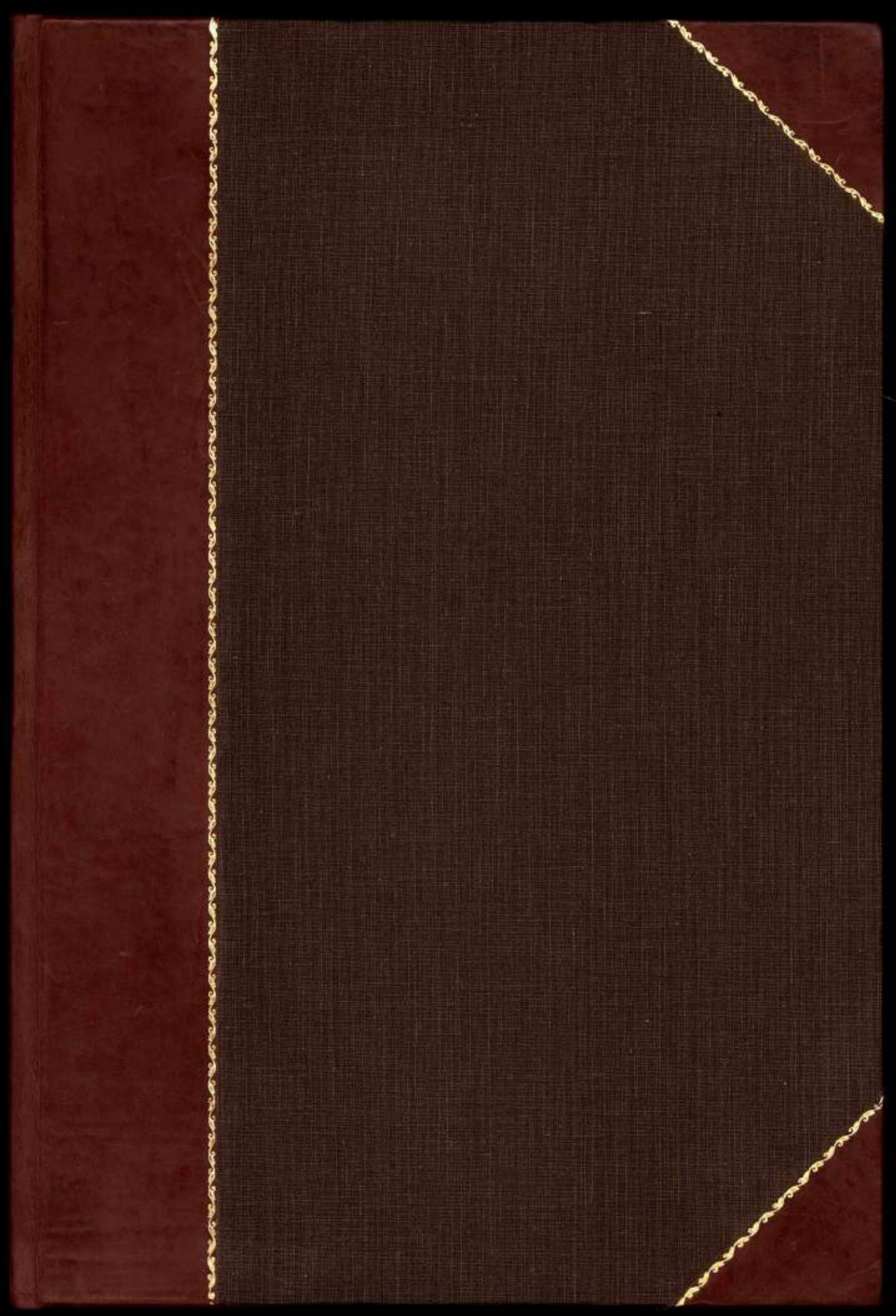


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MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 29TH FEBRUARY, 1960.

1/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Breslin, Buchanan, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, P. Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Dunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McIlroy, McGill, McKendrick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Connell, O'Donnell and Patterson.

2/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; and P. Dowd, County accountant; M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. B. McParland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

3/60. ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1961:

The following documents were submitted:-

- (a) Estimate of Expenses on the prescribed form;
- (b) Memorandum from County Manager on statement explanatory of receipts and expenditure;
- (c) County Engineer's draft road works Scheme.

The Manager pointed out that since the circulation of the Estimate of Expenses, a number of Malicious Injury Deceases had been received. Particulars of these are as follows:-

No.			Rate required in £.
833.	Joseph McKinney.	£35. 1. 6d.	.02407.
834.	William Edward Donaldson	£150. 16. 7d.	.10210.
835.	John James Greenan.	£28. 18. 0d.	.01957.
836.	R. I. George.	£16. 16. 4d.	.01138.

The total rate required in respect of Separate Charges would, therefore, be .51d. in the £.

It was agreed that the draft road works Scheme should be considered in detail at a later meeting of the Council.

The Chairman stated that a deputation from the County Donegal Ratepayers' Association had attended a meeting of the Finance Committee and wished to address the Council. It had been indicated to the deputation at the Finance meeting that a statement would be made by the Manager in regard to their suggestion that a firm of Industrial Consultants undertake a survey of the Council's organisation and the deputation wished to hear this statement before addressing the Council. It was agreed that the Manager should make the statement.

The following statement was made by the County Manager:-

"In a letter dated 27th November, 1958 the Donegal Ratepayers' Association asked me to agree to a firm of Industrial Consultants undertaking a survey with a view to enabling the Consultants "to assess whether we feel we could help, in what way, what benefits would arise, and what our fees would be". This survey would be free of cost. A copy of the Association's letter was sent by the Association to each member of the Council as was also a copy of the letter of the Industrial Consultants to the Association.

The firm concerned is described by the Association as "one of the best known firms of this type in the British Isles and one which has done a tremendous amount of work with industrial concerns in Eire".

The firm, in their letter to the association, appear to contemplate employment by the association. The association in their letter to me make no offer to pay the firm's fee if it were thought fit to engage them after the preliminary survey report had been considered. I, therefore, assume that the Employers' Association has no notion of paying the cost.

THE AIMS OF INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANTS

The availability of the services of Industrial Consultants in this country is new, but the idea is by no means new. The Consultant makes a detailed study of a particular activity with a view to finding out if there are any unaccountable methods used or whether by changing the organisation of those engaged in the activity, or by changing the machinery or the equipment used, the cost of the activity might be reduced. The Consultant also endeavours to ascertain whether conditions are such that each person engaged in the activity is working to capacity. An activity may be a quarry or a road construction job. It may be a hospital or an office. And, of course, Consultants could undertake to deal with the complete range of activities of the Council. To give a very simple example of one of the things a Consultant might find - Suppose we had a telephone in this room fixed to the wall where the attendance book is, and suppose that on average the Chairman had occasion to use the telephone 25 times a day and the County Secretary had occasion to use it 15 times a day and that each Councillor used it at the most once a day. An Industrial Consultant would recommend that the telephone should be transferred to a position between the Chairman and the Secretary. Some of the things Consultants find are as simple and as obvious as that, though, of course, a great many unaccountable processes are much more difficult to identify and also more difficult to improve by acceptable methods.

ATTITUDE TO IT

Having defined the nature and scope of the work of Industrial Consultants let me say at once that I am all in favour of the ideas involved. I can say also that those of my colleagues, who are primarily concerned, are also keen. In the industrial world it is not the notoriously inefficient firms which engage Industrial Consultants to employ their methods. The highly efficient firms are the first to do so. I am quite prepared to admit here and now that there probably is need for improvements which would make the money go further.

PRACTICE OF INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANTS

The normal practice of Industrial Consultants is to make a preliminary survey of a concern, of a department or of a single activity. This survey is made free of cost to the client. Following the survey the Consultant reports that he estimates that he would be able to save a certain sum if engaged. If he is engaged he makes his detailed study over a period and then submits a full report. It is the job of the employer to carry on from that point, though, of course, Consultants can be retained to implement their proposals. Normally in the course of an investigation many improvements suggest themselves and are put into operation before the Consultant's report is received. Naturally, during an investigation every official is alerted to the problem in a special way.

The fees of Industrial Consultants are very high and vary from 100 to 200 guineas per week.

The offer made through the Employers' Association is not unusual. In fact, we have no other such offers from firms which I would have described in the words of the Association as some of the "best known".

3/60.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1961 (CONTINUED):

THE FIRM PROPOSED:

In the letter to the Association the Consultants ask that certain information given in it be regarded as confidential. Since the Association has circulated the letter to at least 29 of us, I presume that the Association has since had this request withdrawn. If you examine the list you will see that no County Council or Rural Authority, in Ireland or elsewhere, is mentioned. Only one Irish Urban Authority is mentioned. If, therefore, a firm of Consultants is to be engaged, I would prefer one that had some better experience of Irish Local Government and of the particular problems of rural local authorities.

LIMITED SCOPE OF ACTIVITY:

There are some uneconomic activities or methods adopted by County Councils. We don't need any experts to tell us how expensive they are because we don't intend to charge them. I will refer to two of them.

(1) By and large the more machinery that is used in road making and maintenance the lower will be the unit costs. But casual employment on the roads in this County is a very important factor in the lives of many families. We must, therefore, endeavour to strike a balance between more machinery and less employment or less machinery and more employment.

(2) There is a District Medical Officer in each of the 38 Dispensary Districts serving a total population of 122,000 people. In another more compact area (Urban and Suburban) in the county 9 District Medical Officers serve a population of about 114,000. There are a few Districts in the County which could be amalgamated and it is intended to do this when vacancies occur. But there can be no spectacular reduction in the number of doctors. The number of persons entitled to the services of some of the District Medical Officers would not justify the salaries paid to them. Because, however, of the topography of the County and the way the population is scattered the Council must continue to have these Doctors. By keeping a Doctor in an area to attend to the Lower Income Group free of charge, the Council is incidentally keeping him there to attend to the Middle and Upper Income Groups as a private practitioner. We don't need anybody to tell us how high the cost of the Dispensary service is in some small scattered District because we know it only too well and we can do nothing about it.

EXPERIENCE OF OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITIES:

I may say at this stage that Dun Laoghaire Corporation is satisfied with the result of its engagement of the particular firm.

In the Association's letter of the 27th November I am informed that Kerry County Council "has had a survey of a similar nature done and has recently been considering the whole problem". I have seen the Kerry report which cost 2,900 guineas and I have had some discussion with Kerry. From newspaper reports Kerry do not appear to be very enthusiastic about the result.

Members will recall that a year or two ago certain parts of a Consultant's report obtained by Dublin Corporation were published in a Dublin newspaper together with the observations of the City officials. Again, Dublin Corporation did not appear to be very satisfied with the report.

It is necessary for me to refer to reports which appeared in the newspapers during the last few weeks concerning substantial savings made in road expenditure as a result of the engagement of a firm of Industrial Consultants by a County Council.

3/60. ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1960 (CONTINUED):

The saving was achieved by the introduction of a Bonus Incentive Scheme. The Scheme was designed by the Consultants and was put into operation by them. A Bonus Incentive Scheme presupposes a relatively small number of roadmen working from year's end to year's end. In this County there is not a small number of men working more or less continuously. In the year ending on a recent date a total of 2,412 men have been employed at one time or another. In these conditions a bonus incentive scheme would not be possible.

STAFF EXPERTS:

I think it is significant that Dublin Corporation, having had experience of Industrial Consultants, has decided to establish its own team of experts to deal with the problem. So also has Bord na Mona amongst others.

It appears to me that it is much more important that there should be a continuous, vigorous and planned campaign to improve methods and make the money go further than that there should be an expensive blitz once in a while. I think it is essential that, if a more economical method of doing a job is discovered, there should be an arrangement which will ensure that those concerned will not relapse into the old uneconomic methods. How best can that be achieved?

WHAT IS BEING DONE:

I think that the members of the Council will agree that in the Engineering Department there has been a spectacular improvement in technique in recent years and that in County Donegal we compare favourably with the best in the country. Were it not for improved methods the Council's roads could not possibly have been maintained even to their present standard with the monies provided. Remember that, if you are inclined to criticise the standard of our County roads, we spend less per mile on maintenance than any other County in the State.

At this stage I think I should draw the attention of the Council to one spectacular reduction in costs which has been achieved by the Engineers. I select this one because these figures were easy to obtain. Tar is now delivered by rail to the Council at Oligo where it is distributed throughout the County by means of tankers which have been altered in the Machinery Yard for the purpose. The cost of tar spread on the road is now £22. 0. 10d. per ton. If the older methods, which have been abandoned, were still in use the cost would be £27. 4. 0. per ton. The saving is over £5 per ton which is equivalent to about £16,000 per annum. The possibility of achieving further savings in the cost of tar is being pursued.

So far I have concentrated on the Engineering services. Industrial Consultants also, as a rule, find scope for their activities in offices, hospitals etc. Before he came to Donegal the County Secretary had been engaged almost whole-time on work of this nature following a special study which he made of the techniques involved. Detailed proposals for improvements in the offices here were considered by the General Purposes Committee at its November meeting and were subsequently adopted by the Council. Other improvements are being made and they will eventually make the money go further.

TRAINING:

The Department of Local Government, The Institute of Public Administration, Cumann na n-Innealtairí and the Irish Management Institute have held short courses, conducted by experts, and designed to help Engineers and others to do for themselves what Industrial Consultants could do for them. Some of the Council's staff have attended these courses.

3/60. ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1961 (CONTINUED):

PROPOSAL:

Two heads of Departments - the County Engineer and the County Secretary - are still very new to the County. They are both actively engaged in effecting improvements within their respective spheres of influence. They have not yet reached the stage where they can make no further improvements. I, therefore, propose that for the present no Industrial Consultant be engaged. We will continue to take advantage of all suitable courses offered and if that does not enable us to make sufficient progress I will investigate the possibility of having one of our Engineers undertake special training with a view to his assignment to work study etc. for long periods of say three months at a time.

ALTERNATIVE:

If I am wrong in my assumption that the Ratepayers' Association does not intend to pay a Consultant by all means let us have one. We can discuss his terms of reference preparatory to obtaining a preliminary report. I do not recommend the engagement of a Consultant by the Council at present. If, nevertheless, the Council is willing to provide the money to pay one I think I can give an assurance that he will receive the co-operation which he will require to do his work.

Finally, let it be quite clear that if a Consultant is engaged he should be required to report to this Council and to this Council alone".

On the conclusion of the Manager's statement, the deputation from the County Donegal Ratepayers' Association which was comprised of Captain Hamilton, Messrs. Temple and Gallagher addressed the Council and urged that the rate for year ending 31st March, 1961 should not be increased.

Proposed by: Councillor McLaney,
Seconded by: Councillor Muldoon,

That the Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1961 as recommended by the Finance Committee be adopted.

as an amendment, it was

Proposed by: Councillor Baxter,
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson,

That the rate in the pound for year ending 31st March, 1961 be 48/3d. i.e. the same as for the present year.

The proposal and amendment were discussed at length and on conclusion of the discussion, the Manager indicated that the balance in favour of General Purposes could be increased to £3,950 reducing the net requirement under this heading to £135,959 and the rate in the pound for the service to 99.38d. This would mean that the rate in the pound required by the Estimate would be reduced to 583d. in the pound.

He amended the prescribed form accordingly.

Proposed by: Councillor McLaney,
Seconded by: Councillor Muldoon,

AND RESOLVED: That the Donegal County Council hereby adopt the Estimate of Expenses set forth in Tables A, B, C, D and E of the Estimate of Expenses submitted and determine in accordance with the said Estimate the rates set forth in Column 13 of Table C, Column 15 of Table D, and Column 8 of Table E, to be the rates in the Pound to be levied for the several services specified in the said Estimate for the Financial Year ending 31st March, 1961.

4/60. SIGNING AND SEALING OF URBAN DEMANDS:

Proposed by: Councillor McSheehy,

Seconded by: Councillor Muldoon,

AND RESOLVED: That the Seal of the Council be affixed to Demands on Form E (8) on the Urban District Councils as follows:-

Buncrana	£14,367.	11s.	10d.
Bundoran	£9,256.	2s.	7d.
Letterkenny	£14,967.	13s.	6d.

The Meeting then terminated.

Louis Walsh
Chairman.

4th March, 1960.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1960.

5/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Breslin, Buchanan, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, P. Cunningham, Deane, Deery, Diver, Lunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McAleny, McGill, McKendrick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Connell, O'Donnell and Patterson.

6/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer, P. Dowd, County Accountant, Dr. M. McParland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

7/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor McKendrick, seconded by Councillor Kelly, the Minutes of Meeting held on the 7th day of December, 1959 were confirmed.

8/60. VOLE OF SYMPATHY:

On the proposal of the Chairman, a vote of sympathy was passed with Councillor McLaughlin on the death of his mother.

Councillor McLaughlin thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy.

9/60. FILLING OF VACANCY ON COUNTY DONEGAL COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Harkin,

SECONDED BY: Councillor L. Cunningham,

AND RESOLVED: That Councillor F. Muldoon be appointed to the vacancy on the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture which arose due to the resignation of Councillor J. Brennan, T.D.

10/60. FILLING OF VACANCY ON COUNTY DONEGAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Harkin,

SECONDED BY: Councillor L. Cunningham,

AND RESOLVED: That Councillor F. Muldoon be appointed to the vacancy on the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee which arose due to the resignation of Councillor J. Brennan, T.D.

11/60. BYE-LAWS MADE WITH RESPECT TO HOUSES INTENDED OR USED FOR OCCUPATION BY MEMBERS OF THE WORKING CLASSES (INCLUDING AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS):

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Breslin,

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kelly,

AND RESOLVED: That application be made to the Minister for Local Government to confirm the above mentioned bye-laws which were made by the Donegal County Council on the 7th December, 1959, and that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the resolution.

12/60. RATHMILLAN POTATO STORE - LOAN OF £12,000:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Baxter,
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kelly,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £12,000 for the erection of a Potato Store at Rathmillan".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

Arising out of the matter, the County Secretary stated that application had been made to the Irish Potato Marketing Board for their contribution of £13,000 towards the provision of this store and that a contract could not be entered into or work commenced until the Potato Marketing Board had paid their contribution.

13/60. SIX COTTAGES AT STRANORLAR - LOAN OF £9,600:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor Hunter,
SECONDED BY: Councillor McLaughlin,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £9,600 for the erection of six cottages at Stranorlar".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

14/60. TWENTY-TWO COTTAGES AT RAMELTON - LOAN OF £2,880:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor McKendrick,
SECONDED BY: Councillor Harkin,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £2,880 for the completion of twenty-two cottages at Ramelton".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

15/60. EIGHT COTTAGES ON VARIOUS SITES - LOAN OF £9,000:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor McKendrick,
SECONDED BY: Councillor Kelly,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £9,000 for the erection of eight unserviced cottages on various sites".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

16/60. FIVE COTTAGES ON VARIOUS SITES - LOAN OF £6,100:

PROPOSED BY: Councillor McKendrick,

SECONDED BY: Councillor Kelly,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £6,100 for the erection of five unserviced cottages on various sites".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

17/60. RENEWAL OF CINEMATOGRAPH LICENCE:

It was agreed that a Cinematograph Licence be issued in respect of Clonmany Parochial Hall subject to the condition that existing seats be bolted together in lots of three and that the Council should be notified if any further seating is installed to enable it to be inspected.

18/60. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER:

Maternity Unit - County Home, Stranorlar:

The Council noted Manager's report that it is proposed to discontinue the Maternity Unit in the County Home at Stranorlar, and that patients heretofore catered for by this unit will be dealt with in the appropriate district hospitals.

Road Works Scheme:

The draft Road Works Scheme submitted by the County Engineer was considered, with particular reference to the allocation of amounts in the Dunglea area. It was decided to adjourn consideration of the matter to the next meeting.

Board for the Employment of the Blind:

It was decided to refer letter A.D. 39/56 of the 26/2/1960 in regard to payment of contribution by the Council to the Board for the Employment of the Blind to the General Purposes Committee for further consideration.

19/60. REPORTS OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 12/2/1960 and 22/2/1960:

On the proposition of Councillor O'Connell, seconded by Councillor McKendrick, the reports of General Purposes Committee Meetings held on the 12/2/1960 and the 22/2/1960 were adopted.

Matters arising out of G. P. report:

Water and Sewerage Schemes:

Councillor O'Connell requested that the proposals of the County Engineer (Minute 15/50) be reviewed again with a view to deciding if all the schemes proposed were necessary, or if any areas have been omitted.

It was pointed out that a full report from the County Manager in relation to the County Engineer's proposals would be submitted to the General Purposes Committee.

Roses Regional Water Supply Scheme - Extensions:

It was decided to refer back to the General Purposes Committee for further consideration the position in regard to the proposed extensions Banafast-Derrynamansher-Jackstown.

20/60. REPORT OF TRANSPORT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DECEMBER, 1959:

The report on meeting of Transport Committee held on the 12th day of December, 1959 was adopted.

21/60. REPORTS OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 11TH JANUARY, and 8TH FEBRUARY, 1960:

The reports of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee meetings held on the 11th January and 8th February, 1960 were adopted.

22/60. REMAINING BUSINESS ON AGENDA:

It was decided to adjourn the remaining items on the Agenda to a meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, 7th March, 1960.

The Meeting then terminated.

Howe Walsh
Chairman.

7th March, 1960.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MONAGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON THE 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 1960.

23/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Breslin, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, P. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greens, Kelly, McEleney, McKendrick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon and Patterson.

24/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; E. P. Nulty, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

25/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Patterson, the Minutes of Estimates and ordinary Meetings of the Council held on the 29th February, 1960 were adopted.

26/60. BALLINDRAIT HOUSING SCHEME - LOAN OF £10,000:

Proposed by: Councillor McKendrick

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £10,000 for the erection of six cottages at Ballindrait.

27/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGES - LOAN OF £10,300:

Proposed by: Councillor McKendrick

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £10,300 for the erection of nine Specific Instance cottages as follows:-

Carnagarve.
Glenalla.
Foneyreggan.
Trensallagh.
Keenaghan.
Madsavagh.
Kiltcal.
Prucklish.
Ahan.

28/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS - LOAN OF £45,000:

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney

Seconded by: Councillor McLaughlin

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £45,000 for supplementary grants.

The Secretary submitted statement showing that the amount required to deal with the 455 applications on hand was £45,338.

29/60. COUNTY ENGINEER'S ROAD WORKS SCHEME FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1961:

The County Engineer's road works Scheme for year ending 31st March, 1961 was discussed and the County Engineer amended page 13 of the Scheme to include Scheme No. 4/5 - road No. 657 - £330. He also stated that it was proposed to transfer £1,000 in the Glenties area from Code No. 52 to carry out improvements to bend near Doctor's house at Ardara.

The County Engineer also pointed out that in the Killybegs District the road No. quoted after Scheme No. 9/3 was incorrect and should read 1,770. The scheme as amended by these proposals was adopted.

Arising out of consideration of the road works Scheme, the following report in regard to allocation of monies in the Dungloe area was read:-

"At the last County Council Meeting Councillor Kennedy raised the question of the distribution of Main Road Grant monies and Tourist Grant monies within the Dungloe area. He pointed out that the Rosses area is at present, and will be for the next three or four years receiving an inequitable share of Main Road monies. He pointed out that, whereas large sums of monies were being expended on the Bunbeg/Foreland road and also on the Bunbeg/Gweedore/Gortahork road, these roads were in relatively good condition vis-a-vis the road Burtonport/Kincasslagh/Croily.

I have made an inspection of the roads concerned and have ascertained that, in fact, the Bunbeg/Foreland and the Bunbeg/Gweedore/Gortahork roads are considerably worse than the Burtonport/Kincasslagh/Croily road.

Regarding the accusation that sufficient monies have not, and are not being expended on the Main roads in the Rosses area, I would like to point out that since 1954/'55 the amount of money spent on the Main roads in the Rosses area is £134,353, while the amount of money spent on the Main roads in the Gweedore area for the same period amounts to £47,748. In light of these facts, I recommend that no change be made in the proposals for the expenditure of Main road monies in the Dungloe area."

Councillor Campbell stated that the terms of the report were not satisfactory.

30/60. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

Mechanical Services for St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny:

The following report of the County Engineer was adopted:-

"I have read the reports dated the 22nd February and the 29th February submitted by Mr. J. V. Tierney, Consulting Engineer, regarding the mechanical services for the above Hospital. Both reports are complimentary, the former being prepared after a two-day test was carried out on the boilers and the latter prepared after further investigation regarding the requirements of the hospital in respect of heating and new laundry capacity.

It is apparent from these reports and investigations that the steam capacity of the existing plant is altogether insufficient to provide adequate heating, laundry and cooking facilities to the existing hospital and much more so when it is considered that the laundry of the new County Hospital must be carried out at St. Conal's Hospital. In order to carry out the full laundry of the two institutions, the equipment of the existing laundry should be augmented by a new washing machine, a new hydro, a new drying tumbler and a new twin rotary press. It is pointed out that, should approval be received, that the laundry of the County Home be also performed at St. Conal's Hospital, the augmented equipment would have sufficient capacity to carry out the work.

30/60. Mechanical Services at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny (Continued):

When consideration was given to the heating of the Institution, provision was made for the heating of the Chapel and the Nurses' Home, which buildings are each heated by independent boilers. The capacity of the equipment to carry out this work is calculated at over 10,000 lbs. of steam per hour and the Consultant recommends the installation of two 6,000 lb. boilers in lieu of the existing old boilers. I am in agreement with the Consultant's recommendation in this respect as the extra steam capacity would provide for further developments, if found necessary, and the cost between these and two 5,000 lb. boilers is considered very low.

Finally, the proposal now put forward differs from the proposals previously put forward in so far as two 6,000 lb. boilers are recommended instead of the single 9,000 lb. boiler, the increase in steam capacity being necessitated by a considerable increase in the heating and laundry standards and the use of two boilers instead of one being desirable so as to give more flexible balance between summer and winter requirements. These changes result in the estimate for the installation being increased to approximately £16,000."

New County Hospital, Letterkenny:

The County Manager in reply to questions by Councillors outlined the position in relation to the new County Hospital, Letterkenny. He stated that in the past fortnight, a Conference of all the officials concerned was held and arrangements had been made which would enable the Council to open the hospital at the end of the first week in April. Everything including X-ray equipment would then be available. The hospital could not, however, be opened without the necessary staff. A recommendation had been received from the Local Appointments Commission for the appointment of County Surgeon, but the applicant recommended had not yet indicated if he would accept the appointment. He had undertaken to let the Manager have his decision by post on the 7/3/60, but the decision had not been received, and an Order had been made specifying that he must take up duty within three months. In connection with the County Physician, a recommendation had not yet been received. The Department of Health had now indicated that they would be prepared to sanction the appointment of an Obstetrician-Gynaecologist for the hospital. He also stated that he had submitted a proposal to the Department of Health requesting the Minister to allow the new hospital to be opened with Dr. McGinley, Letterkenny, as temporary Medical Officer.

The Council expressed the view that the hospital should be opened, on the basis suggested by the County Manager as quickly as possible.

31/60. BALLINDRAIT HOUSES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor John Hunter:-

"What is the position regarding the erection of a number of cottages at Ballindrait?"

REPLY: "Sanction to the erection of six Cottages in Ballindrait has now been obtained and proposals for the raising of the necessary loan are on Agenda for this Meeting".

32/60. SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR CARRICK VILLAGE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Cunningham:-

"What is the true position with regard to sewerage system in Carrick village?"

REPLY: "It will be noted from Minute 15/60 of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 22nd instant that a Sewerage Scheme to serve Kilcar, Dunkineely and Carrick is included in the County Engineer's programme of Schemes to be carried out within the next ten years".

33/60. GRANTS FOR PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Cunningham:-

"What is the position in regard to one living in Council Cottages and wishes to take in water supply from main; also is the person eligible for grant?"

REPLY: "A grant for the installation of water is available where the house is more than 100 ft from the main. The tenant of a vested cottage is eligible for a grant. In the case of a non-vested cottage the connection is made by the Council and an appropriate increase made in the rent of the cottage".

34/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor John McLaughlin:-

"Will the County Manager agree that a person who is in possession of a medical card is entitled to free Doctor, transport and hospital treatment when required?"

REPLY: "It is agreed that a person in possession of a valid Medical Card is entitled to free medical service and to free Institutional and Specialist treatment. He or she is not entitled to free transport. The Health Authority may provide free transport by way of ambulance or otherwise if it is satisfied that the circumstances of the individual warrant it".

35/60. WIDENING OF CORNER IN VILLAGE OF CARRIGART:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor John Harkin:-

"What decision did the Council come to in regard to the widening of a corner near a monument the property of Mrs. Strutt in the village of Carrigart?"

REPLY: "This matter was last considered by the Council at their Meeting on the 24th March, 1959 when it was indicated that the owner was not prepared to give the County Council the necessary land and the matter was left over with a view to the owner being contacted to see if the land could be obtained without resort to Compulsory Acquisition. (Minute No. 214/59 refers)".

36/60. EXTENSION OF CREESLOUGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME TO ARDS MONASTERY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor John Harkin:-

"When does the Council intend to proceed with the extension of the Creeslough Water Scheme to Ards Monastery?"

REPLY: "The present position in relation to the extension is set out in Progress report in regard to water Supply and Sewerage Schemes. Minute No. 22/60 refers. The matter will be further considered at the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee".

37/60. RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FROM DUNFANAGHY TO HORN HEAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.D.:-

"When is it proposed to commence reconstruction of the County road from Dunfanaghy to Horn Head?"

REPLY: "Two miles of this road have already been reconstructed this year. It is proposed to do a further instalment next year".

38/60. BOAT SLIP AT FORY ISLAND:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.M.:-

"If the Office of Public works has replied regarding the boat slip on Fory Island?"

REPLY: "The General Purposes Committee have recommended that the Office of Public works be informed that there is no objection to the work proposed. (Minute No. 27/60 refers)".

39/60. NARIN-PORTNOO WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Louis Walsh:-

"Has the result of canvass in regard to Narin-Portnoo Water Supply Scheme extensions come to hand and if so, would the manager please state the results?"

REPLY: "A canvass was carried out of all houses along the road leading from Irishtown to Kilclooney Church and School and also along the main road from Irishtown Post Office to the Clooney Cross Roads leading to Ballymackiluff. The estimated cost of these extensions is £8,000 which figure includes for a fairly large amount of rock. Thirty eight householders signed the canvas forms. The estimated cost per house accepting is about £210."

40/60. PROPOSED WATER SUPPLY FOR GLEN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"What is the position in regard to the proposed water supply for Glen?"

REPLY: "A considerable amount of investigations was carried out some years ago regarding the possibility of providing a supply for Glen but no proposal was adopted by the Council. The source was a small spring which in 1949 gave a gauging of 4,716 g.p.d. This is a very small yield and would be satisfactory only for a minor scheme to serve fountains".

41/60. SLIPWAYS AT KERRYKEEL AND MORASS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"What is the position regarding the slipways at Kerrykeel and Morass?"

REPLY:

Kerrykeel: "Repairs to slipway at Kerrykeel are estimated to cost £32. 9s. 2d. and the repairs will be carried out in the near future!"

Morass: "The Office of Public works state they are not responsible for maintenance of Morass slipway - neither is the Council".

42/60. PARKING FACILITIES AT BALLINTRA CHAPEL:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred back to the County Engineer for further examination in the light of the suggestions made by Councillor Muldoon:-

"That as the present facilities for parking at Ballintra Chapel are inadequate and dangerous, the corner on the Ballintra-Fettigo road be widened to prevent accidents".

43/60. ADDITIONAL LIGHT AT BALLINTRA:

The Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, it was pointed out that there was no provision in the Estimates for the coming year for additional lights.

It was agreed to refer the motion, which reads as follows, to the Finance Committee for consideration:-

"That one extra light be provided in Ballintra and that the public lighting in Ballintra be extended as far as the Catholic Church".

44/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT LARGY:

The following notice of motion submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a Sheep dipping Pond be provided at Largy, Killybegs, as the number of sheep in that area is very large".

45/60. FENCING AT BARNESCREE GAP:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the County engineer did not propose to provide fencing, but that markers would be provided on the edge of the road:-

"That in view of the danger to sheep since the recent repairs were carried out in Barnescree Gap, the dangerous portion along the roadside be wired".

46/60. AGRICULTURAL GRANT EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillors W. A. Buchanan and S. J. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council ask the Minister for Local Government to introduce amending legislation so as to allow employment allowances for relatives and workmen aged 16 years as they are liable for insurance contributions at this age".

47/60. COUNTY DONEGAL RAILWAYS - BRIDGE FROM STRABANE TO LIFFORD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillors W. A. Buchanan and S. J. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council make arrangements with the County Donegal railway Company to make available their road and Bridge from Strabane to Lifford to facilitate heavy traffic".

48/60. ADDITIONAL LIGHT AT RAFFAGE:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor John Hunter, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration:-

"That an additional light be provided at the Diamond, Meetinghouse St., Guest House End Street and McBride Street, Raffage".

49/60. HEATING FOR THE COUNTY HOME, STRANORLAR:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Hunter, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the installation of the central heating plan for the County Home, Stranorlar, be proceeded with as quickly as possible".

50/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT BRINLACK:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.D. having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That a Sheep Dipping bath be provided at Brinlack".

51/60. MARKET SQUARE, DUNFANAGHY:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.D. having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That the County Council take over the Market Square, Dunfanaghy".

52/60. DONOGAL MARKET HALL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick Cunningham was seconded by Councillor Hugh McKendrick:-

"That the Council agree to sell the dance hall held by them in town of Donagal in view of the fact that there is a loss of ratepayers money involved".

as an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Frank Muldoon and seconded by Councillor M. Gallagher, that the Market Hall be retained by the County Council.

after some discussion in the course of which the receipts and Expenditure in respect of the Market Hall were given, the amendment was put to the meeting and carried, 14 voting for and 6 against.

53/60. ROAD AT MEENTIDEA SCHOOL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that no charge should be made in the Five Year Plan as approved by the Council:-

"That the Council review the altered position regarding the five year plan on roadway from Bealtaine Bridge on Ardara-Killybegs road to Crossroads at Meentidea School".

54/60. WATER SUPPLIES - FROSSES AND INVER VILLAGES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That the Council investigate the position with regard to water Supplies in Frosses and Inver villages".

55/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the Council's medical authorities examine the facts existing regarding dispensary medicines and the refusal by Doctors regarding medical cards".

The County Secretary pointed out that the medical cards issued to persons entitled to them contained a statement that the holder of the cards and their dependents are entitled, free of charge, to such drugs and medicines as are considered necessary by their District Medical Officer, and that the card also contained a statement to the effect that the person with their dependents as shown on the card are entitled to avail, without payment of any charge or fee, of general medical services. A poster giving particulars of the benefits to which persons are entitled under the Health Acts has been exhibited at various centres including the dispensary premises throughout the County.

56/60. ST. MARY'S ROAD, BUNCRAHA:

The following notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor John McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That in future this Council be responsible for maintenance of St. Mary's Road, Buncrana. It is now a main road for Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Company's traffic".

57/60. REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME FOR NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM:

The following notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillors L. Cunningham, T.D. & A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"In view of the urgent need for supply of piped water in the areas from Newtowncunningham to Glensely (Newtown, Burt, Aridgend, Burnfoot, Fahs, Muff, Quigley's Point, Bruns, Glensely, Carrowmena and Salliharry) that the Council proceed with a regional water supply scheme or schemes to cover these areas".

58/60. CARRONAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSION TO TULNAREE:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Carronagh public water supply be extended to Tulnaree to serve a number of residents in that area".

59/60. NOVILLE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSIONS:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Noville public water supply be extended to the Coastguard Station and Pier House at Carnaffe, Noville".

60/60. PUMP AT SALLYLOSKEY, CARRONAGH:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a pump be erected at the house of Edward McLaughlin, Sallyloskey, Carronagh, to serve 9 families".

61/60. FLOODING ON CORRAIN ROAD:

Arising out of notices of motion submitted by Councillor Peter Dunion, it was noted that the County Engineer proposed to arrange to have the road investigated after the next heavy rain and steps taken to remedy any flooding.

62/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATH IN TOWNLAND OF CORRAIN:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That a Sheep Dipping Bath in the townland of Corrain be put into a proper state of repair".

63/60. ROAD TO PORTALEEN:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the road from Charles Lafferty's house to Portaleen be taken over and declared a County road".

64/60. SHEEP DIPPING PEN AT ARDMALIN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That sheep dipping pen be provided at Ardmalin, Malin Head".

65/60. ROAD AT CHURCHTOWN, CARNDONAGH:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That dangerous bend in road at Churchtown, Carndonagh, be removed".

66/60. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO LISDARGAN, CARROWMORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That water supply be extended from Coorey to Lisdargan, Carrowmore".

67/60. MAIN STREET, CARRIGART:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to County Manager for report:-

"That the portion of the Main Street, Carrigart, from Walsh's Hotel, to Mrs. McCloskey's house be put in a proper state of repair".

68/60. ADDITIONAL LIGHT ON CARRIGART-HILFORD ROAD:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration:-

"That two street lights be provided on Carrigart-Hilford road between Walsh's Hotel and James Coll's house".

69/60. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT PORTNABLAGH AND MARBLE HILL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That Public Conveniences be provided at the two seaside resorts Portnablagh and Marble Hill".

70/60. WARNING SIGN AT CARRIGART:

The Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that arrangements would be made to erect a school warning sign near the Protestant National School, Carrigart.

71/60. EXTENSION OF PORTNOO WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted, and it was decided that details of the scheme should be submitted to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That in view of the number of householders in Killecree, Clogher, Cleeney and Castlagoland, who have agreed to accept water supply, that the extension of the Portnoo scheme to these townlands should now be undertaken".

72/60. SEWER AT CLERMANNY:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That pending the provision of a sewer at the village of Clermany, steps be taken to clean and improve the outlets to two drains which are being used as sewers".

The Council noted that the estimated cost of the proposed work is £70.

73/60. STREET LIGHT AT HARKIN'S CORNER, BALLYLIFFIN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the street light at Harkin's Corner, in Ballyliffin, be moved one pole nearer Carrdonagh".

It was decided that if any difficulty arose in regard to the proposal, the matter should be brought to the attention of the General Purposes Committee.

74/60. ERECTION OF HOUSES AT BALLAGHADERG, LETTERKENNY:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that Councillor Blaney should furnish to the County Secretary, particulars of the persons in need of housing in the area:-

"That this Council erect four houses at Ballaghaderg, Letterkenny".

75/60. ROAD FROM CHURCHILL AROUND THE GARTAN LAKES:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the County Engineer had indicated that major repairs to this road would have to await consideration in the next Five Year Plan, and that in the meantime, everything possible would be done to maintain them in good condition:-

"That this Council put into a proper state of repair the road leading from Churchill and extending around the Gartan lakes".

76/60. REPAIRS TO ROADS AT LADDEN AND TULLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the Council put into a proper state of repair the roads leading from:

(a) Ladden to Donaghmore;

(b) Tully through Ballyheerin to Urrican".

77/60. EXTENSION OF KAMALTON WATER SUPPLY:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That this Council extend Kamalton Water Supply to the cottages on Letterkenny road".

78/60. BRIDGE AT STRATHS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the estimated cost of providing a new bridge would be £1,500, and it was decided that the County engineer be requested to consider the matter further with a view to providing a bridge at a later stage:-

"That a new bridge be erected over the Straths river beside the old Collon school".

79/60. FLOOD DAMAGE IN STRAID AREA OF CLONMANY:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the Office of Public works be again requested to repair the flood damage in the Straid area of Clonmany".

80/60. LOCAL ELECTIONS:

The following resolution from Tipperary (worth noting) County Council was marked "read":-

"That this Council request the Minister for Local Government to arrange that all voters in Local Elections in June will be notified by post of their number and place of voting same as in Dail elections. Copy of resolution to be sent to each County Council".

