MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13TH JANUARY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

Apologies from Alderman Howlin and Cllr. Kavanagh for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Mr. P. Callery, County Engineer.

Mr. E. Fitzgerald, Consultant Engineer.

Mr. D. Cahalan, Consultant Engineer.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor wished a speedy recovery to Cllr. Kavanagh from a recent accident. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of good wishes.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

His Worship the Mayor then welcomed the County Engineer and Consultant Engineers to the meeting. The Manager stated that the Corporation had now reached a very important stage in the Main Drainage Scheme. The Environmental Impact Statement had now been prepared and he outlined for the meeting the statutory proceedure in relation to the assessment of this statement. He stated that the Main Drainage Scheme would comply with the highest standards of the European Community and requested the County Engineer and Consultants to explain the technical aspects of the proposal.

The County Engineer outlined the considerations taken into account in the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement in relation to the proposed Treatment Plant for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme. He referred in particular to the sludge disposal aspect of the Treatment Plant and stated that it was now a statutory requirement that sludge treatment of all septic tanks/small sewerage schemes/ships sludge should be treated before disposal into marine waters and that the Treatment Plant proposed for the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme had been adjusted to take these new statutory requirements into account in relation to other parts of the county without such treatment facilities including Rosslare Harbour and ships using this port.

Mr. Fitzgerald, Consulting Engineer then gave a slide presentation of a summary of the Environmental Impact Statement findings which was considered in depth by the Borough Council.

In reply to questions the County Engineer stated that the sludge from outside of the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme which would be dealt with by the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme Treatment Plant would only be transported in sealed tankers and proper reception facilities to ensure no adverse impact on the environment would be provided at the proposed Treatment Plant site at Kerlogue. In reply to further questions Mr. Fitzgerald stated that the optimum point of all discharge of treated effluent into the harbour had been identified by An Foras Forbartha at a point between the training walls in the harbour which he indicated on the map. Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed the reports were adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan. His Worship the Mayor then thanked the County Engineer and Consultants for their attendance at the meeting and the County Engineer and Consultants then departed.

PLANNING.

The following four motions were then considered:-

- (a) "It is hereby resolved that pursuant to Section 26(3) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39(d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, to consider deciding to grant a permission for building rear boundary wall at No. 102, Kennedy Park, Wexford, by Mr. John Shortle, which said development would materially contravene the Development Plan 1984 for Wexford Town and environs."
- (b) "It is hereby resolved that, pursuant to Section 26(3) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39(d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, to consider deciding to grant a permission for erection of a Funeral Home at Whitewell, Distillery Road, Wexford, by Mr. J. Fox, The Bullring, Wexford, on behalf of Bernard Macken, Distillery Road, Wexford, which said development would materially contravene the Development Plan 1984 for Wexford Town and environs".
- (c)"It is hereby resolved that pursuant to Section 26(3) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39(d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1976, to consider deciding to grant an outline permission to erect 22 no. dwellings at Whitemill South, WExford, by Raymond Kelly, 80, South Main Street, Wexford, on behalf of the Sisters of Mercy, Summerhill, Wexford, which said development would materially contravene the Development Plan 1984 for Wexford Town and environs".
- (d) "It is hereby resolved that pursuant to Section 26(3) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act 1963, as amended by Section 39(d) of the Local Government (Planning & Development) Act, 1976, to consider deciding to grant a permission for the erection of a single storey surgery at Clonard Avenue (Whitemill North/Newtown), Wexford, by M/s. Lennon O`Keeffe Associates, 10, Selskar Street, Wexford, on behalf of Dr. Thomas O`Leary, "Lynd

House", Clonard, Wexford, which said development would materially contravene the Development Plan 1984 for Wexford Town and Environs".

The report from the Town Clerk, copy of which had previously been circulated was also considered.

Following discussion to which all members contributed, the report was adopted and the four motions outlined above were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 13th December, 1991, copy of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

DATES FOR MEETINGS.

On the proposal of Alderman Reck seconded by Cllr. Enright it was agreed that a meeting of the Housing Committee of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 7.00 p.m. on 16th January, 1992.

It was agreed that a meeting of the G.P. Committee of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 7.30 p.m. on 27th January, 1992 and that at the beginning of this meeting the presentation of a painting by Ms. May McElroy would take place.

It was agreed that the Joint Meeting between Wexford Borough Council and the District Commmittee of Wexford County Council would take place at 7.30 p.m. on 23rd January, 1992.

It was agreed that the Traffic Management Committee Meeting of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 7.30 p.m. on 10th February, 1992.

It was agreed that a date for a meeting of the Jobs Forum would be fixed at the February Monthly Meeting.

DISPOSAL OF LAND.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Alderman Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Grogan's Road to Liam Mellows Social Club in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966 dated 18th December, 1991 as had previously been circulated.

MOTIONS.

Residential Unit for Elderly

It was agreed that the following two motions would be treated as a composite motion:-

"This Borough Council calls on the South Eastern Health Board to provide in Wexford Town a long-stay residential unit for the

elderly".

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Health to immediately make funds available for the provision of permanent residential accommodation for the old and infirm of Wexford Town and surrounding area".

The composite motion was proposed by Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Enright and following discussion was unanimously adopted. Arising out of discussion on the motion it was agreed to seek the support of the local Oireachtas Members for the proposals contained in the motions and to seek a deputation to the Minister for Health to outline the existing need for such a facility in Wexford Town particularly having regard to the growing population of elderly persons within Wexford Borough.

Derelict Sites.

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

"That Wexford Corporation resolve to list and communicate with all owners of Derelict Sites throughout the town".

In reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the action which had been taken to-date under the new Derelict Sites Act in relation to particular sites mentioned by members and assured the Borough Council that the derelict sites programme was being actively pursued by the Borough Council.

FLATS AT HIGH STREET.

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

"That Wexford Corporation takes whatever steps are necessary to ensure that trouble eminating from a flat complex in High Street be discontinued".

In moving the motion the proposer read a record of complaint from an adjoining householder to these flats and this was noted by the meeting. It was agreed that this matter together with interneighbour disputes in Corporation Housing Estates on which records be available in Corporation Offices would be further considered at a future meeting when the advice of the Corporation's Legal Advisor in relation to the Corporation's legal authority in such cases would be available. Following futher discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

PUBLIC LIGHTING - ASHFIELD DRIVE.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche and following discussion during which it was noted that a similar motion had been adopted at the December Monthly Meeting, was unanimously adopted:-

"That Wexford Corporation provide public lighting at the entrance to Ashfield Drive".

MEANS TESTING OF E.S.F. EDUCATIONAL GRANTS.

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

"This Borough Council calls on the Department of Education not to introduce a means test for the maintenance element of E.S.F. Grants."

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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TO EACH MEMBER OF.
WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.



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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

10th January, 1992.

RE/- Wexford Town Development Plan and 4 x motions listed at Item 2 on Agenda for Meeting of 13th January, 1992.

Dear Member,

The position in relation to the review of the development plan is as follows:-

The Wexford Draft Development Plan 1991 was adopted by Wexford Corporation on 28th February, 1991. It was placed on display from 29th April, 1991 to 1st August, 1991. Objections and representations received during the display period were considered by the Borough Council at a Special Meeting on Wednesday 25th September, 1991. The Borough Council agreed to certain material changes in the Draft Plan which required that statutory one months notice be given to the general public of the proposed revisions.

The Wexford Development Plan is in part in respect of the statutory Municipal Borough and in part in respect of the environs of Wexford. The adoption of the development plan in respect of the latter part is a matter for Wexford County Council. This body are still considering proposed amendments to the Draft Development Plan in respect of their area of responsibility and accordingly advertising of the further statutory 1 month display period by the Corporation has been delayed. This matter can be discussed at the proposed meeting between the Wexford District Committee of Wexford County Council and the Corporation.

In the meantime some planning applications have been made which if granted would be contrary to the 1984 Development Plan but which would be allowed if the 1992 Plan was in force. The Borough Engineer has reported on these applications as follows:-

(1) P&D 4246 - J. Shortle, 102, Kennedy Park, Wexford (Motion 2(a) refers).

Building rear boundary wall, probibited by current zoning "Amenity Open Space" (1984 Development Plan) and permitted in proposed "residential" zoning in 1992 Plan.

(2) P&D 4278 - B. Macken, Distillery Road, Wexford. (Motion 2(b) refers).

Funeral home prohibited by current "Industrial" zoning of site (1984 Development Plan) and open to consideration in proposed residential zoning in 1992 Plan.

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(3) P&D 4109 - Sisters of Mercy, Whitemill South, Wexford (Motion 2(c) refers).

22 no. dwellings prohibited due to most of site currently zoned "Amenity Open Space" (1984 Development Plan) and permitted in proposed "residential" zoning in 1992 Plan.

Motion 2(d) on the agenda refers to an application for a Doctors Surgery at Clonard North. The Borough Engineer reported on this application as follows:-

P&D 4323 - This site is located at the edge of the industrially zoned area (opposite the Liam Mellows Park Housing Site). I would not recommend a material contravention or variation to accommodate a dwelling. However the surgery does meet a need in the area. I would recommend a material contravention process in this case.

At the Special Meeting of 25th September, 1991 the Borough Council adopted a proposal to alter the zoning of land at Whitemill South on which was situated the Telecom Tower from industrial zoning to residential zoning. This alteration was made on the application of a proposed developer of the site who had made an application for outline permission for a residential and commercial development on the site. Subsequent to the 25th September, 1991, the proposed developer submitted specifics of the mix of development proposed. Part of this mix would be contrary to residential zoning and it is recommended by the Borough Engineer that the proposed residential zoning be amended to residential on that part of the site fronting Mulgannon Road and Town Centre on the balance of the site to Distillery Road. The detailed recommendation of the Borough Engineer is attached together with a map of the site.

The approval of the Borough Council to the recommendations above is recommended.

Yours faithfully,

D.M. Curtin, Town Clerk. DANDAS LUCI GANIVIAIN

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

REPORT TO TOWN CLERK.

RE/ RECOMMENDATION FOR DEALING WITH FLEXFORD'S OUTLINE APPLICATION, VIS A VIS ZONING.
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT-MIX: RESIDENTIAL, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, RETAIL.

This 23,050 sq. m. site is an eyesore on a Main Regional Approach road to the Town Centre. It has unsuccessfully been put on the market at various times over the last 12 years being zoned Industrial in the 1984 Development Plan and Residential in the 1978 Development Plan. The 1991 Draft Development Plan, as agreed by the Corporation, zones the site Residential.

This Outline Planning Application is the first firm proposal from the private sector to develop the site.

The developer submitted the specifics of the mix of development on the 6th December, i.e., well after the Corporation agreed the Draft Plan. The proposed mix being as follows (see layout map).

- (1) Residential.
- (2) Light Industrial Use.
- (3) Car Showroom.
- (4) Furniture Showroom.
- (5) Kitchen Fitting Showroom and Workshop.
- (6) Funeral Home.
- (7) Workshops.
- (8) Garden Centre.

This range of uses is appropriate to a <u>Town Centre Zoning</u> rather than the <u>Industrial Zoning under the current 1984</u> Development Plan or the proposed Residential Zoning in the Draft Plan.

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Assuming this Outline Application is dealt with by a Section 39 (d) under the 1984 Development Plan, Industrial Zoning, and the approval is sought after the 1991 Draft Development Plan, Residential Zoning, is adopted, a second Section 39 (d) may be required. Equally if the approval process is inappropriate due to changes in layout etc., a second section 39 (d) will be required. These complications arise from the fact that (a) we are dealing with an Outline Application. (b) Neither the existing or proposed zonings are appropriate to the proposed mix of development. The appropriate zoning would be Town Centre.

The options open to the Corporation are :-

- (1) Refuse on grounds that it is contrary to the Industrial Zoning of the 1984 Plan.
- (2) Go through the double material contravention process.
- (3) Request a 6 month extension from the developer and put to the Members that the site be zoned residential on that part fronting Mulgannon Road and Town Centre on the balance to Distillery Road in the 1991 Draft Development Plan.

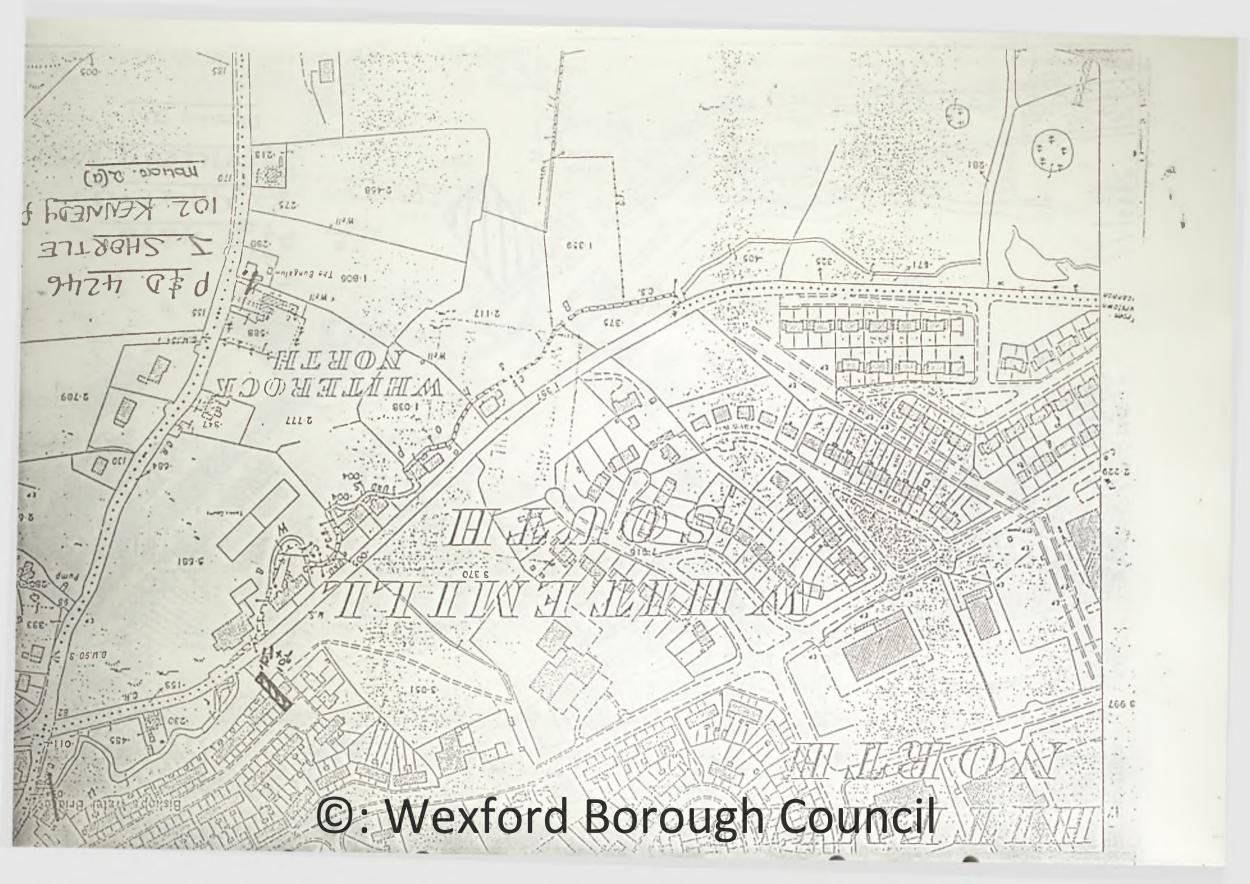
I have discussed these options with Mr. W. Fewer, Architect. He is prepared to give a six month extension on the current Outline Application, particularly if this did not preclude him from applying for permission for the residential element. I explained to him that he was not so precluded. Residential would require a Section 39 (d) under the 1984 Plan, but would be a permitted use under the 1991 Draft Development Plan.

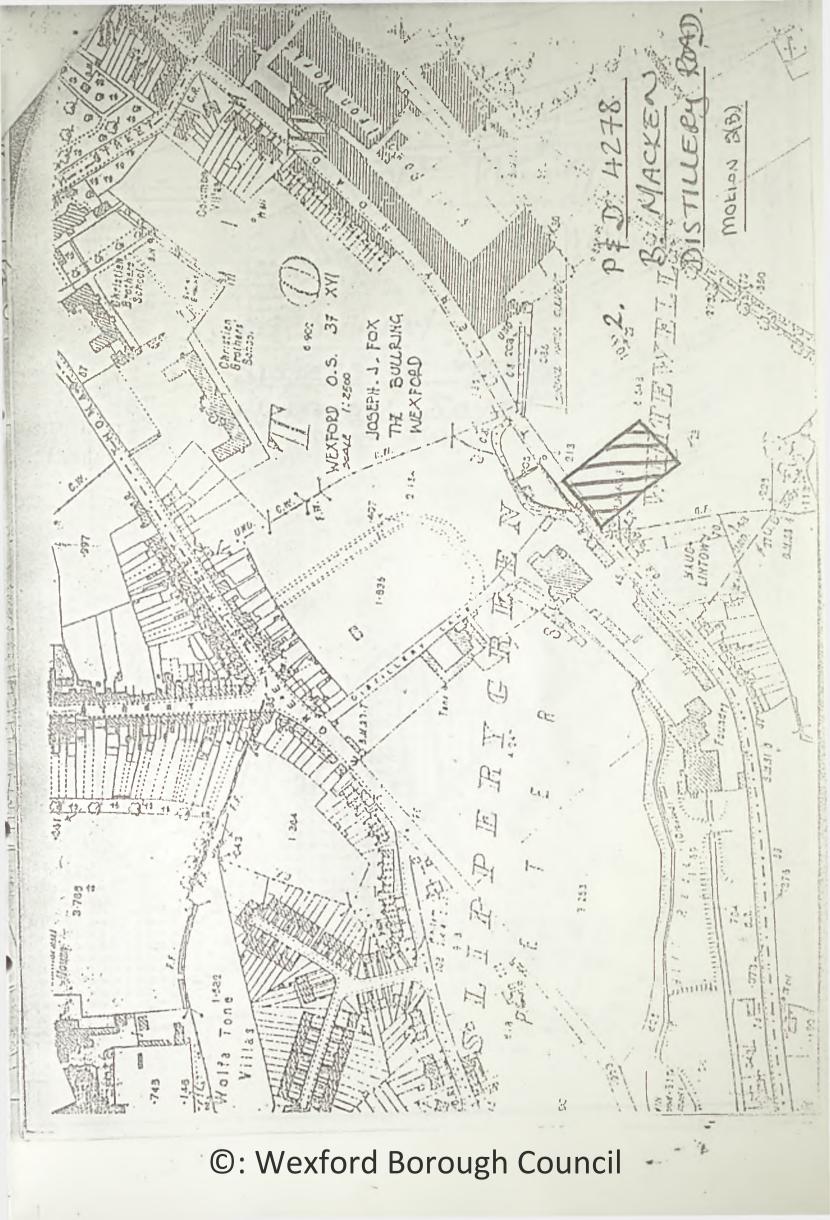
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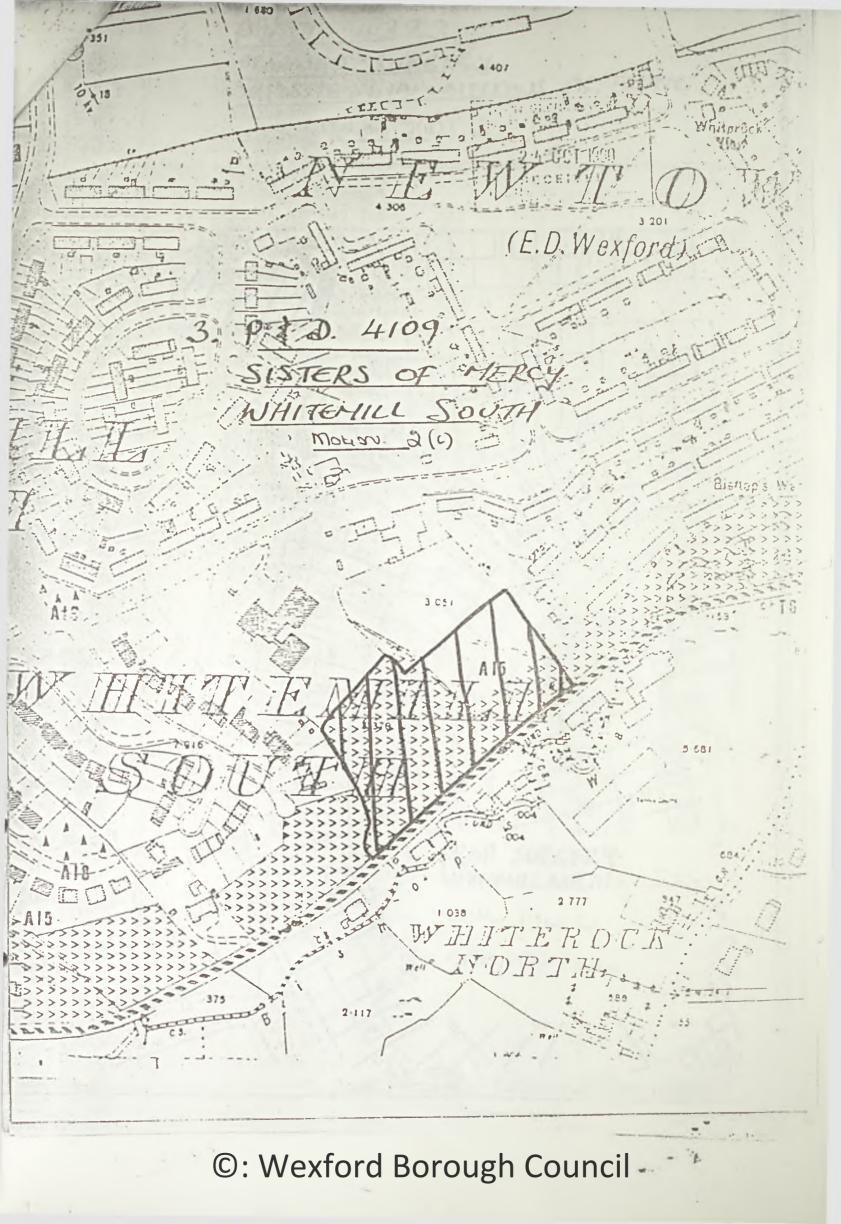
I recommend Option (3) above.

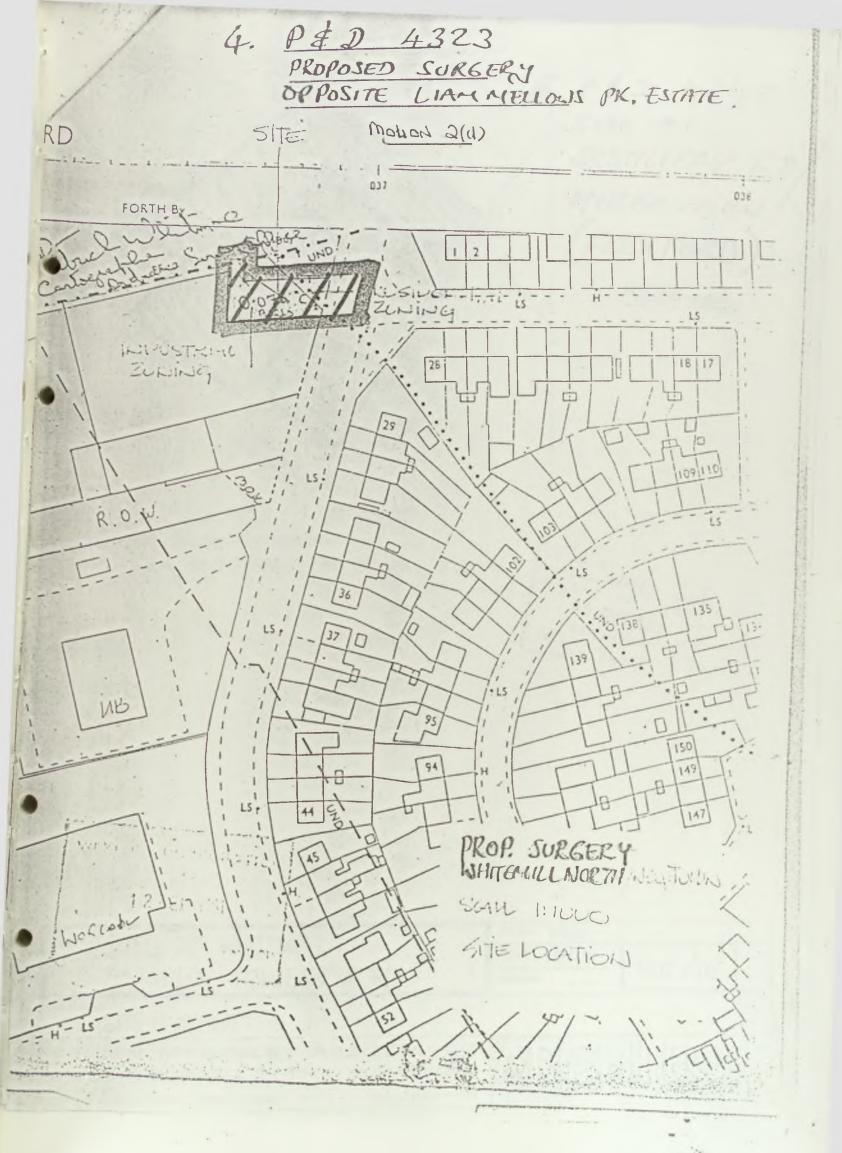
T. FAHEY, BOROUGH ENGINEER.

17TH DECEMBER, 1991.

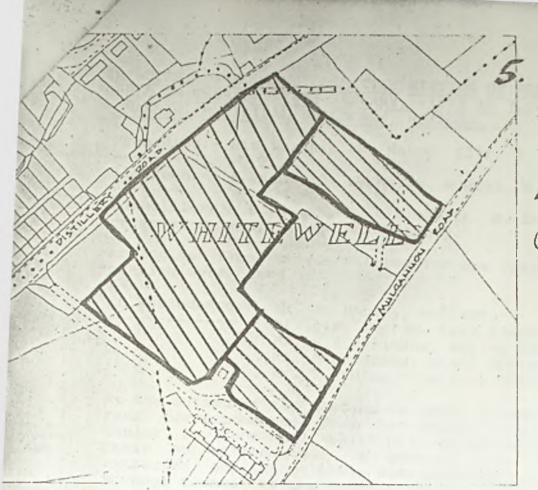








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MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY, 1992 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche, ----- H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

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

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. K. Cullinane, Acting Borough Engineer.

Mr. M. Redmond, Staff Officer. Mr. T. Nolan, Clerical Officer.

At the outset of the meeting in reply to questions the Town Clerk read correspondence from the County Medical Officer and the Senior Environmental Health Officer outlining their reasons for their non-attendance. A general view of the members was expressed outlining their disappointment at the slight to the Borough Council at the non-attendance of the Medical Officer and in reply to questions the Manager stated that he also was disappointed at the lack of representation and stated that he would be taking the matter up further with the Health Board.

A number of individual applications were then referred to by each member and a general view was expressed that in some cases all of the circumstances did not appear to have been taken into account by the Health Inspectors. The Manager in response to the discussion again outlined his disppointment at the non-attendance of the Medical Officer or his staff whose attendance would have enabled clarification of a number of questions raised by the members to be given. However he stated that since there was a statutory requirement to review again all housing applicants on the 1st April, 1992, members should finalise their consideration of the recommendations in relation to the 1991 lists. Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Borough Council would continue with the meeting to consider the lists. A vote was taken on this proposal which resulted as follows:-

In Favour: - Cllrs. Enright, Roche (2).

Against: - Ald. Reck, G. Byrne, B. Howlin, D.M. Kierna, Cllrs.
----- Nolan, O'Flaherty, Byrne, Corish, Mahoney (9).

The majority being against the proposal the proposal was declared lost and it was further agreed that at the forthcoming G.P. Committee Meeting the housing lists poisiton would again be

considered with a view to finalising same.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, AND THE HELD ON BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

County Councillors: - Senator A. Doyle, Cllr. L. Carthy.

In Attendance: - Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.

Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
Mr. P. Callery, County Engineer.

Mr. K. Cullinane, Acting Borough Engineer.

Mr. D. Bohen, Planner.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor welcomed Cllr. Kavanagh back to the Chamber after his recent illness and all members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf staff associated with this.

FOOTPATHS AT ROSSLARE ROAD.

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

"That repairs be carried out to footpaths from the Cheese Factory to Aiseiri Wexford Ltd., Treatment Centre".

The County Engineer in reply to the discussion on the motion stated that he accepted the terms of the motion but that to-date no grant notification from the Department of the Environment had However he stated that it was hoped to been received for 1992. make a start on this job during the current year.

JOINT PUBLIC LIGHTING PROGRAMME FOR WEXFORD TOWN & ENVIRONS

The Manager stated that this item had been placed on the agenda to discuss the quality of public lighting throughout the town and environs. He stated that the E.S.B. had been requested to give a report outlining their recommendations for an improvement in the public lighting system and that this report was expected to received shortly. This was noted with satisfaction by the meeting and a general discussion was held to which all members contributed and during which members referred to inadequacies in the public lighting system in particular areas in the town and environs. In reply to questions the County Engineer stated that the matter of replacement of lanterns was a national problem which was being discussed between the Department of the Environment and the E.S.B. and officials of Local Authorities. It had now been agreed that on national routes the department would replace over the coming three years the old mercury lanterns and that in County Wexford, Wexford and Gorey Districts had been established as a priority. He stated that he would raise the faulty lights outlined at the meeting with the E.S.B. immediately and he pointed out that if lanterns are out for a significant time the bill for lighting issued by the E.S.B. was not paid.

JOINT ROADS AND FOOTPATH PROGRAMME FOR WEXFORD TOWN & ENVIRONS

The Manager stated that proposals were currently being prepared the upgrading of roads and footpaths in the Borough and which would have regard to the effect of the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme and which would be undertaken over an agreed number of years. This was noted with satisfaction by the meeting. A number of areas requiring improvement were then raised by members and a lenghty discussion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the County Engineer stated that in general footpaths were a serious problem in the county and needed urgent attention. Speed limit proposals were awaiting grant funding before implementation. He stated that Windmill Hill footpath was earmarked for commencement of work in the current year and that the provision of a mini roundabout at Browne's Pub would be considered. It was difficult to see capital investment being made available for the provision of new footpaths given the current funding climate and he stated that maintenance is all that could be undertaken in the forseeable future. In relation to road openings by the E.S.B. and Telecom he pointed out that the Corporation and County Council's policy in relation to restoration required that final restoration would be of a like material to that which had been excavated. Manager stated that when the programme was drawn up priority would be established for each of the individual areas and this programme would be implemented given appropriate funding.

BOROUGH BOUNDARY EXTENSION.

In reply to Cllr. Kavanagh the Manager stated that there was as yet no official indication of the Local Government Re-Organisation proposals other than what had been reported in newspapers but that it was expected that announcements would be made in relation to same within the coming months. A lengthy discussion on the proposal to extend the borough boundary of Wexford was held to which all members contributed and on reorganisation in general. A concensus view was expressed that the boundary should be extended and it was agreed that immediately any announcement had been made in relation to the proposed Local Government Re-Organisation, that a further meeting of the Borough Council and Wexford District Committee of Wexford County Council would be held to discuss the immediate pursuance of an extension

to the existing borough boundary. Further arising out of the discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty to request the observations of the Wexford Town V.E.C. on the implications for vocational education should Wexford Borough Council be abolished in the proposals for Local Government Re-Organisation.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

Plans for the extension of the Quays at Wexford in connection with the Main Drainage Scheme, which had previously been adopted by the Borough Council, were on display at the meeting. Senator Doyle stated that whilst she had no difficulty in accepting the urgent need for the Wexford Town Main Drainage Scheme, requested that the options for dealing with the Interceptor Sewer should be further examined since she did not agree with the proposal adopted by the Borough Council which she claimed would detrementally alter the character of the existing quays. Doyle also suggested that the Ballast Bank be included in the Development Plan for total preservation. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed during which it was outlined the serious and carefull consideration given by the Borough Council to the proposals which had now been adopted. reply to questions the County Manager stated that the scheme as designed and adopted by the Borough Council had been submitted to the Department of the Environment in 1986 for Contract Document approval and the entire Main Drainage Scheme was now included in the present Department of the Environment Sanitary Services The effect of materially altering the present Programme. proposal would be to seriously delay the implementation of the much need Main Drainage Scheme. He pointed out that at present the woodenworks were not insurable and that the waterfront proposal adopted by the Borough Council was more pedestrian friendly than at present. He supported the policy of the Corporation adopted in relation to the Quay Extension which on display at the meeting and pointed out that a model of this proposal was currently being prepared and would be put on public view when available. He referred to the policies adopted by the Borough Council to make the Town Centre of Wexford more pedestrian friendly and stated that he agreed with these policies. He outlined as examples the proposals to create pedestrian priority zones at Redmond Square and to provide an inner one-way ring road between the Quays and John Street which he said would be discussed at the forthcoming meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

Following further discussion to which all members contributed His Worship the Mayor thanked the members and officials of Wexford County Council for their attendance and it was agreed that the joint meetings would be held on a more regular basis in the future.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

DATED THIS

3rd DAY OF February 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 27TH JANUARY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

PRESENTATION OF PAINTING.

His Worship the Mayor welcomed Ms. Mai McElroy to the Chamber. Ms. McElroy presented a painting which was one of her own works of the restored Westgate Tower and stated that she was making this presentation in recognition of the excellent restoration work which the Corporation had undertaken in recent years. His Worship the Mayor on behalf of the Borough Council thanked Ms. McElroy for her outstanding painting and for her kind remarks and Ms. McElroy then departed from the meeting.

AMENITY & CULTURAL GRANTS.

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

The Town Clerk stated that when this report had been submitted to the December Monthly Meeting held on 13th December, 1991 it had been agreed to defer consideration of same to the current meeting. The Town Clerk also suggested that in dealing with grants for capital development programmes by voluntary groups and clubs that the following general rules would apply:-

- (1) The allocation of a grant would be on the basis of not being more than 50% of the proposed cost of the development work.
- (2) The allocation of the grant would be in respect of development work of a capital nature.
- (3) The grant would be paid on foot of vouched expenditure in respect of the entire development work.

This suggestion was agreed by the meeting and a lengthy discussion on the detail of allocation of the grants then ensued to which all members contributed. Following this discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche that a grant of £1,000 would be allocated to St. Mary's Handball Club for their capital development programme. It was proposed by Cllr.

Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that a grant of £1,500 would be allocated to Liam Mellows Social Club in respect of their capital development programme. It was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin that the 1992 estimate in respect of amenity/cultural grants together with application for bursaries received would be considered at a meeting of the Borough Council which would be held within 6 weeks of the date of the meeting being held.

Following discussion these three proposals were unanimously adopted.

PLANNING.

Planning applications received since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered and noted. In relation to a planning application for the development of housing scheme at the backlands of John Street the Borough Engineer in reply to Alderman Howlin stated that plans of the scheme would be displayed for the purusal of the Borough Council at the next meeting. Arising out of the discussion a concencus view was expressed that the houses in this scheme should be as moderately priced as possible so as to enable the scheme to make an impact on the very large demand for family housing. Other questions raised in relation to individual applications were answered by officials in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following resolution from Timmperary SR County Council was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Nolan:-

"That the Department of the Environment be requested to introduce a new Tenant Purchase Scheme for Local Authority houses similar to the last scheme as a matter of urgency".

Details regarding Seminar "Keep it Going with Good Practices in Community Enterprise", details of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Bantry Town Commissioners stating that Borough Council's resolution re Sellafield was unanmously adopted at their Monthly Meeting, was noted.

An invitation from the A.M.A.I. for the Borough Council to attend at a Seminar on The Future of Local Government to be held in Kinsale on 14th/15th February, 1992 was considered. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the two official delegates of the Borough Council to the A.M.A.I. would attend this Seminar.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re Remedial

Works Scheme stating that same was receiving attention and a further letter would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Health thanking Borough Council for their letter regarding direct representation on the S.E.H.B. by Wexford Corporation stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention as soon as possible, was noted.

Details of Seminar "The Creation of an Irish Sea Forum - To enhance the sea's economic and environment resources", copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re allocation for Remedial Works Schemes at Talbot Green, Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown, stating that the matter is receiving attention and a further letter will issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Wexford County Council re erection of barrier at the entrance to St. Joseph's Boys Club, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following resolution from Dun Laoghaire Corporation was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Alderman Howlin:-

"That this Council supports the transfer of profits accruing to the National Lottery to local authorities broadly in proportion to the population in each area and that a cooy of this resolution be circulated to each local authority in Ireland".

A letter from the Private Secretary to the Minister for the Environment acknowleding receipt of the Borough Council's request for increased funding for remedial works schemes at Talbot Green, Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown, was then considered. It was agreed following discussion on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche that a further letter would be sent to the Minster requesting his favourable response to this request.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment thanking Borough Council for their letter calling on the Minister to retain and strengthen the present Borough Urban Councils stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Industry & Commerce acknowleding receipt of Borough Council's resolution re increases applied by vintners on drink prices stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention at the earliest opportunity and a further reply would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

An invitation for the Borough Council to attend at the Local Authorities Members Association 9th Annual Conference in Donegal Town on 23rd - 24th April, 1992 was then considered. On the

proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Nolan would attend as a delegate. On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by His Worship the Mayor it was unanimously agreed that Ald. Reck would attend as a delegate.

An invitation for the Borough Council to attend at a Seminar "Land Ownership in Ireland and the Implications of the European Economic Union" to be held in Letterkenny on 28th February to 1st March, 1992 was then considered. On the proposal of Alderman Howlin seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend as a delegate, on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that Ald. Kiernan would attend as a delegate.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Energy acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re proposed gas pipeline from Britain to Northern Ireland stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention and a further reply would issue in the near future, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment re Remedial Scheme, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Proinsias De Rossa, T.D., M.E.P., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

An invitation for the Borough Council to attend at the National Housing Conference 1992 to be held in Kilkeeny on 1,2,3rd April, 1992 was then considered. On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend as a delegate.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Justice acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re customs facilities at Rosslare Harbour stating that same will be brought to the Minister's attention, was noted.

Letter from Patrick M. Cooney MEP, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from J.J. McCartin, MEP, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Gorey Town Commissioners stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was agreed by the Commissioners subject to the addition of non-alcholic drink to the terms of the motion, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re the housing situation in Wexford stating that same is receiving attention and a further letter will issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Siobhan O`Keeffe, Assistant to Mary Banotti MEP, stating that Ms. Banotti is out of the country and acknowledging receipt of Borough Council`s letter regarding the Third World, was noted.

Letter from Mr. John Cushnahan MEP, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

On the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to accede to the request from Mr. Tom Mooney of The Echo requesting permission to use the Town Crest on the front page of the Wexford Town Echo subject to the usual conditions.

