QUAY, AS LISTED IN LIST
2, BUILDING 33 AND LIST 2, BUILDING 17 OF THE 1993
WEXFORD DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND DEMOLITION OF
BUILDINGS AT PAUL QUAY, PAUL QUAY LANE, KING
STREET, SINNOTT PLACE, WEXFORD.

The above planning application includes the demolition of the granary structure which is a List 2 Building in the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs, 1993. This listing means that when a planning application is received for development/demolition of a listed building, the Planning Authority consider the preservation of the structure and can refuse planning permission where the Authority decides such a structure should be preserved.

The building is of mid-early 19th Century construction and being six stories high is unusually high for such buildings in Wexford. It was designed for the storage of grain. It is, therefore, important as a piece of industrial architecture of historical significance in the town.

The Consulting Engineer for the developer has submitted a report in which he sets out the poor state of repair of the existing building and identifies some structural faults. The report does not, however, state that the structure is beyond repair, but that it would be uneconomic for his client to do so.

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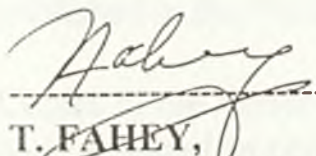
Correspondence from the developer also focuses on the question of cost. He states that, as a commercial company they will always apply commercial success criteria to any financial investment and that the only source of funding for the restoration identified by him, to date, is the companies own resources. The developer has made contact with E.U. Officer in Waterford, the Revenue Commissioner and the O.P.W. and Leader 1. I am not, however, satisfied that he has exhausted all avenues of grant aid which might be available for such development.

The proposed development is located in an area designated for Urban Renewal.

The building is located towards the centre of the site and screened by existing roadside buildings. It, therefore, has little current public impact. The height and scale of the building is such that it sterilises much of the site for dense residential development with regard to adequate natural light to windows, orientation of future development etc.

I have discussed the above with the Co. Planning Officer and Co. Architect. The consensus is that, on balance, the structure should be preserved.

Having regard to this consensus, there are no options presently available to enable this application to be further considered by the Planning Authority for permission. It may be, however, that the Borough Council would wish to consider materially contravening the plan and in this event the provision of Section 39 (d) of the 1976 Planning Act would apply.



T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

22ND JANUARY, 1996.

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4TH MARCH, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

At the Monthly Meeting held on the 5th February, 1996 the Members agreed that the procedure under Section 39 (d), 3 (a), (i), (ii) and (iii) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976 be complied with in respect of the application of M/s. J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford, for development at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford, including the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay, as listed in List 2, Building 33 and List 2, Building 17 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993.

Notice in the prescribed form of the intention of the Planning Authority to consider deciding to grant the permission for this development was published in the "Irish Independent" on Friday, 9th February, 1996.

Copies of the Notice were given to the applicant and to any person who had submitted an objection in writing to the development to which the application relates.

Two submissions were received within the prescribed period (copies attached). These must be considered by the Borough Council in reaching a decision to grant or refuse permission for that element of the development which, if granted, would materially contravene the Development Plan.

It will be necessary for the passing of a resolution requiring that a decision to grant a permission be made that the number of the Members of the Planning Authority voting in favour of the resolution is not less than three quarters of the total number of the Members of the Authority.

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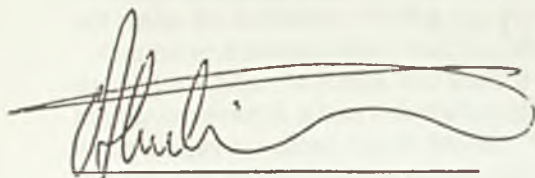
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In the event that the Members decide to grant permission for the demolition of the warehouse, the Manager can then consider the application for planning permission for the remainder of the development i.e., Construction of 58 No. residential units comprising 8 No. townhouses, 8 No. maisonettes, 18 No. 1-bedroom apartments and 24 No. 2-bedroom apartments; 405 sq. metres of shops, 310 sq. metres of Class 2 and 3 office space at Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street and Sinnott Place, Wexford. Should the Members decide to refuse permission for the demolition of the warehouse, the Manager will refuse permission for the development.

Yours faithfully,

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

**D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.**

15 Farnogue Drive,
Newlands,
Newtown Road,
Wexford Town.
6/2/1996

For the attention Mr Tom Fahy.

CC: An Taisce, Brendan Howlin, Echo Newspaper, People Newspaper, Wexford Corporation.

A load of old rocks! Do you remember Dublin of some 30 or 40 years ago with its beautiful cobble stone streets, its trams and the pillar. It was a city with great character and beauty. Though I suppose Nelson's pillar can't be blamed on them, it must be said that Dublin Corporation members were mostly to blame for their failure to see the value of the trams and cobble stones to the character of the city, their tourism value and indeed for their practical use to the city. To add insult to injury the taxpayer is now being asked to fork out for a new tram system (they call it light rail to avoid looking like a bunch of wallies) and now they are even putting the cobble stones back in. Let's hope they kept that bunch of old rocks.

Wexford too let the cobbles go and now again the taxpayer to the rescue. This time it's cost us about £70,000 pounds to cobble about 70 meters. I'm sure it's a bargain at that price but it will never be authentic. Maybe we should have preserved them.

The current preservation row is centered on the old granary on Paul Quay which the developers hope to knock and build in its place a hotel and residential complex availing of the government's urban refurbishment scheme. The easy way out is to knock the building and you have a clean run at the site. The architectural consultants who found it impossible to design around the granary would now have a much easier job, God bless them. Having their cut of the £11 million development carrot will I'm sure spur them to come up with a good design at the expense of the granary.

The character of Wexford town is its narrow streets, its monuments and its fine selection of buildings. It would make a joke of Wexford Corporation and the Town Development Plan which lists the granary as an historic building if the go-ahead were given to knock it. The Paul Quay site should be developed because it is a bit of a mess but not at the expense of this fine old building. If the architectural consultants Staffords have hired are incapable of coming up with a plan that does not include the destruction of the granary then Staffords should hire another company who can come up with a plan. The old mill and grain store in Castlebridge which was successfully restored is full of character and is a beautiful place to live in. A scheme like the Castlebridge one could be adapted to preserve the granary as say part of the flats complex. Some of the open space on either side of the granary could be used to house the more modern buildings with maybe a courtyard in between to park cars. The complex would have great character and functionality and it would definitely be a much sought after location to live in. Holiday makers too would choose this type of hotel in preference to the many bland hotels so much in evidence these days. If you do knock the granary then you take away some of the beauty and character that attracts holidaymakers to Wexford and maybe then they will just go somewhere else.

Finally, if you do decide to go ahead with the destruction of this historic building, could you store all the stones, slates and timbers in a safe place so that in 30 or 40 years time when someone decides "Hey, let's build an old style grain store on the site of the old granary", the taxpayers will only be burdened with the construction costs. I urge you not to sanction the destruction of this building otherwise it will mean that any historical building can be bought off the Town Development Plan and we may end up like Dublin trying to bring back the past it has destroyed. Keep those old rocks!

Regards
Brian O' Keefe.

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Town Clerk,
Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings,
Wexford.

Re: P&D Reg. Nos. 4931 & 4941 - Development at Paul's Quay

Dear Sirs,

We refer to the above proposed developments which, for the purposes of our submission, we have treated as one proposal.

The proposed new buildings will have a major impact on views and in particular, the harbour setting. Therefore, the application should have been accompanied by drawings showing the whole development in elevation to the Quay with the adjoining buildings, together with illustrative photomontage views (it is noted that the existing pub on the quay is not included). Both the listed grain stores and the boundary walls of the sites are constructed of sandstone with brick dressings. However, there is no stone proposed in the new development; all building finishes will be painted sand and cement and all slates will be asbestos cement. The loss of traditional materials from such an extensive and prominent site would be regrettable.

The listed grain stores, which are being used currently for their originally designed purpose, date from the mid-19th century. The western section was built in 1847 during the Famine and the eastern section added shortly afterwards. Both are sandstone with brick dressings and are partially weatherlhung with slates. The natural slate roofs are in good condition as are the interior timbers and king post roof trusses. Taken as a whole, the grain store (listed as two buildings) is arguably among the five most important buildings in Wexford Town. It is the tallest building in Wexford apart from the church spires and it dominates a number of harbour views. Its demolition would be a serious loss to the town's architectural heritage and, in our view, the loss of such a quality listed building, which is not derelict, is contrary to the spirit of the Urban Renewal Designated Areas.

We are, therefore, opposed to the proposed demolition of the grain stores and recommend that planning permission be refused. We would prefer to see a scheme which would allow the building to be retained or converted to a new use, such as a hotel, as has been done successfully with similar buildings elsewhere in the country. Consideration might also be given to re-using the stone from the site boundary walls.

It is proposed also to demolish a number of other buildings including a Victorian timber kiln and quayfront buildings. A photographic record and plans should be made of these and copies lodged with both the planning authority and the Irish Architectural Archive.

Finally, any development on this site involving ground disturbance is likely to result in archaeological implications. Our archaeologist's report and recommendations are enclosed.

Please notify us of your decision as soon as it issues.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Connolly
Paul Connolly
National Monuments and
Historic Properties Service
21st February, 1996.



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PLANNING REF: 4931

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Construction of 58 residential units, comprising 8 townhouses, 8 maisonettes, 18 no. 1 bedroom apartments, 24 no. 2 bedroom apartments, 405 sq. metres of shops, 301 sq. metres of office space and demolition of warehouse (listed building in Development Plan)

LOCATION: Paul Quay, Paul Quay Lane, King Street, Wexford

APPLICANT: J. J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford)

ARCHAEOLOGICAL REQUIREMENTS:

The proposed development site is located within the Area of Archaeological Potential in Wexford, as identified in the Urban Archaeological Survey of County Wexford. There is a possibility that archaeological material will be discovered during the course of development of this particular site. Due to the large scale of the proposed development, the extent of the associated sub-surface works and the location of the site within the Area of Archaeological Potential, it shall be necessary to carry-out archaeological investigative work in advance of site works.

It is recommended that the applicant employ a qualified archaeologist to carry-out an Archaeological Assessment of the proposed development site and to prepare and submit a report to the relevant authorities, *prior to the planning decision*. An Archaeological Assessment shall be formally requested as Additional Information.

The Archaeological Assessment shall be based on documentary research and on the excavation of a number of trial trenches within the proposed development site. Archaeological trial trenching shall include trenching along the proposed lines for foundations for the proposed structures within the development site. Archaeological trial-trenching may also be necessary in the vicinity of services trenches and other proposed sub-surface works associated with the development, to determine the presence/absence of archaeological material within the site.

The assessment will involve the preparation of a report on the nature, extent, location and levels of archaeological material (if any) within the proposed development site, based on the excavation of these trial trenches.

Where archaeological material is shown to be present, a detailed Archaeological Impact Statement shall be included within the report. The potential impact of the proposed development on the archaeology within the site shall be described in detail. The impact statement shall give specific information on the extent, levels (corrected to Ordnance Datum) and location of all proposed ground-beams and piling, services trenches and all other sub-surface works associated with the development. The levels of the archaeology within the site shall also be detailed within the report (corrected to Ordnance Datum).

It is essential that the Archaeological Assessment Report be submitted to the Local Authority and the National Monuments Service, Office of Public Works *prior to the planning decision* as Additional Information. Further archaeological requirements may be identified by the National Monuments Service at this stage, pending the results of the Archaeological Assessment.

Maeve O' Callaghan
Archaeologist
15/01/96



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REPORT TO MR. J. HUTCHINSON, ASST. CO. MANAGER.

RE/ PLANNING APPLICATION 4931 -

J.J. STAFFORD & SONS (WEXFORD), PAUL QUAY, WEXFORD.
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND DEMOLITION OF A LIST 2 BUILDING
IN THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR WEXFORD TOWN AND ENVIRONS
1993.

On receipt of the above planning application, you decided that the List 2 Building be considered a preserved structure under Section 5.10.3 of the above Development Plan. This obliged the Planning Authority to refuse permission for the demolition of the structure, as its demolition would, in these circumstances, be a material contravention of the Development Plan.

The application for the demolition is now the subject of a Notice under Section 39 (d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976.

If the Members decide to contravene the Development Plan, I would recommend the following conditions:-

(1) CONDITION

Where practicable, all cut stone and sound heavy timbers be saved by the developer from the demolition for incorporating in his new developments in the immediate area of the granary.

(1) REASON

To maximise the appropriate reuse of these traditional materials in the area.

T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

4TH MARCH, 1996.

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REPORT TO MR. J. HUTCHINSON, ASST. CO. MANAGER.

Re: Planning Application 4931

J.J. Stafford & Sons (Wexford), Paul Quay, Wexford.

Construction of 58 no. residential units comprising 8 no. townhouses, 8 no. maisonettes, 18 no. 1 bedroom apartments and 24 no. 2 bedroom apartments ; 405 sq. metres of shops, 310 sq. metres of class 2 and 3 office space and the demolition of warehouse to rear of Paul Quay as listed in List 2 Building 33 and List 2 Building 17 of the 1993 Wexford Development Plan and Demolition of Building.

On receipt of the above planning application, you decided that the List 2 Building be considered a preserved structure under Section 5.10.3 of the above Development Plan. This obliged the Planning Authority to refuse permission for the demolition of the structure, as its demolition would, in these circumstances, be a material contravention of the Development Plan.

The application for the demolition is now the subject of a Notice under Section 39 (d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976.

If the Members decide to contravene the Development Plan, I would recommend the following specific condition:-

(1) CONDITION

Where practicable, all cut stone and sound heavy timbers and sound roofing slates and granite window cills be saved by the developer from the demolition for incorporating in his new developments in the immediate area of the granary.

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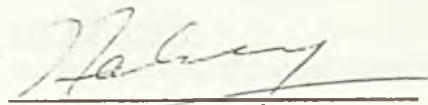
(1) REASON

To maximise the appropriate reuse of these traditional materials in the area.

I will also be recommending that permission be granted for the overall development, subject to the attached conditions.

NOTE:

P & D Reg. 4941 - (A) The construction of a 4 storey 64 no. bedroom hotel incorporating a public bar, public restaurant, function room, leisure centre and ancillary car-parking, (B) The construction of 160 metres of service road accessing Paul Quay to Oyster Lane and Sinnott Place. (C) Demolition of Building at Paul Quay and Oyster Lane, (D) Change of use of existing Grain Store to covered Car-park at Paul Quay, Oyster Lane and Sinnott Place, Wexford is being dealt with separately and should the material contravention be approved, I will be recommending that permission be granted subject to conditions, including a condition that all saved materials from the demolition of the Grain Store be reused.


T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

1st April, 1996.

SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS & REASONS THEREFOR.

(1) CONDITION

The proposed development shall be carried out in accordance with drawings submitted to the planning authority on 8th January, 1996.

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| 1) Drawing Nos. 94 372 PP SO1. | Site Layout Plan. |
| 2) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPMO1A. | Listed Building |
| 3) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPMO2A. | Listed Building |
| 4) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PP2A. | Site Plan as existing. |
| 5) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPA03A. | Block A Second and Third Floors |
| 6) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPA04A. | Block A Elevations |
| 7) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPBO1A. | Block B Floor Plans |
| 8) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPBO2A. | Block B Elevation and Section |
| 9) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPCO1A. | Block C Ground Floor Plan |
| 10) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPCO2A. | Block C First & Second Floor Plan |
| 11) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPCO3A. | Elevation and Section C01 |

on 22nd December, 1996

(b)

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| 12) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPDO1 | Block D Floor Plans |
| 13) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPDO2 | Block D Elevations and Section DO1 |
| 14) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPAO1 | Block A Ground Floor Plan and Section |
| 15) Drawing Nos. 94/346 PPAO2 | Block A First Floor Plan and Section. |

(1) REASON

In the interests of proper planning and development of the area.

(2) CONDITION

Heavy duty cast iron stop cock covers shall be provided and located in the footpath in front of each house, all manhole covers shall be heavy duty cast iron.

(2) REASON

In the interests of public health and safety.

(3) CONDITION

Public lighting shall be provided to the proposed development consisting of 70W sodium lights, with dusk to dawn operation.

(3) REASON

In the interests of public safety.

(4) CONDITION

The roof finishes on all buildings facing Paul Quay shall consist of natural re-used carefully removed sound slates from the existing 6 storey grain store on site on its demolition. Any shortfall in the supply of slates from this source shall be made up by the buying in of natural slates to match those recurred from the grain store.

(4) REASON

In the interests of visual amenity.

(5) CONDITION

The areas indicated as 'Grass and Landscaped Recreation Area' on drawing no. 94 372. PPS01 submitted to the planning authority on 8th January, 1996, shall be designated and maintained as communal open space.

(5) REASON

In the interests of proper planning and development of the area and to ensure compliance with Section 4.10.1 of the Development Plan.

(6) CONDITION

The landscaping shall be completed within one year of commencement of the proposed development. Any trees that die shall be replaced.

(6) REASON

In the interests of visual amenity and public safety.

(7) CONDITION

On completion of the estate, the developer shall submit, in duplicate, to the Planning Authority a set of record drawings indicating:-

- a) The layout of the proposal including layout and level of roads and sewers.
- b) The layout and diameter of the watermain with the valve position marked. Where more than two valves are provided at a watermain junction, a line drawing showing the layout of valves at the junction shall be provided.
- c) The diameter of sewers and positions of manholes.
- d) The positions of road gullies.
- e) The position of service ducts crossing carriageways clearly identified by dimensioning from some clearly visible surface feature e.g. road gully or manhole.

These plans shall to be to a scale of not less than 1:1000 Sections shall have a horizontal scale of not less than 1:1000 and a vertical scale of not less than 1:100. All levels shall be related to Ordnance Datum (OD)

(7) REASON

In the interests of the proper planning and development of the area.

(8) CONDITION

Any damage or interference with the public footpath shall be made good at the developers expense and to the satisfaction of the Local Authority.

(8) REASON

In the interests of proper planning and development.

(9) CONDITION

Water off roofs and paved areas shall not be discharged onto the public road, but shall be disposed of via gully traps on site.

(9) REASON

In the interests of public safety.

(10) CONDITION

Externally mounted roller shutters are not permitted on the shop windows. Any proposed security shutters shall be internally mounted fold away open lattice type.

(10) REASON

In the interests of visual amenity.

(11) CONDITION

All lighting of the proposed development shall be by static external illumination only and it shall not cause any glare hazard to users of the public road, footpath or neighbouring properties.

(11) REASON

In the interests of visual amenity and public safety.

(12) CONDITION

No signs, symbols, nameplates or advertisement other than those which form part of this application shall be erected on or attached to the proposed development without prior planning permission and in the case of exempted development, the written consent of the planning authority.

(12) REASON

In the interests of visual amenity and public safety.

(13) CONDITION

The surface of the car park shall be properly graded, surfaced with bitumen macadam appropriately lined and act adequately drained.

(13) REASON

In the interest of visual amenity and public safety.

(14) CONDITION

The top edge or cornice of the proposed fascia shall be horizontal throughout its length and shall be tipped a minimum of 25mm forward of the bottom edge.

(14) REASON

In the interests of maintaining the character of the streetscape.

(15) CONDITION

Stonework carefully removed from grain stone at Paul Quay shall be re-used as facing stone instead of "smooth faced forticrete blockwork to be painted to match external walls" of the north facing elevation to include external walls of entrance steps, and both east and west side walls, and screen walls facing south onto Paul Quay Lane of Block B.

(15) REASON

In the interests of conservation of Wexford Development Plan 4.8.1. and the re-use of natural materials.

(16) CONDITION

The minimum standard residential developments shall be those set out in the Department of the Environment document "Guidelines on Residential Developments in Urban Renewal Designated Tax Incentive Areas".

(16) REASON

To ensure the proposed development is carried out to a reasonable minimum standard.

(17) CONDITION

The proposed development requires 22 off street car parking spaces in addition to those provided for in the submitted documents as determined by the parking standards set out in Table 6 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993. The developer shall, prior to the commencement of the development, provide these spaces on the same site as the proposed development. The spaces are to be laid out in accordance with Section 5.17.2 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993 and provided with proper access to the public road. Alternatively, if provision of spaces is considered impractical, the developer shall, prior to the commencement of the development, either pay a sum of £630 in respect of each car parking space that cannot be provided in accordance with this condition, updated from the date of the grant of permission to the date of payment in accordance with the Building Cost Index as published by the Department of the Environment from time to time, towards the provision of public car parking by the Planning Authority which will facilitate the proposed development, or the developer shall enter into a written agreement with the Planning Authority to pay the total contribution required in respect of the spaces not provided, such agreement to incorporate a payment schedule and the agreement to be at the sole discretion of the Planning Authority.

(17) REASON

To comply with Section 5.17.4 and 5.17.5 of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993 in the interest of proper planning and development and traffic safety and as provided for by Section 26 (2) (h) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963.

(18) CONDITION

Sums of £21,350.00 (Twenty one thousand, three hundred and fifty pounds) in respect of the mains water supply and £30,500.00 (Thirty thousand and five hundred pounds) in respect of the mains sewerage system and £4,164.00 (Four thousand, one hundred and sixty four pounds) in respect of water drainage updated from the date of this permission to the date of the payment in accordance with the Building Cost Index, as published by the Department of the Environment from time to time, are to be paid before the commencement of the work or in accordance with an arrangement for payment by instalments made with the Planning Authority before the commencement of the work. These contributions are towards the capital cost incurred in improving the public water supply and sewerage systems.

(18) REASON

As provided for under Section 26 (2) (g) and (h) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 (as amended).

(19) CONDITION

A sum of £10,236 (Ten thousand & two hundred and thirty six pence) towards improving the amenities of the streetscape, updated from the date of this permission to the date of the payment in accordance with the Building Cost Index as published by the Department of the Environment from time to time, shall be paid before commencement of the work.

(19) REASON

As provided for under Section 26 (2) (g) and (h) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 (as amended).

(20) CONDITION

Before any development is commenced on the site, the developer shall lodge with the Planning Authority security bond for the satisfactory completion of the proposed site development works coupled with an agreement empowering the Planning Authority to apply such security or part thereof for the satisfactory completion of any part of the proposed site development works. The security bond shall be provided by way of a cash deposit of £50,000 or a bond of an approved Insurance Company of £50,000 or other acceptable guarantee. The amount of this security is based on current prices and shall be subject to recalculation by reference to an appropriate index if the development to which this permission relates is not commenced within 12 months after the granting of the permission.

(20) REASON

As provided for in paragraph (e) of Section 26 (2) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1963 (as amended) and in the interests of the proper planning and development of the area, to ensure the satisfactory completion and maintenance of the development.

NOTES:-

1. The developer must comply with the requirements of the National Monuments Act which, in part, deals with finds of archaeological objects, and which is enforced by the Office of Public Works, 51 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2.
2. All kitchens, bathrooms and toilets shall be suitably and adequately ventilated directly to the outside air.
3. Water supply to all drinking points in the proposed development shall be connected to the service pipe.
4. If it is intended to operate a food business in the proposed development, the developer shall consult with the South Eastern Health Board in respect of the Food Hygiene Regulations.
5. The shop and office developments should be rendered accessible to a wheelchair user. The dimensions should conform to the Minimum Design Criteria for Access for the Disabled published by the National Rehabilitation Board, and in accordance with Section M of Building Regulations, 1991.
6. The developer is required to clean up surplus materials such as sand etc., from the footpath and/or road when work is completed and must not allow any material to enter into road gullies.
7. Skips must be removed from the public footpath/road after 24 hours and their surrounds must be kept clean at all times.
8. The decision to grant planning permission does not relieve the developer of the responsibility for providing adequate fire safety measures. Failure to provide them could result in the service of a "Fire Safety Notice" under Section 20 of the Fire Services Act, 1981 and lead to a closedown of the premises. Please consult with the Fire Department, County Council, County Hall, Wexford.
9. The decision to grant planning permission does not relieve the developer of the responsibility for compliance with the Building Regulations, 1991 (including fire safety) and the Fire Services Act, 1981. Please consult with the Building Control Authority and the Fire Authority, County Council, County Hall, Wexford.
10. Each office and retail unit shall be provided with adequate toilet and hand washing facilities.

Newlands,
Newtown Road,
Wexford Town.
28/3/1996

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For the attention Mr John B. Atkinson (J.J. Stafford & Sons),
CC: An Taisce, Brendan Howlin, Echo Newspaper, People Newspaper, Wexford Corporation, Tom Fahy.

For all CC, I wrote a letter complaining about the proposed demolition of the old granary at Paul quay (you were all sent a copy) to which Staffords have sent me a reply. I have taken the liberty of enclosing the letter of reply from Staffords.

It was a great surprise to receive your letter of reply. Let me now try to deal with a few of the issues that you have brought up.

Firstly, let me thank you for your kind invitation "come down but we're still going to knock it would be more to the point" to see your new plans and possibly learn something new but I must refuse because I think it would be a waste of time for both of us. Let me put it like this. Let us say that I want to buy a yellow coat but when I call up the coat shop I find that they only sell red coats and have no interest in changing to suit the yellow coat buying public. Unless I or the coat shop is willing to compromise it would be pointless of me to visit the coat shop. Lets apply this little analogy to our situation. In your letter I do not see any mention of a change or even a compromise and as I am not willing to change my view either what is the point of me looking at your new plans which include the destruction of the granary. If you were willing to change your view, then by all means give me a shout. A compromise is not possible. You must leave the granary standing. I do not feel that say knocking only three floors off or knocking half of it down as a compromise is worth discussing.

Your architects did a good job on the mill at Castlebridge and I find it impossible to believe that they cannot incorporate the granary on your proposed new development. There was some mention of not enough sunlight getting to all parts of the complex if the granary was left standing. This in not Gran Canaria we live in and with the exception of a few months last year, the sun in Ireland is about as regular as Haley's comet. Maybe the architects should have just one more try. You should look at the beautiful Granary / Docks pub in Limerick city which is a restored granary / store type building. It is full of character and indeed any time I visited it, there was barely room to squeeze in the door. More proof that people like the old buildings rather than the new. There are other fine examples of restored granary / store type buildings in Limerick (public offices), Castlebridge (you remember), Galway and there are two such buildings currently being restored in Cahir. I am fully behind your development but I am adamant that it should go ahead incorporating rather than destroying the old granary.

Let me now put the core arguments on the table as I see them. You want to knock the granary because it is a big nuisance to your new development. You would probably word it something like "after a huge effort in trying to incorporate the granary into our Paul quay site our architects advised us it would be absolutely and totally impossible, save divine intervention, to go ahead with the development leaving the granary where it is". I would word it "you just want to nuke the granary to save you a load of hassel and money". My core arguments are that I do not believe you should or have to knock it as you say and that this is just a cop out on your part. Secondly if you are given the go ahead then it shows that the Wexford Corporation and the Town Development Plan can be bought if the price is right. This would set a precedent for things to come. Maybe someone might come to town waving a fat cheque book to the Wexford Corporation demanding the destruction of Selskar Abbey to put up a new super car park in its place and saying "well Staffords got the go ahead so why can't we?". Think hard lads.

With the pillar in Dublin we can't point the finger of blame at the person or persons who blew it up but if you destroy the granary then the public will know who the responsible people are. They are V.J. Stafford, J.B. Atkinson and P.J. Stafford. Take a long hard think before you do it lads because once it is destroyed there is no going back.

Here are a few questions to finish up with.

Can the Town Development Plan (Wexford Corporation) be bought if the price is right?
Do J.J. Stafford & Sons really care?

Regards
Brian O' Keefe.

J. J. **Stafford** & SONS (WEXFORD)

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Date:

Mr Brian O'Keeffe
15 Farnogue Drive
Newlands
Wexford

13 March 1996

Dear Sir

I note with interest your letter to Mr Tom Fahy, Wexford Corporation, concerning our development at Paul Quay.

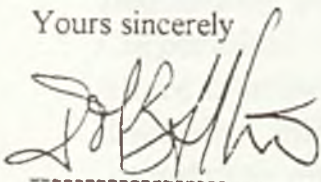
We would like to meet you with our architects to show you our plans for Paul Quay in more detail. We have shown them to many groups and individuals and we believe everyone has learned something as a result.

Incidentally our architects are a Wexford company called Design Unlimited who were (and are) responsible for the conversion of Mr Keatings mill buildings in Castlebridge. Their success on that project was an important factor in this company's selection of them as our architects.

If you wish to meet us, perhaps you would telephone me directly to arrange a time that is suitable for all of us. Any meeting will be very informal and please be assured we wish to hear your views as much as we wish to explain our views.

I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely



JOHN B ATKINSON
GENERAL MANAGER

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MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON 2ND
APRIL, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

Apologies from Ald. A. Fenlon for her inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.
Ms. D. Shanahan, Acting A.S.O.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Reck a unanimous vote of sympathy was extended to His Lordship the Bishop of Ferns, Dr. B. Comiskey on the recent death of his brother, Joseph, R.I.P. 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.

DEPUTATION FROM SCHIZOPHRENIA ASSOCIATION.

A deputation was then received from the Wexford Schizophrenia Association. Ms. Whitehead and Ms. Fortune spoke on behalf of the deputation and stated that the Association were forming a housing association in Wexford and were seeking a site from Wexford Corporation. The speakers also outlined the family situation in families where members of the family suffered from Schizophrenia and following discussion His Worship the Mayor thanked the deputation for their attendance and submission. The deputation then departed from the meeting. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would arrange to meet with Ms. Siobhan Whitehead to further discuss the proposal.

Wexford & District Vintners Federation.

A request from the Wexford Vintners Federation that a deputation be received to hear a submission in relation to the Equal Status Legislation was then considered. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche that the deputation would be received at the next G.P. Committee meeting.

1996 AMENITY/CULTURAL GRANTS.

The attached list of amenity/cultural grants, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered. It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne that a grant of £100.00 would be allocated to the Wexford Ladies Social Club. Following further discussion the amended list was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche.

DRAFT BYE-LAWS - CASUAL TRADING ACT 1995.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion to which all members contributed the draft bye-laws were unanimously adopted for the purposes of the public consultation process on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche.

ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 1995 - SUBMISSIONS.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne to extend for a further 3 months to 30th June, 1996 the period of public consultation to enable the Corporation to meet with the Wexford County Council District Committee and other interested groups to further discuss the matter.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WATER POLLUTION) ACT, 1977.

It was agreed to defer this item to a future meeting of the Borough Council.

REGULATIONS FOR ST. IBARS CEMETERY, CROSSTOWN.

The attached draft bye-laws, copy of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and following discussion unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS.

The attached list of conferences/seminars, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and the following delegates were nominated to attend the following conferences:-

4. National Housing Conference 1996.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed that Cllr. O'Connor would attend.

On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed that Cllr. Kavanagh would attend.

5. Local Authority Members Association Annual Conference 1996.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed that Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Nolan would attend.

It was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend on behalf of the Corporation at Conferences 7 and 11.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE

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

"That Monaghan Urban District Council views with concern the serious increase in crime in the Country and calls on the Minister for Justice to take the necessary steps to solve the problem as a matter of extreme urgency and that this motion be circulated to all Local Authorities.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Equality & Law Reform, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Mr. B. Howlin, T.D., Minister for the Environment re flood damage, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed to request the O.P.W. for information as to how the Irish Red

Cross Society can be accessed for assistance by persons affected by flooding.

Items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18 regarding South Station, were then considered. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Alderman Byrne to write further to C.I.E. and Oireachtas Members informing them that what was being requested by Wexford Corporation was that C.I.E. would consider the provision of a stopping point at the South Station and not necessarily the provision of a fully serviced station, to facilitate people on the south side of town.

Letter from Nirex Planning Appeal Public Inquiry, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re medical card scheme stating that the matter is receiving attention, was noted.

The following resolution from Tuam Town Commissioners was noted:-

"That Tuam Town Commissioners strongly support the request to reinstate the ceasefire from the Irish and British Governments, also to write to Gerry Adams and ask him to use his influence to get the ceasefire reinstated and that this motion be circulated to all Local Authorities throughout the Country".

Letter from Department of the Environment re National Traveller Accommodation Strategy, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

PLANNING

Planning applications received since the previous G.P. Meeting, copy of which had previously been circulated were then considered. Questions raised by members were answered by officials in attendance.

REPORTS

Coueron.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the bi-annual visit of a group from Wexford to our twin town Coueron would be occurring in the coming weeks and on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche it was

agreed that the Mayor, Ald. Byrne, Cllr. Kiernan and Cllr. Kavanagh would represent the Borough Council and that Cllr. E. O'Connor would be a substitute delegate.

Crosstown Cemetery.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche to adopt the terms of the report with Cllr. Kiernan dissenting from the 2nd part of the decision.

Cllr. O'Connor then departed from the meeting.

Flooding.

The attached report from the Town Clerk was then considered. During discussion it was noted that the matter had now been dealt with and arising out of further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Roche to afford a Civic Reception to North End Football Club to mark their great work. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- P. Reck, T. Howlin, G. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Nolan,
N. Kavanagh, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan (9).

Against:- Cllr. Furlong (1).

Cllr. O'Flaherty then departed from the meeting.

Pedestrian Walkway - Summerhill/Talbot Green.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh with Ald. Byrne abstaining that the Corporation would advertise its intention to close the pedestrian walkway and that any submissions made in relation to the proposed closure would be considered by the Borough Council at a future meeting.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme - Public Relations Contract.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. In reply to lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the Town Clerk stated that as was normal

and in the future, in the event of any P.R. contracts being proposed, the Contract would be advertised in the local and national press and this was noted by the meeting. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed to defer until the next meeting of the Borough Council the appointment of the Main Drainage Scheme Monitoring Committee previously agreed to be created.

HOUSING CAPITAL ALLOCATION 1996.

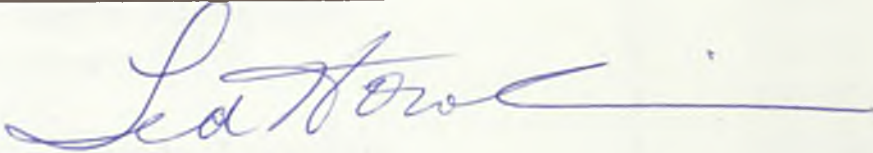
The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and welcomed. In relation to the Remedial Scheme Programme it was agreed that a further request to extend the Remedial Scheme to the two houses at Davitt Road and St. Magdalens Terrace would be made to the Minister for the Environment. The Town Clerk then outlined the proposal for the King Street development and plans for the proposal which were on display at the meeting were considered.

In principle the development was welcomed by the meeting and the Town Clerk outlined the planning consultation process which would now be undertaken in accordance with the planning acts. This was noted by the meeting and was unanimously approved on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 16th DAY OF May 1996.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



WEXFORD CORPORATION		
AMENITY/CULTURAL/RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION GRANTS 1996		
NAME OF ORGANISATION	GRANTED 1995	PROPOSED GRANT 1996
AMENITY GRANTS		
Ard Aoibhinn Centre	-	200.00
Birmingham Wexford Friendship Society	-	200.00
Bride St/Rowe St. Community Games	-	100.00
C.B.S.I. 13th Wexford Scout Unit	-	100.00
Centre for the Unemployed	100.00	100.00
Chernobyl Childrens Irish Aid Programme	300.00	300.00
Clonard Community Games	100.00	100.00
Clonard Golden Years Club	50.00	50.00
Clonard Majorettes and Drum Corps.	50.00	50.00
D.M.P. Athletic Club	100.00	100.00
Holy Family Confraternity Band	300.00	300.00
ISPCC (Steps Project)	-	200.00
John Street Playscheme	300.00	300.00
Liam Mellows Social Club	-	100.00
Local Defence Force	50.00	50.00
Loch Garman Amateur Boxing Club	200.00	200.00
Loch Garman Silver Band	300.00	300.00
Maudlintown Playscheme	300.00	300.00
National Graves Association (Wexford Branch)	-	100.00
Schools "Green" Video Project	-	200.00
St. Ibars/St. Josephs Boxing Club	100.00	100.00
St. John's Volunteers G.F.C.	200.00	200.00
St. Mary's G.F.C.	250.00	250.00
St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee	300.00	300.00
St. Patrick's Fife and Drum Band	300.00	300.00
Town Celtic F.C.	150.00	150.00
Wexford Acro-Gymnastics Club	-	100.00
Wexford Athletic Club	100.00	100.00
Wexford Carers Association	-	100.00
Wexford C.B.S. Boxing Club	100.00	100.00
OVER/.....		

<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION</u>		
	GRANTED	PROPOSED
	1995	GRANT 1996
2nd Wexford C.B.S.I.	-	100.00
Wexford Community Games	100.00	100.00
Wexford Deaf Association	80.00	100.00
Wexford Fly Fishing Association	50.00	50.00
Wexford Friends of the Tall Ships	200.00	200.00
Wexford Harbour Boat Club	-	150.00
Wexford in Bloom	200.00	200.00
Wexford Ladies Social Club	-	100.00
Wexford Life Saving Club	150.00	150.00
Wexford Pantomime Society	-	100.00
Wexford Parks Tennis	200.00	200.00
Wexford Slobs and Harbour	50.00	50.00
Wexford Swimming Club	200.00	200.00
Wexford Twinning Council	500.00	550.00
Wexford Volunteer Stroke Scheme	-	100.00
Wexford Wanderers Cricket Club	50.00	50.00
Wexford Area Water Safety Committee	-	150.00
Wexford Wheelchair Association	100.00	100.00
Wexford Wheelers	200.00	200.00
Windmill Therapeutic (Training) Unit	-	200.00
Wolfe Tone Villas Community House	100.00	100.00
Wolfe Tone Villas Playscheme	300.00	300.00
<u>RESIDENTS ASSOCIATIONS</u>		
Ashfield Drive Residents Association	-	400.00
Belvedere Grove Residents Association	52.81	400.00
Bernadette Place Residents Association	305.68	400.00
Bishopspark Residents Association	-	400.00
Bishopswater Residents Association	275.04	400.00
Corish Park Residents Association	400.00	400.00
Ferndale Park Residents Association	-	400.00
Fishers Row Residents Association	-	400.00
Kennedy Park Residents Association (49-64)	400.00	400.00
<u>OVER/.....</u>		

<u>NAME OF ORGANISATION</u>		
	GRANTED	PROPOSED
	1995	GRANT 1996
Liam Mellows Park Residents Association	-	400.00
Maudlintown Residents Association	400.00	400.00
Parklands Residents Association	-	400.00
Pineridge Residents Association	400.00	400.00
Wolfe Tone Villas Residents Association	400.00	400.00
<u>CULTURAL GRANTS</u>		
Bui Bolg	600.00	600.00
Coolcotts Literary Group	-	50.00
Music for Wexford	100.00	150.00
Myriad Dance Foundation	200.00	200.00
Oyster Lane Theatre Group	250.00	250.00
Billy Roche	-	200.00
Wexford Arts Centre	1,400.00	1,400.00
Wexford Drama Festival	150.00	150.00
Wexford Drama Group	-	100.00
Wexford Festival Opera	2,200.00	2,500.00
Wexford Festival Singers	-	200.00
Wexford Ladies Choir	500.00	500.00
Wexford Light Opera Society	150.00	150.00
Wexford Male Voice Choir	400.00	400.00
Wexford Sinfonia	200.00	200.00
Wexford Viking Festival	250.00	300.00
Wolfe Tone Community Arts Group	100.00	100.00
Wexford Youth Theatre	-	100.00

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN



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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

Our Ref: DS/ED

15th March, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: CASUAL TRADING ACT 1995.

Dear Member,

I refer to the above which was discussed at G. P. Meeting on 22nd January, 1996. I attach herewith draft bye-laws, together with a copy of a submission from Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce, for your consideration.

Yours faithfully,

PAT COLLINS,
ACTING TOWN CLERK.