81/60. UNIVERSITY FACILITIES IN LETTERKENNY:

The following resolution from Letterkenny Urban District Council was adopted:-

"Having regard to recent Government announcements on the movement of Government Offices to provincial towns and further pronouncements on the provision of new University buildings in Dublin, we call upon the Government to extend to Letterkenny, facilities whereby students from Donegal and the Gaeltacht areas in particular, would be afforded an opportunity for advancing their duties in Science, arts, Commerce, etc., by the location of a Branch University in the town of Letterkenny".

82/60. UNIVERSITY EDUCATION:

The following resolution from Galway Borough Council was marked "read":-

"That this joint meeting of the Galway Corporation and representatives of the Galway Trades' Council, the Galway Chamber of Commerce, and the Galway Branches of the Irish National Teachers' Organisation and the Secondary Teachers' Organisation calls the attention of the Government to the report of the Commission on the accommodation needs of the Constituent Colleges of the National University of Ireland that University College, Galway, throughout all its faculties is in urgent and immediate need of additional accommodation" and strongly urges the Government to implement the findings of the Commission as regards University College, Galway, as soon as possible, and, failing the provision of the total sum involved (£600,000) in the present financial year, to make available such a sum as will ensure that the building scheme at present in progress will not be closed down for lack of funds".

83/60. OLD AGE AND BLIND PENSIONS:

The following resolution from Dun Laoghaire Corporation was adopted:-

"As there has been a further round of salary and wage increases, we ask the Government to increase the amount of Old Age and Blind Persons' pensions".

84/60. TRAFFIC ON DOSSNOWLUGH STRAND:

The following resolution from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That we, the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners, ask the Donegal County Council what steps they propose to take concerning the dangerous state of affairs which arises out of motorists driving in a dangerous manner on Dossnowlugh Strand, as public opinion is strongly against this menace. Also that a Red Cross or First Aid hut be erected on the strand".

85/60. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINEE - IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED:

The Council appointed the County Secretary as their nominee in connection with above.

86/60. MALICIOUS INJURIES ACTS:

It was agreed, in accordance with the request of the Irish National Ratepayers' Organisation, to request the Minister for Justice to repeal the Malicious Injuries Acts.

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed Henry Walsh
Chairman

Date: 25th April 1960.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL HELD ON THE 25TH APRIL, 1960.

87/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Buchanan, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, P. Cunningham, Deaney, Deery, Diver, Dunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McIlenny, McGill, McEnderick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Connell, O'Donnell and Patterson.

88/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

89/60. MAKING OF COUNTY RATE AND SEVERAL COUNTY RATES FOR THE SERVICES OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1961:

On the proposition of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin, a resolution was adopted making and allowing the County Rate and several County Rates for the services of the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1961 for:

- (a) Purposes other than town Charges;
- (b) Town Charges in the town of Ballyshannon

in accordance with the rate determined by the County Council at the Estimates Meeting of the Council.

The Secretary submitted Certificates for the various rate books which were signed by the Chairman and two Councillors.

90/60. SIGNING OF RATE COLLECTORS' WARRANTS:

On the proposition of Councillor Baxter, seconded by Councillor McLaughlin, the Rate Collectors' warrants for the year ending 31st March, 1961 were signed and sealed.

The Meeting then terminated.

Conferred

L. Walsh

Chairman

13/7/1960

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON THE 25TH DAY OF APRIL, 1960.

91/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Brennan, Buchanan, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, P. Cunningham, Deency, Deery, Diver, Dunion, Gallagher, Kelly, McLenny, McGill, McKernrick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Grainde, O'Donnell and Patterson.

92/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sherkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; Dr. M. McParland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

93/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor McLaughlin, seconded by Councillor Diver, the Minutes of Meeting of Donegal County Council held on the 7th day of March, 1960 were confirmed.

94/60. LOAN OF £7,100 FOR ERECTION OF FOUR COTTAGES:

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham

Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £7,100 for the purpose of erecting four cottages"

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

95/60. LOAN OF £24,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO GREENCASTLE HARBOUR:

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham

Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £24,000 for improvements to Greencastle Harbour".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

96/60. PROPOSED LEASING OF LAND AT CARNONAGH:

On the proposition of Councillor L. Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Diver, the Council resolved, pursuant to notice given under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946, to lease to the Inishowen Co-operative Livestock Mart Ltd., portion of the lands known as Carnonagh Cattle Market consisting of sixty square perches at a yearly rent of £12.

97/60. PREMISES KNOWN AS GALLAGHER'S FACTORY, LIFFORD:

On the proposition of Councillor Patterson, seconded by Councillor Buchanan, the Council resolved, pursuant to notice given under Section 83 of the Local Government Act 1946, to lease premises known as Gallagher's factory, Lifford, to Mr. Seamus Browne, Strabane, for a period of ninety-nine years at a yearly rent of £20.

98/60. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

Proposed by: Councillor Patterson

Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

AND RESOLVED: That the Minister for Local Government be requested to sanction Overdraft Accommodation for period to 30th June, 1960 as follows:-

General account £220,000.

Capital account £88,000.

99/60. NEW COUNTY HOSPITAL, LEITERKILNEY:

The Manager informed the Meeting that he had received a recommendation from the Local Appointments Commission for the appointment of Dr. Joseph A. Hanley, East Port, Ballyshannon, to the post of County Surgeon.

100/60. CARRDONAGH HOUSING SITE:

The County Manager stated that an application had been received from Mr. J. J. Butler, Carrdonagh, for the transfer of a housing site at Carrdonagh to him for the purpose of erecting a factory. The site in question was acquired by the Council under the Labourers' Acts and before it could be sold, it would be necessary for the Council to be able to show that they had sufficient land to meet the housing requirements of the area. The County Medical Officer had recently indicated that four houses were needed. It would also be necessary for the Council, if they were disposing of the land in the first instance, to offer it back to the original owners. These difficulties would be overcome if Mr. Butler could acquire an alternative site and offer it to the Council in exchange for the site he now needs. The matter had been discussed with Mr. Butler and fully explained to him and arrangements had been made with the Housing Engineer to visit the area with a view to selecting an alternative suitable site.

The Council noted, with approval, the action being taken.

101/60. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACT 1956:

The Council referred to General Purposes Committee Recommendation No. 1310 from the Labour Court recommending the adoption of a Superannuation Scheme for road workers.

102/60. ROAD WORKERS' WAGES:

The Council noted that in Recommendation No. 1311 the Labour Court had recommended that the basic rate of road workers be increased by 8/6d. per week as from the 1st April, 1960. The Court stated that in fixing the amount, it had taken cognisance of its Recommendation No. 1207 of the 3rd July, 1959 which was not adopted.

The Manager stated that he had made an Order, subject to the prior approval of the Council and the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, increasing the wages of road workers to £5. 13s. 6d. per week as from the 1st April, 1960 and that wages which are based on the Road Labourers' rate would also be increased by the appropriate amount.

The Council consented to the terms of the Manager's Order.

103/60. CONFERENCE OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND:

The Council approved of Mr. Edward McIntyre, Acting County Librarian and Very Rev. Dr. Long, P.F., Duffanaghy, as delegates to the Conference of the Library Association of Ireland to be held in Athlone from the 30th May, 1960 to the 3rd June, 1960.

It was agreed that in the event of Rev. Dr. Long being unable to attend, Mr. Liam McKeown be substituted.

104/60. MAIN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1960/61:

The County Engineer stated that during the survey of Main Road T.72 at Milford, it had been found that it would not be possible to acquire the required land by agreement and that, consequently, the amount of £7,000 allocated would not be spent this year. He recommended that a portion of the work at a cost of £2,000 be carried out and that the balance of £5,000 be expended on the continuation of the reconstruction of the road from Ramelton to Letterkenny at Castleshannaghan.

The proposals of the County Engineer were approved.

105/60. REPORTS OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 28TH MARCH, 1960 AND 20TH APRIL, 1960:

On the proposition of Councillor McElaney, seconded by Councillor Patterson, the reports of General Purposes Committee meetings held on the 28th March, 1960 and the 20th April, 1960 were adopted.

Sheep Dipping Orders 1937 and 1948:

The suggestions contained in Circular 8/1/76 of the 31/3/1960 from the Department of Agriculture were discussed, and it was decided that the Council should indicate to the Department that they were, generally, in agreement with the suggestions proposed.

106/60. REPORT OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 14TH MARCH, 1960:

On the proposition of Councillor McElaney, seconded by Councillor Patterson, the report of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee Meeting held on the 14th day of March, 1960 was adopted.

107/60. REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11TH MARCH, 1960:

The report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 11th day of March, 1960 was adopted with the exception of Minute No. 11/60 in regard to Agricultural Scholarship. It was decided that this item should be deferred for consideration when the other proposals in relation to the formulation of the University Scholarship Scheme were submitted by the Committee.

108/60. CONVOY HOUSING SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor John Hunter:-

"When will Convoy No. 1 Housing Scheme be completed?"

REPLY: "Progress on this Scheme is satisfactory and it is anticipated that the houses will be ready for occupation early in June".

109/60. SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR CREESLOUGH:

The following question was submitted by Councillor John Harkin:-

"What is the position regarding sewerage scheme for Creeslough?"

REPLY: "A sewerage priority list was drawn up in 1956 and on that list Creeslough was placed sixth. Subsequently the circular from Local Government dealing with wide spread water and sewerage works was received and, as this circular envisages completion of the works in a ten year period, the question of these schemes was the subject of a report by the County Engineer to the General Purposes Committee.

The whole question of a programme is receiving further consideration, but as far as sewerage schemes are concerned a programme of action could be decided at any time as the same amount of population surveys, etc., are not required as for water schemes".

110/60. COUNTY COUNCIL DEMAND ON BUNORANA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Hugh McKendrick:-

"What effect will the reduction of Valuation given to Bunorana recently by the Minister for Local Government have:

- (a) on the rates position of Letterkenny and Bunloran Urban Councils;
- (b) and on the County Health District as a whole?"

REPLY: "The position regarding proposed alteration in the valuation of Bunorana Urban District is set out in Minute No. 77/60 of the General Purposes Committee meeting held on the 28th March, 1960.

The effect of the proposed legislation in the present year would be to reduce the County Council's Demand on the Bunorana Urban District by £3,721. The demand of the Letterkenny and Bunloran Urban District Councils would be increased by £148 and £110 respectively and the amount to be raised by way of County Rate on the County Health District would be increased by £3,463".

111/60. RAMELTON SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Hugh McKendrick:-

"What progress has been made since December regarding the Ramelton Sewerage Scheme when I asked this question?"

REPLY: "A recommendation has been made in respect of a contractor for this scheme and the tenders are with the Department for approval at present".

112/60. LETTERKENNY FIRE STATION:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Hugh McKendrick:-

"What is position of Fire Station at Letterkenny. Has any progress been made since December when I last raised it?"

REPLY: "Investigations are still being carried out with a view to obtaining a suitable site for the erection of a Fire Station at Letterkenny".

113/60. PROPOSED SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR BALLINTRA:

The following questions were submitted by Councillors R. A. Anderson and Michael J. Kelly:-

Councillor Anderson: "What is the position in regard to the proposed sewerage scheme for Ballintra?"

Councillor Kelly: "What is the present position regarding the Ballintra Sewerage Scheme?"

REPLY: "Ballintra Sewerage Scheme was placed fifth on a priority list adopted by the County Council in 1956. In fact, due to a proposal for a housing scheme in Ballintra, a lot of the design work was carried out some years ago as it seemed that the installation of a sewerage scheme would be necessary in order to permit housing development. The same remarks apply to Ballintra as were made in the report dealing with the Creeslough scheme - Item 11".

114/60. PIPE DOWN MAIN STREET, BALLINTRA:

The following question was submitted by Councillor R. A. Anderson:-

"What steps does the Council intend to take in regard to the "public nuisance" in drainage pipe down Main Street, Ballintra?"

REPLY: "There is a storm water drain running down the Main Street in Ballintra and in the absence of a proper sewerage scheme some householders have made completely unauthorised sewer connections to this drain. The only satisfactory remedy is the provision of a proper sewerage scheme".

115/60. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY FROM BALLINTRA TO MONEYMORE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

- (a) "What is the position with regard to the extension of the water supply from Ballintra to the Moneymore area;
- (b) "How many householders are willing to connect?"

REPLY: (a) "The only knowledge which I have of a proposal to extend the Ballintra water supply to Moneymore is that there was an application from a householder in Moneymore in December last to have a 2" main laid to serve five houses. The applicant in question had intended laying a $\frac{1}{2}$ " pipe but felt that it would be better to have some scheme worked out which would ensure a main large enough to serve all the houses.

I report on the matter on the 21st December last, and, while favouring in principle the suggestion, recommended that consideration be deferred for about six months pending preparation of the comprehensive waterworks report for the County. This would avoid the possibility of a small main being laid and subsequently it was found that a much larger main would be required. I feel that the comprehensive proposals should be available by mid-May and the matter could subsequently receive further consideration.

- (a) I am not aware that any cess was carried out".

116/60. FIRE ESCAPES AT DISTRICT HOSPITAL, BALLYSHANNON:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael J. Kelly:-

"When do the Council intend to erect Fire Escapes at District Hospital, Ballyshannon?"

REPLY: "Documents regarding the provision of Fire Escapes for the County Council Institutions were submitted to the Department of Health for approval and the Department of Health have suggested certain minor alterations. The documents are at present being revised in order to comply with the alterations suggested by the Department of Health".

117/60. PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY AT BUILDINGS, CARNDONAGH:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"What is the delay in providing water supply at Buildings, Carndonagh?"

REPLY: "The result of analysis is awaited before any further action can be taken in this case".

118/60. PROVISION OF WELL AND PUMP AT ROSS HEAD, GLENGAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"What progress has been made in providing well and pump at Ross Head, Glengad?"

REPLY: "At the General Purposes Committee meeting held on the 28th March, 1960, it was decided that a list of minor extensions to water supply schemes and of pumps and wells would be prepared so that they could be financed by way of loan which would be raised for this purpose.

It is intended to include pump at Rosshad, Glengad, in this list which is in course of preparation".

119/60. PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY FOR COTTAGES AT DRUMKEEN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Peter Dunnion:-

"What are the circumstances concerning the chances of the new cottages at Drumkeen, being served by public water supply?"

REPLY: "The estimated cost of extending the Lough Mourne Scheme to serve the cottages at Drumkeen would be £9,000".

120/60. BALLYBOFEY AND STRANORLAR SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Peter Dunnion:-

"What progress has been achieved, if any, between landlords and tenants in Ballybofey and Stranorlar in having their houses connected with the main sewerage system?"

REPLY: "It is understood that some progress has been made and that a further communication in the matter will be received from the Solicitor for the householders in the near future".

121/60. MUFF WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D.:-

"What is position re Muff Water Supply?"

REPLY: "It is proposed to do this work by direct labour. A priced Bill of Quantities has been prepared for submission to the Department of Local Government and sanction is awaited. The work will then be put in hands as soon as possible".

122/60. REPAIR OF BRIDGEND-NEWTOWN ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D.:-

"Is it proposed to repair Bridgend-Newton road this year?"

REPLY: "I wish to state that tarring the portion of the road which was reconstructed under a grant last year will be carried out this year. Beyond ordinary maintenance no other work is contemplated on the Bridgend/Newton road".

123/60. COTTAGE AT ST. FINIAN'S PARK, NOVILLE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Alexander Diver:-

"How many applications were received for the tenancy of vacant cottage No. 119, St. Finian's Park, Noville?"

REPLY: "8 applications were received".

124/60. REPAIRS TO ENTRANCE AT BANK WALK, DONEGAL:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"Will the County Engineer state:

- (a) "the amount of money spent on the repairs at the entrance to the Bank walk, Donegal?"
- (b) "where the material used on this job was purchased or got?"
- (c) "will the County Engineer state if any machinery hired to Donegal County Council was used in connection with this job?"

REPLY:

- (a) "The amount of money spent on repairs to the entrance of the Bank walk, Donegal, was £83. 15s. 0d."
- (b) "Material used on the job was obtained as follows:-
Stone from Laghey Quarry; tar from Lifford Depot; rubble for pitching from old house in Donegal Town. This latter material was given free".
- (c) "A hire excavator was used in connection with the excavation for this job and for loading rubble".

125/60. LAGHEY QUARRY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask the County Engineer to state:

- (a) "The amount of chips supplied to contractors from Laghey Quarry during the past six months?"
- (b) "To state the names of the contractors to whom this material was supplied?"

REPLY:

- (a) "The amount of chips supplied from Laghey Quarry to contractors during the past six months is as follows:-

1½" stone - 23 tons.
Chips - 3 tons.
- (b) "These materials were supply to Messrs. Faulkner Bros., Building Contractors".

126/60. LAGHEY QUARRY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask the County Engineer to state the number of men employed in Laghey quarry during March and April, 1960?"

REPLY: "The average number of men employed during March and April, 1960 was fourteen".

127/60. ENTRANCE TO DONEGAL DISTRICT HOSPITAL:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask the County Engineer where the surplus material from the work of tarring the rear entrance to Donegal District Hospital was used?"

REPLY: "100 gallons tar were surplus from the work carried out to the rear entrance to Donegal Hospital. This tar was used in tarring the Bank "alk".

128/60. LIFFORD HOSPITAL:

In connection with the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors John Hunter and S. J. Patterson, the Chairman stated that this matter had been referred by the Council to the Finance Committee who had decided that provision should only be made for the retention of Lifford Hospital to the 30th September, 1960, and he was of opinion that a rescinding motion would be required to enable the matter to be discussed:-

"That Lifford Hospital be retained for Medical, Maternity and minor surgical cases for at least two years from the date of the opening of the new County Hospital, Letterkenny".

Councillors Hunter and Patterson indicated that a rescinding motion would be handed in to the Secretary.

129/60. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE IN RAPHOE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Hunter, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a new Public Convenience be erected in Raphoe".

130/60. FOUNTAINS IN CONVOY AND RAPHOE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Hunter, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That fountains be erected in both Convooy and Raphoe at once".

131/60. ROSSNOLLAGH-BALLINTRA ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor R. A. Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that he would keep the matter in mind when formulating next year's estimates.

"That this Council raise sufficiently, the road from "The New Line" (of Rossnolagh-Ballintra road) through Innisfad to David Taylors so as to avoid flooding".

132/60. DONEGAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, the Council noted that the ownership of the wall surrounding the Fair Green is being investigated; that the cleaning and levelling of the dump will be put in hands, and that the marking of the white stop-line at the Diamond would be taken up with the Garda authorities:-

"That this Council accept the recommendations of Donegal Development Association by carrying out repairs to the Fair Green, cleaning or levelling of dump and marking of the dangerous corner of the Diamond with a white stop line".

133/60. LETTIGO SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That as Lettigo was in second position on the priority list for several schemes, the non-inclusion of this village on the recent proposed list be remedied, also that the water supply be extended from Billary school in Lettigo to supply the cottages in Lettigo".

134/60. WATER SUPPLY IN THE CLAR, CLARGAM, CORVIN AREA OF DONEGAL:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That this Council take steps to remedy the poor water supply position in the Clar, Clargam, Corvin area of Donegal".

135/60. WATER SUPPLY IN GLENCOSGH AREA:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the water supply be extended to serve ten (10) houses in Glencosgh area of Mountcharles".

136/60. REPAIR TO ROAD LEADING TO ST. MARY'S TERRACE, BALLYSHANNON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael J. Kelly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Manager for examination and report:-

"That the open space in front of St. Mary's Terrace, Ballyshannon, be cleaned up and put in order and that the road leading to same be put in a proper state of repair".

137/60. CRANE AT MORTALEEN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Leery, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that Tenders for the supply of a crane should be invited and that in the meantime, the Office of Public Works be requested to make a substantial contribution towards the cost of its provision:-

"That crane be provided at Mortaleen without further delay".

138/60. WATER SUPPLY TO BENDUFF, CARNONAGH AND CORVISH, CARNONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That piped water supply be extended to Benduff, Carnonagh and to Patrick Logue's house, Corvish, Carnonagh, to serve six families".

139/60. WATER TABLE ON MEENGLASS ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunning, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the work would be put in hand in the near future:-

"That the water-table on Meenglass road above Meenglass School be cleaned in order to keep water from destroying road".

140/60. FLOODING OF ROAD AT MEENBOGUE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunning, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the work would be put in hand in the near future:-

"That the water be prevented from running over road, at Johny Callaghan's, Meenbogue, as there is a water-table on right hand side of road running west which, if cleaned, would rectify this".

141/60. BROKEN-DOWN PIPE ON BARNES ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunning, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that the matter should be examined further:-

"That a broken-down pipe be repaired at approach of road, first on right, above reservoir on Barnes road".

142/60. ERECTION OF TRAFFIC SIGN ON BARNES ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunning, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that he did not consider that the erection of this sign was as important as in other places, but he would keep the matter in mind:-

"That a sign be erected on Barnes road above Oliver Leeper's in order to draw the attention of the travelling public that there is a laneway leading on to road".

143/60. EXTENSION OF GREENCASTLE WATER SUPPLY TO MOVILLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Diver, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that proposals have been submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval and that the work would be put in hand as soon as possible.

Councillor Diver asked that the matter be dealt with as one of urgency:-

"That work be commenced at once on extension of Greencastle Water Supply to Moville".

144/60. ERECTION OF HOUSES IN MOVILLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Diver, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that a survey should be carried out to ascertain the housing needs of Moville:-

"That this Council erect a further six houses at Moville".

145/60. COLLECTION OF DOMESTIC REFUSE IN THE TOWN OF RATHMULLAN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor r. Kelly, was proposed by Councillor Kelly and seconded by Councillor J. Harkin:-

"That this Council appoint a Contractor to collect refuse in the town of Rathmullan as the people of the town are prepared to make a payment of £25 towards same".

Councillor Harkin's Motion in relation to the same matter was also considered.

The Manager pointed out that in considering the estimates for the current year, the Finance Committee had found it necessary to delete Rathmullan from the towns in which it was proposed to provide a scavenging service and that there was, therefore, no financial provision for the service. Tenders had been invited and the lowest tender received was for £108.

After a lengthy discussion, the Chairman put the Motion to the Meeting, and twelve voted for and ten against.

The Manager stated that in view of the decision of the Finance Committee, he would not be prepared to implement the recommendation, unless he was given a direction under Section 4 of the City and County Management Act 1925.

146/60. ERECTION OF SIGN POSTS AT LETTERKENNY AND RAMELTON:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Manager:-

"That sign posts be erected at Letterkenny and Ramelton to serve Rathmullan and Carrigart".

In this connection, the Council decided that the attention of the Gardaí should be drawn to the manner in which sign posts are damaged from time to time.

147/60. ROAD FROM FAUGHER TO PARKMORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that he could not recommend the taking over of this road:-

"That road leading from Faugher to Parkmore via Drumdricdon be taken over and maintained by the County Council!"

148/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS:

The following Notices of Motions in regard to Supplementary Grants were considered:-

(a) Notice of Motion by Councillor John Harkin:

"That this Council pay supplementary housing grants for another year from 31st March, 1960 to 31st March, 1961".

(b) Notice of Motion by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"That this Council re-introduce the payment of Supplementary Housing Grants".

The Manager stated that the number of applications on hands at 31st March, 1960 was 672 and that the estimated cost of paying these would be £68,000. The annual loan repayment on £68,000 for twenty-five years at current rates of interest would be £5,000 approximately. There was a lengthy discussion and Councillor Cunningham's Motion was put to the Meeting and a vote taken. The following voted for the Motion:-

For the Motion: Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Harkin, Campbell, L. Cunningham, J. Cunningham, Leoney, Deery, Diver, Lunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McEleney, McGill, McEandrick, McLaughlin, Hunter, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Connell and O'Donnell. Total 21.

Against the Motion: Councillors Anderson, Buchanan and Patterson. Total 3.

The Chairman declared the Motion carried and it was agreed that the scheme should be introduced for a further period of two years to the 31st March, 1962.

149/60. COUNTY DONEGAL RAILWAYS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That we request the County Donegal Railway Joint Committee to have return fares on their buses as was done over their former Railway system and in the position on the L. & L. S. Railways Co., buses which Company is operating so successfully. These return fares should encourage more people to travel by Public Transport. Furthermore, the fares should be based on the former mileage by rail (for instance Rossnowlagh - Donegal direct)".

150/60. PIER AT ROSBEG:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Manager for attention:-

"That immediate necessary repairs be carried out to the point of the pier at Rosbeg".

151/60. PROVISION OF SEWERAGE PIPE AT THE ROCK, GLENTIES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That sewerage pipe be extended to serve four houses at The Rock, Glenties".

152/60. VALUATION ACTS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the requirements of the Valuation Acts in relation to giving notices of increased valuations or new valuations be amended to ensure that rate payers effected by increased valuations will be notified of the changes in good time to appeal and that the provisions of the Valuation Acts in relation to half annual rents be amended. That copy of this resolution be sent to the General Council of County Councils".

153/60. PURCHASE OF SNOW-PLOUGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the names of Councillors Hugh McKendrick and Charles O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided to leave the question of purchase of a snow-plough to the County Engineer:-

"That the County Council purchase a snow-plough or some other machine for the removal of snow from the main roads".

154/60. MANORCUNNINGHAM WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Hugh McKendrick, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"In view of the position of the water supply at Manorcunningham and district including new houses at Corkey, that an immediate survey be made for a small regional scheme at Manorcunningham district".

155/60. COUNTY COUNCIL DEMAND ON BUNORANA URBAN COUNCIL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Hugh McKendrick, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that the Minister for Local Government be requested to meet the additional accounts which would be demanded from the Letterkenny and Bunoran Urban Councils and the County Donegal ratepayers in the current year as a result of the recent decision in regard to Bunrana Urban District:-

"That this Council welcomes the rate relief being granted to Bunorana, but protests against the intention of making:

- (1) Letterkenny Urban District Council;
- (2) Bunoran Urban District Council;
- (3) County Health District of Donegal - pay for it be increasing the rate in the £1 in these areas".

156/60. SURVEY OF LETTERKENNY STREETS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Hugh McKendrick, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed that the County Engineer would meet representatives of the Letterkenny Urban District Council in connection with repairs to the streets:-

"That this Council proceed with the survey of street repairs in the town of Letterkenny, now that the Main Drainage Scheme is nearly completed".

157/60. COUNTY DONEGAL RAILWAYS:

As the Council had already adopted Motion submitted by Councillor Louis Walsh, Councillor McAndrew did not move his motion in regard to increased bus fares.

158/60. SHEEP DIPPING PEN AT MALIN, GLEN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Leery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee:-

"That Sheep Dipping pen be provided at Malin, Glen, to accommodate sheep owners in the area".

159/60. RATHMULLAN POTATO STORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Slaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council get started with work on the erection of the Potato Store at Rathmullan".

In this connection, it was noted that the first instalment of their contribution had been paid by the Potato Marketing Board.

160/60. GOREY QUARRY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillors Liam Cunningham, T.D. and John McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was deferred for further consideration at a later date:-

"That Gorey Quarry, Buncrana, be kept open".

161/60. ROAD FROM BUNCRANA/LOMANY TO LOWER PALASK:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed on the recommendation of the County Engineer that the road should not be taken over by the County Council:-

"That a road which has had two Grants expended on it by the S.E.S.C. be taken over by the Council i.e. a road leading from main Buncrana, Clonmany road to Mr. Henry McKinney's, Lower Palask, serving seventeen users".

162/60. WATER SUPPLY IN TOWNLANDS OF ROOSKEY, CLOONTAGH AND MAGHERAMORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a water supply be made available to the townlands of Rooskey, Cloontagh, and Magheramore, Clonmany Post Office".

163/60. ROAD IN CLOONTAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that repairs would be carried out, out of the usual maintenance allowance, to this road:-

"That road leading from the end of the tarred road in Cloontagh and going through Cloontagh to tarred mountain road from Drumfries to Carrdonagh be repaired".

164/60.

ERECTOR OF PUBLIC TOILETS IN THE DIAMOND, CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the estimated cost of the work would be £650:-

"That the Council erect public toilets in the existing shelters in the Diamond, Carndonagh".

165/60.

WATER SUPPLY TO COLLON, CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided to refer the matter to the General Purposes Committee:-

"That the Carndonagh water supply be extended to Collon, a distance of one and seven eights miles, to serve Collon National School, and twenty five householders, who have agreed to sign, and pay their contribution".

In the meantime, a canvass of the householders concerned could be undertaken.

166/60.

ROAD AT TURNBRATELY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that repairs to the road would be carried out, out of the ordinary maintenance:-

"That County road through townland of Turnbrately from the house of Len McLaughlin at Tober to Michael McCole's house be put in a decent state of repair".

167/60.

PROJECTS OF ECONOMIC MERIT:

It was decided to refer consideration of letter 26/3/1960 from the Department of Finance, Dublin, to a later meeting.

168/60.

GRANTING OF DISCOUNT BY ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD:

The following resolution from Sligo Corporation was adopted:-

"That we, the members of Sligo Corporation, respectfully request the Minister for Transport and Power to consider the matter of an approach by his Department to the Electricity Supply Board with a view to this concern paying a discount to consumers in respect of accounts paid within a month of presentation".

169/60.

OLD AGE PENSIONS:

It was decided to adjourn consideration of resolution from Lacin County Council as follows:-

"That a resolution from this Council be sent to the Government requesting that an early substantial increase be made available for old age pensioners in order to improve their present miserable living standards and that a copy of such resolution be sent for consideration to every County Council in the country".

170/60.

GROUND RENTS:

The following resolution from Dublin County Council was adopted:-

"That we the members of the Dublin County Council request the Government to introduce legislation to enable the owners of dwelling houses to purchase on reasonable terms the ground rents to which such houses are at present subject".

171/60.

RATES EQUALISATION FUND:

It was decided that letter from May County Council in regard to rates Equalisation Fund be referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report.

The meeting then terminated.

L. Walsh Chairman.
Confirmed.

13th July. 1960.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF JULY, 1960.

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEWLY-ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH DAY OF JULY, 1960.

172/60. MEMBERS PRESENT :

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Elaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deeney, Leery, Diver, Doherty, Dunning, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McLenehy, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, MacRaidhrigh, Melly, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Connell, M. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

173/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE :

M. A. Sharkey, Deputy County Manager; P. Dowd, Acting County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

174/60. DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE :

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting, each of the members signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

175/60. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN :

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D.,

Seconded by: Councillor F. Muldoon,

That Councillor L. Walsh be elected Chairman.

Proposed by: Councillor S. Patterson,

Seconded by: Councillor P. Kelly,

That Councillor S. Baxter be elected Chairman.

The matter was put to a vote which resulted as follows:-

FOR Councillor Walsh :- Councillors Elaney, Cunningham, Deeney, Diver, Doherty, Dunning, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Connell, M. O'Donnell and Walsh. Total 14.

FOR Councillor Baxter :- Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Buchanan, Deeney, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McLenehy, Melly, P. O'Donnell and Patterson. Total 12.

Councillor McRory did not vote.

Councillor Louis Walsh was declared elected as Chairman of the County Council and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Chair.

176/60. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN :

Proposed by: Councillor G. Gallagher,

Seconded by: Councillor S. Baxter,

AND RESOLVED: That Councillor James McLenehy be elected Vice-Chairman.

177/60. ELECTION OF DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN :

Proposed by: Councillor G. O'Breisleain,

Seconded by: Councillor F. Muldoon,

That Councillor Liam Cunningham be elected Deputy Vice-Chairman.

178/60. ELECTION OF COUNTY DONEGAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Proposed by: Councillor C. O'Breisleain,

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher,

That the following be elected as members of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee :-

Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.L., Bridgend P.O.
Councillor Michael Leery, Carrowmore, Malin.
Councillor John Harkin, Lerryart, Cashelmore.
Councillor James McEleney, Letter, Glenmany.
Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, Crieve House, Letterkenny.
Councillor Frank Muldoon, Dornan, Donegal.
Councillor Sean O'Ginneide, Dungle.
Mr. Hugh McKendrick, 6 High Road, Letterkenny.
Very Rev. T. Canon Molloy, St. Peter's, Dungle.
Rev. Fr. Deegan, C.C., Kinrosslagh.
Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Liscoeley.
Rev. Dr. D. J. Purry, A.P., Glenties.
Rev. A. C. McPeely, P.P., Strabane.
Rev. Mr. Logue, The Manse, Manrounningham.

Proposed by: Councillor B. McKery,

Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRusidhrigh,

That an independent member of the Council should be appointed to the Vocational Education Committee.

On a show of hands, the amendment was defeated, only three members voting for it, and the proposal was declared carried by the Chairman.

179/60. ELECTION OF COUNTY DONEGAL COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE:

Proposed by: Councillor C. O'Breisleain,

Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher,

AND RESOLVED: (Councillors B. McKery and S. MacRusidhrigh dissenting) that the following be elected members of the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture :-

Councillor Harry Blaney, Rosnakill.
Councillor William Buchanan, Aroskey Upper, Orvey.
Councillor James Deeney, 63 Upper Main Street, Bunrana.
Councillor Robert Doherty, Bridge Street, Carnknagh.
Councillor Peter Dunning, Corefrin, Ballybofey.
Councillor Charles Greene, Falcarragh.
Councillor John Harkin, Lerryart, Cashelmore.
Councillor Patrick Kelly, Ranny, Kerrykeel.
Councillor Patrick McGowan, Knock, Ballybofey.
Councillor Samuel Patterson, Castlefin.
Mr. John Sheridan, The Mill, Roselton.
Mr. Hugh Sheils, Kerrykeel.
Mr. Raymond Bonner, Ollinean, Redcastle.
Mr. Charles Gallagher, Castlegland, Clooney.
Capt. James M. Hamilton, Brownhall, Bellintra.
Mr. Robert J. McElwaine, Gortacall, Milford.
Mr. Thomas McCormick, Drumrooske, Donegal Twn.
Mr. Connell Boyle, Doney, Letternacward.
Mr. John McLaughlin, 33 Lower Main Street, Bunrana.
Mr. Christopher Sheehan, Cullionboy, Barnesmore.

180/60. ELECTION OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE :

The following were elected as members of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee :-

Councillor Harry Blaney, Wessnackill.
Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., Bridgend F.C.
Councillor Alexander Diver, Main Street, Moville.
Councillor Patrick Kelly, Ranny, Kerrykeel.
Councillor Frank Muldoon, Dcnan, Donegal.
Councillor Michael Melly, East Fort, Ballyshannon.
Councillor Louis Walsh, Glenties.
Mr. John Hunter, Findrara, Conroy.
Mr. A. A. A. Sheldon, T.D., Raphoe.

181/60. ELECTION OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE :

It was pointed out that the General Purposes Committee consisted of 15 members of the Council, including the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the members of the Council who were also members of an Dail and at least one member from each County Electoral Area.

Councillors L. Cunningham, J. McElaney, G. O'Briain, P. O'Donnell and L. Walsh therefore, automatically became members of the General Purposes Committee.

On the proposition of Councillor G. O'Briain, seconded by Councillor C. Gallagher, the following were elected to the remaining ten vacancies on the Committee :-

Councillor Robert Anderson.
Councillor Harry Blaney.
Councillor Michael Leary.
Councillor Alexander Diver.
Councillor Peter Dunning.
Councillor Christopher Gallagher.
Councillor Charles Greene.
Councillor Patrick McGowan.
Councillor Michael Melly.
Councillor Frank Muldoon.

182/60. ELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE:

The following were elected members of the Scholarships Committee :-

Councillor Patrick Donal Harte, Raphoe.
Councillor Conno O'Briain, Magheraclogher, Bunbeg.
Councillor Brian McRory, Mountcharles.
Rev. C. S. Finnegan, President, St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Rev. J. Farren, President, St. Colum's College, Lerry.
Mr. A. M. Raffan, Headmaster, Prior School, Lifford.
Mr. P. J. McGill, N.T., Ardara.
Rev. F. McIntyre, P.P., Killybegs.
Rev. Dr. D. Furey, P.P., Glenties.
Mr. Eugene Gallagher, N.T., Carnionagh.
Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Liscolley.
Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Bristernan, Gleneely.
Mr. P. J. McGill, N.T., Wood House, Ardara.
Mr. Thomas McCormick, Drumcreeke, Donegal.
Mr. Thomas P. McA, Letterkenny.
Mr. Bernard Egan, N.T., *Baltin "John" Dorman, Donegal.*
Mr. Charles McDyre, Kilraine Upper, Kilraine.
Mr. H. A. Cathcart, Royal School, Raphoe.
Rev. Sr. Liza, P.P., Duffessy.
Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., Bridgend F.C.,
Councillor James McElaney, Letter, Glenties.
Councillor Louis Walsh, Glenties.

P. H. O'Clery, Four Maries High School, Donegal.

183/60. ELECTION OF COUNTY DONEGAL LIBRARY BOOK SELECTION COMMITTEE :

The following were elected as members of the Library Book Selection Committee :-

Councillor Michael Leery, Carrowmore, Malin.
Councillor Patrick Donal Harte, Raphoe.
Councillor Frank Muldoon, Doonan, Donegal.
Councillor Louis Walsh, Glenties.
Mr. P. Cunningham, Killybeg, Killybeg.
Mr. Liam McManis, Ballybofey.
Mr. Joseph McBride, M.T., Bristerman, Gleneely.
Rev. Dr. Long, P.F., Duffanaghy.
Mr. James Joseph McGettigan, James' Street, Moville.
Rev. J. Sprauls, Liscolley.
Rev. L. Moore, Lifford.
Rev. W. J. McClure, Stranorlar.
Rev. J. H. Bowles, The Manor, Ballinacree.

184/60. ELECTION OF ROADS COMMITTEE :

All the members of the County Council were elected to be members of the Roads Committee.

185/60. ELECTION OF DISEASES OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE :

All the members of the County Council were elected to be members of the Diseases of Animals Committee.

186/60. ELECTION OF COUNTY DONEGAL OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE :

All the members of the County Council were elected as members of the County Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee.

187/60. ELECTION OF COUNCIL'S DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS :

Councillors L. Cunningham, P. O'Donnell and L. Walsh were elected to be members of the Council's delegation to the General Council of County Councils.

188/60. REPRESENTATIVE ON IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION:

Councillor Alexander Liver was elected as the Council's representative on the Irish Tourist Association.

189/60. NOMINATION OF MEMBER OR MEMBERS IN WHOSE PRESENCE THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE COUNCIL MAY BE AFFIXED :

All the members of the Council were nominated as members in whose presence the Official Seal of the Council may be affixed, in pursuance of the County Management Act, 1940.

190/60. ELECTION OF CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE :

The following were elected as members of the Consultative Health Committee :-

Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.A., Bridgend P.O.
Councillor Patrick McGowan, Knock, Ballybofey.
Councillor Brian McHenry, Mountcharles.
Councillor Seamus MacDonagh, Annagry West, Annagry.
Councillor Louis Walsh, Glenties.
Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer.
Mr. J. A. Hasley, M.C., F.R.C.S., County Surgeon.
Dr. J. P. McGinley, Letterkenny.
Dr. P. C. Priel, Cundahugh.
Miss Margaret T. McLaughlin, Public Health Nurse, Letterkenny.

191/60. ELECTION OF FOUR MEMBERS TO KILLYBEGS HARBOUR AUTHORITY, UNDER THE HARBOURS ACT, 1946 :

Councillor Frank Muldoon, Doonan, Donegal.
Mr. Seamus McShane, Dunkineely.
Mr. James Callaghan, Killybegs.
Mr. William J. Molloy, Main Street, Killybegs.

192/60. ELECTION OF FOUR MEMBERS TO BALLYSHANNON HARBOUR AUTHORITY, UNDER THE HARBOURS ACT, 1946 :

Councillor Michael Kelly, East Port, Ballyshannon.
Mr. Anthony Gervaise King, "Lillesh", Donegal Road, Ballyshannon.
Mr. Tony Campbell, East Port, Ballyshannon.
Mr. Robert Gallagher, Ballyshannon.

193/60. ELECTION OF T.O MEMBERS TO BUNCRANA HARBOUR AUTHORITY, UNDER THE HARBOURS ACT, 1946 :

Mr. Denis Brennan, Upper Main Street, Bunrana.
Mr. Harry McLaughlin, Ardaraun, Bunrana.