Letter from Mr. Bernard O'Brien, Director, FDYS, thanking the members for their vote of congratulations, was noted.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

Alderman Reck stated that there were two youth clubs in town which needed premises and proposed that His Worship the Mayor would meet with those youth clubs details of which he would supply to His Worship the Mayor and the FDYS to pursue the feasibility of permanent premises with these clubs. His Worship the Mayor agreed to pursue this matter. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the Corporation would set up a committee to pursue the identification of premises needs for various voluntary groups and clubs in town and it was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor would consider and discuss the proposal further with the Borough Council at a future meeting.

On the proposal of Cllr. Corish a vote of congratulations to the organisers of the Young Scientiests Exhibition on the excellence of the display in Wexford, was adopted.

REPORTS.

Emigrants being buried at Crosstown Cemetary

The report of the Town Clerk dated 27th January, 1992, copy of which had previously been circulated, was unanimously adopted.

Amendments to Car Park and On-street Bye-Laws.

The report of the Town Clerk dated 27th January, 1992, copy of which had previously been circulated, was considered and noted.

Deputation - Talbot Green Residents Association.

The report of the Town Clerk dated 27th January, 1992, copy of which had previously been circulated, was considered and noted.

It was agreed that the Town Clerk would write further to the Association outlining the position in relation to the points they

had made.

Housing Lists.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Manager was investigating a number of applications raised by the members at the previous Housing Committee Meeting and following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed that a further Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on 10th February, 1992 at 7.00 p.m. at which the lists would be finalised and that the Traffic Management Committee Meeting previously agreed for that date would be deferred to a future date to be fixed at the next meeting of the Borough Council.

Other Business.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Mayor of Galway had contacted him regarding a proposal that the Mayors of Towns in the 26 counties would undertake an act of solidarity to show the concern of the people of the 26 counties against the recent atrocities against workers in the North of Ireland. It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that His Worship the Mayor would pursue this matter and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly as necesary.

Ald. Kiernan stated that a group of down-syndrome children from Wexford would be attedning the down-syndrome games in the United States in March and following discussion it was agreed that a grant application to support this venture would be considered at the meeting of the Borough Council previously agreed to be held in relation to amenity/cultural grants.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

3nd DAY OF February 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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BARDAS LOCH GARMAN

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

12th December, 1991

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TO EACH MEMBER OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ AMENITY/CULTURAL/RESIDENTS GRANTS SCHEME, 1991

Dear Member,

Further to report dated 22nd November, 1991 which was considered at the G.P. Meeting of the same date, I list hereunder the various groups who are seeking funding from the Capital Scheme of Grants as follows:-

- (1) St. John's Volunteers G.F.C.
- (2) Liam Mellows Social Club.
- (3) Wexford Parks Tennis.
- (4) Wexford Albion A.F.C.
- (5) Town Celtic F.C.
- (6) St. Mary's Handball Club.

In addition to the above, two applications for bursaries are on hand. The first from Ms. Emma Molloy, The Faythe, Wexford, who is seventeen years of age and is a dance/ballet student. Ms. Molloy has just been accepted for a three year dance/ballet course in Kent. The cost of the course is extremely high and Ms. Molloy would be most grateful for any financial assistance which would help her pursue this career.

The second application received is from Ms. Joan Coffey, Coolcotts, Wexford, who has already commenced a two year Stage Management and Technical Theatre course at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. Ms. Coffey has been involved with the Riff-Raff Theatre in Wexford, Scottish Opera and the Corish-Wallace School of Speech and Drama. She has worked both voluntarily and professionally with the Wexford Festival Opera.

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The total budget now remaining in the 1991 estimate is £4,190. The six applications for the Capital Grants, together with the two bursary applications are attached herewith for your information.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

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27th January, 1992.

DFC/BD.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Emigrants being buried at Crosstown Cemetary.

Dear Member,

In accordance with the unanimous request of the Borough Council arrangements are being made to implement a system of applying town resident burial charges to emigrants who originated from the town.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin,
Town Clerk.

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27th January, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Amendments to Car Park and On-street Bye-Laws.

Dear Member,

The proposal to increase the Disc Parking charge from 20p to 30p per unit has not to-date been sanctioned. Members will be informed when the appropriate statutory changes have been made.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin,

Town Clerk.

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27th January, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Deputation - Talbot Green Residents Association - 13th December, 1991.

Dear Member.

There were three main points raised by the deputation;

(1) In relation to houses 1-23 - Title Difficulties.

All of the legal formalities have now been completed and application has been made for First Registration. As soon as a dealing number is received from the Land Registry houses will be sold to those tenants who have applied to purchase same under a previous Tenant Purchase Scheme.

(2) Talbot Green should be given priority over Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown in the Remedial Schemes.

The level of allocation for the Remedial Work Schemes in general for 1992 has not yet been received and will be considered by the Borough Council when notified by the Department of the Environment.

(3) Repairs on panels during the past summer had been unsatisfactory.

This has been investigated by the Borough Engineer and he has reported as follows.

(1) The quality control of the work is being kept under review.

(2) There had been a tendancy to limit heavy expenditure on all of this work in view of the Remedial Works. As there is now a schedule for the Remedial Works this policy is being relaxed for the houses lower on the list.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin,

Town Clerk.

BAIN TRIAIL AS BEAGAN GAEILGE

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY, 1992 at 10.00 a.m. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk. Mr. I. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor stated that the purpose of the meeting was for the Corporation to formally propose a vote of sympathy to the wife and family of Former Mayor of Wexford, Thomas F. Byrne.

In proposing the vote of sympathy Cllr. O'Flaherty paid lengthy tribute to the long service of Thomas F. Byrne who had contributed so much to Wexford during his lengthy Local Government career and contributed also so much nationally and internationally to Local Government in general. He proposed that the Corporation would convey to Mrs. Byrne and other members of the family their deepest condolences on his death. The vote of sympathy was seconded by Ald. B. Howlin and all other members associated with the expression of sympathy and in doing so paid individual tributes to the memory of Thomas F. Byrne. The Mananer and Town Clerk on their own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 3 rd

DAY OF

February 1992.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 3RD FEBRUARY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roc

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

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

VOTE OF SYMPATHTY

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of sympathy to Christy & Anthony Lynch of the Corporation workforce on the recent death of their Father, Mr. Michael Lynch was adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

DATES OF MEETINGS.

Meetings of the Borough Council were agreed as follows:-

Traffic Management Committee Meeting - 24th February, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

Jobs Forum 13th March, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

G.P. Committee Meeting - 9th March, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

It was further agreed that the date for the Special Meeting previously agreed to be held in relation to Litter, would be fixed at the March Monthly Meeting.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 13th January, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Reck:-

- (a) Housing Committee Meeting held on 16.1.92.
- (b) Joint Meeting held on 23.1.92.
- (c) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 27.1.92.

MOTIONS

Electrical Problems - Talbot Green.

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

"In order to overcome an electrical problem in Talbot Green, I move that proper fuse boxes be installed."

In reply to the motion the Borough Engineer stated that the required work had already gone out to tender and that it was expected that this work would be commenced in the near future. This was noted by the meeting and the motion was unanimously adopted. Arising out of discussion on the motion the Manager referred to the excellent improvements in the Talbot Green estate which had been effected by the application of the remedial scheme and this was agreed and noted with satisfaction by the meeting.

Road Surface - King Street.

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

"That an asphalt surface be provided in King Street when the drainage pipes have been laid."

In reply to the motion the Borough Engineer stated that only the actual extent of the cutting of the roadway to facilitate the laying of the drainage pipes was being financed by the Sanitary Services Allocation under the Main Drainage Scheme and that the joint programme by the County Council and Corporation previously discussed will include for the resurfacing of all affected roads in the town and environs. This was noted by the meeting and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Infill Sites.

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

"That this Council through our officials identify and prepare plans for the building of suitable accommodation at infill sites within the borough area".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder stated that the purpose of the motion was to promote the redevelopment of rundown areas within the town particularly with a view to providing housing to stem the trend of the population moving to the suburbs of Wexford and to provide for small industry on sites identified which would not be suitable for housing purposes. In moving the motion they recognised the substantial positive improvements of the commercial urban renewal undertaken to-date but stated that the provision of housing in the town centre area was now a programme which should be actively undertaken. The Manager in

reply to the motion stated that the population of Wexford Town in the 10 years to 1991 had only increased by 200 people. In the statutory municipal borough a drop in population of almost 2,000 people had occurred in the same period which was offset- by a larger increase in the environs. However Corporation had as part of the Urban Renewal Programme promoted the provision of housing in the centre town area and had had some success in the commercial areas where private flats and housing units had been provided and a major housing scheme was now being constructed at John Street/Hill Street on lands acquired by the Corporation and at Westlands Estate both of which developments would contribute to improving the population base in statutory Municipal Borough. The Manager also stated that a number of centre town sites had been identified under the Derelict Sites Act and were being pursued in accordance with the provisions of that Act. In relation to housing generally he stated that he was awaiting a report on this matter from the planners and would report to a future meeting of the Borough Council as soon as this was to hand. Following further discussion to which all members contributed the motion was unanimously adopted.

NEW INDUSTRY

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

"That this Council views with concern the announcement of new industries for various parts of the country while Wexford is ignored."

Arising out of discussion it was agreed that the motion would be sent to the Minister for Industry & Commerce and the I.D.A. for their attention and observations.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

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

"This Corporation proposes to initiate discussions concerning the possibility of establishing a system known as Alternative Dispute Resolution (ARD) - a system of mediation which attempts to solve arguments and disputes which may arise in our community, without the necessity of recourse to the courts".

In moving the motion the proposer stated that she was not suggesting that the Corporation should directly pursue the establishment of such a system as suggested in the motion but that it should be suggested to the Department of Justice that a system such as that in America of "peoples courts" should be established. The motion was unanimously adopted.

ENHANCEMENT OF THE ENVIRONS

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

"This Corporation supports the proposal to enhance Wexford and its environs by:-

- (i) providing extra outdoor seating for our citizens especially our elderly citizens;
- (ii) erecting water features to coincide with our new Main Drainage Scheme".

In moving the motion the proposer suggested that extra seating could be provided in locations such as at the bottom of Batt Street overlooking the harbour and that existing seats throughout the town should be examined with a view to upgrading same. Messrs. A.B.S. Pumps Ltd., could be approached with a view to involving them in the provision of water features as part of the Main Drainage Scheme. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that the date for the Housing Seminar would be arranged after the next G.P. Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that the total number of housing applicants taking in all categories whether they were approved or not was 229.

On the request of Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting of the Borough Council in relation to the difficulties caused for car owners from School Street where there was no parking allowed on-street and the spaces at the Presbytry were being used from early morning by persons other than from the area.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF Morch 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY, 1992 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche,

N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk. Mr. M. Redmond, Staff Officer, Housing. Mr. T. Nolan, Clerical Officer, Housing.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor and all members of the Borough Council congratulated Alderman Kiernan on his recently being presented with a prestigeous County Wexford Sports Star Award.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to write to Mr. Billy Walsh, Boxer and wish him well in his Olympic qualifier.

HOUSING LISTS.

The draft housing lists in respect of the family type, one bedroomed and two bedroomed applications were then considered. Copies of the lists were submitted to each member and a number of adjustments which had arisen out of previous discussion of the Borough Council were noted. A lengthy discussion on the system of preparation of the housing lists was then held to which all members contributed. Arising out of this discussion it was proposed by Clir. Nolan seconded by Clir. Roche that the housing lists as submitted be recommended for adoption and that prior to the next housing lists being considered the Manager would endeavour to unravel the current difficulties and discuss the matter further with the Borough Council. In reply to the discussion the Manager stated that it was his responsibility as Manager to make the housing lists and that as had been practised the recommendations made by the members were taken into consideration by him in considering the lists. He confirmed that it was prescribed in law that he must have regard to the County Medical Officer's advice in making the lists in relation to the awarding of medical points, however in relation to future lists he agreed to discuss the matter with the C.M.O. to endeavour to unravel the current difficulties and stated that he would report to a future meeting in relation to this matter prior to the consideration by the Borough Council of new lists. Following further dicussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted with Cllr. Mahoney dissenting.

In reply to further questions the Manager stated that he would consider the transfer application of Haughtons of Wolfe Tone Villas as a priority when suitable accommodation became available.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD

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MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

In Attendance:- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.
---- Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Sgt. D. Lyttleton, Garda Siochana.
Ms. R. Doyle, Chamber of Commerce.
Mr. T. Cleere, Wexford Council of Trade Unions.

Apologies from Supt. Murphy for his inability to attend the meeting were noted.

Car Parking at Church Car Parks.

The Town Clerk stated that a letter had been received from the Administrator requesting that the grounds of the Immaculate Conception Church at Rowe Street would be excluded from the Agreement between the Corporation and the Church Authorities regarding parking in the Church Grounds for the purpose of allowing the Church Authorities to provide a pay parking system there. This letter had been circulated to the members of the Borough Council and considered at the Monthly Meeting held on 13th December, 1991 and copies of the Agreement between the Church Authorities and the Corporation which had been requested to be circulated at that meeting had subsequently been so to be circulated at that meeting, had subsequently been so circulated. Following discussion to which all members contributed a concensus view was expressed that it was a matter for the Church Authorities to withdraw from the Agreement if they so wished and the position was noted. Further arising out of the discussion it was agreed that the Corporation would consider provision of a free parking area for use by workers in the centre town area in lieu of the Rowe Street Car Park.

Development at Redmond Square.

A discussion was held on the new square at Redmond Place. It was stated that the present traffic arrangements were causing congestion and a lengthy discussion was held to which all members contributed on the difficulties and possible solutions. The Town Clerk in reply to questions stated that development in this area was not yet completed and that when the development currently in hands was completed a further 250 car parking spaces would be available in the area. In relation to the new square, he stated that the purpose of providing this square was primarily for

pedestrian purposes. It was not a roundabout that had been created but a civic space which happens to have a one-way traffic system around it. He stated that the original Urban Renewal Plan for this area required the provision of the square as a statement that traffic was now entering a centre town area where the pedestrian/shopper had greater priority than the car and the present scale of the civic space in the centre of the square was the minimum required to make this statement. He suggested that the problems in the square were basically that the development of the area was not yet completed and that pending such completion reviews of traffic movement in the area would be premature. pointed out that buses onloading and picking up passengers on the square were not utilising the space provided in front of the station and off of the roadway but rather were using the roadway because cars were parked in front of the station. He suggested that the area in front of the station should be designated as a pickup/drop-off point only. In relation to cars illegally parking on the round-about the Town Clerk stated that the Traffic Wardens were actively pursuing such transgretions at present. Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that a review of the present position incorporating future proposals for the area would be undertaken by the officials and that as part of this review discussions would be held with C.I.E. in relation to buses in the area and that a report on this review would be considered at a future meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

School Bus Collections.

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

"Regarding the present system of school transport, a meeting has been arranged for Tuesday 3rd March, 1992 which will be attended by the post-primary school principals, representative(s) of Bus Eireann, the Garda Siochana and those operating the transport system to and from the post-primary schools within the Borough. This meeting is to be held in the Municipal Buildings."

Taxi Service

His Worship the Mayor stated that due to a potential personal conflict in relation to this item he wishes to vacate the Chair and leave the meeting and so did. On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. O'Flaherty would assume the Chair for this item on the agenda and Cllr. O'Flaherty so assumed the Chair. The following report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered:-

"Since the previous meeting of this Committee, Wexford Corporation have consulted with all persons holding hackney licences in Wexford Town numbering twenty in total. Almost all of those with whom we consulted are opposed to the idea of a taxi rank. Only two positive responses to the proposal were received. However, should the Traffic Management Committee decide to proceed with the proposal Wexford Corporation may invite applications from interested individuals seeking a Licence to operate within a taxi rank. This offer would be open to the general public and not just those already holding a Hackney Licence".

A lengthy discussion on this matter was held to which all members contributed following which it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Traffic Management Committee would meet with one representative from each side of the lobbying interests to receive their views at the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee and that the Town Clerk would investigate the position of taxi services in other towns of comparible size to Wexford.

Bishopswater Cross.

The Town Clerk stated that this item had been requested to be placed on the agenda at the last Traffic Management Committee Meeting but had in fact been overtaken by events since the County Council had carried out improvements to this junction. A general concensus of welcome for these improvements was enunciated by the members. Arising out of discussion and in reply to Cllr. Mahoney Sgt. Lyttleton stated that a number of prosecutions for speeding in this area had been successfully undertaken in the Courts in the recent past and that the Gardai would continue to monitor this area for speeding. Further arising out of the discussion Ald. Reck informed the meeting that the County Council were presently considering the provision of a round-about at this cross.

Entrance Junction to Mulgannon Road.

The Town Clerk stated that this matter was being pursued and that the report of the Borough Engineer would be available for the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee.

Ramps in Housing Estates.

The Borough Engineer stated that the ramp system in Gorey was currently being examined. He pointed out that there was strict criteria in relation to the provision of ramps and that he expected that there would be but limited application of this system in Wexford Town. Ald. Kiernan referred to the need for Wheelchair Ramps throughout the town and it was agreed that the report of the Borough Engineer in relation to ramps would include this item and would be considered at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

REPORTS.

The Town Clerk stated that as had been suggested by the County

Manager at recent meetings of the Borough Council, a sketch proposal for the provision of an inner relief one-way ring-road between the Quays and John Street would be considered by the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee. The Town Clerk outlined on plans the suggested route and stated that the matter was being raised at this meeting to give the members an opportunity to consider same prior to the next meeting at which the County Manager would attend. It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that details of the proposal would be considered at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting and would be circulated prior to that meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 2ND MARCH, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche, ----- H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

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

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY.

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of Cllr. Mahoney seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of sympathy to the family of the late Frank Waters, formerly a member of Athlone U.D.C. was unanimously adopted.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan a unanimous vote of sympathy to the family of the Cllr. Sean Sheehan of Enniscorthy U.D.C. was unanimously adopted.

All members and 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.

Vote of Congratulations.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Howlin a unanimous vote of congratulations to Deputy John Browne on his appointment as Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture and Food and wishing him well in the promotion of his native Wexford was unanimously adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of congratulations.

Vote of Good Wishes.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty a unanimous vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery to Cllr. N. Kavanagh who was hospitalised was unanimously adopted. All members and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the vote of good wishes.

Dates for Meetings.

On the proposal of Clir. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was

unanimously agreed that the Special Meeting previously agreed to be held in relation to Litter and the Tidy Towns Results would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 30th March, 1992.

Minutes

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 3rd February, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

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

- (a) Special Meeting held on 1st February, 1992.
- (b) Housing Committee Meeting held on 10th February, 1992.

Material Contravention - Wexford Development Plan 1984

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

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that a decision to grant a permission be made in respect of Item Nos. 1, 3 and 4 of the report and that a decision to grant an outline permission be made in respect of Item No. 2 of the report.

MOTIONS.

Car Phones for Physically Challenged.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck:-

"That this Borough Council requests the Minister to supply car phones to drivers who are physically challenged".

In proposing the motion Ald. Reck requested that the meeting authorise the amending of the motion to read as follows:-

"That this Borough Council requests the Minister to supply car phones or other similar devices to drivers who are physically challenged".

This was agreed by the meeting and the amended motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan and following discussion unanimously agreed. In moving the motion the proposer and seconder and all members expressed their concern to ensure the safety of vehicles at the same time as applying the principle behind the motion. Arising out of discussion on the motion it was agreed on the suggestion of Cllr. Enright that the Disabled Drivers Association be requested to submit their observations on the motion and that following receipt of such observations the

Borough Council would then submit the matter to the Minister for consideration.

MEDICAL CARDS FOR SICK CHILDREN.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck:-

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister for Health to instruct Health Boards to supply Medical Cards to sick children without subjecting their familities to a means test".

the request of Ald. Reck the meeting agreed to amend the motion for consideration as follows:-

"That this Borough Councils calls on the Minister for Health to instruct Health Boards to supply Medical Cards to chronically sick children for example those suffering from Asthmas without subjecting their families to a means test."

amended motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Howlin and following discussion unanimously adopted.

Other Business

The Manager in reply to questions stated that the Corporation were pursuing an active role in the county-wide campaign to plant 1,000 trees during the forthcoming National Tree Week.

reply to questions in relation to a proposed eviction from a dwelling in Maudlintown the Manager stated that the house in question had been taken over by the defendant in these proceedings in bully-boy fashion and stated that the Corporation must be seen to be in control of the allocation of tenancies in their housing stock. Members outlined the ill-health of the defendant concerned and the Manager assured the meeting that the views expressed by them at the meeting whilst not affecting the current proceedings would be considered fully in relation to the determination of the future accommodation of this defendant.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

DAY OF April 1992 THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

(AS/BM) P&D Reg. 4109, 4278, 4246, 4323

20th February, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BORDUGH COUNCIL.

- RE: Permission for the erection of a funeral Home at Distillery
- 1) Road, Wexford Bernard Macken (P&D key. No. 4278).
- 2) Outline permission for the erection of 22 No. dwellings at Whitemill South, Wexford Sisters or Hercy. (P&D Reg. No. 4109).
- Permission for erection of a single storey surgery at Clonard Avenue, Whitemill North, Newtown) Wexford, (P&D Reg. No. 4323).
- 4) Permission for erection of rear boundary wall at 102, Kennedy Park, Wexford - John J. Shortle, (P&D Reg. No. 4246)

Dear member,

At the monthly meeting of the Borough Council held on 13th January, 1992, it was resolved by the Borough Council to consider deciding to grant a Permission for the developments at No. 1, 3 and 4 above, and to consider deciding to grant an outline Permission for the development at No. 2 above, which said developments would materially contraven the Development Plan 1984 for Wexford Iown and environs.

The procedure for material contravention has now been followed:

- (1) Notice of the intention of the Pianning Authority to consider deciding to grant the permissions, as time permission was published in "The Irish Independent" dated 16th January, 1992.
- (ii) Copies of this Notice were given to a) the applicants and b) the applicant's Architects (where appropriate).

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(iii) The period of 21 days after the first publication of the Notice expired on 6th February, 1992. No objections or representations were received.

The final stage of the procedure requires the passing of a resolution by the Authority requiring that a decision to grant a permission be made in respect of No. 1,3 and 4 above and that a decision to grant an outline permission be made in respect of No. 2 above. The passing of a resolution in this case requires that the number of members voting in favour of the resolution exceeds one-third of the total number of members of the Planning Authority.

Copies of the Borough Engineer's reports on the proposed developments are enclosed for your information.

If a resolution is passed, the Manager shall decide to grant the relevant permissions/outline permission.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. CURTIN TOWN CLERK

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

DFC/BD.

10th January, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF. WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Wexford Town Development Plan and 4 x motions listed at Item 2 on Agenda for Meeting of 13th January, 1992.

Dear Member,

The position in relation to the review of the development plan is as follows:-

The Wexford Draft Development Plan 1991 was adopted by Wexford Corporation on 28th February, 1991. It was placed on display from 29th April, 1991 to 1st August, 1991. Objections and representations received during the display period were considered by the Borough Council at a Special Meeting on Wednesday 25th September, 1991. The Borough Council agreed to certain material changes in the Draft Plan which required that statutory one months notice be given to the general public of the proposed revisions.

The Wexford Development Plan is in part in respect of the statutory Municipal Borough and in part in respect of the environs of Wexford. The adoption of the development plan in respect of the latter part is a matter for Wexford County Council. This body are still considering proposed amendments to the Draft Development Plan in respect of their area of responsibility and accordingly advertising of the further statutory 1 month display period by the Corporation has been delayed. This matter can be discussed at the proposed meeting between the Wexford District Committee of Wexford County Council and the Corporation.

In the meantime some planning applications have been made which if granted would be contrary to the 1984 Development Plan but which would be allowed if the 1992 Plan was in force. The Borough Engineer has reported on these applications as follows:-

(1) P&D 4246 - J. Shortle, 102, Kennedy Park, Wexford (Motion 2(a) refers).

Building rear boundary wall, probibited by current zoning "Amenity Open Space" (1984 Development Plan) and permitted in proposed "residential" zoning in 1992 Plan.

(2) P&D 4278 - B. Macken, Distillery Road, Wexford. (Motion 2(b) refers).

Funeral home prohibited by current "Industrial" zoning of site (1984 Development Plan) and open to consideration in proposed residential zoning in 1992 Plan.

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(3) P&D 4109 - Sisters of Mercy, Whitemill South, Wexford (Motion 2(c) refers).

22 no. dwellings prohibited due to most of site currently zoned "Amenity Open Space" (1984 Development Plan) and permitted in proposed "residential" zoning in 1992 Plan.

Motion 2(d) on the agenda refers to an application for a Doctors Surgery at Clonard North. The Borough Engineer reported on this application as follows:-

P&D 4323 - This site is located at the edge of the industrially zoned area (opposite the Liam Mellows Park Housing Site). I would not recommend a material contravention or variation to accommodate a dwelling. However the surgery does meet a need in the area. I would recommend a material contravention process in this case.

At the Special Meeting of 25th September, 1991 the Borough Council adopted a proposal to alter the zoning of land at Whitemill South on which was situated the Telecom Tower from industrial zoning to residential zoning. This alteration was made on the application of a proposed developer of the site who had made an application for outline permission for a residential and commercial development on the site. Subsequent to the 25th September, 1991, the proposed developer submitted specifics of the mix of development proposed. Part of this mix would be contrary to residential zoning and it is recommended by the Borough Engineer that the proposed residential zoning be amended to residential on that part of the site fronting Mulgannon Road and Town Centre on the balance of the site to Distillery Road. The detailed recommendation of the Borough Engineer is attached together with a map of the site.

The approval of the Borough Council to the recommendations above is recommended.

Yours faithfully,

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

REPORT TO TOWN CLERK.

RE/ RECOMMENDATION FOR DEALING WITH FLEXFORD'S OUTLINE APPLICATION, VIS A VIS ZONING.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT MIX: RESIDENTIAL, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, RETAIL.

This 23,050 sq. m. site is an eyesore on a Main Regional Approach road to the Town Centre. It has unsuccessfully been put on the market at various times over the last 12 years being zoned Industrial in the 1984 Development Plan and Residential in the 1978 Development Plan. The 1991 Draft Development Plan, as agreed by the Corporation, zones the site Residential.

This Outline Planning Application is the first firm proposal from the private sector to develop the site.

The developer submitted the specifics of the mix of development on the 6th December, i.e., well after the Corporation agreed the Draft Plan. The proposed mix being as follows (see layout map).

- (1) Residential:
- (2) Light Industrial Use.
- (3) Car Showroom.
- (4) Furniture Showroom.
- (5) Kitchen Fitting Showroom and Workshop.
- (6) Funeral Home.
- (7) Workshops.
- (8) Garden Centre.

This range of uses is appropriate to a <u>Town Centre</u> <u>Zoning</u> rather than the <u>Industrial</u> Zoning under the <u>current</u> 1984 Development Plan or the proposed Residential Zoning in the Draft Plan.

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Assuming this Outline Application is dealt with by a Section 39 (d) under the 1984 Development Plan, Industrial Zoning, and the approval is sought after the 1991 Draft Development Plan, Residential Zoning, is adopted, a second Section 39 (d) may be required. Equally if the approval process is inappropriate .due to changes in layout etc., a second section 39 (d) will be required. These complications arise from the fact that (a) we are dealing with an Outline Application. (b) Neither the existing or proposed zonings are appropriate to the proposed mix of development. The appropriate zoning would be Town Centre.

The options open to the Corporation are :-

- (1) Refuse on grounds that it is contrary to the Industrial Zoning of the 1984 Plan.
- (2) Go through the double material contravention process.
- (3) Request a 6 month extension from the developer and put to the Members that the site be zoned residential on that part fronting Mulgannon Road and Town Centre on the balance to Distillery Road in the 1991 Draft Development Plan.

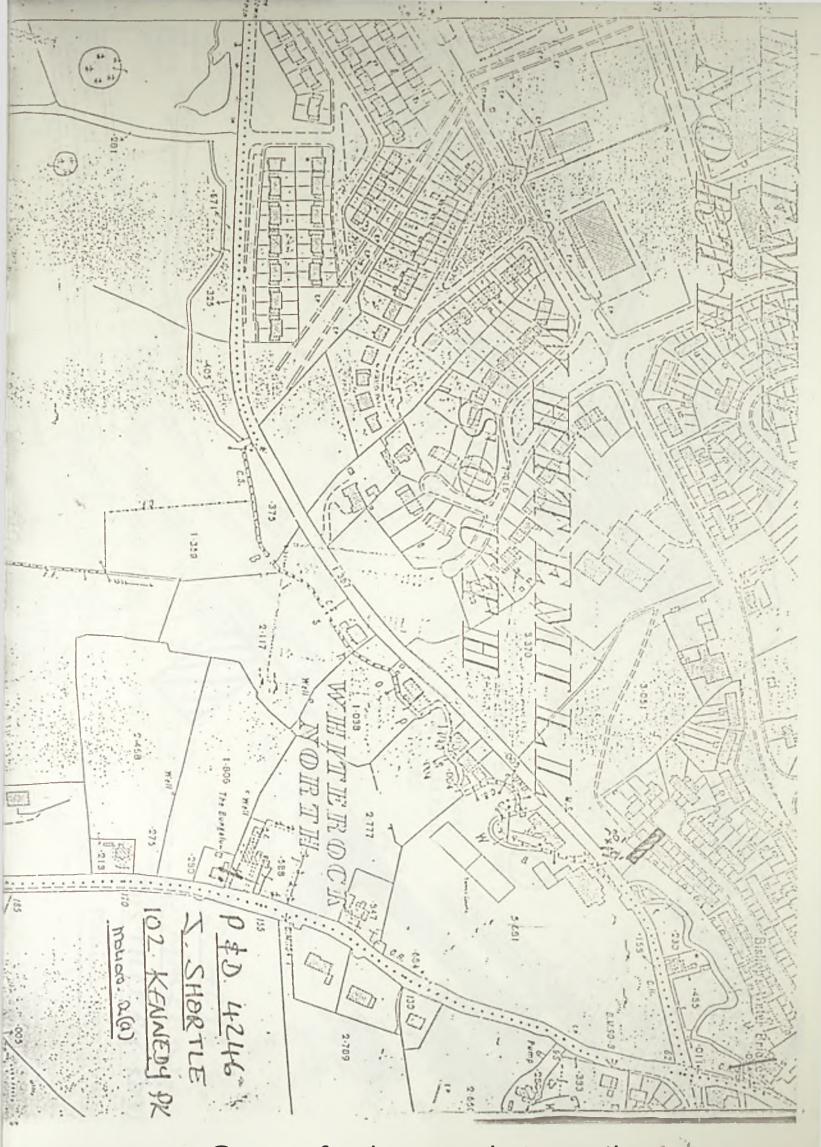
I have discussed these options with Mr. W. Fewer, Architect. He is prepared to give a six month extension on the current Outline Application, particularly if this did not preclude him from applying for permission for the residential element. I explained to him that he was not so precluded. Residential would require a Section 39 (d) under the 1984 Plan, but would be a permitted use under the 1991 Draft Development Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: -

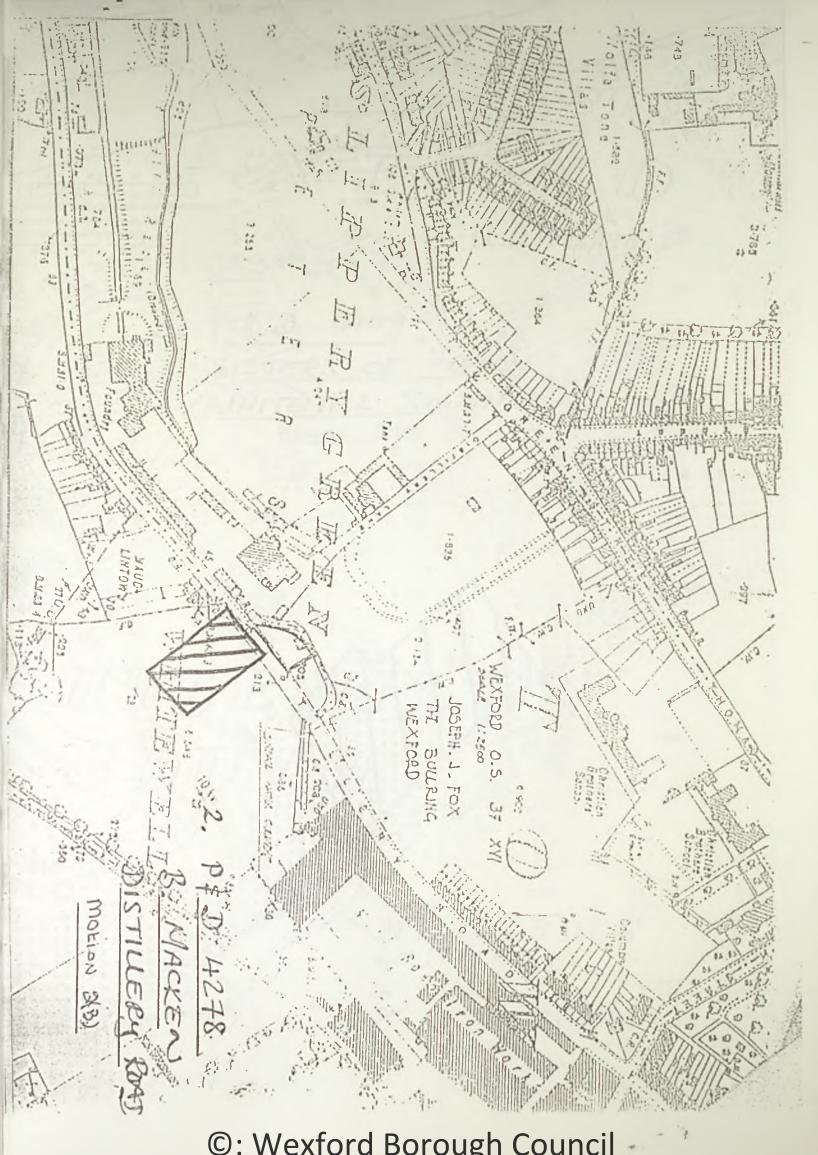
I recommend Option (3) above.

T. FAHEY, BOROUGH ENGINEER

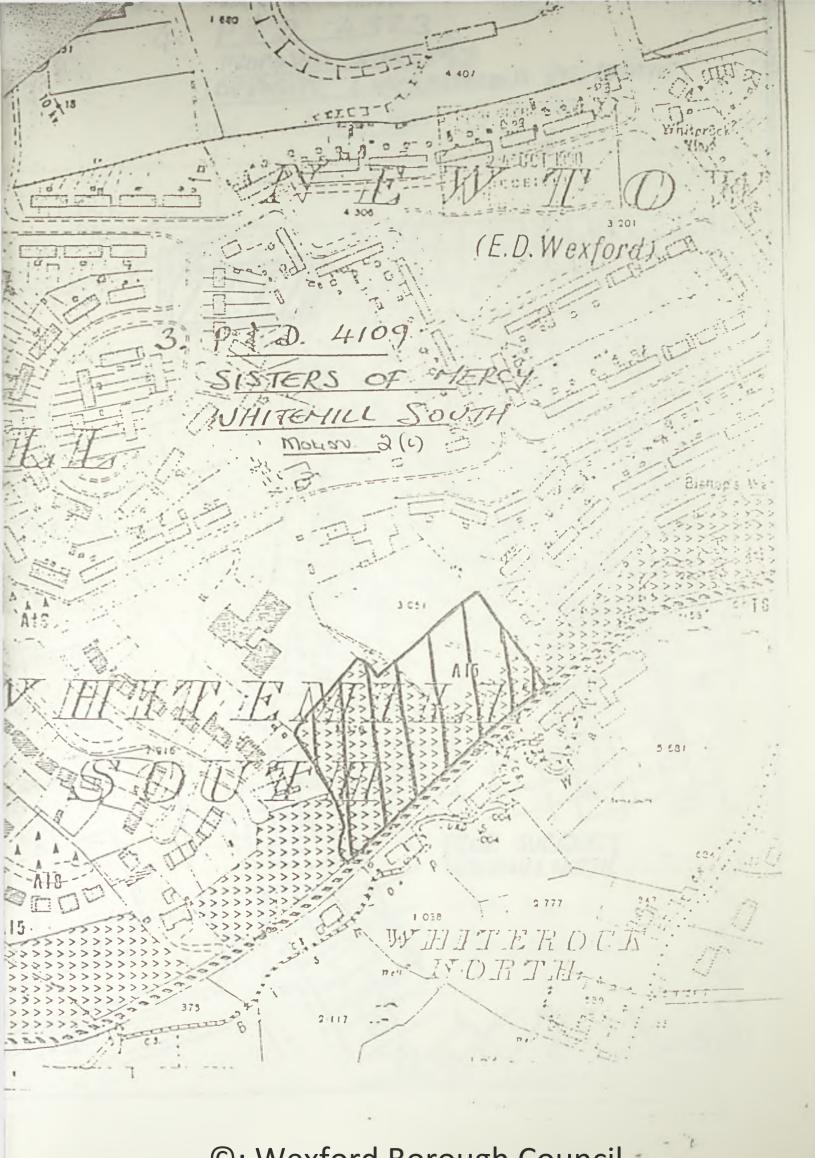
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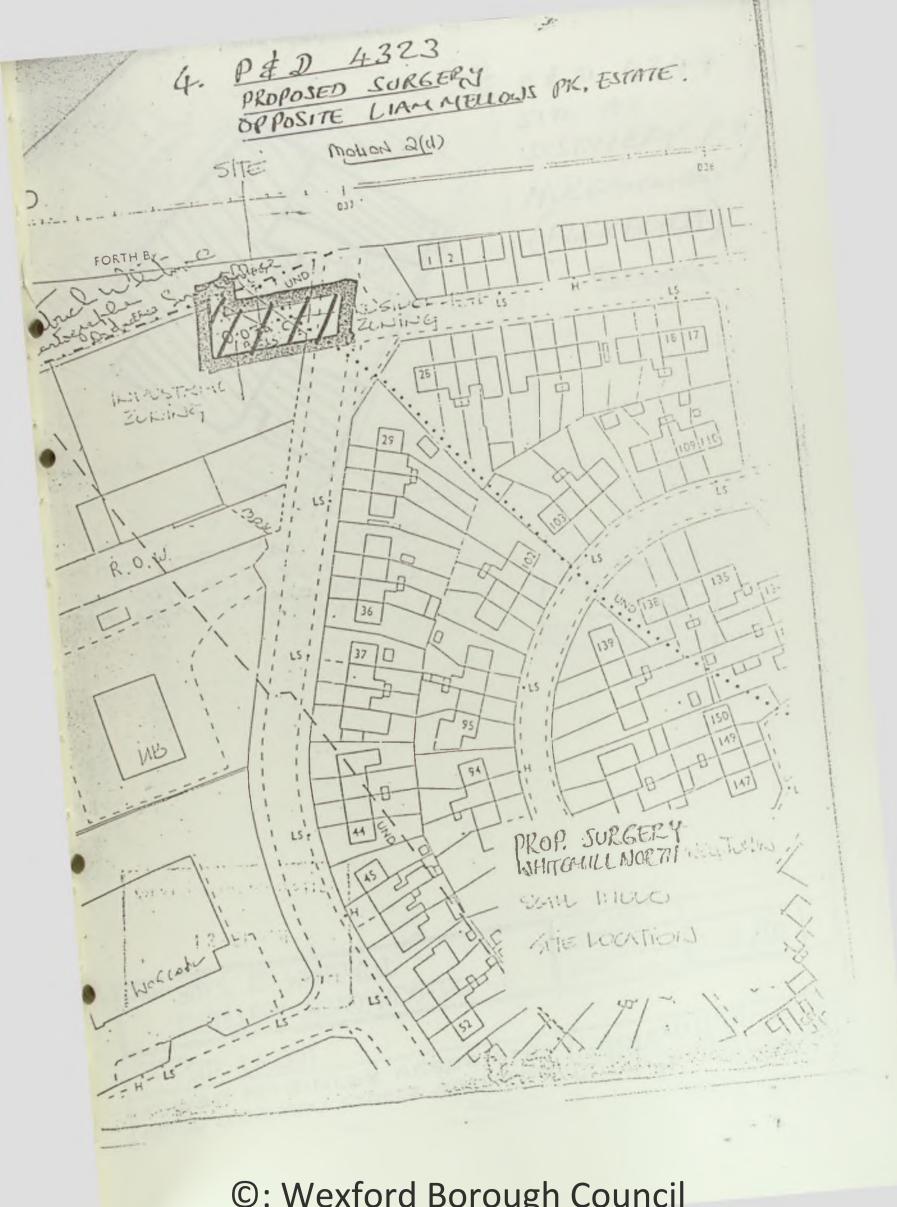
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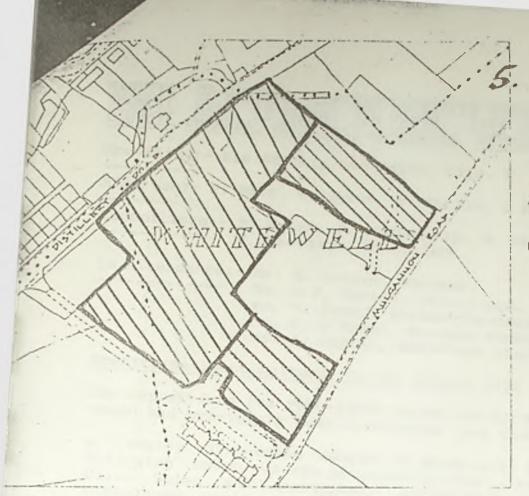
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MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9TH MARCH, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

In Attendance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Ms. A. Laffan, Assistant Staff Officer.