ENCLS.

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DRAFT BYE-LAWS FOR THE CONTROL, REGULATION, SUPERVISION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CASUAL TRADING AREA, THE BULLRING, WEXFORD.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 6(1) of the Casual Trading Act 1995, hereby make the following Bye-Laws for the control, regulation, supervision and administration of the casual Trading Area, The Bullring, Wexford.

1. In these bye-laws the words:-

"The Casual Trading Area" shall mean the area in the Market Place, The Bullring, Wexford, designated by Wexford Corporation as a Casual Trading Area for the Borough of Wexford under Section 7 of the Casual Trading Act 1980.

"The Casual Trader" shall mean any person in possession of a Casual Trading Licence from Wexford Corporation.

"Stall" shall mean any table, counter, bench van or vehicle or any other object used by a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area.

"Stall Space" shall mean the space or piece of ground allocated by Wexford Corporation to a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area and shall comprise an area of 11'8" x 15'8" or less as will be allocated by the Corporation.

"Trading Days" shall mean everyday except Sundays, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays, Good Friday and Christmas Day.

"Trading Hours" shall mean from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on a Trading Day.

2. Every Casual Trader may trade on the Trading Days allowed under his/her licence in the stall space allocated to him or her in accordance with the Casual Trading Licence and shall not trade in, park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any other stall space or spaces in the Casual Trading Area.
3. Every Casual Trader shall display his/her Casual Trading Licence number at his/her stall in such a position as to be clearly visible and easily legible to numbers of the public.

4. Every Casual Trader shall, if so requested, produce the licence on demand to any person.
5. No Casual Trader will be allowed to park any type of vehicle in the Casual Trading Area except in his/her stall space and will not cause any obstruction or deposit any matter whatsoever in the public passageway through the Casual Trading Area, except where necessary during the loading/off loading of goods.
6. Every Casual Trader will be obliged to keep his/her stall space in a clean and tidy condition.
7. Every person, other than a Casual Trader who enters the Casual Trading Area will be obliged to leave the Casual Trading Area at the end of trading hours and shall not trade in park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any part or area of the Casual Trading Area.
8. Every Casual Trader may erect his/her stall at the beginning of Trading Hours and must remove his/her stall at the end of the Trading Hours.
9. No goods, articles or objects of any type can be stored in the Casual Trading Area outside trading hours or between trading days.
10. No permanent fixture of any size or type can be made to a stall space by a Casual Trader.
11. No goods shall be sold or offered for sale by a Casual Trader except those allowed under his/her Licence.
12. The Wexford Corporation will take no responsibility whatsoever for the goods, property, vehicle(s) and/or belongings of any person, including Casual Traders using the Casual Trading Area, while they are in the Casual Trading Area.
13. A Casual Trader shall not hand over possession of or the use of his/her stall or any part thereof to any other Casual Trader or person for any reason whatsoever.
14. Every Casual Trader and every other person shall comply with the lawful directions of an officer, servant or agent of Wexford Corporation or a member of the Garda Síochána in the exercise of his/her duty.

15. No person shall interfere with an officer, servant or agent of Wexford Corporation or a member of the Garda Siochana in the exercise of his/her duty.
16. No person shall interfere with, interrupt or obstruct any officers, servants or agents of Wexford Corporation during the carrying out of any works or maintenance on any part of the Casual Trading Area even if such work is necessary during Trading Days.
17. Any person requested by an officer or servant of Wexford Corporation to leave the Casual Trading Area shall do so.
18. No person or Casual Trader shall cause any noise, disturbance or nuisance in the Casual Trading Area during Trading Hours.
19. These bye-laws shall be known as the Wexford Corporation, Casual Trading Bye-Laws, 1996.

MADE UNDER THE CORPORATE SEAL OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN
AND BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF WEXFORD.



'Casual Trading in Wexford: Creating A Fairer Climate'

***A Submission to Wexford Corporation by
Wexford Chamber of Industry and
Commerce***

February 1996

Casual Trading - The Background

Local authorities in Ireland have been given greater responsibility to regulate Casual Trading under the recently approved **Casual Trading Act 1995**.

Under the Act, casual traders **must** display the numbers of their licenses in a position that is clearly visible and easily legible to members of the public. If requested, traders **must** also produce the license on demand to any person.

An application for a casual trading license **must** be made to the local authority concerned not less than 30 days before the first day on which the trading commences. The fee for the license, and by-laws for its control, regulation, supervision and administration **will be set by individual local authorities**. These by-laws must be made as soon as may be possible after the commencement of the Act.

Those guilty of trading without a license will be liable for summary conviction, of a fine of up to £50 for the first offence, up to £250 for the second offence, or up to £1,000 for a third or subsequent offence. On conviction of indictment, a fine of up to £10,000 may be levied, together with, in the case of a continuing offence, a fine of up to £500 for each day. A prison term of up to six months may also be imposed.

Summary offences under the Act may also be prosecuted by the local authorities. Offences by corporate bodies under the Act, or by any person representing or purporting to represent a corporate body shall also be liable for prosecution. In the latter case, both the person and the corporate body are liable.

The **Casual Trading Act 1980** is still in effect until the **Casual Trading Act 1995** becomes effective on **1 May 1996**. The 1980 Act imposed a system of casual trading licenses however, it excluded a number of classes of traders who were not required to get a license. These people included those selling agricultural or horticultural products produced by themselves, and also selling at a market or fair held in pursuance of market right (Wexford town does have a casual trading/market area in the Market Place adjoining the Bullring).

The definition of casual trading in the 1995 Act states that casual trading includes all forms of casual trading except selling at auction by an auctioneer, selling to a person at his home or place of business, and selling for charitable purposes where no gain or profit accrues to the seller.

The important difference in the new Act is that the exclusion for selling your own products or selling pursuant to the market right does not apply.

Therefore, under the new legislation, a person selling his own produce, or an agent appointed thereof, is engaging in casual trading, and a person may not engage in casual trading unless he holds a casual trading license.

The Retail Committee of Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce has long been aware that poorly managed casual trading can be a major cost to local authorities, as well as damaging the appearance and quality of the retail landscape in towns and cities across the country. Unregulated casual trading can also create a trading climate that is patently unfair to those retailers who pay Commercial Rates towards the running of their urban area, and whose overheads, in terms of upkeep of premises and staff salaries, are considerably higher.

On the other hand, a well regulated, attractive 'country' market, selling quality local produce, craft items and seasonal specialities could be a major asset to Wexford's shopping landscape - a positive feature to be enjoyed by residents and tourists alike.

The Retail Committee welcomes the fact that Wexford Corporation will now have the power to regulate casual trading more effectively on a local basis. With adoption of the 1995 legislation imminent, we have closely considered the implications of the **Casual Trading Act 1995**, and our recommendations to Wexford Corporation are contained in this submission.

Casual Trading - The Chamber's Perspective

Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce has identified four key areas of responsibility for Wexford Corporation as they prepare to draft By-Laws under the **Casual Trading Bill 1995**. These are:

1. Drafting the Necessary By-Laws

Agreed.
i) The Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce believes that the present casual trading area in Wexford, namely the Market area adjoining the Bull Ring, is adequate in size for Wexford, and no further designated areas are required.

Agreed.
ii) The License Fees specified in the Bye-Laws should be sufficient to cover the costs of maintaining and cleaning the designated casual trading area, and surrounding areas. (This is consistent with the Wexford Chamber's policy of wishing to see all local authority services provided on a self-financing basis).

Agreed.
iii) Wexford Corporation should undertake to publish, quarterly, a list of all licenses granted, with full name and address of licensee and license number. (This list should be made available to the public, much as lists of Planning Applications are presently available on a monthly basis).

Agreed.
iv) The class of excluded traders should not be extended. Therefore no Bye-Laws should be passed

declaring, for example, that sellers of home-produced fruit outside their home do not constitute casual traders.

2. Setting the Conditions for Granting Licenses

i) Prospective licensees should state the precise nature of the casual trading to be carried out, as well as the location and times of proposed trading.

ii) When trading, the license and license number must be on display, along with the name and address of the licensee, to permit consumers to exercise their rights under the **Sale of Goods Act**.

iii) In the case of food products, all EU and national legislation and established hygiene practices pertaining to the sale of foodstuffs and food products must be observed.

iv) A standardized method for grading and weighing products should be established.

v) A notice of intention to apply for a license must be published in the local press.

vi) All licenses granted are granted on an annual basis, and a new application must be made to Wexford Corporation before a new license may be issued.

vii) The Department of Social Welfare must be notified when a license is issued.

viii) All licenses must carry photographic identification of the licensee.

ix) A 'ceiling' limit to the number of licenses granted to any one individual should be set, and no individual

These matters will be dealt with by a large by further

licensee should be permitted to 'sub-let' licenses to other persons, thereby controlling the casual trading area in Wexford.

x) Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce further hopes that Wexford Corporation will consider a limit in the number of licenses granted for each product, to ensure balance in the designated casual trading area. Eg, one or two licenses for jams and preserves, one or two licenses for pies and breads, etc.

3. Defining the Information Required Before A License May be Granted (Information Which Must Appear on Application Form)

- i) The applicant's RSI number must appear.
- ii) The precise nature of goods to be sold, for which the casual trading license is sought, must appear.
- iii) The names of any agents or employees who may trade under that license must be clearly indicated.
- iv) The applicant's Tax Clearance Certificate Number must be clearly indicated.

4. Enforcement and Regulation of Casual Trading in Wexford

- i) Casual trading must only be allowed to take place in the Market area adjoining the Bull Ring, and only by licensed traders.

ii) Responsibility for policing the casual trading area is best delegated to the Gardai.

iii) Traders on the roadsides entering and exiting Wexford (especially in Summer months - strawberries and other fruit and vegetables) should also be regulated and monitored under these criteria.

iv) The Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce recognises that buskers and street musicians should arguably not be regulated by these criteria as they are, for the most part, providing entertainment and colour to the town.

Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce - The Retail Committee

The Retail Committee of Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce was delighted to make this submission in response to a request from the Town Clerk, Mr Don Curtin, to make recommendations to Wexford Corporation regarding the Casual Trading Act 1995.

The Retail committee comprises of the following people:

Ms Mary Atkinson, Franchesca's Fine Fabrics

Ms Mary Kate Joyce, Joyce's China Shop

Mr John Rath, Shoe Style International

Mr James O'Connor, Greenacres (Chairman)

Mr Tony Keane, Keane's Butchers

Mr Nigel Pierce, C & E Pierce Menswear

Mr Pat McCormack, McCauley's Pharmacy

Ms Alison Begas, Executive Director, Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce

Mr David Wagstaff, President, Wexford Chamber of Industry and Commerce

Prior to finalizing this document, the Chamber also engaged in an extensive consultative process with many of Wexford's retailers and supermarkets, who have given full support to the Chamber's policy recommendations (Pettit's, Dunnes Stores, Crazy Prices, L & N, The Potato

Market, etc). The Chamber's Board of Directors has also been consulted* and has given full support to the submission.

(Submission prepared and sent to elected members of Wexford Corporation, the Town Clerk and County Manager, February 1996).

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN



Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings,
Wexford.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

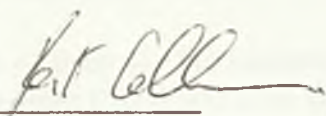
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TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS
1995.

I refer to the above which was discussed at a G.P. Meeting on 9th
October, 1995.

Further to those discussions I now attach herewith, for your
consideration, submissions received in response to an advertisement in
the People Newspaper on 29th November 1995 (copy attached).


D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

13TH MARCH, 1996

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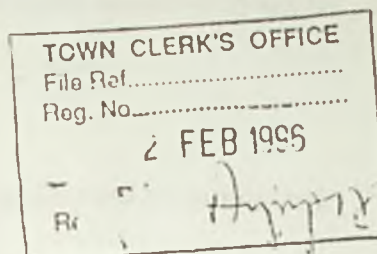
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FERRYCARRIG HOTEL

31 January 1996

Mr Don Curtin
Town Clerk
Municipal Buildings
Wexford



Re: Submissions on Taxi/Hackney Services

Dear Mr Curtin

Thank you for your letter regarding the above and giving the Ferrycarrig Hotel the opportunity to put across our point of view.

Firstly I must say the hackney companies which we would use regularly, being Declan or Dermot Cunningham or Wexford Cabs are most reliable and must be complimented considering they are relatively new to the scene. Points which we would raise would be as follows:

- 1 The main point being, at times of high demand it is difficult to find an available taxi let alone get through to one as phones tend to be off the hook. Therefore if there could be some way that maybe part-time licences be given to cover busy periods or something to that effect.
- 2 A lot of companies say they are a 24 hour service which is rarely the case, pre booking is essential but is not always possible.
- 3 The laws which differentiate between taxi/hackneys are not enforced. i.e. waiting outside establishments is I believe not permitted but does happen. But in reality thankfully this is not enforced as it makes it all the easier for guests at functions to get a taxi. With this in mind if you are considering introducing a metered taxi service, we think it would be best to abolish hackneys as I have seen in other cities the fighting caused by this touting.

THE PEACE OF IRELAND
YOU'VE BEEN DREAMING OF

Ferrycarrig Hotel, PO Box 11, Wexford, Ireland. Telephone: 053-20999. Fax: 053-20982

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- 4 Lastly from the point of view of tourists, taxi ranks at Wexford Station, Rosslare Harbour, etc we believe would be a major benefit, the last thing a tourist would want on first setting foot in Wexford is the hassle of trying to obtain a hackney service.

I hope the above points have been of some benefit and look forward to an improved service in 1996.

Yours sincerely



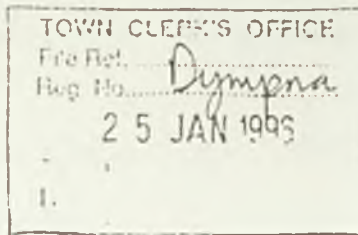
Colm Cambell
Assistant Manager

The Sunny South East

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41 The Quay, Waterford, Ireland. Telephone (051) 75823. Fax (051) 77388.

Mr Don Curtin
Wexford Corporation
Municipal Buildings
Wexford

January 23rd, 1996



Dear Don

Thank you for your letter of January 5th regarding the Taxi/Hackney Service in Wexford.

Designated areas for taxis was instigated in Waterford City some years ago and has proved highly successful. These areas generally are at Waterford Railway Station and at Barronstrand Street - which is right in the middle of the City.

This taxi service, in most cases, is available on a 24 hour basis and has proved extremely useful to locals and tourists alike.

Based on this experience we would certainly support the provision of a similar service for Wexford.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely


JACK WALSH
SENIOR TOURISM OFFICER

75' Mountaineer Park
Farringtonham

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15/12/95

Dear Sir,

I think you should introduce a taxi-meter area in Wexford to include Rosslare Harbour. All the vehicles in the radius should become taxis, so as to avoid the bickering and conflict between taxis and hackneys that has happened in Dublin and other towns in Ireland.

All the important areas should have tax-ranks (i.e. hotels, main station, the ferry, sea-side resorts)

New plates should be issued as the demand increases. Taxis would be good for Wexford, for tourists and locals alike, as there would be a presence of recognisable taxis on the street. Also the radio work would be covered, because the demand wouldn't be there for all taxis on the ranks.

I have been driving a hackney in Dublin for the last number of years and I intend to move to Carrigrohane in the next year or so, where my wife is from. Our house is near completion at the moment. If there was an introduction of taxis, could you tell me if I could apply for one as my hackney plate is registered in Dublin or would I have to transfer my plate to Wexford.

Best wishes for the future and a very Happy Christmas

Kevin Sweeney

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5 Parnogue Heights,
Newlands,
Wexford.

Tel: (053) 45933
Car: (088) 579980

7 December 1995

Dear Mr. Curtin.

When I started out as a Hackney owner in March 1991 there were approximately 12 plates on issue. Then in August 1991 a new operator started with 1 plate on a London Taxi. he put another London Taxi on the road a couple of months later. this gentleman already had another means of Income.

In order to promote his business he got himself on the front page of the People Paper with a photograph of himself and the London Taxi. he stated that there should be Taxi s and a Taxi Rank in Wexford and that he was losing 1,000 runs a week and that his Business was a success.

I was making a living for myself but nothing like what he stated.

From that time more operations started up thinking they would make a fortune out of the Hackney Business. The above gentleman is now out of business along with 7 other plates who are also out of business.

There are currently 36 plates in operation at the moment and if the other 9 were still here there would be 45 plates in operation which is far too many for a town of this size.

Some of the operators have and had other means of Income and Money to buy cars to start up. they include RETIRED gardai on a good

pensioners, farmers, corporations members, shop owners, Irish rail employees, firemen and a publican and these people are in competition with those who rely on Hackneys as their sole means of making a living of which I am one.

I would ask you to consider RESTRICTING the plates and RESTRICT those who would be allowed to apply for plates. If you introduce a Taxi Metre Area consider where you will put the Ranks, at the moment the parking is so bad in the prime areas that people will be forced to park in the Taxi Rank and the Taxi people won't be able to ply for business.

Please consider solving the traffic problem and parking problem e.g. Multi Story Car Park before you start interfering with the livelihoods of the existing Hackney Operators some who have been in business for years.

It may be good for you and the corporation members to say "We'll introduce Taxis and Taxi Ranks to Wexford" but please think of the Hackney Operators you might put out of business.

There will probably be people writing to you complaining that they cannot get Hackney at 12.00 and 2.00 O'Clock on a Saturday night or over Christmas these are peak times, just think of the other times when we have to try and make a living.

I know of one operator who will be out of business in January and in my opinion he will be followed by more.

There are some new operators totally breaking the law, they are not wearing their P.S.V. Badges they have no picture of themselves and information as to who they are up on view for the towns, people and tourists, they speed around the town well over the 30 mph limit, they ply for business and take other operators booked business, and over load their cars, could you consider better policing to watch and catch the offenders. There are some

NI BUS operators bringing people around town on a busy night and over charging. they are NOT Hackney operators. our prices are quite reasonable.

Arthur Guinness & Co. are starting up a bus service around the town for Christmas this will practically make it tough for me and other operators to earn extra revenue over the Christmas period. I hope you and the corporation members will give careful consideration to your final decision which will affect long serving Hackney owners and their families who have for generations served the towns. people and tourists with out any complaint. Thank you for taking time to read this letter.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Lynch

Andrew Lynch.

P.S. Please do not hesitate to contact me about any queries you might have.

9 William Street

Wexford

053 - 439999

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	
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F.	<i>[Signature]</i>

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Submissions on Taxi / Hackney Service

It is my considered opinion that, in view of the conflict which arose in Dublin between the Taxi and Hackney drivers, it would be better to concentrate on either a Taxi or Hackney service but not both.

It is my fear that, should both services be in operation

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here, a similar situation could
arise disturbing the generally
weak atmosphere which now
exists. Also, I do not think
that Wexford is a large enough
town to sustain both sources.

Yours faithfully

Geddy Kelly

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REGULATIONS DRAWN UP BY
WEXFORD CORPORATION

FOR

THE MANAGEMENT OF ST. IBARS
CEMETERY CROSSTOWN

AND

ANY OTHER CEMETERIES
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FOR
THE MANAGEMENT OF ST. IBARS CEMETERY
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WEXFORD CORPORATION.

DEFINITIONS:-

In these Bye-Laws, unless the context otherwise requires "the Corporation" means His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Corporation of Wexford.

"Burial Ground" will be as defined in Section 44 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1948.

"Officer of the Corporation" shall include every Superintendent, Supervising Officer, Employee and other person employed by and duly authorised by the Corporation to administer and enforce these Bye-Laws.

LAYOUT OF CEMETERY:-

- 1) Small groves of trees or groups of shrubs are more pleasing than geometric rows. Blocks of grave spaces exceeding one acre should be separated by planting preferably to form irregular groves or groups of shrubs.
- 2) A 3 metre wide margin should be allowed inside the boundary walls. This area may also be planted.
- 3) Main access road should be 3.5 to 4.0 metres wide with a 1 metre grass margin. It should be possible for a hearse to turn within the grounds and facilities for turning should be provided.
- 4) Secondary paths should be 1.2 to 1.8 metres wide with similar grass margins.
- 5) The layout should be arranged to give access to each grave. A passageway of 1 metre should be left between each double row of grave spaces.
- 6) A space of 2.75 x 1.25 metres should be allowed to each grave space and every group of grave spaces should be numbered and permanently marked in the ground.

- 7) Boundary fences should be 1.4 to 1.7 metres high and should be adequate to prevent trespass by animals. Fences may be masonry, mass concrete, concrete block, or other maintenance-free material and cognisance shall be taken of the impact of the material selected on the local landscape. With blockwork only the road face should be plastered. A simple coping should be provided for all works.
- 8) The approach and entrance should be arranged to eliminate traffic hazards. A wicket gate should be provided in addition to the pair of entrance gates.
- 9) Consideration should be given to the elimination of grave kerbstones, at least near the entrance, and graves finished level for ease of grass cutting.

BURIAL PLOTS

- 1) The "Right of Burial" in every plot must be purchased before any interment can be permitted.
- 2) The dimension of all Single Plots in the Cemetery is 9'0" x 4'0".
- 3) Plots are constructed in range, and are disposed of in consecutive order and no selection is permitted. All Plots must be adjacent to some previously occupied Plot and except under special circumstances, no Plot in a isolated position will be sold.
- 4) A limitation will apply on the number of plots that any individual/organisation shall be allowed to purchase at any one time. No one individual shall be allowed to purchase any more than 2 adjoining plots, i.e. a double plot. Exceptions may be made in the case of a religious order (e.g. Christian Bros.) who may require a multiple plot to accommodate future interments of members of the order, where the normal practice would be to inter members of that order together.
- 5) No Plot is, under any pretext, to be opened for the interment of any person other than the owner, except by the express authority such Owner.

- 6) No Plot is, under any circumstances, to be registered in the name of more than one person, and such person only can be recognised by the Wexford Corporation as the Owner for the time being. In cases where the purchase of any Plot is conjointly effected by several persons, one person only to be decided upon by the purchasers shall be entered on the Register and shall be deemed the owner of such plot and whose authority for re-opening the same, etc., only shall be recognised by the Wexford Corporation.
- 7) No information is, on any account, to be given to anyone respecting any Plot other than the Owner, his or her "Representative or duly authorised agent".
- 8) No general permission for the interment of the members of a family any Plot can be entertained. For each interment there must be a distinct and separate order from the Owner.
- 9) No Plot will be sold nor will any undistinguished Plot be reopened unless arrangements are made at time of purchase, or burial, as the case may be, to distinguish same. In the case of a second or subsequent burial the onus will be on the owner of the plot (or his/her representative) to produce documentary evidence of ownership, in the event of any dispute arising regarding identification of the plot.
- 10) The Burial capacity of each Plot so entirely depends on the size of coffins, which are sometimes of inordinate dimensions, that no fixed rule can be laid down; nor any guarantee whatever be given as to the number of interments that can be effected in any Plot in the Cemetery. As a general guideline, it shall be understood that at average on single Plot will accommodate the interment of 3 adult persons.

FUNERALS

- 11) All orders for burials must be given, booked, and the necessary information furnished preferably 2 days prior to the interment but not later than 11 a.m. on the day proceedings interment. Where an interment is to take place following a weekend, same must be booked not later than 4.00 p.m. on the previous Friday. The undertaker booking the burial is obliged to notify (a) The Graves Section, Wexford Corporation and (b) The Caretaker, St. Ibars Cemetery.

- 12) The Following particulars are required when giving notice of an interment:- Name and Age of deceased, Sex, occupation or rank in life of the deceased, together with his or her last place of residence, and condition as to "whether married" or "single", "widower" or "widow" or "the child of A.B., ofetc.", and date of Death: date and hour of arrival of Funeral, size of coffin, and name of Undertaker: whether there is monument or covering, etc., on the grave. Notice must be given by the undertaker handling the interment.
- 13) The arrival of all funerals must be regulated as not to interfere with previous engagements and no funeral is to be booked to arrive at the gate after 2 p.m. unless in the case of special arrangements.
- 14) Funerals inside the Cemetery are conducted under the immediate personal control and management of the Caretaker, who is alone authorised to give orders to the attendants and labourers appointed for this duty, and from whom they are to take directions.
- 15) Remains for interment in an ordinary plot or grave must be enclosed in a coffin of wood only.

MONUMENTS

- 16) No Monumental Structure of any kind is permitted on or in any grave, etc., unless the "Right of Burial" has been purchased.
- 17) No building or monumental work of any description shall under any circumstances, be permitted on any Plot or grave in the Cemetery that could interfere with the future use of capacity of such Plot, or adjoining Plot, as a Place of Burial.
- 18) No inscription is on any account to be cut, altered, or erased, or any foundation built, or any headstone or monument etc., erected, renovated, altered or removed, except by the authority of the Owner of the Plot.
- 19) No hewing dressing or fitting of stones is permitted in the grounds. All rough work of this nature must be executed at the quarries or workshops, and the material only brought to the Cemetery for erection when all is completed, including inscription and number of the plot.
- 20) All monumental jobs are to be carried on continuously, and are to be completed with reasonable expedition. Intermittent labour on any monumental work cannot be permitted.

- 21) No monumental material will be admitted during the funeral hours. Lorries or trucks which may have been admitted are stringently prohibited from remaining longer in the Cemetery than is absolutely necessary, for unloading on the main walk nearest to the site of erection, and under no circumstances are such lorries or trucks to be taken on the grass or over the graves.
- 22) All tombs, covers, kerbs, railings etc., must cover the allotted space of each plot or grave upon which they may be erected, and under no circumstances is such space to be exceeded. The kerbs on all double, treble or larger plots must be numbered from left to right so as to indicate the relative position of each grave.
- 23) Tombs and covering stones are disallowed. These structures are dangerous and entail the additional cost of extra foundation, and also extra cost to remove and re-set after each interment. They are also liable to displacement, consequent on the subsidence of the ground, and to fracture and deterioration from the weather. No tombstone supported by balls, blocks or pedestals will be allowed in the Cemetery.
- 24) The erection of iron railings, chains or metal structures, where permitted, must not exceed one foot in height from foundation flag and must be so constructed that they can be disconnected and removed when the plot is required to be re-opened. All iron railings must be set on a kerbing of stone, and cannot be erected unless upon a head and foot foundation.
- 25) Copper or brass clamps only are permitted to be used in the erection of monuments, tablets etc.
- 26) Monuments of perishable material are not permitted. The erection of wooden pailings, edging boards, posts, chains wooden rails or wooden structures of any kind, brick or crockery borders etc., will not be permitted.
- 27) No covering, kerbing or tombstones etc., are to be reset on any plot or grave within eight weeks after any interment. Old headstones having no support cannot be reset until a foundation is built.
- 28) The erection of monuments, iron railings etc., is permitted under the express condition that they be kept in good repair by their owners. All monuments and railings etc., which have been allowed to fall into decay and present a dilapidated appearance, will be removed by the caretaker to a place set apart for their reception and cannot be replaced until properly repaired.

- 29) Under no circumstances can the Wexford Corporation guarantee the preservation of any monument, nor can they undertake any responsibility in regard to any damage or accident thereto resulting from natural causes or circumstances beyond their control.
- 30) Prior to executing any monumental work, the plan and elevations- which must be drawn to the uniform scale of inch to the Foot Specification of the materials and the draft inscription together with the name and address of the owner of the plot must be submitted to the Town Clerk, Wexford Corporation. Any alteration it may subsequently be desired to make in any design which has been approved must again be submitted. The Registered Number to be engraved must be stated on the design. All monuments must be in the solid.
- 31) No foundation shall be built until the design of the monument it is intended to erect has been submitted to Wexford Corporation.
- 32) Every inscription must contain the name, date of death or burial of the deceased and if internal elsewhere the place of such interment. The date of death must in all cases coincide with the entry in the Register.
- 33) No headstone or cross will be allowed to be erected which is less than 2' 1/2" in thickness and no kerb should be less than 3" x 6" depth.
- 34) Monuments shall be constructed to the following maximum dimensions 1' 4" depth x 3' width x 4' height - suitable foundation shall be constructed to take the size and weight of the monument and shall be laid below existing ground level.
- 35) Any company, contractor or other individual executing monumental or other works within the cemetery is required to have and maintain in force a Public Liability Insurance Policy in the amount of at least £2m, or such greater amount as may be required by Wexford Corporation. A copy of the Insurance Policy indemnifying Wexford Corporation will be submitted on the request of the Corporation.

GENERAL

- 36) No order for interment, purchase of ground, etc. can be entertained without prepayment of the established fees and charges. Payment for any fees, charges or accounts by instalments cannot be entertained, except in cases of extreme financial hardship to be decided by the Town Clerk.

- 37) After an Order for Burial has been booked, and arrangements made for the Funeral no Fees will be refunded nor can Wexford Corporation entertain an application for the surrender of Ground, the Right of Burial in which has been purchased.
- 38) No work of any description will be permitted to interrupt the funeral processions or burial services, the orderly management and solemnity of which must be maintained to the exclusion of every other consideration.
- 39) No vehicle, other than a Hearse, will be admitted beyond the official car parking area during funeral hours. Wexford Corporation reserves the right to restrict access to all traffic, beyond the official car parking area at any time and particularly at such times as the Caretaker is not on duty in the cemetery.
- 40) Children under 10 years are not admitted, unless accompanied by an adult.
- 41) Dogs are not admitted except on a lead.
- 42) Wexford Corporation will not be responsible for the care or safety of any Wreaths, Glass Shades, or other fragile mementoes that may be placed on any grave in the Cemetery. All broken shades, wreaths, etc. shall be immediately removed.
- 43) All persons planting flowers, etc. are required to take notice that the same must be confined strictly to the superficial limits of the grave. Dwarf shrubs, moss and flowers only are allowed to be planted. No shrub, ivy, or other creeper will be allowed to grow so as to obscure the inscription on any monument or headstone in the Cemetery. All trees, or coarse growing shrubs, that have been planted by any person on any grave, shall be removed.
- 44) No plants, shrubs, or flowers are allowed to be removed from the Cemetery by anyone unless authorised by the Caretaker.
- 45) No interment shall be permitted in any grave which will not admit of four feet of earth between the top of the coffin last interred and the surface of the ground.

46) GENERAL INFORMATION - Persons requiring information relative to the purchase of graves, the erection of monuments or headstones, foundations, etc. are particularly requested to apply personally to:-

1. The Caretaker, St. Ibars Cemetery Crosstown.
2. The Graves Section, Wexford Corporation.
3. By writing to the Town Clerk, Wexford Corporation, Municipal Buildings.

The following list of Conferences/Seminars was considered at Protocol Committee Meeting held on 6th March, 1996 and it was agreed to recommend that two representatives would be sent to Conferences 4 and 5 and that the Mayor would attend on behalf of the Corporation at Conferences 7 and 11.

1. Second National Conference on Urban Forestry
27th-29th March, 1996.
Limerick Inn Hotel.
Conference Fee - £90.00 Expenses:- £387
2. Thirteenth Irish Sea Forum Seminar
11/12th March, 1996.
County Hotel, Llandudno.
Conference Fee - £25 Expenses:- £414
3. Social Study 1996 Summer School
3rd - 7th August, 1996.
Inchigeela, Co. Cork.
Conference Fee - (Not yet notified) Expenses:- £511
4. National Housing Conference 1996.
24th, 25th and 26th April, 1996.
Tower Hotel, Waterford.
Conference Fee:- £225.00 Expenses:- £267
5. Local Authority Members Association Annual Conference 1996
11th/12th April, 1996.
Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.
Conference Fee: £180 Expenses:- £487
6. Housing & Partnership - A Living Countryside Conference.
17th to 19th April, 1996.
Slieve Donard Hotel, Newcastle, Co. Down.
Conference Fee: £150 Expenses:- £484
7. Conference - Chernobyl - Ten years On - Are we better prepared.
Friday 26th April, 1996.
Cavendish Conference Centre, London.
Conference Fee:- £146.88 Expenses:- £358
8. Managing Customer Value - 1996 Forum.
24th and 25th April, 1996.
Stratford-upon-Avon
Conference Fee:- £934.13 Expenses:- £414

9. Conference on Forestry
16th April, 1996.
Abbey Hotel, Roscommon.
Conference Fee: £80 Expenses:- £286
10. Public Policy Management Programme.
15th April, 1996.
ADC Headquarters, Westminster
Conference Fee:- £217 Expenses:- £358
11. Association of Health Boards in Ireland Annual Conference.
West County Hotel, Ennis.
3rd/4th May, 1996.
Conference Fee: £145.00 Expenses:- £358
12. Environment Conference - Water Quality & Wastes.
Carlow - 8th/9th May, 1996.
Conference Fee: £75.00 Expenses:- £219
13. National Landscape Forum 1996.
University Industry Centre, Belfield, Dublin 4.
17th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £75.00 Expenses:- £210
14. National Planning Conference 1996.
Slieve Russel Hotel, Ballyconnell, County Cavan.
11th & 12th April, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £175.00 Expenses: £302.65

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2ND APRIL, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ CROSSTOWN CEMETERY.

Dear Member,

Find attached map showing proposed traffic restrictions in Crosstown Cemetery. The resulting inconvenience for the public will be ameliorated by the provision of a small car park at the upper end of the access road.

The width of the access road can be increased to 4.7 m approx. without interfering with grave spaces.

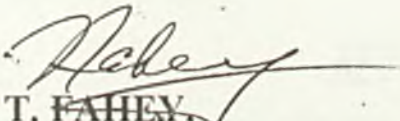
Traffic will be restricted to the hatched area on the map by the use of bollards and low concrete post and rail fencing.

Estimated cost : £5,900.00.

The derelict lodge at the entrance from the public road should now be demolished. It is now virtually a ruin and efforts to have it leased and developed as a small shop have failed.

Estimated cost : £2,800.00, including landscaping site.

Yours faithfully,


T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

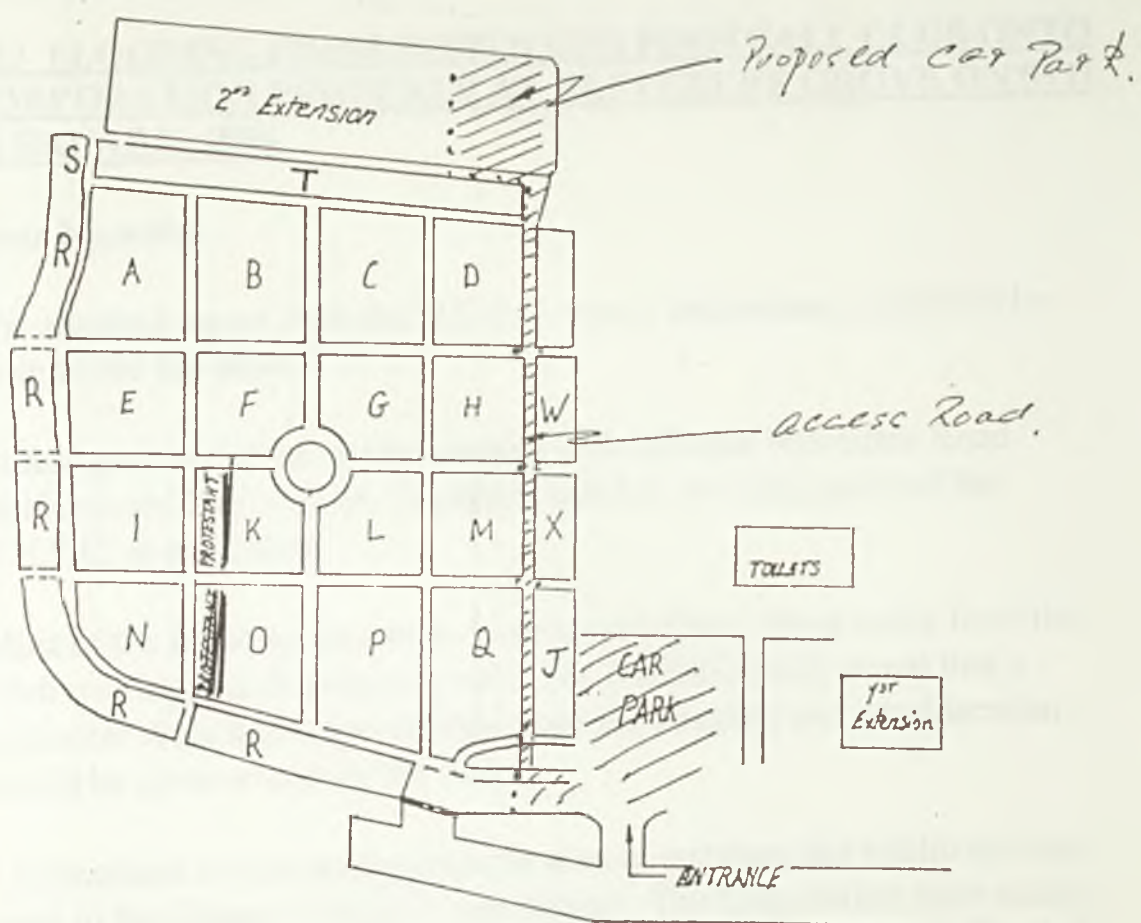
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CROSSTOWN CEMETARY PROPOSED VEHICLE RESTRICTION,
VEHICLES LIMITED TO HATCHED AREA WITH BOLLARDS



KEY PLAN

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TO EACH MEMBER OF
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RE/ FLOODING FROM NORTH END FOOTBALL CLUB ONTO
CORPORATION PROPERTY AT BELVEDERE GROVE ON 5TH
FEBRUARY, 1996.

Dear Member,

The attached report from the N.E.F.C. was, I understand, circulated by them to the Members.

I subsequently had an on site meeting with affected Belvedere Road residents and met with Mr. Dempsey and Mr. McGillicuddy of the N.E.F.C. in my office.

Most of the flooding appears to have resulted from flood water from the pitch overtopping its retaining wall. Mr. McGillicuddy stated that a perimeter drain had been installed since the flooding and consideration would be given to raising the wall.

I emphasised to the meeting that the area in question and public services were in the County Council's jurisdiction. The Corporation were simply the owners of property adjoining theirs from which it was being flooded. The Corporation would insist they take whatever action was necessary to protect against this.

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I am satisfied that they were the major contributors to the flooding and its dealing with it is within their control. Their own report lists blocked and broken drains and stone and gravel filled silt pits. They had also plated over a drainage gully located between the pitch and the houses against vandals defeating its purpose. Vandalism is now a fact of life and maintenance of the system has to be stepped up to counter it, particularly during the winter period.

During the discussion it was suggested that a concrete channel laid outside the wall would channel flood water to gullies.

This would be helpful but relatively expensive for the Club who were short of funds. A contribution from the Corporation was suggested, but I indicated this would be a matter for the Members.

Yours faithfully,



T. FAHEY
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

REPORT ON FLOODING AT BELVEDERE GROVE

The proposed playing pitch at Belvedere Grove is intensively drained to provide a playing surface for all weather conditions. There is a 4" layer of sand placed on the top soil, the grass is grown on this sand, and the surface becomes as stable as a normal sod.

As there is a crossflow to the western corner, it is natural that some run off would occur. No doubt this happened on the particular date in question. This development is on-going, the reseeded was undertaken in the fall of the year, and the vegetation is not fully developed. When this vegetation is mature, it will further help to drain the surface due to an intensive rooting system.

However, there is no guarantee that all run-off will be eliminated. To safeguard against this potential run-off, a french drain (300 mm deep x 300 mm wide, land drain pipe, porous fill and porous membrane) has been constructed coloured blue on the Map. This was undertaken subsequent to recent flooding.

For a short distance the land and top of retaining wall levels are the same. As a result water flowed over the top of the wall and on to the alley way. The installation of this french drain will now eliminate

- (a) the build up of water behind the retaining wall
- (b) the overflow of water over the retaining wall
- (c) the escape of water through the expansion joints.