194/60. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES :

The following Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees were elected :-

Ballyshannon Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee :-

Councillor Michael Kelly, East Port, Ballyshannon.
Mr. V. H. Myles, Ballyshannon.
Rev. Mr. Kermode, The Rectory, Ballyshannon.
Rev. A. Young, C.C., Ballyshannon.
Rev. Fr. P. McCormick, Drumroske, Donegal.
Rev. Mr. Marshall, The Manse, Hill, Ballyshannon.
Rev. Fr. Finnegan, C.C., Bunrana.
Rev. Fr. Cunningham, C.C., Ballyshannon.
Mr. Hugh Daly, Ballyshannon.

Donegal Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Robert Anderson, Main St., Ballintra.
Councillor Frank Muldoon, Doonan, Donegal.
Christopher Gallagher, Bridge St., Donegal.
Rev. J. Kelly, P.P., Donegal.
Rev. Mr. S. M. Cave, The Rectory, Donegal.
C. McShane, Main St., Donegal.
Anthony Loherty, ex-M.P., Townswilly.
John McGroarty, N.T., Mountcharles.
Mr. Joseph Brennan, T.D., Dunkineely.

Dunfanaghy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.D., Magheraclogher, Bunbeg.
Councillor Charles Greene, Falcarragh.
Rev. Fr. Gallagher, P.P., Gortahork.
Mr. A. Bonar, Ardsbeg, Gortahork.
Rev. A. Sharkey, C.C., Falcarragh.
Rev. Dr. Long, P.P., Dunfanaghy.
Rev. J. Keeney, C.C., Cashelmastra.
Rev. J. McGettigan, C.C., Lerrybeg.
Mr. Joseph McMulty, Falcarragh.

194/60.

ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES (CONTINUED):

Glenties No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Louis Walsh, Glenties.
Mr. F. J. McGill, N.T., Ardara.
Mr. P. J. McGill, N.T., Wood House, Ardara.
Rev. Fr. P. McIntyre, P.S., Killybegs.
Mr. Peter A. McCaul, Postmaster, Ardara.
Very Rev. Dr. L. J. Furey, P.S., Glenties.
Rev. J. I. Lea, Rector, Ardara.
Rev. Mr. N. J. McGroarty, C.C., Ardara.
Reverend George Sleath, Methodist Minister, Ardara.
Rev. J. Mullen, C.C., Edeninfreagh.
Michael O'Donnell, Bogagh, Carrick.
Rev. Fr. McLyre, C.C., Glencolumbkille.
Mr. Patrick Cunningham, Kilbeg, Kilear.

Glenties No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor P. O'Donnell, Leckbeg, Burtonport.
Councillor Sean O'Ginneide, Dungloe.
Mr. Charles Campbell, Dungloe.
Very Rev. Thomas Canon Molloy, P.S., Dungloe.
Rev. Fr. Griffith, P.S., Burtonport.
Rev. James McGinley, P.S., Annagry.
Mr. John Walsh, C.C., Merchant, Dungloe.
Mr. Denis Greene, The Garage, Dungloe.
Mr. Charles Boyle, N.T., Dungloe.
Mr. John Joseph McFadden, Dungloe.

Glenties No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Rev. Fr. McLyre, C.C., Arranmore.
Con. B. O'Donnell, Bhort, Arranmore.
Mr. B. Gallagher, N.T., Arranmore.
Mr. Patrick Bonner, N.T., Arranmore.
Mr. P. Sweeney, Ballintra, Arranmore.
Mr. Michael Boyle, N.T., Arranmore.
Mr. Philip Boyle, (Jun.), Arranmore.
Mr. D. O'Hara, Upper Leabharra.
Mr. J. Boyle, Glen House, Arranmore.

Inishowen No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor James McKelney, Letter, Clonmany.
Rev. Fr. Douglas, P.S., Clonmany.
Mr. Patrick Gallen, Clonmany.
Mr. P. Kavanagh, N.T., Clonmany.
Mr. John McKelney, The Cross, Clonmany.
Mr. J. Gallen, Clonmany.
Rev. Fr. H. Gallagher, C.C., Clonmany.
Mr. Philip Doherty, Clonmany.
Mr. Peter Coniskey, Clonmany.

Inishowen No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor James Deeney, 63 Upper Main St., Buncrana.
Mr. John McLaughlin, 55 Lower Main St., Buncrana.
Rev. Fr. O'Brien, F.P., Buncrana.
Rev. H. O'Neill, C.C., Desertegney, Linsfort.
Rev. Canon Levin, The Rectory, Buncrana.
Mr. Denis Brennan, C.C., Buncrana.
Mr. Denis Grant, Montilly House, Buncrana.
Mr. Sean McLaughlin, Excelsior Bar, Main St., Buncrana.

194/60. LECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES (CONTINUED) :

Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Michael Deery, Carramore, Malin.
Very Rev. Fr. Bonner, S.S., Carradonagh.
Rev. Fr. McGilligan, P.P., Bosc, Guldaff.
Rev. A. H. Boyd, The Manse, Carradonagh.
Rev. Mr. Simpson, The Manse, Carradonagh.
Mr. J. H. Loherty, S.C., Carradonagh.
Mr. William McLaughlin, Drumaville House, Malin.
Mr. James Kelly, Glencely.
Mr. Robert Doherty, Bridge Street, Carradonagh.

Innishowen No. 4 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Alexander Diver, Moville.
Mr. William Kealey, Greenacille.
Mr. Michael Farren, Moville.
Mr. Patrick Doherty, Malin Road, Moville.
Mr. Edward Loherty, Bredagh Glen, Moville.
Mr. Thomas McLaughlin, Lecamy, Moville.
Mr. Thomas Elkin, Carracwena, Moville.
Mr. Robert Carey, Carrabeg, Moville.
Mr. Raymond Bonner, Redcastle.

Innishowen No. 5 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Michael Deery, Carramore, Malin.
Mr. John Byrne, R.T., Malin.
Mr. John B. McLaughlin, Malin.
Mr. Patrick McCallion, L'Owertown.
Mr. Patrick Monagle, Tully.
Mr. James Quigley, Legg.
Mr. Thomas Kelly, Iruncorbet.
Mr. Thomas Doherty, Ballyerman.
Mr. Patrick Monagle, Tully.

Letterkenny Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Mr. Hugh Morendrick, 6 High Road, Letterkenny.
Mr. Tony Gallagher, Letterkenny.
Mr. Frank Vaughan, Ballyascoll Terrace, Letterkenny.
Mr. D. Coyle, Bluck, Manorcunningham.
Mr. J. Gallagher, Keelogs, Churchill.
Venerable Arch. Crooks, Letterkenny.
Rev. G. J. Mulreany, S.M., Letterkenny.
Mr. Manus McPadden, Marchant, Letterkenny.
Mr. Thomas J. Aee, Letterkenny.

Glenties No. 1 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., Brigend S.C.
Rev. Canon W. G. Dickson, The Rectory, Pahan.
Rev. Dr. Brennan, S.S., Pahan.
Rev. D. J. Aidicholl, C.C., Parochial House, Lurt.
Rev. T. O'Leaherty, C.C., Iskahren.
Mr. Joseph Ferguson, Craigtown, Pahan.
Rev. E. E. Burspreys, The Rectory, Muff.
Mr. John Sweeney, Moness, Inch Island.
Mr. Mark McGrory, Torban, Burnfoot.

194/60. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES (CONTINUED):

Slieve No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., Bridgend P.O.
Rev. S. J. Parker, The Manse, Newtowncunningham.
Mr. Hugh Conaghan, Newtowncunningham.
Mr. Henry McFadden, Newtowncunningham.
Rev. James Breslin, C.C., Newtowncunningham.
Rev. Wm. Doherty, B.A., Newtowncunningham.
Mr. James Devaney, Newtowncunningham.
Mr. Peter McLaughlin, Newtowncunningham.
Mr. James Koulston, Newtowncunningham.

Milford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Samuel A. Baxter, Milford.
Councillor Harry Blaney, Crossnaskill.
Councillor John Harkin, Lerryart, Cashelmore.
Rev. T. Gallagher, C.C., Ternon.
Mr. John Joseph Sheridan, The Mall, Roselton.
Mr. Hugh Shiels, Kerrykeel.
Mr. McGettigan, R.T., Glenvar.
Rev. Mr. Chambers, The Rectory, Roselton.
Mr. Billy Gardiner, Main St., Milford.
Mr. William Mohlwee, Milford.
Mr. Denis McBride, Milford.
Mr. Stephen Fox, Glen.

Lifford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Patrick Donoherty, Raphoe.
Councillor Samuel J. Easterson, Castlefin.
Rev. Fr. McKeague, C.C., Marlog.
Rev. Moore, The Rectory, Lifford.
Rev. J. H. Bewglas, The Manse, Ballindrait.
Mr. Hugh McGinley, Ballinabreen, Ballindrait.
Mr. Charles Doherty, Marlog.
Mr. C. Holmes, St. Johnston.
Mr. William Gallagher, Diamond, Castlefin.

Stranorlar Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Councillor Peter Dunne, Corefrin, Ballybofey.
Rev. T. Gallagher, P.P., Stranorlar.
Rev. Bertram, The Rectory, Stranorlar.
Rev. Mr. McClure, The Manse, Stranorlar.
Rev. Fr. Finnegan, C.C., Convoe.
Rev. J. Momenamin, C.C., Cloghan.
Mr. James A. Momenamin, Glenfia Street, Ballybofey.
Mr. Harry Bredy, Killygordon.
Mr. James Houston, Lettermore, Drunkeen.

The Meeting then terminated.

Adopted

Thomas Walsh

Chairman

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON WEDNESDAY, 13TH DAY OF JULY, 1960.

195/60. MEMBERS PRESENT :

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blansy, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Loherty, Lunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Herkin, Harro, Kelly, McBlaney, McGlinchey, McGowan, McTory, Macaulishright, Welly, Muldoon, O'Braisleain, O'Connors, M. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

196/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE :

A. A. Sharkey, Deputy County Manager; P. Dowd, Acting County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

197/60. VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

On the proposition of Councillor S. Baxter, a vote of sympathy was passed with the relatives of the late John McClofferty, Errarocoy, Falcarragh, a former member of the Council.

198/60. VOTE OF SYMPATHY:

On the proposition of Councillor L. Walsh, a vote of sympathy was passed with Mr. James A. McKeenan, Glenfinn Street, Ballybofey, on the death of his brother.

199/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES :

On the proposition of Councillor G. O'Braisleain, seconded by Councillor S. Patterson, the Minutes of the Meeting of Donegal County Council held on the 25th April, 1960 were confirmed.

200/60. LOAN OF £10,000 FOR ERECTION OF SIX COTTAGES AT BALLINDRAIT.

Proposed by: Councillor G. O'Braisleain,

Seconded by: Councillor S. Patterson,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £10,000 for the erection of six cottages at Ballindrait".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the Acting County Secretary.

201/60. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION :

Proposed by: Councillor G. O'Braisleain

Seconded by: Councillor S. Patterson

AND RESOLVED: That the Minister for Local Government, be requested to sanction Overdraft Accommodation for period to 30th September, 1960 as follows :-

Capital account £98,000.

General account £210,000.

202/60. CINEMATOGRAH LICENCE : RITZ CINEMA, BALLYBOFEY

On the proposition of Councillor P. McGowan, seconded by Councillor S. Patterson, it was decided to renew the Cinematograph Licences in respect of the Ritz Cinema, Ballybofey.

203/60. CINEMATOGRAH LICENCE : RITZ CINEMA, KILLYBEGS:

On the proposition of Councillor B. McGlinchey, seconded by Councillor S. Patterson, it was decided to renew the Cinematograph Licence in respect of the Ritz Cinema, Killybegs.

204/60. REPORT ON RATE COLLECTION AT 31ST MARCH, 1960:

It was decided that the report should be circulated to the members for consideration at the next Meeting.

205/60. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER:

Appointment of Obstetrician-Gynaecologist:

On the proposition of Councillor B. McGlinchey, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the Council consented to the appointment of a temporary Obstetrician-Gynaecologist to the County Hospital, Letterkenny, at a salary of £2,260 per annum.

Remuneration of Electrician:

On the proposition of Councillor B. McGlinchey, seconded by Councillor P. Dunnion, the Council consented to the proposal by the Manager to increase the remuneration of Mr. J. McLroy, Electrician, by £88. 8s. 0d. per annum in view of his being allocated the duties of doing all electrical work at the County Hospital, Letterkenny.

206/60. REPORTS OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 11/4/1960; 8/5/1960 AND 13/6/1960:

The reports of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee Meetings held on the 11th April; 8th May and 13th June, 1960 were noted.

207/60. AUDITOR'S REPORT ON ACCOUNTS OF COUNTY DONEGAL COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1959:

The Auditor's report on accounts of the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture for year ended 31st March, 1959 was noted.

208/60. REPAIRS TO WHITE CROSS ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Cormac D'Ereisleain:-

"What was the amount of the Grants allocated for

- (1) repair of the white Cross road between Annagry and Ranafast;
- (2) the amount actually expended on the road;
- (3) the amount of money contributed by Gael Linn towards the repair of this road?"

REPLY: (1) "The amount of money allowed for this job which is being carried out for the Special Employment Schemes Office was £625, notified on the 15th October, 1959.

(2) The amount actually expended to date is £607, leaving a balance of £18 which will be spent on patching. Surface dressing operations on this road were hampered by a thunderstorm.

(3) I have no knowledge of the amount contributed by Gael Linn, if any, to this grant."

209/60. RECONSTRUCTION OF MAIN ROAD BETWEEN BURTONPORT AND CROTTY BRIDGE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Cormac O'Breisleain:-

- (1) "What is the amount of the grant allocated for the reconstruction of the main road between Burtonport and Crotty Bridge or Dore A.S. ;
- (2) The date on which the grant was sanctioned;
- (3) When it is proposed to commence the work?"

REPLY: (1) "The amount of grant allocated for the construction of this road is £10,000.

(2) Sanction to the work was received on the 4th July, 1960.

(3) Acquisition of land is now in progress and it is anticipated that work will commence in approximately two months".

210/60. REPAIRS TO COUNTY ROAD FROM MEENSWEEL CHAPEL TO THORR AND MEENCORWICK:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Cormac O'Breisleain:-

"If it is proposed to carry out very urgent repairs to the County Road from Meensweel Chapel, Crotty, to Thorr and Meencorwick?"

REPLY: "This road is included in the Five Year Plan for major improvement and work will be carried out this year starting from the Dungle end".

211/60. REPAIR OF ROAD LEADING TO MAGHERAGALLON FIER:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Cormac O'Breisleain:-

"When it is proposed to commence work on the road leading to Magheragallon fier via the Football field?"

REPLY: "Work will commence on this road within the next few weeks".

212/60. PROVISION OF CRANE AT FORTALEEN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Leery:-

"What progress has been made in providing Crane at Fortaleen?"

REPLY: "Quotations have been invited for the erection of a crane at Fortaleen fier and are at present being examined".

213/60. COMPLETION OF ROADS ON FIVE YEAR PLAN IN MALIN/CARNDONAGH AREA:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Leery:-

"When is it expected roads already on Five Year Plan in Malin-Carndonagh area will be completed?"

REPLY: "This is the second year of the Five Year Plan and work was originally planned for completion in 1953".

214/60. WATER SCHEME AT BUILDINGS, CARNDONAGH; CLOGHERNA, CARNDONAGH; AND CARMALIN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Leery:-

"What is the delay in starting water scheme at Buildings, Carndonagh; Clogherna, Carndonagh; and Carmalin?"

REPLY: "Buildings (Carndonagh) Water Supply: work is imminent at Buildings, Carndonagh; Clogherna: This scheme is included in the list of wells and pumps for which it is likely that a loan will be sought.

214/60. WATER SCHEME AT BUILDINGS, CARNDONAGH, CLOCHERNA, AND CARMALIN (CONT.):

REPLY: Carmalin water supply: agreement regarding the acquisition of land for this scheme is not yet completed.

I should like to add, however, that no provision is made in the current year's estimates for any of these schemes".

215/60. ERECTION OF PUMP AT ROSS HEAD, GLENGAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Leery:-

"When is it expected that pump will be erected at Ross head, Glengad?"

REPLY: It is likely that this scheme will be included in the list of wells and pumps for which a loan will be sought".

216/60. LIFFORD HOSPITAL:

The following Notice of Motion in the names of Councillors Patterson, Buchanan, Cunningham, Lunnion, Harte, McGlinchey and McGowan was proposed:-

"That this Council rescind decision on Lifford Hospital at a former meeting in February and substitute the following:-

"That Lifford Hospital be retained for Medical, Maternity and Minor Surgical cases for at least two years from the date of the opening of the new County Hospital, Letterkenny".

The Chairman pointed out that as this was a rescinding Motion, it would be necessary for it to be carried by a majority of two-thirds of the members present. He indicated that if the Motion were deferred until the September Meeting of the Council, a simple majority would be sufficient to carry it.

In reply to questions, the Deputy County Manager stated that Lifford District Hospital would remain open until the 30th September, 1960, and the proposers of the Motion agreed to defer it to September on this understanding.

217/60. PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY FOR GLASHA, CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Leery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That piped water supply be provided to serve five families at Glasha, Carndonagh".

218/60. PROVISION OF HOUSES AT CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Leery, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that plans for the erection of the houses are in course of preparation:-

"That this Council provide houses at Carndonagh for applicants with the least possible delay".

219/60. ERECTION OF WINCH AT BONAGEE PIER:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Leery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That winch be erected at Bonagee pier for the slipping of boats".

220/60. SEWERAGE SCHEME IN BALLYBOFEY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Council put the old sewerage in Ballybofey in a proper sanitary condition".

221/60. DANGEROUS TURNS:

Resolution from Bundoran Urban District Council as follows was deferred in the absence of the County Engineer:-

"That the County Council be again requested to give ear to the Urban Council in their representations to have schemes improving the dangerous turns at Quinn's (Finner) and leading to the Droves Bridge at Magheracerr implemented - to come to a mutual arrangement with the Leitrim County Council to have Lennox' Bridge widened to cope with double-lane traffic - and to push forward the long delayed scheme for removal of Bayview and Church St. Corners and widening of the Bridge, Bundoran".

222/60. INCREASE FOR OLD AGE PENSIONERS:

The following resolution from Laois County Council was adopted:-

"That a resolution from this Council be sent to the Government requesting that an early substantial increase be made available for Old Age Pensioners in order to improve their present miserable living standards and that a copy of such resolution be sent for consideration to every County Council in the country".

223/60. COUNTY COUNCIL DEMAND ON BUNCRAHA URBAN COUNCIL:

The following resolution from Buncrana Urban Council was noted:-

"That this Buncrana Urban District Council, on receipt of the welcome announcement of legislation to reduce the inflated County Council demand upon this Urban, takes this earliest opportunity of placing on record our keen appreciation of the action of the Donegal County Council and the General Purposes Committee of your Council for the completely unanimous support which was given to our appeal to the Minister for Local Government. Without such support it would have been difficult for the Minister to take action, and the fact that the amount of our gain will be the measure of your loss adds even greater credit to the fine sense of justice which motivated your whole membership".

224/60. INTOXICATING LIQUOR ACT 1960:

It was agreed to suspend Standing Orders to enable Motion submitted by Councillors C. Gallagher, A. O'Donnell, C. Greene, M. Kelly, J. McIlenny, A. Kelly, J. Deeney and A. Harte to be considered.

The Motion was adopted and the Secretary was directed to circulate it to all County Councils and Urban District Councils.

"That this Council requests the Government to immediately amend the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1960, by the introduction of an amending section and enable District Justices grant area Exemption Orders in Tourist resorts during the summer period".

The meeting then terminated.

Adopted
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MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1960.

225/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harro, Kelly, McElenny, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, MacRuidhrigh, Melly, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Connors, M. O'Donnell and P. O'Donnell.

226/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; Dr. McFarland, County Medical Officer; E. P. Nulty, Chief Assistant County Engineer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

227/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor O'Breisleain, seconded by Councillor Anderson, the Minutes of the annual and Ordinary Meetings of the Donegal County Council held on the 13th day of July, 1960 were confirmed.

228/60. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The following were appointed members of the Finance Committee:-

Councillor Harry Blaney, ✓
Councillor Liam Cunningham, ✓
Councillor Michael Deery, ✓
Councillor Christopher Gallagher, ✓
Councillor James McElenny, ✓
Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, ✓
Councillor Michael Melly, ✓
Councillor Frank Muldoon, ✓
Councillor P. A. O'Donnell, ✓
Councillor Louis Walsh, ✓
Councillor S. J. Patterson.

229/60. RATE COLLECTION - DISTRICT NO. 18:

The Council noted that Miss Alice Carberry, Rate Collector, was married on the 16/7/1960 and had, therefore, ceased to be qualified to hold office as Rate Collector. Her application to be employed temporarily for the remainder of the financial year was submitted.

The Manager recommended that her application for temporary employment should not be granted and that the Council should either proceed to make a permanent appointment or arrange to collect the rates in her district through the office for the remainder of the financial year.

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell, T.D.

Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham,

That Mrs. Alice Crossan (nee Carberry) be appointed temporarily as Rate Collector for District No. 18 until the 31st March, 1961.

As an amendment it was

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher,

Seconded by: Councillor Kelly,

That the permanent post of Rate Collector for No. 18 District be filled immediately. On a show of hands the amendment was lost and the Motion by Councillor O'Donnell was then adopted.

Arising out of the discussion it was agreed to refer to the General Purposes Committee for consideration the question of the collection of rates through the office.

230/60. REPORT ON RATE COLLECTION FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1960:

The following report from the County Secretary was noted:-

"The total rate Warrant for County Donegal in respect of the year ended 31st March, 1960, amounted to £529,382. 9. 9. and of this amount a sum of £12,227. 10. 0. was uncollected at the 31st March.

The schedules of Uncollected Rates prepared by the Rate Collectors, listing the amounts unpaid and the reasons therefor, have been examined by the County Manager, and may be inspected.

The percentage collection amounted to 97.6% of the Total Warrant. The percentage for the corresponding period last year amounted to 97.5% of the Warrant.

The highest individual collection by a collector was 99.8% of the Warrant for his district and the lowest collection was 92.8%

Hereunder is a brief summary as to how the 30 Rate Collection Districts fared:-

99% and Over	.....	7
Over 98%	.....	11
" 97%	.....	5
" 96%	.....	1
" 95%	.....	1
Under 95%	.....	5

The total amount of discount allowed, according to the provisions of Section 10 of the Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928, was £966. 6. 11.

The total amount of the Agricultural Grant for County Donegal in respect of the year 1959/60 amounted to £262,288. 14. 7."

231/60. RAISING OF LOAN - CARRIGART/DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £35,000 for Carrigart/Downings Water Supply Scheme.

232/60. RAISING OF LOAN - MUFF WATER SUPPLY:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the Consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £5,000 for Muff Water Supply Scheme.

233/60. RAISING OF LOAN - EXTENSION OF GREENCASTLE WATER SUPPLY TO MOVILLE:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £7,000 for the extension of Greencastle Water Supply to Moville.

234/60. RAISING OF LOAN - 13 SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGES:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £13,600 for the erection of 13 Specific Instance Cottages.

235/60. RAISING OF LOAN - 10 COTTAGES AT KILLYBEGS:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £17,200 for the erection of 10 Cottages at Killybegs.

236/60. RAISING OF LOAN - 6 COTTAGES AT RAPHOE:

Proposed by: Councillor Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be requested to the raising of a loan of £9,500 for the erection of 6 Cottages at Raphoe.

237/60. OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEES:

In connection with a number of matters which had arisen from the appointment of Old Age Pension Committees at the Annual Meeting it was decided that the County Secretary should consult with the local Committees and submit a report on the proposed membership of Committees at next Meeting.

238/60. BUSINESS SUBMITTED BY COUNTY MANAGER:

Retirement of Dr. J. P. McGinley.

The County Manager reported that Dr. J. P. McGinley had resigned as Medical Officer to Letterkenny District Hospital, but stated that he would be continuing in the service of the Council as District Medical Officer for Letterkenny.

Several members of the Council having spoken and paid tribute to Dr. McGinley's services, it was decided that the Council should place on record their appreciation of his services and their best wishes on the occasion of his retirement.

239/60. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 25TH JULY, 1960:

Proposed by: Councillor O'Breisleain,

Seconded by: Councillor Muldoon,

AND RESOLVED: That the report of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 25th July, 1960, be adopted.

In this connection, Councillor MacRuaidhrigh indicated that in view of the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee he would withdraw his Motion in regard to Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1956.

240/60. COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:

In connection with recommendation of General Purposes Committee for the expenditure of additional County Road Grant it was decided that the Councillors for the Milford area should consult with the County Engineer in connection with the expenditure proposed for Scheme No. 1.

241/60. COUNCIL HOUSES AT ARD COLGAN, CARNDONAGH:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Robert Doherty:-

"What steps have been taken to redecorate exterior of Council houses at Ard Colgan, Carndonagh?"

REPLY: No monies are available in the current year's Estimates for this work.

242/60. LETTERKENNY STREETS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"Why has the Letterkenny streets major reconstruction work not commenced?"

REPLY: Because of the sewer constructional works being carried out in Letterkenny it was not opportune to start the reconstruction work.

(a) "When will it commence?"

REPLY: Plans for the reconstruction work will be placed before the County Council in the near future and if approved by them and by the Department work could commence next year.

(b) "How much money is being allocated for this purpose?"

REPLY: No monies have been allocated this year for this purpose but it is anticipated that the reconstruction will cost in the neighbourhood of £20,000.

243/60. LAYING OFF OF ROAD WORKERS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"On the 4th June, 1960 seven men from Glenswilly who were working on the Moenroy road were paid off and were replaced a few days later by fifteen men from the Fintown district:

(a) Why were the Glenswilly men paid off?"

REPLY: The Glenswilly men were employed on this work for a considerable period. The finishing off process is a rather skilled one and the constant employees from the Fintown District, who had worked on the road since its commencement at Fintown, were drafted to this area to carry out the work.

(b) "How were they informed of their dismissal?"

REPLY: The Assistant Engineer instructed the Overseer to inform the men that they were to be laid off.

(c) "Did the Engineer state that he would not employ a man from Glenswilly and, if so, why?"

REPLY: The Engineer made no such statement.

244/60. FIRE SERVICES:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"What remuneration do part-time firemen receive in Co. Donegal:-

1. Station Officer;
2. Sub-Officers;
3. Driver Mechanics;
4. Firemen?"

REPLY:

<u>Rank.</u>	<u>Grade I Stations.</u>	<u>Others.</u>
(1) Station Officer	£38	£26 yearly
(2) Sub-Officer	£30	-
(3) Driver Mechanic	£26	£20 "
(4) Firemen: Grade I	£18	£18 "
Grade II	£13	£12 "

- (a) "What do they receive for attendance at drills and fires?"

REPLY: Fire drills and maintenance 3/6d per hour all ranks.

Attendance at fires 8/-d for the first hour or part thereof and 3/6d per hour thereafter, plus 50% extra for fires at night from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

245/60. WIDENING OF CORNER AT STEVENSON'S, DROMORE, LETTERKENNY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"In the Spring of this year the County Council widened a corner at Stevenson's Dromore, Letterkenny. During the work a large amount of sods were removed:-

- (a) Where were these sods taken to?
- (b) How many miles were they taken?
- (c) How were they taken?
- (d) How many loads were taken?
- (e) What is the estimate cost of the removal of the sods?
- (f) Why were they taken?"

REPLY: No sods were removed from the corner at Stevenson's Arch in the Spring of this year nor were any sods taken from this point while widening operations were in progress.

246/60. TESTING OF DRIVERS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:-

- "(1) Does the Council employ outside personnel to test their drivers and, if so, at what remuneration?
- (2) Will the Council furnish a copy of the report on each driver tested by outside personnel to Council members?
- (3) Has the Council no member of its own staff qualified to test drivers?"

REPLY: In connection with certain appointments and employments the practice is to have the candidates interviewed by an Interview Board set up for the purpose. To ensure impartiality, non-Council personnel are asked to act on these Boards with Council officers. No remuneration is paid to the members of Interview Boards. The reports of Interview Boards are not published as they are regarded as confidential. I think it would be undesirable to alter that practice.

247/60. ROSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

- "(1) What is the present position in regard to extension of the Rosses Regional Water Supply to the townlands of Loughanure, Ballymanus, Gortnasate (Pier at Kincasslagh) and if there is a priority list in respect of extensions, where do these townlands come in on that list?"

REPLY: Extensions to Loughanure and Ballymanus have been approved and are being incorporated in the contract documents at present being prepared for major Rosses augmentation scheme. The extension to Gortnasate was not approved by the Council as after a canvass only ten houses out of fifteen were willing to connect to the mains.

- "(2) Has the townland of Derrymansher ever been included in any proposed extension in connection with the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: A proposal to extend the water mains from Ramfast to Derrymansher and Moonalocky at an estimated cost of £10,950 has been considered by the Council. A canvass of householders in the area was carried out. This canvass was most satisfactory in the Ramfast area but only six householders in Derrymansher and Moonalocky were willing to take piped connections. Accordingly, the General Purposes Committee on the 25th July, 1960 recommended a modified scheme at a much reduced cost which would serve Ramfast and Carraig a'Choil only. This, if ratified by the Council, will be included in the contract documents referred to above.

248/60. ROAD REPAIRS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

- "Is it intended to have the necessary repairs carried out on the Moonalock, Derrymansher, Ramfast road?"

REPLY: This road is due only for normal maintenance repairs which will be carried out soon. It is not on the Five Year Plan and, therefore, no major reconstruction can be executed.

249/60. GAELTACHT GRANTS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

- "Have any grants been allocated by Roim Na Gaeltachta for repairs to roads in the Rosses area in the current year?"

REPLY: No notification of a grant allocation from Roim na Gaeltachta has been received for repair to roads in the Rosses area in the current year.

250/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

- "Would the County Manager state the number of Medical Cards withdrawn since January 1st, 1960?"

REPLY: 645 Medical Cards have been withdrawn. This figure includes Cards withdrawn by reason of death or emigration.

251/60. ROSSNOWLAGH SANITARY CONVENIENCE:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask the County Engineer the reason for the delay in the erection of the Rosstown Sanitary Convenience?"

REPLY: Considerable difficulty was experienced in acquiring the parcel of land necessary for the erection of the structure. It was only within the last few weeks that the owner of the land signified his willingness to sell the plot at a reasonable figure. The matter of the transfer of the land is in the hands of the Council's Solicitor.

252/60. DONEGAL SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask the County Secretary the number of tenants in Donegal Old Cottages at Mullins who have indicated their willingness to connect to the proposed sewerage extension?"

REPLY: Consideration has been given from time to time to the provision of sewerage to the Old Cottages at Mullins. The estimate given for the work when it was last considered was £1,800. No canvass of the tenants has been carried out.

253/60. INTEREST ON LOANS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor P. D. Harte:-

"(a) What was the total indebtedness of the Donegal County Council as at the 1st April, 1960?"

REPLY: £3,162,694.

"(b) What is the total interest being paid on loan charges annually?"

REPLY: The interest charged for year ended 31st March, 1960 was £145,149.

"(c) What portion of the rate in the £. does this interest charge represent?"

REPLY: It is calculated that the nett charge falling on the rates for contributions towards Interest Charges by way of Government Grants is 61.6 pence in the £.

254/60. HOUSING SCHEME AT GALLOWES LANE, LIFFORD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor P. D. Harte:-

"(a) What is the position re proposed new Housing Scheme at Gallows Lane?"

"(b) When is it proposed to commence building? How Many and what type?"

REPLY: Agreement for the acquisition of a site at Gallows Lane, Lifford, has been reached but the actual transfer has not yet taken place.

Subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, the site will be developed for the erection of 10 Cottages and 4 sites will be available for leasing to suitable persons wishing to erect houses for themselves.

The necessary extension of the sewer to serve the site will be included in the early stages of the proposed sewerage scheme for Lifford and the date of commencing building operations will depend on the progress made with the new sewerage scheme.

255/60. SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor P. D. Harte:-

"What is the position re proposed sewerage schemes in the following towns: (a) Raphoe; (b) Ramelton; (c) Killygordon (d) Castlefin; (e) St. Johnston; (f) State in what order it is intended to deal with them and when it is proposed to commence?"

REPLY: All the villages mentioned are included in the list of sewerage schemes for consideration by the Council. A recommended priority list has not yet been adopted but will be submitted to the Council through the General Purposes Committee in the near future.

256/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor P. D. Harte:-

"(a) What is the position regarding Medical Cards, viz. qualifications of persons entitled to same and medical services obtainable by holders?"

REPLY: Persons who apply for and who are unable to provide by their own industry or other lawful means the medical, surgical, ophthalmic, dental or aural treatment or medicines, or medical, surgical, ophthalmic or dental appliances necessary for themselves or their dependants are entitled to Medical Cards.

"(b) Why is it more difficult for a person to obtain a Medical Card in County Donegal than it is in any other County in the Republic?"

REPLY: I am not aware that the position is as stated in the above Question.

257/60. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO TULMAREE, CARNDONAGH:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"What progress has been made in extending water supply to Tulmaree, Carndonagh?"

REPLY: This proposal is included in the list of extensions to be considered by the General Purposes Committee at their Meeting on the 10th August, 1960.

258/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR CARROWMENA AND GLENEELY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"What progress has been made in supplying Water to Carrowmena and Gleneely?"

REPLY: Examination has shown that a piped water supply would not seem to be economic in the Carrowmena area.

The provision of a piped water supply at Gleneely is included in the proposals which will be submitted to the General Purposes Committee at their Meeting on the 10th August, 1960.

259/60. ROAD REPAIRS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor C. O'Driscoll, T.D.:

"If it is proposed to put into proper repair the County Road from McBride's Hotel, Dunlewy to Glentorman?"

REPLY: This is road No. 802 and is not scheduled on the current Five Year Plan. Repair work, therefore, can be executed only out of Maintenance monies. Instructions have been issued to carry out a maintenance repair.

260/60. EXTENSION OF CLOMANY WATER SUPPLY TO KINDROHID AND URRIS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor James McElaney:-

"What is the reason for the delay in commencing work on the extension of the Clonmany Water Supply to Kindrohid and Urris?"

REPLY: A tender for the carrying out of the extension has been submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval. The Department have requested that the Contractor be required to clarify certain matters in connection with his tender and the necessary information has not been received from him.

261/60. DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"Whether work has commenced on the Downings Water Supply Scheme and, if not, when work is likely to commence?"

REPLY: The contract documents for the Downings Water Supply Scheme have been completed and arrangements have been made with the Contractor to commence work on 8/8/1960.

262/60. RANELTON SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"Whether work has yet commenced on the Ranelton Sewerage Scheme?"

REPLY: The contract documents for the Ranelton Sewerage Scheme have been completed and arrangements have been made with the Contractor to commence work on 8/8/1960.

263/60. FANAD REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"What progress to-date has been made with regard to the Fanad Regional Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: The proposal to provide a regional Water Supply Scheme for Fanad will be considered by the General Purposes Committee at their Meeting on the 10th August, 1960.

264/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATHS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Harry Blaney:-

"What is the present position in regard to the proposed Sheep Dipping Baths at Dooy, Downings, Gortnabrade/Tullagh, Milford and Rossmakill/Tarney?"

REPLY: A number of proposals for the provision of Sheep Dipping Baths are under consideration. The Baths in the above Question are included in those. A number of existing Sheep Dipping Baths require repairs and it is proposed to have these repairs carried out as soon as possible. The amount of money which will be available for the erection of new Baths will be limited.

265/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATH IN THE MOONAMARA DISTRICT, GLENTIES:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor C. O'Briain T.D.:

"If the question of providing a Sheep Dipping Bath in the Moonamara district, Glenties, has been considered and what is the position?"

REPLY: This proposal is included in the list of Baths at present under consideration.

266/60. S.I. HOUSES PURCHASE SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Sean O'Cirneide:-

"Ar contuigh an Roinn R. A. leis an scéim chun tithe S.I. a chearnacht amach a cuiradh rompu ta cupla mí ó shoin go fóill?"

(Has Department of Local Government sanctioned the S.I. Houses Purchase Scheme yet?).

REPLY: Sanction has not yet been received to the last Purchase Scheme submitted to the Department of Local Government.

267/60. DISTRICT HOSPITAL, CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert Doherty, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided to defer this matter until the new Radiologist has taken up duty next October:-

"That this Council provide an X-Ray Unit in the District Hospital, Carndonagh".

268/60. MANORCUNNINGHAM WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notices of Motion standing in the names of Councillors Bernard McGlinchey and P. D. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided to refer the provision of a water supply at Manorcunningham to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

Councillor McGlinchey's Motion:

"That this Council provide the village of Manorcunningham with a proper water supply".

Councillor Harte's Motion:

"That definite action be taken to supply Manorcunningham with a water supply in view of serious water scarcity presently existing".

269/60. PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES AT DRUMKEEN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That this Council provide the new houses at Drumkeen with proper water and sewerage facilities immediately".

270/60. FOOTPATHS IN MANORCUNNINGHAM VILLAGE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, report from County Engineer that there was not sufficient monies for this work in the coming year was noted. The matter was referred to the County Manager for further examination.

"That the footpaths of Manorcunningham village be repaired immediately as they are dangerous and unsightly".

271/60. DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR MEMBERS OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the Manager stated that he would furnish in more detail proposed items of expenditure to the Members of the General Purposes Committee before the Meeting:-

"That the County Secretary provide a detailed statement of proposed items of expenditure to the members of the G. P. Committee for their study, at least three days before the Meeting".

272/60. ROAD NO. 1518:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that the road in question is not on the Five Year Plan and that maintenance repairs are at present being carried out.

It was decided that the County Engineer should endeavour to carry out more extensive repairs on this road next year:-

"That the Council repair $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles Link Road No. 1618 from Goland Bridge to Sossinghonoill Chapel".

273/60. ROAD NO. 1398:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that the road is not on the Five Year Plan and that some repairs had been carried out out of maintenance monies already. He also indicated that it was intended to widen the road.

"Surface 1 mile of road 1398 leading off the Convoy/Stranorlar road".

274/60. ROAD NO. 1528:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer pointed out that only maintenance monies were available for this road which because of its hilly nature was difficult to keep in repair.

"Surface "Kane's Road" No. 1528 to complete the circle road through Upper Cavan".

275/60. PAINTING OF COUNCIL COTTAGES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that provision had only been made in the current year's Estimates for the painting of Killybegs, Downings, Ballybofey and Coneyburrow Housing Schemes.

A general discussion in regard to the need for painting of Cottages took place and it was decided to refer the matter to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with next year's Estimates.

"That the Council Houses at Marian Villas, Donegal, and at Conlin Road, Killybegs, be painted externally".

276/60. DUNKINEELY FAIR GREEN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that according to the Council's records the Dunkineely Fair Green is private property. Councillor Muldoon stated that he understood that it was intended to transfer the Fair Green to the Council and it was decided to examine the matter further:-

"That repairs be carried out at once to Dunkineely Fair Green".

277/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Maldoon was proposed and seconded:-

"That this Council consider the present system of allocation of medical cards to be unfair and that they request the County Manager to change the present method".

There was a general discussion in which most of the Councillors present took part in regard to the system of allocation of Medical Cards.

The County Manager dealt in detail with the various points made and no further action was taken in the matter.

278/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING AT KILLYGORDON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. D. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with next year's Estimates:-

"That the Council include in their estimates for the next financial year, provisions for street lighting at the Curragh Housing site, Killygordon."

279/60. SCAVENGING SERVICE FOR CASTLEFIN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. D. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with next year's Estimates:-

"That the Council provide scavenging service for Castlefin forthwith in view of the nuisance which exists presently".

280/60. SHEEP DIPPING TANK AT TURNABRATLEY, CLONMANY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That Sheep Dipping Tank be provided at Turnabratley, Clonmany".

281/60. CULDAFF WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That Culdaff Water Supply be extended to Bocan".

282/60. MALIN WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That Malin Water Supply be extended to Drumcarbit and Ballyboe".