Amenity/Resident/Cultural Grants Scheme 1992

The report from the Town Clerk dated 6th March, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed following which it was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Nolan and unanimously agreed that the Centre for the Unemployed would be allocated an additional £100. It was proposed by Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin and unanimously agreed that the Wexford Opera Festival would be allocated an additional £155. It was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Reck that £20 would be deducted from each of the residents association grants and the accumulated saving of £260 would be allocated to Wexford Parks Tennis. The nett effect of these amendments was to make a total of £5,800 available to be utilised under the capital scheme of grants and for bursaries. A discussion on the applications for assistance under these schemes was then held to which all members contributed following which it was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Kiernan that the following allocations would be made:-

Capital Scheme.

Town Celtic£1,00	0
Wexford Albion£1,00	0
St. John's Volunteers£1,00	0
Maudlintown Cot Sailing Club£1,00	0
Wexford Festival Ban£ 30	

Bursaries

Ms.	Emma	Molloy,	The Faythe,	, Wexford	£1,000	
Ms.	Joan	Coffey,	Coolcotts,	Wexford	1 500	

This proposal was agreed with Ald. Reck dissenting.

Arising out of discussion it was further agreed on the proposal

of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Corporation would identify lands in the town which could be made available for capital development of tennis courts and that this proposal would be discussed with Wexford Parks Tennis and further considered by the Borough Council at a future meeting.

Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Reck that the grants as identified above would be adopted.

Planning.

Planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. Questions raised in relation to individual applications were answered by officials in attendance.

Correspondence

Letter from Mr. P. Lalor, MEP, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

A letter from Deputy Seamus Cullimore regarding the provision of a long-stay residential unit for the elderly in Wexford, was then considered. Arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Enright that His Worship the Mayor would write to the new Minister for Health requesting that he meet a deputation from the Borough Council to consider this matter.

An invitation from Newry & Mourne Promotion Company in association with Newry & Mourne District Council for the Borough Council to be represented at their 2nd Annual Tourism Conference to be held in the Kilmorey Arms Hotel, Kilee on 14th and 15th May, 1992 was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs. Roche and Nolan would represent the Borough Council at this conference.

Letter from Tipperary SR County Council stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was agreed at their recent meeting, was noted..

The following resolution from Monaghan Co. Co. was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Corish:-

"(a) That this Council condemns in the strongest way possible the men of violence from all sides for the terrible attrocities, the murders, the bombing and the violence that is happening in Northern Ireland on a day to day basis and that we call on the Minister for Justice, the Minister for Foreign

Affairs and the Northern Ireland Secretary of State to resume the talks on Northern Ireland of all legitimate constitutional political parties, as soon as possible.

- (b) That the supporters and sympathisers of these murder gangs to look into their hearts and change their ways.
- (c) That an education programme be drawn up to prevent further violence.
- (d) That we seek support for the above from all other Local Authorities in our Country North and South.
- (e) That a copy of this resolution, if adopted, be sent to the British Prime Minister, Taoiseach, the Head of Security in Northern Ireland and the Garda Commissioner in the South".

Letter from Senator H. Byrne thanking Borough Council for their letter re residential unit for the elderly stating that he supports the terms of the motion fully and has written to the Minister for Health seeking a deputation from Wexford, was noted.

Copy of letter from Mr. Jim Mitchell, T.D., to Senator Avril Doyle, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Copy of Letter from Deputy M. D'Arcy, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Copy of letter from Mr. Noel Davern, T.D., Minister for Education, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was adopted by the Commissioners, was noted.

The following resolution from Dublin Corporation was unanimously adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche:-

"That in view of the new linguistic evidence coupled with the existing medical and independent evidence which proves beyond reasonable doubt that Nicky Kelly is the victim of a major and grave miscarriage of justice, this Council:

- (1) Calls on the Government to advise the President to exercise the Presidential right of pardon pursuant to the provisions of Article 13.6 of the Constitution;
- (2) Calls on the Minister for Justice, Mr. Ray Burke, T.D., to recommend that Mr. Kelly and his co-defendants, who were convicted, in the Sallins Case be compensated for being victims of a miscarriage of justice;
- (3) Calls on the Government to implement the findings of the O'Briain and Martin Reports to eliminate the possibility of

a future miscarriage of justice;
(4) Furthermore, this Council determines to circulate this motion to the other Local Authorities throughout the Country with a recommendation to adopt same".

Letter from Gene Fitzgerald, M.E.P., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Dublin Corporation stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was noted at a recent meeting, was noted.

Letter from Deputy B. Howlin thanking Borough Council for their letter re long stay residential unit for the elderly stating that he has campaigned for a very long time for such a facility for the town of Wexford and will raise the matter again with the new Minister for Health, was noted.

Details of conference - "Heritage Management and Interpretation", was noted.

Letter from Mr. R. Molloy, T.D., Minister for Energy re Sellafield, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Killarney U.D.C., stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was adopted by their Council, was noted.

Letter from Castleblayney U.D.C. stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was marked read by the Council, was noted.

Letter from Trim U.D.C. stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was marked read by the Council, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Industry & Commerce re drink prices, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Deputy Ivan Yates, re long stay residential unit in Wexford, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Deputy M. D'Arcy, re long stay residential unit in Wexford, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Listowel U.D.C., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Mr. Niall Andrews, MEP, re food mountains, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Listowel U.D.C. stating that Borough Council's

resolution re drink prices was marked read at their last meeting, was noted.

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

"That this Council rejects' the decision of the Minister for Energy, Mr. Bobby Molloy, T.D., instructing the E.S.B. to terminate the use of the billing system for new appliance sales".

Copy letter from Mary O'Rourke, T.D., Minister for Health to Deputy Seamus Cullimore re long-stay residential unit for the elderly in Wexford Town stating that she would write to Deputy Cullimore again as soon as possible, was noted.

An invitation from Arklow U.D.C. for the Borough Council to attend the Summer Seminar in Arklow on 24th, 25th and 26th June, 1992 was then considered and following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that His Worship the Mayor and Ald. Reck would attend on behalf of the Borough Council and that Cllr. Kavanagh would be substitute delegate in the event of either the Mayor or Alderman Reck being unable to attend.

Seminar on "Cap Reform - Social Implications and Possible Solutions", was noted.

Conference re "Education Training and Local Economic Development", was noted.

YOUTH AFFAIRS.

A discussion was held on matters relating to youth affairs in Wexford Town.

REPORTS.

The model of the proposals for the Quay Extension was exhibited and discussed. The proposals and quality of the model were welcomed by the members and in reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that it was proposed to display the model for the general public in a number of venues throughout the town in the future.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin that the provision of a Dome with a maritime flavour as part of the quay extension would be considered in the future by the Borough Council and it was further agreed that the Harbour Commissioners would be involved in discussions regarding proposals for the quay front.

Rent Review.

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

Local Authority Housing Capital Allocation 1992

The report of the Town Clerk dated 9th March, 1992, copies which had previously been circulated, was then considered. The report was noted and on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would write to the Minister for the Environment outlining the extent of the housing lists in Wexford and pointing out four new starts was not sufficient for Wexford Town.

Further arising out of discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin to request Respond to give details of the method of application and appointment of tenancies for the information of the members so that they can inform potential applicants of the process and it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Corish seconded by Cllr. Roche that a special meeting to discuss the Respond Development would be held as soon as this information was to hand.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan to suspend Standing Orders to enable discussion on the housing allocation to conclude and that the remaining reports in relation to the New Municipal Building and Commercial Refuse Charges considered at the April Monthly Meeting of the Borough Council.

Following further discussion on the Housing Allocation the position was noted. Prior to the conclusion of the meeting the Manager stated that a preliminary report on the potential improvements at the Swimming Pool and Caravan Park had been received and would be considered at the next meeting of the Swimming Pool Committee. In relation to the Decentralised Office proposals the Manager stated that the Office of Public Works consider that a centre town site in the south-end of the town would be the most appropriate for their proposals and that this involved the Corporation in acquiring a small site to facilitate their development. He expected that this proposal by the office of Public Works would involve a quid-pro-quo in relation to the site at King Street.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 6" DAY OF april

MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS.

WEXFORD.

61H MARCH, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD . BORUUGH COUNCIL:

RE/ AMENITY/RESIDENTS/CULTURAL GRANTS SCHEME, 1992.

Dear Member,

I attach herewith for your information a list of all applications received under the above Scheme for consideration at the G.P. Meeting of 9th March, 1992.

The provision in the 1992 Estimate is £20,000 and balance of funds available from previous years is £2,000. The total allocation proposed in the attached list is £15,945 thus leaving a balance of £6,055 to be utilised under the Capital Scheme of Grants and bursaries. As previously agreed, this sum or part thereof can be utilised in the current year or deferred for future use under the Bursaries/Capital Grants Scheme.

The remaining applications under the Capital Scheme which have been circulated previously are as follows :-

- Town Celtic F.C.
- Wexford Albion A.F.C.
- Wexford Parks Tennis.
- St. John's Volunteers G.F.C.

In addition, the following two new applications should be considered under the Capital Scheme, copies of which are attached for your information.

- 5. Maudlintown Cot Sailing Club Restoration of sea wall at Maudlintown.
- 6. Wexford Festival Band Instruments and Uniforms.

Finally, the two outstanding bursary applications which have been circulated previously are as follows :-

- 1. Ms. Emma Molloy, The Faythe, Wexford.
- Ms. Joan Coffey, Coolcotts, Wexford.

faithfully,

D.F. Curtin,

Town Clerk.

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AMENITY GRANTS:-

NAME OF ORGANISATION	GRANTED IN 1991	PROPOSED GRANT 1992	
Loch Garman Silver Band	£300.00	£300.00	
Irish United Nations Veterans As	ssoc. £ 50.00	250.00	
Wexford Life-Saving Club	£100.00	£150.00	
Wexford Pantomine Society	NIL	£50.00	
Clonard Community Games	£100.00	£100.00	
Corish-Wallace School of Speech & Drama	NIL	£50.00	
St. John's Volunteers G.F.C.	1200.00	£200.00	
St. Ibar's Boxing Club	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	
Clonard Youth Brass Band	£120.00	£120.00	
Windmill Therapeutic (Training)	Unit NIL - Late	1150.00	
Wexford Majorettes	NIL	1. 50.00	
Community House - Wolfe Tone Vi.	llas £ 50.00	1. 75.00	
Wolfe Tone Villas Playscheme	£120.00	. £120.00	
Wexford Swimming Club	£220.00	£200.00	
Wexford Ladies' Choir	£100.00	£100.00	
Wexford Sub-Aqua Club	NIL	£ 50.00	
St. Joseph's Youth Club, Bishops	water £200.00	£200.00	
Bishopswater Playscheme	£120.00	1.120.00	
Bride Street Church Grounds	£ 50.00	150.00	
Rowe Street Church Grounds	£ 50.00	150.00	
St. Patrick's Day Parade Commit	tee £120.00	£120.00	
Centre for the Unemployed	£100.00	£100.00	
Wexford Fly Fishing Assoc.	£ 50.00	£ 50.00	
Liam Mellows Social Club	NIL	£100.00	
Maudlintown Childrens' Playgrou Committee	£100.00	£100.00	
Coolcotts Playgroup	.80.00	£80.00	
Wexford Gym Club	£ 50.00	150.00	
Bride Street/Rowe Street Commun Games	£ 50.00	£50.00	
Wexford Variety Group	£-50.00	£50.00	
Town Celtic F.C.	£150.00	£150.00	
Liam Mellows Park Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00	
Coolcotts Centre	£500.00	£500.00	
Wexford in Bloom	£200.00	£200.00	
Wexford Able-Disabled Club	£100.00	1100.00	
Wexford Male Voice Choir	£150.00	1150.00	
Wexford Albion A.F.C.	£100.00	£100.00	
Barefoot Dance Co.	NIL - Late	£310.00	
Wexford Parks Tennis	NIL - Late	£100.00	
Hory Family Confraternity Band	1300.00	1.300.00	

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NAME OF ORGANISATION	GRANTED IN 1991	PROPOSED GRANT 1992	
North End Youth Club	NIL - Late	£ 50.00	-
D.M.P. Athletic Club	£100.00	£100.00	
Irish Wheelchair Assoc. (Wex. Bra	anch) £100.00	£100.00	
Davitt Road Area Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00	
St. Michael's Day Care Centre	£300.00	£300.00	
Wexford United Pigeon Flying Club	NIL- Late	£ 50.00	
St. Mary's Handball Club	£150.00	£150.00	
Maudlintown Playscheme	£120.00	£120.00	
St. Patrick's Fife & Drum Band	£300.00	£300.00	
Loreto Senior Hockey Club	NIL	£ 50.00	
13th Wexford C.B.S.I.	£100.00	£100.00	
2nd Wexford C.B.S.I.	£200.00	£200.00	
Ald. Dominic Kiernan - Down Syndrome Games, United States.	. NIL	£500.00	
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION GRANTS:-			
Bernadette Place	£400.00	£400.00	
Kennedy Park	£400.00	£400.00	
Bishop's Park (Nos. 3-15)	£400.00	£400.00	
Bishopswater	£400.00	1400.00	
St. Aidan's Crescent	£400.00	£400.00	
Wolfe lone Villas	£400.00	£400.00	
Parklands	£400.00	£400.00	
Liam Mellows Park	£400.00	£400.00	
Ashfield Drive	NIU- Late	1400.00	
Corish Park	£400.00	£400.00	
Fisher's Row	£400.00	1400.00	
Talbot Green	£400.00	£400.00	
Belvedere Grove	£400.00	1400.00	
CULTURAL GRANTS:-			
Wexford Drama Festival	£100.00	£100.00	
Wexford Light Opera Society	NIL	£100.00	
Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Ei reann	£100.00	£100.00	
Presentation/Christian Brothers Coueron Exchange	NIL	£ 50.00	
T.R.E.A.T.	£100.00	1.100.00	
Wexford Festival Opera	£1,450.00	£1,450.00	
Wexford Arts Centre	£1,250.00	£1,250.00	
Wexford Twinning Council	NIL - Late	1500.00	

WEXFORD CORPORATION

1992 RENT REVIEW

I REFER TO THE ABOVE.

TO DATE 571 DIFFERENTIAL RENTS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED.

THE AVERAGE WEEKLY INCREASE IS £1.00.

NO.	OF	RENTS DECREASED		75	77
NO.	OF	RENTS REMAINING	THE SAME		214
NO.	OF	RENTS INCREASED	LESS THAN C1.00	=	6 1
NO.	OF	RENTS INCREASED	£1.00 - £2.00	era 618	77
NO.	OF	RENTS INCREASED	£2.00 = £5.00	=	103
NO.	OF	RENTS INCREASED	£5.00 - £10.00	=	25
NO.	OF	RENTS INCREASED	£10.00+		14
NO.	OF	HARDSHIP CLAUSE	S APPLIED	==	10

7 DIFFERENTIAL RENTS ARE STILL BEING ASSESSED ON A PROVISIONAL RENT OF £40.00 PER WEEK.

NO INCREASES HAVE BEEN APPLIED TO FIXED BENTS OR HEATING CHARGES.

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BARDAS LOCH GARMAN

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Aras an Bhardais, Loch Garman.

Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

DFC/BD.

9th March, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Report on Local Authority Housing Capital Alloction 1992.

Dear Member,

.F. Curtin,

Town Clerk.

The total allocation for 1992 is £720,000. This allocation is subdivided into the catagories indicated below in the sums shown.

(a) Amount of Allocation - £360,000

Purpose - Provision of 4 new starts.

It is suggested that these starts be confined to infill sites. If this principal is agreed a further report will follow.

(B) Amount of Allocation - £300,000

Purpose - Provision of Remedial Works. This will enable remedial works to be carried out in the following locations within the agreed programme.

- (1) Wolfe Tone Villas Nos. 7,8,9,10,11,12 and 71, Nos. 45-56 inclusive.
- (2) Maudlintown Nos. 10-20 Hantoon Road, Nos. 7&8, Harbour View. Nos. 5-19 Antelope Road, Nos. 2-16, Antelope Road.
- (3) Talbot Green Nos. 92-100 inclusive. Nos 1-12 inclusive.
- (C) Amount of Allocation £60,000 Purpose - Provision of Bathrooms.

The bathroom scheme will continue the provision of bathrooms in tenanted houses without these facilities at present.

Note:- No. of houses under construction - John St./Croke Avenue .. 8 units

.. 6 units - Talbot Green - Respond - Phase 1 .. 18 units.

19 no. family type houses. 18 no. units for elderly.

Group Home - Emergency.

Group Home - Mentally handicapped.

6 apartments and daycare facilities in Westlands House (reconstructed). 18 no units for elderly.

Group house - handicapped.

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MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH MARCH, 1992 AT 5.30 P.M. IN CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD. THE COUNCIL

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck.

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

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

Barry Ceremony.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed that the Annual John Barry Commemoration Ceremony would be held on 28th June, 1992 and that the detailed arrangements for the ceremony would be considered by the Protocol Committee at their next meeting.

Departure of Assistant County Manager.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Corporation would afford a Reception to the departing Assistant County Manager on Friday 20th March, 1992 immediately following a Special Meeting of the Borough Council at 7.30 p.m.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD. THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 20TH MARCH, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Kiernan and Cllr. Nolan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attedance: - Mr. S. Dooley, Manager.

----- Mr. W.P. Creedon, Deputy Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Mr. N. Casey, Deputy County Engineer.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor stated that the principle purpose of the meeting was to congratulate and pay tribute to the departing Manager, Mr. Seamus Dooley on his promotion to County Manager in Donegal. His Worship the Mayor paid tribute to Mr. Dooley for his work for Wexford during his time in office and wished him and his family success in their new County. All members paid personal tribute and congratulations to Mr. Dooley and the Deputy Manager and Town Clerk on their own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the tributes and congratulations.

The Manger in reply thanked the members for their kind comments and thanked them & the staff of the Corporation and the general public for their help and co-operation and kindness to him over his period of office in Wexford. He reflected on the memorable events and developments during his time and following futher general discussion the meeting concluded.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 30TH MARCH, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

Ms. A. Laffan, Assistant Staff Officer.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Ald. Howlin a unanimous vote of sympathy to the Manager, Mr. Dooley, on the recent death of his Father was adopted. All members and the Town Clerk 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 Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of congratulations to Wexford Bohs on their achievement in winning the Wexford District League was adopted and it was further agreed on their proposal that the Borough Council would afford a Civic Reception to the team at a date and time to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Kiernan a unanimous vote of congratulations to St. Peter's College on winning the Leinster Senior College's Football Title and wishing the team every success in the All-Ireland Finals was adopted. It was further agreed on their proposal that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the team when their campaign was completed at a date and time to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh a unanimous vote of congratulations to the Loretto School Hockey Team on their achievement in winning the South East Senior Schools Hockey Championship was adopted and it was further agreed that a Civic Reception would be afforded to the team at a date and time to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

Vote of Good Wishes.

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O Flaherty a vote of good wishes for a speedy recovery to Owen Doyle, son of

the County Finance Officer, who had been involved in an accident at School was unanimously adopted.

Tidy Towns Report 1991/Litter

Copies of the Adjudicators Comments on Wexford in the 1991 Tidy Towns Competition, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. The report of the Borough Engineer dated 30th March, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated was also considered.

Lenghty discussion ensued to which all members contributed during which a number of suggestions were made for improvement. Arising out of the discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin that a check list of improvements to be implemented would be prepared by the Borough Engineer and implemented. It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck that a copy of the Tidy Towns Report would be sent to Wexford County Council requesting their attention in areas under their control. It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to write to Bord Failte Tidy Towns Adjudicators asking their observations as to why there had been no increase in the marks awarded under presentation of residential areas in view of the substantial improvements in residential areas in recent years. Arising out of this matter tributes were paid by all members to the efforts made by resident associations in creating such dramatic improvements in the housing estates throughout the town. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that a programme of enforcement in relation to Litter Act Bye-Laws in the centre town area and general Litter Act provisions would be undertaken in the coming months and this was noted with satisfaction by the meeting. Following further discussion consideration of the matter was adjourned to a future meeting.

Official Municipal Guide

Copies of the first print of the Official Municipal Guide which had been circulated to members for their information and which would be launched at the official launch of the Westgate Audio Visual Centre were discussed and noted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

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REPORT ON LITTER/LITTER BINS/STREET SWEEPING.

Estimate.....£97,128.00

Machinery......Bin Collection and servicing sweepers, 1 lorry and driver.

Materials.....Litter Bins etc.

Improvements to Litter Control/Sweeping within the last 9 months

30 Extra litter bins have been put out.

Weekend sweeping has been increased to two men for three hours in the morning and one man for two hours in the evening.

The number of drop-off points for the sweepers has been doubled.

Four different sizes of mechanical sweepers have been investigated and demonstrated in the town. A recommendation on the purchase of such equipment is being prepared.

Emptying Litter Bins

The bins in the town centre area are emptied seven days per week and in the outlying areas, three days per week. A number of litter bins are regularly found to be stuffed with bags of domestic rubbish which rapidly fills the litterbins to overflowing.

Extra Litter Warden hired.

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<u>Proposals</u> to <u>improve</u> the <u>Corporation's efforts</u> to <u>improve</u> the situation.

- (1) Continue to put out litter bins in the town centre area.

 Note bins are not popular with the property owner outside whose premises they are located.
- (2) Increase the manpower from five to six, the extra man being used to double up on the manpower dealing with the Main Street and the Quays and link roads.
- (3) Purchase a mechanical sweeper and hire of driver.
- (4) An amount of the litter problem is being generated by businesses putting out their litter the night before and this being torn open by dogs, birds etc. I would propose that we use the Litter Act to control this situation. The Litter Act also makes property owners responsible for clearing up litter outside their own premises. This should also be enforced.
- (5) A number of the take-aways are identifiable as the source of quite an amount of litter. These should be encouraged to operate a litter patrol system, i.e., where one of their own employees sweeps up the area where much of their litter is found.
- (6) The Corporation have co-operated with the private sector in encouraging the collection of bottles, cardboard etc., for recycling. The bottle bank system is working reasonably well, although we have to regularly clean up around the collection point. A pilot scheme was run for a month last year for the collection of cardboard along the Main Street. However, this failed from lack of co-operation from the business community. I understand there was a problem for them in storing the cardboard as it was set up on a one day a week system.
- (7) Increase the system whereby the Corporation provide plastic litter bins to various property owners along the Main Street, in particular where it is difficult to find adequate width to locate permanent bins.

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CONCLUSION

In the 1991 Tidy Towns report litter control was the one area in which we fell back compared to 1990. To claw back this situation, I would strongly recommend for immediate action:-

- (a) The employment of the extra sweeper.
- (b) Increase number of litter bins so that on the Main Street and Quays area one is always in sight of a litterbin.
- (c) Rigourously enforce the terms of the Litter Act.

T. Fahey,

Borough Engineer.

30th March, 1992.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH APRIL, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Ald. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance: - Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager. Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk. Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 2nd March, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Reck:-

- (a) Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 24.2.92.
- (b) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 9.3.92.
- (c) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 10.3.92.
- (d) Special Meeting held on 20.3.92.(e) Special Meeting held on 30.3.92.

Arising out of discussion it was agreed in relation to the Special Meeting held on 30th March, 1992 on the proposal of Cllr. Corish seconded by Ald. Byrne that a report on the results of a survey of litter bins extant throughout the town would be submitted to the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

Sale of Dwelling.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwelling at 21, Hantoon Road, Wexford, to John & Caroline Berry in accordance with the provisions of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 (7) of the Housing Act 1966 as had previously been circulated.

REPORTS.

It was agreed to defer considertion of reports in relation to the proposed alterations to the Municipal Buildings and to Commercial

Refuse Charges to a meeting of the G.P. Committee which it was agreed would be held on 13th April, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

Consideration was then given to an invitation from Coueron Town Council and the Twinning Council for the Corporation to be represented at the 10th Anniversary Celebrations in Coueron in May 1992 and it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne that His Worship the Mayor, Town Clerk and three members would represent the Borough Council at this Anniversary Celebration. It was further agreed unanimously that Ald. Kiernan, Cllr. Nolan and Cllr. Kavanagh would be the three members to represent the Borough Council and it was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

MOTIONS. .

Greencore Enquiry

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

"That this Borough Council condemns the costs of the Greencore enquiry and that in any future enquiries of this nature that the Minister appoints some of our highly paid Civil Servants to carry out those enquiries and not employ private individuals".

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which an amendment as follows was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche:-

"That this Borough council condemns the cost of the Greencore enquiry and calls on the Government to introduce measures to curtail the costs of such enquiries in future and control the cost of litigation in general in this country".

Following discussion the amendment was unanimously adopted.

Consultation re Corporation Developments

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

"That where the Corporation wish to build close to a residential area consultations should take place with the local residents beforehand".

In moving the motion the proposer and seconder referred to recent experiences in relation to the development by the Corporation of the housing scheme at John Street and pointed out some difficulties which had arisen for the residents in this area because of same. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that local authorities are exempt from seeking planning permission in that we are the like principle reason behind this is that local authorities must be facilitated in carrying out work which are sometimes of a contentious nature but which are

necessary for the common good and recited a number of examples of such developments in recent times. However the system did provide for the Borough Council to consider the detail of any capital schemes to be undertaken by the Corporation and the scheme at John Street was considered by the Borough Council at a previous meeting. He stated that when the scheme at John Street was completed, painted and properly presented he was of the opinion the scheme would be looked at in a much more favourable than it is presently receiving in some quarters. relation to particular problems for some of the existing householders in John Street, he undertook to visit those householders with the Architect for the Scheme in the immediate future to establish possible solutions to difficulties they were encountering. In relation to the motion in general the Town Clerk stated that the implementation of the motion would have implications. Arrangements could be made to put the terms of the motion to effect but suggested that the Protocol Committee would consider the appropriate arrangements which would undertaken. Following discussion this suggestion unmanimously agreed.

Quay Development - Wexford Dome

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

"That this Council supports my proposal for the erection of a building on the new Quay Development to be knwon as the Wexford Dome. This Council requests our officials and technical staff to prepare necessary drawings, plans, etc. and to seek E.C. funding where such is available under the appropriate structural funding".

In moving the motion the proposer circulated to all members his written expansion on the terms of the motion. All members congratulated Cllr. Roche on his proposal. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that the provision of such a feature as outlined by the motion and report would be another major addition to the tourism infrastructure of the town. The potential for funding for the project including the potential for receiving structural funding would be researched. However the overall time-scale for the project would be quite extensive since the project had to await the provision of the new Quay Front. However the proposal would be referred to our Consultants and would be discussed again at a future General Purposes Committee Meeting when their reports were to hand. This was noted by the meeting and unanimously adopted.

Provision of Bathrooms in Private Houses.

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

"That this Borough Council calls on the Minister to provide assistance towards the provision of bathrooms in private houses

which are without such important facilities".

Gardai Patrols

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

"In view of the spate of crime on Main Street, I urge the Corporation to call on the Gardai to increase patrols on weekends in particular".

In moving the motion the proposer suggested that His Worship the Mayor would meet with the Chief Supt. to discuss the terms of the motion and following futher discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Wexford Fire Service.

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

"This Borough Council resolves that we request the Fire Officer to attend a specially convened meeting to discuss all aspects of the Fire Service and specifically the following; a) equipment levels, b) personnel levels, c) part-time status".

A lengthy discussion on the terms of the motion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the Manager stated that responsibility for the fire service rests with Wexford County Council and that it would be more appropriate for that body to be requested for a report on the matters referred to by Cllr. Enright. The Manager further stated that the provision of a new fire station is on the County Council schedule and is progressing forward in the final planning stages. He also outlined the broad practical operational arrangements presently in force. Following further discussion an amendent to the motion was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty as follows:-

"That Wexford Borough Council request Wexford County Council to provide a report on the Fire Service under the headings of a) Equipment levels, b) personnel levels and c) part-time status."

Following further discussion the amendment was then put to the meeting and was adopted without dissent. The amended motion was then put to the meeting as the substative motion and was adopted without dissent.

Ireland-Britain Gas Interconnector".

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

"This Borough Council calls on the Minister for Energy to provide details of studies carried out to determine the economic and

<u>technical</u> <u>feasibility</u> <u>of locating the Ireland-Britain</u> <u>Gas</u> <u>Interconnector in south County Wexford".</u>

Improvement of exterior of Local Authority Housing.

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

"This Corporation agrees that a survey be undertaken of Local Authority Housing in Wexford where the outside walls are in need of immediate repainting, (ii) that a programme of works to address this environmental problem be prepared and implemented as soon as possible."

A lengthy discussion on the terms of the motion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that there was provision to commence this programme in the current years estimate. The survey requested had already been undertaken and details of the draft programme which the Borough Engineer had intended to give to the members at the meeting but which through illness he was not able to attend, would be circulated to each member prior to the next meeting of the Borough Council. This was noted by the meeting and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Standing Orders.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that Standing Orders be adjourned to enable the business of the agenda to be completed.

Pub Licences.

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

"This Corporation opposes the new method of charging for publicences announced in this years Budget and supports the Vintners Federation who are seeking a reversal of this Budget proposal".

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which a vote was taken on the motion which resulted as follows:-

In Favour: - Ald. Reck, Cllrs. Enright, Kavanagh, Corish (4).

Against: - Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Roche (3).

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

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the Staff Officer in the Housing and Planning Section would give the precise dimensions of the site at Coolcotts Community Centre to the Centre's Management Committee if they contacted him.

In reply to Clir. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the Borough Engineer would reply directly to him as to whether or not he had received a report from the County Council as had previously been requested regarding smoke emissions from an industrial premises (Wagstaffes) at Summerhill and adjoining Belvedere Grove.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the question of decentralised offices was still in discussion with the Office of Public Works in relation to the position outlined by Manager at the meeting of 9th March, 1992.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13TH APRIL, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

PLANNING.

Planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were noted. Questions raised in relation to applications were answered by officials in attendance. In relation to the proposal by the Church Authorities to provide for pay-parking at Rowe Street Church Grounds following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that the agreement between the Church Authorities and the Car Park would be an item for the agenda of the next G.P. Committee Meeting and that the Administrator of Rowe Street Church would be invited to make a submission to the meeting in relation to their proposals prior to the discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from Tipperary (N.R.) Co. Council stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was agreed, was noted.

Letter from Mr. Pat Cox, M.E.P., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Mr. Jim Fitzsimons, M.E.P., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Seminar re "Revitalising your Centre" to be held on 28th March, 1992 was noted.

Letter from Ennis U.D.C. stating that Borough Council's resolution re drink prices was adopted and forwarded to the Minister for Industry & Commerce, was noted.

Conference re "The Role of the Health Boards twenty-one years on" to be held on 2nd May, 1992, was noted.

Letter from Mr. Robert Molloy, Minister for Energy re proposed gas pipeline, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

An invitation to attend a conference on the Reduction Prevention and Re-use of Waste - An Alternative to Landfill" to be held in the Imperial Hotel, Cork on 14th and 15th May, 1992 was then considered. On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Cllr. Corish would attend this conference.

Letter from Deputy Seamus Cullimore enclosing correspondence from Mr. Michael Smith, T.D., Minister for the Environment re provision of long-stay residential unit for the elderly in Wexford stating that enquiries are being made in the matter and a further letter would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Conference re "Development in Action" to be held on 7th and 8th May, 1992, was noted.

The following motion from Listowel U.D.C. was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"That we request the Minister for Education to reconsider his proposal to subject ESF Higher Education Grants to Means Testing".

Conference re "Rural Development - The Challenge of the 1990's" to be held on 1st May, 1992, was noted.

Correspondence from Senator Doyle regarding the provision of accommodation for the elderly in Wexford, 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 unanimoulsy agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that His Worship the Mayor would consult with the S.E.H.B. and National Funding Authorities regarding a particular premises which was identified at the meeting which was stated would be shortly coming on the market and which would be ideally suited for the purposes of accommodation of the elderly in Wexford.

Seminar re "Irish Sea Forum" copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Industry & Commerce acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding new industry for Wexford stating that same would be brought to the Minister's attention at the earliest opportunity and a reply would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Dun Laoghaire Corporation stating that Borough Council's resolution re Drink Prices was circulated for their recent meeting but due to the lateness of the hour, the item was

not reached, was noted.

Letter from S.E.H.B., stating that Borough Council's letter re long-stay residential unit for the elderly would be brought to the attention of the Board, was noted.

His Worship the Mayor read a letter from the Chamber of Industry & Commerce requesting the nomination by the Corporation of Dr. Tom Walsh being commemorated by a piece of sculpture for the Abbey Street area for the I.C.I. Sculpture Scheme. Following discussion this was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

Youth Affairs

Ald. Kiernan referred to the need for a Youth Centre in Wexford Town to cater for the needs of the youth of the area which he stated would contribute towards the reduction in vandalism and unsocial behaviour. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions His Worship the Mayor stated that the Committee of the Borough Council in relation to underage drinking were presently completing their report which would be circulated to all members when available. His Worship the Mayor also suggested that members who had concrete proposals for the location of a Youth Centre premises would discuss the matter with him and firm proposals could be considered at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting.

At the request of Cllr. Corish it was agreed that Parks Tennis Group would meet the Town Clerk to pursue the potential for provision of public tennis facilities in Wexford Town.

REPORTS.

Commercial Refuse Charges.

The report of the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion to which all members contributed during which concensus was expressed that sympathetic consideration of the current arrears would be given, the proposal to introduce the tag-on-the-bag system for commercial refuse charges was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed on the proposal Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Town Clerk would meet with the Chamber of Commerce and Traders Committee of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the introduction of the new system and the present refuse collection rota.

Municipal Buildings.

The plans outlining the proposed improvements to the Municipal Buildings were displayed at the meeting and considered. The Town Clerk stated that the plans showed sufficient space in the

extension and improvements to the existing building to provide for the present statutory requirements for staff who presently operating in overcrowded conditions b) facilities members to meet privately with clients c) facilities private/confidential interviews of members of the public there were no facilities at present and d) proper facilities for the reception of visiting dignatories to Wexford to contribute to the high image of the town. The Town Clerk further stated that the development would be carried out on a phased basis and that the first phase would cost in the order of £500,000. It was proposed that finance for this development would be raised from the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Co. Ltd. and that tentative arrangements with that company had already been made. Following discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the project would proceed. In reply to further questions the Town Clerk stated that appropirate consultations would be held with staff and residents in the area and that it was hoped to carry out the development by way of contract which would commence in the latter part of the current

Adjournment of Monthly Meeting.

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On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the Statutory Meeting of Wexford Borough Council from Monday 4th May, 1992 to Tuesday 12th May, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

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/BD. 9th March, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Commercial Refuse Charges.

Dear Member,

As you will recall the 1992 Estimates provided for an income of £30,000 from Commercial Refuse Charges. It was decided during the Estimate Meetings that the cumbersome method of assessing and charging used up to 1991 be reviewed and an alternative be considered. Further to same I would advise that this review has been carried out and it is proposed to change from the present method of assessment to the "Tag-in-the-Bag" system.

The proposed system involves the printing and distribution of the tags so that all commercial users of the refuse collection service are charged in accordance with the amount of refuse they create and the number of collections afforded to them.

The charges, of course, will be levied on all commercial units within the Borough. Where domestic units share the same building as a commercial unit(s), it is proposed to allocate 2 free tags per domestic unit per week which would be allocated in block. This would ensure domestic users of the service are not levied.

The total number of bags per week collected from the commercial sector is estimated at 2,964. Should this system be acceptable, it is proposed to introduce the charges from 1st June, 1992. Estimated income in 1992 would be £890 per week or £23,120 from June to December. Income from collection of arrears due from previous years will bring the total collection in 1992 to the £30,000 estimated.

D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Wexford Corporation — Your Environment Friendly Local Authority.

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH MAY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck.

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

Apologies from Ald. Byrne, Howlin and D.M. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Vote of Sympathy

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of sympathy to the wife and family of the late Tom Lawless, former Principal of Wexford Vocational School was unanimously adopted. All members and the Town Clerk on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

A.M.A.I. Conference 1993

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed that Wexford Corporation would seek to have the A.M.A.I. Conference held in Wexford in 1993. It was agreed that the Town Clerk would write to each delegate of the A.M.A.I. requesting their support for this proposal and that an information/promotion pack would be compiled for distribution at the 1992 Conference to be held in Mullingar in September.