It is proposed to seal these joints using liquid mastic.

I did not witness the flooding. However, I inspected the site with Willie Dempsey a Club official on the following Saturday.

Our observations and deliberations are as follows:

The pitch is drained at two outfall points. Land drainage pipes discharge to sealed manhole/inspection chambers, these in turn discharge to silt traps which are connected to the 225 mm storm water pipes. These outfalls are adequate but have been the subject of vandalism on a few occasions. The vandalism ranged from filling the silt traps with boulders, plastic bags, wood, childrens toys and smashing the outlet pipes, and concrete cylinders. On our inspection we found that the manhole in the pitch side at No. 1 contained a bicycle tyre, a large boulder, seven 4" stones, three junks of timber and polystyrene insulation. This would have restricted the flow of water at the outfall. However, it appears that the flooding on this occasion occurred as a result of a combination of factors. Severe run-off at the rear of retaining wall (residents side) moved silt, stones etc., to the silt traps. The opening of a new site at the southern side of Belvedere, could also have contributed to the problem. When we inspected on Saturday we found newly excavated watercourses, water diversions and disturbed/groundworks which did not have an adequate outlet.

Proposed Mitigation Measures

1. Outfalls at No. 1 and 2 should cater for drainage from pitch only. No surface water to be channelled through the present silt traps. The manholes/inspection chambers to be made vandal proof.
2. A comprehensive drainage scheme to be installed to cater for run-off from alley ways and back gardens. One could ask where did this water drain before North End development. (See map coloured orange). The gardens became waterlogged and therefore run off occurs.
3. A regular maintenance programme to be put in place to ensure the adequacy of the drainage system in the alley ways.

4. Conclusion:

I have been closely involved with this project since its inception. The North End Committee are hard working and devoted to a difficult task. There is no doubt about the adequacy of the drainage system. The main problems are outside our control. We do not propose to apportion blame, however, we would appreciate a small bit of tolerance and maybe assistance in bringing this project to a very successful conclusion. I would welcome the opportunity of discussing the above points with the Corporation Officials.

Signed: James McGillicuddy

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2ND APRIL, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

Last year a petition with approximately 53 names on it was received with regard to the closing of the pedestrian walkway from the Summerhill junction into the inner green of Talbot Green. The laneway is located between Nos. 27 and 26.

If the laneway is closed, the property it occupies will obviously have to transfer to either of the adjoining gardens. No. 27 is tenant purchase property and this would require legal transfer to that property owner. No. 26 is tenanted and the property would simply revert to the Corporation and be attached to No. 26. I enclose copy of drawing showing how this would be achieved.

There have been discussions with the occupiers of No. 27 and 26 and it is now my understanding that the tenant of No. 26 no longer would have any concerns with regard to the lane being attached to that property.

I understand the reason of the widespread request for this lane to be closed is that it does lead into a fairly quiet area and that the level of vandalism and gathering of young people late at night, noise etc., is very high.

The Members would be aware that it is a particularly convenient pedestrian access to the inner green area. I am aware that people coming from the town at the moment cross through the Liam Mellows Social Club site instead of using this pedestrian lane. However, should the Liam Mellows Social Club site be developed, or secured against trespass, the lane would become all the more important.

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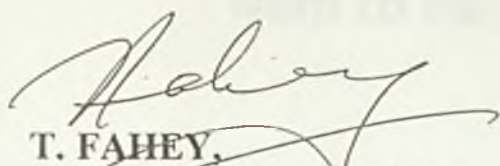
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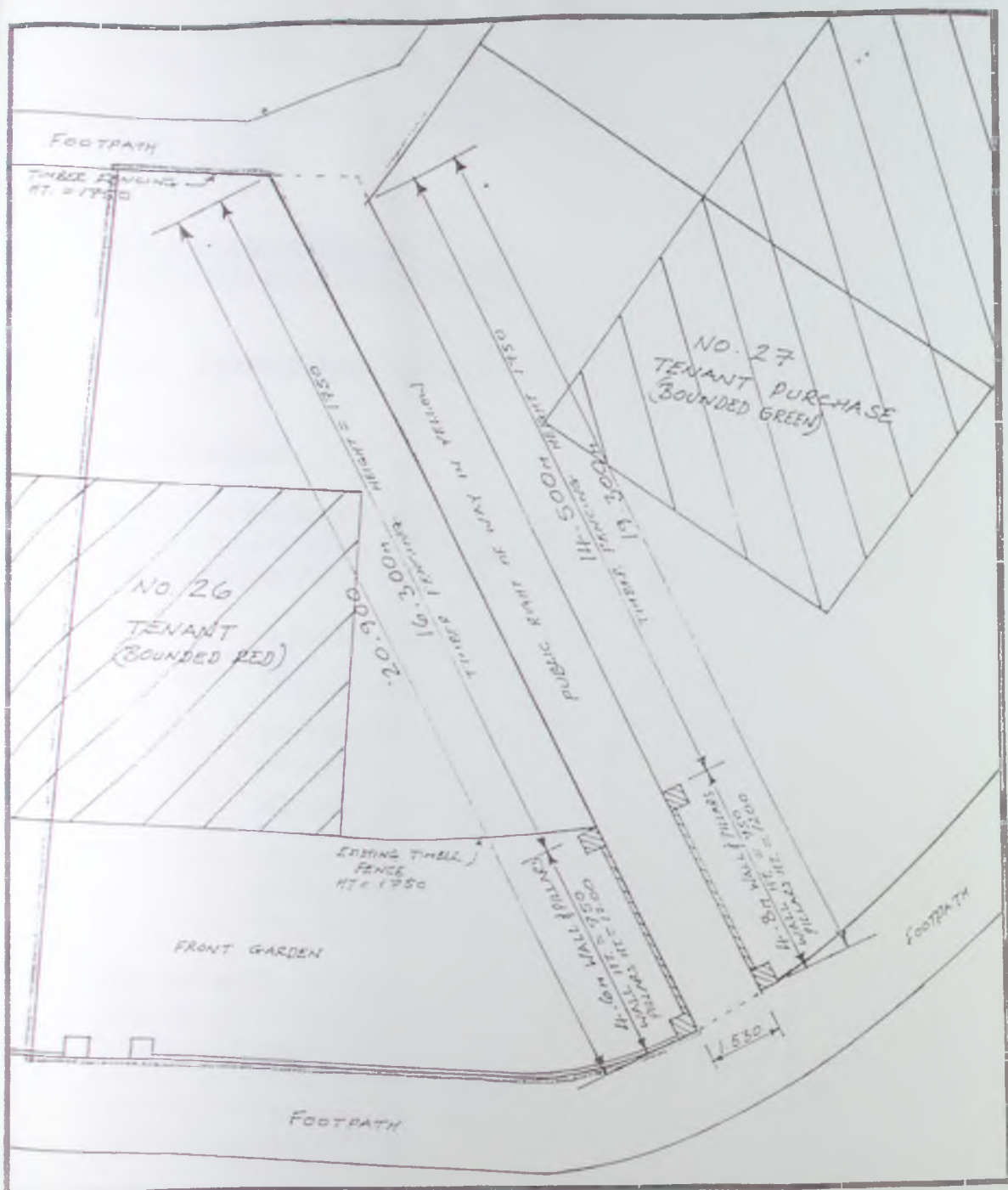
The level of concern amongst the residents of Talbot Green, who are well aware of the possible inconvenience, due to closing the lane, is such that I recommend that they should be accommodated. There is the danger that this will set a precedent for other such pedestrian ways in housing schemes, which will have to be addressed.

Estimated cost of the work - £550.00.

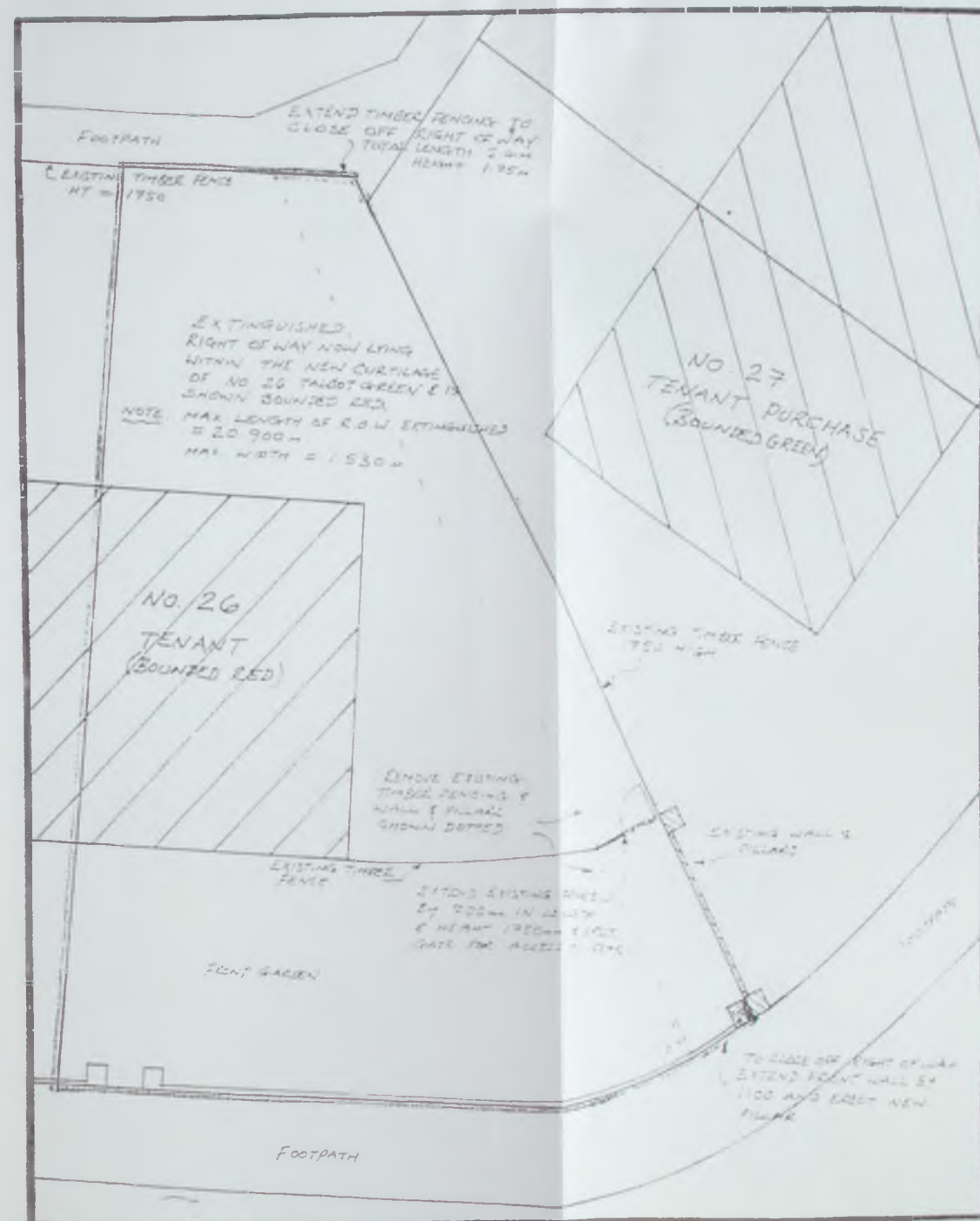
Yours faithfully,


T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

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A. EXISTING LAYOUT PLAN SCALE 1:125



B. PROPOSED LAYOUT PLAN SCALE 1:125

WEXFORD CORPORATION ENGINEERS & ARCHITECTS 100, WEXFORD ROAD WEXFORD, CO. WEX TEL 051-27611	PROPOSED EXTINGUISHMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AT TALBOT GREEN WEXFORD	
	DATE APRIL 95 SCALE 1:125 DRAWN BY WEX	LAYOUT PLANS EXISTING & PROPOSED

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:

Re: Wexford Main Drainage Scheme - Public Relations Contract.

Dear Member,

Further to discussions at the February Monthly Meeting, the following is a detailed account of the above-mentioned Contract in relation to Wexford Main Drainage Scheme in the provision of the following services:-

1. *A 24 hour Helpline*
2. *Preparation of Press Statements*
3. *Issuing letters advising residents/general public of the programme of works.*
4. *Advising on the content of road signage.*
5. *General dissemination of information to the general public through newspaper inserts, arranging public information displays etc.*

The cost of this provision is £3,000 per quarter plus V.A.T. and approved expenses (printing, photography etc.). The provision of such a service as a part of the major capital works is an innovation in the local government service and has proved successful and is a worthy innovation when the operation of the drainage scheme to date is compared to undertakings in other local authority areas.

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BWPR was one of two companies requested to quote in respect of this work in advance of the Main Drainage Scheme Contract (the other being Carr Communications, Dublin) and BWPR were successful on the basis of price, level of service proposed and location.

Information is disseminated to householders in the following manner:-

- (1) *In advance of the preliminary road closure notice, 6-8 weeks before work is scheduled to commence, a letter is sent to each household in the affected area, outlining details of the work, duration etc.*
- (2) *2 weeks in advance of commencement, a further letter is issued confirming the start date and the expected duration of the works.*
- (3) *If for any reason work is delayed due to unforeseen circumstances, e.g. ground conditions, further notification issues.*
- (4) *On completion of work in each area, a letter of thanks is issued to each householder for their co-operation and forbearance during the course of the works.*

In relation to commercial properties, the procedure outlined in (1) to (4) above is again applied and 'Business as Usual' signs are provided at each end of the affected street. Arrangements are made on request to facilitate deliveries etc.

Newspaper and local radio updates are issued on a 1-2 week basis depending on the work being undertaken. If necessary, local radio is used on a daily basis.

'HELPLINE'

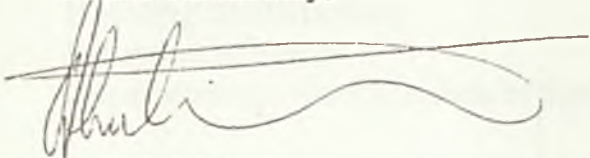
The Helpline telephone number is manned during normal business hours and, in addition, has a 24 hour answer-phone service which is checked on a regular basis outside of office hours. Calls received by the Helpline are immediately noted and referred to the appropriate technical officer for attention. Actions by the technical officer are notified to the callers where appropriate. Since the commencement of the Scheme in October, 1993, a total of 858 calls have been logged and followed up. All these calls are considered at the weekly Monitoring Committee meetings chaired by the undersigned.

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As part of the public awareness campaign, two public information stands were commissioned and have been successfully used in public buildings and retail outlets over the past 2 years. These stands will again be put on display when work on the pipeline contract resumes. In relation to the Quay Extension contract, a specially commissioned model of the proposed works is permanently on display either in the foyer of the Municipal Buildings or in other public buildings with the public information stands.

At the meeting of 5/2/95 it was unanimously agreed that the Borough Council would appoint a Monitoring Committee consisting of the Mayor ex-officio and 2 elected Members. This Committee when appointed by the Borough Council, will consider the foregoing and where appropriate and feasible will suggest improvements. In view of the imminent appointment of a completion Contractor for the Pipeline Contract it is recommended that the Borough Council now proceed to appoint the 2 members to this Committee. The statutory provisions in relation to the formation of groups will apply. A group in this instance will comprise of 6 members.

Yours faithfully,

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D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

2nd April, 1996.

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Our Ref: AR/ED

2nd March, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: HOUSING CAPITAL ALLOCATION 1996

The Corporation has been notified of an allocation of £2,390,000 to cover its housing programme for 1996. This compares with a total allocation of £1,994,000 for 1995.

The 1996 figure is broken down as follows:-

Housing construction	£1,970,000
Remedial schemes	£400,000
Improvement works in lieu of housing	£20,000

The allocation will be financed by a Department grant of £1,980,000 and a contribution of £410,000 from the Corporation's own internal resources.

The allocation for housing construction will enable the Corporation to pay outstanding balances on completed schemes, to continue with work already in progress on the 36 housing units at Walnut Grove Phase 3, to commence work on the 34 new starts allocated for 1996 and to complete the infrastructure works on the 30 private sites at Coolcotts and arrange for the sale of the sites.

Plans are presently being finalised by the National Building Agency for 29 housing units at King Street, broken down as follows:-

- 11 3-bed two storey houses
- 6 2-bed two storey apartments with yard
- 12 2-bed three storey apartments.

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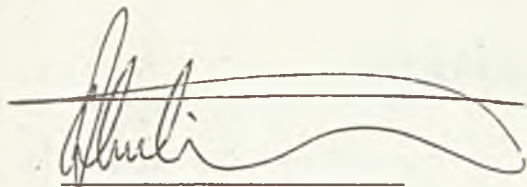
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A draft layout of the scheme is on display. The development will be subject to the public consultation process outlined in the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1993. The other 5 new starts for 1996 will be located on a number of infill sites presently being examined.

The allocation for remedial schemes will cover the payment of outstanding balances on completed schemes, fund the ongoing programme of remedial works at Maudlintown Phase 5, Talbot Green Phase 5 and Wolfe Tone Villas Phase 6 and allow for work to commence on Maudlintown Phase 6 (the final phase) and on the environmental works in all three estates.

Yours faithfully,

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D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

KING STREET HOUSING PROPOSAL

FOR

WEXFORD CORPORATION

NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY LTD.
Hatherton
Richmond Avenue South
Milltown
Dublin 6

The proposed housing development to King Street and Lambert Place is a linear development to both streets and will create facades on both, bringing life and vibrancy to them where currently a high wall stands. The accommodation consists of 11 no. three bedroom units, 12 no. two bedroom units, 4 no. two bedroom units with two double bedrooms and 22 no. parking spaces.

The housing accommodation consists of a mix of two bedroom units and three bedroom houses. The two bedroom units are arranged in groups of six forming two pavilions at either end of the terrace to King Street. A single communal staircase is provided to the six units with one entrance. Individual access may be provided to the ground floor units to form old persons dwellings. The terrace between the two pavilions at either end are generally two storey three bedroom dwellings.

In this facade are four two bedroom units with their ends orientated to King Street. Between these units will be a paved access to the playground at the rear. This paved access will also continue across King Street and form part of a traffic calming scheme to the street.

The two storey units will signal the entrance to the playground, and are slightly forward of the remainder of the terrace. These units will contain two double bedrooms each with small yards provided for each at the rear.

The accommodation provided to Lambert Place will consist of four two storey three bedroom units with the terrace terminated by a two storey two bedroom units with its end facing Lambert Place.

The two bedroom units in the pavilions will be provided with a bin store and clothes drying area to the rear. The two bedroom units with two double bedrooms will be provided with yards at the rear with similar facilities to the pavilion units. All three bedroom two storey houses will have rear gardens and fuel stores. Seven of the three bedroom houses are also provided with individual access to the playground from their rear gardens.

The playground is provided for the enjoyment of the new residents and the children residing in the existing housing. Access to the playground is through the paved link on King Street between the two bedroom units. The playground will be heavily landscaped with trees and planting to the high wall of the OPW car parking. A bark mulch base will be provided to the area of the playground where the play equipment is positioned.

To the rear of the site sixty car parking spaces have been provided for the OPW as requested. The entrance to the car parking is located on Lambert Place to minimise disruption to traffic on King Street and contact with residents and pedestrian traffic. The parking will be screened from the proposed housing by a 1800mm high solid core block wall.

A future possible development on the removal of the car park would include an additional six dwellings, which may be single tenant dwellings or stacked units. Three units will form an extension to the two bedroom units on the paved route facing King Street with views over the landscaped playground. Three other units will be placed at the rear of the existing buildings to Lambert Place forming a small courtyard. This layout is indicated on the small scale plan with an alternative parking layout showing car parking on both sides of King Street.

The buildings will be finished with a nap plaster finish and painted with various colours in keeping with the tradition in Wexford Town. The windows will have a traditional appearance and be constructed of hardwood. Low railings are provided to the front of all three bedroom dwellings facing the streets and all pedestrian areas will be paved with natural or charcoal coloured paving blocks.

MINUTES OF SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 9TH APRIL
1996 AT FERRYBANK SWIMMING POOL. FERRYBANK. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.
Councillors:- N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Ferrybank Swimming Pool.
Mr. M. O'Connor, N.B.A.
Mr. S. Mannion, N.B.A.
Mr. T. Austin, N.B.A.
Mr. P. Hesse, N.B.A.

At the outset of the meeting, His Worship the Mayor welcomed the Consultants from the N.B.A. to the meeting. Mr. T. Austin, N.B.A. then presented the plans for the proposed re-development at Ferrybank to the Committee. Mr. P. Hesse summarised the business plan for the new complex.

Following discussion it was agreed that the layout plans be amended so that the sauna and steam room be located adjacent to the pool deck and that the barrier between the changing village and the pool deck be of an adequate height.

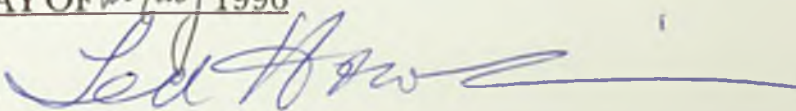
It was further agreed to relocate the entrance to the pool area and that the N.B.A. would have further discussion with the mechanical and electrical consultants and Wexford Corporation regarding the heating system in the changing village.

It was agreed that the N.B.A. would present the revised plans to the committee prior to the next meeting of the Borough Council. On the proposal of Cllr. O'Connor seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh, it was unanimously agreed to submit the revised plan for consideration to the next meeting of Wexford Corporation with a recommendation that a formal application be made to the Department of the Environment for funding.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 16th DAY OF May 1996

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON 23RD APRIL, 1996 IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

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

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS.

The attached list of conferences/seminars was then considered and it was agreed to recommend on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that the Mayor would attend at Conference No. 5 and that two delegates would attend at Conference No. 11.

MONTHLY MEETING.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would be in Annapolis on the due date of the monthly meeting in May and on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed to recommend that the Monthly Meeting would be deferred to 16th May, 1996.

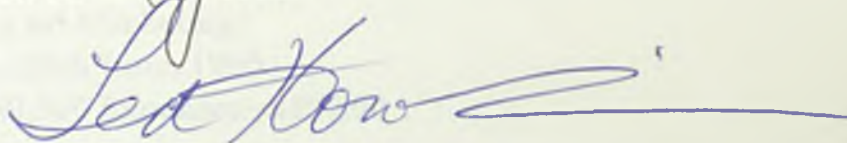
1996 BARRY CEREMONY.

His Worship the Mayor updated the meeting on arrangements for the Barry Weekend and on discussions which had been held with the American Embassy. These were noted with satisfaction by the meeting and it was further noted that sponsorship for the weekend was being pursued.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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Conferences/Seminars - Protocol Meeting - 23.4.1996

1. International Conference - The Entrepreneurial City.
Venue:- Dublin - 29th & 30th April, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £150.00 Expenses:- £273.00
2. The Carlingford Conference - Understanding Northern Ireland.
Dates:- 2nd/3rd May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses:- £273.00
3. National Conference on Environmental Planning & Control.
Venue:- Cork - 9th-11th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £150.00 Expenses:- £384.00
4. The 1996 Total Quality Management Conference.
Venue:- Brussels - 23rd/24th May, 1996.
Conference Fee - BF115,000 Expenses:- £409.00
5. General Council of County Councils Annual Conference.
Venue:- Galway - 23-25th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £170.00 Expenses:- £447.00
6. The Health Boards - 25 Years On.
Venue:- Ennis - 3/4th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses:- £422.00
7. Conference on Employment & Disability.
Venue:- Waterford - 31st May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses:- £76.00
8. Mid West-Regional Authority Annual Conference.
Venue:- Ballina - 20th/21st June, 1996.
Conference Fee (Not yet notified) Expenses:- £511.00
9. Border Regional Authority National Conference.
Venue:- Bundoran - 14th/15th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 Expenses:- £532.00
10. 6th Global Conference on Marketing.
Venue:- London - 24th/25th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- BF120,000 Expenses:- £457.00
11. National Housing & Planning Conference & Exhibition.
Brighton 21st-24th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £364.24 Expenses £585.00

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY 16TH MAY, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

WEXFORD AREA PARTNERSHIP PRESENTATION.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that he had invited the Chief Executive Officer of the Wexford Area Partnership and members of his staff to make a presentation to the Borough Council on the operations of the Wexford Area Partnership. Mr. D. Power (C.E.O.), Ms. F. English and Mr. F. Ryan then gave a presentation on the history and activities, present and proposed, of the Partnership. Questions raised by members were answered by members of the Partnership following which His Worship the Mayor thanked the C.E.O. and his staff for their detailed presentation and wished them success in their endeavours on behalf of the Borough Council.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 1st April, 1996, 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 and the recommendations contained therein, copy of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

- a. General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 2nd April, 1996.
- b. Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 9th April, 1996.
- c. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 23rd April, 1996.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that an invitation had been received from Fr. Cushen, A.D.M. for the Members and officials to take

part in the Corpus Christi Procession and stated that notice would issue in due course.

His Worship the Mayor also informed the meeting that the invitation from the Chairman of Laois County Council had been accepted as had previously been discussed and he proposed that the visit would take place on 29th May, 1996.

Appointment of Members - Main Drainage Scheme Monitoring Committee.

The following members were unanimously agreed:-

Ald. Kiernan on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne.
Ald. Howlin on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne.

REPORTS.

Swimming Pool.

His Worship the Mayor then welcomed Mr. T. Austin (Project Manager) and Mr. G. Richards (Senior Quantity Surveyor) of the National Building Agency who were the Corporation's Consultants in relation to the swimming pool improvement programme. Mr. Austin and Mr. Richards then gave a verbal and visual presentation of the proposals for the swimming pool as had been agreed by the Swimming Pool Committee. The Town Clerk stated that the cost of the proposal was estimated to be in the order of £1.5m which would be funded, it was hoped, on the following basis:-

Grant from Department of Environment	... £1.16m
Wexford Corporation's own resources	... £340,000
(From Development Fund Provision).	

A lengthy discussion ensued and questions raised by members were answered by officials in attendance following which the proposal was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion the report was welcomed and noted. On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty it was

unanimously agreed to write to the new contractors on the pipeline contract and express the Borough Councils good wishes for the contract and congratulate them on the efficacy and cleanliness with which sections of the work had been done since their commencement.

Supplementary Grant for Non-National Roads.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted.

Surface Treatment in front of Municipal Buildings and associated car parking.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty

Convention on Quality in Local Government.

An invitation from the Department of the Environment for the Borough Council to be represented at this convention was then considered and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Connor it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would represent the Borough Council.

Meetings.

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

General Purposes Committee Meeting - 24th June, 1996 at 7.30 p.m.
Traffic Management Committee Meeting - 10th June, 1996 at 7.00 p.m.
Monthly Meeting - 10th June, 1996 at 8.00 p.m.

It was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor would fix a date for a Public Lighting Committee meeting during June.

MOTIONS

Main Drainage Schemes.

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

"That this Council calls on the Department of the Environment to give financial assistance to Councils undertaking Main Drainage Schemes in view of the heavy burden placed on Councils during the course of these works".

Service Charges.

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

"That the Revenue Commissioners be asked to explain why P.A.Y.E. workers got tax certificates for 1996/97 tax year with no relief for local service charges which had been promised and after our officials had carried out the correct procedures and that we demand that new certificates be issued forthwith containing these reliefs".

In reply to the motion the Borough Accountant stated that all relevant procedures were followed and the Revenue Commissioners acknowledged receipt of details regarding those people who had paid their service charges.

In reply to further discussion the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation would further advertise the facility available to all householders to obtain a certificate from the Corporation of payment of charges which could be submitted by the householder to the Revenue Commissioners with a view to having their tax free allowance adjusted at this stage.

Civic Receptions.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Furlong seconded by Ald. Fenlon:-

"I propose that this Borough Council publish the cost of Civic Receptions on an individual basis".

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed following which the following amendment was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Kiernan:-

"That this Borough Council affirms its pride in being empowered to honour persons and groups of outstanding performance and achievements through Civic Receptions and resolve that the individual cost of receptions would not be appropriate for publication".

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

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty, Kiernan (9).

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong (2).

The amendment was declared carried and was put to the meeting as the substantive motion. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty, Kiernan (9).

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong (2).

The substantive motion was then declared carried.

Disturbance - Local Authority Housing.

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

"In view of the growing number of complaints about disturbance to neighbours within local authority housing can Wexford Corporation decide upon a programme of action".

Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed that a small sub-committee of the Borough Council and officials would be set up at the next Housing Committee Meeting who would make recommendations to a further meeting of the Housing Committee in relation to this matter.

Councillor Furlong then departed from the meeting.

Standing Orders.

On the proposal Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to adjourn Standing Orders to enable the remainder of the agenda to be considered.

Nurses Strike.

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

"In view of public concern about a pending nurses strike, that this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Health to ensure that this does not happen."

QUESTIONS.

Ground Rent.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that the wording of Transfer Orders is presently being finalised and purchasers will be notified as soon as they are printed and ready for signing. He further stated that this process will be completed over the course of this summer for all applications on hand.

Insurance Claims - Drainage Scheme.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that insurance cover for claims occurring in the time of the previous contractor is extant and claims are being dealt with. He further stated that individual problems requiring clarification could be referred to him.

Civic Reception - Wexford Light Opera Society.

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan that to mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Wexford Light Opera Society a Civic Reception would be afforded at a date and time to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

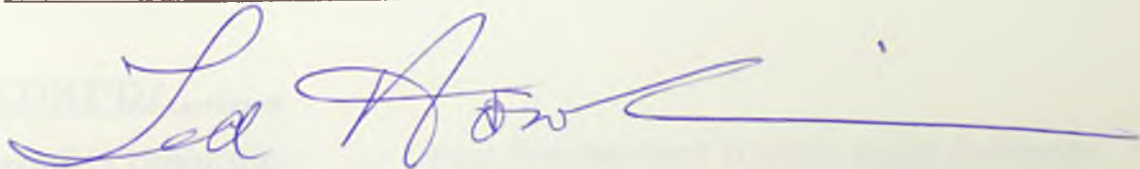
In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Howlin, Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty, Kiernan (9).

Against:- Ald. Fenlon (1).

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 10 DAY OF June 1996

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN



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Town Clerk : **D. F. Curtin**

16th May, 1996.

**TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-**

Re: Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

Dear Member,

Further to report dated 15th April, 1996, I wish to confirm that Contracts have now been signed with Pat Mulcair, Civil Engineering Contractors, Ballyclough, Ballysheedy, Co. Limerick for the completion of the pipeline contract for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme. It is expected that the remaining works will be completed within the original 3.5 year programme.

Construction work commenced at Hill Street on Tuesday, 7th May, 1996 with single-line traffic in operation. The Contractor is achieving extremely good progress in this area and is hopeful of completing earlier than the scheduled 5 week period. This crew will then move to Waterloo Road and Davitt Road South.

A second crew has commenced work today at North Main Street on the section between Monck Street and George Street Lower and will continue for approximately 3 weeks. On completion of this area, pipe-laying will proceed into George Street Lower followed by George Street Upper.

It is now considered appropriate that the Borough Council appoint 2 members to the Monitoring Committee as discussed at the G.P. Meeting of 2nd April, 1996. The statutory provisions in relation to the formation of groups will apply. A group in this instance will comprise of 6 members.

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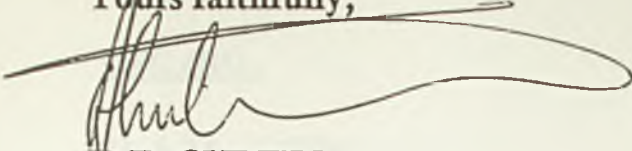
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The detailed design for the vertical berthing and the proposed alternative vertical facade for the Quay Extension are currently being finalised by our Consultants. This proposal will be available for the consideration of the Monitoring Committee in the near future following which a full report will be presented at a future meeting of the Borough Council.

Yours faithfully,



D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

DFC/BD.

16th May, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Supplementary Grant for Non-National Roads.

Dear Member,

Notification has been received of a once-off supplementary grant for certain urban authorities for pavement restoration works arising from damage caused by water and sewerage service schemes. The allocation to Wexford Corporation is £358,000 and detailed proposals for the expenditure of this sum will be considered at the next G.P. meeting of the Borough Council.

This allocation is additional to sums provided by the Borough Council themselves, the Block Road Grant as previously notified and the provision in the Main Drainage Contract for permanent restoration. This allocation is very welcome and will assist the Corporation in providing a townscape which the people of Wexford can be proud of.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin.
Town Clerk.

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16th May. 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Surface Treatment in front of Municipal Buildings and associated
car parking.

Dear Member,

Further to previous discussions, on display at the meeting, please find layout of a proposal for improving the above. This proposal would improve the present unsatisfactory position externally at the Municipal Buildings. The total cost of this proposal is £16,300 and there is no specific provision available in the current budget for this expenditure. Accordingly it is proposed, with the approval of the members for the project, to undertake the necessary work out of the Development Fund provision and recoup the cost of same over seven years.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin.
Town Clerk.

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 8.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 10TH JUNE. 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E.O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Ms. A. Laffan, Assistant Staff Officer.

Mr. E. Fitzgerald, T.J. O'Connor & Assoc.

Mr. D. Cahalane, T.J. O'Connor & Assoc.

Mr. B. Coote, Senior Resident Engineer.

A.M.A.I. Spring Seminar.

The attached report from His Worship the Mayor, Ald. G. Byrne and Cllr. P. Roche was noted and welcomed.

Civic Reception - Wexford Bohemians.

It was proposed by Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Connor that Wexford Bohemians be given a Civic Reception to celebrate their 25th year and their achievement in winning the cup and 4th division title at a date and time to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

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

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong (2).

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 16th May, 1996, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

ANNUAL MEETING.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that the Annual Meeting of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 1st July, 1996 at the Arts Centre, Cornmarket.

Designation of Special Protection Areas.

Correspondence from the Office of Public Works regarding Designation of Special Protection Areas, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and it was noted that Wexford Harbour was now excluded from the proposal.

Revision of Remuneration.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise revision of remuneration - 28th Pay Round Phase II in accordance with Circular Letter EL 6/96 dated 28th May, 1996.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise revision of remuneration of Clerks of Works, Storekeepers in accordance with Circular Letter EL2/96 dated 3rd April, 1996.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise revision of remuneration - Grades analogous to Grades I to VII in accordance with Circular Letter EL 5/96 dated 16th May, 1996.

MOTIONS.

Trimmers Lane/Roman Lane.

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

"That this Borough Council asks the Engineer to prepare a listed improvement scheme for Trimmers Lane and Roman Lane.

Butter Vouchers.

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

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Social Welfare to allow butter vouchers to be used for the purchase of margarine and low fat butters".

Arising out of discussion on the motion the following addendum was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Reck:-

"And that the Minister for Social Welfare request the Minister for Agriculture to make the necessary regulations to authorise same".

Redmond Park.

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

"That this Borough Council undertake to do a survey on the amenities in Redmond Park re:-

- a. Safety of equipment.
- b. Lack of diversity in equipment;
- c. Dogs fouling childrens play areas;
- d. Employment of Park Warden under a C.E. Scheme".

In reply to the motion the Manager stated that he would investigate the possibility of part of the C.E. scheme resources of Wexford County Council being allocated to Wexford Corporation for this and other amenity purposes. Following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report to the next G.P. meeting.

REPORTS.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme - Pipeline Contract/Quay Extension/Interceptor Sewer.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. E. Fitzgerald and Mr. D. Cahalane of T.J. O'Connor & Assoc., and Mr. Bob Coote, Senior Resident Engineer to the meeting.

Mr. E. Fitzgerald then gave a presentation and overview of the Main Drainage Scheme under three principle headings, 1. Pipeline Contract, 2. Quay Extension/Interceptor Sewer, 3. Treatment Plant and submitted the attached status report which was noted by the meeting.

Quay Extension

Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Reck to adopt the amendment of the vertical berthing as proposed by the Consulting Engineers.

Pumping plant/Treatment plant.

Mr. D. Cahalane then gave a presentation on the pumping plant/treatment plant and following further discussion His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Cahalane and Mr. Coote for their presentations to the meeting and looked forward to the satisfactory completion of this essential infrastructural work which would well prepare Wexford for the 21st Century.

Roads Improvement Programme.

It was noted that a report from the Town Clerk would be circulated at the next G.P. meeting.

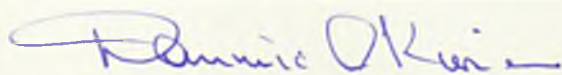
Civic Awards.

His Worship the Mayor read the recommendations of the Protocol Committee and it was unanimously agreed that awards would be made as follows on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck:-

Cultural/Educational	 Mr. J. Golden
Public/Community Service	 Mr. J. Carty
Commercial/Industrial Dev.	 Mr. M. O'Hanrahan

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF 9th 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

PR/BD.

10th June, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

It has been announced that the Spring Seminars of the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland will be held in the Talbot Hotel in 1997 and 1998. Wexford has secured the Seminars against tough competition from other areas including Killarney. Approximately 350 to 400 delegates will attend each year.

There will be no expense to Wexford Corporation or local expense as the seminar is organised in full by the Association's Seminar Committee. The Seminars should help to make a contribution to Wexford's economy.

We would like to thank Mr. D. Curtin, Town Clerk for his help and encouragement, Ms. B. Driscoll for her work and to the Talbot Hotel for their keen pricing and facilities which helped to get Wexford selected.

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Ted Howlin

Alderman Gus Byrne, M.C.C.

Councillor Peter Roche, P.C.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

CONTRACT NO. 1: PIPELINES

	<u>ORIGINAL CONTRACT</u>	<u>COMPLETION CONTRACT</u>
1. Contract Awarded to:	Matthew Wallace Ltd.	Pat Mulcair Civil Eng.
2. Contract Signed:	20th September, 1993.	7th May 1996
3. Contract Value:	£7,422,858.20. + VAT	£4,802.326.01. + VAT
4. Commencement Date:	18th October 1993	7th May 1996
5. Original Contract Duration:	17th April 1997 (42 Months)	6th Feb. 1998 (21 Months)
6. PRESENT STATUS:	To end May 1996.	

Following the appointment of a Receiver to the firm of Matthew Wallace on 01/12/1995, efforts were made initially by the Receiver to assign the Contract directly onto another firm without formally calling in the Bond. These efforts were not successful. During this time, tenders were sought on behalf of Wexford Corporation for the outstanding work from a number of selected firms who were next on the list of tenders for the original Contract. Various consultations and negotiations took place between all parties and the Bond was called in formally in February 1996. Following detailed discussions with the Bondsman and his advisers, it was agreed to appoint Messrs. Pat Mulcair to complete this contract.

Approximately 60% of the main sewers, 30% of watermains and 5% of ducting were completed by the original Contractor up to 01/12/1996. Most of the sewers were in the outlying areas of the town.

Work resumed on 07th May 1996 and the Contractor has been given 21 months within which to complete all outstanding work, due to the fact that much of it is in the commercial town centre area where various restrictions apply. Work is progressing satisfactorily.

A programme of permanent surface reinstatement on priority streets which were completed under the original contract will commence shortly utilising both the funds in the original contract and the additional allocation received recently from the Department of the Environment.



WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

CONTRACT NO. 3 - QUAY EXTENSION & INTERCEPTOR SEWER

1. Contract Awarded to: Irishenco Ltd.
2. Contract Signed: 19/12/1994
3. Contract Value: £9,190,000. + VAT
4. Commencement Date: 13/2/1995
5. Time for Completion: 42 months: 12/8/1998
6. Present Status to end May 1996

BACKGROUND

The Contractor's tender was based on the following:

- i). The development of his own quarries for rockfill and rock armour, and,
- ii). The disposal of dredged material in the foreshore behind the North Training Wall.