283/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR NEW SCHOOL AT CASTLETOWN, ST. JOHNSTON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor W. R. Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That the Council take steps to provide piped water supply to the proposed new School at Castletown, St. Johnston, subject to satisfactory local contribution, the Committee of the School being willing voluntarily to undertake some of the labour involved".

284/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR TOWNLAND OF BOGAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That this Council provide a water scheme for the townland of Bogagh, in the parish of Kilear".

285/60. CONTRIBUTION TO FOOT-BRIDGE AT STRANAKIRKA:

The Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, the Council noted that they could not make any contribution towards the cost of this work.

286/60. ARDARA WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration:-

"That the Ardara Water Supply be extended to supply the cottages at Drimsha and the cottages beyond the School at Hillhead, Ardara, and that a light be provided on a pole convenient to these cottages at Hillhead, Ardara".

287/60. BOATSLIP AT DUNAFF:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the Council ask the Minister of Lands and Fisheries to have the proposal to build a boatslip at Dunaff proceeded with in the near future".

288/60. ELECTRICITY CHARGES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, and discussed at length was adopted:-

"That the Council discuss the proposed increase in Electricity charges".

289/60. ROAD AROUND MEENTIAGH LOUGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That in future main road improvement plans for the Innishowen district, the road around Meentiagh Lough be considered".

290/60. MEDICAL OFFICER AT ARRANMORE ISLAND:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor S. O'Ginneide, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"Go n-farrfar ar Doctuir na Comdae agus ar Bhaisteoir na Comdae meabhran a chur le cheile agus a chur roimh an t-Aire Slainte fa Dhoctuir Ioclaimse a fhail d'Arrain Mhoir roimh an Gheimhreadh".

(That the County Medical Officer and County Manager be instructed to submit a memorandum to Minister for Health stressing the need for a Medical Officer in Arranmore before the winter).

291/60. QUARTERLY REPORTS RE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor S. O'Connell, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"Go n-iarrrfar a Innealtoir na Comdae tuairisc reithiúil a thabhairt don Chomhairle seo ar na scéimeanna uisce agus searachta a bíos idir lárha ag innealtoiirí na Comdae, no oile, faoi na cinn-toideál seo:-
 (a) An Scéim; (b) a h-ionad ar rogha-liosta (na's am di);
 (c) An dul chun cinn o'n tuairisc d'heireannaigh; (d) staid na scéime fa' lathair; (e) Ga h-uair a tathar ag suil go nbeiríar ag iarraidh tairgeantí, no go nbeidh an obair críochnaithe".

"(That the County Engineer be instructed to furnish quarterly reports to the County Council on the water and sewerage schemes in the hands of the Engineering staff, or Consultants, under the following headings:-

(a) The Scheme; (b) Its place (if any) on the priority list;
 (c) Progress made since last report; (d) the present position of the scheme; (e) When is it hoped to invite tenders, or have the scheme completed".

292/60. LOADING RAMP AT MILFORD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with next year's Estimates:-

"That the Council proceed with the erection of a cattle loading ramp at Milford".

293/60. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT MILFORD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with next year's Estimates:-

"That a public convenience be provided in Milford".

294/60. KNOCKVILLA COAST ROAD:

At the request of Councillor Blaney it was decided to adjourn consideration of this matter.

295/60. RATHMULLAN POTATO STORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the Contract for the erection of a Potato Store at Rathmullan had been signed and that the Contractor had undertaken to start work immediately:-

"That the Council deplores the complete lack of progress in regard to the proposed Potato Store at Rathmullan and hereby resolves that action be taken to get work started immediately".

296/60. SHEEP DIPPING:

At the request of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, the question of the proposed charge of 1d per sheep for sheep dipping in private baths was considered further and it was decided that no change could be made in the Regulations for the present year.

297/60. GRANT FOR IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES:

It was decided to defer consideration of this matter.

298/60. COMMISSION OF ITINERANCY:

The Council noted letter, 20th July, 1960, from Commission of Itinerancy.

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed: Howie Walsh
Chairman.

Date: 27th Sept 1960.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DUNEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
THE 27TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1960.

299/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors L. Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Herkin, Harte, Kelly, McRaney, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, MacRusaidhrigh, Melly, Muldoon, O'Connell, M. O'Donnell, and Patterson.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor P. O'Donnell.
T.D.

300/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary;
J. J. Caffrey, Acting County Engineer; E. P. Multy, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McParland, County Medical Officer; B. Griffin, Superintendent Assistance Officer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

301/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor W. Buchanan, seconded by Councillor S. Patterson, the Minutes of Meeting of Dunegal County Council held on the 8th day of August, 1960 were confirmed.

302/60. VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

Votes of sympathy were passed with Councillor Michael Kelly on the death of his brother and with the widow and relatives of the late Dr. Byrne.

303/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS: LOAN OF £45,000 :

Proposed by: Councillor S. Patterson,

Seconded by: Councillor W. Buchanan,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £45,000 for the purpose of Supplementary Grants."

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

304/60. LOAN OF £22,500 FOR RAMELTON SEWERAGE SCHEME:

Proposed by: Councillor S. Patterson,

Seconded by: Councillor W. Buchanan,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public works for the repayment of the sum of £22,500 for the construction of Ramelton Sewerage Scheme".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

305/60. RAISING OF LOAN OF £20,000 FOR MINOR WATER EXTENSION SCHEMES:

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte,

Seconded by: Councillor W. Buchanan

AND RESOLVED: "That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be obtained to the raising of a loan of £20,000 for the carrying out of minor water extensions?"

306/60. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION:

Proposed by: Councillor S. O'Connell,

Seconded by: Councillor W. Buchanan,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Minister for Local Government be requested to sanction temporary overdraft accommodation as follows:-

General account £25,000.

Capital account..... £145,000.

307/60. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1960:

The Abstract of Accounts for year ended 31st March, 1960 was submitted at the meeting.

308/60. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOOTWEAR SCHEME 1960/61:

The Council considered letter A.D. 54/60 - Circ. H.A. 8/60 of the 14th September, 1960 from the Department of Social Welfare, Dublin, in regard to Public Assistance Footwear Scheme 1960/61.

The Superintendent Assistance Officer outlined the differences between the scheme proposed by the Department and that which was operated last year.

After some discussion, it was decided that the Department of Social Welfare be requested to permit the Council to operate the scheme for 1960/61 on the same basis as had operated successfully in the previous year.

309/60. ACQUISITION OF DERELICT SITES ACT 1940 - PRELIMINARY ORDER IN RESPECT OF SITE AT BALLYBOFEY:

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan,

Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte,

AND RESOLVED: That the Seal of the Council be affixed to the Preliminary Order for the acquisition of Derelict Site in the townland of Ballybofey - area B₂ perches - Reputed Owners - James Murphy and Ian C. C. Knox.

310/60. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS, 1961:

The Council considered report from County Secretary stating that sanction had been received from the Department of Education to the scheme adopted by the Scholarships Committee for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other approved Schools for year 1961. Since the Scholarship Scheme had been adopted by the Scholarships Committee, the Committee had recommended that it be amended to provide, that five scholarships be awarded to the five boys obtaining highest places in the examination and five scholarships be awarded to the five girls obtaining highest places in the examination.

310/60. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS 1961 (CONTINUED):

The Department had suggested that an earlier date than the 14th January, be fixed as the latest date for the receipt of applications. The Council decided that the 14th January should be retained in the scheme as the latest date for the receipt of applications, and on the proposition of Councillor S. O'Grainde, seconded by Councillor Gallagher, it was resolved:

"That the Council determine to carry into execution, the Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other approved Schools, as approved by the Department of Education for year 1961".

It was decided to refer to the Scholarships Committee for consideration, the following Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, T.D.:-

"That in allocating County Council Entrance Scholarships, the Council should distinguish between, Monastery and Convent Schools and National Schools".

311/60. EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES VOTE 1960/61:

The Council noted that a Grant of £2,600 had been allocated under the employment and Emergency Schemes Vote 1960/61 subject to a local contribution of £865. The Manager pointed out that provision had not been made in the current year's estimate for the local contribution, and on the proposition of Councillor S. O'Grainde, seconded by Councillor C. Gallagher, the Council authorised the expenditure of £865 in excess of the estimate for year ending 31st March, 1961 in respect of the local contribution towards Rural Employment Schemes.

The Council noted that it was proposed to expend the money as follows:-

No.	Town	Amount	Location and type of work proposed.
1.	Ardara	£265.	Base corner on Main Road No. T.72-1557 at Hillhead, Ardara.
2.	Ballybofey	£265.	Construct concrete footpaths in Ballybofey and Stranorlar, T.18 - 1521.
3.	Ballyshannon	£270	Construct footpaths in the Mall, Ballyshannon County Road No. 2101.
4.	Carndonagh	£270	Construct concrete footpaths in Carndonagh Map No. T.73-158.
5.	Convoy	£265	Restore defective footpaths at Convoy Woolen Mills, towards Town. Co. Road No. 1329.
6.	Dungloe	£265	Base corner on Dungloe-Loughmure road near Dungloe. Map No. L.130 - 1034.
7.	Lunkineely	£265	Repair masonry apron protecting County Road No. 1896 from sea erosion.
8.	Glenties	£265	Repair road and construct footpaths at Glenties "Fair Green", County Road No. 1494.
9.	Killybegs	£270	Construct concrete footpaths in Killybegs, T. 72 - 1876.
10.	Magheraclogher	£265	Repair County Road No. 722 - Middletown to Garricktasken.

311/60. EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES VOTE 1960/61 (CONTINUED):

11.	Noville.	£265.	Construct concrete footpath in Noville, T. 73-379.
12.	Kemelton	£270.	Demolish buildings and site clearance.
13.	St. Johnston.	£265.	Repair road at Lundee, St. Johnston, Map No. L. 80A - 1161.
	Total:	£5465.	

312/60. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SANITARY SERVICES) ACT 1948 (SECTION 34) (PART OF COUNTY OF DONEGAL) ORDER 1960:

The Council noted that the Minister for Local Government had made an Order entitled Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act 1948 (Section 34) Part of Donegal) Order 1960, bringing Section 34 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act 1948 into operation in the townlands of Rosknowlagh Upper; Rosknowlagh Lower; Ardeelan Upper; and Ardeelan Lower in the District Electoral Division of Ballintra.

313/60. SALE OF PORTION OF HOUSING SITE AT CARNDONAGH:

The provisions of Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1946, having been complied with, the Council agreed to the disposal of portion of housing site at Carndonagh, comprising approximately 1 acre. 1 rd. 3 Qrs. to Messrs. Jay Bee Limited, Carndonagh, for sum of £250.

314/60. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) ACT 1956:

The Council agreed to receiving a deputation from the Federation of Rural Workers in regard to the adoption of Part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1956.

Mr. George Pollock addressed the Council and outlined the provisions of Part 3 of the Act and replied to questions put to him by Councillors.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan,

Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey,

That Part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1956 be adopted.

There was a lengthy discussion in which Councillors Harte, Cunningham, McRory, Gallagher, Lunnion, Kelly, MacRusaidhrigh, Elaney, Anderson, Walsh and Patterson took part. The Manager clarified points raised in the course of the discussion with particular reference to the estimated charge which would fall on the rates in the event of Part 3 being adopted, and he also outlined the additional clerical staff which would be necessary.

As an amendment to Mr. McGowan's Motion, it was proposed by Councillor S. Patterson, and seconded by Councillor B. McRory, that the matter be adjourned until the November Meeting of the Council. The Chairman put the amendment to the meeting, and it was carried, thirteen voting for and ten against. The amendment was then put to the Meeting as a Substantive Motion and carried by the same voting.

315/60. DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT 1960:

Letter 8/27/33 of the 13th August, 1960 from the Department of Agriculture, Dublin, in regard to the abolition of the General Cattle Diseases Fund as from the 31st March, 1963 and the revised arrangements to be made in connection with recoument of expenditure under the Diseases of Animals Acts was read.

The County Secretary stated that the annual expenditure under the Diseases of Animals Acts was approximately £4,000 of which £2,000 was recouped by the Department. In addition, the Council were required to pay a contribution of £750 to the Cattle Diseases Fund. The net effect of the adjustment is that additional expenditure of £1,300 would have to be met by the Council.

The Council noted the position.

316/60. OLD AGE PENSIONS:

The Committee approved of the following membership for the Glenties No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee:-

Rev. A. McIntyre, P.P., Killybegs.
Rev. Mr. John Porter, Rector, Killybegs.
Charles Sheridan, Killybegs.
James Murrin, Courthouse, Killybegs.
Michael O'Donnell, County Councillor, Bogagh, Carrick.
Patrick Cunningham, Kilbeg, Kilcar.
Francis L. Cannon, Ardara.
Patrick Gildea, Ardara.
John J. Campbell, Woodhill House, Ardara.
Rev. George Sleath, The Manse, Ardara.
Very Rev. Dr. D. J. Purry, P.P., Glenties.
Senator Louis Walsh, Glenties.
Denis Phelan, Glenties.

317/60. OBSTETRICIAN-GYNAECOLOGIST:

The Manager informed the members that Dr. Anne Ryan had taken up duty as Obstetrician-Gynaecologist in the County Hospital, Letterkenny.

318/60. RADIOLOGIST:

The Manager informed the members that the Radiologist who had been recommended for appointment by the Local Appointments Commission had now indicated that he would be unable to take up duty as Radiologist and it was unlikely that there would be a Radiologist for several months.

319/60. ERECTION OF BRIDGE AT LIFFORD:

The Manager informed the members that the Tyrone County Council had now indicated that they had acquired the necessary lands to proceed with the construction of Lifford Bridge and that a Conference between the Engineering Officers of the two County Councils would be held in the immediate future with a view to having the work put in hand at the earliest possible date.

320/60.

COUNTY HOME, STRANGLAR:

The Council noted the following report in regard to the County Home and approved of the necessary expenditure for the provision of storage heaters for the coming winter:-

"For some time, proposals for major improvement works at the County Home, Stranclar, have been under consideration and have been the subject of correspondence and discussion with the Department of Health.

Some improvement works have been carried out but further works have been suspended pending the approval of the final plans for major improvements. The estimated cost of these improvements is £120,550. There will be accommodation for 198 patients. The estimated cost will, therefore, work out at approximately £610 per bed.

The grant available for improvement works at County Homes is 50% of the loan charges, subject to a limit of expenditure of £500 per bed. The Council will have to bear the full loan charges on any amount expended in excess of £500 per bed.

Pending the carrying out of major improvements which includes the provision of heating plant, it is proposed to instal storage heaters for the coming winter. A tender in the sum of £243. 9s. 6d. for the wiring in connection with the installation of heaters has been received. Enquiries are being made to ascertain the cost of providing heaters. It has been suggested to the Department that this work should be financed from Revenue and allowed to rank for Health Service Grant. The Department have replied that this installation is regarded as a Capital improvement and that the expenditure, if made from Revenue, could not rank for Health Service Grant, but that in order to assist the financing of the work no objection would be raised to charging the expenditure involved to the loan which will be required for the comprehensive scheme at the County Home. The loan charges will be recoupable on the approved basis. It will be seen, however, that as it is anticipated that the cost of the comprehensive scheme will exceed the amount on which the Department will be prepared to recoup loan charges, this decision means that, in effect, the Council will bear the full cost of the provision of the storage heaters.

The Department also state, with regard to the limit of £500 per bed fixed for the recoupment of loan charges, that the Minister has at present insufficient information to establish that this limit is inadequate, as schemes generally have not yet reached a sufficiently advanced stage to enable any conclusion as to the average cost to be arrived at. The representations of the Donegal County Council in the matter will, however, be borne in mind if and when the question arises".

It was also decided that a special Meeting of the General Purposes Committee should be held in the County Home to consider the proposed scheme for major improvements in the institution.

321/60.

MUFF WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The Manager stated that agreement had been made with the Londonderry Rural District Council in connection with the provision of a water supply in Muff. In the account submitted under the agreement, there was a claim for a sum of £123. 15s. 11d. in respect of administrative charges. This was not a usual feature in claims by one local authority on another, but on enquiry, it was ascertained that it is the custom for local authorities to include a sum for administrative charges in respect of agreements of this nature. In these circumstances, it was agreed to pay the amount claimed.

The Council approved of the County Manager's proposal.

322/60. REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1960:

On the proposition of Councillor Muldoon, it was decided to defer until the next meeting, consideration of the report of the Special Meeting of the General purposes Committee on the comprehensive proposals for water supply and Sewerage schemes, and in the meantime, the canvass of the various areas was to proceed.

323/60. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER, 1960:

The report of the General purposes Committee Meeting held on the 19th September, 1960 was adopted, subject to the following:-

Item 189/60 was referred back to the General purposes Committee on the request of Councillor P. McGowan.

Item 159/60 - Reception of Tenders:

It was decided on the suggestion of the Chairman, not to adopt this item, on the Manager's undertaking that the proposal would be implemented informally for a trial period of six months, after which a decision as to a permanent adoption could be made.

324/60. REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1960:

The report of the Scholarships Committee Meeting held on the 12th day of August, 1960 was adopted, subject to the decision made by the Council in regard to the scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other approved Schools for year 1961 as set out in Minute No. 310/60.

325/60. REPORT OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH SEPT., 1960:

The report of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee Meeting held on the 12th day of September, 1960 was adopted.

326/60. COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Louis Walsh:-

"What is the number of the proposed medical staff for the new County Hospital, Letterkenny?"

REPLY: The following medical staff have been approved for the County Hospital, Letterkenny:-

<u>Medical Staff.</u>	<u>Visiting Staff.</u>
County Surgeon..... (1)	Orthopaedic Surgeon..... (1)
County Physician (1)	Ophthalmic Surgeon..... (1)
Anaesthetist..... (1)	E. N. T. Surgeon..... (1)
Obstetrician-Gynaecologist..... (1)	Radiologist..... (1)
(temporary for one year).	
Resident Surgical Officer..... (1)	Paediatrician..... (1)
House Surgeon..... (1)	
House Physician..... (1)	
Physiotherapist..... (1)	
Radiographers..... (2)	
Laboratory Technician..... (1)	

327/60. COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Louis Walsh:-

"The number of Nurses required; number of domestic staff required; number of beds and cots for patients and the number of such beds and cots at present vacant".

REPLY: The proposed Nursing Staff of the Hospital is as follows:-

Matron.....	(1)
Assistant Matron.....	(1)
Nursing Sisters.....	(4)
Nurses.....	(28)

The number of Domestic Staff required has not yet been determined -
(1) Kitchen Superintendent and (1) Cook have been approved for the Hospital.

Particulars of accommodation are as follows:-

Surgical beds	46.
Medical Beds.....	24.
Maternity beds.....	25.
Childrens' beds.....	16.

328/60. ROAD WORKERS' HOLIDAYS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"Will the Council make arrangements that the road workers can get their holidays during the summer, as many of these men are living on small holdings and spend their holidays saving their hay or other crop?"

REPLY: It is not in the best interest of the Council to allow the workers their annual leave in the Summer. The tarring programme which forms a large proportion of the road work to be done, can only be carried out in the summer months and it is found extremely difficult to get it completed in time. The annual leave given in September over the past number of years has generally coincided with the harvest time.

329/60. INSPECTIONS OF PUBLIC SANITARY CONVENIENCES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"Does the Council carry out regular inspections of Public Sanitary Conveniences throughout the county, and is there a report available on such inspections?"

REPLY: Inspections of Public Sanitary Conveniences are carried out by the Assistant County Engineers as part of their duties. Reports on such inspections are not made.

330/60. EXTENSION OF KILGAR WATER SUPPLY TO CASTLECARN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"When will the Kilgar water supply be extended to the townland of Castlecarn?"

REPLY: When a canvass was carried out in this area a few years ago, the results were very poor. Only five Agreement Forms were completed. It is not proposed to proceed with the extension.

331/60. COST OF HIRE OF MACHINERY ON ROAD WORK:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

- (a) "What was the approximate amount of money paid to all machinery, lorries, tractors etc. employed on roadwork and drainage in the county during the three years ending 31/3/1960?"
- (b) "The amount of money paid to machinery, lorries, tractors etc., owned by this County Council during the same period?"

REPLY: (a) This information is not readily available and could not be abstracted from the Council's accounts in the time available. The information will be prepared and forwarded to the Councillor as soon as possible.

(b)	Year 1957/58	£149,745.
	Year 1958/59	£150,370.
	Year 1959/60	£133,696.

332/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"Is the same type of applicant eligible for S.I. houses at present, as was when the scheme was initiated?"

REPLY: The following is the Scheme approved by the Council for the erection of S.I. Cottages:-

S. I. Cottages are erected for married persons with families (residing in rural areas in the County where no Housing Schemes are in progress or contemplated) who are in urgent need of housing accommodation and come within the following categories:-

- (1) Small holders whose valuation does not exceed £5 and who work for hire at some season of the year;
- (2) County Council Roadworkers;
- (3) Farm Labourers employed on the land;
- (4) In special circumstances, small holders who work for hire at some season of the year even if the land valuation slightly exceeds £5.

This scheme was adopted by the Council at their Meeting on the 16th March, 1959. Minute No. 32/59 refers. No change has been made since that date.

333/60. SHEEP DIPPING:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Lonnell:-

"What was the number of certificates issued in respect of sheep dipped in this County last year?"

REPLY: The number of Certificates issued in respect of sheep dipped in the County last year was 4,371.

334/60. SHEEP DIPPING:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"What brands of dips are supplied by the County Council for sheep dipping?"

REPLY: Gamatox single type dip is provided by the Council.

335/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATHS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Lonnell:-

"How many sheep dipping baths, built by this County Council, are in the county?"

REPLY: The total number of sheep dipping baths in the County is 212, of which 186 were financed wholly by the Council.

336/60. BALLYSHANNON/ROSSNOWLAGH ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Robert A. Anderson:-

- (a) "When is it expected to continue work on Ballyshannon-Rossnowlagh road?"
(b) "What route is being taken and what distance?"

REPLY: (a) This work is expected to commence in early October.

(b) The work will be re-commenced where discontinued last year and will be extended along the main Rossnowlagh-Ballyshannon road for a distance of approximately $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles.

337/60. COST OF CLEANING SLUICE GATES AT INNISFAD, ROSSNOWLAGH:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Robert A. Anderson:-

- (a) "What was the cost in last financial year to maintain and clean sluice gates at Innisfad, Rossnowlagh?"
(b) "What steps does the County Engineer intend to take to reduce this amount?"

REPLY: (a) The cost of maintaining and cleaning sluice gates in the last year was £72 approximately.

(b) With regard to reducing this amount, these gates are not cleaned unless the County Council roads are flooded or County Council property is otherwise endangered as a result of flooding. The cost of this depends on the weather and the tides and it can not be stated with any degree of certainty that the amount spent this year will be less than last year.

338/60. ERECTION OF LIGHT AT BALLINTRA:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Robert A. Anderson:-

"When will extra light be erected at Ballintra?"

REPLY: A proposal to provide an extra light at Ballintra was considered by the Council at meeting held on the 7th March, 1960. It was pointed out at the meeting that there was no provision in the Estimates for additional lights, and it was agreed to refer the Motion to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the preparation of Estimates for next year. (Minute No. 43/60 refers).

339/60. ERECTION OF CATTLE PENS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Robert A. Anderson:-

"What is this Council's attitude to the erection of Cattle Pens, or some suitable division in Fair Greens with regard to the present T.B. eradication regulations?"

REPLY: Approval has now been received from the Department of Agriculture to the holding of fairs in various towns throughout the County. Arrangements have also been made to assist the Department of Agriculture Officers in the segregation of cattle at these fairs. These arrangements do not involve the provision of cattle pens.

340/60. CLYMORE WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

(a) "What is the present position about Clymore Water Supply? ;

(b) "When is it proposed to have the work on this supply completed?"

REPLY: (a) Provision of this supply has been held up for a considerable time pending delivery of a water meter. The suppliers are being pressed to expedite this.

(b) On the assumption that this fitting will come to hand within a week or so the supply could be available at the Battery shortly after that and at the Housing Scheme a couple of weeks later. The actual tapping of the mains will be done by Irvinestown Rural District Council and it is presumed that they will be in a position to do the work shortly after the meter referred to arrives.

341/60. INSPECTION IN KILLEEN AND HIGGINSTOWN AREAS FOR A WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"What is the result of the inspection in the Killen and Higginstown areas for a water supply?"

REPLY: The most of the Higginstown area is located at a level which would render a gravity supply from the Ballyshannon scheme impossible. The number of houses in the area would not render a pumping scheme economic.

As regards Killen, a very long extension from the town would be required in this case and the number of houses in the area would not render this economic. Pumping would have to be resorted to for part of the Killen area.

342/60. ERECTION OF SIGNS AT BALLYSHANNON BRIDGE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"When is it proposed to erect proposed signs at Ballyshannon Bridge?"

REPLY: Road signs for erection at Bridgend, Ballyshannon are on order and will be erected as soon as delivered. Temporary signs have been erected pending their arrival.

343/60. ALLOCATION OF MONEY TO MR. McSHANE'S DISTRICT:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"How much money was allocated to Mr. McShane's (Asst. County Engineer) district since 1st October, 1959 and how was it spent:

- (a) How much was allocated to each "Travelling Ganger's district and how was it spent? ;
- (b) How many people were employed and for how long? ;
- (c) How much was spent on materials in each district? ;
- (d) How much was spent on lorries in each district? ;
- (e) How much was spent on tractors in each district and how many weeks was each tractor employed?"

REPLY: The information required is not readily available. It is being abstracted from the Council's records and will be forwarded to the Councillor as soon as it is completed.

344/60. COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

I understand that before a patient is treated in the County Hospital, Letterkenny, a Practitioner's certificate must be produced: "Must this procedure be followed in the event of a serious accident?"

REPLY: The following article of the General Institutional and Specialist Services Regulations 1954, covers the point raised in the question:-

7. (1) Institutional services under section 15 of the Act may be made available by a health authority by providing such services in the health institutions maintained by that authority, or by making arrangements under section 10 of the Act for the provision of such services in other institutions.
- (2) Except in a case of urgent necessity, institutional services shall not be made available under section 15 of the Act save where the person to obtain the services is referred for such services by a registered medical practitioner who certifies that the person needs such services.

345/60.

ALLOCATION OF MONEY IN LETTERKENNY ELECTORAL AREA:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"what is the current year's allocation under the five year plan for "County Road" repair and reconstruction in the Letterkenny Electoral area?"

How much of this is being spent in the:-

- (a) Letterkenny Rural District;
- (b) Manorcunningham District;
- (c) Drunkeen District.

REPLY: There is no specific allocation under the Five Year Plan for County Roads in Electoral areas. Works under this plan cut across Electoral area and Electoral division boundaries.

The Letterkenny Electoral Area is made up of thirty Electoral divisions and comprises the major portions of the Stranorlar Assistant County Engineer's district and the Lifford Assistant County Engineer's district together with a portion of the Milford Assistant County Engineer's district.

The amount being spent in the Letterkenny Electoral area in each of these districts is:-

Stranorlar A. C. E.'s district.....	£20,300.
Lifford " "	£19,934.
Milford " "	£5,911.
Making a total of	<u>£ 46,145.</u>

The amount being spent in the Letterkenny rural Electoral division is nil. In the Manorcunningham Electoral division it is approximately £3,000.

There is no Electoral division of Drunkeen, which is in the Electoral division of Convoys and in this Electoral Division, £2,530 is to be spent.

346/60.

COST OF SHEEP DIPPING SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

- (a) What was the total cost of the 1959 Sheep Dipping Scheme?
- (b) What was the Department's contribution?
- (c) How much was collected from Sheep Owners?
- (d) How much was paid to Dipping Inspectors?
- (e) How much was paid for dip and what price was it per gal.?
- (f) How many sheep were dipped?"

REPLY:

- (a) The total cost of Sheep Dipping Scheme for year 1958/59 was £2,875. 1s. 9d.
- (b) The Grant payable by the Department of Agriculture in respect of the year is £1,314. 19s. 5d.
- (c) Fees collected from Sheep owners amounted to £245. 2s. 11d.
- (d) wages paid to Sheep Dipping Inspectors were £1,484. 18s. 2d.
- (e) The amount paid for Sheep Dip was £120. 2s. 6d. at 2s. 7d. per packet.
- (f) The total number of sheep dipped was 261,751.

347/60. WHITECROSS ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Seamus MacRuidhrigh:-

- (a) "How many men were employed at surfacing of Whitecross Road between Annagry and Ranelagh?"
- (b) How many days were spent on surfacing operations?
- (c) What amount of Grant was paid out in wages?
- (d) Cost of road materials, gravel, chips, etc.?
- (e) Cost of transport of materials and cost of road machinery?"

REPLY:

- (a) An average of eight men were employed at surfacing.
- (b) Twenty days.
- (c) £105. 15s. 9d.
- (d) £298. 10s. 0d.
- (e) £178. 10s. 0d.

348/60. RECONSTRUCTION OF MAIN BURTONPORT-CROOLY ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Seamus MacRuidhrigh:-

- (a) "When is it expected to have reconstruction of Main Burtonport-Crooly road completed?"
- (b) Pending completion of reconstruction, will repairs to road surface be carried out at Meenaleck, Annagry Village and outskirts, Calhane and Glen Breat Belcruit?"
- (c) In connection with proposed reconstruction work, is it intended to take the necessary steps to prevent water from flowing on to, and submerging road at several places during high tides?"
- (d) Is it intended to remove dangerous bends on this road as part of the reconstruction scheme?"

REPLY:

- (a) A Tourist grant is scheduled for this road in the current year and for the next following three years if Tourist Grants are continued over that period. It is estimated that five years will be required to complete the road to Crooly.
- (b) The worst sections of this road which are near Annagry Village, will be repaired and maintained as well as possible from the maintenance monies available until such time as they are reconstructed.
- (c) & Detailed plans will be prepared and submitted to the Local Government
- (d) Department in accordance with the standards laid down by that Department. These will be discussed and agreed with the Department before any work will be carried out. The question of raising the road level and the removal of dangerous bends will be taken care of in preparing these plans.

349/60. REPAIRS TO LOUGHANURE-MEENMARA ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Seamus MacRuaidhrigh:-

- (a) "Is it intended to carry out urgent repairs to Loughanure-Meenamara road?"
- (b) "Will immediate steps be taken to have the necessary repairs carried out to road from Belcruit N.S. through Belcruit mountain to Meenbanad?"
- (c) "Is it intended to carry out repairs to Annagry-Meenacreeve road?"
- (d) "If it is proposed to put into proper repair the County road from Mallyghduff through Rannymul and Lrumsnart to Gate House at Kerrytown?"

REPLY:

- (a) This road will be repaired as far as the maintenance monies allowed by the Council will permit. It will not, however, be possible to carry out any major improvements as the road is not listed for a grant nor is it in the current Five Year Plan.
- (b) The road from Belcruit N.S. to Meenbanad County Road No. 867 will be repaired as early as possible. This is a difficult road to maintain.
- (c) This road Map No. 871 will be repaired as soon as possible.
- (d) The county road from Mallyghduff to the gatehouse at Kerrytown Map No. 868 is difficult to maintain as it has a weak foundation and requires a great deal of strengthening. The maintenance monies available will not go far in this type of work but we will do our best to put it in order.

350/60. ROAD FROM KILMACRENNAN THROUGH GLENVEIGH TO GWEEDORE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Samuel Baxter:-

"To ask the County Engineer what is the position with regard to the road leading from Kilmacrennan through Glenveigh to Gweedore?"

REPLY: The roads referred to are as follows:-

L.77 No. 808; L.77 No. 807; L.82 No.729; L.82 No.728;
L.82 No.727; and L.82 No.805.

Approximately three miles of this road at the Kilmacrennan end is now rolled in gravel and surface dressed to its original width of 15'. Between the end of this section and the tar section of road No. 805 in Dunlewy there is also ten miles of unrolled road. It is proposed to spend £1,500 approximately, this year, out of the Main Road Maintenance monies to improve a further stretch.

351/60. LETTERBARROW-DYMBARTY ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"Will the County Engineer state the amount of money spent on the Letterbarrow-Dymbarty road in the past twelve months?"

REPLY: This road is County Road No. 1724. It is not possible to say what exactly was spent on any particular road as the expenditure would be entered under the County Road Maintenance Group only. In the normal course of events the road would have been repaired at least twice in the past twelve months.

352/60.

DONEGAL OLD ABBEY BURIAL GROUND:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"will the County Medical Officer of Health state the following in connection with the closing of the Old Abbey, Donegal:-

- (a) In what way was the closing advertised?
- (b) what is the present position as far as owners of graves are concerned?"

REPLY: The notice of the holding of an Inquiry by the Minister for Local Government into the closing of the Old Abbey Burial Ground was published in Irish Official and posters were displayed outside the places of public worship in the parish of Donegal.

Persons who wish to claim burial rights may do so by completing the prescribed form and, in fact, 150 persons did so and verified their claims on oath at the Inquiry. Any forms received after the date of the Inquiry have been forwarded to the Department of Local Government for attention.

353/60.

LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Peter Dunning:-

"when is it intended to have Lough Mourne water Supply Scheme extended to Gessaghoneill Church and Parochial House etc. as passed by this County Council some months ago?"

REPLY: This extension has been sanctioned and I hope to put the work in hands within the next week.

354/60.

ERECTION OF LIGHT AT MILL BRAE, STRANORLAR:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Peter Dunning:-

According to Minutes of Meeting held on 7th December, 1959 - Minute No. 512/59:

"what was the report of Finance Committee regarding the erection of light at Mill Brae, Stranorlar?"

REPLY: No provision was made in the Estimates for the current year. The Finance Committee decided, when considering estimates for the current year, that no provision should be made for additional lights.

355/60.

CARRIGANS WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"what is present position re Carrigans water Supply - when will tenders be invited?"

REPLY: Before the Carrigans water Supply Scheme can be proceeded with, the limits of the Lough Mourne Scheme must be defined. With a view to determining the limits of the scheme, house counts etc., have been carried out and a report on the matter will be submitted to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee. When this report has been considered, the full design of the Carrigans Scheme will be proceeded with.

It would not be possible at this stage to give the date on which tenders are likely to be invited.

356/60. MUFF WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"When will work on Muff water Supply commence - will there be an extension to Ture?"

REPLY: Arrangements are being made to commence the work on Muff water Supply as soon as possible.

An extension to Ture is not included in the proposal.

357/60. CONDITION OF McBRIDE STREET, RAPHOE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor William R. Buchanan:-

(a) "Is the County engineer aware that McBride St., Raphoe is in a deplorable condition; and

(b) will he state when it is intended to tar macadam this roadway?"

REPLY:

(a) While McBride Street, Raphoe, is in fair condition compared with many other County roads, as a town street it could be improved by re-surfacing.

(b) The cost of re-surfacing in tar-grouted macadam would be about £500. It was intended to resurface it out of E.S.V. grant this year, as two other streets in the town had been done in previous years. Unfortunately there is no E.S.V. grant for Raphoe this year. It will be considered in the estimates for County Road Repairs next year.

358/60. COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-

"In the interests of people requiring piped water supply, would the Council please make a comprehensive statement, in simple language, explaining the programme now being envisaged by this Council:

- (a) Regional;
- (b) Semi-Regional;
- (c) Local Co-op."

REPLY The comprehensive waterworks report which was issued gives a full resume of the proposals and the names of the various schemes which will be considered are given there. The List consists of Class A schemes which are definitely economic and Class B Schemes which may or may not prove economic but would be investigated, and Class C Schemes which consist of economic extensions and Class D schemes which are extensions which would not be economic but might be done on a local co-operative basis. The carrying out of the work would in general be conditional on the satisfactory canvass of all householders and this would be carried out in the very near future.

359/60. INDEBTEDNESS OF COUNCIL:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-
"Further to my question re indebtedness of Council as at 1st April, 1960:
"would the Council now state the indebtedness as at the 1st April,
1955; 1950; 1945; 1940; 1935?"

REPLY: The following are particulars of the indebtedness of the Council as on the dates indicated:-

1. 4. 1935.....	£292,422.
1. 4. 1940.....	£480,895.
1. 4. 1945.....	£450,004.
1. 4. 1950.....	£515,330.
1. 4. 1955.....	£1,771,717.
1. 4. 1960.....	£3,162,694.

360/60. ERECTION OF DISPENSARIES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-
Having decided in 1957 to build dispensaries in Convooy, Manorcunningham, and Killygordon and which have not yet been built:
"would the Council state what cost this amounted to and why this decision was not carried out; are plans abandoned or just postponed; when, if at all, do you intend to commence work?"

REPLY: The proposal to provide dispensaries at Convooy, Manorcunningham and Killygordon was deferred as grants ceased to be payable in respect of works of this nature. The lowest tender received for erection of a dispensary at Convooy was £1,860. 2s. 0d. This price was considered too high.

No provision has been made in the current year's estimates for provision of dispensaries.

361/60. RAPHOE HOUSING SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-
Arising out of your reply to me regarding the proposed building of Labourers Cottages on plot of ground now being used as play-ground at St. Lunan's Terrace, Raphoe:

"Do the Council agree that this decision is inconsistent with safety regulations and definitely against the interests of health?"

The following statement was submitted by the County Manager:-

"In June, 1959 a proposal by the Council to erect six houses on the undeveloped portion of the housing site at Raphoe was submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval. In letter 19/8/1959, the Department of Local Government wrote, pointing out that if these houses were located on the part of the site which was left as a playground, a substantial part of the cost of the new road and the water and sewerage extensions would be avoided. Examination of this suggestion showed that there would be a saving of approximately £80 per house if the houses were built on the playground and it was, therefore, decided to erect them there.

361/60. RAPHOE HOUSING SCHEME (CONTINUED):

The existing tenants now object to the erection of the six houses on the playground.

In 1959, complaints were received by the Rent Collector from two of the tenants in the Raphoe Housing Scheme, in which they objected to the playground being used as a football field. There would not appear to be any difficulty in providing an alternative playground in the undeveloped portion of the site, the area of which is 3 acres. 1rd. 18pers. and which is present let to the 1/11/1960 on the eleven months system."

362/60. ERECTOR OF LABOURERS COTTAGES IN ST. JOHNSTON:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-

"Having decided in 1953 to build ten (10) Labourers Cottages in St. Johnston, which has not yet been built, would the Council state why and when it is intended to build, if at all?"

REPLY: A proposal to erect 6 houses at St. Johnston was submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval. The Department directed that before proceeding further with the scheme an up-to-date survey should be made. The results of this survey which have recently come to hand show that five applicants are in need and are anxious for re-housing.

363/60. STREET LIGHTING IN BALLINRAIT:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-

- (a) "Have the Council included street lighting for Ballinrait in their estimates for next year?"
- (b) "Has an estimate been sought from the Electricity Supply Board yet?"

REPLY: The estimates for next year have not yet been prepared. Several proposals for the provision of Public Lighting will be considered by the Finance Committee in connection with the estimates.

364/60. LIFFORD BRIDGE:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-

"Would the Council make a statement regarding the proposed new bridge to span the river Foyla between Strabane and Lifford?"

REPLY: In connection with this question, the position had already been outlined by the County Manager. (Minutes No. 319/60 refers).

365/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SCHEME:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick Harte:-

"Is it the Council's intentions to extend Lough Mourne water Scheme:

- (a) from Raphoe to Newtowncunningham via Manorcunningham;
- (b) from Porthall to Carrigans via St. Johnston and Churchtown?"

REPLY:

(a) Proposals for water supplies for Newtowncunningham and Manorcunningham are included in the comprehensive waterworks report and the possibility of a similar regional scheme which would embrace an area around these villages would also be investigated. The source is not at present known but one possibility which would be investigated is a Lough Mourne extension from Raphoe.

(b) It is proposed to extend the Lough Mourne Scheme from Porthall to Carrigans via St. Johnston and Coxtown and there would probably be a spur to Churchtown.

366/60. LIFFORD HOSPITAL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the names of Councillors Patterson, Buchanan, Cunningham, Lunnion, Harte, McGlinchey and McGowan, was proposed by Councillor P. Harte and seconded by Councillor B. McGlinchey:-

"That Lifford Hospital be retained for medical, maternity and minor surgical cases for at least two years from the date of the opening of the new County Hospital, Letterkenny".