Structural Funds - Sub-Regional Committee

Ald. Reck stated that at a meeting of the Structural Funds Sub-Regional Committee held on the day of the Corporation Meeting the Minister had suggested that there would be continuity of membership of the Advisory Committee for the coming year. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that appointments to this committee were decided at the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche it was agreed that the request of the Minister would be taken into consideration at the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

Vote of Congratulations.

His Worship the Mayor referred to the recent victory of Kennedy

Park School Junior Wardens Team in the Regional Finals and on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of congratulations to the School was adopted and the best wishes of the Corporation for the Wardens in the National Finals to be held in Dublin at which His Worship the Mayor would attend were also proferred.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of congratulations to the Loch Garman Silver Band on their winning of the National Band Championships was adopted.

MINUTES

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 6th April, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 13th April, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

Raising of Loan

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to authorise the raising of a loan of £230,000 from the Housing Finance Agency for the funding of house purchase and improvement loans by Wexford Corporation for 1992.

Sale of Land - Kennedy Park.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of a plot of ground at Kennedy Park to Mrs. Margaret Kavanagh, 126, Kennedy Park, in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966 as had previously been circulated.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of a plot of ground at Kennedy Park to Sean & Elleen Rossiter, 125, Kennedy Park in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966 as had previously been circulated.

Sale of Dwelling - Talbot Green.

On the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwelling at 44 Talbot Green, Wexford to Mr. John Byrne in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90 (7) of the Housing Act 1966 as had previously been circulated.

MOTIONS

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the following two motions in the name of Ald. Howlin would be deferred to the June Monthly Meeting:-

- (a) "That Wexford Corporation calls for the immediate sanction of and funding for the main piping contract for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme".
- (b) "That Wexford Corporation establish a sub-committee to work towards securing an advance factory for the Wexford Business Park at Drinagh".

It was further agreed that the following questions from Ald. Howlin would be deferred to the June Monthly Meeting:-

- (a) What is the up to date situation in identifying a suitable location for a buspark (particularly in view of proposed developments at the former South Station site)?
- (b) What is the up to date situation with the review of public lighting in the Borough?
- (c) What is the works programme for public footpaths for 1992?

Speeding at Barrack Street.

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

"That the Traffic Management Committee examine the excess speeding and danger to children at Barrack Street".

It was further agreed that the Borough Engineer would submit a report on this matter to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting and that the report would also consider the provision of ramps/rumble strips throughout the town in appropriate locations.

Crosstown Cemetary.

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

"That this Council takes action immediately to prevent damage to kerbs, graves and headstones in Crosstown Cemetary".

Arising out of discussion and on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the Town Clerk would investigate the feasibility of the Bye-Laws for the Cemetary being amended to limit the size of monuments/head-stones in the Cemetary.

Liason of Public Bodies re Road Cuttings.

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr.

Nolan and following discussion was unanimously adopted:-

"That all public and semi-state bodies liaise to prevent duplication of work when footpaths and roads are being replaced".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would investigate cutting by the Department of Posts & Telegraphs at Swan View with a view to having same upgraded and that the Borough Engineer would arrange with Wexford County Council for the cutting of grass at Coolcotts Estates. In reply to further discussion the Borough Engineer stated that the points during the course of discussion on the motion would be investigated by him and following further discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck that when a licence for road opening was being granted, the licence would be subject to a condition that re-instatement would be in the same material as that excavated.

Long-term Unemployed.

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

"This Borough Council calls on the Government to extend the recently announced measures concerning the long-term unemployed to all areas of the State".

The meeting welcomed the measures proposed for the 12 pilot areas for the long-term unemployed scheme but requested that the Minister consider the extension of the scheme to the whole country and in particular to Wexford because of the high level of long-term unemployment in the town. The motion was unanimously adopted.

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Ald. Reck the Town Clerk stated that the date of the proposed Housing Seminar would be liked at the next G.P. Committee Meeting at which proposals for a new Corporation Private Sites Scheme (which would be an integral part of the Corporation presentation at such a seminar) will be considered.

In reply to Cllr. Corish the Town Clerk stated that the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting would discuss the suggestions in relation to the introduction of a one-way inner relief road.

In reply to Cllr. Nolan the Borough Engineer stated that he is endevouring to have a derelict car at the Presentation School removed and outlined for the meeting the statutory provisions in relation to the removal of abandoned cars.

MEETINGS.

It was agreed that a meeting of the General Purposes Committee

would be held on 2nd June, 1992 at 7.30 p.m. and that a meeting of the Traffic Management Committee would be held at a date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor in discussion with the County Manager.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 2ND JUNE, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Ms. A. Laffan, Staff Officer.

Parking at Rowe Street Church Grounds

His Worship the Mayor then welcomed the deputation from the Church Authorities who were attending the meeting at invitation of the Borough Council to present the case of the Church Authorities for the conversion of the Church Car Park at Rowe Street from free car park to pay-park. Fr. Hugh O'Byrne, Mr. J. Deacy and Mr. T. Hassett outlined the Church Authorities proposal and stated that it was intended to provide in the order of 26 corporate sector parking spaces which would be available for rental on an annual basis and 70 spaces for the purposes of daily parking. The deputation outlined the proposal and gave details of the projected operational proposals. In reply to questions the deputation stated that the car park would be provided free of charge for all church services and that the total annual projected income from the proposal was £18,000. After answering a number of other questions from all members His the Mayor then thanked the deputation for Worship attendance and the deputation then departed.

lengthy discussion then ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the terms of the Agreement between the Church Authorities and the Corporation in relation to the Church Car Parks at Rowe Street and Bride Street and in reply to questions stated that the notice received from the Church Authorities in relation to the proposal for Rowe Street Car Park was being interpreted as a wish to cancel the existing agreement between the Church Authorities and the Corporation and therefore the existing agreement would lapse in relation to both Church Car Parks as soon as the Church Authorities commenced the pay parking proposal at Rowe Street Church Car Park. The Borough Engineer outlined the proposals of the Church Authorities as contained in the planning application and following further discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Roche, with Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Enright abstaining that the

Corporation express its indignation by way of vote on the proposal of the Church Authorities regarding the introduction of pay parking at Rowe Street Church grounds.

WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME.

His Worship the Mayor then welcomed Mr. E. Fitzgerald and Mr. D. Cahilane both of the Corporation's Consultants, T.J. O'Connor & Co., to the meeting. Mr. Fitzgerald gave a slide presentation of the proposals for the pipeline contract for which tenders had been received and on which they had made a recommendation for Messrs. H.H.W. Ltd., a Wexford Contractor, who were the lowest tenderers and that with the approval of the Corporation the recommendation would now be forwarded to the Department of Environment for their approval. He outlined the principle elements of the contract in relation to the contract period and the type of works which would be undertaken and in reply to questions stated that a listing of the streets to be effected and a map showing same together with dimensions of cuttings to be undertaken in those streets would be forwarded to the members for their information. In reply to further questions he stated that as had occurred in Phase 1A of the contract an archaeologist would be employed by the Corporation to examine the routes in the town which would be effected during construction and that a similar public information campaign to that employed in Phase 1a of the Contract would also be utilised during the term of this The report and proposal were welcomed by the meeting and the recommendation of the Consultants adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

PLANNING.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

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

"That this Council condemns the continued harassment of Irish and other United Nations Troops in the performance of their peace-keeping role in the Lebanon and that we now call for a national boycott of all Israeli goods and produce".

A response from the Disabled Drivers Association to a proposal by the Borough Council in relation to provision of car phones in cars of disabled drivers was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne to request the Government to consider the introduction of a scheme for the provision of car phones or other similiar devices to drivers who are physically challenged such as existed in the United Kingdom and that pending the introduction of this scheme that as a first positive step the Government would

apply a waiver of rental charges on car phones for registered disabled drivers.

Letter from Mr. T. McDermott, C.E.O., copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Justice referring to Borough Council's resolution re "Alternative Dispute Resolution" and the question of the establishement of a system similar to the American "Peoples Courts" stating that the view of the Borough Council will be taken into consideration in any future examination of this area, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Industry & Commercre re new industry for Wexford, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from the Molloy Family thanking the Borough Council for the bursary to Emma Molloy to further her Dance Studies, was noted.

Letter from Wexford County Council stating that Borough Council's request for a report on equipment level, personnel levels and part-time status of the Fire Service will be brought before the Council at their next meeting, was noted.

Letter from Mrs. Eileen Lawless thanking the Mayor and Members for their attendance at her late Husband's Funeral, Mr. Tom Lawless, R,I.P., and also for their kind expressions of sympathy, was noted.

An invitation for the Borough Council to be represented at the National Housing & Town Planning Conference & Exhibition to be held in Bournemouth in October, 1992 was then considered. It was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Borough Council would send two delegates and this was agreed with Cllr. Enright dissenting. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that Cllr. Nolan would be one of those delegates and it was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck that Cllr. Mahoney would be the second delegate.

An application from Dave Allen Cycles for assistance with the cost of the proposal for the Second Grand Prix of Wexford Pro-Am Cycle Race to be held on 21st June, 1992 was then considered. It was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne that a grant of £250 would be given to the organisers of this race.

REPORTS.

Housing Programme 1992

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to defer consideration of the report from the Town Clerk to a Special Housing Meeting to be held on

Friday 19th June, 1992 at 7.00 p.m.

Standing Orders.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Reck that the Standing Orders of the Borough Council be adjourned to enable the business of the meeting to be concluded.

Disc Parking.

The report of the Town Clerk dated 2nd June, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion to which all members contributed the report was noted and the proposals therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck.

LITTER BINS.

The report from the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Corish the proposal in the report was adopted. Arising out of discussion the Borough Engineer agreed to have investigated the question of refuse being left out overnight particularly on the Quays area and being strewn about the keys prior to collection. Further arising out of the discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Borough Engineer would investigate the feasibility of collecting refuse from Litter Bins throughtout the town rather than having residents associations collect same and that this matter together with the cost implications of implementing same would be considered at the next estimtes meeting of the Borough Council.

Youth Affairs

His Worship the Mayor stated that a request had been received from the Swimming Club for financial assistance towards a twinning exchange visit which the club intended to make with the Swimming Club in Coueron. The Town Clerk stated that the amenity and cultural grant provision for 1992 had been fully allocated and that one of the allocations made was £200 to the Swimming Club. Following discussion on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that an additional £300 would be allocated on the basis of this being the 10th anniversary of the twinning between Wexford and Coueron which the Swimming Club had continued to nurture over that period and that the consequential overexpenditure should it not be offset by savings in this programme in the current year, would be included in the allocation of grants in 1993.

Any other Business

Cllr. O'Flaherty stated that the St. John of God Novitiate at Spawell Road had now come on the market and that it was an ideal building for the provision of a residential home for the elderly in Wexford. He proposed that this matter would be brought to the attention of the South Eastern Health Board requesting them to pursue the acquisition of same through commercial and social groups in Wexford whom he was sure would come together to purchase the building and proposed that the Mayor and Town Clerk would make contact with the vendors/auctioneers to inform them of the views of the Borough Council. This was seconded by Ald. Reck and following discussion unanimously agreed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that an invitation from Exeter City Council for himself and the Town Clerk to attend at their Annual Festival in the City of Exeter and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that the Mayor and Town Clerk would so attend and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

WEXFORD CORPORATION

HOUSING PROGRAMME, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

The following is a summary of the proposed Corporation Housing Programme for 1992:-

Local Authority Housing:-

In notifying the Local Authority Housing Capital Allocation for 1992 to Wexford Corporation the Minister for the Environment gave approval for 4 new "starts".

A plan for the development of the corner site at Well Lane/Selskar Street (see display) has been prepared in which the units comprises 4 no. 2 bed units and 1 no. bed unit together with a retail unit directly on the Well Lane/Selskar Street corner. This proposal envisages a phased development as follows:-

Phase 1 - 2 x 2 bed Local Authority units + 1 x 1 bed Local Authority unit.

Phase 2 - Ground floor - retail space Upper floors - 2 x 2 bed Local Authority units.

Phase 1 would be entirely a normal Local Authority building contract Phase 2 it is envisaged would be a joint venture development involving the Corporation, National Building Agency and a builder who would be chosen by competitive tender. The dwelling units provided would become normal local authority units and the retail space would remain with the private sector joint venture partners.

The plan, which has the obvious advantage of bringing families back into this once well populated area will also add immensely to the overall appearances of the streetscape by removing unsightly structures and replacing them with attractive buildings well integrated into the overall new development of the north end.

2. Shared Equity Housing:-

A site at St. Aidan's Crescent as indicated in the map on display has been selected as suitable for a scheme of Shared Equity dwellings. The development proposal would comprise 4 no. 2 storey semidetached, 3 bedroomed dwellings. It is envisaged that the National Building Agency would be the developers.

The objective of the Shared Equity or Ownership system is to facilitate access to full home ownership in two or more stages by those who could not afford full ownership immediately. In general, an applicant will initially acquire 50% share in a house (or flat) and rent the remainder from the Local Authority with an undertaking to acquire the remaining equity within a 25 year period.

Eligibility:- The following are eligible for the shared ownership
system:-

- (a) tenants and tenant purchasers of Local Authority dwellings who intend to return their dwelling to the Authority on providing a private house (or flat) for their own occupation under the system.
- (b) persons included in the Local Authority assessment of housing needs under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1988, or accepted for inclusion in the next such assessment.
- (c) persons in need of housing with a gross household income in the previous tax year of under £12,000.

Other criteria such as the houses which qualify, the approval of application and financing and renting arrangements also apply.

Borough Council approval is sought for this project also.

3. Private Site:-

An action plan in relation to the remaining, unused, lands at Coolcotts in Corporation ownership has been prepared. The plan comprises some Local Authority housing, social housing, multi use open space and 33 no. private housing sites - N.B.A. drawing No. 3311/SKO1 refers. Regarding the land earmarked for private housing sites, it is proposed, subject to Boro Council approval to have a mixture of subsidised private sites and cooperative housing.

4. Cooperative Housing:-

The new legislation allows the making of block loans by Local Authorities to enable them to lend in a more flexible manner that will suit the needs of cooperatives. This includes making block loans advancing instalments to help with site acquisition and the financing of building progress.

Local Authorities are enabled to provide finance out of their capital allocations, for the provision of developed or undeveloped sites as low or normal prices to cooperatives, provided at least 75% of the benefiting members are qualified for or vacating Local Authority housing.

Technical assistance may be provided by the Local Authority and the National Building Agency on house design, site layout, costs etc.

5. Public Information Seminar:-

To publicise the housing programme and the plan for social housing showing the various options available to house schemes the proposed Housing Seminar will be held in September of this year, possibly at Westgate.

From the private sector various housing agencies have expressed interest and willingness in joining with the Corporation and becoming involved in the Housing Seminar thereby making all the information about the various options which are available to house seekers and to the general public readily available.

D.F. CURTIN. Town Clerk.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

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2nd June, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member,

I refer to report dated 23rd September, 1991 whereby it was previously agreed to increase the disc parking charge from 20p to 30p. This increase involved two seperate amendments to the Parking Bye-Laws as follows:-

- 1. The amendment of the Wexford Corporation Car Parking Bye-Laws, 1987 which is a function of the Corporation. This amendment was effected on 16th October, 1991 and the approval of the Minister for the Environment was confirmed on 10th February, 1992.
- 2. The amendment of the County Wexford Traffic & Parking Bye-Laws, 1986 which requires the consent of the Garda Commissioner and the Minister for the Environment. The former was received on 9th April, 1992. The revised Bye-Laws are currently with the Department's legal advisor. Early approval is expected.

A new supply of discs at 30p, which are currently being printed, will be ready for distribution as soon as the formalities have been completed.

In conjunction with the introduction of the 30p disc, a public information campaign is being arranged to inform the general public of the new disc prices. This campaign will include areas such as :-

- 1. Replacement of 20p discs with 30p discs free of charge for individual members of the public (subject to a maximum of 2 books per person).
- 2. Leaflets issued through the Traffic Wardens informing the general public of the increase and of the option to replace discs as above at the Municipal Buildings.
- 3. Arrangements with our distribution agent for replacement of old stocks.

It is intended to give a lead-in period of approximately 2 weeks during which this public information campaign will be given prominence and that the revised charges will fully apply from 1st July, 1992 (assuming the formal approval of the Minister for the Environment to the revised on-street Car Parking Bye-Laws

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has been received prior to then).

The revised Car Park Bye-Laws will apply to the new car park at Wilson's Yard in addition to the existing car parks. Messrs. Dunnes Stores have indicated that they do not now wish to have the car park attached to their own store included in the Corporation's Car Park Bye-Laws. This in effect means that the parking in this car park is outside of statutory regulatory control.

In the estimate of expenses for 1992, it was projected that income from disc sales would amount of £180,000. This was based on the premise that the 30p disc charge would apply from 1st January,1992 and the 110 space car park at Dunnes Stores would be included in the disc area. Because of the omission of this car park and the application of the 30p charge only from the 1st July, 1992, the most optimistic estimate for 1992 income from disc sales is £125,000. This account position will be addressed when the Council are considering the 1993 estimates at which time more accurate income information will be available.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

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2nd June, 1993.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ SURVEY OF EXISTING LITTER BINS, AS MAPPED.

Dear Member,

The survey shows there are approximately 89 litter bins in place throughout the town.

The survey has pinpointed the Quays and the link streets between John Street and the Main Street as not being adequately serviced with litter bins.

To achieve the principal of service detailed in my report following the meeting of the Tidy Towns, i.e., having a bin always in sight, 34 bins need to be put in place. Ten of these along the Quay, the balance on the link streets at roughly 3 - 4 per street.

The estimated cost of this proposal would be £4,200 with a weekly cost of emptying the bins increased by £50 per week approximately.

Yours faithfully,

T. Fahey,

Borough Engineer.

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8TH JUNE, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck, G. Byrne.

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche,

----- N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Ald. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 12th May, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 2nd June, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

Arising out of the minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting, Cllr. Corish referred to the apparently large number of applications being made to retain unauthorised developments. The Town Clerk and Manager outlined the legal position in relation to same arising out of which it was noted that whilst the statutory powers were available to pursue unauthorised developments through the courts the practise in such court proceedings was to await the result of the planning authority decision on such an application prior to the courts dealing with the unauthorised development aspect. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O`Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche that this matter would be referred to the A.M.A.I. with a request that that Body would call on the Minister for the Environment to take steps to remedy this undesireable situation. Further arising out of the discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche to investigate the feasibility of producing a planning information booklet which would outline the requirements of the Planning Authority in general terms in relation to applications for planning permission.

FIXING DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it

was unanimously agreed that the Annual Meeting of Wexford Borough Council would be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 6th July, 1992 in the Arts Centre, Cornmarket, Wexford.

DISPOSAL OF LAND

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Kennedy Park, Wexford, to Mr. John Tobin, 114, Kennedy Park, Wexford, in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966 dated 8th May, 1992, as had previously been circulated.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Kennedy Park, Wexford, to Aidan & Margaret Gethings, 120, Kennedy Park, in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966 dated 18th May, 1992 as had previously been circulated.

REQUEST FOR DEPUTATION

A request from the Chairman of John Street Residents Association for a deputation to be received by the Borough Council to make a submission on the subject of the proposed Inner Ring Road System was then considered. Following discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the deputation would be received at the next General Purposes Committee Meeting of the Borough Council. It was further agreed that the General Purposes Committee Meeting would be held on Monday 29th June, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

MOTIONS

The following motions in the name of Ald. Howlin were deferred to the next meeting of the Borough Council:-

- (a) "That Wexford Corporation calls for the immediate sanction of and funding for the main piping contract for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme."
- (b) "That Wexford Corporation establish a sub-committee to work towards securing an advance factory for the Wexford Business Park at Drinagh".

REFORM OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

It was unanimously agreed that the following two motions in the names of Cllr. Kavanagh and Cllr. Enright respectively would be treated as a composite motion:-

"That this Council request a meeting with the Minister for the Environment to discuss the future of Wexford Corporation in the

proposed Reform of Local Government particularly the status of Wexford as a Borough, also the Boundary Extension".

"This Borough Council resolves that a special meeting be held to consider any government proposals on Local Government Reform that may be announced in the coming weeks".

The composite motion was then proposed by Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. Enright and following discussion was unanimously In moving the motion particular emphasis was placed by the proposer and seconder on the urgency of pursing the Borough Boundary Extension and it was agreed that the Borough Boundary Extension Committee of the Borough Council would meet at an early date to pursue the Borough Boundary Extension application to It was further agreed on the proposal formal application stage. Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan to write to the Minister for the Environment requesting clarification on proposals for Local Government Re-Organisation as to what effect the status of the existing borough and following discussion it was agreed that the deputation who would meet with the Minister the Environment to discuss the Local Government Reform and Borough Boundary Extension issue would be His Worship the Mayor together with Cllrs. O'Flaherty, Nolan, Roche and Kavanagh on the proposal of Cllr. Mahoney seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

JOHN E. REDMOND COMMEMORATION

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

"That this Borough Council commemorate the memory of the Redmond family on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary (March 1993) of the death of John E. Redmond, Leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party. The ceremony to be non-political and non-sectarian".

In moving the motion the proposer stated that the 5th March, 1993 would be the seventy-fifth anniversary of the death of John E. Redmond and following discussion it was agreed that the Protocol Committee would meet later in the current year to consider the appropriate type of commemoration ceremony which would be held and that Cllr. Kavanagh would attend at the Protocol Committee Meeting for deliberation of this matter.

APPRENTICESHIP COURSES

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

"This Borough Council calls on FAS to increase the number of places for direct-entry applicants to apprenticeship courses in the South East".

In moving the motion the proposer requested that the motion would be amended by the addition of an addendum as follows:-

"This Borough Council calls on FAS to increase the number of places for direct-entry applicants to apprenticeship courses in the South East and furthermore we call on FAS to provide a pre-apprenticeship course in Wexford."

The amended motion was unanimously adopted.

ARTS OFFICER FOR COUNTY WEXFORD.

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

"This Corporation supports the appointment of an Arts Officer for Co. Wexford, as such an Officer would help to further promote Wexford as a Centre of Artistic Excellence, which would ultimately assist in addressing our unemployment situation".

It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright that the Town Clerk would investigate the cost implication for the Borough Council of this proposal with other other Local Authorities who had employed an Arts Officer and report to the next meeting of the Cultural Committee.

WEXFORD AS THE GREEN, ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY COUNTY OF IRELAND

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

"This Corporation supports the view that every possible effort is made to promote Wexford as the Green, Environmentally Friendly County of Ireland, particularly by:-

- (i) Seriously addressing the ever increasing problems related to waste disposal and landfill sites; and
- (ii) By encouraging individual and community responsibility through participation in a variety of recycling projects".

It was further agreed to request a report from Wexford County Council on the scope and powers of the County Environmental Officer.

QUESTIONS.

The following questions in the name of Ald. Howlin were deferred to the next meeting of the Borough Council:-

- (a) What is the up to date situation in identifying a suitable location for a buspark (particularly in view of proposed developments at the former South Station site)?
- (b) What is the up to date situation with the review of public lighting in the Borough?

(c) What is the works programme for public footpaths for 1992?

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Borough Engineer stated that a preliminary report on the alleged fireplace defects in houses at Liam Mellows Park would be submitted by him to the General Purposes Committee Meeting on 29th June, 1992.

In reply to Cllr. Corish the Town Clerk stated that it was agreed by the Borough Council that a meeting between Wexford Corporation and Respond would be held following receipt of details from Respond in relation to the proposed method of allocation and appointment of tenancies. These details had been received and would be considered at the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council when the date of the meeting would be discussed.

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THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

DAY OF September 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 11TH JUNE, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck, G. Byrne.

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Ald. Kiernan for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance: - Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.

Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager. Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Mr. D. Burke, Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. T. Cleere, Wexford Trades Council.

Apologies from the Garda Siochana for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

DEPUTATION RE TAXI SERVICE PROPOSAL

Deputations were then received from the pro and anti lobby relation to the taxi service proposal for Wexford Town. behalf of the anti-lobby Mrs. Ros Busher addressed the meeting as follows:-

"For this opportunity to defend the livelihood of Wexford's Hackney Owners, in opposing the introduction of a taxi rank and service to Wexford Town, I thank you.

At a meeting of the Corporation on Monday February 4th 1991, proposal of Cllr. Enright to introduce a taxi service was shot down in a heated debate amoung Council Members. In a report on the results of that meeting in The People Paper of Thursday February 7th 1991, Cllrs. P. Roche, O'Flaherty, Mahoney and Ald. P. Reck objected strongly to the introduction of a taxi service, arguing forcefully that the hackney service provided was fully and readily available, used by some of the councillors satisfactorily, and that to alter an already adequate service, meant having a total disregard for hackney owners and their livelihoods. In reply, Cllr. Enright stated that he had consulted "a number of people directly involved and all agreed that a taxi service would be a good idea" and that the hackney drivers admitted they could not provide a full service.

It is now Thursday 11th June 1992, sixteen months on, and I am present this evening to assure the people here to-night that Wexford's Hackney Owners do not accept Cllr. Enright's arguements or the statements supposedly given to him. We vehemently oppose the introduction of a taxi service.

On a previous occasion I submitted a letter to this committee's members outlining in detail, every aspect of the Hackney Association's grievances with such a suggestion as that of operating taxis, instead of the existing hackney service in Wexford. I also had those points published by the People Newspaper on 8th January, 1992. As a follow-up to this, to-night I sincerely trust that the views of our Association will be seriously considered and that the Committee will agree once and for all that taxis are completely unnecessary for Wexford.

In the mid 1960's a taxi rank was made available at the North Station. This rank did not suceed when the population was higher, and the number of private cars nominal. Members of the Hackney Association to-day have experience of being in that rank and are adament that such a facility, which was not used then, will not be advantageous, except to a small minority, now. The phone to contact taxis on this rank is still in operation, the number being advertised under "taxi-Cab Rank and Shelters" in the local phone directories.

An interesting point is that some people use this `phone, members of C.I.E. Staff answer the call and the service required is provided, but who pays the rental on this telephone. Have we got a rank facility deemed useless?

According to the Central Statistics Office the population of Wexford Town has depleted since the census of 1986 to the most recent in 1991, from 10,315 to 9,537. Preliminary figures for the town and environs also show a massive drop in population, from 15,365 to approx. 12,500. In comparison Dublin City's population is as follows, 1986 - 502,749 and 1991 - 477,675. The point of this comparison is this:-

To date Dublin City has 1,935 vehicles registered as taxis, in Wexford town between cars and the taxi mini-buses the figure is 32. Per capita Wexford has almost 12% more vehicles than Dublin operating as taxis. We all know that demand in Dublin City considerably overshadows that of Wexford. Statistically the hackney service provided is more than adequate.

During the last twelve months the number of hackney operators has almost doubled. At present the service provided covers 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. The vehicles used are the finest in the country, most are brand new, they are maintained and repaired to the highest standards and an excellent, varied and extremely reasonably priced service is provided. The most unsociable hours and all occasions are catered for. There are no exrta charges at present for luggage, extra passengers, bank-holidays or late hours. The general public must appreciate that if a change to taxi service was made all these facilities, which are taken for granted now, would be paid for at top rates.

Following a change over to taxis the vehicles become public hire instead of private hire. Insurance increases by up to £1,000 per

vehicle because of the higher risks involved. These extra expenses will also be passed on to the customer.

The driver of a public hire vehicle loses his right to refuse. This means that a particularly objectionable passenger, however drunk or obusive he may be, cannot be refused the hire of a taxi. This leaves cars more readily open to vandalism and drivers very defenceless. We have as hackney drivers had one fatality some years ago among our members and several others of our members, including myself, have experienced threats of physical violence and considerable verbal abuse. There are also in Wexford a very high percentage of lady drivers for whom the risks of open customer service would probably mean too great a danger for them to continue working. The quality of vehicles would be lowered considerably, standards would fall, and for this depleted service the customer would have to pay much higher rates. All this for the so called convenience of the taxi.

The only difference to the public eye between taxi and hackney is its sign on the roof, which enables the vehicles to be easily recognised and hailed conveniently. Wexford Town has enough problems with traffic congestions and pollution at present and constantly cruising taxis would most certainly add to the confusion. The severe competition for the few available customers would also create much annomosity between drivers.

Tourists arriving in Rosslare Harbour are catered for by the hackney owners in that area, also C.I.E. and I.R.E. services and those of Westgate Mini-Tours. A sign is provided for Taxi vehicles at the harbour to eliminate problems of identification there. Someone is always on hand at Wexford's station to provide information of a hackney service. At present a comprehensive list of car and mini-bus services is provided at the station and also in the towns hotels and other facilities. All of the visitors using our hackney services have congratulated us on the high standard of Wexford's vehicles and they are amazed at the extremely low prices for the excellent facility provided. They I am sure do not wish a change.

Members of the Wexford Public who have been asked for their opinions on the matter of a change to taxis are adament that they prefer to choose their driver, use whichever company they dictate and they are not prepared to pay increased charges. 95% of Wexford Hackney owners` business comes from local people, 60 -70% of whom are unemployed. Their business is our livelihood. The nominal number of visitors requiring transport as previously mentioned are also well pleased with the facilities we provide.

At the most recent meeting of the Wexford Hackney Owners Association all members gave a unanimous "No" vote to the setting up of a taxi facility for Wexford. There is no benefit to the town, its population, its tourists or its hackney owners. Every aspect has been covered and I believe in light of all that has been discussed the final decision by the Traffic Committee should also be a "NO" vote."

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Mrs. Busher answered questions raised by members arising out of her submission following which His Worship the Mayor thanked her for her attendance at the meeting and Mrs. Busher departed from the meeting.

On behalf of the pro-lobby Mr. Pat Geoghegan then made a submission as follows:-

"With regard to my request for the elevation of Wexford Hackney service to that of taxi with provisions for a taxi rank(s) I would like to make a number of points:

- (a) This taxi service would be for the benefit of all hackney drivers in the Wexford area and certainly not for an elite few.
- (b) The idea of a centralised taxi rank with pick up facilities would be a hugh benefit to shoppers in Wexford and also to tourists especially foreigners who seem to experience great difficulty in locating the various hackney services which are available in the town.
- (c) The Wexford Opera Festival has become a very prestigious event and with the publication of "A History of the Festival", it seems as if the Festival will go from strength to strength. Again, the provision of an adequate service of taxis for visitors and dignitaries would be a great boost for the town.
- (d) Wexford has become renouned as a major conference centre and an adequate taxi service with taxi ranks would be a great boost for selling Wexford as a centre for future conferences.
- (e) Wexford has also become a major embarkation point for tourists and the figures provided by B&I and Sea-Link would indicate that the provision of a taxi rank at Rosslare and also at Wexford Railway Station is essential for the development and growth of tourism in the South East. As tourism is one of our major sources of income I again emphasise the need for the provision of these taxi-ranks.
- (f) The provision of these taxi-ranks would also improve the economy of the guest-houses outside of Wexford while at the same time providing a service for the guests for shopping etc.
- (g) Finally, the provision of an adequate taxi service with taxiranks would help greatly to relieve traffic congestion, which at times is quite serious and also reduce drink-related driving offences as people would be encouraged to avail of this easily obtainable service. It would also help to create some badly needed employment in the Wexford area as more drivers would be needed to make this service an efficient one.
- I trust that your committee will consider this application in a favourable light. The development and growth of Wexford is of prime importance and we must all work together for the

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achievement of this goal."

Mr. Geoghegan answered the questions raised by the members in relation to his submission following which His Worship the Mayor thanked Mr. Geoghegan for his submission and Mr. Geoghegan departed from the meeting.

A lengthy discussion then ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Cllr. Nolan to defer consideration of the taxi service proposal to a future meeting of the Traffic Management Committee at which clarification on the factual and legal position of hackey/taxi services would be available and the experiences of other towns of similar size would also be available.

INNTER RELIEF ONE-WAY SYSTEM

The County Manager referred to his previous reflections with the Borough Council in relation to the need for the consideration of an inner relief one-way system serving the centre of Wexford and displayed at the meeting a map of a suggestion he was making for consideration. This suggestion was based on a number of problems in traffic movements being identified in Wexford and experiences in other areas such as York. He outlined the suggested one-way route and the benefits which would accrue therefrom for the meeting and a lengthy discussion ensued to which all members In reply to questions the Manager stated that his contributed. suggestion envisaged the provision of raised pedestrian traffic crossings along the quays and stated that in the centre town of Wexford the pedestrian should be of greater priority than cars. With a one-way system it would be easier for pedestrians to cross presently busy traffic roads and because of the nature of streets of Wexford long vehicles would not be encouraged into town by virtue of the physcial width of the streets and thereby would be more encouraged to use the ring-road outside of the He suggested that a further study by planners to evaluate the present problems and offer potential solutions should be considered and this was agreed by the meeting. Following further discussion His Worship the Mayor thanked the Manager on behalf of the Council for his attendance and explanation and further discussion on the proposal was adjourned to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

<u>USE OF RAMPS/RUMBLE STRIPS TO CONTROL ALLEGED SPEEDING IN BARRACK STREET</u>

The following report from the Borough Engineer was then considered:-

"This is a narrow, winding, fairly heavily trafficked one-way residential street in the Town Centre area and within the 30 m.p.h. zone linking the Main Street through to the Faythe with restricted parking on one side for most of its length. It narrows from 6.5m as its North (King Street) end to 5m at the

mide point to 4.2m approx., at the Northern end. The one-way system is North to South, i.e., the carriageway narrows with the line of travel. There is no warning of this narrowing and this may result in traffic travelling at higher speeds into the narrow section than they otherwise might if forwarned of the problem.

During spot checks no vehicle appeared to be exceeding the speed limit. This is also, I understand, the experinece of the Gardai. It is unlikely that any reasonable driver would exceed 20 m.p.h., particularly with parked cars on the street. There were a number of children playing on the street.

(1) Ramps.

I have investigated the use of ramps. Their installation is regulated and specified by the Department of the Environment Road Traffic (Bollards and Ramps) Regulations 1988, the basic requirements of which which are:-

- (a) There be a minimum of 2 ramps.
- (b) Each ramp to be 3.7m wide x 100mm high constructed of rolled well bonded asphast and painted.
- (c) There be 4 warning signs on the approach to the ramp. These are large signs, the largest being 1135 mm (4 ft.) x 820mm (2 8").
- (d) There are also minimum standards for distances to junction and bends, and ramps must be within 5m of a public light.
- (e) The installation of ramps must be publicly advertised and an objection process operated.
- (f) They are not permitted on routes travelled by buses.
- N.B. Ramps are estimated to be negotiable at 15-20 m.p.h. The estimated cost of such ramps in Barrack Street would be £2,500 approx., based on contract figure from the County Council.

(2) Rumble Strips.

These are considerably cheaper, costing £500.00 approx., but by their nature are noisy and unsuited for a narrow residential street.

(3) Advance Warning Signs.

A "Children at Hazard" sign at the King Street end and a "Road Narrows" sign mid-way along the street would forewarn drivers of what to expect on the street at a cost of £200, say.

I am recommending option No. 3 which can be carried out under this year's road maintenance budget.

I am not recommending the ramps as they are designed to slow fast moving traffic to 15-20 m.p.h., which is about the speed travel in the street. They give rise to noise and a number of big signs likely to dominate such a narrow town centre street. The expense is considerable and would need to be discussed at next years estimates."

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that the recommendation of the Borough Engineer would be adopted.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed that the following items would be adjourned to the next meeting of the Traffic Management Committee:-

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- (1) Parking at School Street.
- (2) Parking at Redmond Square.
- (6) Entrance junction to Mulgannon Road.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS T DAY OF September 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 15TH JUNE, 1992 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

Aldermen: - P. Reck.

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

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

Annual Barry Ceremony

The Town Clerk submitted a draft programme for the annual Barry Ceremony which was considered and following discussion agreed. The proposed guest list was also considered and following discussion unanimously adopted. The Town Clerk outlined the other arrangements for the ceremony which would be in accordance with previous years and these were noted and agreed by the meeting.

D'Arcy McGee Memorial

The Town Clerk stated that discussions had been held with the Canadian Ambassador's Office and that arising out of these discussions he suggested that the proposed D'Arcy McGee Wreath Laying Ceremony by His Worship the Mayor and the Canadian Ambassador would be held at 11.30 a.m. on Friday 3rd July, 1992. He outlined proposals for the ceremony and reception and these were unanimously agreed and it was further agreed that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

Westgate Heritage Centre

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck it was unanimously agreed to request the Minister for Tourism to launch the Westgate Heritage Centre at a date to be agreed with the Minister and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

Wexford Martyrs

The Town Clerk stated that the County Council had suggested a county-wide representation at the proposed ceremonies for the canonisation of the Wexford Martyrs in Rome in September and it was agreed that the Mayor ex-officio and Town Clerk if available would attend at this ceremony representing the Corporation as part of the county-wide representation.

Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland

His Worship the Mayor stated that a Working Group of the Officers of the A.M.A.I. would be visiting Wexford on Saturday 4th July,

1992 for the purposes of holding a meeting to discuss Urban Renewal and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was agreed that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted to suitably host a reception for this Working Party.

Other Business.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche it was agreed that a Litter would be provided at the Commodore John Barry Statue site, if possible before the Barry Ceremony.

A discussion was held on the participation by the Corporation in parades and processions throughout the year and it was agreed that this matter would be further discussed at the next meeting of the Protocol Committee.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

7" DAY OF September 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON FRIDAY 19TH JUNE, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

HOUSING PROGRAMME 1992

The report from the Town Clerk was then considered.

Local Authority Housing Programme

The report from the Town Clerk in relation to this matter was noted. The Town Clerk outlined on drawings on display at the meeting the proposal contained in his report and in reply to concerns expressed in relation to the provision of further retail units, outlined the necessity from a financial point of view and from the point of view of making the land unit costs for the dwelling units more acceptable, the necessity for including provision in part of the ground floor of the site of retail units. Following a general discussion to which all members contributed it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne that the proposal contained in the report of the Town Clerk be adopted. Arising out of the discussion it was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Howlin that a discussion on the Mallon Street Arcade and general development would be held at the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

Shared Equity Housing

The Town Clerk outlined on maps on display at the meeting proposals for the development of a site at St. Aidan's Crescent for the development of 4 shared-equity housing units with the remainder of the site being transferred to the present occupier of the site. The report of the Town Clerk was noted and in reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the positive elements of the shared-equity scheme for certain categories of housing applicants. Following discussion on the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. Enright it was agreed to proceed with the development as proposed on the basis that should the houses not be taken up as shared-equity houses they would be available to

applicants, tenants and tenant purchasers under normal loan terms.

Private Sites/Co-operative Housing.

The Town Clerk outlined further the proposal contained in his report and gave details of the subsidies available in reply to questions. He outlined on drawings on display at the meeting the site proposed for this development and following discussion the proposal was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Reck.