The Contractor experienced difficulties identifying suitable sites and/or obtaining permission to open quarries to produce fill material rock fill is being obtained from existing commercial sources in the area.

The Contractor has obtained a draft lease for the foreshore area at the North Training Wall and the details/conditions are being finalised between the Contractor and the Dept. of the Marine. Part of this area will be reclaimed to form a work compound for the upcoming bridge replacement contract.

The section of embankment between the South Railway station to the Crescent has been substantially completed (other than placing the armour and raising to final level and landscaping). Work has started on the interceptor sewer at the South Railway Station. Work has commenced also on the Breakwater Arm and Scour Culverts.

An alternative berthing system has been proposed by the Contractor for the vertical berthing which is considered acceptable and agreement is being reached with all relevant parties in order to facilitate this variation in the original works. Final decisions are now required in order to allow sufficient lead in time for the Contractor's mobilisation etc., for this revised berthing system. The Contractor is finishing his proposals for temporary berthing to allow the dredging/infilling proceed up the quays and it is expected that these proposals will be submitted for the approval of the relevant authorities shortly.



WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME
PHASE 1 - CONTRACT NO. 2A
PUMPING STATIONS - CIVIL WORKS

PROGRESS REPORT TO END OF MAY 1996

1. Contract Status - civil works design of Carcur, Distillery Road & Quay pumping stations finalised and Tender document preparation near completion.
2. Estimated Contract Value £1.5 Million (Estimate given in Cohesion Fund Estimates of Sept. 1984).
3. Future Action/Target Dates.
 - Planning Notice for Quay Pumping Station and Distillery Road Pumping Station to be published 5 June 1996.
 - Planning stage will be completed in July 1996 if there are no observations requiring investigation/reporting.
 - Tenders to be invited August 1996.
 - Tender Analysis to be completed by Nov. 1996.
 - Contractor appointment planned for early 1997.
 - Contract Completion - Autumn 1998.



WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME
PHASE 1 - CONTRACT NO. 4A
PUMPING STATIONS - MACHINERY

PROGRESS REPORT TO END MAY 1996

1. Contractor: Bowen Water Technology
2. Contract Signed: 24th April 1995
3. Contract Value: £1,070,090. plus VAT.
4. Commencement date: April 1995.
5. Expenditure Certified to date: £788,316.93.
6. Completion date: April 1997 but extension of 12 to 18 months will be necessary to allow for Civil works Contract to be advanced.
7. Present Status
 - Physical Model Test Completed - Inlet to Quay Pumping Station and benching modified.
 - Pumping Testing Complete.
 - Delivery of Equipment 90% complete
 - Progress of Contract now dependent on Contract No. 2A - Civil Works progress.
8. Future Actions - Tender documents for Contract No. 2A to be finalised with view to tenders being invited before August 1996 subject to completion of planning process.
9. Decisions/Information Required.
Planning Notice for Distillery Road and Quay Pumping Stations published 5 June 1996 and, subject to no observations being made, planning process will be completed in early July '96.
Planning Decision for Carcur Pumping Station issued on 29th March 1996.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME
PHASE 1 - CONTRACT NO. 2B AND 4B
SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS

PROGRESS REPORT TO END OF MAY 1996

1. Contracts for the Sewage Treatment Works Civil Works and Machinery are at design stage
2.

Estimated Contract Values	Contract No. 2B	-	£4.9M (incl. VAT)
	Contract No. 4B	-	£3.1M (incl. VAT)
3. Present Status: End May 1996.
 - Planning Decision issued 1st March 1996
4. Future Action
 - CPO Decision awaited - expected July '96.
 - Foreshore Licence for outfall sewer to be resolved.
 - Contract document preparation to be completed following detailed design review.
 - Planning Approval required for Pipelines outside Corporation's functional area.
5. Target Dates.
 - Contracts 2B and 4B to be tendered late 1996
 - Contracts 2B and 4B commencement early 1997.
 - Contracts 2B and 4B completion early 1999.

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WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME
PHASE 1 - CONTRACT NO. 1B
PIPELINES - ADDITIONAL WORKS
PROGRESS REPORT TO END OF MAY 1996

1. Contract is at design stage. This contract provides for flood protection measures in the Upper Bishopswater Catchment and for foul water sewers in Whiterock Hill and Clonard Road and for surface water sewers in Clonard Road and in the Clonard Whitemill Link Road.
2. Estimated Contract Value £1.275 Million including VAT. (Estimate given in Cohesion Fund Estimate of Sept. 1994).
3. Present Status - End May 1996
 - Report on Bishopswater Stream Flood Protection to be submitted by mid June 1996.
 - Contract Documents for Contract No. 1B are 90% complete.
4. Future Actions
 - Approval of Report and Contract Documents
 - Planning Approval required for Flood Retention Pond and Pipelines outside Corporation's functional area.
5. Target Dates
 - Contract 1B to be tendered early 1997
 - Contract 1B commencement mid 1997
 - Contract 1B completion mid 1998.



WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

CROSSTOWN FERRYBANK DRAINAGE

PROGRESS REPORT TO END MAY 1996

1. Contract is at Preliminary Report stage - Contract provides for foul and surface water drainage of the Crosstown, Ferrybank and Ardavan areas of the north side of the Slaney with foul water flows being pumped across Wexford Bridge to the Quay Interceptor Sewer.
2. Estimated Contract Value £1.4 Million as per Cohesion Fund Estimate Sept. 1994.
3. Present Status. End May 1996.
Preliminary Report submitted Sept. 1992.
4. Future Actions
 - Approval to proceed to Contract Document preparation.
5. Target Dates.
 - Dependent on D.O.E. approval of Preliminary Report.



WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

CARCUR AREA DRAINAGE

PROGRESS REPORT TO END MAY 1996

1. Contract is at preliminary report stage and provides for foul and surface water drainage of zoned development lands within the Carcur Catchment north of the Bishopswater Catchment and for the upgrading, following a review of condition and capacity, of sewers constructed during earlier developments within the catchment.
2. Estimated contract value £1.2 Million incl. VAT. (Estimate given in Cohesion Fund estimate Sept. 1994).
3. Present Status: End May 1996
 - CCTV contract 90% complete - Contractor's report awaited
4. Future Actions

Preliminary Design and Report to be progressed on completion of CCTV contract.
5. Target Dates
 - Prelim. Report to be submitted Dec. 1996
 - Site Investigation Contract June 1997
 - Contract Documents Dec. 1997
 - Contract Commencement June 1998
 - Contract Completion Dec. 1999.



MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 6.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 10TH
JUNE, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

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

CIVIC AWARDS

Nominations received from members in accordance with the rules of the Civic Awards Scheme were then considered. A total of seven nominations were considered and following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche to recommend that awards be made as follows:-

Cultural/Educational	 Mr. J. Golden
Public/Community Service	 Mr. J. Carty
Commercial/Industrial Dev.	 Mr. M. O'Hanrahan

It was further agreed that the presentation of awards would be made at a civic function to be arranged at a date and time suitable to His Worship the Mayor.

BARRY CEREMONY

His Worship the Mayor outlined the arrangements made to-date in relation to the Bursary Concert and the Wreath Laying Ceremony and these were noted by the meeting. The preliminary guest list was agreed and it was further agreed that this matter would be further discussed at a future meeting of the Protocol Committee to be held at 5.00 p.m. on Monday 17th June, 1996.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

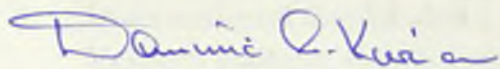
The attached list of conferences/seminars was then considered and on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed to recommend that the Corporation would be represented by two delegates at Conferences 7 and 8.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had made arrangements with the Minister for the Environment for the official opening of the final phase of Ferndale Park , the 2nd phase of Walnut Grove and the unveiling of a commemorative plaque marking the awarding of the National Infill Housing Design Award to Croke venue. The ceremony would be held on the afternoon of 22nd June, 1996 and notice would issue in due course.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF 9th 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Conferences/Seminars - Protocol Meeting - 10th June, 1996.

1. Social Study Conference Summer School
Venue:- Inchigeela, Cork - 3rd-7th August, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £140.00 - Expenses £447
2. Local Authorities & Childcare Service Conference.
Venue:- Paris - 5th-7th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- 2 000 FF Expenses £604
3. 43rd IFHP World Congress - Japan
Venue:- Sendai International Centre - 14th/17th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- NLG 1,050 Expenses £841
4. International Conference - "Planning Regions of Europe".
Venue:- Ballina, Co. Tipperary - 20th/21st June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £140.00 - Expenses £384
5. Border Regional Authority - National Conference.
Venue:- Bundoran - 14th/15th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 - Expenses £469
6. ESRI Seminar.
Venue:- Dublin - 14th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses £147
7. Environmental Recognition Annual Conference.
Venue:- Ballybunion - 5th-7th July, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses £343
8. Environmental Education Conference.
Venue:- Royal Hospital, Kilmainham - 1st & 2nd October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £30.00 Expenses £210
9. Managing Health & Safety Conference.
Venue:- Donegal - 17th-20th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- Not notified Expenses £614
10. European Conference. - 19-21st September, 1996.
Venue:- Castletroy Park Hotel/University of Limerick.
Conference Fee:- £120.00 Expenses £387

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON MONDAY
10TH JUNE, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Ms. R. Doyle, Wexford Chamber of Commerce.
Sgt. D. Redmond, Garda Siochana.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Kiernan a unanimous vote of sympathy was extended to the family of Det. Garda Jerry McCabe who was killed in the performance of his duties in Adare, Co. Limerick. 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.

Sgt. D. Redmond on behalf of the Gardai thanked the Corporation for their expression of sympathy and informed the meeting that a Book of Condolences had been opened at the Garda Barracks.

VOTE OF GOOD WISHES.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Councillor Kiernan a vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery to Garda Ben O'Sullivan who was injured in the same atrocity was unanimously adopted.

Traffic Control Zones at Schools/Parking at Kennedy Park School.

The following report from the Borough was then considered:-

"With regard to the above items dealing with traffic congestion at schools, last year we piloted strict enforcement of the existing Traffic Bye-Laws outside Kennedy Park School. The situation certainly improved. I would recommend that, prior to the schools re-opening in September, we notify all schools of strict enforcement in future outside the schools."

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Reck that the Borough Engineer would meet with the residents and school management committees prior to the commencement of the school year in September next with a view to establishing a programme which would provide safety for children and minimise inconvenience to residents.

Disc Parking.

A lengthy discussion was held on parking in Abbey Street, Abbey Court, Mount George and Thomas Clarke Place to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that it was not possible to introduce an enforceable bye-law that is not universal in application and suggested that a solution for Mount George, Abbey Court and Thomas Clarke Place maybe the extension of the disc parking system for those areas under which residents would obtain a parking permit. He further stated that Abbey Street itself was very narrow and was an important through route and it was unlikely that disc parking would be allowed on that street. Following further discussion it was agreed that the extension of the disc parking system would be discussed by the Borough Engineer with the residents of those areas and a final decision would be made at the next Traffic Management meeting.

Speed Ramps/Rumble Strips at Cinema Lane - Traffic/Pedestrian Crossings in William Street - Belvedere Road/Ashfield Drive Road Crossing.

The following report from the Borough Engineer was then considered:-

“A draft brief for a Traffic Management Study for the town is currently under consideration. It is expected that this will be submitted to the next G.P. meeting for consideration. This study will include setting up a computer model of the road network. Changes in existing traffic flows can be tested with the model resulting in the optimum traffic flow in the town, including recommendations of traffic and pedestrian lights/crossings, one-way systems etc.

Following discussions with the County Engineer, I would recommend that any decision in relation to Traffic/Pedestrian Crossings in William Street and Belvedere Road/Ashfield Drive Road Crossing would await the outcome of the study.

Speed Ramps/Rumble Strips at Cinema Place Lane is a noisy solution in this residential street and would need discussion with residents. The Traffic Study may identify a less troublesome solution. I recommend the brief requires that this problem be given particular attention."

Following discussion it was agreed to await the outcome of the Traffic Management Study prior to further considerations of these matters and further arising out of discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Connor that Sgt. D. Redmond would convey to the Superintendent a request for more frequent speed monitoring check points. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty that the same request be made for the Wygram area.

Town Centre Bus Park.

The Town Clerk stated that at the last Traffic Management Meeting it was agreed that the Chamber of Commerce, Gardai and Borough Engineer would meet to identify options for the provision of a bus park in Wexford Town. These discussions were ongoing and it was agreed to defer further consideration of this matter to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

Traffic at Commercial Quay/Wexford Bridge.

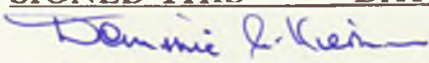
The following report from the Borough Engineer was then considered and noted:-

"With regard to this item the exit lane from the bridge to Commercial quay is occasionally restricted by illegally parked cars. The Traffic Wardens will be instructed to closely monitor and enforce the Traffic Bye-Laws at this location during working hours. Outside of these hours, perhaps the Gardai could be asked to monitor this area in particular".

Arising out of discussion on this matter it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee on the feasibility of providing a series of mini roundabouts on the Quay front to facilitate traffic movement.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF 9th 1996


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 17TH
JUNE, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

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

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

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

BURSARY CONCERT

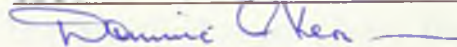
The Town Clerk reported that five applicants for bursaries had been received and it was proposed that the applicants would be interviewed in the week following the meeting by a panel consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Town Clerk, Borough Accountant and County Arts Officer with a view to granting bursaries of £1,000 each to appropriate applicants. This proposal was unanimously approved.

BARRY CEREMONY

Arrangements for the 1996 Barry Ceremony were then considered. A draft guest list was considered and agreed and protocol arrangements for the ceremony and arrangements for the subsequent brunch were also considered and agreed.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF June 1996


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY
24TH JUNE, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck. A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, D.M. Kiernan.

Apologies from Cllr. Enright and Cllr. O'Flaherty for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

LIFE PROGRAMME.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Environment Officer, Wexford County Council made a presentation on the County Council's Life Recycling Project consisting of a video and verbal presentation. Following replies to questions by the meeting His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. O'Brien and congratulated him and his colleagues on the presentation.

PUBLIC LIGHTING MEETING.

It was unanimously agreed that a Public Lighting Committee Meeting would be held on Friday 28th June, 1996 at 11.00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT FOR NON-NATIONAL ROADS.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and a number of temporary re-instatements were noted by the Borough Engineer for attention. Following further discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne to thank the Minister and the Department of the Environment for the allocation and to request that additional allocations of similar nature would be made available in 1997 to continue the programme outlined in the report. Following further

discussion the report was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Connor.

ACTION AGAINST LITTER.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and following discussion to which all members contributed was unanimously adopted.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS.

The attached lists of conferences/seminars, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and the following delegates were nominated to attend the following conferences:-

11. National Housing & Planning Conference & Exhibition.
On the proposal of Cllr. O'Connor seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed that Cllr. Roche and Cllr. Nolan would attend.
8. Environmental Education Conference.
On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed that Cllr. O'Connor and Cllr. Kavanagh would attend.
7. Environmental Recognition Annual Conference.
On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed that Ald. Reck and Cllr. Nolan would attend.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend at any conferences listed which he deemed appropriate.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Addendum to summary of correspondence.

A request for a deputation from Retail Committee of Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce to discuss the Casual Trading Act 1995 was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck that this matter would be deferred to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

Summary of Correspondence.

The summary of correspondence, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted.

Item 10.

Letter from the Committee of the Friends of the County Museum requesting permission to use the Wexford Crest on certificates to be issued to members was then considered and following discussion unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Connor, subject to the usual conditions.

Ely Hospital.

It was agreed to request a reply from the S.E.H.B. to motion adopted previously regarding Ely Hospital. Following discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche to request the S.E.H.B. to outline exactly what is happening/to happen in Ely. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Nolan that Oireachtas members be requested to lend their support for the development of Ely Hospital as a geriatric home. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck to request the Minister for Health to provide direct representation on the S.E.H.B. for Wexford Corporation.

PLANNING

Planning applications received since the previous G.P. Meeting, copy of which had previously been circulated were then considered. Questions raised by members were answered by officials in attendance.

KING STREET HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the Mayor, Town Clerk and Borough Engineer would meet with a representative group of persons who had made submissions arising out of the consultative process and that the matter would be discussed at a future meeting as soon as practicable.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 8th DAY OF 8th 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

DFC/BD.

24th June, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

re/- Schedule of permanent road re-instatement.

Dear Member,

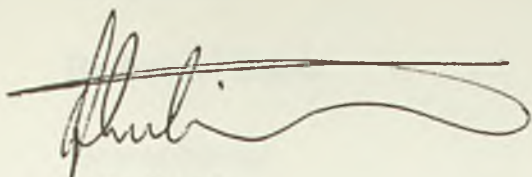
At present 60% of the drainage network has been provided in the town and the permanent road re-instatement programme needs to be advanced. As members will be aware the overall programme for roads and footpaths in the town will require expenditure in the order of £4.5m-£5m. Such a programme will re-instate all roads and footpaths in the town. However, expenditure on roads not yet interfered with by the drainage scheme would be ill-advised and the schedule as attached shows the position as at this time.

The funding for this element of the programme is as follows:-

Department of Environment Supplementary Grant for Non-National Roads	 £358,000
Block Road Grant 1996	 £ 60,000
Main Drainage Scheme provision for permanent road re-instatement	 £420,000
Corporation contribution from Development Fund	 £250,000
Total	£1.088m

It is expected that the programme will commence in August 1996 and will be completed within a period of 6/8 months.

Further consideration will be given during the course of the coming estimates towards the supplementing of this programme with a view to completing all roads and footpaths in the town within a 5 year period.

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

D.F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

<u>ROAD/STREET</u>	<u>COST</u> <u>£</u>
King Street	42,020
Redmond Road	98,000
Green Street	31,700
Spawell Road	38,000
Cornmarket/Main Street/Bullring (Part only)	233,600
Joseph Street	14,600
Distillery Road	63,010
The Faythe	98,802
Talbot Street	18,870
Thomas Street	7,140
Barrack Street	16,504
Michael Street	9,900
Bride Street	12,500
Crescent Quay	17,500
William Street (50%)	18,000
Trinity Street (50%)	70,000
Redmond Place	25,000
South Main Street	10,000
Rowe Street Lr.	8,000

Summerhill Road	44,500
Mill Road	17,000
Davitt Road South	5,500
Faythe Lane (Folly)	4,000
St. Aidan's Road (Part of)	23,000
Footpaths (Provisional Sum)	40,000
Total	£967,146
Plus V.A.T. at 12.5%	£120,893
TOTAL	£1,088,039

ACTION AGAINST LITTER

The Anti-Litter Initiative was launched recently by the Minister for the Environment, Mr Brendan Howlin T.D.

As part of it's response to this initiative, Wexford Corporation intends to draw up an Action Plan for litter abatement in Wexford. The main areas to be addressed in this plan are as follows:-

1. Household Refuse.
2. Street Litter.
3. Litter Bins.
4. Recycling.
5. Clean-Up Campaigns.
6. Fly-Posting/On-the-spot fines.
7. Public Awareness and Education.
8. Tidy Towns Competition.

Wexford Corporation would, accordingly, welcome submissions from the general public and other interested parties on the action necessary to tackle the litter problem.

Submissions, in writing, should be made on or before to the undersigned.

D.F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

Action Against Litter

Guidelines for Local Authorities



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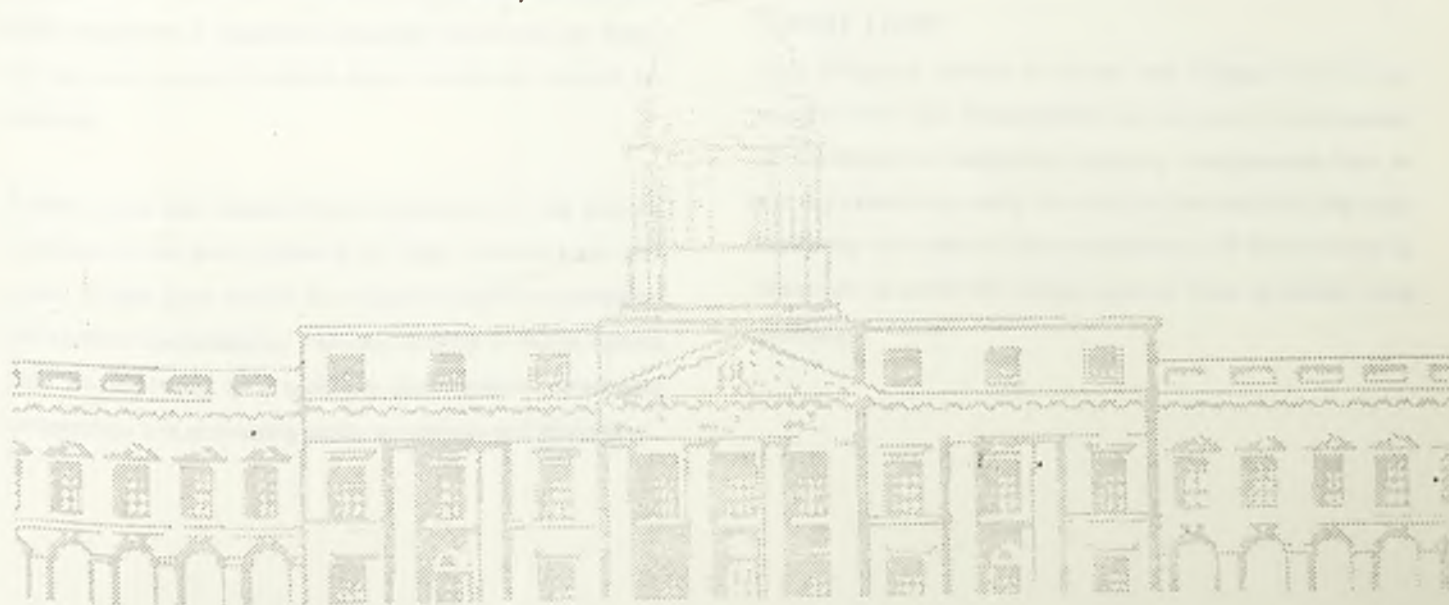


These guidelines are intended to assist local authority management to intensify their efforts for better prevention and control of litter. They are preliminary in their scope at this stage. As *Action Against Litter* progresses, and particularly when a new Litter Bill is enacted later this year, advice and best practice guidelines will be developed more fully, in consultation with local authorities.

The Department of the Environment would welcome suggestions from local authorities on the present guidelines and on the content of the fuller guidelines which are intended.

Department of the Environment
February, 1996

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Guidelines for Local Authorities

Introduction

In the policy statement *Action Against Litter* issued by the Minister for the Environment, a comprehensive strategy for tackling the serious problem of litter is outlined. *Action Against Litter* is built on 4 main foundations:

- Improving local authority performance in relation to litter prevention and control; this must include tougher action against offenders;
- New legislation to ensure more effective regulation and sanctions in support of litter control;
- Creative partnership with business/industry to combat litter and to create a clean outdoor environment;
- Promoting greater public awareness and education about litter, with a special focus on young people and with help from community and environmental groups.

These guidelines are intended to assist local authorities in a practical way to carry out a comprehensive review of the state of cleanliness of their areas and to chart a fresh approach to better prevention and control of litter.

Action Plans for Litter Control

At an early stage of its response to *Action Against Litter* each local authority should draw up an action plan for litter abatement in their area. This action plan will identify and define standards of cleanliness in public places and set down the various means by which these standards should be achieved.

A draft action plan should first be submitted to the elected members of the local authority for their consideration and input. Action plans should draw also on public consultation and seek to operationalise relevant themes of *Action Against Litter* viz. improving local authority performance, developing partnerships and promoting public awareness and education.

Plans should involve an appraisal of all existing litter prevention and control programmes to assess what changes may be necessary to achieve desired standards of cleanliness consistently. This will also entail an assessment of the nature and extent of litter (and of certain wastes) and the resources already employed in cleansing programmes.

Household refuse

Poor presentation of household refuse for collection by local authorities is a significant cause of litter. In addition, poor handling of household waste for collection by local authorities and refuse contractors contributes to the incidence of litter on bin collection days.

Local authorities should strongly encourage householders to use traditional bins with lids or sealed strong polythene sacks when putting out refuse for collection. Wheeled bins, as used in some local authority areas, are also less likely to give rise to spillages. Householders in urban areas should be encouraged to put out refuse on the morning of collection day only.

Local authorities will shortly have the possibility of making bye-laws to regulate the presentation of household waste for collection (c.f. section 35 Waste Management Bill, 1996). In anticipation of this, and by way of preparation for it, they should consider preparing an advice sheet for householders on the presentation of domestic waste refuse for collection.

Street Litter

Busy shopping streets in towns and villages need to be cleaned every day. Consideration can be given in appropriate circumstances to organising sweeping arrangements later in the day rather than early morning on the basis that the local authority can secure the cooperation of the owners of premises to clean the street outside their premises each morning.

Litter Bins

Overfilled litter bins are themselves a well known cause of litter. There is little point in local authorities providing litter bins if they are not going to be emptied before becoming full. In considering where to place litter bins a number of questions should be asked:

- is it in the right place?
- can it be emptied frequently enough?
- is it the right type of bin?
- is it big enough?
- is it conspicuous enough?

Local authorities could consider encouraging every retail premises to provide a bin on the pavement outside their premises which they would undertake to empty as required. Local authorities could further coordinate this by suggesting a suitable type of bin for convenience and presentation. In this way the owners of retail premises can actively participate in maintaining clean pavements. In addition, other business firms and corporate institutions should be encouraged to provide litter bins in the general vicinity of their premises.

The provision and servicing of litter bins at amenity resorts and beaches during spells of good weather can be problematic. Local authorities should consider providing much larger bins (notwithstanding that lifting equipment may then be required.)

All litter bins serviced by local authorities should be thoroughly washed at regular intervals and unserviceable bins should be replaced. Consideration should also be given to putting up notices at strategic locations encouraging the public to bring their litter home.

Recycling

Increased recycling should help to mitigate certain forms of litter. It is important therefore that Action Against Litter embraces the benefits of recycling. Local authorities should consider placing recycling receptacles in suitable locations on busy streets. Recycling receptacles could also be provided on beaches during the summer/outdoor season.

Clean-up campaigns

All of the larger local authorities mount annual clean-up campaigns and these have had good success. While the general experience is that the public are keen to help, harnessing effective public support and participation can be difficult and requires considerable advance preparation. Local authorities should ensure that they have good communication with residents' associations, community groups etc. who are willing to help in clean-up operations. They should also consider distributing information packs to local groups on the organisation of clean-up campaigns in cooperation with the local authority; this advice would also cover the optimum publicising of events locally and how to inform the public and the local authority of the results of clean-ups.

In the past, participation in clean-up campaigns has been confined primarily, but not totally, to community/residential groups. Local authorities should encourage and develop participation by the business, industrial and corporate sectors by contacting them directly and urging them to become involved. Businesses should accept that a clean outdoor environment is good for business and should be ready to embrace their civic duty to promote litter prevention.

To be effective in organising clean-up campaigns on the ground, local authorities should appoint a liaison officer who will act as the contact person for members of the public and community/business groups and meet with them as necessary.

Shops/Fast food outlets

The recently published report on a national litter survey found that the presence of litter is a common occurrence in the vicinity of fast food outlets. Local authorities should ensure that all of these premises are visited by litter wardens to advise them on how they should adopt measures to reduce the incidence of littering by customers. This should include advising them to provide litter bins as well as promoting an anti-litter awareness.

Major Events

Large public events result in considerable costs for local authorities in cleaning up litter afterwards. Local authorities should establish arrangements with event organisers to ensure that waste and litter management provision is incorporated into the planning of major events in a clearly identified manner. The programme of cleaning for a large event should centre not solely on post-event requirements. It should also deal with litter control requirements before and during events both in the immediate vicinity of the event and in the surrounding area.

Events which should be targeted for special cleaning arrangements would include football, hurling and soccer matches which are likely to attract an attendance in excess of 5,000; all international soccer and rugby events; open-air concerts; feile and fleadh ceol events. In organising clean-ups for major events local authorities should consider making available large recycling receptacles, especially for cans and bottles.

Local authorities should recover the cost of special cleaning requirements from the organisers of events. Strengthening local authority powers to recover the cost of special cleaning activities is being addressed in the new Litter Bill.

Fly-tipping/posting

Fly-tipping of refuse in urban and rural areas constitutes a serious blighting of these areas and should continue to be combated by local authorities. Local authorities should encourage the public to report any fly tipping in their locality to the local authority. Local authorities should not hesitate

to instigate prosecutions in relation to this socially unacceptable behaviour.

Locations which are continuously subject to fly-tipping should be brought to the attention of landowners who should be requested to take precautions to prevent fly-tipping by erecting fences or maintaining existing structures.

The legislative provisions relating to enforcement against fly-posting are being reviewed with a view to strengthening the capacity of local authorities to develop more effective action.

Litter Wardens

Successful anti-litter programmes by local authorities will in most cases involve employment of full time litter wardens.

While education and national campaigning are necessary to secure a change in attitude to littering, effective and visible enforcement at local level by local authorities is also vital. It is recommended that each urban council and each county council with a population of less than 40,000 should actively consider the need to employ at least one full-time litter warden. All larger local authorities should aim at employing a minimum of two full-time litter wardens. The largest County Borough Corporations should consider a complement in the ratio of one full-time litter warden for every 40,000 of population.

Bye-Laws

Each local authority should immediately make litter control bye-laws to assist in dealing with local problem areas. Local authorities are reminded that it is not now necessary to have bye-laws confirmed by the Minister for the Environment as section 37 of Local Government Act, 1994 which has now been commenced, has made this a local authority reserved function.

Enforcement

Local authorities should adopt a determined policy of enforcement against those who litter. As stated, the Minister for the Environment intends however to publish a new Litter Bill to strengthen enforcement and other provisions relating

to litter prevention and control. In the meantime, there is no barrier to local authorities operating the fixed penalty system or instituting prosecutions against offenders. Action of this kind will serve in itself to heighten the awareness of intensified litter control efforts by local authorities.

Developing Partnerships

The Minister for the Environment will promote *Action Against Litter* at national level with representatives of the different economic sectors. It is vital however that in parallel partnerships are formed at local level with local branches of these organisations. Local business groups/organisations that might be approached could include some or all of the following:

Agriculture:	IFA, ICMSA, Macra na Feirme, Coillte
Business/Industry:	Banks, Grocers/Newsagents, Chambers of Commerce, groups of companies in business parks/industrial estates
Tourism/Sporting:	Hotels Federation, Regional Tourism Organisations, GAA/ Soccer/Rugby boards
Transport:	Managers of bus and railway stations, SIMI affiliated garages, petrol station owner/operators
Voluntary bodies/ NGOs:	An Taisce, Foróige, National Youth Council of Ireland, Muintir na Tire, Residents Associations, NATO.

In some case links with these bodies will concentrate on promoting an anti-litter awareness. But there will also be scope for encouraging voluntary participation in maintaining high standards of cleanliness in particular places. This could include places which are open to the public but which are not cleaned or maintained by the local authority. The following examples illustrate possible approaches:

Example:

Residents associations could agree to maintain their neighbourhood in a clean and tidy state. This might involve a reduction in local authority cleaning cycles in return possibly for local authority provision of environmental improvements.

Example:

Farmers should be advised on how to properly dispose of plastic fertilizer bags and silage bale wrappings. A new enterprise scheme is being developed to collect waste plastic sheeting from farms. It will be operated by Farm Relief Services on a pilot basis in 1996 and is expected to become fully operational in 1997.

Example:

Voluntary groups could be approached to clean beaches at regular intervals on a rota basis with local authority support.

Example:

Community Employment Schemes involving clean-up elements might be promoted or existing schemes might be tailored to improve litter black spots.

Example:

Shopping centres and supermarkets should be targeted to maintain the precincts of their premises free of litter to standards agreed with local authorities and to hold themselves out publicly as being committed to a clean local environment.

Example:

Railway and bus stations should be encouraged to promulgate their own participation in *Action Against Litter* outlining how they will maintain litter free stations and how they will encourage transport users not to litter. The attention of Iarnród Éireann management should also be focused on removing litter from sections of railway tracks and embankments within urban areas.

Example:

Government offices should be requested to ensure that curtilages of offices are maintained in a clean and tidy manner.

Example:

Chambers of Commerce could be approached to promote anti-litter measures and awareness with their members. This could possibly involve a re-arrangement of refuse collection times so that refuse is not left on streets for long periods before collection.

Anti-Litter Campaigning

Raising public awareness of the disamenity effects of litter on their local environment is a major objective of *Action Against Litter*. The Department of the Environment will promote coordinated multi-media publicity campaigns to focus public attention on the overall problem and to promote an anti-litter awareness.

It is essential however that local communities are informed about the extent of the litter problem at local level, how much it is costing, what is being done to solve it, how they can be involved and where success has been achieved in the past. Local authorities could consider circulating a newsletter to all households and businesses updating them on these matters. Local newspapers and radio stations could be approached and asked to focus attention on these aspects of the new initiative against litter.

Inevitably this will sometimes focus attention on the adequacy of the local authority's own response to the removal of litter and waste. Criticism of this kind should be turned to positive advantage by indicating what is being done to improve prevention and control at considerable cost to the taxpayer. This will develop the understanding that littering by the public is a self-inflicted burden which will continue for so long as attitudes remain unchanged.

Educating Young People

Many local authorities already operate environmental education programmes in schools which highlight the problems of litter. Competitions are also run in some instances to heighten awareness and schools and community groups are visited to promote an anti-litter awareness. In order to give further impetus to the promotion of an anti-litter awareness by young people the Department of the

Environment has commissioned the development of schools educational materials for both primary and secondary schools. These will be distributed to all schools shortly.

Tidy Towns

The running of the annual Tidy Towns Competition is now being undertaken by the Department of the Environment. *Action Against Litter* will be more closely aligned with this competition. The competition now attracts a large entry from towns and villages. Many communities have achieved lasting progress in an improved and less littered local environment as a result of entering this competition on a regular basis. There is considerable scope for an increased entry to this competition from local communities of all sizes.

While it is not at all intended that local authorities should adopt a lead role in relation to Tidy Town Competition entries, local authorities could act to prompt the establishment of Tidy Town committees where they do not already exist in communities.

The Tidy Towns Competition is being subjected to a major review and it is likely that, under the new competition arrangements, significant prominence will be given to litter control in the local community environment.

The following list of Conferences/Seminars was considered by the Protocol Committee Meeting held on 23rd April, 1996 and it was agreed to recommend that His Worship the Mayor would attend at Conference No. 5 and that two delegates would attend at Conference No. 11

1. International Conference - The Entrepreneurial City.
Venue:- Dublin - 29th & 30th April, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £150.00 Expenses:- £273.00
2. The Carlingford Conference - Understanding Northern Ireland.
Dates:- 2nd/3rd May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses:- £273.00
3. National Conference on Environmental Planning & Control.
Venue:- Cork - 9th-11th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £150.00 Expenses:- £384.00
4. The 1996 Total Quality Management Conference.
Venue:- Brussels - 23rd/24th May, 1996.
Conference Fee - BF115,000 Expenses:- £409.00
5. General Council of County Councils Annual Conference.
Venue:- Galway - 23-25th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £170.00 Expenses:- £447.00
6. The Health Boards - 25 Years On.
Venue:- Ennis - 3/4th May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses:- £422.00
7. Conference on Employment & Disability.
Venue:- Waterford - 31st May, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses:- £76.00
8. Mid West-Regional Authority Annual Conference.
Venue:- Ballina - 20th/21st June, 1996.
Conference Fee (Not yet notified) Expenses:- £511.00
9. Border Regional Authority National Conference.
Venue:- Bundoran - 14th/15th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 Expenses:- £532.00
10. 6th Global Conference on Marketing.
Venue:- London - 24th/25th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- BF120,000 Expenses:- £457.00
11. National Housing & Planning Conference & Exhibition.
Brighton 21st-24th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £364.24 Expenses £585.00

The following list of conferences/seminars was considered by the protocol committee meeting held on 10th June, 1996 and it was agreed to recommend that the Corporation would be represented by two delegates at Conferences 7 and 8.

1. Social Study Conference Summer School
Venue:- Inchigeela, Cork - 3rd-7th August, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £140.00 - Expenses £447
2. Local Authorities & Childcare Service Conference.
Venue:- Paris - 5th-7th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- 2 000 FF Expenses £604
3. 43rd IFHP World Congress - Japan
Venue:- Sendai International Centre - 14th/17th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- NLG 1,050 Expenses £841
4. International Conference - "Planning Regions of Europe".
Venue:- Ballina, Co. Tipperary - 20th/21st June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £140.00 - Expenses £384
5. Border Regional Authority - National Conference.
Venue:- Bundoran - 14th/15th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 - Expenses £469
6. ESRI Seminar.
Venue:- Dublin - 14th June, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses £147
7. Environmental Recognition Annual Conference.
Venue:- Ballybunion - 5th-7th July, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £145.00 Expenses £343
8. Environmental Education Conference.
Venue:- Royal Hospital, Kilmainham - 1st & 2nd October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £30.00 Expenses £210
9. Managing Health & Safety Conference.
Venue:- Donegal - 17th-20th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- Not notified Expenses £614
10. European Conference. - 19-21st September, 1996.
Venue:- Castletroy Park Hotel/University of Limerick.
Conference Fee:- £120.00 Expenses £387

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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MEMO. TO TOWN CLERK.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON OUTCOME OF PUBLIC DISPLAY OF THE PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN KING STREET REQUIRED UNDER THE 1993 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT AND THE 1994 PLANNING REGULATIONS.

The proposed development consists of a housing mix of eleven number three bed, two storey houses, six number two bed, two storey apartments and twelve number two bed, three storey apartments, total twenty nine number dwelling units on 0.8 acres. Sixty number O.P.W. parking spaces on 0.3 acres, total site area 1.1 acres approx.

The site is located in the Town Centre zoned area of the Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs 1993.

The necessary documents were on public display at Wexford Corporation offices from the 9th May, 1996 to the 7th June, 1996. The public were invited to make submissions or observations, in writing, with respect to the proposed development dealing with proper planning and development of the area.

SUBMISSIONS/OBSERVATIONS:-

Ten individual submissions/observations, plus a submission in the form of a petition with ninety three signatures were received within the specified period. Copies of all submissions are attached.

Note that all of the submissions/observations were put forward as objections to the development on grounds and are summarised on the attached appendix with my comments having fully considered each submission.

Wexford Corporation — Your Environment Friendly Local Authority

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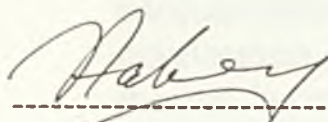
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RECOMMENDATION:-

Having duly considered the submissions/observations, I recommend the following:-

- (1)** No part of the proposed layout should encroach on the public road. Further regulation of traffic flows may be required on the public road.
- (2)** When the O.P.W. parking area reverts to Wexford Corporation for redevelopment, that the Corporation consider including, at least, twenty nine car parking spaces and increasing the area of the playground amenity as well as, or instead of the future housing indicated on the National Building Agency's drawings. This would go some way to meeting the demand for parking and open space amenity in the area which at present has neither.



T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

24TH JUNE, 1996.

APPENDIX

(1) The density of the development is too high:-

The density is 36.25 per acre. This is appropriate to the zoning and within the terms of the Development Plan. It is similar to the existing density in the immediate area. It is significantly less than that for which planning permission was granted for private sector development in the zone.