(Deferred at Meeting of Council held on 13/7/1960. (Minute 216/60 refers).

There was a lengthy discussion in which Councillors Harte, McGlinchey, Cunningham, McGowan, Lunnion, Deery, Patterson, Buchanan, McKelney, Harkin, McKerry, Muldoon, Gallagher and Walsh participated.

As an amendment to the motion, it was proposed by Councillor J. McKelney, and seconded by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"That Lifford hospital be retained for medical, maternity and minor surgical cases for one year from the 1st October, 1960".

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

For the amendment: Councillors Anderson, Leeney, Deery, Liver, Scherty, Lunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McKelney, McKerry, Kelly, O'Connell and Walsh. 13.

Against the amendment Councillors Baxter, Haney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacAusidhrigh, O'Donnell, Patterson and Muldoon. 12.

The Council decided that Lifford Hospital should remain open for one year from the 1st October, 1960.

367/60. OTHER BUSINESS:

It was decided to adjourn the remaining items on the agenda until Monday, 10th October, 1960 at 11.30 a.m.

The Meeting then terminated.

Adopted.
Thomas Walsh
Chairman.
Set _____

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY
COUNCIL HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1960.

368/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Liver, Loherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Harbin, Harte, Kelly, McElaney, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, Macraoidhrigh, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Ginneide, M. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, and Patterson.

369/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; E. F. Multy, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer, and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

370/60. DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER - ARRANMORE ISLAND:

The County Manager stated that following the resolution passed by the Council at a recent meeting, the Department of Health had indicated that the Minister would be prepared to approve of the payment by way of inducement allowance, of a sum of £300 over the prescribed salary scale for District Medical Officers in respect of District Medical Officer, Arranmore Dispensary District.

Proposed by: Councillor S. O'Ginneide,

Seconded by: Councillor S. Patterson

AND RESOLVED: That the Council consent to the payment of an inducement allowance of £300 in addition to the prescribed salary scale for District Medical Officer, Arranmore Island.

371/60. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE FOOTWEAR SCHEME 1960/61:

The County Manager reported that the Department of Social Welfare had indicated that they were not prepared to accede to the Council's request to operate the Footwear Scheme for year 1960/61 on the same basis as last year. The Department insisted that the terms of Circular H.A. 8/60 be observed.

The manager gave examples illustrating the effects of implementing the terms of Circular H.A. 8/60, and after some discussion, it was decided that the Minister should again be requested to permit the Council to operate the Public Assistance Footwear Scheme on the same basis as last year.

372/60. TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION:

On the proposition of Councillor Gallagher, the Council decided to congratulate the people of Glenties on winning the Tidy Towns Competition for the third time, and the people of Greencastle on their success, in their class, for the second time.

373/60. REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 10/8/1960:

The report of special meeting of General Purposes Committee held on the 10th day of August, 1960 in regard to water and Sewerage Schemes was, after a short discussion, adopted.

374/60. PROVISION OF PUBLIC WEIGHBRIDGE AT MILFORD:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Elaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration:-

"That the Council proceed with the provision of a public weighbridge at Milford".

In addition, it was agreed to refer to the Finance Committee, the question of providing a loading ramp at Milford.

375/60. HIRING OF MACHINERY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan was proposed and seconded:-

"That the Council examine the whole question of hiring machinery".

The motion was discussed at length, Councillors McGowan, McGlinchey, Cunningham, Muldoon, MacDaidrigh and Dunnion participating in the discussion.

The County Engineer replied to the various points raised, and as an amendment to the motion, it was proposed by Councillor S. Baxter and seconded by Councillor P. Kelly:

"That having heard the County Engineer's observations on the points raised in the discussion, no further action be taken".

On a show of hands, the amendment was carried, 15 voting for and 5 against.

376/60. DERELICT SITES:

The following Notice of Motions standing in the names of Councillors Patrick McGowan and Patrick Harte respectively were proposed and seconded:-

"That the Council enforce its powers to have derelict buildings in the county removed".

"That this Council exercise more rigidly the acquisition of derelict sites as provided for in 1940 Act".

After a short discussion, it was agreed that the Minister for Local Government should be asked to expedite the introduction of new legislation for Derelict Sites.

377/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR COTTAGES IN MULLINS, DONEGAL TOWN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the names of Councillors Christopher Gallagher and Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report.

"That this Council connect the Old Cottages in Mullins, Donegal Town, with the water and sewerage scheme".

378/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimate for year 1961/62:-

"That the Council erect street lights at the following points:

- Ballybofey: (4) one in Navenny Lane; three between Ard-mc-Carron and Harry Reid's corner, Ballinamona;
- Stranorlar: (2) at Mill Brae, Stranorlar;
- Convoy: (1) at Bartley's, Convooy;
- Crossroads: (3) between Catholic Church and the bridge, Crossroads;
- Raphoe: (4) one at Guest House Street; one at William Street; one at McBride Street; one at Meeting House Street;
- Castlefin: (1) at Millburn road, Castlefin".

379/60. ANNUAL HOLIDAYS FOR ROADWORKERS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, it was decided that the County Engineer should examine the possibility of staggering the period for annual leave in each of the Assistant County Engineer's districts:-

"That the roadworkers of Donegal be given their annual holidays during the months of July and August".

380/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey was proposed and seconded:-

"That Donegal County Council pay Supplementary grants in the Urban areas of this county".

After a discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Sean O'Ginnside and seconded by Councillor Samuel Baxter:

"That the Donegal County Council should not pay Supplementary grants in the Urban areas of the county"

A vote was taken with the following result:-

For Councillor Sean O'Ginnside's amendment:

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Buchanan, Gallagher, Kelly, McEleney, McRory, MacRaidhrigh, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Ginnside, M. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, and Patterson. Total 14.

Against Councillor O'Ginnside's amendment:

Councillors Blaney, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Lunnion, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey and McGowan. Total 10.

The Chairman declared Councillor McGlinchey's motion lost.

381/60. SHEEP DIPPING:

The following Notice of Motions were proposed and seconded:-

Notice of Motion standing in name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell:

"That this County Council do not enforce the Order compelling sheep owners to pay a levy of a penny per head for Certificates issued in respect of sheep dipping"

Notice of Motion standing in name of Councillor James McHenry:

"That the charge of one penny per head to owners of sheep, who dip with their own dip, be discontinued".

Notice of Motion standing in name of Councillor Seamus MacRuidhrigh:

"That the recent Sheep Dipping Regulations, whereby sheep owners who carry out their own dipping operations have to pay a levy to Dipping Inspectors, should be abolished".

Notice of Motion standing in name of Councillor Patrick Harte:

"That this Council discontinue the paltry charge now being enforced on farmers in respect to sheep dipping".

It was agreed that the Minister for Agriculture should be requested to amend the regulations for the 1960 season to eliminate the charge of one penny per head in respect of sheep dipped at private baths.

It was also directed that if the Minister acceded to the Council's request, persons who had already paid in respect of dippings at private baths, should be refunded the amounts collected."

382/60.

S. I. COTTAGE FOR PATRICK HAUGHEY OF BOGAGH, CARRICK:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed to ask the County Manager to re-examine this case with a view to granting the application if possible:-

"That this Council build an S.I. cottage for Patrick Haughey of Bogagh, Carrick".

383/60.

PRINCIPAL ROAD IN CRUIT ISLAND:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Sean O'Ciinneide, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed to adopt the County Engineer's report as follows:-

Motion: "Go a_lacfar le príomhbhóthar Oiléan na Cruite mar bhóthar condá".

("That the principal road in Cruit Island be declared a County Road")

383/60. PRINCIPAL ROAD IN CRUIT ISLAND (CONTINUED):

Engineer's Report:

"This road is 5,900 yards long and is of considerable local importance. The major portion of it, 5,000 yards in length was reconstructed in gravel and tarred under a Gaeltacht Authorization Grant last year at a cost of £2,500. Before this portion of the road can be considered as completed, it will require to be tarred a second time and the cost of this would be £950. The cost of improving the remaining 900 yards of this road to the same standard would be £630. Therefore, a sum of £1,580 would be required to complete the road.

While I would be inclined to recommend the taking over of this road as a county road, the question of obtaining additional Gaeltacht Grants for it should be considered. The policy over the last couple of years has been to place these grants only on roads which are not County roads. By making this road a County Road, you may be jeopardising the chances of getting additional grants on it. I would suggest that in the meantime the matter be deferred and a further grant be asked for this road from *Coimn na Gaeltachta*".

384/60. GRANT FOR LEINAGOWRA-MEENACROSS ROAD:

The following Notice of motion stand in the name of Councillor Sean O'Connell, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"Go n-iarrair ar Innealtóir na Coimnse, iarraidh ar Coimn na Gaeltachta deontas saith a thabhairt don Bhealsch o Leim a'Chabhra go Min a Croise"

("That County Engineer be instructed to ask the Gaeltacht Department for a special grant for the Leimagowra-Meenacross road")

385/60. WINCH ON BOATSLIP AT WHITEPORT, LOUGHROSS POINT:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Sean O'Connell, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that arrangements are being made to have the existing winch repaired:-

"Go gcuirfear crann tochairte ar an Fhanan ag White Port, Poinnte Luachrais".

(That Council erect a new winch on boatslip at Whiteport, Loughross Point).

386/60. ERECTION OF HOUSES IN DONEGAL TOWN:

The following Notice of motion standing in the name of Councillors Frank Muldoon and Christopher Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the Manager would have a definite proposal for the erection of houses in Donegal Town considered at the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee:-

"That this Council proceed with the erection of a further number of houses in Donegal Town".

387/60. ASSISTANT ENGINEER'S DISTRICTS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Manager for report:-

"That this Council consider altering the Assistant Engineer's districts in the Killybegs-Donegal area".

388/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLYSHANNON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That an extra light be provided in Ballyshannon, in Threemall Street on the pole at the entry to Gildea's house".

389/60. FAIRS AND MARKETS:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon in regard to provision of facilities to enable sales to be carried out under the new Department of Agriculture regulations was not moved.

390/60. ROAD FROM THE WARREN HOTEL TO SAND HOUSE HOTEL, ROSSNOGLAUGH:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert A. Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, the following report from the County Engineer was noted:-

"This road (County road No. 2043) is not on the Five Year Plan. Available maintenance money will not permit widening and re-surfacing".

391/60. ERECTION OF SIGN-POSTS BY THE PRIARY AND TEA-ROOMS, ROSSNOGLAUGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert A. Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that sign-posts are ordered for erection by the Priary and Tea-rooms, Rossnoglough:-

"That sign-posts be erected by the Priary and Tea-rooms, Rossnoglough".

392/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Council consider making a water supply available to the village of Newtowncunningham, from Ardagh Lough, or the old reservoir at Killea".

393/60. ADDITIONAL LIGHT IN VILLAGE OF NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That an extra light be provided in the village of Newtowncunningham near the pump at Glackin's Shop".

394/60. CLONMANY SEWER:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney was proposed and seconded:-

"That temporary repairs be carried out to the old Clonmany sewer, which is at present causing grave inconvenience to a number of householders".

It was agreed to authorise expenditure of £10 on investigating the drain in question.

395/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION FROM CLARKE'S CORNER TO PORTHALL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor S. J. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Lough Mourne water main extension from Clarke's corner to Porthall be included in List "C".

396/60. EXTENSION OF LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY TO STRANORLAR PARISH CHURCH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the names of Councillors William Buchanan and Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Lough Mourne water Scheme be extended to Stranorlar Parish Church".

397/60. ROAD AT LAGAN CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY, SALLYBROCK, BANGORCUNNINGHAM:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor William Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, the following report from the County Engineer was noted:-

"This road which is a county road is not on the current Five Year Plan. It could be considered for inclusion when the next plan is being prepared. The maintenance monies available will not permit a major reconstruction work to be carried out".

398/60. CONVOY DISPENSARY AND NURSES' QUARTERS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor William Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the erection of Convoy Dispensary and Nurses' quarter be proceeded with in the immediate future".

399/60. ROAD FROM LISCOOLEY, CASTLEFIN, THROUGH DOOHAN FOUR ROADS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor William Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that there is no financial provision for the laying of these roads in tar macadam:-

"That the road leading from Liscooley, Castlefin, going through Doohan Four Roads and emerging at the dividing line between Lifford-Stranorlar districts be laid down in tar macadam".

400/60. MOVILLE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO COASTGUARD STATION:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Léver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That public water supply extension to Coastguard Station and Pier be included in the list of economic extensions to be carried out by the Council - Moville Water Supply".

401/60. RECONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF MAIN AND COUNTY ROADS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey was proposed and seconded:-

"That the reconstruction and repair of Main and County roads be handed over to private enterprise for one year".

After a discussion, it was proposed by Councillor G. Gallagher and seconded by Councillor M. O'Donnell:

"That the reconstruction of Main and County Roads should not be handed over to private enterprise".

On a show of hands, fourteen voted for Councillor Gallagher's amendment, and the Chairman declared Councillor McGlinchey's Motion lost.

402/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGE FOR JAMES GALLAN, MEENAGLAND, KILLYGORDON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunion, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that investigations in this case are proceeding:-

"That a Specific Instance Cottage be erected for James Gallan (Con), in the townland of Meenagland, Killygordon".

403/60. EXTENSION OF LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY TO SERVE FOURTEEN HOUSEHOLDERS IN TOWNLAND OF CIRCULLION, CASTLEFIN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That Lough Mourne water Supply Scheme be extended a distance of 270 yds. to serve 14 householders in the townland of Circullion, Castlefin".

404/60. ERECTION OF LIGHT AT MILL BURN, CASTLEFIN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/62:-

"To request the L.S.B. to erect a light at a dangerous turn in the town of Castlefin, known as the Mill Burn".

405/60. ROAD REPAIRS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Peter Dunion, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that repairs would be carried out to these roads as soon as possible:-

"That the roads from Liscooley to Doohan; McGowan's cottage through the townland of Lruncannon Crossroads, Killygordon; from Murray's Forge, Glendáin, through the townland of Sallywood; from John Quinn's past Glencovit National School; and road through the townland of Trusk, Ballybofey, be put into a reasonable state of repair".

406/60. ROAD FROM RASPART AT MEENDERRYOWEN TO OLD RAILWAY LINE AT ANNAGRY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Seamus Macraoidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that no money is available for the re-surfacing of this road:-

"That the County Road from Raspart at Meenderryowen to the Old Railway line at Annagry Mountain be re-surfaced".

407/60. PROVISION OF LIGHT ON BRUCKLESS PIER:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Christopher Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That the County Council provide a light on Bruckless Pier".

408/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

At the request of Councillor Liam Cunningham, the Motion standing in his name in regard to the issue of Medical Cards was adjourned to the next Meeting.

409/60. ROAD FROM COUNTY ROAD IN BALLINABOE, CLONMANY TO MICHAEL DOHERTY'S HOUSE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Manager for further examination:-

"That road of 20 perches from existing County Road in Ballinaboe, Clonmany, to end of road at Michael Doherty's house be declared a County Road".

410/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that investigations in these cases were continuing.

In the case of Anthony Campbell, Councillor Cunningham requested that the question of a site be taken up with the County Engineer and in the cases of Gerald Wilson and John Murphy, it was noted that the applications had been approved and that steps were being taken to have their cottages erected as soon as possible.

Motion: "That Specific Instance Houses be erected for the persons named hereunder:-

- (1) Anthony Campbell, Toulette, Speenoge;
- (2) John Glenn, Bonnewaine, Bridgend;
- (3) John McGrath, Baylett, Inch;
- (4) Gerald Wilson, Shrove, Greencastle;
- (5) John Murphy, Slavery, Bunrana.

411/60. ROAD FROM KILMAGYNNAN TO GWEDDRE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Samuel A. Baxter, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council ask the Tourist Board to include in their next Grants, a sum of money for repairing the road leading from Kilmagynnan to Gweddre through the Glenveigh District".

412/60. ROAD BETWEEN MILFORD QUAY AND KERRYKEEL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Samuel A. Baxter, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the County Engineer be instructed to do something to render the road passable between Milford Quay and Kerrykeel, where it passes through the townlands of Tirhomin, Gortnevern and Renny".

413/60. KNOCKALLA COAST ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the names of Councillors Harry Elaney, Samuel A. Baxter, John Harkin and Patrick Kelly was, at the request of the proposers, adjourned to the next Meeting:-

"That this Council include the Knockalla coast road in next year's road programme".

414/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR TERSON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Elaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That this Council provide a water supply for Terson".

415/60. CATTLE PENS ON COW HILL, MILFORD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Elaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That this Council erect cattle pens on the Cow Hill in Milford".

416/60. STRANGLAR FAIR GREEN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That the Council provide a Fair Green at Stranrlar".

417/60. MOUNTCHARLES WATER SUPPLY: EXTENSION TO GLENCOUGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Brian Macrory, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Mountcharles Water Supply be extended to supply the cottages at Glencough".

418/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING, MOUNTCHARLES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Brian Mackery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/62:-

"That three lights be provided on the approaches to the village of Mountcharles;

- (a) 1 at Lazy Bush;
- (b) 1 at Edrim road; and
- (c) 1 on the Old Road".

419/60. ROAD AT BALLYWEAL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Brian Mackery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:-

"That the road leading from the end of road at Ballyweal and going west towards Ballhill Hostel, be put in immediate repair".

420/60. SPEED LIMITS:

The following Notice of Motion, standing in the name of Councillor Patrick Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council pass a resolution requesting the Government to introduce speed-limits in built-up areas".

421/60. PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS:

Consideration of the following Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick Harte was deferred:-

"That this Council consider seriously, in the interests of safety, laying of pedestrian crossings".

422/60. SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE:

With reference to application from the Principal, Four Masters High School, Donegal, for representation on the Scholarships Committee, it was proposed by Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor McGlinchey and resolved;

That Mr. F. K. O'Cleary, Principal, Four Masters High School, Donegal, be appointed to the Scholarships Committee.

423/60. VALUATION ACTS:

Letter 12/8/1960 from General Council of County Councils stating that the Councils' motion in regard to Valuation Acts had been adopted by the County Councils' General Council and that Deputy Cunningham and Senator Walsh were appointed to interview the Minister in connection with the resolution was noted.

424/60. PASSENGER SERVICE BETWEEN RATHMULLAN AND GLASGOW:

The Council indicated their willingness to support any action taken by the Letterkenny Urban District Council with a view to procuring the introduction of a passenger shipping service between Rathmullan and Glasgow.

425/60. PRICE OF DRUGS AND MEDICINES:

The Council adopted the following resolution from Arklow Urban District Council in regard to above:-

"That we request that the Government hold an Inquiry into the prices of drugs and medicines as it is considered that at present the prices of these items are altogether too high in this Country especially when compared with the prices elsewhere. That a copy of this resolution be sent to all other local authorities and to each Deputy of Dail Eireann".

The Meeting then terminated.

Adopted
Tom Webb

Chairman

Date 28 Nov. 1960

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
THE 26TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1960.

426/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Walsh (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McKelney, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Ginneide, M. O'Donnell, P. O'Donnell, and Patterson.

427/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; Dr. M. McParland, County Medical Officer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

428/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Kelly, seconded by Councillor Anderson, the Minutes of Meetings of Donegal County Council held on the 27th day of September, 1960 and 10th October, 1960 were confirmed.

429/60. VOTES OF SYMPATHY:

On the proposal of the Chairmen, a vote of sympathy was passed with the relatives of the Irish Soldiers killed in the Congo.

On the proposal of the Chairmen, a vote of sympathy was passed with the relatives of the Fishermen who were lost off Owey Island.

On the proposal of Councillor P. O'Donnell, a vote of sympathy was passed with the relatives of the late Seamus McManus and with Councillor McRory. Councillor McRory thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy.

430/60. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) ACT 1956:

The Chairman stated that this matter had been discussed fully at the last meeting and had been deferred to enable the members to consider it, and he now proposed, unless there was an amendment, to put the proposal for the adoption of the Act, to the meeting.

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan;

Seconded by: Councillor McGlinchey;

"That the Donegal County Council hereby adopt Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act 1956 as from the 1st April, 1961".

A vote was taken with the following result:-

For the proposal: Councillors Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Ginneide, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 16.

Against the proposal: Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Dunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, Melly, M. O'Donnell and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 9.

Three Councillors, Buchanan, McKelney and McRory abstained from voting.

The Chairman declared the proposal carried.

431/60. ADDITIONAL CLERICAL OFFICER:

Arising out of the adoption of Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act 1956, the Manager referred to the report which he had circulated in the matter and stated that as set out in the report, it would be necessary to recruit an additional Clerical Officer in order to deal with the work.

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher,

Seconded by: Councillor McGowan,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council consent to the creation of an additional post of Clerical Officer".

432/60. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR - NO. 18 DISTRICT:

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey,

Seconded by: Councillor Gallagher,

AND RESOLVED: That, having regard to the nature of the duties of the office, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of these duties and the qualifications for the office, the person to be appointed to the office cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and such person is to be selected by vote of the Council.

The following report which had been circulated to the members of the Council was submitted:-

"It is regretted that through an error the name of William Matthew Quinn, Railway Street, Raphoe, was included in the list of applicants whom the Manager is prepared to certify as qualified for the post of Rate Collector - No. 18 District. This name should have read William Matthew Kelly, 82 Lower Main Street, Letterkenny.

The following are particulars of the applicants whom the Manager is prepared to certify as eligible for appointment:-

William Vincent Holmes, Drumoghill, Manorcunningham.

James E. Lynch, "Seaview", St. Catherine's Road, Killybegs.

Patrick J. Gallagher, Strakeenagh, Derrybeg.

Alphonsus Gallagher, 8 Port Road, Letterkenny.

Brian McDermott, Villa Carmel, Stranorlar.

James Gallinagh, C/o Mrs. Joe McGlynn, Carnsmuggagh.

William Matthew Kelly, 82 Lower Main Street, Letterkenny.

The Manager is unable to give the required certificate in respect of the following candidates for the reasons given:-

John Joseph Lynch, 146 Ard Donnell, Letterkenny:

Exceeds prescribed age limit.

James Patton, Glen House, Manorcunningham:

Did not attend for Oral Irish or written examinations.

James Scally, Milford, Letterkenny:

Not adjudged to have a competent knowledge of Irish.

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Gerard Doherty, Linnylinn, Inch P.O.:

Did not qualify in Educational Test.

William A. Devenney, Imlick, Carrigans:

Did not attend for Oral Irish or written examinations.

William Matthew Quinn, Railway Street, Raphoe:

Did not attend for Oral Irish or written examinations.

Kevin O'Doherty, 99 Ard O'Donnell Tce., Letterkenny:

Did not qualify in Educational Test."

Councillor McGlinchey proposed that Mr. Kevin O'Doherty, 99 Ard O'Donnell Tce., Letterkenny, be regarded as qualified for appointment. He pointed out that Mr. O'Doherty had passed the examination in connection with the appointment of a Rate Collector in 1957 and on the strength of that examination, he had been accepted as qualified for a similar appointment in 1958. He considered that Mr. O'Doherty was qualified for the post and had, in fact, been accepted by the Council on two previous occasions as being qualified. Councillor McGlinchey's proposal was seconded by Councillor M. O'Donnell.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Gallagher and seconded by Councillor Harte, that all of the applicants for the post except the applicant who exceeds the prescribed age limit and those who did not attend for examination be regarded as qualified.

The County Manager stated that under the terms of Circular E. L. 7/52 of the 23rd June, 1952, he was required to inform the Council of any applicant who was found not to possess the required qualifications; or to be otherwise ineligible; or to be disqualified for appointment. He could not certify that Mr. Kevin O'Doherty was qualified as he failed in the examination which was set to ascertain if he had the required educational qualifications. He was not satisfied that the fact that the applicant had passed an examination in 1957 was sufficient to enable him to give the required certificate.

In connection with the proposal and amendment, he drew attention to the terms of Circular E. L. 4/58 of the 4th October, 1958 regarding the appointment of County Rate Collectors.

He stated that the candidates whom he had certified as qualified were as follows:-

William Vincent Holmes who had passed the examination.

James E. Lynch who had the Leaving Certificate.

Patrick J. Gallagher who had the Intermediate Certificate with honours.

Alphonsus Gallagher who had the Leaving Certificate.

Brian McDermott who had the Intermediate Certificate with honours.

James Gallinagh who had a Certificate from the Department of Education, Technical School Branch, and who had passed in 1957, an examination for Student Nurses in the Mental Hospital and who was at present employed by the Council.

William Matthew Kelly who had Leaving Certificate.

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The Chairman then put the amendment to the meeting and it was carried, fourteen voting for and seven against. It was, therefore, decided to proceed with the making of the appointment, the following candidates to be considered as qualified:-

William Vincent Holmes.

James W. Lynch.

Patrick J. Gallagher.

Alphonsus Gallagher.

Brian McDermott.

James Gallinagh.

William Matthew Kelly.

James Scally.

Gerard Doherty.

Kevin O'Doherty.

On the proposal of Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor O'Breisleain, the above ten candidates were proposed and seconded. The Council then proceeded to vote for the candidates and the first vote resulted as follows:-

For Alphonsus Gallagher:

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Buchanan, Deeney, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGlinchey, McRory, Melly, and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 13.

For Patrick J. Gallagher:

Councillors Greene, MacRusidhrigh, Muldoon, O'Breisleain and Walsh.

Total: 5.

For James Gallinagh:

Councillors Anderson, Deeney, Dunning, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McRory, MacRusidhrigh, Melly, P. O'Donnell and Patterson.

Total 13.

For William Vincent Holmes:

Councillors Anderson, Elaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Doherty, Dunning, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacRusidhrigh, O'Breisleain, O'Ginnside, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 16.

For William Matthew Kelly:

Councillors Baxter, Deeney, Gallagher, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, Melly and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 8.

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For James E. Lynch: 181.

For Brian McDermott:

Councillors Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, MacRusidhrigh, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Cinneide, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 18.

For James Scally:

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Diver, Harkin, Kelly, McGowan, Muldoon, and M. O'Donnell.

Total: 8.

For Gerard Doherty:

Councillors Cunningham, Deeney, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, and O'Cinneide.

Total: 7.

For Kevin O'Doherty:

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey, McGowan, McRory, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Cinneide, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 20.

The County Secretary stated that all the candidates except the four with the highest number of votes would be eliminated. However, it would be necessary to have a further vote between Alphonsus Gallagher and James Gallinagh in order to ascertain which of them should be included in the four.

The second vote resulted as follows:-

For Alphonsus Gallagher:

Councillors Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Deeney, Doherty, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McElaney, McGlinchey, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Breisleain, O'Cinneide and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 16.

For James Gallinagh:

Councillors Anderson, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Dunnion, Harkin, McGowan, McRory, MacRusidhrigh, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 11.

As a result of this vote, Mr. James Gallinagh was eliminated and the Chairman stated that the four remaining candidates were Alphonsus Gallagher, William Vincent Holmes, Brian McDermott and Kevin O'Doherty. The Secretary stated that the members could now vote for any two of these candidates.

The third vote resulted as follows:-

For Alphonsus Gallagher:

Councillors Baxter, Deeney, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McElaney, Kelly and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 9.

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For William Vincent Holmes:

Councillors Anderson, Blaney, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacRuidhrigh and Muldoon.

Total: 9.

For Brian McDermott:

Councillors Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Liver, Dunnion, McGowan, McKory, O'Breislesain, O'Cinneide, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 12.

For Kevin O'Doherty:

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Liver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey, McKory, MacRuidhrigh, Muldoon, O'Breislesain, O'Cinneide, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 20.

As a result of this vote, Messrs. Alphonsus Gallagher and William Vincent Holmes were eliminated, and a final vote was then taken between Brian McDermott and Kevin O'Doherty which resulted as follows:-

For Brian McDermott:

Councillors Deery, Dunnion, McGowan and P. O'Donnell.

Total: 4.

For Kevin O'Doherty:

Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Liver, Doherty, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGlinchey, McKory, MacRuidhrigh, Melly, Muldoon, O'Breislesain, O'Cinneide, M. O'Donnell, Patterson and Walsh.

Total: 24.

The Chairman declared that Mr. Kevin O'Doherty, 99 Ard O'Donnell Tce., Letterkenny, was appointed Rate Collector, No. 18 District, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

433/60. RATE COLLECTION - NO. 16 DISTRICT:

The following report from the County Secretary was read:-

"Mr. William Bonner, Rate Collector, Moville, has submitted a medical certificate stating that he will be unfit for duty for at least three months.

He is not in a position to appoint a Deputy Rate Collector.

It is proposed, pending resumption of work by Mr. Bonner to arrange for the collection of his rates through the office, and for this purpose, it will be necessary to appoint a member of the office staff as temporary Rate Collector for the area. It is recommended that Mr. John Coll, Staff Officer, Rates Section, be appointed temporarily as Rate Collector for District No. 16, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government".

It was agreed to appoint Mr. John Coll, Staff Officer, Rates Section, temporarily for Rate Collection District No. 16 for a period of three months or until Mr. Bonner resumes whichever is the shorter, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

434/60. LOAN OF £5,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER SUPPLY SCHEME AT MUFF:

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan,

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £5,000 for the purpose of constructing a water supply scheme at Muff".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

435/60. LOAN OF £35,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER SUPPLY SCHEME AT DOWNINGS/CARRIGART:

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan,

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson,

AND RESOLVED: "That the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date, now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works for the repayment of the sum of £35,000 for the purpose of constructing a water supply scheme at Downings/Carrigart".

The Deed of Mortgage was submitted to the Council, signed by the Chairman and two other members, the Seal of the Council affixed thereto and countersigned by the County Secretary.

436/60. DECLARATION OF ROAD TO BE A PUBLIC ROAD:

The County Secretary stated that notice of intention to declare road from County Road No. 49 at Glengsd to pier at Portaleen, length 82pers. as a public road had been published.

Proposed by: Councillor Mahoney,

Seconded by: Councillor Deery,

AND RESOLVED: That road from County Road No. 49 at Glengsd to pier at Portaleen, length 82pers. is hereby declared a public road.

437/60. DISPOSAL OF PLOT OF LAND AT BELLINA, FALCARRAGH:

In accordance with notice served under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, the Council resolved to dispose of plot of land at Bellina, Falcarragh, to Annie Maria O'Donnell for a plot of equal area to be acquired in exchange.

438/60. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 1960:

In connection with recommendation 236/60 of the General Purposes Committee, Councillor P. O'Donnell proposed that permission be given to hang Portrait of Dr. McGinley in the County Hospital. Councillor Baxter seconded.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Elaney and seconded by Councillor McGowan, that the Portrait be hung in the old District Hospital. The Chairman put the amendment to the meeting, and on a show of hands, it was defeated, seven voting for and sixteen against.

The proposal was then put to the meeting and carried by nineteen votes.

438/60. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18TH NOVEMBER, 1960 (CONTD.)

Revision of Salaries:

With regard to the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee in connection with revision of salaries, it was proposed by Councillor Harkin and seconded by Councillor McGowan, that the Council consent to the revision of salary scales of Dispensary Medical Officers as proposed by the County Manager.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor Gallagher and seconded by Councillor O'Breisleain, that the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee be accepted.

Councillor Harkin's proposal was put to the meeting and carried, thirteen voting for and ten against.

It was then proposed by Councillor Gallagher and seconded by Councillor O'Breisleain, that the Council consent to the payment of revised salaries to all of the officers concerned in the recommendation.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Councillor P. O'Lonnell, seconded by Councillor Harkin, that the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee in relation to officers other than the Dispensary Medical Officers be accepted.

The amendment was put to the meeting and carried, thirteen voting for and nine against.

Subject to the foregoing, on the proposal of Councillor O'Breisleain, seconded by Councillor Buchanan, the report of the General Purposes Committee was adopted.

439/60. REPORT OF MEETING OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 14/11/1960:

The report of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee Meeting held on the 14th day of November, 1960 was adopted.

440/60. REPAIRS TO KILLYGORDON STREET:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"When does the Council intend to commence the repairs to Killygordon Street?"

REPLY: It is intended to carry out improvement works on Main Street, Killygordon in the Spring of 1961.

441/60. SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"Why is there such delay in paying out Supplementary Housing Grants?"

REPLY: Delays in paying out Supplementary Housing Grants may be due to a variety of causes. It would be necessary to have specific cases of delays submitted to ascertain the reason in each case. The date on which a Supplementary Grant will be paid depends on a number of factors. The Council may not pay a Supplementary Grant until the State Grant has been paid in full and until an application form has been submitted by an applicant. In addition, detailed enquiries must be made to ascertain the eligibility of an applicant for a Grant.

The total number of Grants paid to date is 2,948. The cost of these Grants amounts to £305,664.

Since the 1st April last, 320 Grants have been paid at a cost of £29,531.

442/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"Why does it take the Council, in some cases, years to decide whether an applicant qualifies for an S. I. house? There is a case in Drumkeen where an applicant who qualifies for an S. I. house has waited six years for a decision".

REPLY: If particulars of the case referred to are submitted, the matter will be examined.

443/60. HEDGE CUTTING:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"What action does the Council propose to take to have hedges cut which are, at the moment, a traffic hazard?"

REPLY: Arrangements are currently being made for serving Hedge Cutting notices throughout the County.

444/60. FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"When does the Council intend providing proper fire fighting equipment for the County, and why does this Council not invite tenders for the supply of fire fighting equipment?"

REPLY: Some time ago, the Council approved of a loan of £14,500 for the erection of Fire Stations at Letterkenny and Ballyshannon and for the purpose of Fire Fighting Equipment.

The Fire Station at Ballyshannon has been completed and a fire engine which is about to be purchased will be stationed there.

A site has been acquired for a Fire Station at Letterkenny and plans for the erection of a Fire Station are being prepared. On completion of the Fire Station another fire engine will be purchased.

Only a limited amount is provided each year in the Estimates for maintenance of fire fighting equipment.

Tenders will be invited for the purchase of any new fire fighting equipment not in the Combined Purchasing Contract List.

445/60. APPLICANTS FOR HOUSES IN STRANORLAR, RAPHOE AND CONVOY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick McGowan:-

"What is the number of unsuccessful applicants for the houses in Stranorlar, Raphoe and Convooy?"

REPLY: The tenancies of cottages in course of construction in Stranorlar, Raphoe and Convooy have not yet been allocated and, therefore, the number of unsuccessful applicants cannot be stated.

446/60. SCHOOL MEALS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"Are school meals provided in all schools in the County by this County Council ?

- (a) Do the bread agents tender for the schools singly, or do they tender for groups of schools ?
- (b) Does the Council, during the year, check for quality, the bread issued to the schools ?
- (c) How often must a bread agent supply a school with bread ?
- (d) How many suppliers withdrew their school meal tenders ?"

REPLY: School meals are provided in those areas in the County Health District scheduled in the School Meals (Gaeltecht) Acts 1930 & 1934 and embraces the portion of the County from Killybegs through Glencolumbkille, Ardara, Glenties, Doochary, the Rosses and Gweedore to Falcarragh.

- (a) The tender form includes all the schools participating in the Scheme and suppliers may tender for whatever number of schools they choose, indicating opposite each school the price at which they will supply to it. Contracts are allocated on the basis of the lowest tender for each individual school.
- (b) Heretofore, arrangements made for examining the quality of the buns supplied have not proved effective except where the Scheme has the enthusiastic support of the teachers. Arrangements have been made this year for inspection of supplies by the Children's Officer in the course of her rounds.
- (c) The terms of his contract require a supplier to deliver buns to a school in such quantities and at such times as shall be specified by the Principal Teachers, and the minimum number of deliveries to any school shall be at least two per week.
- (d) Tenders from two suppliers for schools in the Glencolumbkille and Ardara Districts were withdrawn this year.

447/60. GARBAGE COLLECTION:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"Is it imperative that the public use the Garbage Collection service where such a service is available ?"

REPLY: The Council are not empowered to compel householders to avail of Domestic Refuse Collection Services.

448/60. MALINBEG WATER SUPPLY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

"Would the Malinbeg Water Supply be deemed a "Public" water supply ?"

REPLY: Steps are being taken for the Council to acquire the Malinbeg Water Supply. When the Council have acquired the supply it will then be a "Public" water Supply.

449/60. FACILITIES FOR TREATING PEOPLE WITH SPEECH IMPEDIMENTS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael O'Donnell:-

- (a) "Has this Council ever considered providing in the County, facilities for treating people who have speech impediments ?
- (b) What facilities would be required for this treatment ?
- (c) How much would it cost?"

REPLY:

- (a) Yes.

It was agreed that advantage could be taken of speech therapy services in Derry provided that each child was referred there by the Consultant E. N. T. Surgeon who would issue a certificate stating that the child would profit from speech therapy, and that a half-yearly report on the arrangements with the Derry authorities was forwarded to the Department of Health. Several children were, in fact, referred to the Consultant E. N. T. Surgeon who issued the necessary certificates and arrangements were made to send the children to Derry. Unfortunately before the arrangements were completed, the speech Therapist employed in Derry resigned, and has recently been replaced. The Derry authorities now have a considerable waiting list for speech therapy and are not prepared to provide any services for Donegal patients at the moment. Efforts are being made to provide an alternative service.

- (b) The County Medical Officer states that to provide an adequate service in County Donegal, the services of at least one whole-time Speech Therapist would be required.
- (c) It is estimated that this would cost at least £1,000 a year.

450/60. LETTERKENNY MAIN STREETS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"What progress has been made in the preparation of plans for the reconstruction of Letterkenny's main streets ?

- (a) when will this work commence ?"

REPLY: The plans for the reconstruction of Letterkenny's main streets are being finalised and an estimate of the cost will be submitted to the Council for consideration in connection with next year's estimates.

451/60. BUS ROUTE FROM LETTERKENNY TO LIFFORD VIA CONVOY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"Is it the intention of the Council to reconstruct the bus route from Letterkenny to Lifford via Convoiy, Raphoe ?"

- (a) when will this work commence ?"

REPLY: No.

452/60. DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL RATEPAYERS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"How many members of the Donegal County Council are ratepayers ?"

REPLY: Twenty-two (22).

453/60. COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"What arrangements are there in the County Hospital, Letterkenny, for the reception of emergency maternity cases who have not booked a bed?"

REPLY: A bed is always available for the admission of an emergency maternity case at the County Hospital, Letterkenny.

454/60. GIRDER ON ROADSIDE:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Bernard McGlinchey:-

"A 30 ft. (approx.) girder is lying at the side of the road 300 yds. on the Menorcunningham side of the Council houses at Dromore; Is this girder the property of Donegal County Council, and, if so,

(a) How long is it lying there?

(b) What is its approx. value?"

REPLY: The girders referred to are the property of the County Council. They were used some 15 years ago to form a temporary bridge.

Their present value as scrap would be £10 to £20.

As they do not constitute an obstruction to traffic, it was considered more economical to leave them in their present position.

455/60. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT TURNABRATLY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"What progress has been made in providing Sheep Dipping Bath at Turnabratly, Clonmany?"

REPLY: This proposal in conjunction with a number of others is at present under consideration and a report will be submitted to the General Purposes Committee on these proposals at their next meeting.

456/60. MINOR EXTENSION TO BALLYLOSKEY, CARNDONAGH:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"Why was minor extension to Ballyloskey, Carndonagh, not included in list of water Schemes?"

REPLY: This extension was not included in list of water schemes through an oversight. A recommendation for its inclusion will be submitted to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

457/60. PROVISION OF WATER SUPPLY TO CARROMENA:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Deery:-

"Why is it considered uneconomic to provide water supply to Carromena?"

REPLY: The estimated cost of providing a water supply to Carromena would exceed £350 per house.

458/60. CLOGHORE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"When will work commence on the Cloghore Water Scheme?"

REPLY: Irvinestown Rural District Council have been asked to tap their mains and instal meter. When this work is completed, work on the Cloghore Water Supply Scheme will commence.

459/60. FOOTPATHS AT THE MALL, BALLYSHANNON:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"When can we expect work to commence on the footpaths at the Mall, Ballyshannon?"

REPLY: Sanction has now been received to the work proposed on the footpaths at the Mall, Ballyshannon, and work will commence immediately.

460/60. BUNDORAN STREET WIDENING SCHEME:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"When is work to start on the Bundoran Street Widening Scheme?"