Arising out of this matter a discussion was held regarding the unauthorised caravans at Coolcotts and the Manager in reply to questions stated that injunction proceedings were being investigated in relation to this trespass problem.

Public Information Seminar

The proposal contained in the Town Clerk's report in relation to this matter was noted and agreed.

MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING

Circular Letter HRT3/92, copies of which had previously been circulated in relation to Management and Maintenance of Local Authority Housing Estates was then considered. A general discussion was held to which all members contributed arising out of which the principle of implementing the terms of the circular was unanimoulsy agreed. Arising out of the discussion the Town Clerk suggested that the Corporation would consider the implementation of this scheme on a pilot basis in one estate and it was unanimously agreed that a proposal for such a scheme in one estate would be considered at the next Housing Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Byrne to defer the proposed meeting with Respond to a date and time to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor in consultation with Respond.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

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7" DAY OF Septemby 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

WEXFORD CORPORATION

HOUSING PROGRAMME, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member.

The following is a summary of the proposed Corporation Housing Programme for 1992:-

1. Local Authority Housing:-

In notifying the Local Authority Housing Capital Allocation for 1992 to Wexford Corporation the Minister for the Environment gave approval for 4 new "starts".

A plan for the development of the corner site at Well Lane/Selskar Street (see display) has been prepared in which the units comprises 4 no. 2 bed units and 1 no. bed unit together with a retail unit directly on the Well Lane/Selskar Street corner. This proposal envisages a phased development as follows:-

Phase 1 - 2 x 2 bed Local Authority units + 1 x 1 bed Local Authority unit.

Phase 2 - Ground floor - retail space
Upper floors - 2 x 2 bed Local Authority units.

Phase 1 would be entirely a normal Local Authority building contract Phase 2 it is envisaged would be a joint venture development involving the Corporation, National Building Agency and a builder who would be chosen by competitive tender. The dwelling units provided would become normal local authority units and the retail space would remain with the private sector joint venture partners.

The plan, which has the obvious advantage of bringing families back into this once well populated area will also add immensely to the overall appearances of the streetscape by removing unsightly structures and replacing them with attractive buildings well integrated into the overall new development of the north end.

2. Shared Equity Housing:-

A site at St. Aidan's Crescent as indicated in the map on display has been selected as suitable for a scheme of Shared Equity dwellings. The development proposal would comprise 4 no. 2 storey semidetached, 3 bedroomed dwellings. It is envisaged that the National Building Agency would be the developers.

The objective of the Shared Equity or Ownership system is to facilitate access to full home ownership in two or more stages by those who could not afford full ownership immediately. In general, an applicant will initially acquire 50% share in a house (or flat) and rent the remainder from the Local Authority with an undertaking to acquire the remaining equity within a 25 year period.

Eligibility:- The following are eligible for the shared ownership
system:-

- (a) tenants and tenant purchasers of Local Authority dwellings who intend to return their dwelling to the Authority on providing a private house (or flat) for their own occupation under the system.
- (b) persons included in the Local Authority assessment of housing needs under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1988, or accepted for inclusion in the next such assessment.
- (c) persons in need of housing with a gross household income in the previous tax year of under £12,000.

Other criteria such as the houses which qualify, the approval of application and financing and renting arrangements also apply.

Borough Council approval is sought for this project also.

3. Private Site:-

An action plan in relation to the remaining, unused, lands at Coolcotts in Corporation ownership has been prepared. The plan comprises some Local Authority housing, social housing, multi use open space and 33 no. private housing sites - N.B.A. drawing No. 3311/SKO1 refers. Regarding the land earmarked for private housing sites, it is proposed, subject to Boro Council approval to have a mixture of subsidised private sites and cooperative housing.

4. Cooperative Housing:-

The new legislation allows the making of block loans by Local Authorities to enable them to lend in a more flexible manner that will suit the needs of cooperatives. This includes making block loans advancing instalments to help with site acquisition and the financing of building progress.

Local Authorities are enabled to provide finance out of their capital allocations, for the provision of developed or undeveloped sites as low or normal prices to cooperatives, provided at least 75% of the benefiting members are qualified for or vacating Local Authority housing.

Technical assistance may be provided by the Local Authority and the National Building Agency on house design, site layout, costs etc.

5. Public Information Seminar:-

To publicise the housing programme and the plan for social housing showing the various options available to house schemes the proposed Housing Seminar will be held in September of this year, possibly at Westqate.

From the private sector various housing agencies have expressed interest and willingness in joining with the Corporation and becoming involved in the Housing Seminar thereby making all the information about the various options which are available to house seekers and to the general public readily available.

D.H. CURTIN. Town Clerk. MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 29TH JUNE, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

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

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

DEPUTATION FROM JOHN STREET RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

A deputation consisting of Sean Sinnott, Alan Cutts, Pat Furlong and Tommy Byrne from the John Street Residents Asociation who wished to make a submission in relation to the suggestions for a one-way inner ring road was then received. Mr. Cutts on behalf of the deputation outlined in depth the reactions of the John Street Residents Association to the suggetions which had been contained in newspaper articles in relation to an inner-ring The deputation answered questions raised by the members following which His Worship the Mayor congratulated deputation on the quality and depth of their submission and the deputation departed. A lengthy discussion was held to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that prior to the implementation of any proposals consultations with people in streets to be effected would be held and further arising out of discussion a unanimous view was expressed that Wexford Corporation should consider employing expert planning and other technical opinion with a view to creating a pedestriation and transport policy blue-print for the town which would take us into the millenium. It was agreed that the terms of reference for any such advise to be appointed would be discussed by the Borough Council prior to appointment.

Rate Support Grant Distribution

The report by the Institute of Fiscal Studies on Rate Support Grant Distribution, copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered. The Manager stated that the report only containted proposals at present and that the time limit for making of submissions was up to 31st July, 1992. He stated that the County Manager had requested an extension of this time limit to the 30th September, 1992 and following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne to adjourn consideration of the report to a special meeting of the Borough Council to be held in September assuming the granting of this extension. It was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Reck and agreed that any out of pocket expenses for the Mayor arising out of his term would be

re-imbursed to him.

PLANNING

Planning applications made since the previous General Purposes Committee Meeting, details of which previously been circulated were then considered and questions raised in relation to these applications were answered by officials in attendance. Arising out of discussion it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche that any outcome on the application regarding the housing development at the rear of Bernadette Place would be circulated to members individually.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re medical cards for chronically sick children stating that same had been noted and the Minister appreciated the Council bringing it to his attention, was noted.

The following motion from Dublin Corporation was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"That this City Council urges the Government and Minister for Foreign Affairs to call on the British Government (or alternatively the European Community) to arrange an Independent Enquiry into the events of Bloody Sunday in Derry 1972, so as to clear the names of the innocent and to alleviate the grief of the relatives and that this motion be circulated to all local authorities and also the British Ambassador".

The following motion from Ceanannus Mor U.D.C. was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin:-

"That we the members of Ceannus Mor U.D.C. request the Minister for Labour to make May Day a public holiday in order to bring the Irish Workers in line with their colleagues in the E.C."

The following motion from Donegal County Council was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Cllr. O`Flaherty:-

"That this Council initiate a movement, with all party consensus, to campaign for the introduction of real Local Government Reform in Ireland".

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment thanking Borough Council for their letter calling on the Minister to provide assistance towards the provision of bathrooms in private houses which are without such facilities, stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Labour

acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter calling on the Government to extend the recently announced measures concerning the long-term unemployed to all areas of the State stating that same had been brought to the attention of the Minister, was noted.

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

Conference: "The Media and Modern Society in Ireland" was noted.

It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Howlin that motions as follows would be submitted to the A.M.A.I. Conference:-

"That this Borough Council request that consideration be given for a penalty system to be applied against persons who deliberately abuse the retention process in planning laws".

"That this Association deplores the method being used at the moment to undermine the education process and the democratic structure which have served this country so well over the past 70 years".

A letter from the Administrator in reply to previous correspondence in relation to the Church Car Parks was then considered. Arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan to ascertain from the Administrator if he considers the agreement in relation to the car parks between the Church Authorities and the Corporation to be revoked as per the Church letter of November 1991 and that if so the Corporation would cease to insure or maintain the car parks from 31st May, 1991. It was further agreed that should the administrator so confirm, that discussions could be initiated in relation to the Bride Street Church Car Park.

REPORTS

"Westgate Heritage Centre".

The report of the Town Clerk dated 29th June, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed to approve of the proposal contained in the report and a lenghty discussion ensued to which all members contributed and during which all members paid tribute and congratulations on the high quality of audio visual and restoration work at Westgate.

Wexford Enterprise Centre/South East Recyclying 2000

The report of the Town Clerk dated 29th June, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed during which it was agreed to consider substantially increasing the provision in the estimates for 1993 for industrial promotion particularly in relation to the Recyclying 2000 Project. In relation to 1992 it was unanimously agreed following discussion on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Howlin that contributions to the Wexford Enterprise Centre and to South East Recyclying 2000 in respect of 1992 will be £2,500 each.

The time then being 10.00 p.m. it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne that Standing Orders would be adjourned to allow the business of the meeting to be completed.

Liam Mellows Housing Scheme.

It was agreed on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Howlin that this matter would be dealt with in committee.

The preliminary repot of the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

A discussion was held to which all members contributed arising out of which it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan to have the further detailed inspection as recommended in the report and that the matter would be further considered at a meeting of the Borough Council when this report was available.

Other Business

A discussion was held on the cutting of grass at Ferndale Park and Belvedere Grove and it was agreed that if the County Council did not undertake this work then the Corporation would as a matter of urgency.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to send a vote of good wishes to John Byrne of Sealink on his retirement from his position of Manager with that company in Wexford.

Youth Affairs

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to afford a Civic Reception to Wexford Albion on Saturday 4th July, 1992 at 3.00 p.m. and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly".

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

DAY OF September 1992

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

BARDAS LUCH GARMAN

Wexford Corporation,
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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

DFC/BD.

29th June, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Wexford Heritage Centre.

Dear Member,

Wexford Town Heritage Development Company Ltd. the Company set up by the Corporation to run the Centre at Westgate have made an application for a loan from the Corporation of £25,000 repayable within two to three years with interest payable so as to ensure no loss to the Corporation.

The purpose of the Joan is to provide prime revenue funding to the Company to enable it to run autonomously from the beginning and will be repayable from the entrance fees to be charged for entry to the facility.

The approval of the Corporation to this proposal is hereby recommended.

Yours faithfully,

DJF. Curtin, Town Clerk.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

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29th June, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/- Wexford Enterprise Centre/South East Recycling 2000. Industrial Promotion Provision - 1992 Estimate.

Dear Member,

In the current years estimate a provision of £5.000 has been made under the heading of Industrial Promotion. In previous years this sum has been used as a grant to the Wexford Enterprise Centre and in addition in 1991 a contribution of £2,500 to South East Recycling 2000.

Attached, herewith, please find applications from Wexford Enterprise Centre and South East Recycling 2000.

Yours faithfully,

D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

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Wexford Enterprise Centre

ROSSLARE ROAD, KERLOGUE, WEXFORD.

Telephone: (053) 41711. FAX 053 - 41711



Mr. Don Curtin, Town Clerk, Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

Dear Don,

Further to earlier correspondence seeking grant assistance in 1992 for Wexford Enterprise Centre, I would be grateful for your assistance to obtain the maximum possible grant at the earliest possible date for us.

The 1991 grant was spent in full on the installation of a new electrical distribution board and cable network (total cost £11,000).

As you are aware, we are continually attempting to improve the facilities within the Enterprise Centre and expand our activities to other projects although we have had very little cash available to support our activities. 1992 having brought LEADER/WORD to the county will see us expanding our activities even further to create new industry and new employment opportunity in Wexford.

Finance invested this year (and 1993) can achieve double value by us putting it into WORD backed projects.

Please do your best for us (we received £5,000 in 1991 and would put at least double that amount to good use in 1992!)

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

MARY C.MCNUTT

MANAGER

Registered in Dublin, 122518

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Mr.Don Curtin, Town Clerk, Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

Dear Don

Wexford Borough Council kindly supported South . East Recycling 2000 by giving us a grant of £2,500 in 1991. This has been put to good use in purchasing a shredder. The shredder is used to provide a confidential shredding service to local business and professionals; but its main use is for shredding old newspapers which we then sell as animal bedding (a straw substitute).

As present we lack handling equipment (e.g. forklift, pallet truck etc.) and processing equipment (e.g. glass crusher and silos, can crusher and separater, Hydraulic baler etc.) We could easily spend £30,000 if we had it

This project was included in the WORD/LEADER proposals which have now received EC backing so we hope to receive help there. However, every £1.00 we get from there must be matched by us from other local sources; Please help us to maximise the benefit of that assistance by backing us with as substantial a grant as possible in 1992 (and 1993!)

As you are aware WCDA is geared towards creating local sustainable employment. This project allows us to do so while providing a

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Mr. Don Curtin

substantial environmental benefit at the same time. I believe in terms of public relations, environment and employment the Borough Council have in us one of the best projects ever to present itself for assistance. Every penny will be carefully spent for maximum benefit.

Your goodwill and assistance is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

PRELIMINARY REPORT TO MEMBERS ON ORIGINAL FIREPLACES IN LIAM MELLOWS HOUSING SCHEME.

I have carried out a study of the contract documents, i.e. drawings, specifications and Bill of quantities. I have opened up the floors in front of two of the original fire places for inspection.

There appears to be some lack of coincidence regarding the detail in some of these documents which will require further investigation.

I have opened up the floors in front of two of the original cast iron fireplaces. I found no evidence of scorching of the under floor timbers. However the proximity of the floor timbers to the fire bed albeit protected on the top surface by the cast iron hearth requires further investigation as does the method of construction of the fire places themselves.

The method of venting warm air via a vent pipe running from the underfloor void via the chimney stack to the main bedroom suggests the possibility of smoke transfer from the chimney lines to the vent.

RECOMMENDATION.

A broader and more detailed insepction be carried out in conjunction with the C.F.O.

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Borough Engineer.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6TH JULY, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE ARTS CENTRE, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. V. Byrne.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, J. O'Flaherty, M. Enright, P. Roche,

----- N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

In Attendance: - Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.

Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.
Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Mr. J.J. O`Connor, Solicitor.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor referred to his term of office and outlined the principal events of significance at which he had represented Wexford. He thanked the Members and Officals, public and media for their co-operation during his year of office.

His Worship the Mayor then called for nominations for the Office of Mayor and these were made as follows:-

NOMINEE	PROPOSED BY	SECONDED BY	
Cllr. V. Byrne Ald. P. Reck	Ald. B. Howlin Cllr. J. Mahoney	Cllr. P. Roche Cllr. H. Corish	

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

In Favour of Cllr. Byrne:-

Ald. Howlin, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Enright, Cllr. Roche (4).

In Favour of Ald. Reck:-

Ald. Reck, Ald. Byrne, Ald. D.M. Kiernan. Cllrs. Nolan, O'Flaherty, Kavanagh, Corish, Mahoney (8).

The majority being in favour of Ald. Reck, Ald. Reck was declared elected to hold the Office of Mayor until the annual meeting of the Borough Council in 1993. Ald. Reck assumed the robe and chain of office and the chair of the meeting.

His Worship the Mayor then paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor on his high standard of representation of the Corporation during his term of office. He thanked his proposer and seconder and those who had voted for him. He stated that in his year of office he intended to look inward and not outward for the improvement the town. He would initiate a Jobs Forum during the month of

July and would ensure a Housing Seminar took place in September. He intended to ensure that the Rosslare Harbour Development Committee continued with its excellent work throughout the years operating as a whole committee of representatives from different organisations without an inner-sanctom. He also stated that he would be making approaches during his first week in office in relation to the provision of a Welfare Home in Wexford and that he would available one day each month during his term of office to meet with community groups. He stated that his firm committment for the coming 12 months was that "I will work for you".

Cllr. Byrne congratulated the newly elected Mayor on his election and offered his full support during the Mayor's term of office. All members and the County Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff then paid tribute to the outgoing Mayor and pledged full support for the newly elected Mayor during his term of office.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

It was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Howlin that Quarterly Meetings of the Borough Council would be held on 5th October, 1992, 4th January, 1993 and 5th April, 1993.

Sub-regional Review Committee

The Town Clerk stated that representation on this committee was the Mayor ex-officio and one member of the Borough Council (presently Ald. Reck). The Minister's request to retain the present representation until 31st October, 1992 was discussed at the meeting of the Borough Council held on 12th May, 1992 and following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche that the existing representation from the Borough Council would continued until 31st October, 1992.

Jobs Forum Meeting

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that a meeting of the Borough Council to consider the setting up of a Jobs Forum would be held on 29th July, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

It was further agreed that the meeting with Respond would arranged by His Worship the Mayor in consultation with the Respond Group.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13TH JULY, 1992 AT 4.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

Aldermen: - B. Howlin.

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

Apologies from Ald. Byrne and Ald. Kiernan and Cllrs. Enright, Roche and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

----- Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. M. Smith, T.D., Minister for the Environ.
Mr. P. McCann, Department of the Environment.

At the outset of the meeting it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the meeting would not be in committee and it was further agreed on their proposal that speakers in relation to the following topics would be as follows:-

Local Government Reform - Cllr. Kavanagh & Cllr. O'Flaherty. Housing - His Worship the Mayor. Remedial Schemes - Cllr. Nolan. Main Drainage Scheme & Water Augmentation Scheme - Ald. Howlin.

The meeting then adjourned to await the arrival of the Minister for the Environment.

Upon his arrival His Worship the Mayor welcomed the Minister for the Environment and presented to him a copy of the history of the Municipal Borough of Wexford. Cllr. Kavanagh and Cllr. O'Flaherty then made a presentation on Local Government Reform, copies of which had previously been circulated.

His Worship the Mayor then made a presentation to the Minister on Housing, copies of which had previously been circulated.

Cllr. Nolan then made a presentation to the Minister on Remedial Schemes, copies of which had previously been circulated.

Ald. Howlin then made a presentation to the Minister on the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme and Wexford Town Water Augmentation Scheme, copies of which had previously been circulated.

In reply to the presentations the Minister stated that he was a great believer in the consultative process and that the question of Local Government Reform was currently being considered avtively in his Department. He stated that there were no plans

for abolition of Local Authorities and that he was a believer in the principle of sub-sidiarity and to take away this element of government would make no sense. The question for him basically was how do we enhance functionality of local authorities. He stated that he would be presenting a new Local Government Bill in the latter half of this year to remove archaic statutory provisions (e.g. traffic bye-laws consent) and he re-itterated that change will happen.

In relation to housing the Minister stated that housing needs should be addressed through the plan for social housing which gave a number of options and that he was open to new options. In relation to remedial schemes he was open to suggestions regarding potential alternative funding but at present he was constrained within the tight national budgetary position.

In relation to the Main Drainage Scheme and Water Augmentation Scheme an increase in cohesion funds from the E.C. was expected and if realised he would take account of same in the 1993 national budget. He stated that he had asked his fellow members of Government for priority in relation to such works.

A lengthy discussion then ensued to which all members contributed. In reply to further questions the Minister stated that the provision of a planning clinic was essentially a matter for the local authority but perhaps a more formal basis for such clinics was required and he would consider this matter. He suggested that the new management and maintenance proposals of local authority housing estates would be a major step in the direction of improving the image and day to day social life of the local authority housing estates and that he agreed with a need for education perhaps in conjunction with the adult education system in this matter. The Minister in reply to further questions stated that a person in a local authority house has the same right of ownership as anyone else and he would continue with purchase schemes.

The Minister also stated that he would guarantee that powers would be devolved to both counties and urbans alike and reitterated that a Corporation the size of Wexford would have very substantial improvement in powers and need not fear for its future.

His Worship the Mayor then thanked the Minister and his official for atttendance at the meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 7" DAY OF September 1992

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM.

Wexford Corporation has served the people of Wexford since the first recorded Charter was granted to the town in 1317. The Corporation has served the people of the town well over the centuries and has always been prepared to give leadership and be innovative when necessary or required.

The achievements of the Corporation in recent times are many and include:-

- -- Being one of the first local authorities to provide an industrial estate under the Local Government Planning & Development Act 1963.
- -- Providing two thirds of the houses in Wexford Town.
- -- Providing a Grade A Caravan/Camping site aimed principally at foreign tourists which at conservative estimates contributes £2.5m annually to the town and district's economy.
- -- Being a model for other towns in the Urban Renewal Designated Area National Programme having had to date £25m of private commercial/retail investment under a renewal programme instituted and led by the Corporation.

Some of the proposals for reform of Local Government are a source of major concern to Wexford Borough Council who would urge not only that the existing status and functions would not be in any way diminished but that the track record of the Corporation would suggest that an increase in functionality for the Corporation would be to the betterment of the people of Wexford given the capacity for leadership and innovation shown by the Corporation heretofore.

In addition to an increase in functions, the Corporation also urgently require an extension of the Borough Boundary. At present approximately one third of the population of the town (including many Corporation tenants) live outside of the offical Borough Boundary and accordingly are disfranchised from Corporation elections. All lands for future development of the town in ownership of the Corporation are now outside of the boundary. This is unsatisfactory not only from an administration point of view but also for the substantial number of Wexford Town people who, through no fault or wish of theirs discover that they cannot in the future elect the Council who would reflect their views of Wexford Town and its future.

The legal position in reltion to extensions of town boundaries is presently unclear. The 1991 Act provides for a new mechanism for extensions but this mechanism is not yet in place. The Borough Council have already mapped an extension proposal which has been discussed with the Valuation Office. Discussions have also taken place with Wexford County Council on this proposal. However, pending introduction of the new mechanism for extensions, there would presently appear to be no way forward for the Corporation. Accordingly, the Corporation would strongly urge your urgent attention to this matter.

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WEXFORD CORPORATION - HOUSING PROGRAMME 1992.

POSITION REPORT AS AT 13th JULY, 1992.

Demand for Local Authority Housing at present is as follows:-

Applicants Approved for Local Authority Housing.	 Family Type Non Family Type	38
Applications received since last review but not yet assessed.	 Family Type Non Family Type	54
Author and the control of the contro	TOTAL	306

To deal with this demand, Wexford Corporation's programme is as follows:-

LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING

(a) In progress.

14 non-family type units (6 at Talbot Green and 8 at Croke
Avenue) which will be completed this year.

(b) New Starts.

4 new starts have been authorised under the 1992 Capital Allocation.

PLAN FOR SOCIAL HOUSING.

(a) Voluntary Housing Association.

Wexford Corporation provied a $4\frac{1}{2}$ acre centre-town housing site at Westlands for Respond Voluntary Housing Association. This site is currently being developed and phase I of the development provides for;

- 19 Rental Subsidy Units (Family Type)
- 18 2 Bed-units (non-family type).
- 1 Emergency Housing Complex (6 units).
- 1 Group HOme for Mentally Handicapped Adults:

(b) Shared Equity Housing.

- (i) Wexford Corporation have provided a site and arranged for the building by the National Building Agency of 4 family-type Shared Equity Houses which will commence this Autumn.
- (ii) All housing applicants with Wexford Corporation were canvassed and given details of the Shared Equity Scheme. Arising out of this canvas, 9 applicants are purchasing private accommodation under this scheme.

(c) Private Sites.

Wexford Corporation have designated lands at Coolcotts, in their ownership, for private sites for individuals and co-operatives. Work on servicing the sites will commence this Autumn. A total of 33 private sites are being provided.

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Improvements in lieu of Local Authority Housing.

The Corporation canvassed all applicants for rehousing in relation to this scheme and arising out of this canvas, 2 applicants needs are being catered for under this scheme.

Mortgage Allowance Scheme.

The Corporation canvassed all tenants and tenant purchasers giving details of this scheme. There was no positive response.

SUMMARY:- The results of the above programme when implemented would be as follows:-

Wexford Corporation submit that even by utilising all of the schemes under the Plan for Social HOusing, an unacceptable level of demand remains. It is essential that substantial increase in the Corporation's housing-building programme is provided for. We strongly urge you Minister to provide for this increase in the 1993 allocation.

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WEXFORD CORPORATION - REMEDIAL SCHEME PROGRAMME.

POSITION REPORT AS AT 13th JULY, 1992.

The Remedial Works Programme on houses in 3 Wexford Corporation estates commenced on 9th May, 1988. Two of these estates were built pre-1940 (Wolfe Tone Villas and Maudlintown) and one (Talbot Green) was part of the national low-cost housing programme of the late 1960's/early 1970's. The position in relation to the upgrading works is as follows:-

ESTATE	NO. OF HOUSES IN ESTATE	NO. OF HOUSES WHERE REMEDIAL WORKS		NO OF HOUSES REMA	AINING
		Completed	In Progress		
Wolfe Tone Villas	94	21	6	67	1113
Maudlintown	154	25	6	123	
Talbot Green	92	23	9	60	
TOTALS -	<u>340</u>	<u>69</u>	21_	250	

Where remedial works have been completed, they have been well received by the tenants and the fact that the scheme is continuing has contributed substantially to the improvement in the image of the estates generally. However at current rates of progress, the completion of the programme will take a further 12 years. The Corporation have plans ready at tender document stage for the 250 remaining houses and urge the provision of increased allocation to substantially reduce the completion date projection.

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WEXFORD MAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

POSITION REPORT AS AT 13th JULY, 1992.

The existing drainage network in Wexford Town is in an extremely poor state and it's condition militates against the proper development of the town and environs. A Preliminary Report for a major scheme, providing for replacement and extension of the existing network and for the provision of a treatment plant (no treatment is available in the existing operation) was submitted to the Department in 1985. This contained proposals for the following contracts:-

Contract 1 Pipe Network.

Contract 2A Pumping Stations - Civil

Contract 2B ... Treatment Works - Civil

Contract 3 Interceptor Sewer

Contract 4A Pumping Stations Plant

Contract 4B ... Treatment Works Plant

A section of Contract 1 has already been completed. This section was to facilitate the Urban Renewal Programme in the Wexford Designated area. Tenders for the remainder of the Pipeline Contact with the reports and recommendations of the Corporation's Consultants and Technical Advisors were submitted last month to your Department for approval. The Corporation would urge early approval for this contract.

In relation to the remaining contracts, approval to proceed to tender has not yet been received from your Department. This approval is dependent upon the assessment of the Environmental Impact Statement on the proposed Treatment Plant. The Environmental Impact Statement was prepared by the Corporation and advertised in the press on 16th January, 1992 and was on public display until 21st February, 1992. We understand that there have been no objections to the proposal and that in fact the only submission made in relation to the Statement was a recommendation in favour by the Irish Wildlife Conservation. The Corporation would urge that the assessment would be completed at an early date to enable the remaining contracts under the Main Drainage Scheme to be advertised for Lender.

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WEXFORD TOWN WATER AUGMENTATION SCHEME.

POSITION REPORT AS AT 13th JULY, 1992.

For many years Wexford Town has suffered during the summer season from water rationing. This situation is unacceptable for the people of Wexford Town and tourists alike. The major industry in Wexford Town and district is tourism and it is essential that from the town's economy point of view that the necessary infrastructure to cope with a hopefully expanding market share in this industry is in place. A Preliminary Report for the augmentation of the existing water supply scheme submitted in 1980 to the Department of the Environment recommended that Wexford Corporation develop their own 2m gallon per day source from 4 bore holes immediately south of the town at the edge of a limestone acquifer, treat and pump same to a 1.7m gallon storage reservoir to be provided at Starvehall.

Since then Wexford County Council have brought forward their major 5.2m gallon per day scheme at Fardystawn/Mayglass and arising from discussions between your Department and the Corporation's and County Council's technical advisors a review was undertaken in 1991 which recommended that it would be more economic and make technical sense for one major work to extract water from the aquifer from a wide spread of bore holes, treat the water primarily for iron and manganese and deliver the water to points of demand one of which would be the existing Wexford Town and environs scheme. The review recommended that this water would be delivered to Kerlogue Cross and pumped to a 1.6m gallon reservoir on existing Corporation lands at Mulgannon.

The review also recommended the upgrading and refurbishment of the existing Wexford Town and Environs Water Supply Scheme. The revised proposal was adopted by Wexford Borough Council on 18th April, 1991 and submitted to your Department for your approval following this meeting.

The total estimated cost of the proposal is £2.265m and your approval to proceed to Tender Document Stage on this scheme is strongly urged.

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

Aldermen: - G. Byrne, B. Howlin.

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

Apologies from Ald. Kiernan and Cllr. Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor stated that the proposed Housing Seminar was being adjourned to be held in November next to enable concrete proposals for housing developments and housing sites to be available during the course of the seminar. This was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne.

His Worship the Mayor also outlined for the meeting the details of the meeting with Respond during a recent visit by the Borough Council to Waterford and this was noted by the meeting. Arising out of discussion it was agreed that details of the developments for the Westlands site would be circulated to each member prior to the next Housing Committee Meeting when the matter would be further discussed.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 8th June, 1992 and the Annual Meeting held on 6th July, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

Arising out of discussion on the minutes the Borough Engineer in reply to Cllr. Corish stated that an Information Booklet in relation to planning applications and developments generally was currently being drafted.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the proposals contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

- (a) Traffic Management Committee Meeting held on 11.6.92.
- (b) Protocol Committee Meeting held on 15.6.92.
 - (c) Housing Committee Meeting held on 19.6.92.
- (d) G.P. Committee Meeting held on 26.6.92.

(e) Special Meeting held on 13.7.92.

SALE OF DWELLINGS

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwelling at 5, Talbot Green to Francis & Kathleen McManus in accordance with Notice under the terms of Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act, 1966, dated 24th June, 1992 as had previously been circulated.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwellings at 18 Talbot Green and 19, Talbot Green to Maureen Carberry and Josephine Dempsey, respectively, in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act, 1966, as had previously been circulated.

REPORT BY THE INSTITUTE OF FISCAL STUDIES

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne it was agreed to defer consideration of this report to the G.P. Committee Meeting, the date for which would be fixed during the course of the meeting.

MOTIONS

Coiners Lane - Right-of-Way

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

"That this Council call on the Minister for the Environment to initiate a Public Inquiry by one of his inspectors into the right of way dispute at Coiners Lane, Drinagh, and that we call on ALL our Oireachtas Members to also table such requests in Dail Eireann".

Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted and it was further agreed that the Town Clerk would write to each Oireachtas Member seeking their support as requested in the motion.

P.R.S.I.

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

"That Council is concerned about the Social Welfare Bill 1992 and the effect it will have on various sections of the community especially the Pay Related Benefits of workers who have P.R.S.I. deducted at source each week from their pay packets".

Following discussion the motion was adopted without dissent with

Ald. Byrne and Cllr. Nolan abstaining.

Replacement Water Connections.

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

"That Wexford Corporation undertakes to provide without charge, water connections for those households in Wexford which have faulty or leaking old existing connections".

Following discussion it was agreed to defer consideration of this motion to the forthcoming Estimates Meetings.

Guttering

The following motion was proposed by Ald. Howlin seconded by Clir. Nolan and following unanimously adopted:-

"That Wexford Corporation agrees to undertake whatever action is necessary to ensure that premises on the Main Street and adjoining streets have adequate and safe guttering".

Adjournment of Motions

In the absence of Cllr. Mahoney it was agreed to defer the following two motions to the next meeting of the Borough Council:-

"That Wexford Borough Council resolve the problem in the road outside No. 45, Bishopswater where rain gathers after a heavy downpour and is a danger to children playing in the area".

"That Wexford Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to expedite registration of the Corporation's title in the land at Davitt Road South to enable tenants to purchase their houses".

Sports Complex at Carcur.

The following two motions were agreed to be taken as a composite motion:-

"This Borough Council resolves to carry out a full review of its proposals to develop a Sports Complex at Carcur".

"That this Borough Council calls on the Government to make a meaningful and lasting commitment to the provision of sporting facilities and education throughout the country".

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

Supplementary Welfare Allowance

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

"This Borough Council calls on the Minister for Social Welfare to withdraw his recent directive restricting certain Supplementary Welfare Allowance payments in view of the hardship being caused".

Following discussion to which all members contributed the motion was adopted without dissent with Cllr. Nolan abstaining.

National Lottery

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

"That this Borough Council expresses concern at the recent changes in the National Lottery and calls for a review of the operation and the manner of disbursement of its funds. We further express our belief that Local Authorities should have a key role to play in the disbursement of such funds".

QUESTIONS.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that the first of the proposed Quarterly Meetings with the Garda Siochana would be arranged for October.

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that the number of housing applicants currently on hands were as follows:-

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation's Consultants had reported on the proposal for a Wexford Maritime Dome and that a full report on the proposal would be submitted to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Cllr. Nolan the Town Clerk stated that a development proposal for the Trespan Rocks area at Mauldintown would be considered at the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Town Clerk stated that the Corporation were presently awaiting approval from the Minister for the Environment for the pipeline contract in connection with the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Town Clerk stated that an updated report on the implementation of the Derelict Sites Act would be submitted to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Borough Engineer stated that the survey of footpaths in the town had been completed and that a full report including a suggested priority programme would be submitted to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that a copy of the County Council Report on Wexford Fire Service would be circulated to each member.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that discussions were taking place with a number of retail outlets in the town in relation to the mark-up they required for the Corporation's multi-lingual Visitors Guide to Wexford.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that housing units had been built by the Corporation since 1985 as follows:-

SCHEME 	YEAR	TOTAL	1 BED.	2 BED.	3/4 BED.
Ferndale Park (Phasel)	1986	55	4	6	45
Hantoon Road/Bride Street (Infill) Ferndale Park (Phase 11	1987	49	2	4	43
King St. Flats	1988	12	-	12	-
Croke Avenue	1990	6	-	-	6
Croke Avenue	1991	14	-	_	14
Talbot Green/ Croke Avenue/John Street.	1992	14	-	14	-

MEETINGS

Meetings of the Borough Council were agreed as follows:-

G.P. Committee Meeting to be held at 7.30 p.m. on 22nd September, 1992.

Jobs Forum Committee Meeting to be held 7.30 p.m. on 28th September, 1992.

Traffic Management Committee Meeting to be arranged at the October Monthly Meeting.

Protocol Committee Meeting to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor.

Swimming Pool & Recreation Park Committee Meeting to be held at a date to be arranged by His Worship the Mayor.

His Worship the Mayor stated that copies of the minutes of the Jobs Forum and the Committees arising therefrom which had been circulated to members, would be considered at the next Jobs Forum Committee Meeting. Arising out of discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty to invite the two members of the Wexford County Council Wexford District Committee who were not members of the Corporation to be part of the Jobs Forum Committee and to invite

them to attend at the next meeting of the Jobs Forum Committee.

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THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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DAY OF October 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllr. Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting His Worship the Mayor and members of the Borough Council congratulated Ald. Byrne , Cllr. Roche and the Town Clerk on having achieved the agreement of the A.M.A.I.to hold their 1993 Annual Conference in Wexford.

On the suggestion of His Worship the Mayor it was agreed that a joint meeting between Wexford Corporation and the District Committee of Wexford County Council would be held on 9th November, 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

RATE SUPPORT GRANT DISTRIBUTION IN IRELAND (I.F.S. REPORT)

The report from the Manager, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. The Manager outlined the terms of his report further for the meeting and following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed to adopt the recommendations contained in the Manager's Report.

RESULTS OF 1992 TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

The results of the 1992 Tidy Town Competition, copies of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. The Town Clerk in summarising the report stated that for the sixth year in a row the marks of Wexford had increased and Wexford was now in joint sixth place in its category in the country. Arising out of the discussion His Worship the Mayor stated that he was presently considering a proposal for a tidy streets competition which he hoped to be in a position to put to the November General Purposes Committee Meeting and following further discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed that further discussion on the Tidy Towns Result would be held at the proposed meeting with the Wexford District Committee.

PLANNING

Planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee Meeting, details of which had previously been circulated, were then considered. Questions raised in relation to these applications were answered by officials in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Department of Social Welfare re rental charges on car phones for registered disabled drivers, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Dr. John O'Connell, T.D., Minister for Health acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter requesting the provision of car phones to disabled drivers and for a waiver of rental charges on same, stating that he had forwarded same to the Minister for Tourism, Transport and Communications for direct reply, was noted.

Letter from Ms. Rita Doyle, President, Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Department of Labour re Long-Term Unemployed, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Notice re Clonmel Writers' Weekend, was noted.

Notice re 1992 People of the Year Awards, was noted.

On the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs. Byrne and Kavanagh would represent the Borough Council at a Seminar to be held in Bray from 6th-8th November, 1992.

Letter from Bord Failte re 1991 Tidy Town Competition, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

A letter from the Private Secretary to Minister for Energy regarding the Ireland-Britain Gas Interconnector, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Cllr. Roche that the Minister would be requested to review the decision made and to again consider that Wexford would be the Irish Connecting Point for this Gas Interconnector Pipe.

Letter from FAS re number of places for direct entry to apprenticeship in the South East Region, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance re excise duties on liquor licences, copies of which had previously been

circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance re car phones for the physically challenged, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment re Remedial Works, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

The following motion from Wexford Town V.E.C. was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"Calling on our legislators to change the present unacceptable system whereby liability claims have become an intolerable burden on practically all Local Authorities and Vocational Education Committees".

Notice of Tourism Seminar - "Let Tourism Work for You" was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Tourism, Transport and Communications acknowledging receipt of letter forwarded from Dr. John O'Connell, T.D., Minister for Health, regarding car phones for disabled drivers stating that the Minister is having enquiries made and a further letter would issue as soon as possible, was noted.

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

"That the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland supports the principle of retaining Telecom Eireann in state ownership and would oppose any move towards privatisation of this valuable national asset".

The following motion from Ceanannus Mor U.D.C., was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Byrne:-

"That we the members of Ceanannus Mor U.D.C. request the Minister for the Environment, Mr. Michael Smith, T.D., to extend the urban boundaries instead of introducing the proposed regional committees, in order to enable Urban District Councils to maintain their identities".

Notice of Fourth La Touche Legacy Seminar, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Tourism, Transport & Communications regarding car phones for disabled drivers, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Notice of Conference - "Equality of Opportunity", was noted.

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

Details of Circular Letter DC20/24 re taxis and hackneys, copies of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

Consideration was given to attendance at a conference in the Imperial Hotel, Cork on "Water: Supply & Quality" on 5th and 6th November, 1992 and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs. Nolan and Byrne would attend this conference on behalf of the Corporation.

A request from the Secretary to CWU - Wexford District Branch for a deputation to meet Wexford Borough Council regarding the proposal to privatise Telecom Eireann was then considered and on the proposal of Cllr. Enright seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a deputation would be received at the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance thanking Borough Council for their letter re Cost of Greencore Enquiry stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Consideration was given to an invitation for the Borough Council to attend at a conference being organised in Tralee in November 1992 and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would attend.

Details of Conference - "The Ulster Coastline", was noted.

Details of Seminar - "The New Europe - Challenge to Local Authorities", was noted.

REPORTS.

Derelict Sites.