(2) Traffic congestion will result from lack of adequate provision for car parking for both existing and proposed residents:-

The site is bounded on the west by King Street Upper, a regional road and on the south by Lambert Place, an urban traffic distribution road. Public on-street parking on King Street is restricted to the east side (fronting the proposed development). The drawings submitted by the National Building Agency appear to reserve these spaces to the development, plus those available on Lambert Place. In my opinion, parking on a public road cannot be reserved to a specific development, they are available to the public in general on a first come, first serve basis. Therefore, there is not adequate on-site provision for the parking demand of the proposed development. This is not a requirement of the Development Plan, there is, in certain circumstances, the option of making a contribution to the cost of providing car parking spaces elsewhere within a period of five years. If the on-site parking identified on the drawings as reserved to the O.P.W. becomes available to include housing development, within five years then the criteria is satisfied. There is not sufficient depth on the housing site to allow the building line to be set back to provide off-street parking to the front. Setting back would, in any event, present a suburban streetscape rather than the traditional urban character the location requires. In any event, traffic congestion will continue to be controlled by the Traffic Bye-Laws as applies elsewhere in the town.

The layout shows encroachment onto the carriageway with tree plants and kerbing. This should be eliminated.

(3) The three storey height of the end and corner elements of the development will block light and overlook the existing terrace of two storey houses at the opposite side of King Street resulting in a loss of privacy:-

There are existing three storey buildings in the immediate area and is a norm immediately to the east of the site. The site is within the Town Centre zone where even higher developments are open to consideration. It is unreasonable to expect the front of a house not to be overlooked by developments on the opposite side of the street. The distance the proposed development is from the front of the existing houses is sufficient so as not to block light to which they would be entitled (the attached sketch shows the relevant positions of existing two and three storey buildings and the height relationship between the existing terrace of houses and the proposed development vis-à-vis interference with light).

(4) The proposed playground is too small and should be located at the front of the King Street elevation:-

The area of the playground is 10% approx. with the housing site area. This is more than adequate for the proposed development and meets the requirements of the Development Plan. The objection refers to an alleged undertaking given by the Corporation in 1987 that they would provide a public playground facility to serve the general area. It is small as such. Dublin Corporation purposely keep playgrounds small, but maximise their use for small children with expensive equipment layouts, safety surfaces and secure boundaries. When the O.P.W. parking area reverts to the Corporation, the area could be increased. Locating the playground to the front would be unsafe, due to the proximity of the busy road and require a major setback of the building line which cannot be accommodated on the currently available housing site.

(5) Complaints of lack of consultation:-

It is the consultation process which is now being followed.

(6) The proposed development will overload the sewer system in an area that has experienced flooding:-

The Wexford Main Drainage Scheme, currently in progress, provides the necessary capacity and protection from flooding.

(7) The development will reduce the value of existing houses:-

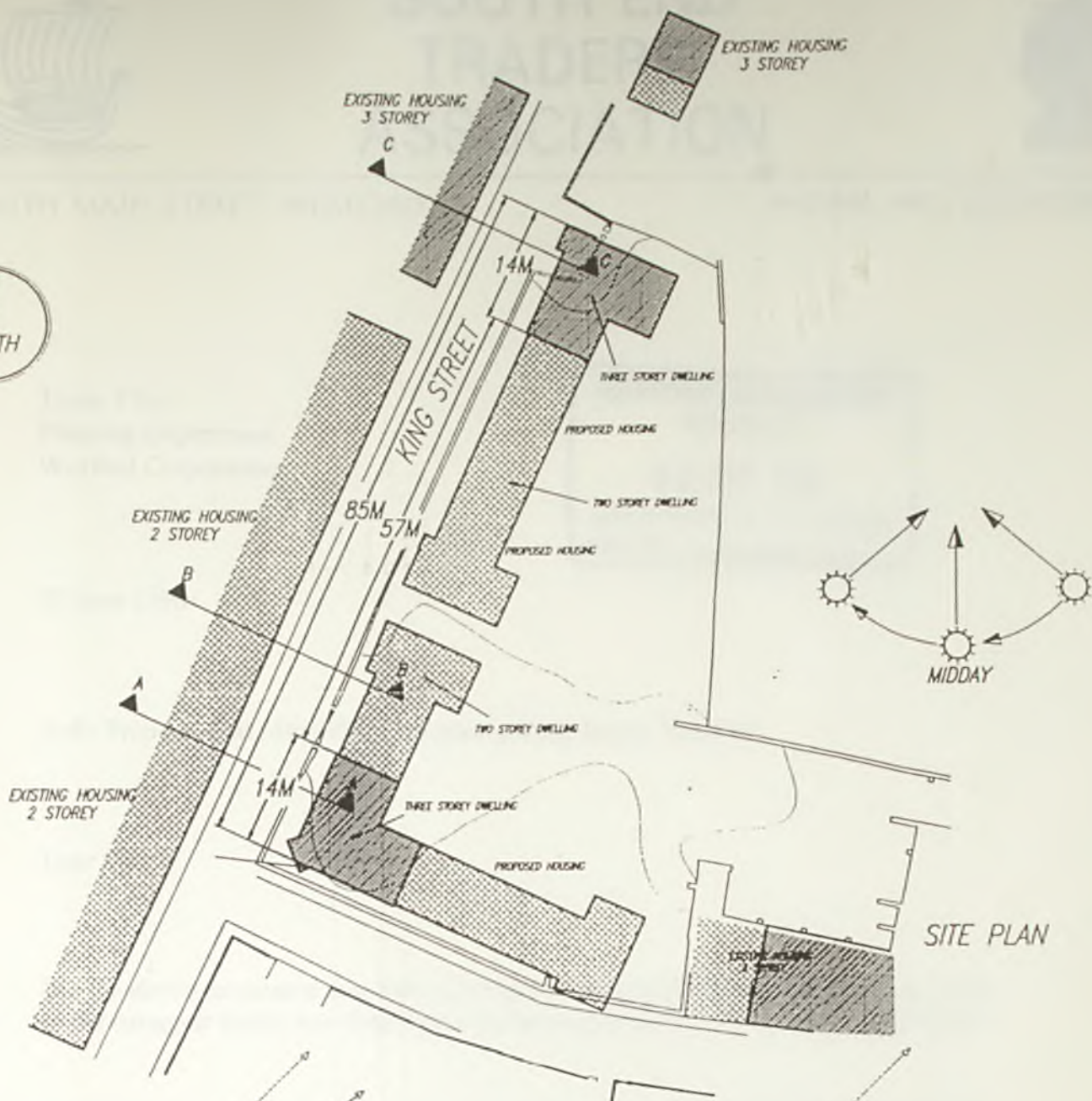
The existing site is an eyesore and its development would likely enhance house values in the area.

(8) Individual houses, rather than a mix of houses and flats would be preferred. The proposed layout of flats would encourage vandalism and nuisance:-

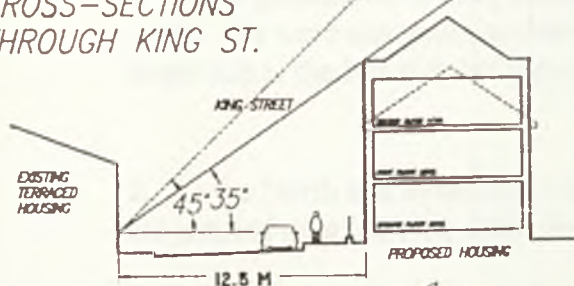
The mix of dwellings is permitted under the zoning. It is a matter for Wexford Corporation in meeting their needs and statutory obligations as to what housing mix is included. The cost effective use of such a valuable and well located site has also to be considered by the Authority. Similar private sector residential developments in the zone have been predominantly flats at a much higher density. The question of nuisance is a separate matter. Existing residents' concern regarding nuisance is for the Corporation to address by properly dealing with any nuisance that might arise, rather than not providing the flats to meet the established need.

(9) Increase in smog:-

Any increase would be imperceptible.

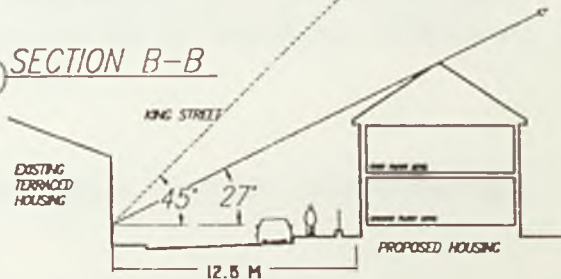


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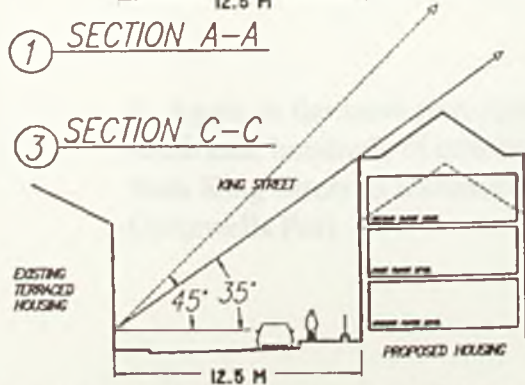


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③ SECTION C-C



TOTAL LENGTH OF PROPOSED BUILDINGS <u>THREE</u> STOREYS HIGH	28M
TOTAL LENGTH OF PROPOSED BUILDINGS <u>TWO</u> STOREYS HIGH	57M
PERCENTAGE OF PROPOSED <u>TWO</u> STOREY HOUSING FRONTAGE	66%
PERCENTAGE OF PROPOSED <u>THREE</u> STOREY HOUSING FRONTAGE	34%

HOUSING AT KING STREET, WEXFORD, FOR WEXFORD CORPORATION.
NATIONAL BUILDING AGENCY LTD

RICHMOND AVENUE SOUTH, MILLTOWN DUBLIN 6



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SOUTH END TRADERS' ASSOCIATION



66 SOUTH MAIN STREET, WEXFORD.

PHONE: (053) 22637/22084

Town Clerk
Planning Department
Wexford Corporation



20 June 1996

Ref:- Proposal Flat / Dwelling Complex at King Street, Wexford.

Dear Sir

We the above mentioned association, being rate payers of this borough, wish to lodge, in the strongest terms, our objection to the above proposal, on the following grounds.

1. These grounds have been promised to this association as a car park over at least 6 years. We were also promised the South Station but that has now gone. As far as we know this is the last suitable ground available to us.
2. As the North end in the same time span has acquired 3 new car parks, we feel we are entitled to at least the same facilities.
3. Again in the same time span there has been a demographic shift/growth at the south end, hundreds of new houses having been built on the south side of the stretch from King Street to Killcens Cross, together with the yet to be completed housing at Cromwells Fort.

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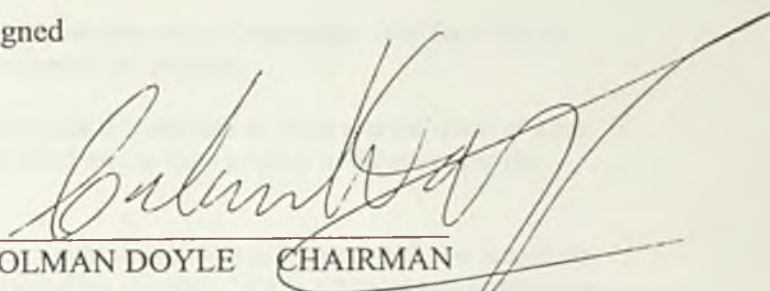
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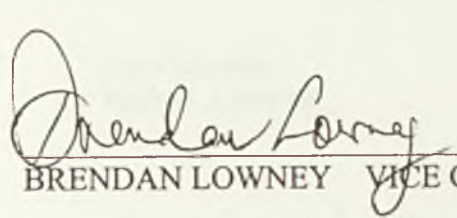
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While applauding the housing growth, facilities, for the tenants and their families, are of equal importance. The natural shopping area for these people is the south end. It is therefore imperative that this area is left as a car park.

The alternative is snarled traffic on quays etc. and the demand of trading in the south end and the consequent severe reduction in rates, remembering that the south end of the Main Street is the only section currently paying rates.

Signed


COLMAN DOYLE CHAIRMAN


BRENDAN LOWNEY VICE CHAIRMAN



HYLAND SCHOOL OF DRIVING

Planing Authority,
Planing Section,
Wexford Corporation.

*Chez Nous,
Newline Road,
Wexford.*

*(053) 24104
(088) 545775*

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing to you to object to the proposed building of flats by the Corporation in King Street, Wexford. I am writing to you for two reasons:
A: my wifes mother and aunt and all the good people of King Street. The residents of King Street are a very settled community in one of the most historical parts of Wexford town. Many of those families are the rock on which Wexford town developed over the last fifty years. These same families have no objection to others moving into this area in proper buildings namely houses. But the proposed three story flat complex at either end of the area are not acceptable and will not be allowed. As I watch the television tonight the 19th of June The Minister Mr Brendan Howlin and a number of County Managers stated that the local elected representatives have the real say in decisions that affect their community. The local community have no objections to the provisions of houses in their area but two or three story flat units are a disaster in this county. They lead to drugs and a great deal of immorality and does not lead to a community of peace.

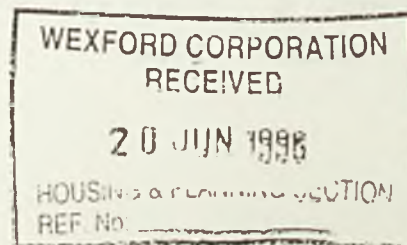
B: I have property in King Street and a senior member in the Corperation - Mr Tom Fahy is well aware of what I have suffered trying to protect my property.

Lastly the density of population would be too high if those flats are built and the worry of what is proposed is having a great psychological effect on the older persons in the street and the worry will kill off many of them.

If they were your parents living in this area would you allow it to happen - NO you would not, or if you were living in the area you would not allow it either. " Do to others as you would wish them to do to you ".

Yours Sincerely,
Michael J. Hyland.

P.P Michael J Hyland



VAT No : IE 2387216E

Michael J. Hyland Peace Commissioner Commissioner for Oaths R.A.C.R.I., M.S.A., A.D.I.R.

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17 JUN 1996

PLANNING SECTION

6 Lambert Place

Wexford

12-6-96

to whom it may concern

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
File Ref.
Reg. No. 03 JUN 1996
RC 11.4.10.1

I am writing to object strongly
to the Housing scheme for
King St & Lambert Place.

Objection No 1. Definitely no more
flats for this AREA. We have enough
already, it is just becoming
another (Ballymun)

No 2 Density of Houses in the AREA.

No 3 TRAFFIC, it's impossible to cross
the Road with the volume of cars.

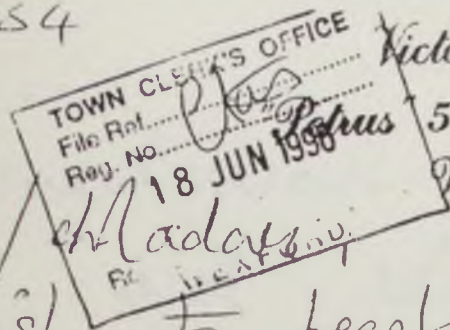
No 4 - CAR PARKING is virtually
impossible.

Please do not ignore my letter
we live in a Democracy
& we the people have our Rights

Sincerely,

R- Roche 6 Lambert Place
off King St.

(053) 46554



Victor Martin

5 Lambert Pl

Wexford.

14/06/96

WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

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17 JUN 1996

PLANNING SECTION

Dear Sir

I wish to hereby lodge a formal

objection to the proposed new development by Wexford Corporation for the former OPN site at King St., Wexford.

I believe the density of flat dwellings to be excessive. It will turn the street and environs into flat-land with all the ensuing problems. Our properties will accordingly be significantly devalued.

I have no objection whatsoever to family houses being constructed on the site with adequate green space being provided. But innumerable flatlets are simply not acceptable. The rights of existing residents surely must be of paramount importance when sanctioning such

proposals.

In conclusion, I hope that my views and those of the many other residents already forwarded to you will override this draft development plan and that a complete revision of the development will take place before implementing it further.

Yours faithfully,

Victor Martin B.A., H.D.E.

No Address?

To Planning Authority
Wexford Corporation County Council

We wish to lodge an objection to the
proposed, Development opposite our property
in King Street Wexford.

- (1) The number of Flats on the Site.
- (2) The increase in Drainage, and Sewerage
problems leading to Flooding on the opposite
Side
- (3) Noise & Disturbance
- (4) Traffic Problems
- (5) Parking Problems
- (6) Play Area and Size
- (7) The Density of the Dwellings
- (8) The Height of the three Storey Blocks of
Flats, Blocking the light on the opposite
Side of the Road

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Signed

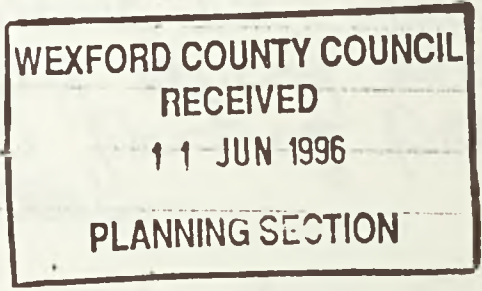
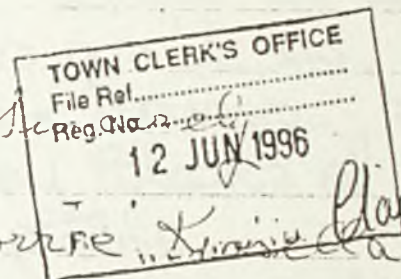
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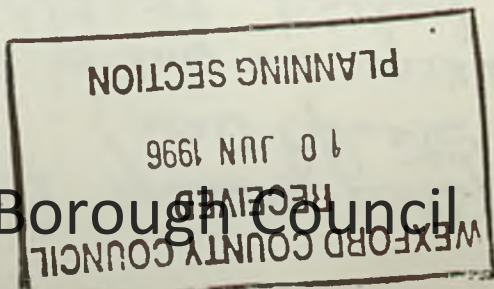
28 King St

Sir

I am sure you are aware the Corporation are planning 29 Flats opposite our Homes, & I feel very upset. Why so many Flats. I don't object to Houses, something like the little Houses opposite the Brothers school. which would help the elderly. & leave us in Peace & quiet, we have surely suffered enough down through the years with the
Floods

Yours sincerely
(Mrs) Florence Kinneale





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To Wexford Planning Authority
Wexford Corporation - Wexford County Council

Mrs & Mrs William Kinnella are objecting
most vigorously to the proposed
Corporation development opposite our
property on King St.

King St is a very narrow street going
into a T-junction at St. Mary's St. and
the traffic is horrific as it is a
Main Road.

We object to the number of dwellings
proposed for the site which is completely
unwarranted by houses as it is the
density of flats & houses - the
height of the three story blocks of flats
is completely unacceptable.
No previous whatever use made here
the residents already living here for over
cars - leading to parking problems and
congestion in the street.

King Area

In 1984 Wexford Corporation
agreed that when and if they get the site
the people of King St and surrounding
areas would be given at least half as
an amenity area, what is proposed

as a playground is an insult (a postage stamp area). The situation of the play area is out of the question, hidden behind back gardens of houses & flats.

Flooding - King Street is renowned for flooding and twenty nine more sewers and drainages are most certainly not going to help.

No Consultation whatever ~~from~~ has taken place between the local authorities and the Residents of the surrounding areas to help us to reach any compromise. I could go on forever with objections.

This plan is certainly not suitable for this area, we need to be able to breathe, not smothered by flats, houses noise etc.

Awaiting a Reply.

Mrs Wm. Russell.

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20th May. 1996.

The Planning Authority,
Wexford County Council,
County Hall,
Wexford.

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4 JUN 1996
F. *Clark*

Dear Sirs,

We, residents of King Street, Lambert Place, Leinster Terrace and Barrack Street, wish to object to the proposed development at King Street for the following reasons:-

DENSITY:- Too many buildings and too many people squashed into too small an area.

TRAFFIC:- Too near a very busy narrow main road where traffic is already horrendous. This will cause more problems and traffic congestion.

STRUCTURE: We object to three storey buildings which will block light particularly if they are built very near the side of the street and overlook our homes..

FLOODING:- Extra drainage and sewerage facilities for the new development will add to the flooding problems which occur on the opposite side of the street which is at a lower level than the site of the proposed development.

PLAYGROUND: The playground is far too small to cater for the number of children in the area. In 1987 the area was promised half the site as an amenity area. Also the playground is situate behind the houses and flats and is concealed from the public view. No parent would allow children to play where they are hidden from view .

PARKING: If extra cars are brought into the area by residents of the proposed new houses present residents of King Street will not have a space to park on the opposite side of t he road. We are prohibited from parking at present by a yellow line outside our doors. If parking is allowed on both sides of the street it will make the street even narrower for traffic to pass through the street.

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We suggest that the plans for the proposed development be reconsidered taking into consideration the points set out above. We also request consultations with residents before any decision is reached.

Signed:-

Below is a list of names
 objecting to the Proposed Development
 at King Street - Lambert Place
 Wexford,
 whilst not objecting to the
 development of the site we feel
 the outline plans or artist's
 impressions on show in the
 Corporation Building is completely
 unsuitable for the area.

Signatories:

Mr Eileen Versella 31 King St.
 Maureen Alexander 20 King St
 Thomas Tyrrell 56 King street Wexford
 Jennifer Tyrrell 50 King street Wexford.
 Margaret Tyrrell 56 King street Wexford
 Beverly Tyrrell 56 King street Wexford
 Angela Scollon 42 King Street
 Jacqueline Scollon 42 King Street
 Mr Jack Beatty 42 King Street Wexford.
 Elsie Buxner 24 King St Wexford
 Tony Buxner 24 King St Wexford
 Rose. Roche 4 Lambert Pl Wexford
 Mary Coughlan 18 King Street Wexford
 Michael Coughlan 18 King Street Wexford
 Brenda Scollon 14 King street Wexford
 Nicky Scollon 14 King street Wexford
 Simon Scollon 14 King street Wexford
 Betty O'Neill 26 King St Wexford
 Noel O'Neill 26 King St Wexford
 Martin O'Neill 26 King St Wexford

Noel O'Neill 28 King St
 Margaret O'Neill 28 King St
 Florrie Kinsella 28 King St
 Mary Wade 28 King St
 Elanri Dempsey 32 King St
 Michael Dempsey 32 King St
 Brendan Dempsey 32 King St
 Michael Fitzpatrick 46 King St Wexford
 Theresa Fitzpatrick 46 King St Wexford
 Myrae Hanscomb 48 King St Wexford
 Alan Hanscomb 48 King St Wexford
 Jimmy Lacey 52 King St Wexford
 Pina Lacey 52 King St Wexford
 Evelyn Whelan 54 King St Wexford
 ALAN O'KEEFE 54 KING ST WEXFORD
 Catharine Carr 38 King St Wexford
 PAUL CARR 38 King St Wexford
 Mary O'Connor 36 King Street
 Paddy O'Connor 36 King Street
 Anne Wallace 3 Lenster Terrace
 Gerald Moran 7 Lambert Place Wexford
 Grace Moran 7 Lambert Place Wexford
 Lucian Moran 7 Lambert Place Wexford
 James Moran 7 Lambert Place Wexford
 Brian Vane 44 King St
 Sean Dempsey 50 King St
 Dolores Dempsey 50 King St
 Damian Dempsey 50 King St
 Gillian Dempsey 50 King St
 James Murphy 6 Barrack St
 Jay McGuire 5 Barrack St
 Hilda McGuire 5 BARRACK ST
 William Kinsella 34 King Street
 Mary Canthy 40 King St

Rosa Carthy 40, King street.
 Michael Carthy 40, King Street
 Melanie Carthy 40 King Street.
 Collette Bennett, 82 King St Wexford
 Liam Bennett. 82 King St. Wexford.
 Emma Bennett 82 King St. Wexford.
~~Christy~~ ~~Wade~~ 44 King St Wexford
 Mollie Wade 44 King St Wexford
 Eileen Hyland 5 Leinster St Wexford
 Michael Hyland 5 Leinster St Wexford
 Hilda Wade 3 Seán Mac Buidé Square Wexford
 Tony Wade 3 Seán Mac Buidé Square

Miss Morris 1 Leinster St Wexford
 Claire Morris 1 Leinster St Wexford
 Michael Scallan 66 King St
 Mr. Scallan 66 King St
 Colin Scallan 66 King St.
 Paul Scallan 66 King St
 Geraldine Scallan 64 King St Wexford
 Pat Scallan 64 King St
 Teresa Morris 1 Leinster St, King St Wexford.
 Mr. Pigeon 16 KING STREET
 Pigeon 16 King Street.
 Devores Lynch, 8 Barrack Street.
 Pat Lynch, 8 Barrack Street.

MARK LYNCH, 8 BARRACK STREET
 Betty Devores 4 Barrack Street
 Tony Barr 7 Barrack St.
 Malone 14 Barrack St Wexford.
 Lillie Malone 14 Barrack St Wexford.

Contd.

Saëlie Whelan 13 King St Wexford.
9 Whelan 13 King St Wexford.

SINÉAD WHELAN 13 KING ST. WEXFORD.

Margaret Dowdall King St Wexford

Naray Walsh 7. King St Wexford

SALLY MURPHY 20 King St, Wexford

Breda Doyle 24 Barrack St Wexford

Ciara Doyle 24 Barrack St Wexford.

John Doyle 22 Barrack St Wexford.

WE, RESIDENTS OF KING STREET, LAMBERT PLACE,
LEINSTER TERRACE, AND BARRACK STREET WISH TO INFORM
THE TOWN CLERK AND MEMBERS OF WEXFORD CORPORATION
THAT WE OBJECT VIGOROUSLY TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT
AT KING STREET.

KING STREET AS IT IS, IS PLAGUED WITH TRAFFIC
PROBLEMS (HEAVY TRAFFIC AND SPEEDING TRAFFIC AS IT IS
A MAIN ROAD) AND THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL ADD TO
PRESENT PROBLEMS.

THE NUMBER OF DWELLINGS BEING SQUEEZED INTO THIS SITE
WILL ADD TO CONGESTION WITH THE DENSITY OF PEOPLE,
CARS ETC.

THE SITUATION OF THE PLAY AREA HIDDEN BEHIND BACK
GARDENS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE . THE SIZE OF THE PLAY AREA
THAT IS SUPPOSED TO FACILITATE THE CHILDREN OF
BARRACK STREET KING STREET PLUS THE NEW RESIDENTS IS
AN INSULT. WE HAD BEEN PROMISED AN AMENITY AREA ON
THE SITE IN 1987.

WE FEEL THAT WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONSULTED ABOUT THE
DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA IN WHICH WE LIVE.

THE CORPORATION HAS PLENTY OF LAND TO BUILD ON WITHOUT
CROWDING SUCH A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INTO ONE SMALL
SITE.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	
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24 MAY 1996	
F.	

Michael Fitzpatrick
46 King ST
Wexford

To whom it is concerned,

I wish to Submit in writing my objection to the proposed development of flats and houses in King St.

Looking at the drawings, it is simple to see that no thought has went into the design and layout of these buildings. The whole thing in my view is haphazard. I will start with the 3 Storey buildings. Access to these flats is through a hall and up stairs, the front doors of ~~the~~ the bottom two flats is in a hall. This will create a crime problem. Youngsters and some adults + teenagers will Congregate in halls. Smoking, drinking and generously being a nuisance, Graffiti on walls lighting smashed etc. breakins will happen because no one can be seen from the street.

To Situate a park or play area to the back of buildings is also thoughtless, children from King St, Lambert place and barrack St plus the residents of the new buildings playing in one tiny park, fighting will occur, child abuse even rape at night and no one will be seen.

This is not an exaggerated guess, at what could happen if you create the right atmosphere all these things will happen. And how will it be reported goings on when nobody sees anything.

I object to this development on the grounds of density. I know the Corporation are trying to get as many people off the housing list as possible, but to shove this many people into the space provided is ludicrous.

I also object on the grounds of Traffic Safety. people moving into the new buildings if they have cars will park outside their premises naturally enough, leaving us on our side of the Street to park our cars outside our own houses where we are told we are not supposed to park, leaving the Street with a row of cars on each side of the Street causing traffic congestion, children running between cars to go and play across the road in the play area. This is asking for a child to get knocked down possibly killed!!

Ramps in the street slow traffic down or they are supposed to, but they challenge a few hooligans to see how high they can get the cars off the ground putting in some speed to get over them. I have experienced this for myself, not doing it! Seeing it happen rather in broad daylight middle of playtime for children living in the street. As I say, you create it, then people will abuse it.

On top of it all, I object to you planning a 3 storey building right in front of my 2 storey house, my privacy will be invaded. If an area becomes like I've mentioned above, then no one wants to buy a house in it, the value of the house goes below the mortgage on it. and we would experience something similar to what people experienced in England, Negative equity.

I have no objection to the site being developed, less dwellings situated back into the site, with the play area to the front of the ~~buildings~~ buildings so as children can be seen by all. And all dwelling being 2 storey, by all means build flats but build them 2 storey high matching the rest of the street in front of it.

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18 King Street
Wexford.

21-5-96.

Mrs & Mrs M. Boughlan are lodging
an objection to the proposed
Co-Operation Development opposite
my home in King Street.
The situation of the flats and
house's in this very busy main St.
is Ridiculous too many dwellings
causing Traffic Problems Congestion
and 29 more sewers to flood
us on the opposite side, &
smog from chimneys will also be
a problem the play area is
situated behind back gardens of
houses & it is too small.
The large blocks of flats is
over looking my home, my two
front bed Rooms & sitting Room,
This I feel is an invasion of

my privacy. I am totally
opposed to this Development.
There was no consultation with
the Residents as promised by
the members of the Corporation
as was this site nine years
ago as an amenity area.

Mrs Mary Loughlan.
MR Michael Best

40 King St,
Wexford.
9-5-96

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To Wexford Corporation

Dear Sir,

Following the recent inspection of
sketch drawings for the building at
King Street, when accompanied by Mr.
Paddy Redd and Mr. Tom Fahy, I am
concerned that the number of dwellings
proposed for the site will congest the
area.
Also, apparently there has been no
car parking provision made for King
Street residents and this is a matter
which must be given priority before any
final decision is made.

Yours sincerely
Michael Conthy

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13 MAY 1996

MINUTES OF PUBLIC LIGHTING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 11.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY
28TH JUNE. 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. T. Howlin.

Councillors:- E. O'Connor, D.M. Kiernan.

Apologies from Alderman Reck and Alderman Fenlon for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. L. Foley, Assistant Engineer.

The Town Clerk outlined the draft proposals in relation to the upgrading of the entire public lighting network in the borough and the suburbs of the borough. The standard of lighting proposed within the borough was unanimously agreed and it was further agreed that the proposals in relation to the suburbs of the borough would be considered at a meeting between the Public Lighting Committee and the District Committee of Wexford County Council to be held in the immediate future.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF 6th 1996



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Minutes Of Meeting Of Wexford District Committee,
Held On Tuesday, 9th July, 1996 At 10.30 a.m.,
In The Council Chamber, Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

ATTENDANCE:

Councillors: G. Byrne, Chairman; T. Carr; P. Codd;
P. Reck; L. Carthy.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from
Councillor H. Corish-Wylde.

Messrs.: K. O'Brien, Environment Officer; P. Walshe,
Executive Engineer; M. Donoghue, S.O. Housing Section.

MINUTES:

On the proposal of Councillor T. Carr, seconded by Councillor
P. Reck, the minutes of the previous meeting of the committee,
held on 27th June, 1996 were adopted and signed by the chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

It was agreed that the residents of Pembrokestown would be
invited to attend the next meeting of the Wexford District
Committee in deputation, on Thursday, 25th July, 1996 at 4.00 p.m.
in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford.

SERVICING OF WEXFORD DISTRICT COMMITTEE:

The Committee expressed concern about the servicing of the
Committee and on the proposal of Councillor P. Reck, seconded by
Councillor L. Carthy, the Committee recommended that the Wexford
District Committee be properly serviced at future meetings.

ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME 1996:

Mr. Kieran O'Brien, Environment Officer, advised the meeting
that the Environment Programme for 1996 had been circulated to
each of the members and that he was available to answer any
questions. The members congratulated him on the document and also
on the marina which has recently been constructed at Kilmore Quay.

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ENGINEERS' REPORTS:

The committee discussed a number of roads in need of repair in the Wexford district, with Mr. P. Walshe, Area Engineer.

They particularly requested that double yellow lines be placed at Kilrane village, and recommended that a meeting take place with the Gardai. The Area Engineer was also requested to attend the removal of a dangerous bend at Rathjarney, Piercestown.

On the proposal of Councillor G. Byrne, seconded by Councillor P. Reck, the committee recommended that a strategy on hedge cutting be worked out, in advance, for the coming year, setting out where responsibility lies.

PLANNING:

On the proposal of Councillor P. Reck, seconded by Councillor T. Carr, the committee recommended the granting of Planning Permission to Mr. Joey Lacey for the erection of an extension and alterations to an existing workshop at Townparks, and the members of the committee present signed the notice of motion required under Section 4 of the City And County Management (Amendment) Act 1955, amended by the Local Government Act 1991.

HOUSING REPORTS:

The housing report was circulated and matters arising from it were discussed with Ms. M. Donoghue, S.O. Housing Section.

The committee discussed and agreed with the letting recommendations for the following houses:

1, John Paul Park, Murrintown (2-Bed.)

New Houses, Rosslare Strand (4 X 3-Bed.)

2, New Houses, Drimagh, Rosslare Strand (3-Bed.)

New Houses, Rosslare Harbour (2 X 2-Bed.)

4 & 7, St. Brioc's Tce., Rosslare Strand (2 X 2-Bed.)

35 Monastery Ave., Taghmon (1 X 3-Bed.)

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JOINT MEETING WITH WEXFORD CORPORATION - PUBLIC LIGHTING SYSTEM:

Mr. Dominic Kiernan, Mayor Of Wexford, Mr. Eddie O'Connor, member of Wexford Corporation, Mr. Don Curtin, Town Clerk, Mr. Laurence Foley, Acting Borough Engineer, Mr. Michael Carthy, Assistant Engineer, then joined the meeting to discuss the proposed new public lighting system.

Apologies for inability to attend were received from Ms. Anna Fenelon, member of Wexford Corporation.

Mr. D. Curtin, Town Clerk welcomed the members of the Wexford District Committee to the Council Chamber, and thanked them for attending the meeting at such short notice.

He advised the meeting that the current public lighting system is not up to standard and advised of proposals for a new public lighting system, within and without the borough.

The types of lighting proposed are as follows:

Town Centre	- 150 son (Daylight Standard).
Prime Access routes	- 150 son.
Town Centre (Other)	- 70 son.
Regional Roads	- 250 son, 150 son, and 135 sox.
In Town Commuting Access	- 90 sox.
Hsg. Estates & Residential Areas	- 70 son.

He also advised that decorative and feature lighting will be installed around the town.

The estimate for the new public lighting system is £524,590, of which £293,400 will be the cost for within the borough, and £231,000 the cost for the county. He suggested that the cost of the new public lighting system be split 50/50 between Wexford Corporation and Wexford County Council. Wexford Corporation has already made provision for their portion of the cost in their development fund of £850,000, which is to be split between the swimming pool, the roads programme and the enhanced public lighting system. Wexford County Council may have to mak provision for their costs when preparing the Estimate Of Expenses for 1997.

On the proposal of Councillor G. Byrne, seconded by Councillor T. Carr, the members of the Wexford District Committee present unanimously agreed to the programme in principle, and requested that the Senior Roads Engineer report to the next Council meeting on the public lighting programme.

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On the proposal of Councillor P. Reck, seconded by Councillor G. Byrne, the committee also recommended that a meeting take place between the Chairman of Wexford County Council, the Mayor Of Wexford, the Town Clerk, and the Finance Officer, to make advance provision in the Estimate Of Expenses for 1997.

The committee also recommended that it be a Planning condition that any future outside development aspire to the same standards of public lighting as that installed under the new public lighting system.

The Town Clerk then thanked everybody for attending the meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

It was agreed that there will be a special meeting of the Wexford District Committee on Thursday, 25th June, 1996, at 4.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Wexford.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

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Chairman.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 1ST JULY 1996 IN THE ARTS CENTRE, CORNMARKEt. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman T. Howlin.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty,
D.M. Kiernan.

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

In Attendance:- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. P. Collins Borough Accountant.
Mr. J. J. O'Connor, Solicitor.

At the outset of the meeting His worship the Mayor welcomed all members of the public to the meeting. He paid tribute to all who had assisted in making his term as Mayor such a success and reviewed major projects undertaken and planned during his year of office. He also thanked the Council, press, general public and staff of the Corporation for their help and co-operation during his year of office.

His Worship the Mayor then called for nominations for the office of Mayor who would hold office until the 1st meeting due to be held on a day not being more than 14 days before or after the anniversary of the present meeting.

Councillor D.M. Kiernan was proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

There being no other nominations Councillor Kiernan was declared to be elected as Mayor of Wexford for the ensuing year.

The newly elected Mayor was then vested with the robe and chain of office and assumed the Chair of the meeting.

The newly elected Mayor then thanked his proposer and seconder and all who had supported him and paid tribute to Ald. Howlin on the excellent manner in which he carried out his duties as Mayor for the preceding term. He cited as his priorities for his year as Mayor:-

1. Improvement of the quality of life for physically challenged.
2. Development of a positive programme aimed at young people who are doing so much good in the community
3. To continue the anti-drugs programme.
4. To promote the development of Wexford Harbour which he stated was under-utilised.
5. To promote the creation of employment particularly in the tourism sector.
6. To continue the development of the 'green' initiatives and attitudes in Wexford Town.

All members congratulated the Mayor on his election and paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor. The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the congratulations and tributes and pledged that he and the executive of the Corporation would support the incoming Mayor in achieving his stated aims.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

On the suggestion of the Town Clerk it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Quarterly Meetings for the remainder of the year would be held on 9th September, 1996, 6th January, 1997 and 14th April, 1997.

SUB-REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that Ald. G. Byrne would be the nominee of the Borough Council in addition to the Mayor ex-officio who would act on the above committee.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF 9th 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER. 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Ms. J. Eydt, Acting Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed members to the meeting and referred to the Chain of Office being stolen from his house and paid tribute to the Gardai in recovering same.

His Worship the Mayor then paid tribute to the Wild Swans on reaching No. 1 in the Irish Charts.

His Worship the Mayor also referred to fracas in Croke Avenue and stated that he intended to discuss the matter with the Garda Superintendent.

The Mayor then wished Billy Roche well on his forthcoming national tour of "Cavalcaders".

Councillor Roche referred to grain trucks coming through town and spilling grain which was attracting rodents. It was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate and take the matter up with W.B. Nunn Ltd.

Councillor J. O'Flaherty informed the meeting that the new Vocational School had been vandalised over the week-end.

Councillor Enright congratulated His Worship the Mayor and all concerned on the excellent homecoming event after All-Ireland success and all members associated with the congratulations.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 10th June, 1996, 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 Annual Meeting held on 1st July, 1996, 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 and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

- a. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 10th June, 1996.
- b. Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 10th June, 1996.
- c. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 17th June, 1996.
- d. G.P. Committee Meeting held on 24th June, 1996.
- e. Public Lighting Committee Meeting held on 28th June, 1996.

EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise exchange of property at Well Lane, Wexford with the National Building Agency pursuant to the terms of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1996 in accordance with Notice dated 26th June, 1996.

DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to authorise disposal of fee simple of property at 1, St. John's Road, Wexford, to Mrs. Ronnie Sheridan pursuant to the terms of Section 141 of the Municipal Corporation's (Ireland) Act, 1840 in accordance with Notice dated 19th August, 1996.

CONVEYANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise conveyance of right-of-way over Corporation land at St. John's Drive, Wexford, to Philip & Eileen Moran,

48, Westlands, pursuant to the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88(3) of the Housing Act, 1966 in accordance with Notice dated 19th August, 1996.