REPLY: It is anticipated that work will start early next year.

461/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"What is the present position regarding the following applications for S. I. houses:-

William Grimes, Abbey, Ballyshannon,

and

John McNulty, Station Road, Ballintra".

REPLY:

William Grimes: As vacant houses are available in the town of Ballyshannon, it is not proposed to erect an S. I. cottage in this case. The applicant was so informed on the 28th October, 1960.

John McNulty: The site on which the applicant proposed that an S. I. cottage should be erected was found, on inspection, to be unsuitable. He has now submitted an alternative site which is under examination.

462/60. RECONSTRUCTION UNDER 1961/62 RAILWAY ROAD GRANT OF BALLYSHANNON-BUNDORAN ROAD:

RECONSTRUCTION OF SECTIONS OF BALLYSHANNON/DONEGAL ROAD:

The following Questions were submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

1. "What section or sections of the Ballyshannon-Bundoran road does the County Engineer propose to reconstruct under the 1961/62 Railway Roads Grant?"
2. "What section or sections of the Ballyshannon-Donegal road does the County Engineer propose to reconstruct under the (a) 1960/61 Railway Road Grant, (b) 1961/62 Grant?"

REPLY: The County Engineer's proposals for the expenditure of Railway Road Grant on the Ballyshannon-Bundoran road and the Ballyshannon-Donegal road for the years 1960/61 and 1961/62 will be submitted to the Council for approval when surveys and other documents have been completed.

463/60. ROADWORKERS ON BALLYSHANNON-ROSSNOWLAGH ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

- (a) "Is it proposed to start any more roadworkers on the Ballyshannon-Rossnowlagh road this year ?
- (b) How many Labourers at present employed on this road ?
- (c) How many were employed on this road last year?"

REPLY:

- (a) About 6 more Roadworkers will be employed before Christmas.
- (b) 22.
- (b) 40.

464/60. EXTENSION OF BALLYSHANNON WATER SUPPLY TO COTTAGES AT ABBEY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"Is the loan for minor water Extensions which includes a sum for the extension of Ballyshannon Supply to Cottages at the Abbey yet sanctioned or obtained ?"

REPLY: The Department of Local Government have indicated that they are not prepared to sanction the raising of a loan of £20,000 for minor water extensions until an estimate of the cost of each extension is submitted.

465/60. COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

- (a) "what is the amount of money unexpended on the County Road Improvement Grant at Rigginstown ?
- (b) where is it proposed to spend this money ?"

REPLY: (a) £1,800 remains unexpended on the County Road Improvement Grant at Rigginstown.

(b) It is proposed to spend this Grant on the next road on the Five Year Plan, namely the road from Taulagh to the Tyrone Border.

466/60. FIRE ESCAPES AT ROCK HOSPITAL, BALLYSHANNON:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Michael Melly:-

"what is the delay in having Fire Escapes erected at Rock Hospital, Ballyshannon ?"

REPLY: The Plans for provision of Fire escapes at Rock Hospital, Ballyshannon, are at present being revised to comply with the requirements of the Department of Health. As soon as these revisions have been completed, arrangements will be made to have the work carried out.

467/60. CONNECTION OF HOUSES AT GLENCOACH TO WATER AND SEWERAGE SUPPLY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"will the County Manager state what the position is regarding the connection of the houses at Glencogh to the water and sewerage supply?"

REPLY: The General Purposes Committee, at their last Meeting, recommended that this extension should be proceeded with. (Minute 224/60 refers).

468/60. CONNECTION OF COTTAGES AT MULLINS, DONEGAL, TO WATER AND SEWERAGE:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask when it is proposed to proceed with the connection of the Old Cottages, Mullins, Donegal, to water and sewerage?"

REPLY: The General Purposes Committee have recommended that water and sewerage be provided to these cottages, provided the tenants undertake to pay an increased rent of 2/- per week. Arrangements are being made to have the necessary agreements signed by the tenants. When this has been done, work will be put in hands without delay.

469/60. WIDENING OF CORNER AT BALLINTRA CHAPEL:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"Will the County Engineer state the recommendation of the Local Engineer on the widening of the corner at Ballintra Chapel?"

REPLY: The estimated cost of the work proposed at Ballintra Chapel is £300. This sum is not available out of maintenance monies.

470/60. PROVISION OF DUMP IN PETTIGO:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

"To ask what the present position regarding the provision of a dump in Pettigo?"

REPLY: In letter dated 28th October, 1960 the Council's Solicitors confirmed having finally received details of title of the site being acquired. Payment of purchase price and of the vendors costs has been arranged and the site will shortly be available for use as a refuse dump.

471/60. PROPOSED ERECTION OF HOUSES AT CARRDONAGH:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Robert Doherty:-

"Could the Council state how soon the building of proposed houses at Carrdonagh will commence?"

REPLY: Plans for the erection of four houses at Carrdonagh have been submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval. It would not be possible at this stage to indicate when work will commence.

472/60. ERECTION OF PUBLIC WEIGHBRIDGE AT BUNCRANA:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Robert Doherty:-

"When is the Council going to commence the erection of Public Weighbridge at Bunrana?"

REPLY: Tenders for the provision of a Public Weighbridge at Bunrana have been invited and are at present under examination by the County Engineer. On receipt of his recommendation, steps will be taken to provide the weighbridge without delay.

473/60. CORLEA (BALLYSHANNON) ROADS:

The following Questions were submitted by Councillor Frank Muldoon:-

1. "Will the County Engineer state the amount of money spent on the Corlea (Ballyshannon) group of roads under County road maintenance?"
2. "When will repairs be carried out to the damaged pipe or drain under the Derrykillew road near Malhern's in the Corlea area?"

REPLY: (1) £305. 5. 0d.
(2) Repairs are being carried out at this road and the pipe near Malhern's will be dealt with as part of the repair work.

474/60. EMPLOYEES IN ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick D. Harte:-

"Is it a fact that the employees in St. Conal's Hospital received an increase in wages of 4/- per week on 20/3/'60 and a further increase of 3/- per week on 20/10/'60? If so, why has it not been paid to them yet? Will they receive back-payment and when?"

REPLY: A proposal to increase the wages of Agricultural workers employed at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, was considered by the General Purposes Committee at their last meeting. The Council have to-day adopted the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee for payment of increased wages to Agricultural workers employed at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny.

Arrangements will be made to have the increases paid as soon as possible.

475/60. REPAIRS TO COTTAGES:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick D. Harte:-

"Would the Council carry out repairs to cottages where the tenants are anxious to have them vested? If so, would the County Manager indicate if repairs will be carried out in individual cases where application is made?"

REPLY: The Council carry out repairs to cottages where tenants apply to have them vested. The extent to which this work can be done is limited by the provision made by the Council in the Estimates. In the current year the amount allowed for cottage repairs is £4,000 - equivalent to £3. 11. 4d. per cottage.

476/60. COUNTY LIBRARY HEADQUARTERS:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Patrick D. Harte:-

"Would the County Manager state the position regarding the County Library Headquarters?"

- (1) Is it intended to remove same? If so,
- (2) To where?
- (3) When?
- (4) Will the Library Committee be consulted in the matter?
- (5) Will resulting circumstances of the staff be considered?"

REPLY: It has been reported to the General Purposes Committee and to the Council that it is intended to transfer the County Library Headquarters to the District Hospital, Letterkenny.

It is not possible, at this stage, to indicate when the change is likely to occur.

As the General Purposes Committee and the Council have already been informed of the proposal, it is not considered necessary to consult the Book Selection Committee in the matter.

Regard will be had to the effect the proposal will have on the staff of the Library Headquarters, but it will be appreciated that this cannot be an over-riding consideration in the matter.

477/60. PURCHASE OF BEDFORD TRUCKS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick D. Harte:-

"When the Council recently purchased Bedford Trucks, was due consideration given to the following:-

- (a) Price (1) Net price of Ford, (2) Net price of Bedford;
- (b) Trade-in value of old trucks as against Ford and Bedford;
- (c) What was the net difference ?
- (d) Was efficiency considered ?
- (e) Was standardisation of spare parts considered with a view to efficiency in stores ?
- (f) What is the cost of spare parts in "stores" for (1) Ford, (2) Bedford?
- (g) Who made the recommendation to purchase Bedford instead of Ford ?"

REPLY:

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) £149.
- (d) Yes.
- (e) Yes. It was considered that when two makes of trucks were only involved the stock position would not be complicated.
- (f) The price of corresponding parts of Ford and Bedford trucks is approximately the same. Any difference that obtains would appear to be slightly in advantage of the Bedford.
- (g) The County Engineer.

478/60. ADVERTISEMENT REGARDING PURCHASE OF TRUCKS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor Patrick D. Harte:-

"Relating to No. 4 Question, is it a fact that the purchase of these trucks was advertised twice and, if so, what was the reason ?"

REPLY: The purchase of these trucks was advertised on two occasions. The tenders submitted in response to the first advertisement indicated that certain items of equipment which were considered essential to the safe running of the trucks were not standard in the lowest priced truck, whereas they were standard in the next lowest priced trucks. Confirmation of this was sought from the Tenderers and the extra price of this equipment ascertained. Almost immediately afterwards a further letter was received from the lowest priced Tenderer stating that the items of equipment were now standard. It was considered that it would be only fair to all Tenderers to re-advertise.

479/60. LIGHT AT BALLYLIFFIN:

The following question was submitted by Councillor James McEleney:-

"Why has light at Ballyliffin not been moved to adjacent pole, as agreed at a meeting early in the year ?"

REPLY: Arrangements have been made for the light to be transferred this week.

480/60. DUNGLOE-LOUGHANURE ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRusidhrigh:-

"Is it intended to remove a bend known as the "S Bend" on the main Dungloe-Loughanure road?"

REPLY: The re-alignment of "S" bend on the Dungloe-Loughanure main road cannot be undertaken until such time as there is Road Improvement Grant allocated for this section. It is a major job.

481/60. ROAD REPAIRS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRusidhrigh:-

"will urgent repairs be carried out to the following County roads? :

- (a) The Mullaghduff-Ballymanus road;
- (b) The County road on Carricfin Island;
- (c) The road leading from main Annagry-Meenaleck road through Loughanure East to the Derrynemansher-Ranafast road".

REPLY: Repairs will be carried out to County roads listed under (a) (b) and (c). The next four months is the worst period of the year, accordingly maintenance monies must be spent sparingly to keep these roads in reasonable repair for the remainder of the year.

482/60. REPAIRS TO DORE-ARDUNS-GWEEDORE MAIN ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRusidhrigh:-

"will reconstruction work or repairs be carried out on the Dore-Arduns-Gweedore Main Road?"

REPLY: The Arduns Main Road L.130-798 requires reconstruction. It deteriorated very much as a result of the construction of the Glady Hydro-Electric Scheme. From a utility point of view, there are many other main roads before it is on the list for reconstruction.

It will be kept in repair until such time as a Grant is available.

483/60. REPAIRS TO MEENCROSS-LOUGHSALT-MAGHERY ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRusidhrigh:-

"will immediate steps be taken to repair the Meencross-Loughsalt-Magherary road?"

REPLY: I inspected the Meencross-Loughsalt-Magherary road (1168) a week ago. It was in good order then but the heavy rains have affected badly the hilly roads such as this one. Repairs will be carried out within a week.

484/60.

RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FROM DRUMNACART BRIDGE TO MAIN DUNGLOE-
LOUGHANURE ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

"What grant was allocated for reconstruction of County road from Drumnacart Bridge to the main Lungloe-Loughanure road?"

- (a) What number of men were employed and for what period?
- (b) The amount of money paid for transport of road materials?
- (c) The amount of money paid for road materials and cost of road machinery?
- (d) The amount of money paid in wages?
- (e) How many lorry loads of gravel were used on reconstruction work?
- (f) How many loads were delivered daily?"

REPLY: The Grant allocated for reconstruction of the County road, Drumnacart to Lungloe-Loughanure Main road (976) is £3,000. £2,300 expended to date.

- (a) One Ganger and 9 men for five weeks.
- (b) £400 on gravel transported by County Council lorries.
- (c) Total cost of road materials £1,576 (Gravel).
Cost of machinery £533.
- (d) wages, £465.
- (e) 580 lorry loads (average load 6½ tons).
- (f) 19 loads daily (average).

485/60.

RECONSTRUCTION OF KERRYTOWN-MEENBANAD ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

"In connection with Five Year Plan, is it proposed to complete reconstruction of Kerrytown-Meenbanad section of road next year?"

REPLY: The Kerrytown-Meenbanad County Road may be completed next year because of the progress made to date. It was a four year programme but it may now be done in three years.

486/60.

SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR VILLAGE OF ANNAGRY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

"Has a sewerage scheme been sanctioned for the village of Annagry?"

REPLY: A proposed sewerage scheme for Annagry was included in the comprehensive report recently submitted to the Council. Annagry is not included in the priority list for preliminary investigation.

487/60.

ROAD FROM GLENDOWAN TO DOOCHARY:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:-

"What is the position with regard to the road from Glendowan to Doochary?"

REPLY: The County Road from Glendowan to Doochary is not on the current Five Year Plan. It is likely to be included in the next plan.

488/60. ERECTION OF SIGN POSTS IN KINCASSLAGH VILLAGE AND JUNCTION OF MAIN
BURTONPORT ROAD AND PIER ROAD:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor S. MacQuaidhriugh:-

"Has any provision been made in the current year's Estimates for erection of sign posts in Kincasslagh village at one junction of Main Burtonport road and the pier road?"

REPLY: Direction signs will be erected at Kincasslagh early next year.

489/60. DEPOSIT OF FEES BY BUILDING CONTRACTORS:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor W. R. Buchanan:-

- (a) "Have Building Contractors to deposit a fee of £3. 3. 0d. in order to inspect the plans of each building for which the Council are seeking tenders?"
- (b) Is this regulation strictly adhered to; and
- (c) When plans are returned to the Housing Department, what period of time elapses until Contractors get their inspection fees returned?"

REPLY: Building Contractors have not to pay a deposit fee of £3. 3. 0d. to inspect plans. A fee of £3. 3. 0d. is charged where the plans and forms are taken away by prospective tenderers. The purpose of this charge is to ensure that only persons who are genuinely interested in submitting tenders will take away plans and forms.

The regulation is strictly adhered to.

Deposits are refunded but considerable delay has occurred in making some of these refunds due to delays in accepting tenders. Arrangements are being made to ensure that deposits will be refunded within a reasonable time after the submission of tenders.

490/60. MEDICAL OFFICER, KILLYGORDON DISPENSARY DISTRICT:

The following Question was submitted by Councillor W. R. Buchanan:-

- (a) "Will the County Secretary state the number of Doctors who were permanently appointed to the position of Resident Medical Officer, Killygordon Dispensary District since 1940?"
- (b) The average period of time that each filled the position?
- (c) The number of temporary appointments that had to be made by the Local Authority since 1940?
- (d) The number of Doctors involved and the total period of time that each have been allowed to fill the position?"

REPLY:

- (a) 5
- (b) 4 years.

With regard to (c) and (d) of the Question, it would not be possible, without considerable examination of the Council's records, to give these particulars, but one Doctor was employed in a temporary capacity for a considerable period.

491/60. GRIANAN AILIGH ROAD:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"What is present position re Grianan Ailigh Road?"

REPLY: This road is not in charge of the County Council. The Council has indicated to Bord Fáilte that they would be prepared to carry out the work if Bord Fáilte provided the necessary finance. An estimate of the cost has been furnished and it has been indicated to Bord Fáilte that if the work is done, the Council will take over the road.

492/60. MUFF WATER SUPPLY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"When will work commence on Muff water supply? Will an extension to Ture be carried out?"

REPLY: It is intended to commence work on Muff water supply scheme early in December. An extension to Ture is not provided for in the scheme.

A canvass of the main road from the factory to Moville will be carried out in connection with the comprehensive water supply programme.

493/60. REPAIRS TO CASTRUSE ROAD AT BOGAY:

The following question was submitted by Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.:-

"When will repairs be carried out to the Castruse road at Bogay?"

REPLY: Repairs have already been carried out to this road, but the inclement weather has nullified the effects. Further repairs will be carried out in the near future.

494/60. KNOCKALLA COAST ROAD:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Harry Blaney was, at his request, adjourned to the next meeting.

495/60. MEDICAL CARDS:

The Motions standing in the names of Councillors Liam Cunningham, T.D., and Patrick D. Harte in regard to Medical Cards were not moved.

496/60. INCLUSION OF RANNAFAST, MULLAGHDUO-KINCASSLAGH AND MEENACLADY-MAGHERAROCARTY IN SEWERAGE PLANS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Sean O'Ginnside, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"Mótar go gcuirfear na ceantreacha seo ar an liosta i gcuir searacha:

(a) Rann na Feirsde; (b) Mullach Dubh-Ceann Gaslach; (c) Min a'Chladaigh-Macheaire Rabhartaigh".

"(That the following areas be included in the sewerage plans, e.g. :-

(a) Rannafast; (b) Mullaghduo-Kincasslagh; (c) Meenacldy-Magherarocarty)

497/60.

DISPENSARIES AT CARRICKMAGRATH AND KILLYGORDON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That this Council build two new Dispensaries - at Carrickmagrath and Killygordon".

498/60.

ROAD FROM BUNAMAN TO CARRICKFIN ISLAND:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council make immediate representation to Bord Failte for a grant to repair the road from Bunaman to Carrickfin Island, which road is now in a deplorable condition, and unpassable, to this most popular camping and caravan resort".

499/60.

X-RAY EQUIPMENT IN DONEGAL TOWN DISTRICT HOSPITAL:

The following Notices of Motion were proposed by Councillor Frank Muldoon and seconded by Councillor Christopher Gallagher:-

"That this Council provide x-ray equipment in Donegal Town District Hospital".

"That full surgical facilities continue to be made available in Donegal Hospital".

after a discussion, the Manager indicated that a portable x-ray would be transferred to Donegal Hospital during the present week.

It was resolved that the Council should provide X-ray equipment in Donegal Town District Hospital.

500/60.

WINCH AT LOG-NA-DRUAN, GLENCOLUMBKILLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council provide a winch at Log-na-Druan, Glencolumbkille".

501/60.

MAIN AND COUNTY ROADS - BUNDORAN URBAN AREA:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Christopher Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the expenditure of all monies for Main and County Roads in the Bundoran Urban area be started immediately to enable completion before next Tourist season".

502/60.

LIGHTS AT DRUMANY, LETTERKENNY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council provide two lights at Drumany, Letterkenney".

503/60. COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE GRANT:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Louis Walsh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council request the Department of Local Government to pay a percentage of, say, 40% of County road maintenance".

504/60. PANABOY COUNTY ROAD:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Gorman Breslin, T.M., was adjourned.

505/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING AT MALIN HEAD AND BUNAGEE PIERS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council provide Public Lighting at Malin Head and Bunagee Piers".

506/60. BALLYSHANNON WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Kelly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Ballyshannon water supply be extended to serve the following townlands:-

- (a) Parkhill and Tullyherk; (b) Tully and Ballinacarrick;
- (c) Waterloo and Smirver".

507/60. MOVILLE WATER SUPPLY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That the existing ball hydrants in Moville should be replaced by proper screw-down hydrants in the interest of public health".

508/60. MILFORD WORKHOUSE BUILDINGS:

The Motion standing in the name of Councillor Samuel A. Baxter in regard to above was adjourned to the next meeting.

509/60. CARDONAGH WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO BALLYLOSKEY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert Loherty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Cardonagh Water Supply be extended to Ballyloskey to serve 20 families".

510/60. ROADS IN BUNCRANA AREA:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James Deeney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that maintenance work on these roads will be carried out:-

"That this Council put the following roads in proper state of repair:-

- (a) The road leading from four roads at Carrowen School to old Railway Bridge at Grange;
- (b) The road leading from three roads at Kinnego School to Falask Bog;
- (c) The road leading from four roads at Durbin's, Inch, to the old fort;
- (d) The road leading from three roads at Churchtown, Carrigans, to the Chapel at Killes".

511/60. COUNTY ROAD AT GLEBE, GLOMANY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McIlenny, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer undertook to have work done on the road at the earliest opportunity:-

"That Council complete corner of County Road at Glebe, Glomany, near Edward Toland's house, omitted when road was being done under previous five year plan".

512/60. WATER RATE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick D. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for further consideration:-

"That this Council allow a reduced water rate when co-operative water schemes exist".

513/60. MEENACROSS-MARASSELAN ROAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Seamus MacFusidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the Meencross-Marasselan road be put in a proper state of repair".

514/60. ESTABLISHMENT OF BRANCH LIBRARY IN CRESSLOUGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Book Selection Committee for consideration:-

"That the Council establish a Branch Library in Cresslough".

515/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSION TO KILTAL, CONVOY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor W. R. Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Lough Mourne Water Scheme be extended to Kiltal, Convooy, to serve six families and one Hall".

516/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR MAGHERY, DUNGLAGE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Sean O'Connell, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that this area is catered for in the schemes proposed in the comprehensive report in regard to water supplies:-

"Molter go gcuirfear an Cachaire, an Clochan Liath, ar an liosta i gcuir accim uisge".

"(That Maghery, Dungloe, be included in the water schemes)"

517/60. EFFICIENCY EXERT:

The Notice of Motion in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan in regard to above was adjourned.

518/60. CHUTES FOR FAIR GREEN IN STRANGLAR:

On the proposition of Councillor F. Lunnion, the County Engineer was asked to consider the provision of chutes at Stranrlar in connection with the proposal to provide a Fair Green there.

519/60. ROAD GRANTS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick O'Donnell, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"To ask the Minister for Local Government, in view of the very high Poor Rate demanded from Ratepayers, which in many cases they are unable to meet at the present time, he will ease their burden by making available to local authorities, road grants without the necessity of the said local authorities making local contributions towards same, on condition that the said free grants will not be used towards increasing roadworkers wages".

520/60. GRANT, GLENCLUMKILLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council provide ten skids at Port, Glenclumkille, in order to facilitate the hauling of boats over the rough shore".

521/60. MOTOR TAX OFFICE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that it would not be practicable to transfer the Motor Tax Office to Letterkenny:-

"That the Motor Tax Office be transferred to Letterkenny instead of the Library Headquarters".

522/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGE FOR DANIEL O'DONNELL, BERRYHINNEY, DOUGHERY:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Cormac Breslin, T.D., in connection with the above, was adjourned.

523/60. DISPENSARY AT MALIN HEAD:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That proposed new Dispensary at Malin Head be erected with the least possible delay".

524/60. WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES IN FINNER, BALLYSHANNON, BUNDORAN AND DUMMUCKRUM:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Kelly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That this Council examines the possibility of obtaining a supply of water from the Department of Defence to supply a piped water supply to the houses in the Finner, Ballyshannon and Finner, Bundoran and Dummuckrum townlands".

525/60. PUBLIC LIGHTING - GREENCASTLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the preparation of the estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That sufficient money be allocated in next year's estimates for the provision of public lighting in the village of Greencastle".

526/60. ROAD AT SHANNAGH AND BALLYLAR:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Samuel A. Baxter in regard to above was adjourned to the next meeting.

527/60. FIRE ENGINE FOR CARRDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert Doherty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:-

"That the Council provide a Fire Engine for Carrdonagh Fire Fighting Unit".

528/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSE FOR MR. McCANDLESS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McHenry, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That an S. I. house be built for Mr. McCandless, Pound St., Carrdonagh".

529/60. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES:

The following notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick L. Barte, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council examine the present system of preliminary enquiries relating to S. I. cottages with a view to having a more direct and speedier system devised".

530/60. PUBLIC LIGHTS - MILFORD AREA:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Parkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee in connection with preparation of estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council erect lights at the following places:-

- (a) 1 at Ferry's Pub, Greeslough;
- (b) 2 at Gortmacell, Milford;
- (c) 1 at St. Mary's Terrace, Ramelton".

531/60. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO BALLYHOLEY, RAPHOE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor W. R. Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the possibility of extending the Lough Mourne Water Scheme to Ballyholey, Raphoe, to serve a large area, including Ballyholey N. S. be examined".

532/60. MINOR WATER SCHEMES:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a programme of minor water schemes, extensions co-op schemes, pumps and wells be undertaken immediately".

533/60. HOUSING SCHEMES FOR STRANORLAR, CONVOY AND RAPHOE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that surveys are being carried out to ascertain the housing needs of these areas:-

"That this Council builds sufficient houses for the unsuccessful applicants in Stranorlar, Convooy and Raphoe, if they do in fact so qualify".

Arising out of the Motion, it was agreed that Councillor McGowan should be furnished with lists of the applicants for the houses now under construction in these areas.

534/60. ROAD AT ACRES, BURTONPORT:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick O'Donnell, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that repairs would be carried out to the worst sections of this road:-

"That this Council request the County Engineer to carry out immediate urgent and necessary repairs to the main road from Acres Chapel, Burtonport to Lungleoe, via Rampart".

535/60. ROAD FROM BRUCKLESS TO DUNKINEELY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the Contractor is being pressed to carry out the work:-

"That the road from Bruckless to Dunkineely be repaired (the portion damaged in laying water main)".

536/60. LIGHT AT CLADDACH-NA-GAORACH PIER, KILCAR:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That this Council provide a light at Claddagh-na-Gaorach Pier, Kilocar".

537/60. VISITING COMMITTEES - LETTERKENNY COUNTY HOSPITAL AND COUNTY HOME, STRANORLAR:

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed that the Councillors for the Electoral Area of Letterkenny be appointed as Visiting Committee to the County Hospital and County Home:-

"That this Council appoint Visiting Committees to the County Hospital, Letterkenny, and the County Home, Stranorlar, as provided by the Standing Orders, paragraph 116".

538/60. WELL AND PUMP AT BOOTAGH, CULDAFF:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with the Estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That well and pump be provided at Bootagh, Culdaff".

539/60. PILOT LIGHTS IN TOWN OF BALLYSHANNON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Kelly, having been proposed and seconded, as referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with preparation of Estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That Pilot Lights be provided for the town of Ballyshannon".

540/60. CO. TAGH NO. 82, ST. FINIAN'S PARK, MOVILLE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Alexander Liver, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed that a new range should be installed in this cottage, provided the tenant pays 20% of the cost by way of increase in rent spread over two years:-

"That a new range or cooker be installed in County Council cottage No. 82, St. Finian's Park, Moville".

541/60. ROAD FROM LETTERKENNY TO ROSAFENNA AND DOWNINGS:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Samuel A. Baxter in regard to above, was adjourned to the next meeting.

542/60. FIRE STATION, CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Robert Doherty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That a Fire Station be erected on the plot acquired for same at Carndonagh".

543/60. ROAD AT BALLINSBO, CLONMANY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James McLaney, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the portion of the road referred to is not a public road, but the County Engineer indicated that he would consider having it taken over as a public road:-

"That the Council repair County road and culvert on road leading into Ballinsbo, Clonmany".

544/60. ROAD AT TIRLAGHAN, CARRIGART:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That County Road leading from Brian Coyle's house, Tirlaghan, Carrigart, to Shore Road at Grier's cottage be put in a proper state of repair".

545/60. ROAD AT GLENMAQUIN NATIONAL SCHOOL:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor W. A. Buchanan, in regard to above, was adjourned to next meeting.

546/60. INDUSTRIES IN THE COUNTY:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D., was proposed and seconded:-

"That this Council should take an active part in attracting industries to the County".

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick D. Harte, was proposed and seconded:-

"That this Council discuss the present Industrialisation effort in Donegal".

The desirability of attracting industries to the County was discussed at length and it was suggested by Councillor Cunningham that a special sub-committee be set up to contact and give information to persons interested in starting industries in the County.

It was agreed that Councillor Cunningham should put down a more detailed Motion for the next meeting of the Council.

547/60. WATER SUPPLY TO BALLINACOR, KILLYGORDON:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That the Council connect the Lough Mourne Water Supply Scheme to sixteen applicants in Ballinacor, Killygordon".

548/60. BURTONPORT PIER:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Patrick O'Donnell, T.D., having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed that an extension to the existing lighting at Burtonport Pier should be provided:-

"That further and better lighting be made available on the Pier at Burtonport Harbour".

549/60. OPENING OF COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Bernard McGlinchey in regard to above was not moved, in view of the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee in regard to the matter.

550/60. ROAD AT MALINMORE:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael O'Lonnell, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council ask the Board of works to maintain the portion of the Killanid/Malinmore road, from John Boherty's house to Malinmore".

551/60. ERECTION OF FIRE STATION AT CARNDONAGH:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:-

"That Fire Fighting Station at Carndonagh be erected with the least possible delay".

552/60. ROADS IN BALLYSHANNON AREA:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Michael Mally, having been proposed and seconded, the report of the County Engineer stating the roads would be kept in as reasonable state of repair as maintenance monies would permit pending their reconstruction under the Five Year Plan, was noted:-

"That the following County roads be kept in a proper state of repair pending reaching their order on the Five Year Plan:-

- (a) The Legislation Road;
- (b) Station Road, Ballyshannon;
- (c) Abbey Road;
- (d) Derryhillew-Bonshill road."

553/60. PRIVATE SITES - DONEGAL TOWN:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Frank Muldoon, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That this Council provide a number of developed sites in Donegal Town".

554/60. DRAIN ALONG ROAD AT CREGNAGOR, RASHEENNY:

The Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor James Molleney was adjourned to the next meeting.

555/60. ROAD FROM DEVLINREAGH GAP TO COOL SCHOOL:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor John Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:-

"That the County road leading from Devlinreagh Gap to near Cool School be put in a proper state of repair".

556/60. LIGHT AT NEW HOUSING SCHEME, MONESS:

The following Notice of Motion standing in the name of Councillor Lisa Cunningham, T.M., having been proposed and seconded, was referred to Finance Committee for consideration in connection with Estimates for year 1961/'62:-

"That 3 lights be installed at new Housing Scheme, Moness".

557/60. FLOUR AND BREAD:

The Council adopted the following Resolutions from Longford County Council:-

- (1) "That the Council request the Government to put the subsidies back on flour and bread, due to the bad potato crop".
- (2) "That we request the Government to remove any embargo now existing so as to allow free importation of wheat, in order to permit flour and bread to be sold to our people at world prices".

558/60. INTOXICATING LIQUOR BILL 1960:

The following Resolution from Dublin County Council was adopted:-

"In view of the adverse repercussions which the Intoxicating Liquor Bill, 1960, has had on Holiday Resorts in County Dublin and the consequent loss of revenue to Hotels and Licensed premises in the area, this Council is of opinion that the Act should be amended with a view to granting area exemptions generally, and in particular to Dublin County, in order to provide better amenities and facilities for tourists and citizens and to maintain and increase the valuable revenue from this source".

559/60. LOCAL AUTHORITIES (WORKS) ACTS:

The Council adopted the following Resolution from Kildare County Council:-

"That in view of the anticipated increase in the number of persons unemployed over the winter period, the Kildare County Council is of opinion that the Government should again make monies available for drainage schemes under the Local Authorities (works) Acts so as to provide useful employment on works of value to the farming community. That copies of this resolution be circulated to all County Councils for their endorsement".

560/60. E. S. B. CHARGES:

The Council adopted the following Resolution from Sligo Corporation:-

"That we view with great concern the recent increases for electricity by the E. S. B. as we feel these increases forced on consumers will cause hardship on the people of the working classes, also causing an additional financial burden on business people in general.

That the Minister for Transport and Power be hereby requested to intervene in the matter so as to ensure no increased charges be permitted, which consumers are not in a position to pay on account of the rising cost of living".

561/60. EMIGRATION:

The Council adopted the following Resolution from Dublin Corporation:-

"alarmed at the extent and national danger of the present volume of emigration, the Corporation of Dublin requests the Government to take such steps as may be necessary to improve wages and social services, to stop the compulsory displacement of married and marriageable men and other wage earners that has been taking place in our cities and towns and to do all other things necessary to stop the mass exodus of individuals and families that is endangering the very existence of the historic Irish nation. We request all other Local Authorities to support this urgent request to the Government".

562/60. TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION:

The Council noted letter 8/11/1960 from Bord Fáilte Éireann complementing them on the appearances of the towns in Donegal in connection with the Tidy Towns Competition.

563/60. GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS:

The Council noted that the next meeting of the General Council of County Councils would be held early in December and that notice of any matters for the agenda should reach the General Council before the 5th December, 1960.

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed: Howe Walsh
Chairman.

Date: 30th January 1961.

1/6. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McDermick (Presiding), McAleney, Baxter, Slaney, Deery, Oliver, L. Cunningham, L.D., Kelly, Muldoon, Walsh and Dunning.

2/6. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; W. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; and P. Dowd, County Accountant.

3/6. MENTAL HOSPITAL MISSING STAFF:

The Committee noted the following order made by the County Manager in regard to above and recommended that the Council consent to its terms:-

"Application has been received on behalf of Mental Hospital nurses that they be granted twenty-eight days annual leave in future. The A.P.S. states that if this concession is granted, it will be necessary to appoint one additional female nurse and one additional male nurse. Provision is being made in the estimate for year ending 31st March, 1961 for the additional appointments. The Joint Industrial Council has recommended that the application be granted.

ORDER: Subject to the consent of the Council and to the approval of the Minister for Health, the appointment of one additional female nurse and one additional male nurse is hereby authorised".

4/6. UNIFORMS AND PROVISION OF SALARIES:

The Committee noted the following order made by the County Manager in regard to above and recommended that the Council consent to its terms:-

"Subject to the consent of the Council, and sanction of the appropriate Minister, salaries of officers are to be increased with effect as from the 15th December, 1959, as follows:-

Officers whose salaries are £400 a year or less - increase of 8%

Officers whose salaries exceed £400 a year - increase of 8% on the first £400 and 5% on balance of existing salary.

In making these calculations, the increase granted with effect from 1st October, 1958 is not to be taken into account. It is, however, to be added to all salaries".

5/6. WAGES OF BUILDING TRADE WORKERS:

The Committee noted the following order made by the County Manager in regard to above and recommended that the Council consent to its terms:-

"Agreement has been reached between Building Trade Unions and the Federation of Building Contractors & Allied Employers of Ireland providing for wages increases of 3d. per hour to building trade workers on a forty-eight hour week. The estimated annual cost of applying the increased rate to building trade workers employed by the Council is £7.9.

ORDER: Subject to the consent of the Council, tradesmen employed by the Council are to be paid an increased rate of 3d. per hour as from the 3rd October, 1959".

6/6. WAGES OF MACHINERY MEN:

The Committee noted that an application for an increase in wages for semi-skilled workers employed in the machinery yard had been referred to the Labour Court and that a Conciliation Conference between representatives of the parties would be arranged.

The Manager stated that the Council had offered to pay these workers £7. 5s. od. per week but that this would not be accepted by the union.

7/6. SUPERANNUATION:

The Committee noted that the application of the Federation of rural workers for the introduction of a superannuation scheme for road workers had been referred to the Labour Court and that the Court proposed investigating it as soon as convenient.

8/6. ROAD WORKERS WAGES:

The Committee noted that the Labour Court proposed to hold a Conciliation Conference in connection with the application of the Federation of rural workers for increased rates of wages for road workers.

9/6. FERRY TOWN DEVELOPMENT:

The Committee noted that the Greencastle Development Committee propose to erect an ornamental railing at the Ferry Port and that the County Engineer had indicated that there was no objection to the proposal.

The Committee noted with approval that it is proposed to provide a small town park in Amentias and that £200 of the road maintenance money would be used to assist the Committee in the carrying out of the work which would result in the removal of a dangerous corner.

In this connection, the Manager pointed out that the park would, on completion, become the property of the Council.

10/6. ADDITIONAL LIGHTING QUESTIONS:

It was decided that as money had not been provided for additional lights, this application could not be granted.

11/6. INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANTS:

The Committee noted that the Manager intended to make a statement at a meeting on the 29th of February in connection with the suggestion by the Denegal Ratepayers' Association that Industrial Consultants be engaged.

Confirmed Stagh M. Kendrick
Chairman

Date 22nd February 1960

Adopted by Council Chairman

Date _____

MINUTES OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON THE 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1960.

12/60

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Cunningham (Presiding); Blaney, Brennan, Deery, Diver, Greene, Muldoon, McElaney, McKendrick, Dunning, and Walsh.

13/60

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Shurkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; E. P. Multy, Chief Assistant County Engineer; County Medical Officer; G. Ward, Staff Officer and M. Murphy, Staff Officer.

14/60

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Muldoon, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, the Minutes of Meetings held on the 30th November, 1959 and 12th February, 1960 were unanimously confirmed.

15/60

WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee noted the following report from the County Engineer in regard to above:-

"I would refer to previous discussions and correspondence in connection with the Minister's circular dealing with the Ten Year Plan for the provision of water supply and sewerage facilities throughout the County.

In the matter of water supplies, Donegal is well to the fore, vis-a-vis other Counties though to fully implement the Minister's circular a considerable amount of work requires to be done. An examination of the County indicates that the extension of existing schemes to the limit of their capabilities would, in fact, cover a great deal of the populated area of the County, while the implementation of new schemes where possible to cover some of the areas which at present have not got a water supply would leave very little of the County to be catered for by means of pumps and isolated supplies.

In the case of sewerage schemes, it would appear that approximately forty schemes would require to be implemented to cover the populated districts of the County.

The implementation of the Minister's circular in a ten year period presents a formidable task involving an estimated expenditure in the case of water of approximately one and three-quarter million pounds, and, in the case of sewerage schemes, over a half million pounds. I have reviewed these particular schemes and consider that the best way of implementing them would be to send a number of the larger schemes to Consultants, while the Council's staff would cater for a considerable number of the smaller schemes. I consider that the following water supply schemes should be sent to Consultants:-

Extensions of existing schemes

Rosses Regional	-	Estimate	£550,000
Greaslough	-	"	40,000
Roskenelagh-Ballyshannon	-	"	100,000
Lough Mourne	-	"	350,000

New Schemes

New Schemes

Newtowncunningham Regional Scheme	-	Estimate	£250,000
Fannad	-	"	175,000
Frosses, Inver	-	"	50,000
Lettermacaward - Doohary	-	"	60,000
Inlin Head Regional	-	"	50,000
Churchill	-	"	60,000
Arranmore Island	-	"	30,000

I consider that with some augmentations, the Council Staff could undertake the design and construction of the following schemes:-

Extensions

Narin-Portnoo	-	Estimate	£50,000
Gortahork	-	"	120,000
Killybegs	-	"	20,000

New Schemes

Malinmore	-	Estimate	£16,000
Gleneely	-	"	20,000
Cranford	-	"	12,000
Laghey	-	"	12,000
Straleel	-	"	20,000
Replacement of Glenties & Ardara	-	"	70,000
Replacement of Rathmullan	-	"	20,000

In the case of sewerage schemes, I would point out that all of them might be considered in the "small" category but they are capable of being grouped so as to form a unit in the same way as a group of cottages would be considered as a unit for contract purposes. For this reason I would suggest that the following schemes be submitted to Consultants:-

Killygordon	}	Total estimate approximately £100,000
Lifford		
Ballindrait		
Convoy		
Castlefin		
Raphoe	}	Total estimate approximately £30,000
Greenslough		
Carrigart		
Kilscrennan		
Newtowncunningham	}	Ditto £30,000
Carrigans		
Hanorecunningham		
Burbeg	}	Total estimate approximately 100,000
Derrybeg		
Gortahork	}	Total estimate approximately £37,000
Dunfanaghy		
Portnablagh		
Annagry	}	Total estimate approximately £30,000
Loughanure		
Rossnakill	}	Total estimate approximately £12,000
Tamney		

WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES (contd.)