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

Maritime Dome

The report of the Town Clerk, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following lengthy discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed to defer further consideration of the proposal to a future General Purposes Committee Meeting when the Quay Extension proposal implementation was being finalised.

Trespan Rocks.

The report of the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion to which all members contributed unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche that the programme as outlined in the report would be implemented and that this matter would be further considered at the forthcoming estimate meetings.

Survey of Footpaths

The report of the Borough Engineer, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion to which all members contributed it unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche to congratulate the Corporation staff on the work done in the Maudlintown area on footpaths and the programme outlined in the report was agreed.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

It was proposed by His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche and unanimously agreed to seek a meeting with the Minister for Education to seek capital for a centre for youth in Wexford Town.

OTHER BUSINESS

It was then agreed that the meeting would be held in committee.

Cllr. Nolan referred to a number of staff matters and in reply to questions the Manager stated that the position in law is that the Manager is responsible for staff but he would also have regard to the views of members in relation to such matters. Some of the issues raised in the questions are under negotiation and he would not be able to elaborate on them. In the promotion of staff the interview system would always ensure fairness and equity. All vacancies are filled by way of open interview either open to all of the country or where appropriate confined to Wexford Local In relation to career breaks the Manager stated Authorities. that the maximum length of a career break was 5 years. relation to the particular career break under discussion at meeting he would be asking the Corporation at a future meeting to consider filling the vacancy on a permanent basis by open competition and this would have an effect potentially on the staff numbers when the officer on career break returned to duty. The Manager also stated that there was no proposal at present move plasterers and carpenters from the County Council Corporation but that there were some discussions in hands relation to other grades.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS

DAY OF October 1992 Porty Ken

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

Corporation of Wexford, Enniscorthy Urban District Council

New Ross Urban District Council

"Rate Support Grant Distribution in Ireland"

Report from the Institute for Fiscal Studies

The Institute of Fiscal Studies has prepared two studies of the grants system in Irish Local Government for the Institute of Public Administration, the second incorporating recommendations on a system for the distribution of Rates Support Grants (RSG).

This study has attempted to identify the factors which influence the spending of local authorities and to set out a framework for distributing Rate Support Grants.

It goes on to consider how the suggested framework would affect the distribution of the Grants in comparison with the present distribution.

Applying the recommended system to the 1991 Estimates of all Local Authorities and using other data in the report would have the following effect on the County Wexford Authorities:-

	R.S.G. Allocated 1991	$\frac{\frac{R.S.G.}{1991}}{\frac{R.S.G.}{1991}}$	<u>Difference</u>	Change
Wexford County Council	4,531,679	5,396,956	856,277	+19
Wexford Corporation	312,077	216,858	-95,219	-30
Enniscorthy U.D	.C. 82,055	11,679	33,624	+41
New Ross U.D.C.	127,630	448,228	320,598	+251
	£5,053,441	£6,177,721	£1,124,280	+22

Other Local Authorities would experience similar differences. Some of the larger ones would benefit by or suffer changes of millions of pounds per annum.

The Minister for the Environment has invited Local Authorities to comment on the Report before 30th September, 1992. It should therefore be considered as a discussion document at this stage rather than as a proposal to increase or reduce the RSG allocated to individual authorities.

The Report has been examined closely by the Assistant County Manger, Town Clerks and Borough Accountant with a view to understanding the reasons for such large differences between the RSG allocated and those suggested within the Report. Complete understanding would required a comprehensive study of the RSG allocations from about 1977 (when they were linked directly to the Rate in the £) to date.

Although this information is not available, it appears fair to say that modifications made at different times (e.g. limiting Rate levels, making fixed RSG allocations, inclusion of "Short-falls") have been uneven in their effect and that, consequently, some Authorities receive proportionately less by way of RSG than others.

The following points are put forward for consideration by the Councils to form the basis for their submissions to the Minister for the Environment:-

- 1. For reasons which are touched on hereunder, Wexford Corporation rejects the finding that the RSG allocation in their case should be reduced by 30% or at all.
- 2. The Urban District Councils of Enniscorthy and New Ross welcome the suggestion that their RSG should be substantially increased. They note that the Report recognises that, in company with other Local Authorities, their share of RSG is deficient and ask that this be remedied immediately by allocating their due proportion for 1993. They also ask that reasonable further allocations be made, to facilitate future developments, as a form of compensation for losses in previous years.

The population of Enniscorthy is understated and consequently the relevant calculations need revision.

3. The attempt to identify a logical systematic and impartial means of determining the allocation RSG is welcome. The use of statistical techniques as the sole instrument is considered too restricted, ignoring, as it does, local factors and the responsibilities of the Councils to decide the type and levels of services required locally.

The Study relies on nine "characteristics" as influencing Local Authority spending over four Programme Groups. Expenditure on the remaining four Programme Groups is taken as equating to "needs". In effect, the Study excludes the following Programme Groups from consideration in determining the possible changes in the level of RSG:-

Development Incentives and Controls, Recreation and Amenity, Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare, Miscellaneous Services.

Use of the nine selected "characteristics" to suggest needs and levels of RSG ignores the many other factors which influence local spending, not least the decisions based on local knowledge and unique local circumstances which are not amenable to a purely statistical approach.

Given that spending is influenced by, e.g. population, number of houses, road length, etc., the identification and definition of the particular characteristics should be determined and agreed on behalf of all Local Authorities.

An impartial group, perhaps a Commission, which would consider the views of

County Councils
County Boroughs (with Dun Laoghaire),
Other Urban Authorities, and
Officers,

should be formed to consider what "characteristics" should be considered, the means by which statistical techniques should be integrated, how the characteristics are affected by 'practical' rather than 'formal' town boundaries, etc.

- 5. The exclusion of some, but not all, Grant-aided expenditure from the assessment of "needs" requires reconsideration.
- The fundamental differences between County Health Districts, County Boroughs (with Dun Laoghaire) and other Urban Areas are not sufficiently recognised when they are all grouped together for the purpose of the Regression Analysis. These groups of authorities differ greatly in size, population, population density and resources and should be assessed in separate groups.

- 7. The Study is confined to consideration of the Rate Support Grants at their present overall level. Only a redistribution of the present Grants is contemplated. There are several disadvantages to this approach. It is recommended that the factors to determine the relative and actual levels of RSG first be selected and agreed objectively and then the overall limits (if necessary) be fixed by the Government or other appropriate Authority.
- 8. The study is based on the publication "Local Authority Estimates 1991" which contains figures from all Rating Authorities. Examination of the relevant tables shows different practices for treatment of various items, e.g., agency services, County-at-large charges, and, also, widely fluctuating levels of expenditure on some services between authorities of similar size. The report is being re-calculated against the actual figures for 1991 and the results are not yet available.

A longer-term evaluation against the actual figures for several years would enable better judgement of the implications of the report in practice. Uniformity of practice in all authorities is essential to achieve consistent results.

Assistant County Manager.

APPENDIX

Regression Analysis

Regression Analysis is a statistical technique used to measure the extent to which combined factors affect overall results as shown in a set of samples.

It could be used, for instance, to suggest the most economical way to purchase the components for a particular product given a choice of different sources with a variety of prices, transport costs and delivery times.

In the IFS Report "Rate Support Grant Distribution in Ireland" the technique is used to suggest the "needs" of Local Authorities for Rate Support Grants having regard to

Population and population density
No. of Local Authority Rented Dwellings (+ No. per hectare)
Road length
Rateable Valuation
Number of Commercial Premises
Size of Population receiving Water Supplies
Change in Population between 1986 and 1991.

The procedure for, say, Programme Group I is to tabulate the Population, Number of houses, No. of Houses per hectare and Expenditure for every Local Authority and to derive a formula which gives the "best fit" overall. This formula is then applied to each individual Local Authority to ascertain the "needs" and whether an increase or reduction in Rate Support Grant is indicated.

The mathematical procedure is called the "least squares method". The formula derived is called the "equation of the line of best fit".

With 87 Rating Authorities and 12 calculations for each the Regression Analysis for each Programme Group requires more than 1,000 calculations and the solution of equations with four unknowns. Four Programme Groups were analysed using four different models. The number of separate calculations, therefore, amounted to many thousands.

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21st September, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ DERELICT SITES.

Dear Member,

The following is the up-to-date position with regard to the implementation of the Derelict Sites Act, 1991:-

A total of 8 Notices have been served under Section 8 (2) of the said Act informing the owner/occupiers of our intention to enter properties into the Derelict Sites Register (see schedule attached). Only one of eight was totally renovated on foot of the said Notice (No. 4 attached).

Notice under Section 11 of the Act specifying works to be carried out have been served where appropriate following which a further two sites have been cleaned up to the satisfaction of the Corporation (Nos. 6 and 7 attached).

No. 5 on the attached list, 21 Selskar Street, was acquired compulsorily in accordance with the terms of the Act and is to be developed over the coming months. At the present time, there are six properties recorded on the Derelict Sites Register, namely:- Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 8 and 9 on the attached schedule. It is expected that No. 3 will be removed shortly.

Valuations have been carried out by the Borough Engineer in relation to those properties which were entered into the Register before 1st January, 1992 for the purpose of imposing the 3% levy. Demands for this levy will be issued in the coming weeks. The total valuation of those sites to be levied is £800,000.00.

A further survey to identify other derelict sites in the Borough will be undertaken shortly.

faithfully,

ENCL.

SCHEDULE OF DERELICT SITES.

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(1)	D.S.	91/1	-	The Old Rectory, Spawell Road.
(2)	D.S.	91/2	-	Wexford Marts, Redmond Road.
(3)	D.S.	91/3	-	Levingstones, Commercial Quay.
(4)	D.S.	91/4	-	Lowneys, Commercial Quay.
(5)	D.S.	91/6	-	21 Selskar Street (Acquired Compulsorily).
(6)	D.S.	91/7	-	2 Well Lane.
(7)	D.S.	91/8	-	Pierce's Foundary.
(8)	D.S.	91/9	-	23 Lr. John Street.
(9)	D.S.	92/1	-	Whitemill South (adjacent to Mayflower Lounge.

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22nd September, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ QUAY DEVELOPMENT : WEXFORD DOME.

Dear Member,

Further to the proposal put forward by Councillor Peter Roche in relation to the above, I attach herewith, for your information, a copy of our Consulting Engineers Report in relation to same.

Detailed planning of the proposal will be undertaken when the proposed quay extension is provided since the site for the proposed dome is located thereon. Finance for the development will be discussed at that stage with the Borough Council.

Yours faithfully,

D.F.Curtin, Town Clerk.

ENCL.

T.J. O'Connor & Associates

Consulting Engineers

Mr. D. Curtin, Town Clerk, Wexford Corporation, Municipal Buildings, Wexford.

Our Ref. 9183.



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Fas: 295-4441.

22nd July, 1992.

Re:-Wexford Quay Extension
Wexford Dome Proposal

Dear Mr. Curtin,

We refer to your letter to us enclosing a proposal from Councillor Peter Roche in connection with the above matter.

The proposal to construct a feature building on the Quay front with maritime or nautical emphasis represents an interesting concept and one which could be realised at Wexford in conjunction with the proposed quay development. Accordingly we feel that such a proposal certainly merits consideration.

We ourselves have been involved in a number of structures which may not be too unlike what Councillor Roche is proposing. These range from a Globe structure to a stepped pyramid as the central feature at the Square Shopping Centre here in Dublin which is the largest structure of its type in Europe and is comparable in size with "La Pyramid du Louvre" in Paris. A number of options were considered for the central atrium of this shopping centre, including a dome, prior to opting for the stepped pyramid. Also at another large commercial store in Dublin, a "Cupola" roof structure is currently being constructed to our design. Some brief sketches of the structures referred to above are attached.

However for the Wexford proposal we agree with Councillor Roche that it would be important to ensure that such a building should reflect the nautical and maritime history of Wexford Harbour. As there is already considerable data and knowledge compiled by various authors on the history of Wexford Harbour, this would offer great potential to the development of the proposal.

Councillor Roche mentions the possibility of incorporating a "large scale model of the bow of an old sailing ship or schooner with sails or sails showing". This seems a most interesting proposal since we are aware of a similar type feature which is presently being constructed in Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. There, the roof of the golf clubhouse resembles the sails on a "dhow" which is the traditional trade ship of the port. We attach a photostat copy of a recent article photograph taken during construction of this spectacular structure for your's and Councillor Roche's information. While expenditure of the scale of that project is obviously untenable we feel that a structure based on the former schooners and sailing vessels used at Wexford is not beyond the financial resources that might be made available for a structure at Wexford. We will ake some photographs of this structure in Dubai and forward them to you in due course.

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We will continue to explore the possibilities for such a structure at Wexford and feel that if this proposal is to be realistically pursued we should begin to develop some sketch designs of some structures which might be considered appropriate for what Councillor Roche has in mind.

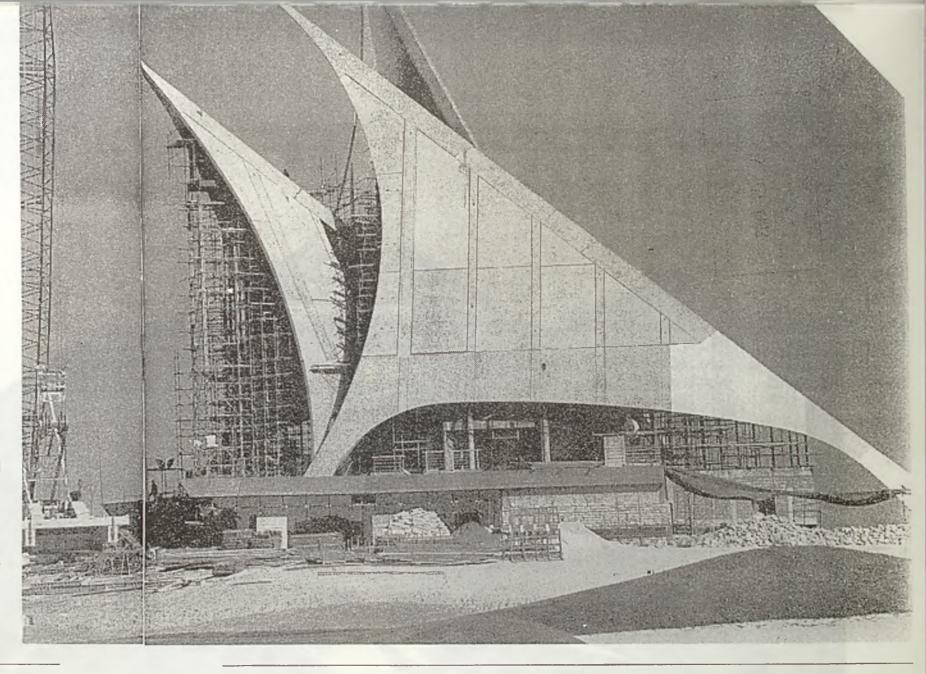
We will discuss this matter further with you during our next visit to Wexford.

Yours sincerely,

T.J.O'Connor & Associates.

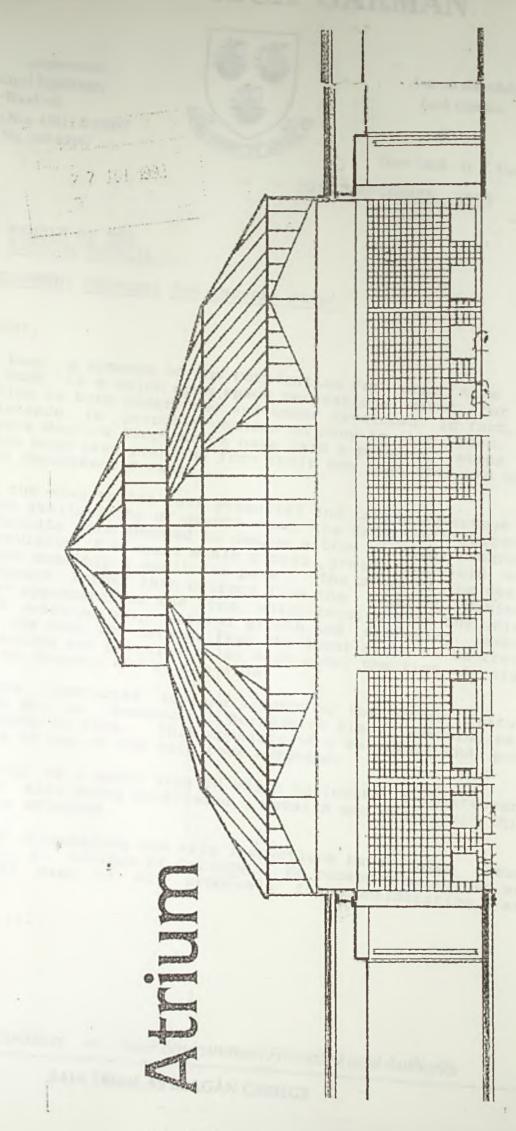
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SAIL ON: Dubai contractor Emirates Precast Construction is expected to finish fitting out Dubai's spectacular golf clubhouse on the banks of Dubai creek in two months time following completion of its £6M roof. Roof elements designed to resemble the sails of a dhow rest on the clubhouse substructure. Australian structural engineer Bonacci Winward, which has just set up a London office, incorporated concrete tie beams and two horizontal diaphragm slabs within the 45m high roof structure to withstand horizontal thrust exerted by the 4000t sail sections.





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22ND SEPTEMBER, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

RE/ DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL FOR TRESPAN ROCK.

Dear Member,

It has been a concern of the Corporation for some time that Trespan Rock is a major open space recreational asset for the Town, which is both under-used and under developed. In fact, its very existence is probably unknown to many in the Town. In recent years Wexford Corporation have laid a pathway, steps and carried out some tree planting from their own resources and using the Social Employment Scheme.

To bring the area to its full potential and taking advantage of the recent availability of grants under the Urban Afforestation Scheme, Coillte were engaged to design a tree planting programme making provision for small scale picnic areas, suitable sign posting, and possibly a small car park. The basis of the design is to enhance rather than detract from the existing dominant "wildscape" appearance of the area, which results from the unique large rock outcroppings, natural growth and differing levels. Views over the town and Harbour from the lower areas to be framed by the planting and planting to be kept under the line of sight from the high Eastern end of the area.

Coillte were instructed to take account of the water feature submitted by Mr. D. Redmond, 5 Bernadette Place, Wexford, as a Student Project in 1986. This consists of a waterfall and pond in an alcove in one of the main rock outcrops.

The provision of a small area in which to locate a skateboard platform is also being considered, details and costs of this equipment are attached.

A number of discussions and site inspections have taken place with Mr. S. J. Lenihan of Coillte. He recently submitted an initial draft plan of his proposals for consideration, as attached.

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Subject to the approval of the Members, I would recommend that the above proposals be finalised, properly drawn up, specified and costed for a more final presentation to the Members before the end of the year.

Yours faithfully,

T. FAHEY, BOROUGH ENGINEER.



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19th November 1991.

Dear Mr Fahey,

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REPORT TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

1992 SCHEDULE OF FOOTPATH REPAIRS / CONSTRUCTION IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:-

Works Completed to August:-

- Maudlintown
- * Davitt Road.
- Bishopswater.
- * Spafield Avenue. Peter Street. The Faythe. Wolfe Tone Villas. St. Aidan's Crescent. Kennedy Park.

* indicates works costing in excess of £1,000.00.

Proposed Works:-

Programme:-

North Main Street (North of Bullring). September. Corish Park October. Kennedy Park Menapia Avenue Anne Street Wolfe Tone Villas Henrietta Street November. Belvedere Road December. Common Quay Street

* indicates works estiamted in excess of £1,000.00.

T. Fahey,

Borough Engineer.

21st September, 1992.

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MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Alderman P. Reck.

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

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

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

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting a vote of congratulations and expression of support to Her Excellency the President of Ireland who had visited Somalia as an expression of the wishes of the Irish people was unanimously adopted on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche. All members present associated with the proposal.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 7th September, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the G.P. Committee Meeting held on 22nd September, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Nolan.

DATES OF ESTIMATE MEETINGS

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was unanimously agreed that the Estimates Meeting for consideration of the 1993 Estimate of Expenses would be held at 7.30 p.m. on 23rd November, 1992. It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the 1st Preliminary Estimates Meeting would be held on 3rd November, 1992 at 7.30 p.m. and that a Traffic Management Committee Meeting would be held on 30th November, 1992 at 7.30 p.m. It was further agreed that meetings of the Swimming Pool Committee and Protocol Committee would be arranged by His Worship the Mayor.

DISPOSAL OF LAND

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it

was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Croke Avenue to the National Building Agency in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act 1966, dated 25th September, 1992, as had previously been circulated.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of land at Townparks, Wexford, to the I.D.A., in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by Section 88 of the Housing Act, 1966, dated 25th September, 1992, as had previously been circulated.

MOTIONS.

The following motion was withdrawn by the proposer, 'Cllr. Mahoney, the work in the motion having been previously carried out:-

"That 'Wexford Borough Council resolve the problem in the road outisde No. 45, Bishopswater where rain gathers after a heavy downpour and is a danger to children playing in the area".

Land at Davitt Road South

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

"That Wexford Borough Council calls on the Minister for the Environment to expedite registration of the Corporation's title in the land at Davitt Road South to enable tenants to purchase their houses".

In discussing the motion the following amendment was agreed to be substituted for the motion on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Mahoney:-

"That Wexford Borough Council calls on the Land Registry and the Minister for Justice to expedite the registration of the Corporation's title in the land at Davitt Road South to enable tenants to purchase their houses".

In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that application for first registration of the lands involved in this housing scheme had been lodged in the Land Registry in April last and that the Corporation were awaiting a dealing number for same. As soon as the dealing number was received tenants would be enabled to purchase their houses and the Town Clerk further confirmed that in accordance with the previous decision of the Borough Council where the purchase of houses had been delayed through no fault of the tenants, increases in rents since 1st January, 1990 would be applied against the purchase price of the houses.

Roadway - St. Aidan's Crescent.

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

"That as a matter of urgency the section of roadway outside Nos. 25, 26, 27 and 28, St. Aidan's Crescent be reinstated in concrete".

In reply to the motion the Borough Engineer stated that he would inspect the roadway mentioned and arrange for the necesary work to be undertaken. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

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

"That a programme be drawn up to notify and inform people in streets to be affected by laying of pipelines for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme and that consultation take place with contractors, re safety, cleanliness, etc".

In moving the motion the proposer referred to the previous experiences of the Borough Council in dealing with disruptive infrastructural work and gave as examples the Parnell Street and Distillery Road Drainage Improvement Schemes which when being implemented had affected the residential areas involved. The Town Clerk stated that a public information campaign as per the 1st phase of the present pipework contract would be undertaken in relation to the major pipeline contract and that the Monitoring Committee would again keep a detailed view of works in progress with a view to ensuring that disruption to both residential and commercial areas would be minimised. Following discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

SEMINAR ON TRANSPORT POLICY

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

"That this Borough Council host, through the I.P.A., a conference/seminar on transport policy that would concentrate on the strategic importance of Rosslare Port in a regional, national and international context and which would serve to assist in the drawing up of a transport plan that would lead to greater investment in the Wexford-Rosslare hinterland if such a plan were implemented."

In discussing the motion it was noted that the proposal for a seminar would be held at a date after the finalising of the E.C. Structural Programme but it was agreed that the principle of the seminar should be proceeded with. It was further agreed that the seminar should involve the Rosslare Harbour Development Committee and that the recent newspaper articles by the President of Limerick University in relation to motorway access to Rosslare should be part of the programme.

Multi-Purpose Youth Centre.

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

"That we invite the F.D.Y.S. and other interested youth organisations to a meeting to discuss the feasibility of a joint approach with the Corporation towards the provision of a multipurpose Youth Centre in Wexford".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was further agreed that His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk would make the necessary arrangements for the meeting requested in the motion.

Tidy Towns Report.

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

"In accordance with the recommendation made in this years Tidy Towns Progress Report for Wexford Town, this Corporation proposes to organise an anti-litter campaign/competition, in co-operation with schools, local youth groups, environmental groups, the commercial, industrial and residential sectors and other interested voluntary bodies".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was noted that further discussion on this topic would be held at the proposed meeting between the Borough Council and the Wexford District Committee of Wexford County Council and it was further noted that His Worship the Mayor was pursuing the establishment of a campaign which would, when implemented, alleviate the litter problem.

Refurbishment of South Quays.

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

"That Wexford Corporation urgently examines, in consultation with property owners, all means available of refurbishing the South Quays area of Wexford".

In discussion on the motion it was suggested that the powers of the Corporation in relation to the Derelict Sites Act would be used if necessary and if appropriate. In reply to questions the Town Clerk stated that discussions in relation to part of the properties mentioned was ongoing with the owners of the property and that the terms of the motion if adopted would strengthen the hands of the Corporation in these discussions.

Wexford Main Drainage Scheme.

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

"That Wexford Corporation calls on the Minister for the Environment to immediately release the necessary funding to proceed with the next phase of Wexford Main Drainage Scheme."

QUESTIONS

In reply to Cllr. Roche the Town Clerk stated that detailed responses to the Borough Council's request to the Minister for the Environment and Oireachtas Members in relation to Coiner's Lane dispute had not yet been received but were expected shortly.

In reply to Cllr. Enright a report on the Fire Service was circulated to each member. It was agreed that this report would be discussed at the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that a proposal for the upgrading of the Swimming Pool and Caravn Park Complex was currently being prepared and would be considered by the Borough Council when completed.

In reply to Cllr. Enright the Town Clerk stated that the Bank of Ireland would be requested to arrange for the Securicor Van to park in the bank's car park when making deliveries/collections rather than on the street where it causes regular traffic congestion.

In reply to Cllr. Corish the Borough Engineer stated that a report and design for the improvement of the traffic flow at Cornmarket would be submitted to the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Borough Engineer stated that the upgrading of the pedestrian area from the Bullring to Rowe Street would be commenced after the conclusion of the forthcoming Opera Festival and that a detailed report on this proposal would be submitted for the next G.P. Committee Meeting.

In reply to Ald. Howlin the Borough Engineer stated that the Corporation collected on an ongoing basis any supermarket trollies left on the public roads and charge the supermarket owners for the recovery of same.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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DAY OF November, 199

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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MINUTES OF PROTOCOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 5.00 ON TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck, M.C.C.

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

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

Redmond Memorial Ceremony.

The following motion from the Monthly Meeting held on 8th June, 1992 was then considered;-

"That this Borough Council commemorate the memory of the Redmond family on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary (March 1993) of the death of John E. Redmond, Leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party. The Ceremony to be non-political and non-sectarian".

It had been agreed at that meeting that the Protocol Committee and the mover of the motion would discuss the proposed Ceremony. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. P. Roche to recommend that Cllr. N. Kavanagh would be given a brief to act as Chairman of an Organising Group which would be set up on the lines of the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee and who would draft a proposal for a non-political and non-sectarian Civic Commemoration Ceremony to commemorate the contribution of the Redmond Family to Wexford and that this Committee would report to the Protocol Committee before the end of the current year with draft proposals for such a Ceremony which it was envisaged would be held on an annual basis.

Civic Awards.

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the terms of the scheme for Civic Awards, members had been invited to make nominations under the following categories before 2nd October, 1992.

- (1) Cultural & Educational.
- (2) Public/Community Service.
- (3) Commercial/Industrial Development.

One nomination had been received in each of the categories as follows;-

Cultural & Educational - Mr. Liam Gaul.
Public/Community Service - Mr. Noel Beaver.
Commercial/Industrial Development - Pettit's Supermarket.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to recommend the Awards at (1) and (2) and on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to recommend the Award at (3). It was further agreed on the proposal of Cllr. J. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. P. Roche that the Presentation Ceremony would be held on 4th December, 1992 at 7.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Wexford and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

A.M.A.I. Annual Conference 1993.

A discussion was then held on the holding of the Annual Conference of the A.M.A.I. in Wexford in 1993 and it was agreed that the Organising Committee would be the Protocol Committee and Ald. Byrne. It was further agreed that a visit to the last host town for the Conference, Mullingar, would be arranged before the end of the current year at which time the officers of the A.M.A.I. would be requested to attend to discuss preliminary arrangements.

Wexford Festival Opera - Window Display Competition.

A request from the Chamber of Industry & Commerce for the Corporation to sponsor a prize for the best overall winner of the competition was then considered. It was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. P. Roche seconded by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty that the Corporation would provide a perpetual trophy of Ferrycarrig Crystal to be awarded on an annual basis by the Mayor of the day tothe best overall prize winner and the trophy would be known as the Mayor's Perpetual Trophy.

Civic /Mayoral Receptions.

Arising out of discussion at the meeting of the Jobs Forum held on 28th September, 1992 it was agreed that the Town Clerk would draft proceedures to ensure that access to Civic/Mayoral Receptions would be limited to those invited and that this draft proceedure would be considered at the next meeting of the Protocol Committee. Further arising out of discussion it was agreed that the participation of the Borough Council in parades and processions would be further considered by the Protocol Committee at their next meeting.

It was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. P. Roche that a Reception for the Opera Festival workers and artists would be held in the Westgate Centre on 6th November, 1992 at 12.30 p.m. and that the Mayoral Allowance be adjusted accordingly.

Dorset/La Manche/Cherbourg.

An invitation extended by Cherbourg City Council under the umbrella of the Dorset/La Manche Group for the Mayor, Town Clerk, Ald. G. Byrne and Cllr. H. Corish to visit Cherbourg before the year end was then considered and it was agreed to recommend that the invitation be accepted and that arrangements would be made by His Worship the Mayor and Town clerk for the appropriate dates for the visit.

Bangor/North Down Borough Council.

Correspondence from Co-operation North and the Community Development Officer of North Down Borough Council was then considered. The correspondence invited the Corporation to take part in initial discussions in relation to the creation of official links between Bangor Borough Council and Wexford and suggested initial meetings at which representatives of both Council's would attend in both Wexford and Bangor. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. P. Roche seconded by Cllr. J. O'Flaherty to invite representatives of Bangor Borough Council to visit Wexford during the course of the forthcoming Opera Festival and that the Borough Council representatives would pay a return visit in the Spring of 1993.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Byrne and Cllrs. Nolan and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Vote of Sympathy

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Roche a unanimous vote of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Tony Connolly was adopted. All members present and the Manager on his own behalf and on behalf of the staff associated with the expression of sympathy. The vote was passed in silence, all standing.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Quarterly Meeting held on 5th October, 1992, 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 Protocol Committee Meeting held on 13th October, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin. Arising out of discussion on the minutes it was unanimously agreed that in the event of one of the invited delegates to attend at Cherbourg not being in a position to attend, Cllr. Byrne would be the substitute delegate.

SALE OF FEE SIMPLE

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Kavanagh it was unanimously agreed to authorise the disposal of the fee simple of the property known as "Anvers", St. John's Road, Wexford, to Kieran & Dympna Cousins in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 141 of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Act, 1840 as had previously been circulated and subject to the consent of the Minister for the Environment.

SALE OF [WELLINGS

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of dwelling at 16, Talbot Green, Wexford, to Philomena Murphy in accordance with the terms of Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act, 1966 which had previously been circulated.

DISPOSAL OF FEE SIMPLE

On the proposal of Ald. Howlin seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed to authorise the vesting of the fee simple of property at 1, Emmett Place, Wexford, to Patrick Reville in accordance with Notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946 as amended by Section 90(7) of the Housing Act 1966, as had previously been circulated.

REVIEW OF WEXFORD DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Howlin it was unanimously agreed that an application be made to the Minister for the Environment for a further extension of the review period to 31st December, 1992.

MOTIONS

Anti Drug Campaign

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

"That Wexford Corporation initiate a "Just Say No" Anti Drugs Campaign in Wexford to highlight the abuse and misuse of drugs in our community".

In moving the motion the proposer referred to the special schools programme in New York in relation to drug abuse and suggested that a similar programme be introduced in Wexford on a pilot basis for the rest of the country. Arising out of discussion on the motion it was agreed that His Worship the Mayor would suggest to the S.E.H.B. and the Department of Health that funding would be made available for a pilot study similar to that co-ordinated by the Corporation and the Cider Industry Council in relation to teenage alcohol abuse and it was further agreed that the motion be circulated to all Local Authorities".

Ground Rents.

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

"That this Council believes its farcial and uneconomical and confusing to be billing people for fifteen and twenty pence yearly ground rents and that measures should be taken to abolish all ground rents held by this Council".

In reply to discussion on the motion the Borough Accountant outlined the position in relation to billing for ground rents on local authority houses sold to tenants prior to 1978 and pointed out that the present law required that this be done. This was noted by the meeting.

Bathroom Extension Scheme.

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

"That this Council call on the Minister for the Environment to extend bathroom scheme to include provision of proper bathrooms and water heating systems for tenanted houses where tenants have already undertaken some work and were not included in original scheme."

In moving the motion the proposer referred to tenants who had carried out some works to their dwellings which had been rented to them without bathrooms but pointed out that some of these works were required to be brought up to standards which were now being applied in tenants houses where the tenants did not undertake any improvements themselves. Following discussion it was agreed that the Borough Engineer would undertake a survey of tenanted houses where bathrooms had not been provided by the Corporation and that a proposal for financing the upgrading of necessary works would be submitted to the Minister for the Environment requesting finance for same.

The following motions from Cllrs. Nolan & Mahoney respectively were adjourned in view of the unavoidable absence of the Councillors who were attend a conference on behalf of the Corporation:-

"That Wexford Borough Council ensure that in all future Remedial works Schemes and any future House Building Schemes carried out by the Council that Wexford Town manufactured windows and doors will be installed in same".

"That this Borough Council asks C.I.E. to have the gate open at O'Hanrahan Station so that people can gain access to shelter from heavy rain when queuing for buses".

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor referred to the forthcoming visit by members of Bangor Borough Council and it was agreed that His Worship the Mayor and the Protocol Committee would meet with the delegation and suitably host their visit and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

His Worship the Mayor also referred to an invitation from the Mayor of Pembroke that he and the Town Clerk would visit Pembroke prior to the end of the year to discuss matters of mutual

interest and this was unanimously agreed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that in relation to the Jobs Forum he had had discussions with the County Manager in relation to the servicing of the Jobs Forum and that decisions in relation to this matter would have to await the forthcoming estimates in both the County Council and Corporation.

REPORTS.

The Report of the Borough Engineer in relation to the proposed planting of part of the Carcur Site, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion was unanimously agreed.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that His Worship the Mayor would initiate correspondence with the Mayor of Annapolis with a view to the creation of links between Wexford and Annapolis.

On the proposal of Cllr. Enright it was agreed that updated housing lists would be circulated to all members.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEEING

SIGNED THIS 7TH

DAY OF December, 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD

URBAN AFFORESTATION PLAN

AREA: 3.3 HECTARES

CARCUR, WEXFORD TOWN...

SPECIES SELECTION: Majority Broadleaf Plantation.

This plantation will consist of a mixture of Alder, Norway Maple, Poplar and Birch. The main paths through the plantation will be bordered with Larch.

Incline.

This section leading onto the plateau area will have Red Oak with a Larch border.

Conifer Belt.

This 15 metre belt will be planted with a Lodgepole Pine/Larch mixture.

Roadside Belt.

Two rows of Birch (half-standards) planted in shelter belt style.

COST:

112,050 + V.A.T = 13,556.

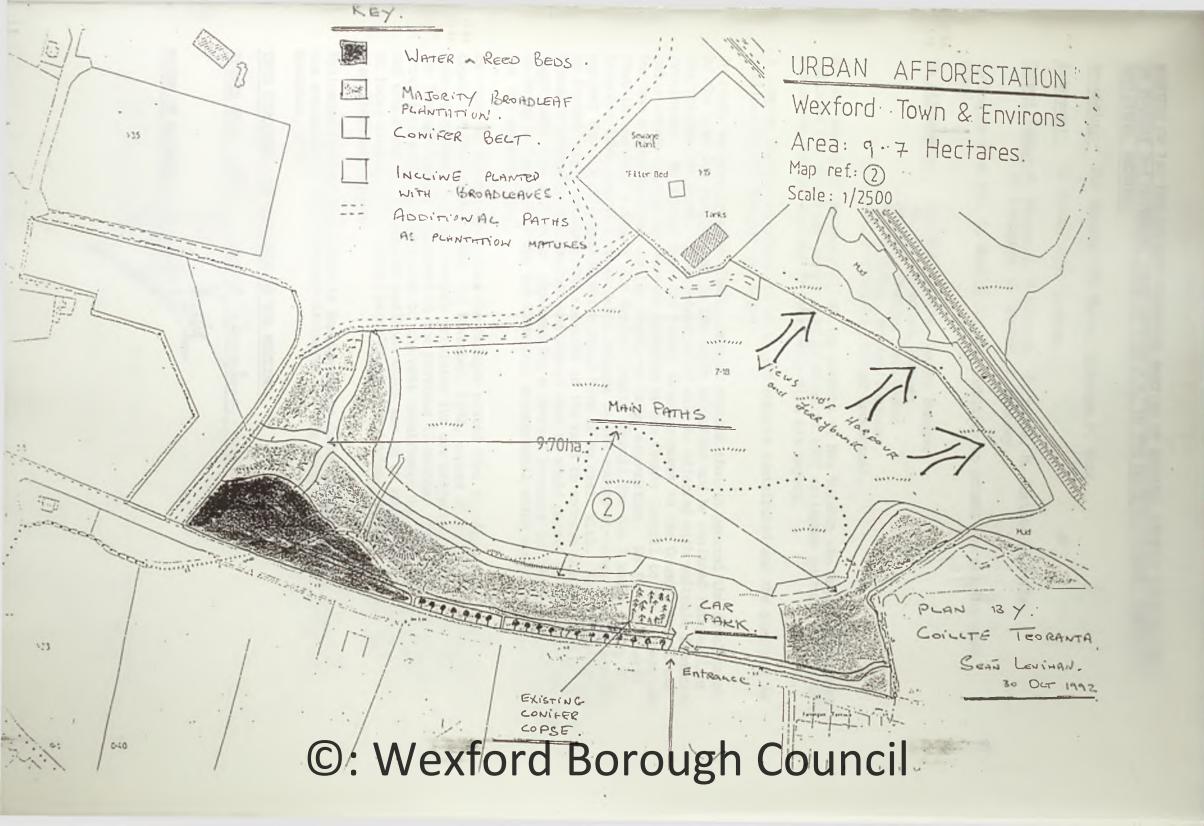
COMMENTS:

This is a difficult site for urban afforestation due to its previous utilisation as a public refuse tip. There is still a substantial amount of debris and rubbish lying on the surface and an even greater amount beneath the surface. We have endeavoured by our species selection to overcome these difficulties however the final wood boundaries may have to be changed depending on what we discover as we clear and cultivate the site. Hopefully these changes if any will be minimal.

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Sean J. Lenihan.

New Business Manager.



MINUTES OF 1st PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd NOVEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Alderman P. Reck.

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

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

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

In Attendance: - Mr. M.N. Dillon, County Manager.

Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the outset of the meeting, at the request of His Worship the Mayor the Manager outlined the financial position in relation to 1992 estimates outturn and the 1993 estimates, for the meeting in accordance with his report.

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and the position as outlined by the Manager was noted.

In reply to questions the County Manager replied that in general the development of the town was progressing in the right direction and he outlined future plans for further progress. These plans could only be effected with suitable financial provisions. He stated that the County Demand payment to the County Council was not a direct charge for service provided by the County Council to the Corporation but was a contribution to the county—at—large expenditure. He further stated that the Auditor's Report for Wexford County Council for the 3 years ending 31st December 1991 showed a large debit balance on the county—at—large charges account against Wexford Corporation which would have to be dealt with. The County Manager in further reply to questions referred to the need to address the question of the boundary extension for Wexford and stated that he would pursue an extension proposal vigorously with a view to implementing a revised boundary for the 1st January, 1994. In doing so he pointed out the financial arrangements which would be required for the extended area.

In reply to further questions the Manager stated that the figures provided in his report to the members dated 3rd November, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, did not include provision for new projects and aspirations of the Borough Council expressed in the previous 12 months. The inclusion of such provisions would be additional to the nett requirement outlined in his report and would add to the balance outlined which was to be funded from other sources of local income, i.e., rents, water charges, swimming pool/caravan park and miscellancous charges.

Following further discussion it was agreed to defer further consideration of the estimates to the Statutory Estimates Meeting which had been fixed for 23rd November, 1992.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

DAY OF

1992.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

BÁRDAS LOCH GARMAN

Wexford Corporation, Municipal Buildings, Wexford. Telephone Nos. 42611 & 42987 Fax No. 053-45947



Aras an Bhardais, Loch Garman.

Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

3rd November, 1992.

DFC/BD.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

1992 ESTIMATES POSITION.

Adopted Expenditure Estimate £3,065,143 Estimated Outturn

(£86,000 over-expenditure)

.. £2,074,674 Adopted Income Estimate £2,096,924 Estimated Outturn

(£22,250 extra income)

Estimated Nett loss on 1992 £63,750

1993 ESTIMATES POSITION

Expenditure to maintain existing level of

.. .. £2,986,201 services ...£ 433,851 County Demand Total Estimated Expenditure

Estimated Income based on existing levels

of charges but allowing for increased

Total Estimated Nett Expenditure

Plus Shortfall on Domestic Rates Support

565,020£ 4,811 Less Agricultural Grant

Net Requirement

A 5% rate increase would yield a total

.. £1,840,320 income of

....£ 148,270 This would leave a balance of

to be funded from other sources of local income such as:

Rents

Water Charges Swimming Pool/Caravan Park

Miscellaneous Charges (e.g. Burial Grounds, Road Openings, etc.)

W.P. CREEDON. Your Environment Friendly Local Authority ASSISTANT COUNTY CHANAGER ration

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MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL AND THE WEXFORD DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

Aldermen: - G. Byrne, B. Howlin.

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

Cllr. L. Carty.

Apologies from Ald. Kiernan and Cllr. Enright for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance: - Mr. A. Doyle, Deputy Manager.

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. P. Callery, County Engineer.
Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. P. Walshe, Executive Engineer.

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION 1992

A discussion on the 1992 Tidy Towns Competition Results in respect of Wexford particularly in relation to approach roads in Wexford Town was held and a lengthy discussion ensued to which the County Engineer stated that the County Council were hoping to implement the proposals contained in the Patrick Shaffrey Plan for approach roads and referred to the need for voluntary organisations to make themselves available to maintain open spaces since resources were not available for the labour intensive works involved. However voluntary efforts by e.g. residents associations would be supported. In relation to the Mulgannon Road he agreed that this road was not in good condition and that the improvement of same was on the list of priorities of road improvements and that some work would be done to the road before the end of the current year. Part of the difficulties involved was that a relacement water main was required to be laid and that this would have to be laid before laying expensive road surface on this road. In relation to speeding on the road he would take this matter up with the Gardai. In relation to the flower boxes at Farrycarrig Bridge he stated that the purpose of placing them there was to prevent parking which was a major contribution to accident causes in this area. He stated that he was very concerned at the accident record in this location. In relation to the Carcur Road he stated that the Council were in discussion with the Department of the Environment regarding the upgrading of this road and were hopeful that funds would be allocated for same. The County Engineer also stated that the improvements required in the road structure near Bishopswater and Pinewood Estate were required as part of planning permission for adjoining housing scheme and would be undertaken as part of same

and that in relation to the need for a footpath from Ely House to Crosstown, he stated that the provision of such a footpath was desirable but no funding was currently available. However the matter would be considered.

Further arising out of discussion on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Ald. Howlin a unanimous vote of congratulations to Blackwater on their consistently high standard of result in the Tidy Towns Competition was adopted.

LITTER

The following motion which had been deferred from a meeting of the Corporation was then considered:-

"In accordance with the recommendation made in this years Tidy Towns Progress Report for Wexford Town, this Corporation proposes to organise an anti-litter campaign/competition, in co-operation with schools, local youth groups, environmental groups, the commercial, industrial and residential sectors and other interested voluntary bodies".

The motion was proposed by Cllr. Corish and seconded by Cllr. Roche. In moving the motion the proposer suggested the introduction of a art competition on theme of anti-litter, school visits promoting an anti-litter campaign on a more regular basis than once a year, a tidy schools competition and the introduction of an anti-litter week in general throughout the town. Arising out of discussion His Worship the Mayor stated that he had previously stated to the meeting of the Borough Council which discussed the Tidy Towns Report, he hoped to introduce an interstreets competition in 1993. Following further discussion to which all members contributed it was agreed that the Town Clerk would submit a report to the January G.P. Committee Meeting of the Borough Council with a suggested programme for 1993.

COINERS LANE.

The Manager outlined for the meeting detailed legal advice which the County Council had received from their legal advisors which recommended that the County Council not pursue the statutory recognition of a right-of-way claim on the site. However he pointed out that it was open to any citizen who wished to do so to so pursue a claim. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and in reply to questions the Manager stated that there was no adequate proof available to the County Council in relation to the right-of-way being in existence on this laneway. The alternative proposal for an access in this area had been ruled out by the owner of the site and the problems in relation to a septic tank had been reported to the Council on 2nd November and this matter was currently being investigated. He read further extracts from the detailed legal opinion which were noted by the meeting. In concluding the discussion His Worship the Mayor stated that the District Committee of Wexford County Council would be meeting in the immediate future with the Manager

and discussing the matter and if this meeting was inconclusive he would set up a meeting with the land owner, County Manager, Mayor and the Chairman of the District Committee and the Chairman of the Working Group and would report on the outcome of this meeting to the Borough Council.

QUAY EXTENSION

A discussion was held on the proposal for the extension of Wexford Quays in conjunction with the Wexford Main Drainage Scheme and the model of the proposal which was on display for the meeting was noted. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Nolan that Wexford Corporation and the District Committee of Wexford County jointly support the proposal as outlined for the Quay Extension. In reply to Cllr. Corish the Town Clerk stated that the model of the proposal for the Quay Extension was on permanent display in the public hallway of the Municipal Buildings and would be put on display in appropriate locations throughout the town as the opportunities arose.

BOROUGH BOUNDARY EXTENSION

A discussion was held on the proposal to extend the Borough Boundary and His Worship the Mayor stated that the County Manager had indicated to him that he would pursue with vigor the extension plan in the coming months. All members outlined the urgent need for the extension to be undertaken in the medium term and long-term interests of the town and its development programme and the meeting unanimously welcomed the support of the County Manager towards the achievement of this goal.

OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. O'Flaherty stated that traffic on Hill Street had become a very serious problem particularly since the revised entrance at the General Hospital Came into operation. He outlined the difficulties and at his request the County Engineer agreed to investigate the feasibility of realigning the footpath from house nos. 2 to 30 with a view to alleviating the difficulties currently being encountered by residents in the area.

His Worship the Mayor referred to high kerbing opposite Rowe Street Church and stated that it was impossible for elderly persons to cross the road to the church at this point. Cllr. Carty stated that the junction from the L&N Car Park to the Quays was extremely dangerous and the County Engineer in reply stated that he would investigate these two matters and would report further to the Borough Council on them.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 7th

DAY OF December, 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23RD NOVEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllrs. Enright, Corish and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

The Estimate of Expenses for 1993 and reports thereon (as attached) copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that the Statutory Estimates Meeting would be adjourned to 7.30 p.m. on 1st December, 1992 and that the meeting would continue in committee to consider the detail of the estimates.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS The

DAY Of December 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

PROGRAMME GROUP & PROGRAMME	YEAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CUR	RENT YEAR	1992	-
	BIPEND	ITURE	INCOM	E	EXPEND	ITURE	INCON	E
	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(1) HOUSING & BUILDING								
1.1. Local Authority Housing	345632	0	533750	0	363962	363962	467250	46725
1.2. Assistance To Persons Housing Themselves	414450	0	500700	0	385050	385050	478300	48107
1.3. Assistance To Persons Improving Housing	22000	0	87100	0	22000	22000	93500	9350
1.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	233591	0	14600	0	358940	354890	18280	1828
FROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	1015673	0	1136150	0	1129952	1125902	1057330	106010
(2) ROAD TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY								- 1
.1. Road Upkeep	160160	0	0	0	154713	154713	0	
.2. Road Improvement	25000	0	25000	0	20000	20000	20000	2000
.3. Road Traffic	90504	0	174200	0	83786	83786	205200	22020
.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	76095	0	7100	0	63329	62579	5200	520
ROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	351759	0	206300	0	321828	321078	230400	24540

PROGRAMME GROUP & PROGRAMME	YEAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CUR	RENT YEAR	1992	
	RXBRND	ITURE	INCON	K	EXPEND	ITURE	INCOM	E
	Estimated By Nanager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Nanager	Adopted By Council
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(3) WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAG	E							
3.1. Public Water Supply Scheme	255831	0	412710	0	252329	231099	337980	30505
3.2. Public Sewerage Scheme	107116	0	13026	0	125102	125102	13026	1302
3.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	107901	0	2720	0	82172	81272	3840	384
ROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	470848	0	428456	0	459603	437473	354846	32191
(4) DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROLS								
.1. Land Use Planning	7000	0	0	0	7000	7000	0	
.2. Industrial Promotion	11500	0	0	9	5000	6500	0	
.3. Other Promotion	6450	0	0	0	6450	6450	0	
.4. Representational Functions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
.5. Promotion of Interest of Local Community	4000	8	0	0	4000	4000	0	
.6. Twinning of Local Authority Areas	4000	0	0	0	2500	2500	0	
.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	27663	0	24280	0	20259	20184	24070	2607
ROGRANME GROUP TOTAL	60613	0	24280	0	45209	46634	24070	2607

PROGRAMME GROUP &	YEAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CUR	RENT YEAR	1992	
	EXPEND	ITURE	INCON	E	EXPEND	ITURE	INCOH	K
	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(5) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTS	ION							
5.1. Waste Disposal	251749	0	53000	0	242359	234359	38000	3000
5.2. Burial Grounds	61554	0	24000	. 0	60181	60181	20000	2000
5.3. Safety Of Structures & Places	3500	0	2000	0	8500	8500	7000	7000
5.5. Pollution Control	10500	0	0	0	10250	10250	0	
5.8. Administration & Kiscellaneous	106992	0	6460	0	80860	80110	3200	3200
PROGRAMME GROUP FOTAL	434295	0	85460	0	402150	393400	68200	60200
(6) RECREATION & AMENITY								
6.1. Swimming Pool	122483	0	102250	0	111442	111442	92250	9225
6.3. Parks & Open Spaces	109118	0	45000	0	89550	79050	39000	3900
6.4. Other Recreation & Amenity	22500	0	5000	0	20500	20500	0	
5.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	63413	0	4080	0	37998	37548	1920	192
PROGRAHME GROUP FOYAL	317514	0	156330	- 0	259490	248540	133170	13317

PROGRAMME GROUP & PROGRAMME	YEAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CUR	RENT YEAR	1992	
	EXPENI	ITURE	INCON	E	EXPEND	ITURE	INCOM	E
	Estimated By Kanager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Kanager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council	Estimated By Manager	Adopted By Council
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
(7) AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION HEALTH & WELFARE								
7.2. Education	73563	0	67463	0	78485	78485	72735	72735
7.3. Health & Welfare	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
7.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	19024	0	0	0	6333	6258	0	
PROGRANNE GROUP FOTAL	92587	0	67463	0	84818	84743	72735	72735
(8) MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES								
8.2. Plant & Materials	0	0	250	0	98662	98662	98735	98735
8.3. Financial Management	56250	0	20132	0	53250	53250	19599	19599
8.4. Blections	2500	0	0	0	2500	2500	0	(
8.7. Markets	0	0	250	0	0	0	250	250
8.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	152600	0	35360	0	121911	121461	36490	36490
8.9. Mayor's Allowance	6250	0	0	0	5500	6000	0	0
8.10 Entertainment and Associated Expenses	18000	0	0	0	16000	16000	0	
3.11 Members Expenses and Rep. at Conferences	23500	0	0	0	19500	19500	0	0
B.12 Expenses of Members Attending Conferences Abroad	4500	0	0	0	4000	4000	0	
ROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	263600	0	55992	0	321323	321373	155074	155074

PROGRAMME GROUP (purpose of expenditure/ source of income)	ESTIKATED GROSS REVENUE	REVENUE		SERVICES PROVI			THATED BALA INING OF TH		GRANT IN LIEU OF RATES ON	DOMESTIC RATE SUPPORT GRANT	AKOUNT TO BE	RATE IN THE
	EXPENDITURE	INCOME	EXPENDITURE	General	Seperate	Det	its	Credits	LAND	ADJUSTMENT	TEALED	POUND
i	2	3	4	Charges	Charges 6		7	8	9	10	11	12
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1 HOUSING & BUILDING	1,015,673	1,136,150	(120,477)	5,553		0	0	59,550	58	6,793	(167,739)	-2.95
2 ROAD TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY	351,759	206,300	145,459	118,355		0	72,750	0	755	88,703	424,512	7.47
3 WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE	470,848	428,456	42,392	1,345		0	49,311	0	701	82,298	174,645	3.07
4 DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND CONTROLS	60,613	24,280	36,333	23,175		0	2,200	0	73	8,540	70,775	1.25
S ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	434,295	85,460	348,835	129,114		0	16,482	0	1,682	197,592	690,341	12.15
6 RECREATION & AMERITY	317,514	156,330	161,184	65,034		0	7,832	0	643	75,504	308,911	5.44
7 AGRICULTURE EDUCATION HEALTH & WELFARE	92,587	67,463	25,124	21,822		0	200	0	314	36,879	83,711	1.47
8 MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES	263,600	55,992	207,608	68,853		0	0	89,225	585	68,711	255,362	4.50
ALL PROGRAMME GROUPS	3,006,889	2,160,431	846,458	433,851		0	148,775	148,775	4,811	565,020	1,840,518	32.40

Note 1: Amount of Domestic Rate Support Grant included 295,979

I hereby certify that at (an adjournment of) the estimates meeting of the WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL held thisday of1992
the Council by resolution adopted for the financial year ending 31st December 1992 the estimates of expenses set out in Tables A & B3 and by resolution determined in accordance with the said estimate the rates set out in Column 12 of Table B3 to be the Rates in the Pound to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in Column 1 of Table B3.

Signed	 	 	 MAYOR OF	WEXFO
Countersigned	 	 	 TOWN	CLER
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MINUTES OF PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD NOVEMBER, 1992 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllrs. Enright, Corish and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

BILLY ROCHE PLAYS

The report of the Town Clerk dated 23rd November, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion and on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded Roche it was unanimously agreed to adopt the Cllr. recommendation contained in the report.

DATES OF MEETINGS

It was agreed that meetings of the Borough Council would be held as follows:-

Preliminary Estimates Committee Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on 30th November, 1992.

Adjourned Statutory Estimates Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on 1st December, 1992.

Traffic Management Committee Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on 14th December, 1992.

General Purposes Committee Meeting at 7.00 p.m. on 18th December, 1992 followed at 8.00 p.m. by a Reception for former Mayors.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES 1993

The Manager then at the request of His Worship the Mayor outlined the principal provisions in the estimate as had been prepared by him and circulated to each member and explained the principal provisions which had been dealt with in his report. His Worship the Mayor and all members congratulated the Manager on the standard of the presentation of his estimate and following further discussion on general matters in the estimate it was

agreed to defer further consideration to the meeting on 30th November, 1992 at which the detail of the estimate would be considered.

OTHER BUSINESS

His Worship the Mayor informed the meeting that he had been informed on the day prior to the meeting that offer of the Sue Ryder Foundation for the St. John of God Novitiate had not been accepted and that the building had now been sold to a language school. All members expressed their regret at this decision and paid tribute to the Mayor for the efforts made by him to secure the building for use an old peoples home.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

SIGNED THIS 1th

DAY OF December 1992

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

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Aras an Bhardais, Loch Garman.

Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

DFC/BD.

23rd November, 1992.

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Dear Member.

Attached, herewith, find copy of application to Wexford Corporation from Wexford Festival Office seeking a grant to under-write the cost of a major event to be undertaken in January 1992.

Billy Roche is a a Wexfordman who in recent years has achieved international recognition as a high quality play-wright. Wexford Festival Opera have entered into negotiations with the Bush Theatre London for the presentation of each of Billy Roche's triloge of plays for a single performance each over one weekend in January 1993. Surrounding these performances it is intended to schedule a series of related events to include:-

(a) Theatre Workshop to be led by Billy Roche.

(b) A walking tour of Billy Roche's Wexford led by Billy Roche.

(c) The Roche Bunch - An opportunity for playright, company and audience to meet.

(d) A Civic Reception.

(e) Lunchtime lecture on the Wexford Trilogy possibly with a critic from The Times, London.

Wexford Festival Opera have requested a grant of the sum of the expected net loss envisaged in running this project of £7,000. Wexford Festival Opera will organise the event and carryout all necessary administration.

This event is being promoted as a once-off unique event as a tribute from Wexford to one of its new cultural talents and also to enable the people of Wexford to experience some of the Wexfordman's work.

Should the approval of the Borough Council in principle to this project be forthcoming it would be intended that the grant would be financed from:

- (a) 1992 Estimate provision of £5,000 for Supervised Playareas Project (which remains unspent).
- (b) £2,000 from 1993 Amentity/Cultural Grants provision.

It may well be that the net loss would not be as substantial as that envisaged and should it be less the Corporation grant would be suitably reduced.

The approval of the Borough Council to this proposal is recommended.

Yours faithfully,

F. Curtin,

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APPLICATION TO WEXFORD CORPORATION

THE BILLY ROCHE PROJECT

JANUARY 1993

APPLICATION TO WEXFORD CORPORATION THE BILLY ROCHE PROJECT 1993

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INTRODUCTION:

Over the last four years a striking new talent has emerged in Irish theatre. Wexford playwright Billy Roche has been acclaimed by the international critics as

"A NATURAL DRAMATIST"

and

"ONE OF IRELAND'S BEST NEW PLAYYWRIGHTS".

In 1988, 1989 and 1991 three new plays of his have received their world premieres. The plays have been acclaimed by the critics individually and collectively. They have come to be known as the WEXFORD TRILOGY and have now been published as such by Nick Herne books in the U.K.

Wexford Festival Opera feels strongly that at it is time these works were seen in Ireland. In particular we feel that Wexford should celebrate a major new Irish playwright and accord him and his work the homecoming it so obviously deserves.

We are most excited that we now have an unique opportunity for Wexford to celebrate an exceptional Wexford talent. We wish to present all three productions in the Theatre Royal in early 1993.

We earnestly seek your support for the venture.

THE REVIEWS:

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- B. THE CRITICS ON A HANDFUL OF STARS
- C. THE CRITICS ON POOR BEAST IN THE RAIN
- D. THE CRITICS ON THE BELFRY

ROCHE:

"A natural dramatist who writes with compassionate wit - an uncanny feeling for mood and atmosphere".

GUARDIAN

"Roche certainly fulfils the Irish dramatists role of pumping verbal energy into the anaemic English bloodstream: his dialogue sings ... you are in the presence of a natural dramatist".

MICHAEL BILLINGTON. GUARDIAN.

"Roche has a priceless gift for mood and dialogue".
THE GUARDIAN.

"One of Ireland's best new playwrights"
DAILY TELEGRAPH.

"Roche rises above the ranks of merely promising - he is a startling new talent".

CITY LIMITS.

"Roche was born to write for the stage not many dramatists in the last twenty or thirty years have left the nape of the critic's neck tingling - last week Billy Roche did just that".

THE TIMES.

A HANDFUL OF STARS:

"One of the most accomplished first plays of the last two years".

OBSERVER.

"A highly promising first play".

GUARDIAN.

POOR BEAST:

"Pulsing with both the farce and pathos of thwarted energies this betting shop drama is a winner"

INDEPENDENT.

"This play confirms Roche as a startling talent".

CITY LIMITS.

"A marvellous new play - written with a rich wry humour with a meticulous pathos, this spell binding piece is lovingly directed".

TIME OUT.

"First rate performers"

THE BELFRY:

"A beautifully judged production of a very fine play. A wee honey so it is".

CITY LIMITS.

"The whole story is beautifully told ... the acting is outstanding".

FINANCIAL TIMES.

"A perfectly judged production ... a beautiful piece of work".

THE INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY.

"The acting could hardly be better".

DAILY TELEGRAPH.

"As riveting a piece as I have seen in ages ... a successor to Brian Friel".

THE TIMES.

"The Bush strike gold".

EVENING STANDARD.

"A delicate, hard, haunting and hilarious play. The production and acting are immaculate".

SUNDAY TIMES.

THE PROJECT

We have entered into negotiations with the Bush Theatre London for the presentation of each of the three plays for a single performance each over one weekend in January 1993 at the Theatre Royal, Wexford.

The unique nature of the project was of immediate appeal to them and a company, consisting of much of the original casts of these productions, is likely to be assembled.

We intend presenting the productions as follows:

A HANDFUL OF STARS January 8th 1993

POOR BEAST IN THE RAIN January 9th 1993

THE BELFRY January 10th 1993

We also intend scheduling a series of related events around these performances. At this stage we envisage these could include:

- (a) THEATRE WORKSHOP TO BE LED BY BILLY ROCHE
- (b) A WALKING TOUR OF BILLY ROCHE'S WEXFORD LED BY BILLY ROCHE
- (c) THE ROCHE BRUNCH AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PLAYWRIGHT, COMPANY AND AUDIENCE TO MEET
- (d) A CIVIC RECEPTION
- (e) LUNCHTIME LECTURE ON THE WEXFORD TRILOGY POSSIBLY WITH A CRITIC FROM THE TIMES, LONDON

The event therefore would be a true celebration of Wexford and is bound to attract national and possibly inetrnational media attention.

EXPENDITURE

1.	The Bush Theatre	
	(a) Wages of actors, stage management and crew(b) Fees of Director, Designer and Lighting Designer	3,200.00
	(c) Company Travel (d) Freight Transport	475.00
	(e) Accommodation (f) Subsistance	2,940.00
2.	Promotion	
	Poster design print and distribution Hand out design print and distribution Advertising and media Photography	1,500.00
3.	Theatre	
	Heat and light for performances and for rehearsals	875.00
4.	Administration	
	Tickets, telephone, postage and related costs	900.00
5.	Royalties	412.00
6.	Insurance	300.00
7.	Contingency	750.00
8.	International freight and flights	3,000.00
	€	14,352.00

INCOME

1 Boy Office

Priced £6 and £5

60% occupancy

4,125.00

2. Costs borne by the Abbey Theatre, Dublin who will take the productin for a six week run after Wexford 3,000.00

Result

Surplus (Deficit)

7,227.00

THE APPLICATION

Wexford Festival Opera cannot afford to present this event without your support. The attached budget gives an indication of the costs to be met. You will note that the fact that the Abbey will take the productions has freed us from having to carry the costs of international freight and transport.

We hereby apply to Wexford Corporation for a sprecial once off project grant of

£7,000

to allow us to mount this project.

This is a unique application and funding of it cannot be allowed to in any way affect the annual funding of the Wexford Festival.

Full credit to Wexford Corporation would of course be accorded Wexford Corporation for its support.

on all material relating to this project.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD AT 4.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 30th November, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding:- His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

Councillors: - V. Byrne, H. Corish.

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

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant. Mr. F. Fidgeon, Assistant Engineer.

Mr. J. Barry, Manager, Swimming Pool/Caravan Park.

At the outset the Borough Accountant submitted three reports:-

A. Swimming Pool Business in 1991.

B. Caravan Park Business in 1991.

B. Capital Works/Space Heating, etc.

An extract from the Estimates 1993 and a proposed schedule of charges were also circulated.

Following full consideration of these reports it was agreed:-

- 1. On the proposal of Cllr. H. Corish seconded by Cllr. V. Byrne that the schedule of opening hours introduced on 1st November, 1991 and amended on 1st September, 1992, which brought the hours of opening to 80 hours per week be made permanent and that the resultant temporary partime positions be put on a permanent basis.
- 2. On the proposal of Cllr. H. corish seconded by Cllr. V. Byrne it was agreed that the schedule of new works required in the pool, i.e., new air recycling system, new filters and tiling in the dressing rooms, estimated at £38,000 be commenced as soon as possible. That the grant application for same be pursued further. The meeting agreed to further consider financing these works at a future meeting should no grant allocation be forthcoming.
- 3. On the proposal of Cllr. H. Corish seconded by Cllr. V. Byrne it was agreed that the proposed increase of 10% on the pool charges from 1st January, 1993 and the introduction of miscellaneous charges in the Caravan Park for the 1993 season be approved. Cllr. V. Byrne requested that the minutes note that future increases be considered in light of the number of previous increases and the rate of inflation.

The Town Clerk mentioned the Consultants report on the facilities at the pool and stated that consideration of same would be given at a future meeting. Matters relating to the reception area, receipts office and public waiting areas would all be dealt with by the report.

The Mayor raised the matter of an application by the Boy Scouts to locate a "Beacon" on the Corporation property at Ferrybank and requested the Committee's approval to same. It was agreed to allow the beacon be placed between the car park at the pool and the sea wall subject to the actual plans and technical details being agreed with the Borough Engineer.

Mr. Jack Barry raised the matter of coastal erosion at Ferrybank and the concerns that the sea wall was not aleviating the problem. The Town Clerk stated that it had been decided to wait to see what effect the quay extension had on Ferrybank prior to taking full remedial action. However, in the meantime he agreed that some short-term remedial works may be necessary.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS DAY OF DAY OF WEXFORD.

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SWIMMING POOL REPORT 1991

Following the re-opening of the Pool (closed due to removal of asbestos materials) a major marketing drive was initiated in Jan 1 1991 to sell the facilities to the public. New offers were made available and most importantly the pool was now open 7 days a week and approx 70 hours a week. This provided the opportunity to employ an extra part-time person.

On the whole the results have been very encouraging and the following table gives the usage of the pool and returns in 1991.

SWIMMING POOL RETURNS 1991							
TYPE	NUMBERS	INCOME					
ADULTS	15,343	19,946.30					
CHILDREN	29,586	17,751.60					
GROUPS	55,900	37,622.70					
FAMILY HOUR	278	631.00					
BLOCK TICKETS	188	1,168.00					
O.A.P./DEONTAS	62	40.30					
LUNCH/SWIM	233	466.00					
SAUNA/SWIM	270	675.00					
SAUNAS	419	628.50					
SHOP RENT		2,250.10					
HAIR DRYERS		32.30					
TOTAL		82,211.80					

The usage of the pool has increased since the last full operational year in 1989.

The new initiatives have been warmly received by the public. The family hour, sauna & swim are geared towards a limited customer base and have been successful. Less successful has been the Lunch & Swim and this is practically dis-continued in 1992. The rescheduling of the open hours to the public have been extremely successful and account for the major increase in numbers and income while the group hours have held their position. The arrival of the Pool Monster has been a source of great fun for the younger clients.

Further changes in operation have been initiated in 1992 with lane swimming, parent and child hour and group hours in the summer schedule. In the winter schedule it is hoped to introduce seasonal tickets

All these changes are designed to bring about the best and most versatile opening schedule and facilities possible for the 102,000+ visitors per year.

In 1991 a major plant replacement programme had to be initiated with the replacement of oil burners with gas, chlorine gas with a chlorine salt system, roof repairs, and a much improved heating system. These works have brought the facility up to a very high standard. The programme is continued in 1992 with the application to the Department for funding to install an air recycling unit which will be one of only a few in the State. The solar panels system is due for a major upgrade very shortly.

Together with the successes in the Park in 1991 it can be said that the Ferrybank Complex's losses have been considerably

reduced in 1991.

The Park operation cost was £ 32,975, the income was £38,971. 1,2500 The Pool operation cost was £116,215, the income was £81,212 The cost are exclusive of loan charges and rates due to the Co.Co.

KIERAN O'BRIEN BOROUGH ACCOUNTANT 24/6/92

CARAVAN PARK 1991

Below are set out the main statistics obtained from the 1991 season returns in the Park.

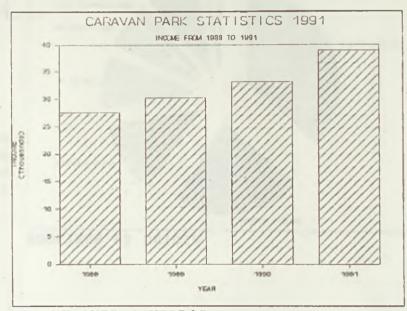
Overall it was a successful season and the increase in occupancy and bookings has continued for another year.

The Park is now receiving certain improvements that are necessary. However a lot more needs to be done if we are to continue the growth of recent years, especially in the general condition of the structures and on the staffing arrangements.

INCOME COMPARISON

The graph illustrates the rise in income over the past 4 seasons and shows that further improvements are possible.

The table below gives the figures for the 4 years.



INCOME OVER 4 YEAR'S

YEAR	INCOME
1988	£27,657
1989	£30,214
1990	£33,157
1991	£38,971

ORIGIN OF BOOKINGS

The number of bookings in 1991 shows an increase of 740 or 19% over the 1990 season.

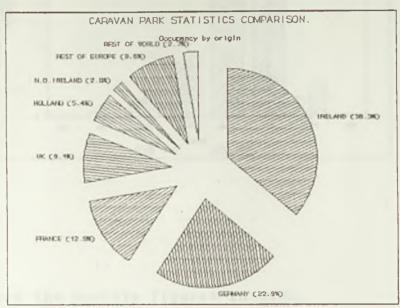
Changes in bookings were recorded in respect of the following countries:-

IRELAND +20% GERMANY +25% FRANCE +7% HOLLAND +31% SPAIN +70%

UK +14% N.IRE. +10% ITALY +20% SWITZ. +20%

The graph illustrated gives the % of occupancy in 1991 by the country of origin.

The table indicates the use of the Park by the various Nationalities by bookings.



BOOKINGS BY ORIGIN

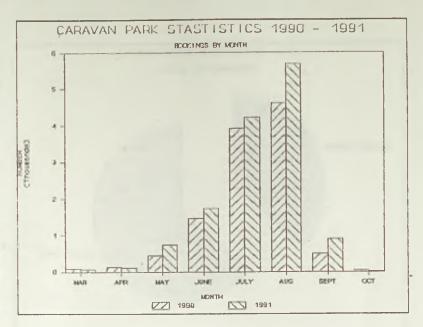
PITCH BOOKINGS BY ORIGIN									
ORIGIN	NO OF BOOKING								
IRELAND	1,701								
GERMANY	1,075								
FRANCE	606								
UK	427								
HOLLAND	252								
N.IRELAND	93								
REST OF EUROPE	405								
REST OF WORLD	126								
TOTAL BOOKINGS IN 1	TOTAL BOOKINGS IN 1991 = 4,685								
NO OF COUNTRIES OF	ORIGIN = 21								

MONTHLY BOOKINGS

The graph compares the number of visitors to the park on a monthly basis in 1990 and 1991. The graph indicates visually where the increases occurred. In 1991 the month of August regarded the

In 1991 the month of August recorded the peak in the number of visitors.

An overall increase of 2,271 patrons was recorded representing an increase of 20% over the previous season.



The following table gives the monthly figures in 1991.

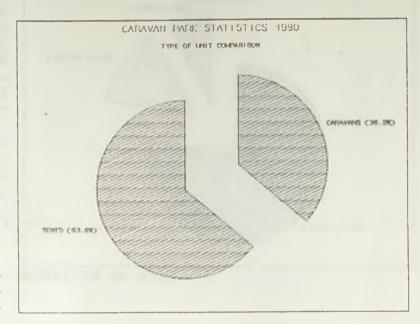
	USE OF PARK 1991
MAR/APRIL	195
MAY	752
JUNE	1721
JULY	4216
AUGUST	5680
OCT/SEPT	901
TOTAL	13,465

TYPE OF UNIT COMPARISON

The graph that as in previous years the majority of visitors to the Park stay in tents.
The % held by tents

The % held by tents is 63.8% in 1991 with Caravan at 36.2%.

It is worth noting that more facilities are offered to caravans than tents and perhaps this should be changed. The name of the park should be Ferrybank Tent & Caravan Park for instance.



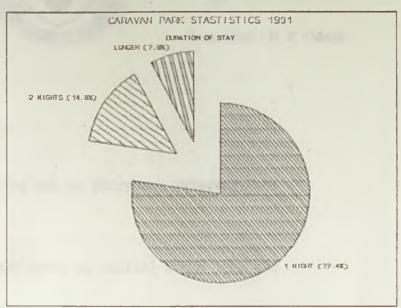
The following table indicates the number of units as shown in the graph above in 1991.

TYPE OF UNIT USE									
TYPE	BOOKINGS								
TENTS	2989								
CARAVANS	1696								
TOTAL	4685								

DURATION OF STAY

The graph in this case indicates the duration of stay of the

patrons of the Park. The trend to only stay for 1 night has continued in 1991 but we managed to change it somewhat. The i night stays has dropped from 79.5% to 77.4% with both the 2 night longer and stays benefiting. This was achieved by cheaper rates tents in 1991 and the park staff actively encouraging longer stays.



DURATION OF STAY

The table below gives the figures for 1991.

DURATION OF STAY									
DURATION	BOOKINGS								
1 NIGHT	3624								
2 NIGHTS	692								
LONGER	369								
TOTAL	4,685								

IN CONCLUSION I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT IN FUTURE WE GEAR OURSELVES FOR TENTS MORE THAN WE DO AT PRESENT.ALSO THAT WITH THE PROVISION OF A NEW BLOCK OF SHOWERS WE SHOULD CONVERT ALL SHOWERS TO A CHARGE BASIS WHICH WILL ENSURE MORE EQUITABLE USE OF SAME AS WELL AS BRINGING IN MORE INCOME AND ALSO STOP THE ABUSE BY NON-PARK RESIDENTS OF THE SHOWERS.

WITH THE EXTRA USE OF THE PARK, THE EXTRA SHOWER BLOCK TO BE CLEANED AND THE NECESSITY TO KEEP CLEAN THE AMENITY AREA OUTSIDE THE POOL AND ALONG THE CAR PARK AT THE ROAD I FEEL WE NEED EXTRA STAFF IN THE PARK DURING THE BUSY PERIOD. I RECOMMEND THAT AN EXTRA CASUAL BE EMPLOYED FROM THE LAST WEEK OF JULY TO THE END OF AUGUST.

KIERAN O'BRIEN BOROUGH ACCOUNTANT

22/6/91

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

FF/AM

30th November, 1992

Report on Capital Works carried out at Ferrybank Swimming Pool in 1991/92.

A total of £59,692.23 has been spent on capital works over the last 2 years as follows:-

- 1. Repairs to roof of pool and replacement of ceiling in gallery including ancillary electrical repairs at a cost of £3,400.00.
- 2. The pool water is now heated with an efficient gas system instead of the old oil burner. Cost of installation and commissioning was £14,000.
- 3. The new chlorination facility is a Calcium Hyperchlorite dosing system. The system has a controller which contains probes which continually monitor the return water quality and automatically adjusts the dosing rates for the PH and chlorine injection. This system is cheaper to use than the old Chlorine Gas system, is safer for staff, less corrosive, gives more bather comfort and better quality control. Cost of replacing old system was £12,500.
- 4. A small air handling unit with heat recovery was installed to heat/ventilate the dressing rooms and changing areas. This is a Re-Verber-Ray direct fired system and was installed at a cost of £6,000.
- 5. The car park has been extended in a macadam finish and an area of cobble-lock has been provided in front of the building at the entrances to Swimming Pool and shop. The extra parking space facilitates bus parking and turning. Cost of work was £14,077.23.

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- 6. A hoist/lift for Physically Challenged people was purchased for the sum of £4,345.00.
- 7. The solar panels that had been taken off the roof have been replaced and an automatic operating system installed at a cost of £5,370. A Solar Controller has been fitted which detects the amount of heat available from the sun and switches on the pump to the solar panels when an economical amount of heat is available.

A new sauna heater and control panel were purchased last month at a cost of £665 which is not included in the above capital works.

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Borough-Engineer.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

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30th November, 1992

Report on Space Heating for Swimming Pool Area.

There is a serious problem of condensation in the pool hall area. This results from a very efficient, recently installed pool water heating system combined with original, now very poor, space heating and ventilation system. This gives rise to the fungal growth on existing surfaces and high humidity. Poor ventilation can also result in discomfort for bathers. A £29,883 proposal is with the Department of the Environment for the last 12 months, to install a new space heating and ventilation system.

The present space heating system used to heat the air over the pool consists of an oil-fired boiler which pumps heated water through a closed circuit through a heat exchanger through which air is drawn in from outside the building. The air enters the pool area over the spectator galley at a high level and is extracted at the other end by means of fans also at a high level. Thus the circulation of heated air is near ceiling level.

The boiler is old, inefficient and unreliable and the air heat exchanger is also old with corroded vanes and is in need of continuous maintenance. The system itself, inadequate as it may be in providing the necessary air temperature in the pool hall, is highly inefficient in that heat is pumped in at one end and removed to the atmosphere at the other without any facility to recover the hot air expelled.

The new proposal is to install a gas-fired air handling unit which will incorporate a heat recycling facility. Brian Mulhare and Associates have recommended the use of a Re-Verber-Ray DFA75 S.P.E.H.R. which is an Irish made direct fired air heater.

The benefits of the system are:-

- (a) Heat recovery,
- (b) Low installation costs,
- (c) A rapid heat-up facility,
- (d) Automatic control, and
- (e) Low maintenance cost.

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Total all in cost of the system is £29,883 and the estimated pay-back period is one and a half years.

A small Re-Verber-Ray system was installed last year to heat/ventilate dressing rooms at a cost of £6,000 and its performance to date is without fault.

Additional Works to End Wall.