REPORTS.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and welcomed. A lengthy discussion ensued on the Pipe-Line Contract and the present position on same was noted.

King Street Housing Development.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was agreed to inform residents of the revised plan. In reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the time schedule of new starts. Following further discussion it was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Furlong that His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk would meet again with residents of King Street.

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

In Favour:- Ald. Byrne, Reck, Fenlon.

Cllrs. Nolan, Kavanagh, Furlong. (6)

Against:- Nil.

CIVIC RECEPTION.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche it was proposed that a Civic Reception be afforded to Mr. Derek Joyce of Wexford Harbour Boat Club on winning the National Mermaid Championship. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Howlin, Byrne.

Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan. (10).

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong (2).

MOTIONS.

Voluntary Housing Schemes.

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

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to allow people living in voluntary housing schemes to be given the opportunity to purchase their houses".

Rosslare/Dublin Rail Link.

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

"That this Borough Council calls on Iarnrod Eireann/C.I.E. to upgrade the Rosslare to Dublin Rail Link".

During discussion on the motion His Worship the Mayor stated that this matter would be on agenda for meeting of the Rosslare Harbour Development Committee to be held over the next two weeks.

Tenancy Agreements.

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

"That the promised review by this Council of tenants tenancy agreements and updating of such take place as soon as possible".

Car Parks.

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

"That large major car parks in town have clean-ups on a regular basis or periodically each year at a time of day to suit our outdoor staff".

During discussion on the motion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would examine and implement the proposal.

Urban Renewal.

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

"That the consultative meeting to review Urban Renewal in Wexford be held before the end of 1996 (as previously agreed unanimously by the members).

Sunny South East.

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

"That this Borough Council in conjunction with Wexford County Council begin a campaign to re-establish the slogan "Sunny South East" for the County of Wexford".

QUESTIONS.

Ground Rents.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation's Solicitors expect to have wording of Transfer Orders finalised within the next week. Purchasers would be notified as soon as the documents are printed and ready for signing which was expected to be by mid-October 1996.

Public Lighting Review.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that during the Public Lighting Review, lighting would be updated at Kennedy Park/Corish Park roadway.

Rubbish Skip Bye-Laws.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that a report on Rubbish Skip Bye-Laws would be circulated for the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Maritime Dome.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that plans are very much alive for a Maritime Dome and the first meeting of special sub-committee to design and finance same would be held in October 1996.

Vacant Housing Units.

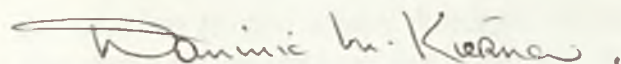
In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that there were 9 units currently vacant four of which were awaiting repairs and five of which were available for letting of which 3 had been offered and refused by tenants.

Registration of Rented Dwellings.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that 133 units have been registered under the Housing (Registration of Rented Houses) Regulations 1996.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF October 1996.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

9th September, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-

Re:- Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

Dear Member,

Arising from the proposal unanimously adopted by the Members at the Monthly Meeting held on 10th June, 1996, I enclose herewith a copy of the Department of the Environment approval to the proposal outlined by Wexford Corporation. This is indeed very welcome and this additional allocation will enhance the finished product of the quay extension proposal.

In relation to the model testing it is proposed, as happened in 1986 when the full-scal model of the harbour was constructed in U.C.C., that the Members of the Borough Council will again visit U.C.C. when the model is constructed and completed prior to the final report of the Consulting Engineer.

Yours faithfully,

D. F. Curtin

D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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30 August 1996

Town Clerk
Wexford Corporation
Municipal Buildings
Wexford

DEPARTMENT OF
THE ENVIRONMENT

Re: Wexford Main Drainage - Contract No. 3
Additional Berthage & Model Testing

O'CONNELL

BRIDGE HOUSE

DUBLIN 2

Dear Sir

I am directed by the Minister for the Environment to refer to previous correspondence on the above scheme.

I am to inform you that no objection is seen to the provision of 300m of additional berthage at a cost of £1,140,000 & V.A.T. as outlined in the Corporations letter of 11th July, 1996. This is made up of the following items:

- the provision of an additional 70 metres (from 180m to 250m) of permanent berthing on quay front at a cost of £350,000 & V.A.T.
- the provision of 160 metres of vertical facade (Approx. 80m on each side of the vertical berthing) in lieu of rock armouring at a cost of £640,000 & V.A.T.
- the provision of 100 metres of permanent berthing at North Wall to be used as temporary berthing at a cost of £150,000 & V.A.T.

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I am also to inform you that no objections are seen to the Corporations proposals to carry out additional 3D model tests at an estimated cost of between £30,000 to £40,000.

The Corporation are requested to complete formal agreement with the Harbour Commissioners in relation to the berthage now being provided. The Corporation are also requested to keep the Department fully informed of the progress on the above items and should submit details of the final cost of the model testing when it is known.

Yours sincerely,

Liam Johnston

Liam Johnston
Water Services Section

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TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

RE: KING STREET LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

I refer to the report circulated at the last monthly meeting of the Borough Council. At that meeting, it was agreed that the Mayor, Town Clerk and a representative of the National Building Agency would meet with the residents of King Street and the surrounding area to discuss the issues raised in their submissions. This meeting was held on 5th September, 1996 and arising from the discussion, it is now proposed that the final development will be as follows:

The development will now consist of 26 units at two-storey level with special architectural features at both corners. In addition, the open space will be increased and will now consist of 10% of the total area.

A revised layout is on display at this meeting and it is recommended that the development proposal now be proceeded with in order to avail of the allocation for new housing starts in 1996.

D. F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

9th September, 1996.

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MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 P.M. ON 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS. WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck.

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

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

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

FREEDOM OF BOROUGH.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he intended proposing Right Reverend Noel Vincent Willoughby, Bishop of Cashel, Waterford, Lismore, Ossory, Ferns & Leighlin for the Freedom of the Borough to honour his Pastoral work at Bishop. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk would advance the proposal and that the matter would be considered at a future meeting of the Borough Council.

CIVIC RECEPTIONS.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed to recommend that Civic Receptions would be afforded to the following:-

1. Senior All-Ireland Hurling Champions.
2. Community Games in celebration of their 25th Anniversary.
3. Under 21 Hurling Team to honour their recent achievements.
4. Mr. T. Roche (as agreed at a previous Protocol Committee Meeting).

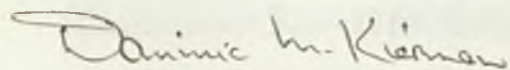
Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that in the event of any member proposing that a Civic Reception be afforded to any group/club or individual that in the first instance the member should recommend same to the Protocol Committee.

CONFERENCES.

The attached list of conferences/seminars was then considered and it was agreed to recommend that two delegates and the Mayor would attend at Nos. 4 and 7 and that His Worship the Mayor would attend at No. 12.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF October 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

1. 'Regenerating the Mill Towns'
Venue:- West Yorkshire - 19th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £117.50 Expenses:- £327.00
2. Inter-Regional Co-Operation for European Development - An Evaluation for future policy.
Venue:- Limerick - 19th-21st September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £120.00 Expenses:- £387.00
3. 6th Annual Tourism Conference - 'Tourist Boards - Their Future Roles.'
Venue:- Mourne Country Hotel, Newry - 26th/27th Sept. 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 Expenses:- £435.00
4. Conference - "The United Irish Rebellion of 1798 and the Bicentennial Commemoration of the Rising".
Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Rosslare Harbour.
26th/27th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses:- £100.00
5. Criminal Justice - A Question of Balance.
Venue:- Grand Hotel, Malahide - 3rd October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £95.00 - Expenses:- £219.00
6. All Ireland Chamber of Commerce Conference - 'Its Good to talk'
Venue:- Portrush - 3rd-5th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £195.00 - Expenses:- £598.00
7. Local Government Against Drugs.
Venue:- Bundoran - 3rd/4th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £130.00 Expenses:- £469.00
8. 1996 La Touche Legacy Seminar.
Venue:- Greystones - 4th-6th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £85.00 Expenses:- £331.00
9. 2nd Annual Autumn School.
Venue:- Mallow - 4th-5th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £35.00 - Expenses:- £323.00

10. Seminar on Lacey report on Urban/County links and the KPMG report on Local Government Finance.
Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Killarney - 5th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 - Expenses:- £323.00
11. Twelfth Annual Environmental Conference - 'Planning Laws: Are they too Severe?'
Venue:- Imperial Hotel, Cork - 14th/15th November, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £189.00 Expenses:- £320.00
12. Eight National Tourism Seminar.
Venue:- Ennis - 29th/30th November, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £110.00 Expenses:- £358.00

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON 23RD
SEPTEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong, P. Roche,
J. O'Flaherty.

Apologies from Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Nolan and Mr. J. Hutchinson,
Manager, for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Ms. A. Laffan, Assistant Staff Officer.

VOTE OF GOOD WISHES.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that Cllr. P. Nolan was presently in Wexford General Hospital and on his proposal a unanimous vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery was adopted. All members and officials associated with the vote of good wishes.

DEPUTATION - WEXFORD VINTNERS FEDERATION.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. Des Whelan, Secretary and Mr. J. Browne, County Chairman, V.F.I., to the meeting. The deputation then outlined reasons, including potential for litigation, why the Equal Status Bill should be opposed and submitted the attached motion for consideration. Following discussion His Worship the Mayor thanked the deputation for their attendance at the meeting and the deputation then departed from the meeting.

Following further discussion the motion as attached was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. P. Reck, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.
Cllrs. N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong, P. Roche,
J. O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan (9).

Against:- Ald. A. Fenlon.

REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION - RETAIL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD CHAMBER OF INDUSTRY & COMMERCE RE CASUAL TRADING.

A request for a deputation from the above committee was then considered and it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne that a deputation would be received at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of Wexford Borough Council.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM A.M.A.I. RE REPORTS ON:-

- a. Towards Cohesive Local Government Town & County.
- b. Financing of Local Government in Ireland.

Consideration was then given to the above reports, copies of which had previously been circulated. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche that this item would be deferred to a Special Meeting and it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that the President and Honorary Secretary of the A.M.A.I. would be invited to attend this Special Meeting.

ROAD TRAFFIC (PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLES) REGULATIONS 1995.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche that a meeting with the Wexford and Enniscorthy District Committees of Wexford County Council, as referred to in the report, would be held.

CASUAL TRADING ACT 1995.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion it was agreed to defer consideration of the matter pending the meeting with the Retail Committee of the Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce.

BYE-LAWS REGULATING THE USE OF SKIPS.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and noted. During discussion on the report it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Bye-Laws would provide for "smells".

TIDY TOWNS RESULTS 1996.

The results of the 1996 Tidy Towns Competition, copies of which had previously been circulated were then considered. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne that a Special Meeting would be held to consider same.

TIDY GARDENS/ESTATES COMPETITION RESULTS 1996.

His Worship the Mayor then read the results of the 1996 Competition which were noted by the meeting.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

The attached list of Conferences/Seminars was then considered and the following delegates were proposed:-

No. 4 – Cllr. O'Connor on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin.
Cllr. Kavanagh on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche.

No. 7 – Ald. Howlin on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by His Worship the Mayor.
Ald. Reck on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Byrne.

No. 12 - His Worship the Mayor on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche.

A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. P. Reck, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.
Cllrs. Kavanagh, O'Connor, Roche, O'Flaherty,
Kiernan (8).

Against:- Ald. Fenlon, Cllr. Furlong.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE.

The summary of correspondence, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted.

Item 6 - Summary of Correspondence.

The following motion from Nenagh U.D.C. was adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"That Nenagh U.D.C. seek the support of all Local Authorities in supporting Mrs. Nora Owen, T.D., Minister for Justice, in her efforts to eradicate the drugs scourge which is rampant in Ireland".

Item 8 - Summary of Correspondence.

The following resolution from Tipperary (N.R.) County Council was adopted on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty:-

"This Council deplores the proposals by the Commission for rationalisation of Vocational Education Committees, to reduce V.E.C.'s to 18 and calls on the Minister and all National Politicians to reject this appalling proposal out of hand".

Item 14 - Summary of Correspondence.

Letter from Minister B. Howlin re Ely House, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion it was agreed to defer this matter to the next meeting of the G.P. Committee.

PLANNING.

Planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee Meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and noted. Questions raised were answered by officials in attendance.

REPORTS.

King Street Housing Development.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion it was unanimously agreed to adopt the development proposal on the proposal of Ald. Fenlon seconded by Cllr. O'Connor. Arising out of discussion it was agreed that the Traffic Management Committee would consider the extension of the Disc Parking Scheme to King Street at its next meeting and that the back walls between the car park and Lambert Place would be capped.

Plans for the development of 5 infill sites in three locations, i.e. John Street, The Faythe and St. Aidan's Crescent, were displayed at the meeting and it was noted that the consultation process under the Planning Acts had commenced in relation to the proposals.

WALNUT GROVE STAGE 3.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted. Following further discussion the report was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin.

REDMOND PARK.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed to defer further consideration of the report to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor votes of sympathy were extended to the following:-

Mr. T. Carr and family on the death of his Brother, Mr. Edward Eamon Carr, R.I.P.

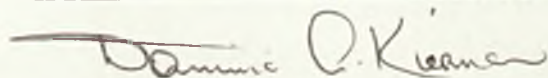
Mrs. Maire Gately and family of the death of her husband, Dr. Thomas Gately, R.I.P.

Mrs. Gemma Mooney and family on the death of her husband, Mr. Tom Mooney, R.I.P.

The Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expressions of sympathy. The votes were passed in silence, all standing.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF October 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

EQUAL STATUS LEGISLATION:

MOTION

That this Council/UDC/Corporation is alarmed at the potential implications of the proposed Equal Status Legislation which may deny the right of Traders to refuse access or service to known or suspected Drug Dealers, Pick-Pockets, Shop-Lifters, Troublemakers and those engaged in or intent on violent behaviour or aggression, simply because such people may claim discrimination because of membership of some minority or other grouping or alternatively may force Traders, Pharmacists and others to give a reason for such refusal, thus opening the floodgates of litigation for slander, all of which will ultimately be to the detriment of law-abiding citizens who will witness rapid increases in crime, in retail prices and insurance costs.

We therefore call on Minister Mervyn Taylor and the Government to ensure that any such well-meaning legislation is balanced and fair and does not seriously undermine business confidence, lead to public disorder and/or unnecessarily clog the Courts with litigation and claims for damages/discrimination.

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PC/BD

19th September, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

Re:- Road Traffic (Public Service Vehicles) Regulations 1995.

Dear Member,

The above regulations came into operation on 1st September, 1995. At the G.P. Committee meeting of 9th October, 1995 it was agreed that the status quo would remain for 6 months and that the position would be reviewed by the Borough Council in March, 1996. During that period public submission would be invited by the Borough Council on whether or not a taxi meter area/areas should be introduced.

At the 2nd Preliminary Estimates Meeting held on 23rd November, 1995 it was agreed that no new hackney licences should be issued pending the review by the Corporation following the public consultation process. (Members should note that licences are being issued by Wexford Co. Council and Enniscorthy U.D.C.) An advertisement re. public consultation was placed in The People on 29th November, 1995 inviting submissions before 31/12/95. Further submissions were requested from tourism and other organisations on 5th January, 1996.

The submissions in response to the ad were circulated to the Members on 13th March, 1996. At the G.P. Meeting held on 2nd April, 1996 it was agreed to extend the period of public consultation for a further 3 months to 30th June, 1996 to enable the Corporation to meet with the Wexford County Council District Committee and other interested groups to discuss the matter.

In August, 1996, His Worship the Mayor and the Acting Town Clerk met with representatives from the Hackney Owners Association who were anxious that their representations would be taken into account by the Corporation. They also expressed concern that hackney licences were being issued by Wexford County Council.

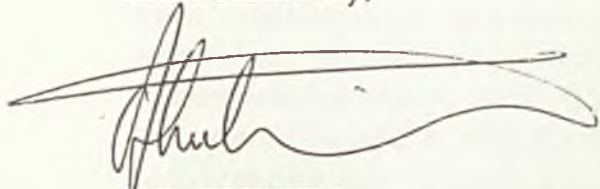
The Regulations specify a number of reserved functions to be carried out by the elected members which can now be considered, including the following:-

- a) Declaring an area to be a taximeter area.
- b) Determining the number of taxi licences which may be granted in a taximeter area.
- c) Deciding to apply conditions to the operation of hackneys.
- d) Amending the fee structure.

In the event that the Borough Council consider it appropriate to declare a taximeter area, a meeting with the Wexford and Enniscorthy District Committees of Wexford County Council is necessary to establish the extent of the boundaries and indeed the efficacy of such a taximeter area being adopted.

In the interim, in accordance with the resolution of the Borough Council, new hackney licences are not being issued by the Corporation. It should be noted that two local authorities in the County are issuing new licences.

Yours faithfully,



D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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19th September, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-

Re:- Draft Bye-Laws under the Casual Trading Act, 1995.

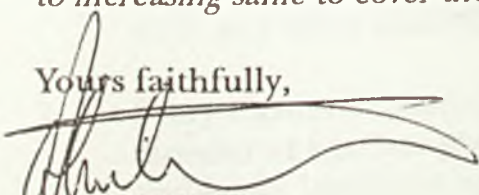
Dear Member,

Further to report dated 15th March, 1996 regarding the above, I would advise that Public Notice was placed in the local papers on 17th April, 1996. No submissions were received from the public on foot of this advertisement. The submission from the Chamber of Commerce had already been discussed.

It is important that the Bye-Laws now be adopted in order to enforce the provisions of the Casual Trading Act, 1995 in respect of the designated area at The Bullring. The Bye-Laws may be reviewed after a period of 3 months, if necessary, subsequent to the Borough Council's meeting with the Retail Committee of the Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce.

Where previously, a trader was required to hold a National Licence from the Department of Enterprise and Employment (average cost £175 p.a.) together with a permit from the local authority (£20 p.a.) this system is now replaced by a single Casual Trading Licence issued by the local authority. It is proposed to charge an annual Licence Fee of £200 per stall for each of the 17 stalls in The Market Place. Where any person holds two stalls an additional £25 will apply in respect of the second stall. The presentation of this element of the town's infrastructure is poor at present and needs upgrading in line with the centre town renaissance programme of the Corporation. The capital cost of such upgrading should be borne by the end-users and accordingly it is recommended that as soon as plans are adopted by the Borough Council for the upgrading of the area, the annual licence fee would be reviewed with a view to increasing same to cover the capital expenditure proposed.

Yours faithfully,


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TOWN CLERK.

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WEXFORD CORPORATION

DRAFT BYE-LAWS FOR THE CONTROL, REGULATION, SUPERVISION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CASUAL TRADING AREA, THE BULLRING, WEXFORD.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 6(I) of the Casual Trading Act 1995, hereby make the following Bye-Laws for the control, regulation, supervision and administration of the casual Trading Area, The Bullring, Wexford.

1. In these bye-laws the words:-

"The Casual Trading Area" shall mean the area in the Market Place, The Bullring, Wexford, designated by Wexford Corporation as a Casual Trading Area for the Borough of Wexford under Section 7 of the Casual Trading Act 1980.

"The Casual Trader" shall mean any person in possession of a Casual Trading Licence from Wexford Corporation.

"Stall" shall mean any table, counter, bench van or vehicle or any other object used by a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area.

"Stall Space" shall mean the space or piece of ground allocated by Wexford Corporation to a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area and shall comprise an area of 11'8" x 15' 8" or less as will be allocated by the Corporation.

"Trading Days" shall mean everyday except Sundays, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays, Good Friday and Christmas Day.

"Trading Hours" shall mean from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on a Trading Day.

2. Every Casual Trader may trade on the Trading Days allowed under his/her licence in the stall space allocated to him or her in accordance with the Casual Trading Licence and shall not trade in, park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any other stall space or spaces in the Casual Trading Area.
3. Every Casual Trader shall display his/her Casual Trading Licence number at his/her stall in such a position as to be clearly visible and easily legible to numbers of the public.

4. Every Casual Trader shall, if so requested, produce the licence on demand to any person.
5. No Casual Trader will be allowed to park any type of vehicle in the Casual Trading Area except in his/her stall space and will not cause any obstruction or deposit any matter whatsoever in the public passageway through the Casual Trading Area, except where necessary during the loading/off loading of goods.
6. Every Casual Trader will be obliged to keep his/her stall space in a clean and tidy condition.
7. Every person, other than a Casual Trader who enters the Casual Trading Area will be obliged to leave the Casual Trading Area at the end of trading hours and shall not trade in park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any part or area of the Casual Trading Area.
8. Every Casual Trader may erect his/her stall at the beginning of Trading Hours and must remove his/her stall at the end of the Trading Hours.
9. No goods, articles or objects of any type can be stored in the Casual Trading Area outside trading hours or between trading days.
10. No permanent fixture of any size or type can be made to a stall space by a Casual Trader.
11. No goods shall be sold or offered for sale by a Casual Trader except those allowed under his/her Licence.
12. The Wexford Corporation will take no responsibility whatsoever for the goods, property, vehicle(s) and/or belongings of any person, including Casual Traders using the Casual Trading Area, while they are in the Casual Trading Area.
13. A Casual Trader shall not hand over possession of or the use of his/her stall or any part thereof to any other Casual Trader or person for any reason whatsoever.
14. Every Casual Trader and every other person shall comply with the lawful directions of an officer, servant or agent of Wexford Corporation or a member of the Garda Siochana in the exercise of his/her duty.

- BARDON & CANNAN
15. No person shall interfere with an officer, servant or agent of Wexford Corporation or a member of the Garda Siochana in the exercise of his/her duty.
 16. No person shall interfere with, interrupt or obstruct any officers, servants or agents of Wexford Corporation during the carrying out of any works or maintenance on any part of the Casual Trading Area even if such work is necessary during Trading Days.
 17. Any person requested by an officer or servant of Wexford Corporation to leave the Casual Trading Area shall do so.
 18. No person or Casual Trader shall cause any noise, disturbance or nuisance in the Casual Trading Area during Trading Hours.
 19. These bye-laws shall be known as the Wexford Corporation, Casual Trading Bye-Laws, 1996.

MADE UNDER THE CORPORATE SEAL OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN
AND BURGESSES OF THE BOROUGH OF WEXFORD.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

23rd September, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:

Re: Control of Rubbish Skips.

Dear Member,

Further to report dated 5th October, 1995, I attach herewith revised draft Bye-Laws to regulate and control the use of rubbish skips on public roads.

Your approval to the enclosed draft document is recommended in order that the public consultation process may be commenced.

Yours faithfully,

ck D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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WEXFORD CORPORATION

BYE-LAWS WITH RESPECT TO THE CONTROL OF RUBBISH SKIPS ON PUBLIC ROADS.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 72(1) of the Roads Act 1993, hereby make the following Bye-Laws with respect to the control of skips on public roads:-

Definitions:-

1. In these Bye-Laws-
"skip" means a container used for the storage or removal of builders materials rubble, waste, rubbish or other materials and which is designed to be transported by means of a mechanically propelled vehicle (as defined in the Road Traffic Act of 1961).
2. "Public Road" has the same meaning as defined in Section 2 of the Roads Act, 1993
3. "authorised person" means
(a) a person authorised in writing by a road authority for the purposes of Section 72 of the Roads Act, 1993;
(b) a member of the Garda Siochana.

Bye-Laws:-

1. The placing of rubbish skips on public roads will be subject to a licence from Wexford Corporation.
2. The skip should be safely placed so as to cause the minimum interference to public traffic.
3. The licensee shall have and maintain throughout the period of validity of the licence and for any extended period required to complete the removal of the skips, an approved public liability insurance, indemnifying the Corporation and the Licensee against all claims arising from the placing, maintenance or removal of the skip.

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4. The licensee shall keep the area surrounding a skip free from litter or debris at all times.
5. The skip shall bear adequate lighting at night and be affixed with reflective markings for the purpose of making them readily visible to road users.
6. The skip shall be of neat solid construction appropriately painted and kept clear of fly posting.
7. Every precaution shall be taken in the care and disposal of the contents of the skip, to prevent litter and traffic hazards.
8. Skips may be left on a public road only for the length of time indicated on the licence and must be removed immediately they are full.
9. The skip must be clearly marked with the name, address and telephone number of the owner or provider.
10. The fee for a skip licence shall be £10 per week or part thereof.
11. An Authorised person may remove a skip which contravenes these Bye-Laws or which presents an immediate and serious hazard to persons using a public road.
12. An authorised person may store, or procure the storage of, a skip removed by him under Bye-Law 11.
13. Wexford Corporation or the Gardai Sióchana may serve a notice on the owner of a skip removed under Bye-Law 11, advising him/her that it has been removed and stored and that it should be claimed and recovered within one month of the serving of the Notice, and that if it is not claimed Wexford Corporation or the Gardai can dispose of it.
14. The person claiming the skip shall make a written statement stating that he/she is the owner or that he/she is recovering it on the Authority of the owner.
15. Any costs incurred by Wexford Corporation or the Gardai in the removal storage of a skip may be payable by the owner before being able to recover it.

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16. If after one month of serving the notice in accordance with Bye-Law 13 above the person on whom the notice was served has not claimed the skip, Wexford Corporation or the Garda Commissioner may dispose of the skip.
17. Any person who contravenes these Bye-Laws shall be guilty of an offence.

The following list of Conferences/Seminars was considered by the Protocol Committee Meeting held on 12th September, 1996 and it was agreed to recommend that two delegates and the Mayor would attend at Nos. 4 and 7 and that His Worship the Mayor would attend at No. 12.

1. 'Regenerating the Mill Towns'
Venue:- West Yorkshire - 19th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £117.50 Expenses:- £327.00
2. Inter-Regional Co-Operation for European Deveopment - An Evaluation for future policy.
Venue:- Limerick - 19th-21st September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £120.00 Expenses:- £387.00
3. 6th Annual Tourism Conference - ' Tourist Boards - Their Future Roles.
Venue:- Mourne Country Hotel, Newry - 26th/27th Sept. 1996.
Conference Fee:- £100.00 Expenses:- £435.00
4. Conference - "The United Irish Rebellion of 1798 and the "Bicentennial Commemoration of the Rising".
Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Rosslare Harbour.
26th/27th September, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 Expenses:- £100.00
5. Criminal Justice - A Question of Balance.
Venue:- Grand Hotel, Malahide - 3rd October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £95.00 - Expenses:- £219.00
6. All Ireland Chamber of Commerce Conference - 'Its Good to talk'
Venue:- Portrush - 3rd-5th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £195.00 - Expenses:- £598.00
7. Local Government Against Drugs.
Venue:- Bundoran - 3rd/4th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £130.00 Expenses:- £469.00
8. 1996 La Touche Legacy Seminar.
Venue:- Greystones - 4th-6th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £85.00 Expenses:- £331.00
9. 2nd Annual Autumn School.
Venue:- Mallow - 4th-5th October, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £35.00 - Expenses:- £323.00

10. Seminar on Lacey report on Urban/County links and the KPMG report on Local Government Finance.
Venue:- Great Southern Hotel, Killarney - 5th October, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £50.00 - Expenses:- £323.00
11. Twelfth Annual Environmental Conference - 'Planning Laws: Are they too Severe?'
Venue:- Imperial Hotel, Cork - 14th/15th November, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £189.00 Expenses:- £320.00
12. Eight National Tourism Seminar.
Venue:- Ennis - 29th/30th November, 1996.
Conference Fee:- £110.00 Expenses:- £358.00

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23rd September, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: KING STREET LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT.

I refer to the discussion at the September Monthly Meeting concerning the revised plan for 26 units at King Street. A further meeting with the residents was held on 12th September, 1996 at which the revised proposal was discussed at length. Whilst it was noted that the development proposed was now at 2 storey level and the open space proposal had been somewhat enlarged, this did not satisfy all of the residents.

Having regard to all factors, it is recommended that the revised development proposal be proceeded with in order to ensure that work will commence before the end of the year.

Anne Ringwood
D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

+ 5 Infill's.

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TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE: WALNUT GROVE STAGE 3 - BUILDING FOR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES, ART PROJECT AND LINEAR PARK.

1. Small Community Facility for Social Activities and Services

A small (approx. 1500 SF or 140 Sqm) building to be located beside House No. 15 and overlooking the circular central open space. Essentially this would be a large room suitable for aerobics, dancing classes, meetings etc. - with toilets and one or two small rooms off the large room.

An area of ground has been provided for this facility. It could also accommodate one or two additional houses if required instead. However, due to the increasing importance of community facilities in the social activities of housing estates it is recommended that, subject to the cost of providing same being included in the capital allocation, the community facility be provided and that discussions be held with the tenants of all phases of Walnut Grove with a view to a residents management committee being formed.

2. Interactive Art Work for Central Open Space

An art work is required for a circular area approximately 20.0 metres in diameter and surrounded by a low brick wall 600mm high. There are three entrances to this space and there would be a considerable amount of pedestrian traffic through it from the surrounding housing. The circular area will be semi enclosed by trees.

It is proposed that the floor of this circular space be developed as an interactive art work aimed primarily at children. No theme has been decided on and the use of three dimensional modelling of the floor surface has not been ruled out. It is intended to have consultation between the artist and residents on this project.

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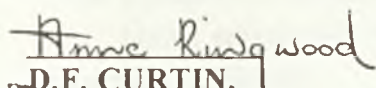
Drainage for rain water is available under the area proposed. The proposal would have to be weather proof and safe for small children to "interact" with. The proposed cost (including the artists fee) is £30,000.00. This cost will be recouped under the 1% Artistic Features Scheme of the Department of Environment.

3. Linear Park from the New Ross Road to the Hospital Road

It has been proposed for some time that a Linear Park be developed along the banks of the stream flowing under the New Ross Road and on down to the Hospital Road.

In addition to being a Linear Public Park for this side of Wexford Town it is the main public open space for Walnut Grove, Phases 1-111 containing 110 dwellings. The land falls rapidly to the stream and it would be comparatively costly to develop simply as Open Space for Walnut Grove.

What is envisaged is series of pleasant walks, one along beside the stream (which would be made safe), landscaped terraces with low stone retaining walls to form occasional sheltered sitting areas, which could have safe play features for children. It is also intended in this proposal to involve the residents of Walnut Grove in the detailed planning of these new facilities. The cost will be included as part of the development costs of the scheme.


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REPORT ON REDMOND PARK UNDER HEADINGS SET OUT AT THE LAST G.P. MEETING OF 10TH JUNE, 1996.

(A) Safety of Playground Equipment:-

The equipment is inspected on a regular basis. Any faulty equipment is taken out of use and repaired or removed permanently as occurred with a roundabout. The most common damage is the cutting of the protective rubber on the swing safety seats. The area surrounding each piece of equipment is surfaced in tarmac.

(B) Lack of Diversity of Playground Equipment:-

The equipment consists of two slides, one six-bay swing and a sand play pit. There obviously is a lack of diversity and interest particularly for younger children.

(C) Dogs fouling Play Area:-

There was no evidence of this on inspection. Dogs foul every where else in the town. I have no doubt that it does occur in this area.

(D) Employment of Park Warden under a C.E. Scheme:-

An application needs to be made to An Fas. This would be discussed at the next Co. Council/Union Monitoring Meeting due to be held in November. Some doubt has been expressed as to whether such a full-time position would qualify under the Scheme. The submission of an application would, of course, establish this.

RECOMMENDATION:-

The existing playground equipment was designed on the out of date principle of having large scale heavy duty equipment attractive for all ages and laid out on tarmac, spread over a fairly wide unprotected area.

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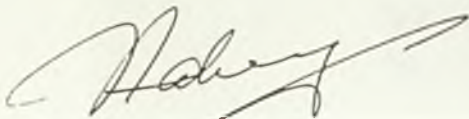
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Modern design is to target the equipment on an age group, say, up to 10 year olds, have a compact layout which can then be safety surfaced and ring fenced. The fence has the advantage of containing the children and excluding dogs.

I recommend that consideration be given to phasing out the original equipment and replacing with the modern design, as the cost varies widely, in proportion to the sophistication of the equipment. If this recommendation is accepted, in principle, design layouts could be worked out. Minimum costs would be of the order of £6,000.00.

If a Park Warden were appointed, he could have a supervisory function in the play area and would enforce the Bye-Laws regulating Parks and Open Spaces.



T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

23RD SEPTEMBER, 1996.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 7TH OCTOBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

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

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 9th September, 1996, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

- a. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 12th September, 1996.
- b. General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 23rd September, 1996.

Arising out of discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that Cllr. O'Connor would be the substitute delegate in place of Cllr. P. Nolan for the 1996 Housing & Planning Conference in Brighton.

Arising out of further discussion His Worship the Mayor outlined the action taken by him in relation to the recent announcement by Irish Ferries.

STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed that the Statutory Estimates Meeting would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 29th November, 1996.

It was further agreed that the following meetings would be held:-

1st Preliminary Estimates - 7.30 p.m. - 11th November, 1996.

General Purposes Committee - 7.30 p.m. - 15th October, 1996.

Housing Committee - 15th October, 1996.

Traffic Management Committee - 7.30 p.m. - 19th November, 1996.

REVISION OF REMUNERATION.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to authorise revision of remuneration - 28th Pay Round Phase IV in accordance with Circular Letter EL 15/96 dated 25th September, 1996.

DRUGS SEMINAR.

The attached report submitted by Ald. P. Reck/Ald. T. Howlin, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and it was agreed to further consider the report at the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

FREEDOM OF BOROUGH.

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

"That this Borough Council resolve to confer the Freedom of this Ancient & Historic Borough of Wexford on Right Reverend Noel Vincent Willoughby, Bishop of Cashel, Waterford, Lismore, Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin, in celebration of his Pastoral work as Bishop and in consequence of the very positive and active part played by Bishop Willoughby, for many years, in fostering the strong ecumenical spirit that exists between all Christian Churches in this area".

During discussion on the motion His Worship the Mayor suggested mid-January for the Ceremony and it was agreed that the Protocol Committee would arrange same.

WATER SUPPLY.

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

"That we get an up-to-date report on water situation in Wexford, supply, reserves and also as to what use is being made of loud speaker system purchased some years ago".

Following further discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report on motion to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

IRISH FERRIES.

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

"That this Council notes with concern and alarm the proposal by Irish Ferries to discontinue winter sailings on Rosslare Routes to Continent and also any possible future reduction in summer sailings to the Continent and that this Councils views be made known immediately to Irish Ferries Senior Management and Directors, E.C., Minister for Transport and Communications and local Oireachtas Members".

FLAT COMPLEX IN LR. JOHN STREET.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Fenlon:-

"I call on the Borough Council to upgrade their flat complex in Lr. John Street."

During discussion on the motion the Borough Engineer stated that the upgrading job on the Lr. John Street complex was presently out for tender.

PARKING.

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

"I call on Wexford Borough Council to investigate ways of alleviating the hardship caused by reducing the parking time (from two hours to one hour) on the workers of Wexford".

Following lengthy discussion on the motion the Town Clerk stated that to facilitate shoppers, the limited number of spaces in the town centre should not be utilised by workers in the commercial outlets in the town centre to ensure that Wexford retains its attractiveness as a shopping centre. He further stated that proposals for a multi-storey car park would be sought following the next Traffic Management meeting and would be pleased to ascertain if a market existed for the provision of private spaces in a multi-storey car park. To ascertain the quantum of this market segment he suggested that persons interested should write in the first instance to him. He also pointed out that there were some private sector car parking spaces for annual rent in the town centre. Following further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

Defective Guttering - Main Street.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that notice would be served on offenders.

E.S.B. Pole - Talbot Green.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that he had contacted the E.S.B. regarding this matter.

Speeding at Maudlintown/William Street/Trinity Street.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that the Superintendent had instructed the Traffic Corps in Gorey to monitor roads and set up check-points.

Access for small boats - The Crescent.

In reply to Ald. Fenlon the Borough Engineer stated that access to the Crescent will not be blocked off by the Corporation when works on the Quay are completed.

Public Lighting.

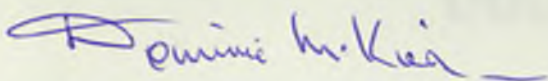
In reply to Ald. Fenlon the Borough Engineer stated that work on the new public lighting system would commence in November.

Road Reinstatement.

In reply to Ald. Fenlon the Borough Engineer stated that work on the reinstatement of roads in town had started.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF NOV. 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.



Ball de Bhardas Loch Garman

Member of Wexford Corporation

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REPORT BY PADGE RECK AND TED HOWLIN

Ald. Howlin and I attended a Drugs Seminar in Bundoran on the 3rd and 4th October 1996, the theme of the conference was Local Authority against Drugs.

The organiser was P. J. Blake from Letterkenny, who was in the front line in the fight against Councillor Blake, in short made the following points:- *Drugs.*

- 1) When he began his campaign he was ridiculed.
- 2) Now the problem is affecting every town in Ireland.
- 3) Councillors are at the cutting edge and it was up to politicians to stamp it out.
- 4) Drugs are destroying society as we know it.

2nd Speaker Janet Gaynor

Manager of Schools Programme for North West Health Board.
In her presentation the important points were:-

- 1) The North Western Health Board were ahead of their time-having recognised a drug problem 17 years ago they invested a lot of money in a schools programme.
- 2) Adolescence is a time of discovery which often involves risk taking.
- 3) Why do kids take drugs:-
Peer Pressure, Boredom, Poor relations with parents, Rebellion, Attention Seeking, Excitement, Escape from problems, Availability.
- 4) Who is at risk:-
All young people.
Socio Economic Background no barrier.
Not unique to Dublin.
- 5) Who is most likely to take drugs:-
Poor school attenders.
People with troubled backgrounds.
Poor performers or those showing a marked decline.
Depressed people.
People who are easily led.
People with low esteem.
People who have poor relations with parents,
Smokers and drinkers.

6) What can parents do:-

Be vigilant (watch for change in mood etc.)

Do not wait until you have the problem - get interested now.

Know your children.

Build their self esteem.

Develop good communications.

Listen to them.

Encourage interests and hobbies.

Spend time with them.

Find out where they are and who they are hanging out with. (often 12-13 year olds are going to discos and home late).

Encourage them not to smoke.

Inform yourself about what drugs are on the street.

If you see a family problem get professional help.

7) The worst thing for parents is the self guilt when something happens.

8) What children avoid drugs:-

Non smokers.

Children with hobbies.

Children who believe they have a future.

9) What sort of schools programme have we got in the North West:-

We spent 17 years developing a Schools Health ED. Programme.

Look at primary schools and see the differences they will experience at second level.

Look at their values and attitudes give them the confidence to avoid cigarettes, sex and drugs.

Main criteria in second level.

Self esteem.

Decision making.

The power to say no.

Role play.

10) What are schools doing:-

150 teachers have done the substance Abuse Programme.

100 have done the Alcohol Prevention Programme

(Alcohol is the biggest problem).

At Primary Level.

The programme works under 3 headings:-

Looking after me.

Looking after you.

Looking after the environment.

45 out of 50 schools in the region are involved in the programme.

Certain parents are trained and then invited to talk to groups of parents about what it is like to be a parent and what are the problems. The two most important things on parents minds are as follows:-

(a) How to talk to their children about sex.

(b) How to talk to their children about drugs.

N. B. Children get one class per week in Health Education.

As a result of all this activity teachers and indeed parents have developed a significant rapport with children.

Presentation by Superintendent John Fitzgerald, Letterkenny Drugs Squad.

Donegal has a population of 129,000. Has 100 miles of land border, is similar to County Wexford in size and population and would also have a similar urban rural mix. It is interesting to note however, that Letterkenny has 11 Entertainment Centres mainly due to the fact that the town also has a Regional College.

Letterkenny has 8,000 young people going to the 11 Night Clubs each night when they open.