The following schemes could be undertaken by the augmented Engineering Staff:-

Ballintra) Rosshowlagh) Laghey)	£30,000
Downings	£15,000
Kilcar) Dunkinealy) Carriok)	£35,000
Clonmany) Killin) Ballyliffin)	£25,000
Culdaff) Quigley's Point)	£20,000
Muff) Greencastle)	£14,000
Ardara) Narin-Portnee)	£30,000
Teelin) Glencolumbkille)	£24,000
Frosses	£8,000
St. Johnston) Fahan)	£15,000

Considering the amount of work already in hands, I would recommend that at least one extra Engineer be appointed to carry out survey and design of the schemes above mentioned. It can be seen that the work involved will extend over a period of ten years continually. Consideration, therefore, should be given to the appointment of a permanent Engineer so that there will be a continuity in the work and avoid a continual changing of personnel. In the first instance, to get matters started, I would suggest the appointment of a temporary Engineer pending the decision concerning making the appointment permanent, and, when the permanent man is appointed, consideration should be given to the keeping on of the temporary man so as to further expedite the work involved. It will be appreciated that an endeavour is being made to keep the number of staff to a minimum and it is likely that after a twelve month period it might be found necessary to seek further help by way of extra Engineers.

The above is not to be taken as a programme to be submitted to the Department for approval under the terms of the circular. Such a programme can only be submitted after a full investigation is made regarding canvasses, etc., thus establishing true priority."

It was decided that a preliminary priority list should be prepared by the Manager and submitted to the Committee for approval.

In connection with the requirement that persons wishing to connect their premises with new Water Schemes be required to pay a deposit of £8, it was suggested that consideration should be given to the possibility of making an arrangement whereby persons who had paid the deposit could arrange themselves to connect to the water supply and obtain a refund of the deposit when this had been done. It was also suggested that the Manager should consider the possibility of reducing the deposit.

15/60

WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES (contd.)

It was agreed that a report should be submitted by the Manager on these aspects of the matter as soon as possible.

16/60

EXTENSION OF FALCARRAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME TO SERVE THE TOWNLANDS OF DUNMORE AND CLONBARA.

The Committee noted that the proposals for the extension of the Falcarragh Water Supply Scheme are being prepared at present and that the townlands of Dunmore and Clonbarra are being included.

17/60

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY FOR GLEENEELY AND DISTRICT:

It was noted that this area would be included in the comprehensive schemes being prepared.

18/60

BRIDGE AT MURDARRAGH, GLEENEELY:

The Committee noted that the provision of a bridge at this location is not the responsibility of the Council. The County Engineer suggested that the local people concerned should consider making application for a Grant under the Rural Improvement Scheme.

19/60

SEWERAGE SCHEME AT CHURCH LANE, ST. JOHNSTON

The Committee noted that a scheme to serve this area would cost from £1,060 to £1,655 having regard to the number of houses to be served. It was decided that no action should be taken until it had been ascertained if the persons concerned would be prepared to make a contribution towards the cost of the work.

20/60

LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME; EXTENSIONS TO DRUBOG (Stranorlar) and SANSFIELD M^o LAUGHLIN'S HOUSE AT CAVALI ROAD:

The Committee noted that consideration would be given to these extensions in connection with the comprehensive survey of Water Supply Schemes now in progress.

21/60

SHEEP DIPPING POND FOR GROAGH AREA:

Consideration of this matter was deferred until the next Meeting of the Committee when a full report in regard to the Sheep Dipping Scheme would be under consideration.

22/60

PROGRESS REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee noted the following report in regard to above:-

WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES:

Dallyshannon-Rosknockagh:

Work almost completed

Lough Mourne:

- (a) Extension to Globe, Stranorlar)
- (b) Extension to Corvoy)
- (c) Coolutee, Ballindrait)
- (d) Killygordon)
- (e) Castlefin Road, Ballindrait)

The County Council has approved of these extensions and approval has also been received from the Department of Local Government. Work has commenced on the extensions in question which are being carried out by the County Council.

(f) Carrigans

The position relating to the provision of a water supply for Carrigans is at present receiving consideration and it is intended to discuss the proposed extension to the Lough Mourne Scheme to Carrigans with the Consulting Engineers, Messrs. Nicholas O'Dwyer & Sons, Dublin, when they visit Donegal within the next week or so.

Creeslough:

(n) Extension to Ards:

The Department of Local Government have approved of the proposed extension of the Creeslough Water Supply Scheme to Ards, but the extension from the Friary gate to the Friary is a matter for the Authorities. The Department of Local Government are not prepared to approve of the extension from the gate, as only one residence would be served.

Malin-Culdaff:

- (a) Extension to Corvish and Benduff: Work on this extension will commence soon.

Clonmany:

- (a) Urvis-Kindroghid Extension: Approval has been received from the Department of Local Government and detailed plans and specifications which were submitted. The Bill of Quantities has now been received, and submitted to the Department for approval. In addition, trial borings were carried out and a report on the results of these trial borings has also been submitted to the Department of Local Government.

Downings:

Acquisition of lands and wayleaves in progress. Tenders have been received for the contract in this scheme and are at present under examination by the County Council's Engineering Staff. Tenders have also been invited for Filtration Equipment for the Carrigart-Downings water Supply Scheme, and the latest date for the receipt of tenders for Filtration Equipment is 22nd February, 1960.

Gortahork:

Work on the Gortahork Water Supply Scheme is progressing satisfactorily.

- (a) Extension to Ardsbeg)
 (b) Extension to Killult)
 (c) Extension to Ardsmore)

Canvasses are being carried out in these areas and a report will be submitted on the results of the canvasses in due course.

Miff:

Agreement has now been reached with Derry Rural District Council and arrangements are being made for the execution of the necessary work by direct labour subject to the approval of the Department of Local Government. A Priced Bill of Quantities is in course of preparation and will be submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval.

Falcarragh:

Plans, specification and other documents at present being prepared and will be ready for submission to the G.P. Committee in the near future.

Fanad:

Canvasses now in progress, nearing completion.

Rosses Regional Scheme and extension beyond Brinlaek

Tenders have been invited for Filtration Plant for the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme and the latest date for the receipt of tenders is 5th March. The scraping of mains is being carried out on the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme, and it is estimated that the work involved will cost about £450. This work is being carried out with a view to improve the water supply to Dunglea.

Killybegs Improvement Scheme

Work in progress and proceeding satisfactorily.

Moville:

A letter was received from the Department of Local Government approving of the County Council's reports for Moville Water Supply Scheme. However, it was recommended that continuous and accurate gaugings of the sources of Moville and Greenacastle Water Supply Schemes be put in hand immediately.

Clyhere:

Draft Agreement has been submitted by Irvinestown Rural District Council and has been approved by the County Council.

SEWERAGE SCHEMES

Falcarragh:

Section (2) preliminary report submitted to Department of Local Government for approval.

Ramolton:

Tenders for the Ramolton Sewerage Scheme have been received and are at present undergoing examination by the County Council's Engineering Staff.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCEKillybegs:

The proposed erection of a Sanitary Convenience at Killybegs is being carried out by direct labour.

ROSSER REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSIONS

The following report from the County Engineer was considered:-

"The results of the canvas carried out have now come to hand and the position is given hereunder:-

	No. of Houses	No. Accepted	COST £	% Acceptors	Cost per hse.	Cost Accepted
Bunbeg - Bunbeg Pier	13	5 (possibly 2 more)	2,850	38	£220	£570
Mcanderrynasloe-Loughanure	47	38	9,500	80%	198	250
Acres-Mkenmore	38	4	6,850	10-15%	175	1,712
Kinasslagh-Gortnasade	15	10	3,550	75%	236	355
Hullaghduff-Ballymanus	10	10	1,700	100%	170	170
Inghernaleek	55	20	7,050	36%	150	302
Middletown to A.O.H. Hall	3	3	650	100%	216	216
Lower Lunnagh	18	8	1,600	44%	90	200
Carrickateskin-Inghernaslogher	21	8	4,100	38%	195	512
Cotteen	12	8	1,400	66%	117	175
Rannafast-Derrynasansher- Jackstown	48	28	10,950	58%	228	391
North of Brinlack	48	6	9,700	12½	202	1,617

I presume that the Council will decide which extensions should be carried out. In doing this I would recommend that cognisance be taken of the report made for the last Council Meeting as regards the necessity of augmentation of the supply as a matter of urgency. I would suggest that whatever extensions are agreed should be carried out in the same contract as the augmentation proposals."

The Committee recommended that the following schemes be approved:-

Mcanderrynasloe-Loughanure	£250
Hullaghduff-Ballymanus	170
Middletown to A.O.H. Hall	216
Lower Lunnagh	200
Cotteen	175

23/60

ROSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - Extensions (contd.)

The Committee agreed to the Engineer's suggestion that these extensions should be carried out in the same contract as the augmentation proposals.

24/60

WELL AND PUMP AT DOCKEY, QUIGLEY'S POINT:

The Committee noted that provision had not been made in the Estimate for the provision of well and pump at Dockey and it was decided that it should be inserted on the list of proposed wells and pumps for further consideration at a future date.

25/60

WELL AND PUMP AT BOOTAGH, QUIGLEY'S POINT:

The Committee noted that provision had not been made in the Estimate for the provision of well and pump at Bootagh and it was decided that it should be inserted on the list of proposed wells and pumps for further consideration at a future date.

26/60

SLIPWAY AT BALLYBAGGART, ST. JOHN'S POINT:

The Committee noted that provision had not been made in the Estimate for the provision of a new slipway or for repairs to the existing slipway.

It was decided that the matter should be considered at a later stage if there was any money available to carry out the work.

27/60

BOAT SLIP AT TORY ISLAND:

The Committee noted that the Office of Public Works had now ascertained that the fishermen were satisfied with the location of the proposed boat slip.

It was decided to inform the Office of Public Works that the Council had no objection to the work as proposed.

28/60

MOORING BUOYS AT RATHMILLIN PIER:

The Committee noted letter (24/12/'59) from the Department of Transport & Power stating that the Minister was not prepared to give a grant for this purpose.

It was decided to ask the Department of Transport and Power to let the Council have a commitment of the cost of providing mooring buoys.

29/60

BULTONPORT PIER:

The Committee noted that surface improvements required at Pier Head would cost £225 and recommended that the work be carried out.

30/60

PORTALEEN PIER:

The Committee considered further the provision of an electrically-operated wharf crane at Portaleen Pier.

It was decided to request the County Engineer to re-examine the matter with a view to ascertaining if a new hand-operated crane, of the type at present being used, would be suitable.

31/60

BEACONS FOR ATHANORE ISLAND:

The Committee agreed with the recommendation of the County Engineer that the Department be requested to make a grant of 100% available towards the cost of installing navigation lights, and directed that enquiries be made to ascertain if Irish Lights would take over the care and responsibility of the system if, and when, it is installed.

32/60

BUNDORAN STREETS:

The Committee noted that Bundoran Urban District Council were in agreement with the proposals of the County Engineer for the widening of portion of the Streets at Bundoran at an estimated cost of £600.

33/60

OPENING OF KILCLEEN BORDER ROAD:

The Committee noted letter (5/1/'60) from the Department of External Affairs stating that the Department is taking such steps as are possible to see if the road can be re-opened for traffic. The Committee also noted (letter 18/2/60) from Tyrone County Council enclosing copy of letter addressed by them to the Surveyor, Customs & Excise and directed that a copy of this letter be sent to the Department of External Affairs.

34/60

EMPLOYMENT & EMERGENCY SCHEMES VOTE:

The Committee noted the following letter from the Special Employment Schemes Office in regard to above:-

"I am directed by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance to refer to the enquiries raised at the recent meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the County Council regarding the circumstances under which grants are allocated from the Rural Employment Scheme subhead of the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote to non-urbanised towns.

I am to state in reply that a sum of £35,000 only was available in this subhead for distribution among the 477 non-urbanised towns in the country. Moreover, £200 is regarded as the minimum worthwhile grant, and it was, accordingly, necessary to confine the grant to towns in which there were substantial numbers of unemployed. The distribution is based on a special geographical census of unemployed taken for this purpose in the third week of January of each year. On this basis, grants were allocated to 12 non-urbanised towns in Donegal in the current year.

Some of the town areas in Donegal for which grants were allocated last year did not qualify for grants in the current year because of the reduction in the number of unemployed in the areas concerned."

35/60

MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1959/60:

The Committee approved of the following transfers of moneys:-

£969. 10. 8d. from Scheme Nos. 1 and 2 to County Roads 308, 309 and 242, i.e., Cooley-Movilla-Noone's Bridge County Road;

£72. 0. 0d. from Road 4/1 to Road 4/8

£59. 0. 0d. from Road 4/3 to Road 4/8

£342. 0. 0d. from Road 4/4 to Road 4/8

£131. 0. 0d. from Road 4/5 to Road 4/8

These roads are in the Dunfanaghy area.

MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1959/60: (contd.)

35/60

The Committee approved of transfer of £1,820 from Doohary-Lettermuckard (Road 6/1) and Lettermuckard-Doocy (Road 6/3) to Roads Nos. 1365 and 1285 (Roads between three roads at Toome Lough and three roads at Longfield).

The Committee also noted the County Engineer's proposals with regard to the Falun-Burserana main road.

36/60

MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD GRANTS FOR YEAR 1960/61:

The Committee noted that the Department of Local Government had notified Grants to the Council for the year 1960/61 as follows:-

County Road Improvement:	£190,500
Main Road Improvement:	61,500
Main Road Upkeep Grant:	40% of approved expenditure.

37/60

PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES:

The Committee noted the following report in regard to above:-

*HOUSES COMPLETED:

Group Schemes	954
S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1953	60
do. C.P.O. 1954	34
do. C.P.O. 1955	46
do. Agreement	32
TOTAL:	<u>1,126</u>

TENDERS RECEIVED

St. Johnston H.S.	6
S.I. Agreement	7
TOTAL	<u>13</u>

HOUSES IN PROGRESS:

Donegal No. 2 H.S.	4
Stranorlar	6
Convoy No. 2	5
Tulnaree	2
S.I. Sites Agreement	10
TOTAL	<u>27</u>

TENDERS INVITED

S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1954	1
ditto C.P.O. 1955	1
ditto C.P.O. Agreement	28
TOTAL	<u>30</u>

CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BEING PREPARED

Killybegs No. 2 Housing Scheme	12
Raphoe No. 2 ditto	6
TOTAL	<u>18</u>

TENDERS SANCTIONED:

Ballindrait	6
Ballynagan	4
S.I. C.P.O. 1952	1
ditto 1955	1
ditto Agreement	9
Burse's Cottage, Ardara	1
TOTAL	<u>22</u>

SUMMARY

Houses Completed	1,126
Houses in progress	27
Tenders sanctioned	22
Tenders being invited	30
Tenders received	13
Contract documents being prepared	18
TOTAL	<u>1,236</u>

PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES (contd.)

"LIFFORD HOUSING SCHEME: Approval to acquire a site at Lifford has been submitted to the Department who have asked for particulars of cost of development.

RAMELTON NO. 3 HOUSING SCHEME: The question of erecting another small scheme of about 6 houses on a site owned by the Council at Ramelton is being investigated and housing conditions of applicants are being examined.

R. LLYMAGAN HOUSING SCHEME: Work has not proceeded on this scheme pending completion of acquisition of site.

ST. JOHNSTON NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME - 6 Houses: Some time ago tenders were received for these houses but some of the prospective tenants withdrew their applications. Some new applications are being investigated before further action on the tenders is taken. There were only three applicants for a recent vacant cottage there.

A. DUNAGHAN HOUSING SCHEME NO. 2: The question of erecting some further houses to accommodate unsuccessful applicants for the No. 1 scheme is being considered and the housing needs of these persons have been investigated. 4 houses are needed.

HILFORD NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME: A survey of the housing needs of 27 persons whose names were recently submitted has been carried out. 4 houses are needed.

HOUSING SURVEYS: Surveys are being carried out in the following areas with a view to determining the housing needs:-

Carndonagh
Inch Island
Cockhill and Ballymagan
Bridgend
Quigley's Point
Limonaghan, Letterkenny"

HILFORD WORKHOUSE PREMISES

The Committee noted the following report from the County Secretary in regard to the above:-

"Portion of the above-mentioned premises have been leased to the Hilford Bakery. An application for a lease of the remaining portion of the premises has been received from Mr. Denis McBride, Hilford, County Donegal who wishes to use it as a piggery. The Hilford Bakery have objected very strongly to the proposed user of the premises as a piggery and state that it would be most undesirable to have a piggery adjacent to a store where wheat is stored for human consumption. The objection of the Hilford Bakery Company was examined and the County Medical Officer has indicated that the use of the premises as a piggery would not constitute a Public Health nuisance. The Hilford Bakery Company indicated that they proposed seeking legal advice with a view to taking action to prevent the Council leasing the portion of the premises in question as a piggery.

Mr. Denis McBride has been offered a short term lease of the premises for a period of eleven months at a rent of £30, subject to certain conditions. In the first instance he indicated that the conditions were acceptable but he required an assurance that at the end of the eleven months he will be given a renewal of the lease for a longer period on the same terms. His Solicitor points out that a short term lease is not satisfactory as it would be necessary for Mr. McBride to develop the premises for use as a piggery."

MILFORD WORKHOUSE PREMISES (contd.)

"It is understood that there are other parties as well as Mr. McBride interested in obtaining a lease of portion of the Workhouse in question and it is recommended that applications be invited by public advertisement with a view to obtaining the best terms possible for the premises. Applications could be invited on the basis of a short term lease for five years"

The Committee recommended that a short term lease for five years be granted to Mr. Denis McBride on the terms already offered.

INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:

It was decided to defer until after July consideration of application from the Institute of Public Administration for annual subscription of £100.

RATE ON FORT LENAN:

The Committee noted letter (26/11/59) from the Valuation Office in regard to above as follows:-

"I am directed by the Commissioner of Valuation to refer to your letter of 20th instant and previous correspondence (Ref. 312R/14) re the contribution-in-lieu-of-rates attributable to Fort Lenan and to state that the contribution for the year ended 31st March, last was payable in respect of:-

Land attached to the Fort	25.	10.	0
Fort Lenan	10.	0.	0
Barrack Buildings	100.	0.	0

The above valuations are attributable to the portion of the Fort used by Department of Defence during the 1958/59 financial year.

The following valuations are attributable to those portions of the Fort which are vacant and unused:-

Fort Lenan	£150.	0	0
Barrack Buildings	170.	0.	0
Jetty at Porterlin	20.	0.	0

It will be noted that the figure of £500 refers to buildings and that contribution continues to be payable in respect of all the land attached to the installations."

PERMANENT NURSING ESTABLISHMENT AT BALLYSHANNON, DONEGAL AND CARNDONAGH HOSPITALS:

The Committee noted that the permanent establishment at these institutions had been fixed as follows:-

Ballyshannon	One	Head Nurse
	Seven	General Trained Nurses
Donagal	One	Head Nurse (None)
	Two	Nursing Sisters
	Seven	Lay Sisters
Carndonagh:	Matron (1)	
	Eight	General Trained Nurses.

42/60

CARAVAN SITES AT ROSSNO/LUGH AND PORTNOO:

The Committee noted the report of the County Medical Officer (9/1/60) setting out the conditions under which licences would be granted and decided to request the Minister to bring Section 34 of the Sanitary Services Act, 1948 into operation in respect of the Rossno/Lugh area.

43/60

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK TO OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE:

The Committee recommended the continued employment of Mr. A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary, Donegal County Council as Clerk to the Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee subject to the sanction of the Minister for Social Welfare.

44/60

BRANCH LIBRARY AT NOVILLE:

The Committee noted that an application for increased rent had been received in respect of the library and that alternative accommodation can not be obtained.

It was recommended that negotiations be entered into with the Parish Priest with a view to arriving at a reasonable rent for the continued use of the premises as a Library.

45/60

TOURIST GRANT 1960/61:

The Committee noted that the Department of Local Government had notified a Grant of £55,000 for Tourist Roads in Gaeltacht and Congested Areas.

The Meeting then terminated.

Signature of Hugh W. Rendall

Date 28th March 1960

Adopted _____

Date _____

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 28TH DAY OF MARCH, 1960.

46/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McKendrick (Presiding), Patterson, Blaney, Breslin, L. Cunningham, Leery, Liver, Melly, Muldoon, McLeneay, Lunnion and Walsh.

47/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; P. Dowd, County Accountant; E. F. Multy, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

48/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Patterson, the Minutes of Meeting of General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 22nd February, 1960 were unanimously confirmed.

49/60. REMUNERATION OF HEALTH INSPECTORS:

The Committee noted the following Order made by the County Manager in regard to the above and recommended that the Council consent to its terms:-

"Subject to the consent of the Council and to the approval of the Minister for Health a revised salary scale of £475 x £34 to £816 per annum is to be paid to Health Inspectors employed by Donegal County Council with effect as from the 1st April, 1960. In view of this revision the recent increase in salaries (7th round) is not to be applied to Health Inspectors".

50/60. EMPLOYMENT OF ASSISTANT COUNTY MEDICAL OFFICER:

The Committee recommended the continued employment of a temporary Assistant County Medical Officer for Dungloe area for a further period of six months and also recommended that the Minister for Health be requested to sanction the appointment of a permanent Assistant County Medical Officer for the County.

51/60. WATER SUPPLIES - FROSSES AND INVER:

It was agreed to defer consideration of this proposal pending the submission of a comprehensive report from the County Engineer in regard to water supplies in the County.

52/60. WATER SUPPLY IN AREAS FROM NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM TO GLEENEELY:

It was agreed to defer consideration of this proposal pending the submission of a comprehensive report from the County Engineer in regard to water supplies in the County.

53/60. GARRDONAGH WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO TULNAREE:

It was agreed to defer consideration of this proposal pending the submission of a comprehensive report from the County Engineer in regard to water supplies in the County.

54/60. MOVILLE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSION TO COASTGUARD STATION AND PIER HOUSE:

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of this extension is £2,400 and agreed that a canvass of the area should be carried out pending submission of the County Engineer's comprehensive report in regard to water supplies in the County.

55/60. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO LISDARGAN, CARROWMORE:

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of providing piping for this extension is £245, and that the people concerned are prepared to open and close the pipe track.

After some discussion, it was decided to prepare a list of necessary minor extensions with a view to having a loan raised to finance them.

56/60. FORTNOO WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of proposed extensions of Naran-Fortnoo Water Supply Scheme is £8,000 and recommended that a loan be raised for the carrying out of the work.

57/60. EXTENSION OF RABELAWN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME TO COTTAGES ON LETTERKENNY ROAD:

It was decided to defer consideration of this matter to the next Meeting when the position in relation to the adequacy of the pressure would be known as it is intended to have the pipes scraped in the meantime.

58/60. CREESLOUGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSION TO ARDS:

The Committee directed that the Capuchin Franciscan Friary be informed that the Council are not prepared to extend the supply to the Friary, but that they will be prepared to bring the supply as far as the Monastery gates and waive the requirement that a contribution of £300 be made towards the cost of the work by the Friary.

59/60. ROSSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

Submitted reports 18/3/1960 from the County Engineer and 29/2/1960 from the Consulting Engineers in regard to the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme. The Committee approved of these reports for submission to the Department of Local Government.

With regard to the proposed extensions, it was decided that provision should be made in the main scheme to enable these extensions to be carried out, but the final decision to proceed with the schemes should await the outcome of the canvass of the affected areas and that the priority in which the schemes should be carried out would be determined by the results of the canvass and the estimated cost of the work.

60/60. ROSSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - EXTENSIONS:

The County Manager was requested to examine further the following extensions which were not approved by the Committee at their last meeting:-

Burbeg - Burbeg pier.

Rannafast-Derrymanusher-Jackstown.

61/60. EXTENSION TO GLANGIES WATER SUPPLY SCHEME TO STRANAGLOUGH:

The Committee noted that seven forms had been signed by the householders to connect to the proposed extension which is estimated to cost £1,000, and it was decided to include this in the scheme of minor extensions to be financed by way of loan.

62/60. PUMP AT BALLYLOSPHY, CARNDONAGH.

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of erecting a pump is £30 and it was decided to consider this application in conjunction with other applications of a similar nature.

63/60. RATHMULLAN PIER:

The Committee noted letter 10/3/1960 from the Department of Transport and Power stating that an informal communication suggests that the cost of providing mooring buoys at Rathmullan Pier would be in the range of £5,000 to £10,000. It was decided to ask the Department to count on the need for mooring buoys at the Pier and also to give particulars of the vessels which could be satisfactorily catered for at the Pier at present.

64/60. BUNCRAN STREETS:

It was decided that the £600 provided in the Road works Programme for the year 1960/61 for re-surfacing of the west entrance to Bundoran be expended on the widening of the Bundoran streets as decided by the Committee at their meeting on the 22nd February, 1960 (Minute No. 32/60 refers). This decision was taken in view of the possibility of there being a sewerage scheme at west End in the near future.

65/60. MARKET SQUARE, DUNFANAGHY:

The Committee approved of the County Engineer's recommendation that the Council take over the Market Square, Dunfanaghy.

66/60. ST. MARY'S ROAD, BUNCRANA:

It was decided to defer to the next meeting of the Committee, the following Notice of Motion:-

"That in future this Council be responsible for maintenance of St. Mary's Road, Bunrana. It is now a main road for Londonderry & Lough Swilly Railway Company's traffic".

67/60. DANGEROUS BEND IN ROAD AT CHURCHTOWN, CARNDONAGH:

The Committee noted County Engineer's report regarding above, and it was decided to forward a copy of the report to the Carndonagh Development Committee and await their observations.

68/60. MAIN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT 1959/60

The Committee approved of the County Engineer's recommendation, transferring a sum of £1,414. 9s. 6d. from main road Improvement Grant No. 4/4 to main road Improvement Grant 4/5 in the Milford District.

69/60. GAELTACHT GRANTS:

The Committee noted that approval had been received from the Department of Local Government for Grants as follows:-

Gleann Cholmille/Min na Croise	£2,000.
Baile an Chnuic, Fanná	£1,040.

70/60. TRAFFIC ON ROSSNOWLAGH STRAND:

The Committee decided to draw the attention of the Gardaí to dangerous driving by motorists on Rossnowlagh Strand.

It was decided that a Red Cross or First Aid Hut should not be provided.

71/60. SHEEP DIPPING:

The following report from the County Secretary was considered:-

"The County is divided into 20 areas to each of which a Sheep Dipping Inspector is assigned.

The work of each Sheep Dipping Inspector is supervised by the Veterinary Inspectors of the Council. Each Inspector submits a weekly report showing the work done during the week and his programme for the ensuing week. On these reports the Sheep Dipping Inspector gives particulars of attendances by Veterinary Inspectors. During the past season the total number of visits paid by Veterinary Inspectors to Sheep Dipping Stations was 7.

Particulars of the number of baths in each area and the number of sheep dipped during the past five years are as follows:-

List. No.	Sheep Dipping District.	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	No. of Baths.
1.	Ballyshannon	7,170	6,340	5,390	7,121	7,160	3
2	Burt	4,298	5,111	3,919	6,311	4,539	2
3	Carndonagh	11,481	11,933	14,417	12,894	14,325	14
4	Cerrigart.	7,063	7,467	8,423	8,874	10,511	17
5	Churchill	6,798	9,459	9,145	11,410	11,289	14
6	Cloghan	11,401	13,801	11,970	13,698	14,972	16
7	Clonsary	9,707	10,312	9,995	9,180	8,439	20
8	Donegal	12,541	13,058	12,710	11,952	12,067	9
9	Dungloe	4,668	4,717	4,668	5,083	5,344	14
10	Lunfanaghy	10,305	10,927	11,093	10,776	12,929	14
11	Hintown	13,058	13,006	12,501	12,279	12,597	14
12	Glenties	6,531	6,209	5,305	6,222	5,371	13
13	Glencolumbkille	17,828	19,039	21,548	18,016	18,321	11
14	Kilcar	16,665	15,110	14,601	15,907	15,003	14
15	Lillybegs.	6,195	7,472	6,146	5,921	5,700	12
16	Letterkenny	8,018	7,492	8,394	9,252	10,593	7
17	Lifford	5,084	5,414	6,229	6,243	5,808	3
18	Milford	9,456	9,722	10,919	11,248	12,152	9
19	Moiville	12,975	11,730	12,671	13,335	14,497	6
20	Stranorlar	11,199	11,411	13,420	13,342	15,154	10
	Totals:	192,441	199,730	203,364	209,064	216,751	222

The erection of 188 of the baths was financed wholly by the Council. In respect of the remaining 34 the Council paid subsidy.

where Dip is provided by the Council a charge of 2s. per sheep is collected by the Inspector and these amounts are lodged to the credit of the Council. where the owner provides his own dip no charge is made for the use of the bath.

Sheep Dipping Inspectors are paid £5. 10s. 0d. per week which is 5/- in excess of Road Labourers' rate. Each Inspector is employed from the 1st August to the 31st October each year.

Total expenditure in the year 1959 was £2,855. 1s. 9d. made up as follows:-

Erection and Repair of Baths.....	£1,095.	3s.	3d.
Rent of Sites	£83.	5s.	0d.
Payment of Inspectors	£1,484.	18s.	2d.
Postage and Printing.....	£91	12s.	10d.
Sheep Dip	£120.	2s.	6d.
Total:.....	£2,875.	1s.	9d.

71/60. SHEEP DIPPING (CONTINUED)

fees collected by sheep dipping inspectors amount to £245. 2s. 11d. and the Department of Agriculture will pay a Grant of £1,314. 19s. 5d. The amount to be paid by the Council is, therefore, £1,314. 19s. 5d."

It was decided that in the coming year a charge of 2d. per sheep should be made where dip is provided by the Council and that a charge of 1d. per sheep should be made where the owner provides the dip himself.

It was also decided to examine the need for Sheep Dipping baths at Largy, Brinlock, Corrain, Ardoolin and Croagh and arrange for the submission of a further report.

72/60. CARRONAGH FEVER HOSPITAL:

The County Medical Officer stated that his original proposal for the provision of a Geriatric Unit at Carronagh Fever Hospital had been the subject of discussion with the Department of Health. He stated that the Department had drawn attention to the overcrowding in Letterkenny Mental Hospital and that it should be possible to accommodate in the proposed Geriatric Unit a number of old people in the mental Hospital who required only nursing care. He pointed out that in his original proposal he visualized the Geriatric Unit as catering for old people who after some treatment would be discharged. After discussion in the Department of Health, he had agreed that half of the beds in the proposed new Unit would be used to relieve overcrowding in the mental Hospital. The Manager outlined the discussion which had taken place and recommended to the Committee that they accept the proposal now agreed to by the County Medical Officer.

The Committee discussed the matter at length and expressed the view that if the new Unit were used to cater for persons in St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, it would be difficult to get other patients to avail of the services, and they recommended that the Minister for Health be requested to re-consider the matter and sanction the proposal originally put forward by the County Medical Officer.

73/60. SMALL DWELLING ACQUISITION ACTS:

The Committee considered the income limit of £832 per annum now in force in relation to applicants for loans under the Small Dwelling Acquisition Acts and recommended that this limit be increased to £1,500.

74/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANT APPLICATION: "P. J. G."

The circumstances in which an application for a second Supplementary Grant had been made were considered. It was decided to defer taking a decision on the matter until the position in regard to the making of a second State Grant had been clarified.

75/60. COITAGE PURCHASE APPLICATIONS:

The Committee recommended that, in pursuance of Section 16 of the Housing Amendment Act, 1956, the Council declared the following to be qualified persons for the purpose of the Labourers Act 1936:-

J. P. L. Glenties	(Pensioner)
A. B. Glenties	(Postman)
M. J. H. Killybegs	(Estateowner)
A. T. Ballybofey	(Postman)

76/60. PROVISION OF PUBLIC TOILETS:

The County Manager was requested to submit an estimate of the cost of carrying out work proposed by Carronagh Development Committee with a view to providing toilets at the Diamond, Carronagh.

77/60. COUNTY DEMAND ON BUNCRAHA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR YEAR 1960/61:

The Manager stated that the effect of the legislation which the Minister for Local Government had indicated it was proposed to introduce, in respect of Buncrana Urban District Council, if applied in respect of the year 1960/61 would be to reduce the Council's demand on the Buncrana Urban District Council by £3,721. The demand on the Letterkenny and Buncrana Urban District Councils would be increased by £148 and £110 respectively and the amount to be raised by way of County Rate on the County Health District would be increased by £3,463. The Council could not amend the demands in anticipation of legislation and the necessary adjustments required to be made would have to be left over until the next Estimate is being prepared.

In the meantime, he anticipated that the Buncrana Urban District Council would anticipate the legislation and would pay the Council's demand for the year 1960/61 less the sum of £3,721 already referred to.

The Committee noted the position.

78/60. SCAVENGING SERVICES IN CARNDONAGH:

The Committee noted that it would not be possible to provide domestic refuse collection in Carndonagh as from the 1st April, 1960 as a satisfactory Tender for the carrying out of the work had not been received. It was requested that the County Engineer should consider the possibility of providing the service during the month of April pending the making of a contract.

79/60. HOUSING NEEDS IN MILFORD:

The Committee noted that as a result of a recent housing survey, the County Medical Officer had indicated that four houses were required in the Milford area and that the Council would need a site for these four houses.

80/60. EXPENDITURE IN EXCESS OF ESTIMATE FOR YEAR 1959/60:

The Committee recommended that excess expenditure for financial year 1959/60 be authorised as follows:-

<u>ROADS:</u>	Government Grants.....	£3,335.
	Ordinary Road Works.....	£550.
	Other Purposes.....	£4,696.
<u>HEALTH:</u>	General Medical Services.....	£3,100.
	Maternity and Child Health.....	£1,000.
	Tuberculosis and Other I.D's.	£500.
	Ambulance and Transport.....	£300.
<u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:</u>	Other Purposes.....	£300.
<u>HOUSING:</u>	Other Purposes.....	£200.
<u>SANITARY:</u>	Water Supplies.....	£4,300.
<u>GENERAL PURPOSES:</u>	Public Libraries.....	£250.
	Other purposes.....	£7,000.

The Committee noted that this over-expenditure was offset to some extent by increased receipts in respect of private work, road opening deposits and water connections and that the balance was offset in full by charges under Other Headings in the Estimate.

81/60. LOCAL ELECTIONS:

The Committee recommended that the local elections be held on the 29th June, 1960.

82/60. MALINBEG WATER SUPPLY:

The Committee noted that in order to obtain Title, the Council proposed to make a compulsory Order for the acquisition of Malinbeg Water Supply Scheme on the understanding that if any objections were made, the Council would not proceed with the matter.

83/60. PROJECTS OF ECONOMIC MERIT:

The Committee noted that copy of letter which had only been received on the morning post in connection with the Council's proposals for projects of economic merit would be circulated and considered at the next Council meeting which will be held on the 25th April, 1960.

84/60. RESIGNATION OF MR. MICHAEL MURPHY, STAFF OFFICER, HOUSING SECTION:

The Chairman of the Committee referred to the resignation of Mr. Michael Murphy, Staff Officer, Housing Section, as a result of his success in obtaining appointment as Town Clerk of Hillmore and paid tribute to Mr. Murphy's service while he was employed by the Council and particularly emphasised his unfailing courtesy to the members of the Council and to the general public. He felt that it would be only appropriate for the Committee to record their appreciation of Mr. Murphy's service and to convey to him their congratulations and good wishes for his success in the future.

The Committee unanimously agreed with the Chairman's remarks.

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed Hugh W. Hendrick
Chairman

Date 20th April 1960.

Adopted by
County Council _____ Chairman

Date _____

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 1960.

85/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McKendrick (Presiding), Patterson, Baxter, Blaney, L. Cunningham, Deery, Liver, Mally, Muldoon, McEneaney, Walsh and Dunne.

86/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; E. P. Nulty, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer; and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

87/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor Deery, seconded by Councillor Patterson, the Minutes of Meeting of General Purposes Committee held on the 28th day of March, 1960 were confirmed.

88/60. ROAD WORKERS WAGES:

The Manager stated that a recommendation in regard to road worker's wages had not yet been received in connection with the proceedings at the Labour Court. The Chairman had drawn attention to a report in the Peoples Press of the 9th April, 1960 in connection with supplementary submission by the Federation of Rural Workers. The report contained several inaccuracies.

On receipt of the report, a letter had been sent to the Labour Court stating that the Council took exception to the making of a supplementary submission by the Federation of Rural Workers who were given an opportunity to make their submissions at the hearing before the Court. It was further pointed out that if the Court intended to take into account the supplementary submission, the Council should be given a full opportunity of replying to it. It was also pointed out that the interpretation placed on the statement referred to by the Federation was incorrect.

In connection with the statement, the Manager pointed out that it contained the following inaccuracies:-

- (1) The total increases given to road workers by the Donegal County Council since 1st January, 1948 is 55/- and not 50/- as stated;
- (2) The figures quoted by the Federation are not the amounts allocated for the financial year but the actual amount of monies received in the year;
- (3) Grants allocated by the Department during any financial year need not be completed until the 1st June in the following year. The grants allocated by the Department for year ended 31st March, 1959 were spent within the approved period and no application was made to the Minister for an extension of time;
- (4) No reduction had been made by the Department of Local Government in the grants allocated to Donegal County Council. The same grants were allowed in 1958/59 and an increase of £7,000 was allocated in 1959/60 and in the present year.

88/60. ROAD WORKERS WAGES (CONTINUED):

After some discussion, it was agreed that the General Purposes Committee should issue the following statement to the Peoples Press:-

"The Peoples Press of 9th April, 1960 reports that the Federation of Rural workers has made a supplementary submission to the Labour Court in connection with the investigation by the Court of the dispute between the Federation and the Council concerning the wages of the Council's Roadmen.

The General Purposes Committee of the Council wishes to correct some of the inaccuracies in the supplementary submission.

It is stated that in the year 1957/58 the Council did not spend the full amount allocated for road works; that permission had to be obtained from the Department of Local Government to carry forward the unspent sum to the following year and that, where that occurs, the Department reduce the Council's Road Grant for the following year. The Council did not fail to spend the full grant allocation for road works during the normal period allowed, viz: 1st April, 1957 to 1st June, 1958. No permission to spend the allocation outside that period was asked for or received. The Council's Road Grants were not subsequently reduced. The same grants were allowed in 1958/59 and an increase of £75,000 was allocated in 1959/60 and in the present year".

89/60. WAGES OF SEMI-SKILLED WORKERS IN MACHINERY YARD:

The Committee recommended that the Council consent to the following Order (1960/1192 made by the County Manager):-

"Subject to the consent of the Council, semi-skilled workers employed in the machinery Yard are to be paid as follows:-

3s. 0.375d. per hour (£7. 5s. 6d. per week) as from the 16/11/1959;

3s. 3.375d. per hour (£7.17s. 6d. per week) as from the 22/3/1960."

90/60. RATE COLLECTORS SALARIES:

The following report submitted by the Manager was adopted:-

"Seven of the Council's Rate Collectors are paid on a salary basis. The inclusive salary is £4.00, and in addition, the Collectors are paid a collection bonus of £30 for each of five conditions with which they comply. Rate Collectors were not given the benefit of the increase of 10/- per week granted in 1958.

The recent increase of 8% on the first £4.00 and 5½% on salary in excess of £4.00 has been approved by the Minister for Local Government, subject to the adoption of a consolidated salary for the post of Rate Collector, and it is recommended that a revised salary of £4.60 with a bonus of £30 for compliance with each of five conditions be adopted".

91/60. SALARIES OF ASSISTANCE OFFICERS:

The following report submitted by the Manager was adopted:-

"The present basic salary scale of Assistance Officers is £175 x £10 - £250. Their present minimum inclusive salary is £297. 5s. 0d. and their maximum is £412. 3s. 9d. Assistance Officers who are Rent Collectors are paid £5 less than the foregoing.

91/60. SALARIES OF ASSISTANCE OFFICERS (CONTINUED):

The present basic salary scale of Assistance Officers was fixed in 1948 when salaries of whole-time Assistance Officers were £250 x £15 - £400. In 1954 the salary scale of whole-time Assistance Officers was increased to £300 x £15 - £450, but the scales of part-time Assistance Officers were not correspondingly increased. Several applications for an increase have been made by the Assistance Officers.

The revised consolidated salaries for Assistance Officers, having regard to the recent salary increases approved by the Council is £297. 10s. 0d. x £15 - £410. It is recommended that a revised consolidated salary scale of £350 x £15 - £455 be adopted for part-time Assistance Officers".