The end wall of the pool hall will need a face-lift when the new system is in operation as then and only then will its deterioration stop. The fungal growth will have to be treated first. Depending on whether it is possible dry out the existing insulation on the wall or not we may have to dryline the wall at a cost of £1,500 approximately. Cost of tiling the wall (61.5 sq. metres) including a 3.0 m x 2.5 m Wexford Town Crest motif, is £1,000 approximately.

This gives a total of £2,500.

Air Handling Unit - £29,883 End Wall - £2,500 £32,383

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30th November, 1992

Report on other necessary works at Swimming Pool.

1. The 2 filters for the pool water were installed in 1974. The shells on each had to be refurbished 8 and 3 years ago respectively. Over the last couple of years there is a problem with sand coming into the pool after backwashing. This suggests the underdrains in the filters need to be replaced but as the filters are now nearly 20 years old we should probably consider replacing them.

Arka Contractors Ltd. on 30th September, 1991 quoted £2,300 + V.A.T. to replace the 2 filter underdrain assemblies or a price of £1,400 + V.A.T. for 2 second hand sets.

2. Some repairs are necessary to the tiling in the Swimming Pool complex. Most of this is necessary in the ladies toilet at a cost of £880 for floor and wall tiles. The gents toilet will cost £230. Including some other tiling repairs to shower, gallery and sauna the total cost of tiling will be £1,400.00.

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Borough Engineer.

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The promotion of the Swimming Pool is ongoing and in 1992 further facilities have been provided. The outturn on pool fees is expected at £82,000 or £3,000 higher than the estimate for 1992. A general increase of 10% is estimated for. The pool is now open 7 days a week all year round excluding only Christmas. The use of the pool this year as expected is shown on the table below.

POOL USE 1992										
USERS	NUMBERS	CHARGE								
CHILDREN	28000	75P								
ADULTS	16000	£1.50								
GROUPS HOURS	1000	£25 & £35								
number	50000									
SAUNAS	400	£1.50								
SHOP		£1,950								
MISC	1000	£2 & £2.50								

In 1992 the new services introduced were

- 1. EARLY HOUR LANE SWIMMING
- 2. SEASONAL TICKETS
- 3. AQUA-AEROBICS

It is proposed to carry our a major waste heat recycling system in the Pool deck area in 1993 which has been the subject of a grant claim to the Department. With this system it is hoped the condensation problems at present will be solved. The system will also of course help reduce fuel costs. The Solar panels system has been completely refurbished and improved and is now fully automatic. The extra costs of running the pool on a 7day a week, aver. 80 hour week basis are provided for in the estimates (code 610199,page 6). In effect a wholetime tempory position has been created here which accounts for a large part of the 11.4% increase in expenditure provision.

Turnover in the Caravan Park in 1992 shows a outturn of £45,000 which is £6,000 higher than estimated. This is considered to be due to the promotion of the park and the level of charges. It is proposed to keep the charges at current levels but to commence charging for miscellaneous caravan attachments by £1 per night and for showers. Usage of the park was at 4501 bookings in 1992, the best season ever.

The improvement scheme in the Caravan Park undertaken is continuing with the new Shower Block now completed and more electric points for caravans provided. Some small works will be carried out in 1993.

Due to changes in the format of the Estimates the Derelict Sites contra item is now appearing in code 640499 page 6.

The internal loan to fund remedial works in the Arts Centre is now finalised.

The provision for General Open Spaces shows a rise of 108%. This is made up of a number of items,

- 1. TRANSFERRED RESOURCES FROM HOUSING MAINTENANCE—£10,000.
- 2. NEW EXPENDITURE TO PROVIDE WHOLETIME TEMPORARY POSITIONS.
- 3. NORMAL INCREASES TO MAINTAIN SERVICES

This is a recent area of service provided by the Corporation and due to its success it is proposed to now place it on a more permanent footing.

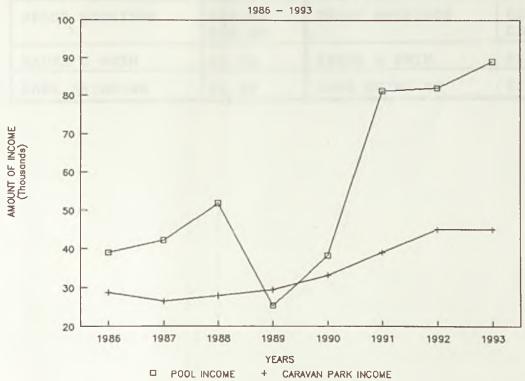
Modest increases are provided for to increase the contributions to social and cultural organisations to £17,500 for 1993. The balance unallocated in any year goes to provide a fund in Capital for Bursaries and Capital Grants.

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The graph below gives the income in the Pool and Park over the past 7 years and as expected in 1993. The following table gives the figures.

	FERRYBANK COMPLEX							
RETURNS FROM 1986 TO EST 1992								
YEAR POOL PA								
1986	38996	28700						
1987	42153	26348						
1988	51872	27800						
1989	25332	29434						
1990	38197	33157						
1991	81212	39000						
1992	82000	45000						
1993	89000	45000						

FERRYBANK COMPLEX



SWIMMING POOL CHARGES										
1992		1993								
ADULT	£1.50	ADULT	£1.65							
CHILD	£0.75	CHILD	£0.85							
SAUNA	£1.50	SAUNA	£1.60							
BOOK OF 10 ADULT TICKETS	£12.75	BOOK OF 10 ADULT TCKETS	£14.00							
BOOK OF 10 CHILDRENS TICKETS	£6.25	BOOK OF 10 CHILDRENS TICKETS	£7.25							
SEASON BOOK FOR ADULT	£30.00	SEASON BOOK FOR ADULTS	£33.00							
SEASON BOOK FOR CHILDREN	£14.00	SEASON BOOK FOR CHILDREN	£15.50							
GROUP BOOKINGS	£25.00 £35.00	GROUP BOOKINGS	£27.50 £38.50							
SAUNA & SWIM	£2.50	SAUNA & SWIM	£2.75							
LANE SWIMMING	£2.00	LANE SWIMMING	£2.25							

MINUTES OF PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

Councillors: - P. Nolan, V. Byrne, M. Enright, P. Roche,

N. Kavanagh, H. Corish.

Howlin, Cllrs. O'Flaherty and Mahoney for Apologies from Ald. their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor the Manager again briefly outlined the principal features of the estimates as prepared by him and the meeting then gave consideration to Programme Groups 1 to 7 and examined the provisions contained in each of these programmes in detail. Queries raised in relation to individual provisions were answered by officials in attendance. In relation to the roads programme group it was agreed on the proposal of Cllr. Byrne seconded by His Worship the Mayor that negotiations would be instituted with Mr. T. Donnelly, owner of the newly provided car park adjoining the Cinemas at Redmond Place with a view to the Corporation leasing this car park from Mr. Donnolly and operating same as a disc car park.

In relation to the environmental protection programme group a lengthy discussion was held on the level of charges applied for burials at Crosstown and a general view was expressed that there should not be differential between residents of the borough and non-residents of the borough in relation to these charges. It was agreed that this matter would be further discussed.

further general discussion to which all members Following contributed it was agreed to defer further consideration of the estimate to the 1st December, 1992.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESSOF THE MEETING

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY1ST DECEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Alderman P. Reck.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllrs. Nolan and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

On the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan it was agreed to adjourn further the Statutory Estimates Meeting to Monday 7th December, 1992 at 7.00 p.m.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

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MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING ON 1ST DECEMBER, 1992
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS HERVERS 1992 WEXFORD BOROUGH THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllrs. Nolan and Mahoney for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Detail consideration was then given to the provisions Programme Group 8 of the Manager's Estimate and questions raised by members in relation to the provisions therein were answered by officials in attendance. A lengthy discussion then ensued to which all members contributed and a number of suggestions were made for consideration of the meeting by individual members. Following this discussion it was agreed to further adjourn consideration of the estimates to the adjourned Statutory Estimates Meeting to be held on 7th December, 1992.

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT REAR OF BERNADETTE PLACE

The Borough Engineer then outlined for the meeting recommendations which he intended to make to the Manager in relation to the application for outline planning permission for twenty-eight houses at the rear of Bernadatte Place. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and views of the members in relation to the proposed development were noted.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

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MINUTES OF ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 7th DECEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL

CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: - His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck.

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

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

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

In Attendance:-

Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager. Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

The attached Manager's Estimate of Expenses in respect of the 1993 Financial Year was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and during which a number of amendments to the Manager's Estimate of Expenses were proposed and discussed. Arising out of this discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Roche seconded by Cllr. Nolan that the Estimate of Expenses as submitted be amended as follows:-

Revenue Expenditure (As proposed).

£3,006,889

1. Reduce Water Waivers - £3,500

2. Internal Loans

Amend Revenue Exp.

(a) Finish Traffic - £5,000 Imp. Loan.

(b) Finish Graveyard - £5,000 Loan.

3. Central Management A/C's. Reduce PL Insurance - £5,000 Provision

£2,988,389

Revenue Receipts (As proposed).

£2,160,431

1. Disc Sales - Increase by 35,000 +£35,000

2. Caravan park - Inc. by 3,000 +£ 3,000

3. Arrears Collection

(a) Domestic Water

Reduce Arrears by £9,000 +£ 9,000

(b) Commercial Water

Reduce Arrears by £11,000 +£11,000

4. Annuity Loans.

Increase Income by +£ 868

(To balance proposal).

5. Domestic Water Charges.

Reduce to £32.00 p.a.

(a) 3,738 domestic A/C's $3,738 \times 13$ -£48,594

(b) 1,498 Co. Co. A/C's

in commercial water

provision $1,498 \times 13 =$ -£19,474

£2,151,231

and that the revised estimate of expenses be adopted and arising therefrom a rate in the £ of £32.09 be adopted in respect of the financial year 1993 and that domestic water charges in the sum of £32.00 p.a. payable in two equal half moities be applied in respect of 1993.

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

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

The Manager thanked the members for their detailed consideration of what had been a difficult budget with difficult decisions necessary and expressed the wish that Wexford would continue on its revisionary developmental programme.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

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DAY OF JANUAR

1993.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

ROGRANNE GROUP &	YEAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CURRENT YEAR 1992						
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(1) HODSING & BUILDING			- 1								
1.1. Local Authority Housing	345632	345632	533750	533750	363962	363962	467250	467250			
1.2. Assistance To Persons Housing Themselves	414450	414450	500700	501568	385050	385050	478300	481079			
1.3. Assistance To Persons Improving Housing	22000	22000	87100	87100	22000	_ 22000	93500	93500			
1.8. Administration & Kiscellaneous	233591	231891	14600	14600	358940	354896	18280	18280			
FEOGRANME GROUP TOTAL	1015673	1013973	1136150	111/018	1129952	1125902	1057330	leseles			
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(2) ROAD TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY											
2.1. koad Upkeep	160160	160160	6	6	154713	154713	9	9			
I.2. Road Improvement	25000	25000	25000	2500€	20000	20000	20000	20000			
1.3. Road Traffic	90504	85504	174200	205200	83786	83786	205286	220200			
1.8. Administration & Kiscellaneous	76035	75495	7100	7100	63329	62579	5200	5200			
GRAHHE GROUP TOTAL	351/59	346159	206300	241300	321828	321078	230400	245406			

PROGRAMME GROUP & PROGRAMME	REAR 1993		YEAR 1993		CURRENT YEAR 1992						
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(3) WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAG	В					-	*				
3.1. Public Water Supply Scheme	-255831	252331	412710	364642	252329	231099	337980	305050			
3.2. Public Severage Scheme	107116	107116	13026	13026	125102	125102	13026	13026			
3.8. Administration & Hiscellaneous	107901	107101	2720	2720	82172	81272	3840	3840			
PROGRAHME GROUP TOTAL	470848	466548	428456	380388	459603	437473	354846	321916			
(4) DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROLS			-			0					
4.1. Land Use Planning	7000	7000	- 0	0	7000	7000	0	ę			
4.2. Industrial Promotion	11500	11500	0	0	5000	6500	0	ę			
4.3. Other Promotion	6450	6450	0	0	6450	6450	0	(
4.4. Representational Functions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6			
4.5. Promotion of Interest of Local Community		4000	0	0	4000	4000	0	ê			
4.6. Twinning of Local Authority Areas	4000	4000	0	0	2500	2500	0	ş			
4.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	27663	27563	24280	24280	20259	20184	24070	25976			
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL	60613	60513	24280	24280	45209	46634	24070	25078			

PROGRAMME GROUP & PROGRAMME	78AR 1993		YEAR 1993	-	CURRENT YEAR 1992						
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(5) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECT:	ON			-	- '		1				
5.1. Waste Disposal	251749	251749	53000	53000	242359	234359	38000	30006			
5.2. Burial Grounds	61554	56554	24000	24000	60181	60181	20000	2000€			
5.3. Safety Of Structures & Places	. 3500	3500	2000	2000	8500	8500	7000	700€			
5.5. Pollution Control	10500	10500	0	- 0	10250	10250	0	€			
5.8. Administration & Kiscellaneous	106992	106292	6460	6460	80860	80110	3200	3200			
PROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	434295	428595	85460	85460	402150	393400	63200	60200			
(6) RECREATION & AMENITY											
6.1. Swimming Pool	122483	122483	102250	102250	111442	111442	9.2250	92250			
6.3. Parks & Open Spaces	109118	109118	45000	48000	89550	79050	39000	39000			
6.4. Other Recreation & Amenity	22500	22500	5000	5000	20500	20500	0	6			
6.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	63413	62913	4080	4080	37998	37543	1920	1926			
PROGRANNE GROUP TOTAL	317514	317014	126330	159330	\$ Z59490	248340	1331/0	133176			

PROGRANNE GROUP & PROGRANME	TEAR	1993		YEAR 1993		CURRENT YEAR 1992					
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(7) AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION HEALTH & WELFARE	3								1		
7.2. Bducation		73563	7356	67463	67463	78485	78485	72735	72735		
7.3. Health & Welfare		0		0	0	0	0	0	0		
7.8. Administration & Miscellaneous	,	19024	1887	0	0	6333	6258	0	0		
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL		92587	- 9243	67453	67463	84818	84743	72735	72735		
(8) MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES			*						*		
8.2. Plant & Materials		0		250	250	98662	98662	98735	98735		
8.3. Financial Management		56250	56256	20132	20132	- 53250	53250	19599	19599		
8.4. Elections		2500	2500	0	0	2500	2500	0	0		
8.7. Harkets		0		250	250	0	0	250	250		
8.8. Administration & Miscellaneous		152600	152150	35360	35360	121911	121461	36499	36490		
8.9. Hayor's Allowance		6250	6250	0	0	5500	6000	0	ê		
8.10 Entertainment and Associated Expenses		18660	18000	ð	0	16000	16000	0	0		
8.11 Kembers Expenses and Rep. at Conferences		23500	23500	9	0	19500	19500	9	Û		
8.12 Expenses of Hembers Attending Conferences Abroad		4500	4500	0	0	4000	4000	0	e		
PROGRAMME GROUP TOTAL		263600	263150	33992	55992	321323	321373	155074	100074		

PROGRANKE GROUP (purpose of expenditure/ source of income)	(purpose of expenditure/ GROSS REVENUE REVENUE		REVENUE	SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL		ESTIMATED BALANCES AT THE BEGINING OF THE YEAR		GRART IN LIEU OF RATES ON	DONESTIC RATE SUPPORT GRANT	AHOUNT TO BE	RATE IN THE	
	EXPENDITURE	INCOME		General Charges	Seperate	D	eb1ES	Credits	LAND	ADJUSTHENT	PRAIED	POUND
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1 HOUSING & BUILDING	1,013,973	1,137,018	(123,045)	5,553		0	0	59,550	58	6,694	(170,406)	-3.00
2 ROAD TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY	346,159	241,300	104,859	- 118,355		0	72,750	0	755	87,409	382,618	6.74
3 WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE	466,548	380,388	86,160	1,345		0	49,311	0	701	81,098	217,213	3.82
4 DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND CONTROLS	60,513	24,280	36,233	23,775		9	2,200	0	73	8,416	70,551	1.24
5 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	428,595	85,460	343,135	129,114		0	16,482	0	1,682	194,711	681,760	12.00
6 RECREATION & AMENITY	317,014	159,330	157,684	65,034		0	7,832	- 0	643	74,403	304,310	5.36
AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION HEALTH & WELFARE	92,437	67,463	24,974	21,822		0	200	0	314	36,341	83,023	1.46
HISCELLANEOUS SERVICES	263,150	55,992	207,158	68,853	-	0	0	89°, 225	585	67,709	253,910	4.47
ALL PROGRAHME GROUPS	2,988,389	2,151,231	837,158	433,851		U	148,775	148,775	4,811	556,781	1,822,979	32.05

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Date. 7/12/9/2

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ADJOURNED STATUTORY ESTIMATES MEETING ON MONDAY 7th DECEMBER, 1992 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD

<u>Presiding:-</u> His Worship the Mayor, Ald. P. Reck. Aldermen:- G. Byrne, D.M. Kiernan.

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

N. Kavanagh, H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

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

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

Civic Reception - Cllr. H. Corish.

On the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche it was unanimously agreed that a Civic Reception for Cllr. Corish would be held on 5th January, 1992 at which a presentation would be made to Cllr. Corish in respect of her forthcoming marriage and that the Mayoral Allowance would be adjusted accordingly.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Enright it was unanimously agreed that the National media be requested to allow the newly elected T.D.'s to pursue the formation of a Government without the media attention of polls.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on 2nd November, 1992, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed on the proposal of Ald. Byrne seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty.

The minutes of the following Committee Meetings, copies of which had previously been circulated, were confirmed and signed and the recommendations contained therein were unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne;-

Preliminary estimates meeting held on 3.11.92. Joint Meeting held on 9.11.92 Statutory Estimates Meeting held on 23.11.92. Swimming Pool Committee Meeting held on 30.11.92 Estimates Committee Meeting held on 30.11.92 Estimates Committee Meeting held on 1.12.92. Adjourned Statutory Estimates Meeting held on 1.12.92.

Arising out of discussion on the minutes it was unanimously agreed that copies of up-to-date housing lists would be circulated to each member for their information.

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

Consideration was then given to the filling of a Casual Vacancy on the Town of Wexford V.E.C. arising from the resignation from membership of the Committee of Mr. Michael Farrell and it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Roche that Mrs. E. Leddy would be nominated to fill the Casual Vacancy.

Tidy Gardens/Estates Competition 1992.

His Worship the ay Wexferde Boroug ploound 1992 Tidy Gardens/Estates Competition:

Gardens:-

1st Prize - £125.00 - James Cullimore, 108, Corish Park, Wexford.

2nd Prize - £ 75.00 - Philomena Murphy, 16, St. Aidan's Crescent, Wexford.

3rd Prize - £ 50.00 - Margaret Ennis, 63, Bishopswater, Wexford.

Estates:-

1st Prize - £300 - Corish Park.

2nd Prize - £200 - Bishopswater.

3rd Prize - £100 - Fisher's Row.

Prize for most improved area - £150.00 - Bernadette Place.

The results were noted and on the proposal of Cllr. Roche seconded by Ald. Byrne it was unanimously agreed that a Reception would be afforded in 1993 at a date to be fixed by His Worship the Mayor and the Town Clerk at which the prizes would be given to the prize-winners.

MOTIONS

Social Welfare/Tax Office.

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

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Finance to commence fortwith the acquisition of site and building of proper offices for Social Welfare and Tax & Revenue to facilitate proper conditions for the general public and safe healthy working conditions for the staff as have been provided in other towns and cities".

In reply to questions the Town Clerk outlined the current position in relation to the proposed Decentralisation of Government Offices and the position was noted.

Heavy Vehicles.

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

"That the Traffic Management Committee consider the erection of appropriate signs to discourage the entry of heavy vehicles to some of our narrower streets, where there are other means of access to the vehicles destination".

Arising out of discussion on the motion it was unanimously agreed that the traffic wardens and garda siochana would monitor the parking of vehicles at the Redmond Square area on Sundays in view of the opening of shops in that area for Christmas on Sundays.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS DAY OF JANUAR

1993.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

MINUTES OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14th DECEMBER, 1992 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

<u>Presiding:-</u> His Worship the Mayor, Alderman P. Reck. <u>Aldermen:-</u> D.M. Kiernan.

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

Apologies from Ald. Howlin & Byrne, Cllrs. Roche and Corish for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

In Attendance:-

Mr. W.P. Creedon, Manager. Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk. Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer. Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant. Supt. N. Smith, Garda Siochana. Sgt. P. Lacey, Garda Siochana. Mr. T. Cleere, Wexford Council of Trade Unions.

Apologies from Ms. Rita Doyle, President, Wexford Chamber of Industry & Commerce for her inability to attend the meeting were noted.

At the outset of the meeting on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor seconded by Cllr. Mahoney a unanimous vote of good wishes for the speedy recovery from illness to Cllr. Roche was adopted.

Heavy Vehicles.

The following motion in the name of Cllr. Roche was deferred to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty:-

"That the Traffic Management Committee consider the erection of appropriate signs to discourage the entry of heavy vehicles to some of our narrower streets, where there are other means of access to the vehicles destination".

Inner Relief One-Way System.

The Town Clerk stated that provision had been made in the 1993 Estimate of Expenses for the commissioning of Consultants Report on the Traffic System in Wexford and it was agreed that this report would commissioned at an early date.

Parking at School Street.

The report of the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered and following discussion noted.

Parking at Redmond Square.

The report of the Borough Engineer copies of which had previously been circulated was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed. Consensus view was expressed that the temporary parking of buses in the area in front of the station was a major contributory cause to traffic congestion and it was agreed to request the Borough Engineer to meet with C.I.E. to discuss this matter again. It was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. Nolan with His Worship the Mayor dissenting that the area immediately in front of the railway station Coul Wexsored Bonok garden only and unattended vehicles would be prohibited from parking in this area.

JUNCTION AT MULGANNON/MILL ROAD.

The report of the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed and the report was noted. Arising out of discussion Supt. Smith stated that the Gardai would continue to monitor speeding on Mulgannon Hill.

Further arising out of the discussion at the request of Cllr. Nolan, Supt. Smith stated that he would investigate the position in relation to the parking of buses at Swan View in such a way that traffic lines at the junction there were not capable of being seen by motorists and at the request of Cllr. Mahoney stated that he would have the question of speeding at Bishopswater investigated.

Hackney/Taxi Services.

Cllr. Byrne then left the meeting stating that discussion on this item on the agenda could involve him in conflict of interest in view of his business as a hackney driver.

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

A lengthy discussion ensued to which all members contributed arising out of which it was proposed by Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Cllr. Nolan that a meeting of the hackney drivers in Wexford and an expert from the Garda Siochana would be held to discuss the potential for the introduction of a taxi service in Wexford. Further arising out of the discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor that this item would be deferred to the next meeting of the Borough Council to enable the Supt. to further consider the matter and to make a submission to the Traffic Management Committee in relation to same. It was further agreed that the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty would be also considered at the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting.

Arising out of discussion it was agreed on the proposal of His Worship the Mayor that the Borough Engineer would report to the next Traffic Management Committee Meeting on the effect on businesses in the area of Rowe Street Church Yard of the new parking system introduced by the Church in the Church Grounds.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS

DAY OF Januar

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

TF/AM

14th December, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:

Report on parking restrictions in School Street and use of offstreet parking at Presbytry.

The official schedule of restricted on-street car parking in this area has been checked out against the yellow lining on the road. Other than a small section fronting the Presbytry the yellow lining coincides with the schedule. I have given instructions for the lining fronting the Presbytry to be removed.

With regard to the off-street car parking area beside the Presbytry, the Corporation would not have the power to reserve these spaces exclusively for the residents in the area.

Yours faithfully,

Borough Engineer.

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REPORT ON PARKING IN REDMOND SQUARE

The restricted parking areas on the Square have been lined and signposted and illegally parked cars are being ticketed.

The original and approved design concept of this Urban Space was to maximise the central green area by marking the surrounding roads one-way and free of parking, the radii of curvature at the corners being increased from 8 m to 10 m and to comply with the Road Authorities design requirements. The developments fronting onto the Square were required to be provided with 228 offstreet car parking spaces which were provided. The Donnelly development currently in progress will provide a further 208 spaces.

Because of free long-stay car parking inside the pedestrian island in front of the Railway Station, buses dropping and picking up passengers are parking outside the island and can cause serious obstruction to traffic flow. Following a number of meetings and discussions with Bus Eireann and Iarnrod Eireann, it is agreed, in principle, to limit the inside of the pedestrian island to both cars and buses dropping and picking up passengers, overnight parking of buses will be at the warehouses near the bridge pending the bus parking being provided on Donnelly's site.

The problem of car parking in front of Dunnes is being strictly controlled by the Wardens and the problem may be alleviated if Dunnes make their shop accessible from their car park which I understand they are considering.

T. Fahey,

Borough Engineer.

11th June, 1992.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

REPORT ON WIDENING OF JUNCTION AT END OF MULGANNON ROAD AT MILL ROAD JUNCTION.

Traffic wishing to turn into the bottom of Mulgannon Road from Mill Road is obstructed by traffic wishing to exit from Mulgannon Road.

I have investigated the possibility, in principle, of widening the junction by requiring land from Pierces Foundry i.e.,by buying land from the adjoining property owner on the West side. A survey has been carried out and the widening of the junction at this point would be technically feasible. Sketch designs are currently being prepared.

Be aware that the specific objective in the Development Plan for a link road from Distillery Road to Mulgannon Road adjacent to the Telecom Exchange may pre-empt the need for the widening of the junction. The Corporation currently have before it a proposal to develop the land adjacent to the Telecom Exchange which is likely to comply with that specific objective.

T. Fahey,

Borough Engineer.

11TH JUNE, 1992.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

AL/AM

14th December, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:

RE: Taxi Ranks.

Dear Member,

I attach herewith for your information an updated list of licenced hackney drivers in the Wexford Garda District. You will note that the current number of vehicles operating is 33 which excludes mini-buses which would be classed differently.

A hackney driver must hold a hackney licence in respect of each vehicle in operation. There is no limit on the range within which a driver may operate though obviously he/she may not operate from an area for which he/she does not hold a licence, i.e. another town or county.

On the recommendation of Garda John Cody of Wexford Garda Station, I discussed the matter at length with Sgt. Brian Burns of Naas Garda Station who is responsible for the issuing of licences for the Naas/Carlow area. I am informed that the following number of taxis operate in towns of similar size to Wexford:-

Carlow - 11 Naas - 18 Kilkenny - 12

The system was introduced into the above areas in 1989 at the request of the hackney drivers themselves. Thus, there was no opposition to the introduction of the taxi-ranks which have proved more than successful. All existing hackney operators were transferred to public hire in 1989.

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Sergeant Burns, who is familiar with Wexford Town, felt that a tourist town such as Wexford could only benefit from a taxi-rank system. He suggested that if the Wexford Hackney Drivers Association was addressed by a member of the Garda Siochana who is familiar with the introduction and operation of the system, the advantages of public hire could be outlined and might allay their present fears regarding the proposal.

Sergeant Burns confirmed that there is little difference between the licence fee chargeable for a taxi licence as compared to a hackney licence.

Yours faithfully,

DIF. CURTIN.
Town Clerk.

LIST OF WEXFORD HACKNEY DRIVERS IN WEXFORD GARDA DISTRICT

NAME	No. of	Vehicles
Mr. Patrick Busher, The Bullring, Wexford.		3
Mr. Aidan Cogley, Levitstown, Drinagh, Wexford.		1
Mr. Edward Hopkins, Mount St. Anne, Bishopswater, Wexford.		1
Mr. Kevin Kehoe, 6 Francis Street, Wexford.		1
Mr. Andrew Lynch, 5 Glena Terrace, Wexford.		1
Mr. Paddy Mulligan, 91 North Main Street, Wexford.		1
Mr. Bernard Macken, Distillery Road, Wexford.		1
Mrs. Mary McGuinness, 42 Bishopswater, Wexford.		1
Mr. Billy O'Brien, Ballycogley, Co. Wexford.		1
Mr. Patrick Doyle, White House, Rosslare Strand.		1
Mr. John O'Rourke, Tinakilla, Ballyhogue.		1
Mr. Billy Roche, Tuskar House Hotel, Rosslare Harbour.		1

LIST OF WEXFORD HACKNEY DRIVERS IN WEXFORD GARDA DISTRICT

NAME	No. of Vehicles
Mr. James D. Walsh, Crosstown, Wexford.	2
Mr. Noel Ryan, Trinity Street, Wexford.	3
Mr. Charles Ryan, 1 Commercial Quay, Wexford.	1
Mr. Dominic Williams, 25 Parkview, Wexford.	2
Mr. Syl Carley, 61 Liam Mellows Park, Wexford.	2
Mr. P.J. Anderson, Clifford Cottage, Rosslare Harbour.	1
Mr. Pat Geoghegan, Larkinstown, Coolree.	2
Mr. Paddy Browne, Hillcastle, Tagoat.	1
Mr. Vincent Byrne, St. Peter's Square, Wexford.	1
Mr. Rory Conroy, 32 Abbey Street, Wexford.	1
Mr. James Kavanagh, Heritage View, Newtown Road.	1
Mr. John O'Brien, Castlebridge, Co. Wexford.	1
Ms. Christina Roche, Rosslare Harbour, Co. Wexford.	1

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER, 1992 AT 7.00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, WEXFORD.

Presiding: His Worship the Mayor, Alderman P. Reck.

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

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

H. Corish, J. Mahoney.

Apologies from Ald. Howlin and Cllrs. Enright and Roche for their inability to attend the meeting were noted.

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

Mr. D.F. Curtin, Town Clerk.

Mr. T. Fahey, Borough Engineer.

Mr. K. O'Brien, Borough Accountant.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from John Browne, T.D., Minister for Food thanking Borough Council for letter re Coiner's Lane and stating that he had brought same to the attention of the Minister for Environment and he would write again as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Deputy B. Howlin thanking Borough Council for resolution re Coiners Lane and stating that he will actively pursue the matter with the Minister for the Environment, was noted.

The following resolution from Dublin Corporation was noted:-

"In light of the huge employment figures could this City Council agree for once to call on the Corporations and County Councils around the Country to launch a guaranteed Irish promotion in every town and village in order to try and turn the tide in our favour. We should call on all state and semi-state companies to buy Irish whenever possible".

Letter from Deputy Ivan Yates acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Coiners Lane and stating that he had forwarded same to the Minister for the Environment and he would be in touch again as soon as he had received further word, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution regarding Supplementary Welfare Allowance Payments stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Social Welfare acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Social Welfare Bill 1992 and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretaty to Minister for Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's resolution re Coiners Lane, stating that the matter is receiving attention and a further letter will issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Education thanking Borough Council for their letter requesting that the Minister meet with Wexford Borough Council and stating that due to the heavy schedule of committments the Minister is not at present in a position to meet the Borough Council but would write again when had more definite news, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Finance referring to Borough Council's letter re the National Lottery and stating that the Minister had noted the contents of same, was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Energy acknowledging Borough Council's letter re Ireland-Britain Gas Interconnector stating that same will be brought to the Minister's attention and a further reply will issue as soon as possible, was noted.

Details of conference "Tourism in the Year 2000" was noted.

Letteter from Minister J. Browne, T.D., enclosing letter from Minister for the Environment re Coiners lane stating that he was having enquiries made in the matter and would write again as soon as possible, was noted.

Copy of letter from Minister for the Environment to Deputy Ivan Yates re Coiners Lane stating that the Minister would write again as soon as possible, was noted.

Details of Seminare re "Irish Local Authorities and the EC" was noted.

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for the Environment acknowledging receipt of Borough Council's letter re funding for Wexford Main Drainage Scheme stating that the contents of same had been noted, was noted.

A letter from the Assistant Principal, EC (Structural Fund) Section of the Department of Finance in relation to appointment of members of Wexford Corporation on the Sub-Regional Review Committee, copy of which had previously been circulated, was then considered. It was noted that the appointment of one member of the Council together with the Mayor ex-officio to act on this Committee on behalf of the Borough Council, which would normally be decided at the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council, had at the request of the Department of Finance, been postponed in July of the current year to facilitate the completion of the regional plan. The Borough Council had agreed to this and it was now being requested that the representation of the Borough Council would be considered. The Town Clerk stated that the representation of the Borough Council on this Committee was the Mayor ex-officio and one member of the Borough Council and on the proposal of Ald. Reck seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Byrne would be the Borough Council representative on this Committee to serve until the next Annual Meeting of the Borough Council.

On the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that Cllr. Kavanagh and Ald. Kiernan would represent the Borough Council at a conference on "International Environmental Recognition" to be held in Tralee from 28th - 30th January, 1993.

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

"That this Council demands that the Government adheres to it's International obligation to devote .7% of Gross National Product to the Third World".

Letter from Private Secretary to Minister for Energy re Ireland/Uk Gas Interconnector, copy of which had previously been circulated, was noted.

On the proposal of Cllr. Kavanagh seconded by Ald. Kiernan it was unanimously agreed that the Mayor and the two A.M.A.I. delegates would attend at the A.M.A.I. Seminar to be held in Kinsale on 12th and 13th February, 1993.

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PLANNING

Planning applications made since the previous G.P. Committee of the Borough Council, details of which had previously been circulated, were noted. Questions raised in relation to individual applications were answered by officials in attendance.

REPORTS.

Civic Awards.

The recommendation of the Protocol Committee in relation to the granting of Civic Awards were then considered and on the proposal of Cllr. Nolan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty it was unanimously agreed that Civic Awards be awarded to Pettitt's Supermarket, Mr. Liam Gaul and Mr. Noel Beaver, in accordance with the recommendation of the Protocol Gommittee and it was further agreed that the awards would be presented at a Civic Function to be held at a date and time fixed by the Mayor and Town Clerk.

CORNMARKET JUNCTION IMPROVEMENT

The report of the Borough Engineer, copies of which had previously been circulated, was then considered.

A general discussion on the report was held to which all members contributed arising out of which it was agreed to await the proposed Traffic Management Study of the town and agreed that on a temporary basis a ghost island should be provided in the centre of Cornmarket ensuring that no parking would take place in this island.

PEDESTRIANISATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME.

The Borough Engineer reported that proposals for the improvement of the streetscape in conjunction with the pedestrianisation programme were currently being prepared and were delayed because of technical reasons which were currently being examined. These investigations would be completed and a report prepared for consideration of the Borough Council in February, 1993. Following discussion the report and position arising therefrom were noted.

CONTRIBUTION TO BREAKWATER IMPROVEMENT WORKS

The report from the Town Clerk, copies of which had previoulsy been circulated, was then considered.

Following discussion it was unanimously agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Ald. Byrne that the Corporation would contribute £1,000 towards the cost of improvement works on the breakwater.

WELL LANE HOUSING PROJECT

The Town Clerk stated that the National Building Agency had reported on the tenders which had been received for the provision of five local authority flat units and a retail space at Well Lane and gave details of the recommended tender to the meeting. Following discussion it was unanimously agreed that the recommendation of the N.B.A. be adopted on the proposal of Cllr. O'Flaherty seconded by Ald. Byrne. It was further agreed on the proposal of Ald. Kiernan seconded by Cllr. O'Flaherty that prior to the allocation of the units to be developed the Corporation would consider delegating at lost part of this development for elderly persons accommodation only.

COOLCOTTS

The Town Clerk outlined on plans displayed at the meeting proposals which would be considered at the next G.P. Committee Meeting of the Borough Council for the development of the lands at Coolcotts in the ownership of the Borough Council. The proposals included the provision of local authority housing, social housing and private sites, together with a substantial playing field development. This was noted by the meeting and it was further agreed that the matter would be further considered at the next G.P.Committee Meeting of the Borough Council.

MEETINGS.

It was unanimously agreed that the next G.P. Committee Meeting of the Borough Council would be held on Tuesday 19th January, 1993 at 7.30 p.m. when deputations which had previously been agreed would be received by the Borough Council.

Cllr. Nolan referred to the necessity to improve a house occupied by Hurley's in Maudlintown because of family circumstances therein. In the recent Remedial Works Scheme the roof only had been done. There were 16 people living in the house and that in recent times there had been major improvement in the social conditions of the household. He requested that this house be extended by the provision of a bathroom and an additional bedroom and this request was endorsed by the meeting. The Manager agreed to investigate the position and to report back to the Borough Council at a future meeting.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS I'M DAY OF January 1993.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.

FF/AM

18th December, 1992

Report to Borough Engineer.

RE: Commarket Junction Improvement.

I attach proposals for Cornmarket junction improvement in front of the Arts Centre where John's Gate Street, Abbey Street and Cornmarket meet.

The results of a traffic count carried out on Friday afternoon, 1st May, 1992, show the predominent traffic flows.

Also the results of another survey carried out today, 18th December, the last Friday before Christmas show no increase on the above figures even with the festive season and the opening of Rowe Street Church car-park since the last survey.

The 2 principal options available to us are:-

- (a) A T-junction with traffic from Abbey Street stopping to give way to the straight through route from Cornmarket to John's Cate Street.
- (b) A roundabout.

I recommend option A as a roundabout could present problems to larger vehicles since the junction is at a steep incline.

The bye-laws in relation to traffic at this junction will have to be amended before we can enforce a stop sign on Abbey Street.

FRANCIS FIDGEON. Assistant Borough Engineer. FF/AM

18th December, 1992

Report to Borough Engineer.

RE: Proposed pedestrianisation of North Main Street, Wexford from Bull Ring to Rowe Street Lower/Church Lane.

Work on the design of a cobble-lock paving for North Main Street from the Bull Ring to Rowe Street is well under way. Cross-sections have been taken at 5 metre intervals along the street and levels have also been taken at each doorstep. A survey has also been carried out of the basement below street level and none of these project underneath the footpaths as was thought probable initially.

An investigation of the subgrade has shown this to be of very poor quality and consisting of a large amount of builders nibble. This would mean an excavation of 1 metre below the existing concrete slabs and providing possibly rock fill under a 300 mm subbase of Clause 804.

However, it may be possible to retain the existing concrete street and lay the cobble-lock over this. The existing concrete footpaths would have to be removed and an adequate subbase provided after excavation, bringing to finished cobble footpath and street to the same level.

The existing concrete slabs would then provide the strength required over the existing poor-quality subgrade, but door step levels will be the main determining factor here as we cannot allow the street level to come above the coorsteps. We have discussed already and declined to use the option of providing a step down to the footpath.

FRANCIS FIDGEON.
Assistant Borough Engineer.

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Town Clerk: D. F. Curtin.

AL/AM

18th December, 1992

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE WEXFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL:-

Dear Member,

Application has been received from Wexford Harbour Commissioners for a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of necessary maintenance works carried out on the breakwater in recent months.

The works were in fact carried out by Wexford Corporation on behalf of the Harbour Commissioners at a total cost of £3,000. The County Council has already contributed £1,000 towards the project.

I would recommend that Wexford Corporation should also allocate £1,000 to the Harbour Commissioners for this purpose.

Yours faithfully,

p.F. CURTIN. Town Clerk. de

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