Cannabis and L.S.D. use is extensive. Between 1982 and 1996 Drug Seizures went from 0 to 162 in one year. (per annum). The drug pattern shows the problem is country wide.

He also said the S.E.A. made movement easier.

Ireland has 3,000 miles of coast line which is hard to police. Columbia and Venezuela Prime Areas of Origin. 10% of Trafficking is intercepted. Cannabis Resin Accounts for 80% of Drugs coming in. Also available Heroin, Cocaine, Ecstasy Skunk Weed (Grown Indoors giving 6 crops per year).

In 1989 in Ireland, there was 3,985 drug offences, 5 years later 12,000 drug offences.

In the 1970's, 90% of drugs were stolen from chemists. By 1991, this practice was almost finished because cannabis had become the most used drug (80% of total drug abuse). In 1991, Ecstasy first came to Ireland.

Seizures in Ireland, have risen from 293,000 in 1975 to 29,300 in 1995.

In 1995, Ecstasy and Cannabis are most widely used. Most common related problems are:- Disease, accidents and Pregnancy.

The Garda approach in Letterkenny:-

- 1) Talk to night club owners.
- 2) Trust between Gardai and community.
- 3) Installation of sophisticated material.
- 4) Enforcement of Public Order Act particularly Section 21, using their power to stop buses, taxi's etc., search and seize drink and drugs.
- 5) Gather information, Survey, and Monitor. Example of positive action:- One night club in Donegal where there was rampant abuse, the authorities moved in with 80 guards, the proprietor was jailed for 3 years, and subsequently lost all of his licences.

He also warned of a new trend house parties which are difficult to deal with.

To put the international scene in perspective he made the following points:- A survey in 1992 showed that:-

32% in Bradford has abused drugs.
52% in Glasgow has abused drugs.

Abuse was more prevalent in the lower socio economic class. There was no problem getting drugs. He also said that drink and Crime linked and the abuse of Alcohol causes more problems than any other drug. He saw the use of methadone as a method of reducing crime.

There is he said no one solution no quick fix. Reduce supply - Reduce crime.

Education - Prevention - Alternatives in Donegal it is significant that more guards are going into the community to gain the trust of the people. He welcomed the new laws and in particular the power to freeze assets.

Grainne Kenny, Chairperson of E.U.R.A.D. made a presentation in the following vein:-

E.U.R.A.D. is a voluntary Non Governmental Organisation, it is now political and non religious. It was set up in 1989 and financed by the Euro. Commission. The Primary aim is to work to reduce the demand on drugs and to fight legislation proposed to legalise drugs.

Ms. Kenny spoke harshly about armchair generals who promote the legalising of drugs . She condemned the I.A.L. (International Anti Prohibition League) who have massive resources to promote their aims including an £11 ¹/₂ million donation from a Bolivian Bank.

In Holland, the Government decided to turn a blind eye to those carrying 30 grammas or less - now they have 250 distribution centres where drugs are available, these are called Coffey Shops.

She strongly advised people not to visit Holland because drugs are glorified in that country.

She was sceptical about methadone because she said it did not treat the addiction.

She advocated more councillors and in particular Bereavement Councillors.

Ms. Kenny goes into Houses of Addicts who are beyond redemption.

She lauded Sweden who head the way in drug prevention - their laws an very restrictive but very fair.

Again on methadone she says drugs are a health issue not a crime issue. She said "speed" makes people extremely violent and giving them methadone is like giving an alcoholic a half bottle of gin.

In Switzerland - Heroin is cheapest because they want to introduce heroin on demand.

What does it take to make an addict? Answer 2 things.

A Brain
A Psychotic Drug

which means we are all half way there.

Prevention

Early intervention (when you suspect, do something about it).

Example - Sweden - Urine Samples, Screening Cuts the Bull.

Protect our children - if we see a problem we must act. She also said attacks with syringes are unique to Ireland.

Again she said methadone is not treatment, it is state collusion - it is an opiate and only acts on opiates.

She gave the following frightening statistics:-
80% of drug seizures are cannabis.
11% of all Europeans are affected.

There are one million addicts in Europe
There are 20 million occasional users in Europe.

World drug trade is worth 300 billion dollars.
In Holland, cannabis is biggest export after Tomatoes Tobacco - Valium -
Cannabis hardest to come off. The economic cost to society of drug
abuse is 4 times the cost of cancer and one third the cost of heart
disease.

She then outlined the phases on an up and down graph.

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| 1. | Experiment | Emancipation 3 |
| 2. | Adaption | |
| 3. | Compulsion | Treatment 2 |
| | Ambivalence 1 | |

Ms. Kenny outlined the type of drugs freely available and abused in Ireland.

Ciggs and alcohol
Cannabis
L.S.D.
Speed
Ecstasy

and now heroin to bring them off Ecstasy.

What people say:-

I am going to use hash. It is a simple safe drug and I am doing no harm to anyone.

She said however, really what they are doing is:-

“having a very heady love affair which ends in tragedy”

She told us that speed is causing consternation throughout Europe and heroin is getting very common in Ireland.

Dangers according to Ms. Kenny. Students should not use cannabis because:-

It kills the brain.

It is a fat soluble drug like the old D.D.T.

It sticks and affects every cell. One joint kills 2,000 cells.

The chemicals from one joint stay in the brain for 6 weeks.

It takes 10 months to clear the body if you stop using it.

The psychosis is similar to schizophrenia and it does create schizophrenia:-

Has caused Epilepsy. (Urine test urgent if child gets epilepsy).

Concentration goes.

Short Term Memory affected.

You can not reason with someone on Cannabis.

The chemical in the brain causes the problem.

Senile clots appear in the brain (known as senile adolescence).

Cannabis breaks down the lungs.

Immune System is damaged.

Damages sperm causing sterility and deformed babies.

Causes chromosomes damage. i.e., Each cell contains 46 chromosomes after taking cannabis. This is reduced to 5 causing malformation.

Baby's are born drug addicts.

Breast feeding mothers on cannabis are passing on disease.

The Minister for State Department of Environment Called for:

A Graphic programme to illustrate the dangers and consequences.

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BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

Apologies from Alderman Howlin and Cllr. Nolan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:-

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

DEPUTATION FROM RETAIL COMMITTEE, WEXFORD CHAMBER
OF INDUSTRY & COMMERCE.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Mr. D. Wagstaff, Mr. J. O'Connor and Ms. Alison Begas to the meeting and invited them to outline their case regarding Casual Trading. Members of the deputation outlined their points in relation to the regulation of Casual Trading and suggested that the Draft Bye-Laws, as circulated, be adopted. Following the deputation's submission His Worship the Mayor thanked the members of the deputation for their attendance and the deputation departed.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed following which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Draft Bye-Laws (as attached) copies of which had previously been circulated, and noted that the statutory procedures in relation to the Bye-Laws had been complied with, be adopted. It was further agreed that the operation of the Bye-Laws would be reviewed on a quarterly basis for the first twelve months of operation with a view to amending same if found necessary.

ELY HOUSE.

It was agreed to defer letter from Minister B. Howlin regarding Ely House to the next G.P. Meeting.

REDMOND PARK.

The report of the Borough Engineer submitted to the G.P. Meeting held on 23rd September, 1996, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. In reply to the discussion the Town Clerk stated that the estimate contained in the Borough Engineer's report did not include any major development work requirements. The cost of upgrading the facilities (i.e. the pond, play equipment, facilities for elderly and special interests groups) and the cost of monitoring and managing the facility would be additional to the estimate in the Borough Engineer's report. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the report was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Reck. It was further agreed that this matter would be further considered during the forthcoming estimates.

REPORT BY ALD. P. RECK/ALD. T. HOWLIN RE DRUGS SEMINAR.

The attached report, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE.

The summary of correspondence, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and noted.

PLANNING.

Planning applications received since the previous G.P. Meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated were then considered and noted. Questions raised were answered by officials in attendance.

REPORTS.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

The attached report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was then considered and following discussion noted.

Festival Lighting.

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that Festival Lighting on the Bridge would not be provided as in previous years for technical reasons, however lazer lights would be provided on the Bridge.

Water Supply.

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THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 4th DAY OF NOV. 1996.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dominic J. Hanlon", written over a horizontal line.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

WEXFORD CORPORATION

DRAFT BYE-LAWS FOR THE CONTROL, REGULATION, SUPERVISION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CASUAL TRADING AREA, THE BULLRING, WEXFORD.

The Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Wexford (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Section 6(I) of the Casual Trading Act 1995, hereby make the following Bye-Laws for the control, regulation, supervision and administration of the casual Trading Area, The Bullring, Wexford.

1. In these bye-laws the words:-

"The Casual Trading Area" shall mean the area in the Market Place, The Bullring, Wexford, designated by Wexford Corporation as a Casual Trading Area for the Borough of Wexford under Section 7 of the Casual Trading Act 1980.

"The Casual Trader" shall mean any person in possession of a Casual Trading Licence from Wexford Corporation.

"Stall" shall mean any table, counter, bench van or vehicle or any other object used by a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area.

"Stall Space" shall mean the space or piece of ground allocated by Wexford Corporation to a Casual Trader for the purpose of trading in the Casual Trading Area and shall comprise an area of 11'8" x 15'8" or less as will be allocated by the Corporation.

"Trading Days" shall mean everyday except Sundays, Bank Holidays, Public Holidays, Good Friday and Christmas Day.

"Trading Hours" shall mean from 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on a Trading Day.

2. Every Casual Trader may trade on the Trading Days allowed under his/her licence in the stall space allocated to him or her in accordance with the Casual Trading Licence and shall not trade in, park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any other stall space or spaces in the Casual Trading Area.
3. Every Casual Trader shall display his/her Casual Trading Licence number at his/her stall in such a position as to be clearly visible and easily legible to numbers of the public.

4. Every Casual Trader shall, if so requested, produce the licence on demand to any person.
5. No Casual Trader will be allowed to park any type of vehicle in the Casual Trading Area except in his/her stall space and will not cause any obstruction or deposit any matter whatsoever in the public passageway through the Casual Trading Area, except where necessary during the loading/off loading of goods.
6. Every Casual Trader will be obliged to keep his/her stall space in a clean and tidy condition.
7. Every person, other than a Casual Trader who enters the Casual Trading Area will be obliged to leave the Casual Trading Area at the end of trading hours and shall not trade in park vehicle(s) in, deposit refuse in or in any way interfere with any part or area of the Casual Trading Area.
8. Every Casual Trader may erect his/her stall at the beginning of Trading Hours and must remove his/her stall at the end of the Trading Hours.
9. No goods, articles or objects of any type can be stored in the Casual Trading Area outside trading hours or between trading days.
10. No permanent fixture of any size or type can be made to a stall space by a Casual Trader.
11. No goods shall be sold or offered for sale by a Casual Trader except those allowed under his/her Licence.
12. The Wexford Corporation will take no responsibility whatsoever for the goods, property, vehicle(s) and/or belongings of any person, including Casual Traders using the Casual Trading Area, while they are in the Casual Trading Area.
13. A Casual Trader shall not hand over possession of or the use of his/her stall or any part thereof to any other Casual Trader or person for any reason whatsoever.
14. Every Casual Trader and every other person shall comply with the lawful directions of an officer, servant or agent of Wexford Corporation or a member of the Garda Siochana in the exercise of his/her duty.

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18. No person or Casual Trader shall cause any noise, disturbance or nuisance in the Casual Trading Area during Trading Hours.
19. These bye-laws shall be known as the Wexford Corporation, Casual Trading Bye-Laws, 1996.

MADE UNDER THE CORPORATE SEAL OF THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN
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REPORT ON REDMOND PARK UNDER HEADINGS SET OUT AT THE LAST G.P. MEETING OF 10TH JUNE, 1996.

(A) Safety of Playground Equipment:-

The equipment is inspected on a regular basis. Any faulty equipment is taken out of use and repaired or removed permanently as occurred with a roundabout. The most common damage is the cutting of the protective rubber on the swing safety seats. The area surrounding each piece of equipment is surfaced in tarmac.

(B) Lack of Diversity of Playground Equipment:-

The equipment consists of two slides, one six-bay swing and a sand play pit. There obviously is a lack of diversity and interest particularly for younger children.

(C) Dogs fouling Play Area:-

There was no evidence of this on inspection. Dogs foul every where else in the town. I have no doubt that it does occur in this area.

(D) Employment of Park Warden under a C.E. Scheme:-

An application needs to be made to An Fas. This would be discussed at the next Co. Council/Union Monitoring Meeting due to be held in November. Some doubt has been expressed as to whether such a full-time position would qualify under the Scheme. The submission of an application would, of course, establish this.

RECOMMENDATION:-

The existing playground equipment was designed on the out of date principle of having large scale heavy duty equipment attractive for all ages and laid out on tarmac, spread over a fairly wide unprotected area.

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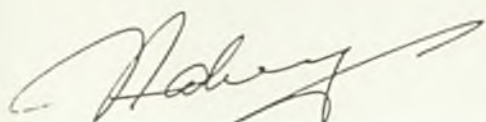
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Modern design is to target the equipment on an age group, say, up to 10 year olds, have a compact layout which can then be safety surfaced and ring fenced. The fence has the advantage of containing the children and excluding dogs.

I recommend that consideration be given to phasing out the original equipment and replacing with the modern design, as the cost varies widely, in proportion to the sophistication of the equipment. If this recommendation is accepted, in principle, design layouts could be worked out. Minimum costs would be of the order of £6,000.00.

If a Park Warden were appointed, he could have a supervisory function in the play area and would enforce the Bye-Laws regulating Parks and Open Spaces.



T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

23RD SEPTEMBER, 1996.



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Member of Wexford Corporation

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REPORT BY PADGE RECK AND TED HOWLIN

Ald. Howlin and I attended a Drugs Seminar in Bundoran on the 3rd and 4th October 1996, the theme of the conference was Local Authority against Drugs.

The organiser was P. J. Blake from Letterkenny, who was in the front line in the fight against Councillor Blake, in short made the following points:- *Drugs.*

- 1) When he began his campaign he was ridiculed.
- 2) Now the problem is affecting every town in Ireland.
- 3) Councillors are at the cutting edge and it was up to politicians to stamp it out.
- 4) Drugs are destroying society as we know it.

2nd Speaker Janet Gaynor

Manager of Schools Programme for North West Health Board.
In her presentation the important points were:-

- 1) The North Western Health Board were ahead of their time-having recognised a drug problem 17 years ago they invested a lot of money in a schools programme.
- 2) Adolescence is a time of discovery which often involves risk taking.
- 3) Why do kids take drugs:-
Peer Pressure, Boredom, Poor relations with parents, Rebellion, Attention Seeking, Excitement, Escape from problems, Availability.
- 4) Who is at risk:-
All young people.
Socio Economic Background no barrier.
Not unique to Dublin.
- 5) Who is most likely to take drugs:-
Poor school attenders.
People with troubled backgrounds.
Poor performers or those showing a marked decline.
Depressed people.
People who are easily led.
People with low esteem.
People who have poor relations with parents.
Smokers and drinkers.

6) What can parents do:-

Be vigilant (watch for change in mood etc.)

Do not wait until you have the problem - get interested now.

Know your children.

Build their self esteem.

Develop good communications.

Listen to them.

Encourage interests and hobbies.

Spend time with them.

Find out where they are and who they are hanging out with. (often 12-13 year olds are going to discos and home late).

Encourage them not to smoke.

Inform yourself about what drugs are on the street.

If you see a family problem get professional help.

7) The worst thing for parents is the self guilt when something happens.

8) What children avoid drugs:-

Non smokers.

Children with hobbies.

Children who believe they have a future.

9) What sort of schools programme have we got in the North West:-

We spent 17 years developing a Schools Health ED. Programme.

Look at primary schools and see the differences they will experience at second level.

Look at their values and attitudes give them the confidence to avoid cigarettes, sex and drugs.

Main criteria in second level.

Self esteem.

Decision making.

The power to say no.

Role play.

10) What are schools doing:-

150 teachers have done the substance Abuse Programme.

100 have done the Alcohol Prevention Programme

(Alcohol is the biggest problem).

At Primary Level.

The programme works under 3 headings:-

Looking after me.

Looking after you.

Looking after the environment.

45 out of 50 schools in the region are involved in the programme.

Certain parents are trained and then invited to talk to groups of parents about what it is like to be a parent and what are the problems. The two most important things on parents minds are as follows:-

- (a) How to talk to their children about sex.
- (b) How to talk to their children about drugs.

N. B. Children get one class per week in Health Education.

As a result of all this activity teachers and indeed parents have developed a significant rapport with children.

Presentation by Superintendent John Fitzgerald, Letterkenny Drugs Squad.

Donegal has a population of 129,000. Has 100 miles of land border, is similar to County Wexford in size and population and would also have a similar urban rural mix. It is interesting to note however, that Letterkenny has 11 Entertainment Centres mainly due to the fact that the town also has a Regional College.

Letterkenny has 8,000 young people going to the 11 Night Clubs each night when they open.

Cannabis and L.S.D. use is extensive. Between 1982 and 1996 Drug Seizures went from 0 to 162 in one year. (per annum). The drug pattern shows the problem is country wide.

He also said the S.E.A. made movement easier.

Ireland has 3,000 miles of coast line which is hard to police. Columbia and Venezuela Prime Areas of Origin. 10% of Trafficking is intercepted. Cannabis Resin Accounts for 80% of Drugs coming in. Also available Heroin, Cocaine, Ecstasy Skunk Weed (Grown Indoors giving 6 crops per year).

In 1989 in Ireland, there was 3,985 drug offences, 5 years later 12,000 drug offences.

In the 1970's, 90% of drugs were stolen from chemists. By 1991, this practice was almost finished because cannabis had become the most used drug (80% of total drug abuse). In 1991, Ecstasy first came to Ireland.

Seizures in Ireland, have risen from 293,000 in 1975 to 29,300 in 1995.

In 1995, Ecstasy and Cannabis are most widely used. Most common related problems are:- Disease, accidents and Pregnancy.

The Garda approach in Letterkenny:-

- 1) Talk to night club owners.
- 2) Trust between Gardai and community.
- 3) Installation of sophisticated material.
- 4) Enforcement of Public Order Act particularly Section 21, using their power to stop buses, taxi's etc., search and seize drink and drugs.
- 5) Gather information, Survey, and Monitor. Example of positive action:- One night club in Donegal where there was rampant abuse, the authorities moved in with 80 guards, the proprietor was jailed for 3 years, and subsequently lost all of his licences.

He also warned of a new trend house parties which are difficult to deal with.

To put the international scene in perspective he made the following points:- A survey in 1992 showed that:-

32% in Bradford has abused drugs.
52% in Glasgow has abused drugs.

Abuse was more prevalent in the lower socio economic class. There was no problem getting drugs. He also said that drink and Crime linked and the abuse of Alcohol causes more problems than any other drug. He saw the use of methadone as a method of reducing crime.

There is he said no one solution no quick fix. Reduce supply - Reduce crime.

Education - Prevention - Alternatives in Donegal it is significant that more guards are going into the community to gain the trust of the people. He welcomed the new laws and in particular the power to freeze assets.

Grainne Kenny, Chairperson of E.U.R.A.D. made a presentation in the following vein:-

E.U.R.A.D. is a voluntary Non Governmental Organisation, it is now political and non religious. It was set up in 1989 and financed by the Euro. Commission. The Primary aim is to work to reduce the demand on drugs and to fight legislation proposed to legalise drugs.

Ms. Kenny spoke harshly about armchair generals who promote the legalising of drugs . She condemned the I.A.L. (International Anti Prohibition League) who have massive resources to promote their aims including an £11 ~~1/2~~ million donation from a Bolivian Bank.

In Holland, the Government decided to turn a blind eye to those carrying 30 grammes or less - now they have 250 distribution centres where drugs are available, these are called Coffey Shops.

She strongly advised people not to visit Holland because drugs are glorified in that country.

She was sceptical about methadone because she said it did not treat the addiction.

She advocated more councillors and in particular Bereavement Councillors.

Ms. Kenny goes into Houses of Addicts who are beyond redemption.

She lauded Sweden who head the way in drug prevention - their laws an very restrictive but very fair.

Again on methadone she says drugs are a health issue not a crime issue. She said "speed" makes people extremely violent and giving them methadone is like giving an alcoholic a half bottle of gin.

In Switzerland - Heroin is cheapest because they want to introduce heroin on demand.

What does it take to make an addict? Answer 2 things.

A Brain
A Psychotic Drug

which means we are all half way there.

Prevention

Early intervention (when you suspect, do something about it).

Example - Sweden - Urine Samples, Screening Cuts the Bull.

Protect our children - if we see a problem we must act. She also said attacks with syringes are unique to Ireland.

Again she said methadone is not treatment, it is state collusion - it is an opiad and only acts on opiads..

She gave the following frightening statistics:-
80% of drug seizures are cannabis.
11% of all Europeans are affected.

There are one million addicts in Europe
There are 20 million occasional users in Europe.

World drug trade is worth 300 billion dollars.

In Holland, cannabis is biggest export after Tomatoes Tobacco - Valium - Cannabis hardest to come off. The economic cost to society of drug abuse is 4 times the cost of cancer and one third the cost of heart disease.

She then outlined the phases on an up and down graph.

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| 1. | Experiment | Emancipation 3 |
| 2. | Adaption | |
| 3. | Compulsion | Treatment 2 |
| | Ambivalence 1 | |

Ms. Kenny outlined the type of drugs freely available and abused in Ireland.

Ciggs and alcohol
Cannabis
L.S.D.
Speed
Ecstasy

and now heroin to bring them off Ecstasy.

What people say:-

I am going to use hash. It is a simple safe drug and I am doing no harm to anyone.

She said however, really what they are doing is:-

“having a very heady love affair which ends in tragedy”

She told us that speed is causing consternation throughout Europe and heroin is getting very common in Ireland.

Dangers according to Ms. Kenny. Students should not use cannabis because:-

It kills the brain.

It is a fat soluble drug like the old D.D.T.

It sticks and affects every cell. One joint kills 2,000 cells.

The chemicals from one joint stay in the brain for 6 weeks.

It takes 10 months to clear the body if you stop using it.

The psychosis is similar to schizophrenia and it does create schizophrenia:-

Has caused Epilepsy. (Urine test urgent if child gets epilepsy).

Concentration goes.

Short Term Memory affected.

You can not reason with someone on Cannabis.

The chemical in the brain causes the problem.

Senile clots appear in the brain (known as senile adolescence).

Cannabis breaks down the lungs.

Immune System is damaged.

Damages sperm causing sterility and deformed babies.

Causes chromosomes damage. i.e., Each cell contains 46 chromosomes after taking cannabis. This is reduced to 5 causing malformation.

Baby's are born drug addicts.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

15th October, 1996.

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-

Re:- Wexford Main Drainage Scheme - Contract 1 (Pipelines).

Dear Member,

I attach herewith for your information a copy press release which issued today to the local press for publication in tomorrow's newspapers.

This release gives an update on the programme of works during the course of the Wexford Festival Opera. The schedule of works has been carefully planned so as to minimise disruption during this period.

Yours faithfully,

A. Laffan

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AK D.F. CURTIN,
TOWN CLERK.

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Barbara Wallace *Press Release*

14 October 1996

On Wexford Quays to-night Wednesday 16 October, from 7 pm to 12 midnight, the road between The Crescent and Anne Street, will be closed to vehicular traffic for 5 hours. Earlier in the day, from 7am until the road closure comes into operation at 7 pm, single line traffic, will operate with advance notices warning motorists that there may be delays ahead. This is to facilitate work on a manhole and the laying of pipes for the main Drainage Scheme. This work must be done before work at Anne Street can commence.

It is expected that work in Anne street itself will start on 24 October and that it will take 3 weeks.

Meanwhile work at Grogan's Road is on going. It is hoped that it will be finished by the end of next week, 25 October, when the crew will move into Sinnott Place (from Stonebridge around to King Street). Work in Sinnott Place will take approximately 2 weeks.

Pipe laying in Kaats Lane (off Westgate) will start at the end of this week and take 2 weeks.

Mulgannon, Wexford. Telephone 053 43467 Fax 053 44962

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Work in Bride Street Lower (Main Street junction to Clifford Street junction) is expected to be completed by the end of the month.

Bride Street car park can only be accessed from the top of Bride Street.

For the convenience of Motorists, in the habit of parking there while shopping or attending a function in the Dun Muire, and who may not be familiar with the most direct route to the top of Bride Street, diversion arrows have been erected from the Main Street end of Bride Street along the Main Street, up King Street, Joseph Street and down Bride Place.

Work at Wygram is underway; the Contractor has met with hard rock but is hopeful that he will get through in 2 weeks when the team will move to Fisher's Row. The work at Fishers Row which is due to start on or about 22 October will take approximately 3 weeks.

School Street pipe laying which was scheduled to start this week has been postponed until the Festival is over. It is now due to start on 6 November. The work is expected to take 7 weeks.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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UPDATE REPORT ON WEXFORD WATER SUPPLY, RESERVE AND USE OF LOUD SPEAKER SYSTEM.

The shortfall in the capacity of the Wexford Town Water Supply System to meet increasing demand has been the subject of a number of reports over the last few years. The shortfall this Summer has been of the order of 25%, on a demand of 1.8 m.g.p.d., which is made up by a combination of rationing and taking water from the Co. Council borehole system into the South end of the town.

The £80,000.00 new pump sets, which we are currently fitting at Edenvale, will correct some of the imbalance and the Co. Council £6 million Fardystown Scheme, which will be on line by 1998, will provide an extra million gallons of water per day to the town and environs to meet future demands. There is also a major programme of conservation and leak detection proposal with the Department to reduce the element of waste water in the system.

This year the system had also to cope with interruptions to the supply due to the main drainage works and had to cater for the significant increase in housing development in the town and the environs.

Each year we have brought in the untreated potable Co. Council borehole supply to the south end of the town there have been problems arising from the perception of the relatively high mineral content in the water, e.g., Manganese, Lime, as well as a wide fluctuation in pressure, the pressure problem being compounded by large industrial users in the area drawing off water for their processing operations.

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The direct pumping system on the boreholes also restricts flexibility in adjusting to varying pressure demands.

On Saturday, 14th September, there was a major burst in the trunk main in The Faythe, which left most of the Town Centre without water for approximately seven hours. This occurred when we were attempting to counterflow town water out to the Laundry. The staff worked virtually through the night to re-establish supply, which was stabilised by the following morning.

When such breakdowns occur at week-ends, or at night, there is a difficulty in getting manpower, machinery and materials necessary to remedy the situation. On that occasion the S.E. Radio were advised of the problem and asked to broadcast the fact that we would restore a temporary supply at 6.00 p.m., and 'phones were manned and numerous calls taken.

With regard to the use of the public address vehicle mounted system, when a major event like this occurs, particularly at week-ends or at night, there is a premium on manpower and vehicles focused on locating the problem, identifying the necessary repair and the transport of materials. The public address system ties up one man, plus a vehicle and was purchased prior to the establishment of the S.E. Radio. During a rapidly changing crisis situation, the use of the service provided by the radio and the manning of 'phones ties up one man. The 'phones are normally manned anyway during such a crisis. The priority in such cases is to identify and rectify the problem. Should manpower and vehicles allow, I have no objection to using the public address system. I am not convinced it is that effective on its own as it can only be heard by those people actually in the street and is not audible inside in houses. The use of both systems would cover both options.

The water supply is monitored for bacteria. When a negative reading is recorded in the town supply, the area is immediately scoured and Chlorination increased, if necessary. In such an event last week in the South end of the town (we now have prima facie evidence that it was localised to one dwelling), adjoining premises were advised, as a precaution, to boil the water until the tests cleared the system which was achieved within twenty four hours of being notified that there was a problem.

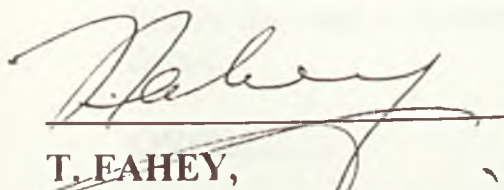
The Edenvale new pumping sets were put into operation on a commissioning basis yesterday and have successfully withstood tests, to date. We now intend to supply the South end of the town with that water, therefore, taking the Co. Council system out of operation in that location, other than possibly for the industrial users.

This will be pushing the system to the limit, but it will give a more satisfactory service to the South end of the town and will also reduce rationing during the Opera Festival. However, be aware that it is a new commissioning machinery set-up and we may well have to revert back to the old system should that system malfunction.

CONCLUSION

With the investment of the order of £80,000 in the new pump sets in Edenvale, the Corporation are moving towards rectifying the imbalance between supply and demand, but the situation, is on the knife edge in keeping the town supplied. Both the Water Conservation Programme and the Fardystown Scheme will, in the relatively short term, rectify the overall situation and meet future demand. Until that occurs, our reserves are minimal.

The public address system will be used, particularly in a major crisis, assuming manpower and vehicle allows. The priority will be to get the burst rectified and we will, of course, continue to man 'phones and use the S.E. Radio services.


T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

15TH OCTOBER, 1996.

**MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, WEXFORD ON TUESDAY, 15TH
OCTOBER, 1996 AT 8.30 P.M.**

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Councillor D. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, G. Byrne.

Councillor:- M. Enright, N. Kavanagh, M. Furlong, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. D. F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Ms. A. Ringwood, Staff Officer.

1996 HOUSING REVIEW.

The members of the Borough Council expressed serious concern at the length of time being taken by the Environmental Health Officers to complete the assessment of housing applicants, particularly in view of the large number of vacant houses and the resulting loss of revenue. It was agreed to write to the Senior Environmental Health Officer asking that the assessments be completed without further delay.

It was agreed that a decision on the allocation of the vacant house at 109 Belvedere Grove be deferred until all applicants for a transfer to that house had been assessed.

WALL AT COOLCOTTS

Alderman P. Reck submitted a plan showing the outline of the proposed wall between the sites at Coolcotts and the Ferndale Park Housing Scheme, together with a petition signed by the purchasers of the sites and the residents of Ferndale Park. He stated that the Minister for the Environment had agreed to provide the necessary finance for the wall.

Town Clerk pointed out the problems created by building walls in housing estates. Borough Engineer expressed concern at the proposed line of the wall and asked that he be given time to examine the plan in detail.

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Alderman A. Fenlon stated that she understood it had already been agreed by the Borough Council to provide a playing pitch on the open space and asked whether that decision could now be changed. It was agreed that the Town Clerk examine the wording of the decision.

It was proposed by Alderman P. Reck and seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the Borough Council agree to the building of the wall.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor M. Enright and seconded by Councillor M. Furlong that a decision on the wall be deferred and that the proposal be considered in conjunction with the development of the open space.

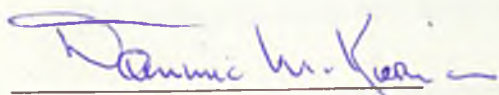
Alderman P. Reck stated that he was opposed to a deferral of the decision on the wall, in view of the increase in planning contributions payable to Wexford County Council from 1st January, 1997. It was agreed that a decision be deferred to the November Monthly meeting.

HOUSING SUB-COMMITTEE

It was agreed that the appointment of the members of a sub-committee to examine ways of dealing with unruly tenants be deferred to the next meeting of the Housing Committee.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed this 4th day of November. 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed back Cllr. P. Nolan after his recent illness and all members associated with the Mayor's good wishes.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor a vote of congratulations to Mr. J. O'Connor and Mr. J. Hynes on the marvellous 1996 Wexford Opera Festival was adopted.

Civic Reception.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that he had discussed and agreed with Mr. Derek Joyce that Thursday 21st November, 1996 at 7.30 p.m. would be a suitable date for Civic Reception in his honour.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that the Olympic Council Executive Committee would meet in Wexford on 27th November, 1996.

Statutory Estimates Meeting.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was agreed that the Statutory Estimates Meeting of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 6.30 p.m. on 27th November, 1996.

Civic Reception.

On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed that a Civic Reception in honour of Mr. Tommy Roche, as had previously been adopted, would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday 10th December, 1996.

Meetings.

It was agreed that the following meeting would be held:-

1. Special Meeting (A.M.A.I. President & Secretary) - Thursday 12th December, 1996 at 8.00 p.m.
2. Special Meeting re Tidy Towns - Thursday 12th December, 1996 at 7.00 p.m.

Minutes.

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 7th October, 1996, 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 and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

- a. General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 15.10.96.
- b. Housing Committee Meeting held on 15.10.96

Raising of Loan.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise raising of loan from the Housing Finance Agency in the sum of £300,000 to fund index-linked shared equity loans in accordance with Section 4 of the Local Government (No.2) Act 1960.

Reports.

Conferences.

The attached reports in the names of His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. E. O'Connor and Cllr. N. Kavanagh regarding Conferences, copies of which had previously been circulated were then considered and noted. During discussion His Worship the Mayor congratulated the delegates on the reports submitted to the meeting.

Infill Housing.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the Mannix Place proposal following which it was proposed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne to adopt the three proposals contained in the report. A vote was taken which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Ald. Fenlon, Howlin, Byrne. Cllrs. Enright, Nolan, Kavanagh, O'Connor, Furlong, Roche, O'Flaherty, D.M. Kiernan (11).

Against:- Ald. Reck (1).

The proposals were then declared adopted.

Ferndale/Coolcotts Wall.

The attached report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered and it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Connor to defer further consideration of the report to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Tour de France.

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that he and the Manager were in discussion with organisers of the Tour de France seeking a stage for Wexford in 1978. The preliminary financial implications of this were discussed and it was agreed in principle to support the seeking of the stage for Wexford and that in the forthcoming estimates a preliminary sum towards the costs involved would be provided. It was also agreed that His Worship the Mayor would discuss the matter with the Chamber of Commerce during forthcoming meetings.

MOTIONS.

Social Welfare Recipients.

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

"I ask this Borough Council to call on the Minister for Social Welfare to give a substantial increase to Social Welfare recipients in the forthcoming Budget".

Go Slow Signs.

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Connor:-

"That this Council requests that go slow signs be erected at entrance to town at Maudlinton/William Street and at Talbot Hotel/Trinity Street area to try and slow speeding traffic".

In reply to the motion the Town Clerk stated that the Brief for Traffic Circulation Study was being finalised at present and would be considered at the next Traffic Management Meeting. Following further discussion it was agreed that the motion would be considered at the next Traffic Management Meeting and that the Borough Engineer would submit a report for same.

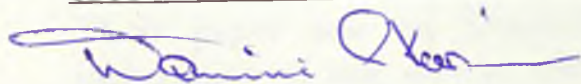
Local Authority House Building.

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

"That our officials provide a report for the next G.P. meeting on land in the Corporation's ownership that will be suitable for Local Authority House Building".

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF Dec. 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan, Cllr. E. O'Connor and Cllr. N. Kavanagh attended the above conference held at the Royal Hospital, Kilmainham on 1st and 2nd October, 1996.

It was hosted by the ENCY '95 National Committee (European Nature Conservation Year 1995) and the official opening by Seamus Lynam, Heritage Services and Chairman, ENCY '95 National Committee Conference Chairman, John Bowman.

The keynote address was by the Minister for Education, Ms. Niamh Bhreathnach, T.D.

Mr. Tony Collison, Curriculum Development Unit outlined the new leaving certificate applied in outdoor and environmental education, stating the certificate was a new, distinct, self-contained two year programme and has as its primary objective the preparation of participants for adult and working life. Leisure and recreation is a compulsory course in the leaving certificate applied. Outdoor education is a major component in the course with emphasis on Environmental and Conservation education.

Dermot Quish, Blackrock Teachers Centre explained the rationale of the transition year and discussed the suitability of the programme as a framework for environmental education.

Dr. John Feehan, Department of Environmental Resource Management, U.C.D. read a paper on Developing an Environmental Project, stated local landscape is the most single resource available for environmental education. He looked at some of the ways in which the study of environmental heritage can be approached.

John Nann, Irish Wildlife Trust and Jim Nelson, Birdwatch Ireland. Their paper was on Sanctuary or Wasteland. Both stressed the importance of site surveys and making most of resources in school grounds and locality.

Sean Dower, M.I.T.E.C. and Noel Hughes, E.N.F.O. Paper - On-line Access to information on the Environment.

Sean Dower gave an outline of some of N.I.T.E.C.'s on-line service for schools including a large environmental database and the GLOBE (Global Learning to Benefit the Environment) programmes.

Noel Hughes gave an outline of the service offered by ENFO, the public information service set up in 1990 to provide easy access to wide-ranging and authoritative information on all environmental subjects.

David Kelly, Environmental Consultant, Forbairt - Sustainable Living. The presentation compared the state of the environment in the E.U. with that in Eastern Europe where less effective environmental policies have been pursued. E.U. policies were outlined and the presentation gave some of the industry initiatives aimed towards achieving this goal.

A Paper on different kinds of alternative energy sources available was presented by Tommy Simpson, Sonairte.

Bruce Phillips, Parks Department, Dublin Corporation presented a paper on Local Environment stating public participation, citizen rights and community action have become increasingly important in european economic and social development strategy over the last two decades. Increasing emphasis is placed on participation between communities and statutory bodies as a way of maximising the potential of regions at local level.

The final paper on Wildlife Protection Legislation and Practice was read by Karin Dulsky, Coastwatch Europe who dealt with E.U. Wildlife and Habital Protection Policy and stated that radical change is needed in approaching law and policy enforcement.

The delegates attended workshop on Recoverable Resources - the presentation was made by Noelle Cullinan Kerbside, who outlined the actions of this organisation.

The second workshop on the Marine World was presented by Brendan Price, Irish Seal Sanctuary.

No papers were presented to the delegates but a Conference Summary Document will be sent to all organisations which sent delegates. As usual this document will be available to members in the secretary's office.

CONFERENCE - UNDERSTANDING '98

Working towards the Bicennential of the United Irish Rebellion of 1798.

His Worship the Mayor, Cllr.D.M. Kiernan, Cllr. E. O'Connor and Cllr. N. Kavanagh attended the above conference held in Rosslare on September 26th and 27th, 1996.

The conference was hosted by Wexford County Council. It revealed and discussed the major issues of the Rebellion and its importance for a mature Island Nation in the latter half of this century.

1st Speaker - Thomas Bartlett, M.R.I.A., Professor of Modern Irish History, U.C.D., who spoke on Understanding '98 - The International Context.

2nd Speaker - Dr. Kevin Whelan who spoke on Understanding '98 from the National Context.

Nicholas Furlong, F.R.S.A.I. then presented his paper 'Boolavogue - the Mighty Wave' and spoke on the prelude to the uprising, the battles of '98 and the life of Fr. John Murphy who is one of the remembered names from history immortalised in song and story.

Anna Kinsella, M. Litt., made a presentation of the Politics of '98 Centenary Commemorations held in various counties during 1898.

Finally Brian Cleary, Historian, read his paper on the 'Wexford Republic - A National Heritage'.

After each speakers' contribution, many questions were asked by delegates and responded to by the speakers. Many reasons were given for commemorating '98 particularly the following two:-

1. The political vision of the United Irish is as valid today as it was in 1798
2. The bicentenary offers opportunities to us all to demonstrate tolerance, understanding and reconciliation.

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4TH NOVEMBER, 1996

REPORT TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ SUBMISSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS FOLLOWING
PUBLIC DISPLAY OF THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT UNDER ARTICLE 131 OF THE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT)
REGULATIONS 1994.

Proposed Developments:-

- 2 No. two-storey houses at St. Aidans Crescent, Wexford.
- 1 No. two-storey house at The Faythe, Wexford.
- 2 No. two-storey houses at Upper John Street, Wexford.

No observations or submissions were received, in writing, with regard to the proposed developments in St. Aidan's Crescent or The Faythe.

Three submissions were lodged by Mr. M. O'Brien, Acting Secretary of the Upper John Street/Mannix Place Residents Association. To one of these submissions, i.e., that requiring the retention of green area at Mannix Place, was attached petition with 106 signatures.

A fourth submission from an adjoining residence objected on the grounds of being overlooked.

A fifth submission was in favour of the proposed development.

Copies of all submissions are attached.

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(1) **Retention of site as a Green Area**

This was, to my knowledge, never intended nor maintained as a public open space. Such small areas are likely to give rise to nuisance as they can act as a gathering point for youngsters at night. As all of Mannix Place houses have front gardens, there is the softening effect of "green areas" established in the area.

(2) **Section 5.5.4 of the 1993 Development Plan**

A submission seeks to apply the 10% open space criteria of the Section to Mannix Place. The criteria did not apply when this housing scheme was built and cannot be applied retrospectively.

(3) **Traffic Congestion**

The scale of the development would not give rise to congestion.

(4) **Density**

The density of the development is similar to that existing in the area.

(5) **Blocking Light**

The proposed houses do not intrude on existing windows of habitable rooms.

(6) **Overlooking**

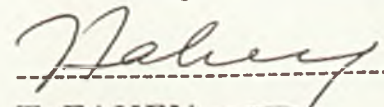
There are only two windows on half landings on the rear of the proposed development. These can be glazed in opaque glass to avoid overlooking.

(7) **Interference with Sight Lines at the Mannix Place/John Street Junction**

The proposed development is behind the line of the existing houses fronting John Street.

(8) **Style of House - Not in keeping with existing**

As the development is located at the end of terrace, a variation in design is not unusual and acts as a termination of the terrace.



T. FAHEY
BOROUGH ENGINEER.

FOR THE RETENTION OF GREEN
AREA AT MANNIX PLACE

Upper John St/Mannix Place
Residents Association
C/O 26 Mannix Place
Wexford
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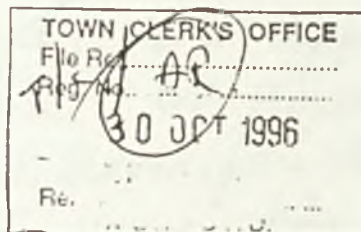
29th October 1996

Dear Sir

On behalf of the above I wish to submit a petition and signatures for the retention of the "Green Area" in Mannix Place. I would like to point out that the number of signatures collected represents 95% of the house holders from the above area.

Yours Sincerely

Michael O'Brien
Acting Secretary



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FOR THE RETENTION OF GREEN AREA AT MANNIX PLACE

- 1 Ella Conlon 41. Upper John St WEXFO.
- 2 Colum Bent 1 upr John St
- 3 Patrick Boyce 3 Upper John Street
- 4 Michael Roche 5 Upper John st, Wex
- 5 M. Bonnyard 9 upper John St.
- 6 Andy Doyle 23 upper John St
- 7 Mary Doyle 23 upper John St.
- 8 Eileen Leahy 25. Upper John St
- 9 Pat's O'Leary 37 " " " "
- 10 Thomas Leniston 27 UPPER JOHN ST
- 11 James & Evelyn Gaul 31 upper John St
- 12 Eileen Leahy 33 upper John St.
- 13 Thomas O'Leary 35 upper John St.
- 14 Thomas Barnett 37 upper John St
- 15 Elizabeth Morris 39 upper John St
- 16 Maureen Cadogan 45 upper John St.
- 17 Thomas J. Cadogan 45 upper John St.
- 18 Aoibhinn Cadogan 45 upper John St.
- 19 Colette Morris 47, upper John Street
- 20 Martina Connolly 55 upper John St Wexford
- 21 Richard Hore 57. John St Wexford
- 22 John Walsh 63 upper John St
- 23 Imelda Smith 94, upper John St.
- 24 Thomas Moran 61 UPPER JOHN ST
- 25 Bridie Driscoll 20 upr. John St
- 26 Bridie Taylor 31 upper John St
- 27 Jimmy Keane 73 John St.
- 28 Sadie Crofton 15 upper John ST

Mrs Mary Somers

81, Upper John St

Wexford

Mrs Nancy Hall Upper John St 72

John Doyle 95 Upper John St.

Tom O'Leary

69 Upper John St.

Wexford.

Ashling Chelwood 91 upr John St.

Frances Horle

53 upr John St

Wexford.

P.S. Kearney 85 Upper John St.

Jaunta Feeley 96 John St

Kay O'Leary 90, upper John St.

Patrick O'Leary 90 upper John St.

Eileen Grappet 88 upper John St.

Michael Burke 84 Upper John St

Cathal Johnston 80 UPPER JOHN STREET

A. Lambert 74 John St

Joan Kempfield 68 Mannix Place

John Keary 64, Mannix Place

Eileen Dily 59 upr. John Street.

James Dwyer 43 upper John St Wexford

Joy Barry 79 John St

Mary O'Neill 87 John Street Wexford

Billy Mollis 47 Upper John St.

JEAN Mc GILL 76 Upper John St.

Billy Kingwood, 78 Upper John St. Wexford.

Joy Fenton 66 upper John St

Nelly Tennant 62 John ST

Wick Tennant 62 John ST

Pat Fortune 60 Mannix Place

- 56 Margaret Fortune 60 Mannix Place
 57 Fannie Roche 32 John St.
 58 Mary & Thomas M^{rs} Gault 30 4 Upper John St.
 59 Peggy Lacey 28 upper John St Wexford.
 60 Jimmy Lacey 28 upper John St. Wexford.
 61 Breda Moore 18, upper John St Wexford.
 62 Jack Cadogan, 14 upper John St, Wexford.
 63 Patrick Roberts 12 Upper Street
 64 Phil Roberts 12 Upper John St
 65 Paddy O'Neil 10 Upper John St.
 66 Mary O'Neill 10 Upper John St.
 67 Robert O'Neil 6 Upper John St
 68 Bridget O'Neil 6 Upper John St
 69 Mary Butler 30 Upper John St
 70 Dan Gault 1 Mannix Place Wexford
 71 Paddy Gault 1 Mannix Place Wexford.
 72 Maureen Roche 11 Mannix Place
 73 Kevin O'Kelle 3 Mannix Place
 74 Breda O'Kelle 3 Mannix Place
 75 Jimmy Saunders 4 Mannix Pl
 76 Alice Saunders 4 Mannix Pl
 77 Grace 6 Mannix Pl
 78 Sharon Grace 6 Mannix Pl
 79 Anne Kehoe 7 Mannix Place WEXFORD
 80 Michael Byrne 9 Mannix Place
 81 Rosalyn Byrne 9 Mannix Place
 82 Michael O'Sullivan 12 Mannix Place
 83 Kevin Roche 14 Mannix Place
 84 Mary Kate O'Neill 13 Mannix Place
 85 Maureen Kelly 15 Mannix Place
 8-6 Noeline Walker 16 Mannix Place
 87 Sean Black 21 MANNIX PLACE

8 Cyril Lorde 17 Mannix Place Wexford

89 James Lonsdale 18 Mannix Place
 90 L. Frazer
 91 D. Frazer
 92 M. Black Det. Mannix
 93 Marie Mahoney 22 Mannix Place

94 John Mahoney 22 Mannix Pl

95 Helen Mahoney 22 Mannix Place

96 Caroline Howlin 23 Mannix Place

97 Eileen Doyle 25 Mannix Place

98 Elsie Conway 24 Mannix Place

99 Joan O'Leary 25 Mannix Place

100 Denis O'Brien 26 Mannix Place

101 Michael O'Brien 26 Mannix Place

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105 L. Doyle 2 Mannix Place

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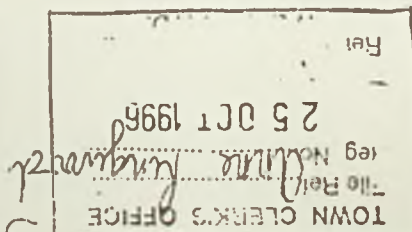
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE	
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Dear Mrs. Curtin

I have been informed that the residence committee of Mannix place have told you that every house on the Estate are backing them in their fight to stop two houses at the end of the Avenue. I am a resident of Mannix Place and in no way will I back them to stop two houses from being built to stop two families from getting off the housing list. I was on a housing list and I was only to glad to get a house. There is more people living in Mannix Place who have the same feelings as me. so good luck with the project.

Thank you.

36. UPPER JOHN STREET,
WEXFORD.
25th OCT 1996.



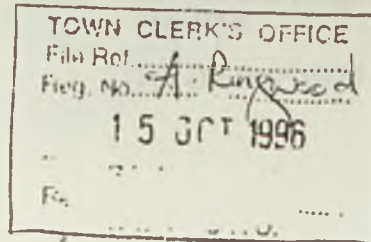
Dear Mr Butler,

After viewing the plans for the proposed houses at Upper John St./Munster Place, I wish to point out that the 2 two story houses, will be built on to the side of my little one story house, and over look my garden, taking away my privacy.

With this in mind will you please erect an 8 ft. boundary wall around my garden with access, if the proposed houses are being built, there is also the matter of compensation for the disruption to my life style, and the loss of my privacy to be discussed.

Thanking you,
Ellen Gurlong.

Upper John Street / Mannix Place
Residents Association
c/o 26 Mannix Place
Wexford



13/10/96

TO WEXFORD CORPORATION

We wish to object to the proposed development of 2x two storey houses at John Street Upper / Mannix place and propose the following alternative .

We agree to maintain the existing green area and to further enhance it, for example by planting trees, shrubs, flowers , provision of seating, a litter bin etc....in consultation with the Residents Association.

This proposal is in keeping with Section 5.5.4. of the 1993 Development Plan for Wexford Town and Environs which states that " Communal open space in residential development shall be provided at the rate of not less than one hectare per 150 dwellings or 10% of the total area of the site, whichever is the greater".

We would appreciate a reply to this proposal at your earliest convenience.

Yours Sincerely,

Michael O'Brien
.....
Acting Secretary

Upper John St/Mannix Place
Residents Association
C/O 26 Mannix Place
Wexford

7th October 1996

Dear

The following is a list of objections to the proposed development of 2 X Houses at John Street Upper / Mannix Place.

1: There are inadequate parking facilities which will give rise to congestion making the area dangerous to pedestrians and motorists.

2: The site is too small for two dwellings and the proposed style of the houses is not in keeping with existing houses in Mannix Place or John Street.

3: The houses would occupy the last remaining "Green Area" in the Mannix Place / John St Upper area.

4: The proposed houses would block light from houses behind and opposite the development.

5: The land, on which the proposed houses are to be built, which for the past 33 years provided the area with a green space, would now be lost as an amenity in the local community.

6: The construction of a development on a corner would interfere with sight distance in a 30 mile per hour zone, resulting in making the area dangerous to motorists and pedestrians including large numbers of school children who pass through the area on school days.

Yours Sincerely

Michael O'Brien
Acting Secretary

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4TH NOVEMBER, 1996

TO EACH MEMBER OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ SUGGESTED LINE FOR FERNDAL/COOLCOTTS WALL.

Dear Member,

At the last G.P. Meeting, it was put to the meeting that the residents of the "Private Sites" wished to erect a wall bounding their development and Ferndale.

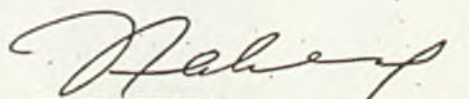
For the purpose of discussion, I undertook to draw up a line, which would provide for the necessary 10% of open space attaching to the "Private Sites" and accommodating a soccer pitch on the balance of the site.

The attached map shows such a line, but the fit for the proposed soccer pitch is extremely tight, allowing for a 6 m wide strip around the playing area. The line of the wall allows for a pedestrian way between Ferndale and Coolcotts.

The length of the wall would be 145 m approx. costing of the order of £14,000. This cost is to be met, I understand, by the residents of the 30 "Private Sites" from their own resources and/or sources other than the Corporation. The wall would require planning permission.

I understand that the residents are considering this line for the wall.

Yours faithfully,

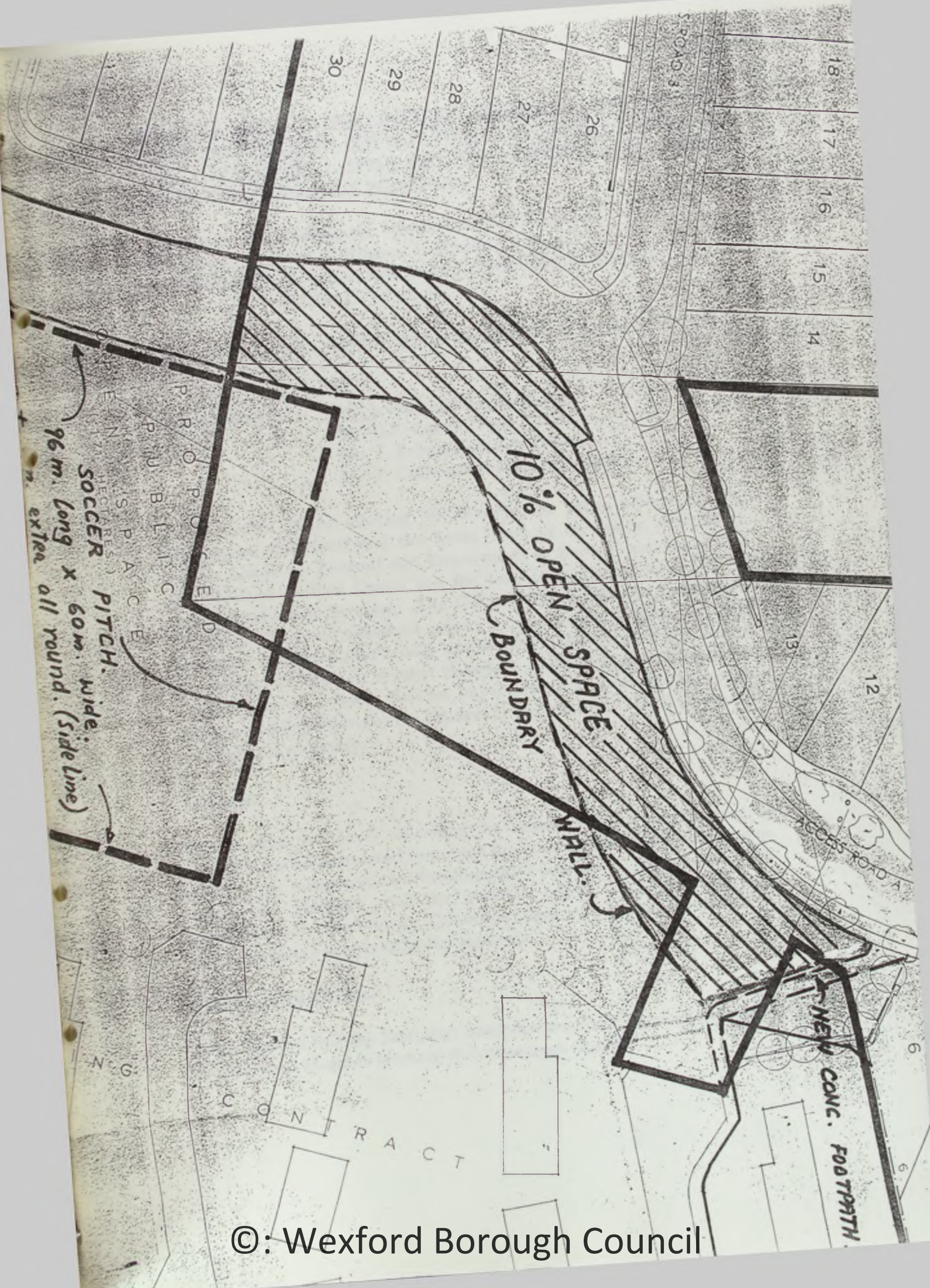

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BOROUGH ENGINEER.

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MINUTES OF 1ST PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY
11TH NOVEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

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

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor referred to the attendance of himself and the Town Clerk at the Cefrac Seminar in Dublin Castle re "Festivals and Employment in Europe" and stated that the Wexford Festival Opera was the only Irish Festival invited to be represented at the Seminar. The C.E.O., Artistic Director, himself and the Town Clerk all submitted papers to this Seminar which were well received. He stated that arising out of the knowledge gained by him at this Seminar in relation to other European major festivals he intended in the new year to propose that an Impact Study in economic and social terms would be undertaken in relation to the Wexford Festival Opera and the Wexford economy.

Estimates.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed the members to the first meeting to consider the estimates and requested the co-operation of the members in drafting the programme for the coming 12 months. At the request of the Mayor the Manager read the attached report, copy of which had previously been circulated. Questions raised by members in relation to the report were answered by the Manager.

Boundary Extension.

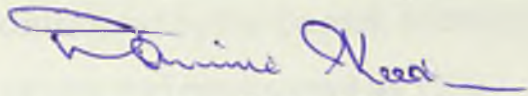
It was agreed that the Boundary Extension would be listed on the agenda for the next Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council.

Next Meeting.

It was agreed that the 2nd Preliminary Estimates Meeting would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 20th November, 1996.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF Dec. 1996.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dermot Keen', written over a horizontal line.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

RE: ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1997

Dear Member,

As a preliminary indication of the direction of the 1997 estimates position, I set out hereunder the general parameters within which the estimate must be considered by the Council. In doing so, I am assuming the same level of service and employment as 1996.

Funding for the following will need to be considered in the preparation of the Estimates for 1997 :

- A Continuation of existing services and employment.
- B Additional funding for existing project commitments.
- C Additional new project options

A CONTINUATION OF EXISTING SERVICES AND EMPLOYMENT

I have prepared detailed estimates of expenditure, taking into account increases expected or committed in 1997. In doing so, I am assuming the same level of service and employment in 1997, while using income from all sources based on 1996 rates of charges, increased by 4% and providing for a sharing of increased expenditure for additional commitments between commercial charges (i.e. rates & water) and domestic charges (water & refuse).

The nett expenditure derived from this method is £1,591,226 which represents an increase of £200,357 or 14.41% over 1996. To balance the estimate and retain a rate increase of 4% it has been necessary to increase domestic refuse charges (from £37 to £53), domestic water (from £51 to £70) and commercial water charges by 16.63%.

The principal area of cost changes are shown on the following table :

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ITEM	INCREASE 1997	%
	OVER 1996	
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WAGES /SALARIES*	44208	3.17
PENSIONS	7252	4.85
MATERIALS	8669	2.25
MACHINERY	1012	2.25
LOAN CHARGES	-13758	-4.09
INSURANCES	13984	7.71
CHARGES WAIVER	20812	39.95
LANDFILL/REFUSE COSTS	29202	17.42
MAIN DRAINAGE	50000	50.00
DEVELOPMENT FUND	15000	15.00
COUNTY DEMAND	0	
HEALTH INSPECTOR	15000	
CHORAL CONCERT **	5000	
TOUR DE FRANCE	12500	
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* Deferrment of special pay award under P.C.W.

** £5,000 contribution to North / South choral project under the Comoradh '98 programme.

B ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EXISTING PROJECT COMMITMENTS

DEVELOPMENT FUND - Increase by £15,000.

The provision of £15,000 over 12 years will allow for expenditure of approximately £120,000 on the development and improvement of parks and playgrounds.

MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME - Increase by £50,000

Target to increase this provision to £300,000 over the next two years.

CONTRIBUTION TO TOUR DE FRANCE 1998

Provision of £12,500 included as 1st year contribution

C ADDITIONAL NEW PROJECT OPTIONS (not included in present estimate)

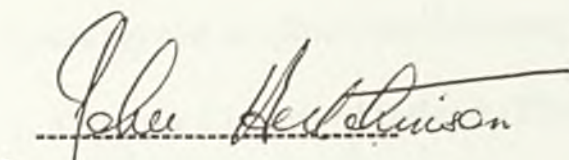
- 1 HOUSING WELFARE OFFICER
- 2 FURTHER PEDESTRIANISATION / STREETSCAPE
IMPROVEMENT IN CENTRE TOWN AREA
- 3 A.P.C. IN SOUTH MAIN STREET
- 4 TRESPAN ROCK (Final phase)
- 5 BOUNDARY EXTENSION
- 6 MUNICIPAL BUILDING REFURBISHMENT
- 7 SENATE SEATS - COMORADH 98

CONCLUSION

The following table shows the income sources which may be used to generate further resources to fund the above listed projects.

ITEM	1996	VALUES
RATES	801 A/Cs £1,033,909 charged	1% = £10339 1p in £ : £286 nett : £561gross
HOUSING RENTS	677 A/Cs £449,200 EST.	1% = £4492
DOMESTIC WATER	6162 A/Cs £323,191 charged	1% = £3232 £1 gives £6162 gross £5237 net
COMM. WATER	680 A/Cs £192,179 charged	1% = £1922
DOMESTIC REFUSE	3687 A/Cs £140,489 charged	1% = £1405 £1 gives £3687 gross £3208 net

Wexford Corporation currently employs 85 people.


JOHN HUTCHINSON

ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER

11th NOVEMBER 1996

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 6.45 P.M. ON 19TH NOVEMBER,
1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS,
WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- G. Byrne.

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

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

December Monthly Meeting.

It was agreed on the request of the V.E.C. to adjourn the December Monthly Meeting to 9th December, 1996.

Conferences.

The attached list of conferences, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed to recommend that His Worship the Mayor attend the European Conference in Dublin.

Conference of Mayors.

His Worship the Mayor reported on the Conference held in Kilkenny and it was agreed to further consider his full report at the next meeting of the Protocol Committee.

Civic Receptions.

It was agreed to afford the following Civic Receptions:-

1. Olympic Council of Ireland - 27th November, 1996 at 5.00 p.m.
2. All Ireland Handball Champions.
3. National Executive - Community Games.

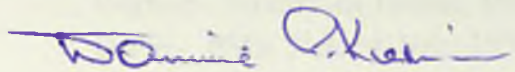
It was agreed that His Worship the Mayor would arrange dates for Nos. 2 and 3.

4. Executive of A.M.A.I. (during course of Seminar in Feb. '97) on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had been invited to Annapolis Naval Academy and the Smithsonian Institute, Washington and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed that His Worship the Mayor accept the invitations.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF Dec. 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

1. 7th Annual Environmental Researchers Colloquium.

Venue:- University of Limerick.

Date:- 31st January, 1997.

Conference Fee:- £30 Expenses:- £260

2. Local Agenda 21 - A New Challenge.

Venue:- Gresham Hotel, Dublin.

Date:- 28th November, 1996.

Conference Fee:- £95.00 Expenses:- £210

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON 19TH NOVEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.
Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.
Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Sgt. D. Redmond, Garda Siochana.
Ms. R. Doyle, Wexford Chamber of Ind. & Comm.
Mr. T. Cleere, Wexford Trades Council.

FLOODING.

The Town Clerk referred to the attached report of the Borough Engineer to the members, copy of which had previously been circulated and following discussion the report was noted.

DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING.

It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the December Monthly Meeting would be held on 9th December, 1996.

MINI ROUNDABOUTS.

The attached report of the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

BUS PARK

A discussion then ensued on the bus park element of Mr. Donnolly's development at Redmond Square. It was agreed that an urgent meeting was required with C.I.E. to implement non-parking of buses on roadway and to request bus-stop as promised. It was further agreed that the Town Clerk, Borough Engineer and Gardai would meet with C.I.E.

DISC PARKING SYSTEM CHANGES

A discussion was then held on disc parking changes and it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck to proceed with disc

parking in Mount George/Abbey Court and King Street. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche that a plebiscite would be held with the Thomas Clarke Place residents and results considered at the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

MOTION

The following motion was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Connor and following discussion unanimously adopted;-

"That this Council requests that go slow signs be erected at entrance to town at Maudlintown/William Street and at Talbot Hotel/Trinity Street area to try and slow speeding traffic".

TRAFFIC CIRCULATION STUDY.

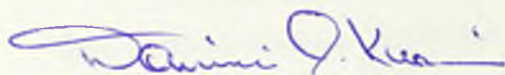
The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the data collection process required as the primary step in undertaking the Traffic Circulation Study would commence in the spring and will be discussed at a meeting of the Borough Council prior to then.

WEXFORD COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNCIL.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was agreed that "No Parking at any time" signs would be at the entrance to St. Brigid's centre (off Clifford Street).

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS ^{9th} DAY OF Dec. 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

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19TH NOVEMBER, 1996

REPORT TO EACH MEMBER
OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

INITIAL REPORT ON LAST NIGHTS FLOODING.
FLOODING 19TH NOVEMBER, 1996.

- High tide (2.7 m theoretical)
- High tide at Midnight (tide increased by force of S.E. gales and held in the Harbour).
- S.E. gales gusting 70 m.p.h. Average 40 m.p.h.
- Rainfall midnight to 10 a.m. - 30 mm approx. (10 times November daily average).
- Extreme low barometric pressure, which increases tide.

Where any of these four climatic conditions coincide, there is likely to be consequential flooding, particularly in the lower areas of the town. When all four coincide, as happened on the 19th November, the consequences can be serious.

The Town Foreman reported flooding to me at 4.50 a.m. approx.

Locations flooded around 4.00 a.m. on the 19th November, 1996:-

Carcur:-

Fire Brigade called out at 4.10 a.m. The road was flooded from the Spawell Road junction for approx. 200 m back towards the Boat Club and of sufficient depth to drain over the low boundary wall with the wet lands (approx. 600 mm). Water entered a number of dwellings.

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The primary cause of this volume of flood was the bursting of the original Co. Council pumped drainage main. When this problem was identified, the pumps were switched off and leaves cleaned off the gullies. Combined with Fire Brigade pumping, this area was cleared by 7 a.m. approx.

The force of the burst lifted footpaths and road. Repairs etc., are being carried out by the Co. Council, who are looking after this area.

The Corporation provided heaters/dehumidifiers to the affected Carcur cottages.

King Street

Fire Brigade called at 4.40 a.m. Flood water entered a number of the lower dwellings to a depth of 350 mm approx. All of this flood water appears to have entered the dwellings from the front rather than the back as usually occurs when flooding is due to primarily high tide levels. This indicates surface water as being the main source due to the extreme rain fall. The Consulting Engineers on the Main Drainage Scheme (the pipe laying is completed in King Street) have been instructed to prepare a detailed report on the cause of last nights flooding, which is the second occurrence of this severity in the last twelve months. From my own investigation that morning likely contributory factors would be:-

The King Street main is still open to the tide, leaves and debris washed down over gully grids, additional over surface flows into King Street from Mill Road and Joseph Street.

The flooding was cleared by 6.30 a.m.

To assist the affected residents, the Corporation provided, from early morning:-

- Manpower to help clean up.
- Provided sand bags requested by residents concerned with a high tide tonight.
- Heaters and dehumidifiers.

John Street:-

Fire Brigade called at 4.50 a.m. Pipe laying is completed in John Street and St. John's Road. The Consultants will also report on this incident. My initial investigation indicates leaves washing over and jamming gully grids, plus possible over surface flow from St. John's Road as main cause of problem.

Area cleared by 5.15 a.m. approx.

North Main Street:-

Water entered one premises in this very localised flooding caused by a blocked gully.

Cleared by 5 a.m. approx.

Common Quay Street:-

Premises not affected.

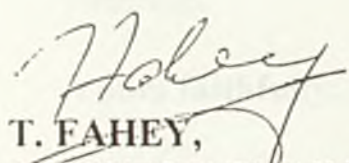
Cleared at 7.15 a.m. by clearing gully.

The blocking of gully grids (not the gully trap) with leaves washed over them in the storm contributes to a number of the above incidents.

It was noticeable during the height of the storm that road surfaces were carpeted with leaves and tree debris blown down by the gales.

No reports have been received, to date, of major structural damage resulting from the storm.

Yours faithfully,



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19TH NOVEMBER, 1996

REPORT TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING.

RE/ MINI-ROUNDBABOUTS ON QUAY.

Dear Member,

I have discussed this proposal with Mr. N. Casey, Senior Executive Engineer, Co. Council, Roads.

Mr. Casey is having an outline design and costings prepared for the Common Quay Street junction. This will establish the practicality of mini-roundabouts along the Quay. He is concerned that the confines of available space may limit their advantage to traffic flow.

When the design is completed, consideration would be given to piloting a mini-roundabout at the above junction, subject to a funding contribution from the Corporation.

The design and costings will be submitted to the next Traffic Management Meeting.

Yours faithfully,

**T. FAHEY,
BOROUGH ENGINEER.**

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MINUTES OF 2ND PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON
WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL
CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.
Ms. J. Eydt, Assistant Staff Officer.

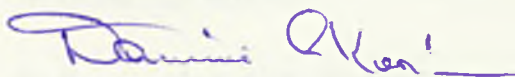
ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1997.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor, the Manager presented a broad outline of his proposals for 1997, copy of which had been circulated to all members, and a lengthy discussion ensued.

Each of the Programme Groups were then considered and clarification was given where requested in respect of the provisions in the Estimate of Expenses. Following consideration of Programme Groups, 1,2,3, and 4 it was agreed to adjourn the meeting and defer further consideration of the Estimate to 6.30 p.m. on 27th November, 1996.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF Dec 1996.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 6.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin.

Councillors:- P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor, M. Furlong,
P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

Apologies from Alderman G. Byrne and Cllr. M. Enright for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

Statutory Estimates Meeting.

On the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed to adjourn the Statutory Estimates Meeting.

3rd Preliminary Estimates Meeting.

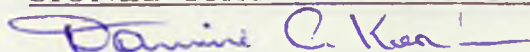
Programme Groups, 5,6,7 and 8 were then considered and queries in respect of the provisions in the Estimate of Expenses were answered by officials in attendance.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that the Protocol Committee should carry out a survey of other Borough Councils to establish the level of the Mayor's expenses and other expenses in those authorities.

Following lengthy discussion on the Estimate of Expenses it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche to adjourn the meeting to 7.30 p.m. on 12th December, 1996 and to defer the meeting to discuss the Tidy Towns to a future date.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF Dec. 1996.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reek, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. L. Foley, Acting Borough Engineer.
Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 4th November, 1996, 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 and the recommendations contained therein, copies of which had previously been circulated were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan:-

- a. 1st Preliminary Estimates Meeting held on 11.11.96.
- b. Protocol Committee Meeting held on 19.11.96.
- c. Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 19.11.96.
- d. 2nd Preliminary Estimates Meeting held on 20.11.96
- e. Statutory Estimates Meeting held on 27.11.96.

Borough Boundary Extension.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that a report on the Borough Boundary Extension would be considered at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

Conveyance of Right-of-way - Spawell Road.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to authorise conveyance of right-of-way over Corporation land at Forth View, Spawell Road, Wexford, to Mr. Turlough Colfe pursuant to the provisions of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 as amended by Section 88(3) of the Housing Act, 1996 in accordance with Notice dated 25th November, 1996.

Overdraft.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the provision of overdraft accommodation in the sum of £205,000 for years 1995, 1996 and 1997 in accordance with Borough Accountant's report as attached.

Deputation to An Taoiseach.

The attached letter from Enniscorthy U.D.C. was then considered and it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche that His Worship the Mayor and one member would attend and it was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Roche that Cllr. N. Kavanagh would be the member to attend with His Worship the Mayor.

MOTIONS

Spawell Road/Redmond Road.

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

"That a full report and appraisal of proposed traffic flows/pedestrianisation in relation to proposed new roadway from Spawell Road to Redmond Road be put before this Council and that a full presentation be made by our officials to the residents and business people in the affected areas so that their views may be heard in relation to proposed traffic flows and the effects of the proposals on peoples' livelihoods and hardships to residents".

During discussion on the motion the Town Clerk stated that the roadway being provided would be finished early in 1997 and would provide opportunities for improved traffic management arrangements. He further stated that there will be full consultation and discussion on possible revised traffic management. Following further discussion it was

agreed that a full report on the proposal would be considered at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

St. Magdalens Terrace.

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

"That this Council again calls on the Department of the Environment to include St. Magdalens Terrace houses in the scheme for Remedial Works".

Following discussion on the motion it was agreed that the Town Clerk would take the matter up again with the Department of the Environment.

Smokeless Fuels.

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

"This Borough Council shall consider ways and means of promoting more widespread use of 'smokeless' fuels in the Wexford Urban area".

During discussion on the motion the proposer stated that he accepted that there were no problems insofar as legal standards were concerned but considered the content of the motion as an opportunity to improve the environment.

QUESTIONS

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Borough Engineer stated that the broken footpath outside 147 Liam Mellows Park had been repaired.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the number of landlords who had registered their properties was 72 and the number of properties registered was 185.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Assistant County Manager stated that the County Council's public information exhibition on the temporary closure of Wexford Bridge would be put on display in Wexford Town in the new year.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer stated that the Corporation would run a Community Employment Scheme in 1997 independently.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 13th DAY OF Jan 1997.

Dominic M. Keane
MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you regarding the development of the Wexford Corporation's Community Employment Scheme for 1997. The Corporation is currently in the process of developing a Community Employment Scheme for 1997. The scheme will be run independently of the Corporation and will be a voluntary scheme. The scheme will be run by the Corporation and will be a voluntary scheme. The scheme will be run by the Corporation and will be a voluntary scheme.

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Yours faithfully,

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Wexford Corporation — The Corporation's Community Employment Scheme for 1997

WEXFORD CORPORATION

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN

Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings,
Wexford.

Telephone Nos. 42611 & 42987
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Loch Garman.*

Town Clerk : D. F. Curtin

Our Ref: PC/ED

5th December, 1996

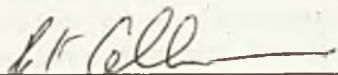
TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

Arising out of major capital development from time to time in the course of each financial year which negatively impacts on the Corporation cash flow, the current account goes into overdraft. This occurrence is short-term on any one occasion, but in order to comply with statutory requirements, it is necessary to have the overdraft authorised. (The cost of such facilities has been included in the Estimate for 1995 and 1996 and the proposed estimate for 1997).

On a financial year basis there is no detrimental effect to the Corporation's overall position.

Yours faithfully,


PAT COLLINS,
BOROUGH ACCOUNTANT.

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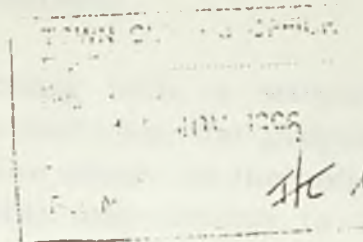


Oifig Chleirigh an Bhaile
(Town Clerk's Office)

Inis Corthaidh
(Enniscorthy)

8th November, 1996

Mr. Don Curtin,
Town Clerk,
Wexford Corporation,
Municipal Buildings,
Wexford.



Handwritten signature/initials

Dear Don,

This Council as a United front are asking for a deputation to An Taoiseach John Bruton, T.D., to secure jobs for the towns of County Wexford, and would further ask that Wexford Corporation might nominate 2/3 people to form deputation so that the necessary arrangements might be made to meet An Taoiseach.

Set out hereunder text of resolution adopted by this Council at Special Meeting held on 6th November, 1996.

"It was proposed by Cllr. Billy Quirke, seconded by Cllr. Keith Doyle, and agreed to ask Wexford Corporation, New Ross U.D.C., and Gorey Town Commissioners, to join Enniscorthy U.D.C. in deputation to An Taoiseach, John Bruton, T.D., to secure much needed jobs for the towns of County Wexford".

Perhaps you might now let me have the names of the Members of Wexford Corporation who will join Enniscorthy U.D.C., on the deputation.

Yours Sincerely,

TOWN CLERK

Bain triail as Beagán gaeilge

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MINUTES OF STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY 12TH
DECEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. L. Foley, Acting Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

His Worship the Mayor opened the meeting with a statement summarising the matters to be decided in considering the proposed Estimate of Expenses, following which a discussion ensued on the options available to the Borough Council on possible amendments to the proposed Estimate.

Following further discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche to adjourn the meeting to 9.30 a.m. on 15th December, 1996.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 13th DAY OF Jan 1997.



MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD
BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 9.30 A.M. ON SUNDAY 15TH
DECEMBER, 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. D.M. Kiernan.

Aldermen:- P. Reck, A. Fenlon, T. Howlin, G. Byrne.

Councillors:- M. Enright, P. Nolan, N. Kavanagh, E. O'Connor,
M. Furlong, P. Roche, J. O'Flaherty.

In Attendance:- Mr. J. Hutchinson, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Collins, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting a vote was taken on the proposal of Cllr. Furlong seconded by Cllr. Enright to defer consideration of the Estimates pending an announcement by the Minister for the Environment with regard to the abolition of water charges which resulted as follows:-

In Favour:- Cllr. Furlong, Cllr. Enright (2).

Against:- Ald. Reck, Ald. Byrne, Ald. Fenlon, Ald. Howlin.

Cllrs. Kiernan, Nolan, Kavanagh, Roche, O'Connor,
O'Flaherty (10).

The motion was declared lost.

It was then proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that the Estimate of Expenses as submitted be amended as follows:-

Proposed Rev. Exp.	£3,785,706	Proposed Rev. Rec.	£2,863,113
Reduce provision for Health Inspection	-£ 6,500	Reduce Domestic Water Charges	-£ 24,648
Reduce Water Waivers	-£ 6,227	Increase Planning Fees	+£ 6,000
Reduce Operation of Drainage.	-£ 17,200	Increase Caravan Park Fees.	+£ 2,800
Reduce Contribution to Tour de France	-£ 5,000	Reduce Domestic Refuse Charges	-£ 47,931
Reduce Devel. Fund	-£ 7,000		
Reduce Operation of Dump	-£ 10,500		
Reduce Central Management Charges	-£ 4,652		
Reduce Refuse Waivers	-£ 3,700		

Reduce Choral Concert -£ 3,000

Total Amendments	-£63,779	Total Amendments - £63,779
Amended Rev. Exp.	£3,721,927	Amended Rev. Rec. £2,799,334

and that the revised Estimate of Expenses be adopted and arising therefrom a rate in the £ of £37.54 be adopted in respect of the financial year 1997 and services charges as follows would be applied in 1997 to each domestic unit:-

Domestic Water Charges £66 p.a. payable in two equal half moieties on 1st January, 1997 and 1st July, 1997.

Domestic Refuse Charge £40 p.a. payable in two equal half moieties on 1st January, 1997 and 1st July, 1997.

It was further agreed that the provision of £8,500 in respect of the provision of a Health Inspector be placed in a suspense account pending clarification of the present basis for such provision and agreement on the level of service to be provided to Wexford Corporation by such Health Inspector.

Investigation is to be carried out into the feasibility of Wexford Corporation charging for entry in the landfill site by a ticket system.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. In accepting the proposal, the Manager drew attention to a number of areas of concern.

The reduction of £7,000 from the Development Fund would reduce by half the amount of finance available to fund improvements to parks/open spaces.

The reduction of £10,500 in the operation of the dump will cause problems in the forthcoming year because of the 50% increase in the entrance charges to the County Council landfill site at Killurin. The proposed estimate had costed this provision on the basis of the Corporation's 1996 usage, which was likely to be repeated in 1997.

The figure of £5,000 which was input to fund the Choral Concert was reduced to £2,000 with the balance of £3,000 to be included in the 1998 Estimate.

Similarly the contribution to the Tour de France could be spread over a number of years.

The reduction of £4,652 in the Central Management Charge could cause problems particularly in the light of the recently announced national pay agreement, which had not been provided for in the proposed Estimate.

The reduction of operation of drainage provision by £17,200 was a matter which would have to be addressed again in the 1998 Estimates.

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

In Favour:- Ald. Reck, Byrne, Fenlon, Howlin.
Cllrs. Kiernan, Nolan, Kavanagh, Roche, O'Connor,
O'Flaherty (10).
Against:- Cllrs. Furlong, Enright (2).

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 13th DAY OF January 1997.


MAYOR OF WEXFORD.