92/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR CONVOY HOUSING SCHEME:

The Committee recommended that arrangements be made to proceed with the provision of a water supply for these cottages at a cost of £1,280 without waiting for the installation of a sewerage scheme.

93/60. ROUNDAABOUT ROAD AT BALLYSHANNON:

The Committee decided to defer to the next meeting, consideration of letter (5/4/1960) from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners in regard to above.

94/60. ST. MARY'S ROAD, BURGHANA:

The Committee noted that this is not a Main Road and cannot be maintained by the Council.

It was decided to request the Minister for Local Government to declare it to be a Main Road.

95/60. NURSES COTTAGE, DONEGAL:

The Committee noted letter 16/3/1960 from Mr. F. Gallagher, Solicitor, Donegal, regarding above. It was pointed out that the Council must allocate all cottages built under the Labourer's Acts in accordance with the regulations and that any application from the Nurse would have to be considered in competition with the other applications.

96/60. LAYING OF 12" PIPE FROM MENTAL HOSPITAL TO DONEGAL SERVICE DEPOT:

The Committee noted request from Letterkenny Urban District Council that representatives of the Donegal County Council be appointed to discuss with representatives of the Letterkenny Urban District Council the question of a contribution towards the cost of laying a 12" pipe from Mental Hospital grounds to Donegal Service Depot, and recommended that, at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee, representatives should be appointed.

97/60. SHEEP DIPPING ORDERS, 1937 AND 1948:

The Committee noted letter 31/3/1960 from the Department of Agriculture in regard to above, and decided that the matter should be left over for further consideration at next meeting of the Council.

98/60. ROAD TRAFFIC LEGISLATION 1960:

The Committee expressed agreement generally with the proposals contained in the "White Paper" published by the Government.

They directed that it should be indicated to the Minister that they considered that a speed limit of 30 m.p.h. should be applied generally to built-up areas in County Donegal and that they did not agree that power should be given to the Minister to vary the speed limit in the manner proposed in such areas.

It was also suggested that the legislation should make it compulsory for motor cars to be equipped with dimmers and make it an offence for failure to use them.

99/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee noted Progress Report on Water Supply and Sewerage Schemes to the 30th April, 1960. (See "Appendix A").

100/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES:

The Committee noted Progress Report on Housing Schemes. (See "Appendix B").

101/60. GORTAHOE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - MILLULT EXTENSION:

The Committee noted that six of the householders concerned had signed the Agreement Forms to take a supply of water and recommended that arrangements be made to proceed with the extension which is estimated to cost £950.

102/60. COUNTY DONEGAL RAILWAYS COMMITTEE:

In connection with the guarantees by the Donegal County Council and the Letterkenny Urban District Council in respect of Strabane and Letterkenny Railways, the Manager stated that the Council had been advised that their liability to pay these guarantees ceased on the closing of the railways and the matter had been taken up with the Department of Transport and Power.

The Department of Transport and Power had been in communication with the County Donegal Railways Committee and had stated that the guarantees would fall to be suppressed by the legislation for the winding up of the Joint Committee and that the Joint Committee should be asked to explore the possibility of settling this problem on the basis of the Local Authorities assuming responsibility for the future maintenance of bridges, etc., in return for being relieved of the guarantees.

The General Manager and Secretary of the County Donegal Railways accompanied by his accountant had attended in the office in regard to this suggestion and had stated that the capital sum which would be payable to the Council in respect of maintenance of bridges etc. would be £6,000. The Council had not had an opportunity of examining the matter, but for the purposes of discussion, that it be taken that the figure mentioned was correct.

The Manager of the Railways Joint Committee indicated that they would be agreeable to a settlement on the lines proposed by the Department of Transport and Power. He also stated that Counsel's opinion which had been obtained by them was to the effect that the guarantees continued to be payable by the Councils concerned.

The Committee indicated that the Council, having regard to the legal advice which they had obtained, should not agree to a settlement on the basis suggested. The two matters should be dealt with separately.

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed: Liam Walsh

Adopted by the Council: Liam Walsh Date: 25 July 60
Chairman.

Date: _____

Ballyshannon/Rossnowlagh:

Work on this scheme has now been completed. Several householders in Ballyshannon have refused to pay water rates and arrangements are being made to disconnect these premises from the water-mains.

Lough Mourne:

The main scheme has been completed and house connections for those who have lodged deposits of £8 with the County Council are being carried out. In addition existing water ratepayers in Lifford and Raphoe are having their premises connected free of charge to the Lough Mourne Water Supply Scheme.

Lough Mourne Extensions:

- (a) Extension to Glebe, Stranorlar
- (b) Extension at Convor
- (c) Extension to Coolatee, Ballindrait
- (d) Extension to Killgordon
- (e) Extension to Castlefin Road, Ballindrait

These extensions have been approved by the Department of Local Government and are to be included in the Capital cost of the Lough Mourne Water Supply Scheme. They are at present being carried out by direct labour.

(f) Carrigans:

Preliminary report on proposed scheme for Carrigans by carrying out an extension of the Lough Mourne Scheme has been referred to the Department of Local Government for approval.

Creelough:

The Creelough Water Supply Scheme Section I and Section II have been completed. The Filtration Plant installed by Messrs. United Filters and Engineering Ltd., London is in operation.

Creelough:

- (a) Extension to Ards:

Minute No 58/60 of the General Purposes Committee report of the 28th March, 1960 refers.

Malin-Culdaff:

- (a) Extension to Corvish and Benduff:

Work on this extension is at present being carried out.

Clonmurry:

- (a) Urris-Kindroghid Extension:

Advertisements have been issued inviting tenders for this extension which has been approved by the Department of Local Government. The closing date for the receipt of tenders is Monday 2nd May, 1960.

Downings:

Tenders for the Carrigart-Downings Scheme are at present being examined by the Councils Engineering Staff. Tenders for the provision of Filtration Plant have also been received and are undergoing investigation also.

Gortahork:

Work on the Gortahork Water Supply Scheme is progressing satisfactorily.

Extensions to Gortahork Water Supply Scheme:

- (a) Extension to Ardsbeg)
- (b) Extension to Ardsmore)
- (c) Extension to Killult)

Canvasses are being carried out in these areas and a report will be submitted on the results of the canvasses in due course. A separate report is being submitted in regard to this extension.

Muff:

Approval to the carrying out of the work is awaited. The householders have been asked to complete agreement forms undertaking to take a supply of water into their houses and pay a deposit of £8 each. One agreement form has been returned together with the deposit of £8.

Falcarragh:

Documents in course of preparation.

Fenad:

Result of canvasses awaited.

Killybegs:

Work progressing satisfactorily.

Moville:

A Bill of Quantities and Drawing showing the nature of the proposed Improvement Scheme for Moville Water Supply Scheme have been submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval. Approval is also being sought to the execution of the scheme by direct labours. The County Councils Solicitor has been instructed to take the necessary legal action, in order to secure water rights.

Clvhore:

Completion of agreement by Irvinestown Rural District Council awaited.

Rosses Regional - Extensions:

Minute No. 59/60 of the General Purposes Committee Report of the 28th March, 1960 refers. Tenders for Filtration Plant in connection with the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme are at present being examined by the County Councils engineering staff.

Narin/Portnoo Extension:

Preliminary report and other documents in course of preparation.

SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

Falcarragh:

Section I: Almost completed
Section II: Preliminary report
Final plans for submission
to Department of Local
Government are almost
ready.

Ramelton:

Tenders under examination.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

Killybegs:

Work is progressing satisfactorily.

PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES.

ITEM 13 on Agenda for General Purposes Committee Meeting on 19th April, 1960.

<u>HOUSES COMPLETED</u>		<u>TENDERS RECEIVED</u>	
Group Schemes	954	St. Johnston H.S.	6
S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1953	60	S.I. Agreement	7
do. C.P.O. 1954	34		
do. C.P.O. 1955	46		
do. Agreement	33		
TOTAL:	<u>1,127</u>	TOTAL:	<u>13</u>

<u>HOUSES IN PROGRESS</u>		<u>TENDERS INVITED</u>	
Donegal No. 2 H.S.	4	Killybegs No. 2 H.S.	12
Stranorlar	6	Raphoe No. 2 H.S.	6
Convoy No. 2	5	S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1954	1
Fulnaree	2	ditto C.P.O. 1955	1
S.I. Sites Agreement	14	ditto Agreement	28
S.I. Site C.P.O. 1953	1		
TOTAL:	<u>32</u>	TOTAL:	<u>48</u>

<u>TENDERS SANCTIONED</u>		<u>CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BEING PREPARED</u>	
Ballindrait	6	S.I. Site - Agreement	1
Ballymagan	4		
S.I. C.P.O. 1955	1		
ditto Agreement	4		
Nurse's Cottage, Ardara	1		
TOTAL:	<u>16</u>	TOTAL:	<u>1</u>

S U M M A R Y

Houses Completed	1,127
Houses in progress	32
Tenders sanctioned	16
Tenders received	13
Tenders invited	48
Contract Documents being prepared	1
TOTAL:	<u>1,237</u>

LIFFORD HOUSING SCHEME: The Department has sanctioned the acquisition of a site for the above scheme, for a sum of £450 situate at the Gallows Lane, Lifford.

RANELTON NO. 3 HOUSING SCHEME: Applications in respect of this scheme are at present being investigated and housing conditions of the applicants are being examined.

BALLYMAGAN HOUSING SCHEME: Negotiations are still proceeding in regard to the completion of the acquisition of this site.

ST. JOHNSTON NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME - 6 HOUSES: Further applications are being investigated in connection with this scheme, and no further action on the Tender is being taken pending reports on these applicants.

ARDMAGANNAH HOUSING SCHEME No. 2: 4 houses are needed on this scheme to house applicants. Site and layout plan are in course of preparation.

<u>SURVEYS COMPLETED</u>	
Milford Area	4 houses required
Carndonagh	4 " "
Quigley's Point	4 " "

SURVEYS IN PROGRESS.

Inch Island	Bridgend
Cockhill and Ballymagan	Lismanshan, Letterkenny.

AD NÓIRN TALAMHÁICHTA,

ref. 8/1/76.

BAILI ÁRHA CLLATH.

31 March, 1960.

Sheep Dipping Orders, 1937 and 1948.

A Chars,

I am directed by the Minister for Agriculture to inform you that he has had under consideration the amendment of the Sheep Dipping Orders, 1937 and 1948 which regulate the dipping of sheep throughout the country.

These Orders require that all sheep shall be dipped either with an approved "single dipping" type dip or "double dipping" type dip during the period from 1st August to 31st October each year and that sheep may not be moved into or exposed for sale in any market, fair or sale yard during the months of September or October unless accompanied by a certificate or other prescribed documentary evidence of dipping.

The purpose of the Sheep Dipping Orders is the prevention of sheep scab. Unfortunately, however, outbreaks of this disease are continuing to occur from year to year in many parts of the country. In 1958, forty-seven outbreaks were confirmed involving fourteen counties, and during the past year twenty-three outbreaks were confirmed involving thirteen counties.

with a view to providing more effectively for the control of sheep scab and speeding up its complete eradication from this country it has been suggested that the Sheep Dipping Orders should be amended on the following lines: the amendments if carried out would not come into effect before the year 1961.

- (a) Instead of one compulsory annual dipping within the period 1st August to 31st October provide for two compulsory dippings each year, the first dipping to be done within the period from 15th June to 31st July and the second within the period from 15th August to 31st October. The first dipping would be principally aimed at securing that all store lambs which are usually sold during the period 1st July to mid-August will be protected against scab on their movement into new flocks. The second dipping would serve the same purpose as the present Autumn dipping viz. protection of sheep against scab during Autumn and winter which is the period when scab is most active.
- (b) Official approval for the use of "double dipping" type sheep dips to be withdrawn; "single dipping" type dips only to be used for sheep dipping.
- (c) All sheep moved into or exposed for sale in any market, fair or sale yard during July and August to be accompanied by a certificate that they have been dipped during the period from 15th June to 31st July; all sheep moved into or exposed for sale in any market, fair or sale yard from 1st September to the 1st July following to be accompanied by two dipping certificates, one in respect of each dipping period (lambs born after 31st October to be excluded from this requirement).
- (d) All local authorities to be required to adopt approved sheep dipping schemes to secure that all sheep in their administrative areas are properly dipped under supervision during the prescribed dipping periods.

Before taking further action in the matter the Minister would be glad to receive the views of local authorities who are charged with the administration of the Sheep Dipping Orders on the proposals outlined above.

The favour of an early reply from your local authority would be appreciated.

Mise, le meas,

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
LIFFORD.

S. G. O'Shea,
T/c Rural.

Ref. L.5/1/59.

Department of Finance,
Upper Merrion Street,
DUBLIN.

26 Marta, 1960.

A. Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Finance to refer to your letter of 3 October, 1959, enclosing proposals submitted by your Council in response to the invitation for suggestions relating to State investment in public projects of economic merit. The Minister wishes to express his thanks to your Council; the large number of suggestions from local authorities clearly indicates the desire on the part of public bodies actively to assist in the Programme for Economic Expansion.

The proposals from your Council, together with those from other local authorities, have been examined by the Economic Development Branch of this Department in consultation with the Departments concerned. The Minister has considered the report submitted by the Branch and wishes me to advise you as follows regarding your Council's proposals.

Generally, proposals received from local authorities have been assessed by reference to the fundamental principle underlying the Programme for Economic Expansion, namely, that capital expenditure productive of competitive goods and services must receive a greater priority than formerly in the public capital programme. This does not preclude consideration of local authority proposals which are not directly commercial, but it is essential that any such proposals should contribute to the overall expansion of the economy, help in the achievement of increased production and create new employment opportunities.

As regards the specific proposals forwarded by your Council I am to advise you as follows:-

Tourism

Your Council has proposed the construction or improvement of a number of roads of tourist value in the County. At present a general review is being made of tourist development schemes to determine the effectiveness of the measures already taken and how the present large provision for tourism can best be allocated among the different types of scheme. Your proposals regarding tourist roads will be considered in this review.

The proposals for swimming pools do not possess features which would warrant their adoption as important public projects of economic merit. As you no doubt are aware, loans for such pools are available from the Local Loans Fund in suitable cases and State contributions towards loan charges - related to the circumstances of each particular case - may be paid.

The construction of hotels is a matter for private enterprise and it is considered that ample inducement by way of tax concessions, grants, loans and subsidies on interest charges are available to foster such development.

/Your

Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
County House,
LIFFORD,
Co. Donegal.

Your Council suggests the provision of a car ferry service between Greencastle and Magilligan Point. It is not considered that sufficient traffic potential exists at present to warrant the service, which because of the nature of the crossing would require costly equipment. The suggestion will be reviewed at a later date in the light of the trend in traffic potential.

As regards the development of Moville, the Minister understands that this matter is at present under consideration by Bord Fáilte Éireann, who will communicate with your Council in the matter. Generally, the Minister considers that the letter of 21 September, 1959 from Bord Fáilte to your Council, which is quoted in your Council's proposals, contains an admirable summary of the type of tourist development work to which the Council might direct its attention.

The suggested provision of specialised instruction in Vocational Schools for the development of a souvenir industry is primarily a matter for the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee. The approval of the Department of Education would, of course, be required before any such courses could be instituted, but that Department is willing to give every advice and assistance in the matter. I should also point out that Bord Fáilte Éireann is willing to give technical and marketing advice to anyone interested in setting up a souvenir manufacturing business.

Your Council has suggested the provision of a number of caravan sites in the county. The powers of local authorities in this regard are at present under examination by the Department of Local Government.

Afforestation

The question of the acquisition of Laracor Commonage, which contains about 2,600 acres, is at present under consideration by the Department of Lands.

Your Council recommends the manufacture of wood pulp and products thereof. The establishment of such an industry is primarily a matter for private enterprise which, as you are aware, has available to it a wide range of State facilities including, in appropriate cases, grants and loans as well as tax and rates relief. If specific proposals are formulated and submitted by private interests, the Economic Development Branch will ensure that they receive careful consideration by the official bodies concerned; it will be understood that proposals would have to be in reasonable detail before any useful action could be taken.

Fisheries and Marine Development

Your Council has made several suggestions for the establishment or expansion of boat-yards. The position of the boatbuilding industry has been examined in conjunction with the Fisheries Division of the Department of Lands, and the Minister is satisfied that the problem is one of under-utilisation of existing capacity. This is a problem which it is hoped to solve by increased demand for boats, but at present it would be economically unwise to proceed with your Council's suggestion. In the case of small boats for inland fishery work, the provision of instruction in boatbuilding in the Vocational Schools is primarily a matter for the Vocational Education Authorities, subject to the approval of the Department of Education.

The question of Moville harbour development is, as you are aware, related to the administration of the harbour and this matter is under examination in the Department of Transport and Power. As regards the proposed development at the old Thorn Pier, it seems that your Council's proposal refers to the pier at the Thorn, near Letterkenny. The question of developing the harbour facilities there was examined in detail some years ago and it was found that the cost of development and maintenance would not be justified by any foreseeable increase in traffic at the port. The Minister is advised that events since then have given no reason to alter this assessment.

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It is not clear what your Council had in mind in proposing development of the rivers Browes and Erne. In the case of the latter river, rehabilitation of fish stocks is already in hand; in the case of the former, the Fisheries Division of the Department of Lands is prepared to give any advice necessary for the development of stocks, clearance of obstructions, etc. In the case of Lough Melvin the fact that the Border runs through the lake should be borne in mind in considering any development work there.

The development of industries ancillary to the main fishing industry - such as box - and net-making, herring barrel manufacture, etc. - is a matter for private enterprise and the Minister considers that ample incentives already exist in the form of grants, loans and tax reliefs for the establishment of such industries wherever home demands and export prospects warrant it.

As regards your Council's proposal to develop Bundoran Pier, the Minister is advised that there are not at present any fishing vessels based at Bundoran; the works proposed would not, therefore, be justified. The Fisheries Division of the Department of Lands is prepared to consider proposals for the improvement of piers for fishing purposes; it is necessary, however, that such proposals be submitted in reasonable detail before any action could be taken on them. It should be appreciated, however, that the number of such piers around the coast as a whole is very great and that it is neither practicable nor necessary to carry out improvement works to all or even a high proportion of them.

As regards the issue of boats, recent improvements in the hire-purchase facilities offered by an Bord Iascaigh Mhara and the introduction of Exchequer grants for the provision of fishing boats are designed to increase the number of such boats in use. The Board is ready to extend these facilities to all suitable applicants. The initiative lies with the local fisherman; if suitable applicants are forthcoming, the Board will be prepared to provide moneys towards the acquisition of vessels.

In the case of seaweed harvesting, Arramara Teoranta have a staff of three full-time organisers of sea-rod and seaweed collection who are in constant touch with gatherers along the west coast and they also have a number of local agents appointed in many of these areas. Advice and encouragement are, therefore, fully available to the gatherers on methods of collection and saving the rods and weed. The factory operated by Arramara Teoranta at Kilkerrin, Connemara, has more than sufficient capacity to deal with all the rods collected along the entire coast and it would be uneconomic for the Company to erect a second plant to process the Donegal supplies, which normally account for approximately 20% of the total collection.

Drainage

Your Council has suggested that arterial drainage should be speeded up and that the Swilly catchment area should be brought forward on the list of catchment areas for treatment under the Arterial Drainage Act. The work of arterial drainage is proceeding as fast as present resources will permit. In view of the extent of the drainage problem in this country and the resources available this programme is necessarily a long-term one. The Commissioners of Public Works, by whom works under the Act are being carried out, are not in a position to say when operations in the Swilly area will be commenced.

Industry

Your Council has submitted a number of proposals for the establishment and expansion of industries. Some of these concern State-sponsored companies, others fall within the sphere of private enterprise. Generally, as regards your Council's proposals for the expansion or revival of old industries and the establishment of new industries, I am to say - as already noted in connection with the proposal relating to timber products - that the expansion or setting up of an industry in any locality is primarily a matter for private enterprise and the initiative of local people. Before any useful official action can be taken on such suggestions, it is necessary to have a specific proposal in reasonable detail. Experience has shown

the effectiveness of local development groups, in association with persons of industrial experience, in attracting new industries to particular localities. The Minister notes that contact has been made with British firms with a view to the manufacture of glass-wool and fibreglass; your Council may be assured that if any specific proposal in the matter is put forward it will receive every possible encouragement from official bodies.

In regard to the Council's suggestions for the expansion of existing industries and the provision of advisory services, I am to say that the main function of *Coras Teochtála* is to help in export marketing, while the services of the Department of Industry and Commerce and the Industrial Development Authority are at the disposal of persons seeking advice on industrial expansion. If specific proposals in reasonable detail are formulated and submitted by the firms concerned, they will receive careful consideration.

As regards those proposals which concern the activities of *Gaeltarra Bireann*, I am to advise you as follows:-

Gaeltarra Bireann do not intend developing the manufacture of tweed in Falcarragh for the present; the suggestion will, however, be considered in any future plans for the industry. As regards the processing of native wool, the Board have in recent times been using as much native wool as possible in their manufacture of hand-woven tweed; there are at present no plans for the revival of the hand-spun tweed industry. The manufacture of rugs and floor covering from native wool is at present carried on by private firms and it is not intended to enter into the manufacture of these items.

Gaeltarra Bireann already have a well established toy industry at Crolly; the curriculum of the neighbouring Vocational Schools includes classes which benefit prospective employees in the factory. In addition, *Gaeltarra Bireann* are, together with the Vocational Education Authorities, preparing a general scheme of vocational training for supervisory posts in their industries. The Board is at present engaged in expanding and developing its hand-knitting industry in all the *Gaeltacht* areas. Children's wear, sportswear and sailing wear are being catered for in this expansion programme.

Your Council suggests the establishment of a fertiliser industry at Rathmullan. In this connection I am to refer to the Government announcement of 14 October, 1959 that it was not intended to establish a nitrogenous fertiliser factory until it can be shown that such a step would be economically sound and of advantage to the farming community. For the reasons given in that statement, no similar proposal can at present be entertained. As far as phosphatic fertilisers are concerned, it is considered that existing and planned capacity is sufficient to meet all foreseeable demands.

As specific proposals for bog development should be forwarded to Bord na Móna, which has the primary responsibility for undertaking such projects. As regards the shipping of attested cattle through Rathmullan, this is a matter for arrangement by the local traders concerned, subject to compliance with the regulations of the Department of Agriculture governing the shipment of such animals.

In regard to your Council's proposal for a vegetable processing and canning plant, I am to inform you that the Government are keenly interested in efforts to coordinate and stimulate progress in regard to fruit and vegetable processing and the Economic Development Branch is actively engaged in an examination of the possibilities of increasing exports of processed fruit and vegetables. The Branch's examination to date indicates that the problem at the moment is one of utilising existing capacity surplus to present requirements, rather than of establishing new concerns. Your proposal is, however, among those being borne in mind by the Branch and will be considered in the light of the success achieved in increasing exports.

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As regards the extension of the Tomato Glasshouse Scheme, Roimn na Gaeltachta have already in hand a programme for the extension of heating to existing cold houses and the construction of new heated houses.

Your Council has made several proposals for the development of the mineral resources of the County. Where there are likely to be commercially workable deposits of minerals in an area and their development is desirable in the national interest, the Minister for Industry and Commerce will be prepared to consider applications for financial assistance in respect of suitable schemes of exploration or development. Such assistance, when given, is subject to certain conditions, and applications for assistance should in each case be addressed to the Department of Industry and Commerce.

In the case of the sand quarry at Buckish Mountain, the Minister is advised that the sand has been investigated as a possible source of supply for the glass manufacturing industry and has been found unsuitable.

The Minister does not consider that the benefits to be derived from the erection of a bridge at Morass Ferry are such as to warrant the adoption of the proposal as an important public project of economic merit.

As regards your Council's proposal for the provision of accommodation for visitors to the Fier Gaeltacht during the summer months, the Minister considers that the Housing (Gaeltacht) (Amendment) Act, 1959, provides ample incentives and assistance to residents of the Gaeltacht to provide such accommodation, whether in private houses, chalets or hostels; he does not consider that any extension of these facilities is warranted.

The conservation and development of game resources and the control of venain must be considered in relation to the position in the country as a whole; this matter is at present under examination and a further communication will be addressed to you in due course.

Miss, le mess.

C. H. Murray.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 25TH DAY OF JULY, 1960.

103/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Cunningham (Presiding), Anderson, Elaney, Deery, Diver, Lammion, Gallagher, Greene, McEleney, McGowan, Melly, Muldoon, O'Breislesain, P. O'Donnell and Walsh.

104/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

A. A. Sharkey, Deputy County Manager; P. Dowd, Acting County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; E. P. Nulty, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

105/60. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

Proposed by: Councillor C. O'Breislesain

Seconded by: Councillor F. Muldoon

AND RESOLVED: That Deputy L. Cunningham, T.D., be elected Chairman of the Committee.

106/60. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Proposed by: Councillor P. O'Donnell

Seconded by: Councillor C. Greene

AND RESOLVED: That Councillor J. McEleney be elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

107/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Councillor C. O'Breislesain, seconded by Councillor P. Muldoon, the Minutes of Meeting of General Purposes Committee held on the 20th day of April, 1960 were confirmed.

108/60. MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANTS 1960/61:

The following report from the County Engineer was adopted:-

"The increased grants made available by the Department to the Council for County Road improvement and Main Road improvement for the current year were as follows:-

County Road Improvement - Increase of £15,900.

Main Road Improvement - Increase of £5,200.

I propose that these increased monies should be expended as follows:-

County Road Improvement Grant:

1. Reconstruction of County Roads Nos. 876 and 878 between Lossett Junction and Garten Bridge - Estimate £5,000;
2. Reconstruction of County Road No. 1349 between Rossgier and St. Johnston - Estimate £3,600;
3. Reconstruction of County Road No. 1304 between Ballinsmore and Loughveen - Estimate £3,000;
4. Reconstruction of County Road No. 1038 between Dungleoe and Meensmara - Estimate £2,600;
5. Reconstruction of County Road No. 1743 between Meenaveen and Malinmore - Estimate £1,700.

108/60. MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANTS 1960/61 (CONTINUED):

No. 1 is an addition to the Five Year Plan and was discussed with the Councillors of the Milford area some months ago when it was decided that the road was of sufficient importance to have a high priority in the Five Year Plan.

No. 2 is the first road on the Five Year Plan shown for the year 1961/62.

No. 3 is given on the Five Year Plan for the year 1961/62.

No. 4 appears on the Five Year Plan for the year 1963/64 but a considerable amount of complaints have come to hand regarding this road and I propose to expend portion of the extra money this year for reconstruction.

No. 5 appears as the first road on the Five Year Plan for 1961/62.

Main Road Improvement Grant:

I propose to expend the Main Road Improvement increased grant of £5,200 on the continuation of the work between Fahan and Bunersna.

However, the probability of the reconstruction of Mulrine's Bridge within the next month or so affords us an opportunity of obtaining material for fill at a cheap rate and it is likely that I will put a further proposition before the Council to expend a certain amount of the £5,200 available in order to make use of the fill made available by the bridge construction to realign the Main Road near Drumboy. A survey of the road will be necessary before an estimate of the amount of money required for this work can be given.

109/60. URBAN IMPROVEMENT GRANTS 1960/61:

The Committee approved of the expenditure of £900 Urban Improvement Grant as follows:-

College Farm road	£420.
Rosemount Lane	£450.
Isle Lane	£30.

It was noted that the proposed improvement work on these roads had been suggested by the Letterkenny Urban Council.

110/60. ROUND-ABOUT ROAD AT BALLYSHANNON:

The Committee noted letter from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners requesting that the scheme for a round-about road for Ballyshannon be implemented.

It was decided, after some discussion, that the County Engineer should carry out a survey of the East Port and West Port proposal and submit a detailed report on the matter.

111/60. REPAIRS TO MAIN STREET, CARRIGART:

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of repairing portion of the Main Street, Carrigart, from Walsh's Hotel to Mrs. McCloskey's house is £150 and it was agreed, if possible, to carry out the work this year and if not, to carry it out next year.

112/60. MULRINE'S BRIDGE:

The Committee noted that a revised estimate of £15,500 had been received in respect of reconstruction of Mulrine's Bridge and it was agreed that the Department of Local Government be requested to increase the grant and that the necessary additional expenditure to finance the work be authorised by the Council.

113/60. ALTASHANE QUARRY:

The Committee noted County Engineer's proposal to establish a central quarry at Altashane and approved of his recommendation that approximately 10 statute acres of land be purchased for a sum of £550.

114/60. CARAVAN SITES:

The Committee noted Circular L.8/60 from the Department of Local Government emphasising the desirability of applying to the Minister to bring Section 34 of the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act 1948 into operation in respect of the County.

The Committee also noted the recommendation of the County Medical Officer that Section 34 be adopted.

In the course of discussion, the County Medical Officer indicated the conditions under which licences would be granted, and it was decided that before considering the adoption of Section 34 of the Act, the County Medical Officer should inspect the main caravan sites in the County with the local Councillors and indicate to them the conditions under which licences would be granted in respect of these sites.

It was decided that inspections should be carried out as follows:-

Narsen - Councillors L. Walsh and F. O'Donnell.

Rosanolagh - Councillors C. Gallagher and F. Muldoon, A. Anderson, and M. Melly.

Portnablagh - Councillors C. Greene, H. Blaney and J. Harkin.

Downings - Councillors H. Blaney, S. Baxter and J. Harkin.

Buncrans Rural Area - Councillor L. Cunningham.

Bundoran Rural Area - Councillors M. Melly, C. Gallagher, F. Muldoon and A. Anderson.

Noville-Greencastle and Shroove - Councillor A. Diver.

115/60. ADOPTION OF PART 3 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) ACT, 1956:

The Committee noted Recommendation No. 1310 from the Labour Court that the Council adopt Part 3 of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1956.

After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that before considering the matter further, the Council's road workers should be requested to indicate if they wished Part 3 of the Act to be adopted.

116/60. TORY ISLAND BOATSLIP:

The Committee noted correspondence from Roimne Geoltaichts in regard to the future maintenance of Pier facilities and recommended that the Council should undertake the future maintenance of the existing Pier facilities as well as the new works.

117/60. BURTONPORT PIER:

The Committee agreed to accept offer of the Department of Lands contained in Letter #14/67/38 of the 15/10/1959 for the carrying out of improvements in the approaches to Burtonport Pier at an estimated cost of £6,200; the work to be financed by way of State Grant of £4,650; the Council to pay the balance of the cost and to undertake full responsibility for the future maintenance, operation and caretaking of the works when executed.

118/60. BUNBEG HARBOUR:

The Committee decided to accept proposal submitted by Roinn na Gealtschts in Letter S. 57 of the 7/4/1960 for the provision of beacons at Bunbeg Harbour at a cost of £2,100; the cost to be financed by way of grant from Roinn na Gealtschts and the Council to undertake the future maintenance of the beacons.

119/60. IMPROVEMENT WORKS AT ROSBEG:

The Committee noted that the Office of Public Works had submitted a scheme for improvements at Rosbeg at a cost of £1,300 on the following conditions:-

- (i) that no more than 75% of the cost, £975, will be met from the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote;
- (ii) that the Donegal County Council will contribute 25% (£325) of the cost; and
- (iii) that the Council will agree to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of the works, when completed.

It was decided to inform the Office of Public Works that the Council would be prepared to accept the conditions under which the Grant would be made available.

120/60. WINCH AT BONAGEE PIER:

It was decided to defer consideration of this matter until the question of the provision of a Crane at Portaleen Pier had been disposed of.

121/60. DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The Committee noted report from the Acting Manager that application had been received from a hotel owner in the area for the supply of a tanker of water once or twice a week to augment the public water supply to his hotel. The Acting Manager stated that the Council would be prepared to supply the water, but he considered that the cost of the transport should be paid by the hotel owner himself. Due to recent heavy rains, the necessity for the use of the tanker had not arisen, but in the event of the application being renewed, it was proposed to deal with it on the same lines.

The Committee approved of the water being supplied, and agreed that any transport cost for the hire of the tanker should be paid by the hotel owner.

122/60. EXTENSION OF CRESLOUGH WATER SUPPLY TO ARDS MONASTERY:

Correspondence from the Superior of Capuchin Franciscan Friary, Cashelmore, and from the Department of Local Government in connection with the proposed extension of Creeslough Water Supply to Ards Monastery was read.

It was agreed that the County Council should extend the supply to the Monastery itself, provided the Department of Local Government confirmed that the usual 60% Grant would be available in respect of the portion of the extension within the Monastery grounds and that a contribution of £300 towards the cost of the work was made by the Friary.

123/60. MINOR WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES - EXTENSIONS:

Particulars of a number of minor water supplies and pumps which could be proceeded with if finance were available were submitted. The total estimated cost of these was £15,000 and the Committee recommended that the Council authorise the raising of a loan of £20,000 for minor water extensions and pumps - the actual schemes to be carried out to be determined when approval to the loan has been obtained.

124/60. WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES - SERVICE CONNECTIONS:

The following report from the County Engineer was adopted:-

"You will recall that there was a discussion at the General Purposes Committee Meeting some time ago regarding the question of who would do service connections up to the stopcock and also the making of an £8 deposit. I have been considering this matter since and I feel that it might be wise to review the whole position. The connections may be done in the following ways:-

- (1) The householder to employ his own plumber and do the work himself;
- (2) The present system of taking an £8 deposit, having the work carried out by the general contractor and a refund of any monies left made to the householder;
- (3) Under the terms of the recent waterworks Circular from the Local Government Department, the County Council may now lay the service connection up to and including the stopcock free of charge to the householder.

I would like to comment on the three methods, and, in the following remarks I am dealing only with that portion of the connection up to and including the stopcock. At that point the connection is generally on private property and the householder can have the work done subject to the usual Council regulations:-

(1) Having the work done by the householder or his plumber is, in general, unsatisfactory where new schemes are involved. There is a dearth of qualified plumbers in the County and in general this work is done by men who at best could only be termed handy men. The fittings used are often not satisfactory and the general standard of installation is often likewise. Very close supervision is required and it is not always possible to achieve this because very often the connections are made without the caretaker being advised by the person making them. In the case of new schemes where there are a very large number of connections to be made, I feel that a better system can be achieved. There is also an objection that since a large percentage of our new mains will be in A.C. or F.V.C. there is very real risk of serious damage to the main by people who do not understand the techniques involved.

(2) The present system is working reasonably well and results so far have been very impressive. The £8 deposit serves two purposes -

- (a) paying for the work done;
- (b) as a guarantee that the householder will, in fact, connect.

However, in the future I feel that this £8 deposit will not be sufficient as costs are rising, and, in addition, the new Rosses mains will mostly be in solid rock. It will be necessary, therefore, to increase the £8 deposit and this will in turn raise further objections to the system and mean that fewer people may connect.

(3) The third method, while at first glance seems to involve the Council in a considerable expenditure will not, however, cause much of an increase in the cost of schemes. To my mind it is the best method of the three and it makes for better connections which would be tested under the same pressure as the mains are tested and, would, therefore, be of much better installation than at present. Taking the present cost of a connection up to the stopcock at about £8, if the contractor had instructions to lay the connections when he was laying the mains I feel that his price would drop to somewhere between £6 and £6. 10s. 0d. as he would avoid about two cubic yards of excavation and he could use his organisation more efficiently. Such connections if done free by the County Council would be subject to 6% Local Government grant. This would bring the cost to the County Council to £2. 8s. 0d. In addition, I presume that the 25% Gaeltacht Grant would also apply since this generally follows Local Government practice.

124/60. WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES - SERVICE CONNECTIONS (CONTINUED):

On this assumption the connections in Gaeltacht areas would cost about only £1. 16s. 0d. each to the County Council.

. Taking the standard suggested in the Local Government Department circular that water should be supplied to every house where it could be done at a cost of £350 or less, the percentage in the non-Gaeltacht areas would be 7% of the cost of the scheme. This represents a very small figure and the benefits which would be achieved would be very great.

The question of the deposit could be solved by getting the householder to make a deposit which would be returnable completely when he finished his connection. If this deposit is kept at £8 there might be hesitancy on the part of householders to lodge the money at an early date and consequently the contractors could not be instructed to do the connections when laying the mains. It might make for greater efficiency if the deposit could be reduced to, say, £4. This is the standard road opening deposit and I think that no householder would object to this. I feel that for the small outlay involved the increased water rates received should compensate for it. Another advantage is that the Council would apply this scheme only when the contract was under construction. Afterwards the householders would have to make this connection at his own expense and this would be an added inducement in ensuring that everybody connected while the scheme was in progress. This would in turn ensure that the final road restoration was not subsequently ripped up. It would also save special inspections by the Assistant County Engineers, time occupied in making refunds of deposits for road opening, etc. Maintenance of these connections will, I think, be a matter for the householders".

125/60. WATER SUPPLIES - COMPREHENSIVE REPORT:

The Acting Manager indicated that the comprehensive report in regard to Water Supplies and Sewerage Schemes was now nearing completion and it was anticipated that it would be possible to circulate it within the next few weeks. He suggested that a Special Meeting of the General Purposes Committee should be called to consider the report and it was agreed that the Meeting would be held on Wednesday, 10th August, at 11.30 a.m.

It was also agreed to defer to the Meeting for consideration, the following items on the Agenda:-

Water Supply to townlands of Mooskey and Cloontagh;

Water Supply to Collon, Carndonagh;

Water Supply for Manorcunningham District;

Water Supply in Glencough area;

Water Supply for 5 families at Glassagh, Carndonagh.

126/60. WATER SUPPLY IN THE CLAR, CLIRCAN AND CURVIN AREA OF DONEGA:

It was decided to refer this matter to the County Manager for further examination and report.

127/60. ROSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY:

It was decided to include in the extensions to be carried out in connection with the Rosses/Regional Water Supply Scheme, the following:-

Rannafast - Extension towards sea to serve six houses:
Estimated cost £1,188.

Rannafast - Extension eastwards to serve seven houses:
Estimated cost £1,188.

Lower Rannafast - Rannafast to Carrigachcoil to serve twenty houses:
Estimated cost £3,960.

Bunbeg Extension to serve seven houses - Estimated cost £2,408.

128/60. WATER SUPPLIES:

The Committee noted letter H.8 of the 22/6/1960 from Koinn na Gaeltachta in connection with water supplies.

129/60. WATER SAFETY:

The Committee noted Circular L. 5/60 dated 29/4/1960 from the Department of Local Government in regard to water safety.

130/60. PROVISION OF SEWERAGE PIPE AT THE ROCK, GLENTLES:

It was decided to refer this proposal back to the Manager for further examination.

131/60. REQUEST FROM LETTERKENNY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL IN CONNECTION WITH 12" MAIN FROM MENTAL HOSPITAL TO DONEGAL SERVICE DE OT:

The following were appointed to meet representatives of the Letterkenny Urban District Council in regard to the above:-

Councillor Liam Cunningham, T.D.

Councillor Michael Melly.

Councillor Patrick McGowan.

132/60. PETTIGO SEWERAGE SCHEME:

The Committee noted that Pettigo Sewerage Scheme will be included in the list of comprehensive schemes for water supply and sewerage schemes.

133/60. WATER SUPPLY FROM BILLYARY SCHOOL TO COTTAGES AT PETTIGO:

The Committee noted that there is very little residual pressure at the school and that water could not be made available under gravity much nearer to the cottages at the present.

134/60. FOUNTAINS IN CONVOY AND RAPHOE:

The Committee noted that existing fountains have been re-connected to the Louisa Bourne water supply scheme and that there would not appear to be any necessity for additional fountains.

It was also noted that existing pumps in Convoiy would be replaced by fountains.

135/60. OLD SEWERAGE SCHEME AT BALLYBOPEY:

Correspondence with house owners in regard to above was considered and it was decided that steps should be taken to compel the house owners to connect to the new sewers.

136/60. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE IN RAPHOE:

It was decided to defer the provision of a public convenience in Raphoe until a sewerage scheme has been provided in the town.

137/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee noted progress report in regard to water supply and sewerage schemes. (See Appendix "A").

138/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES:

The Committee noted progress report in regard to housing schemes. (See Appendix "B").

In connection with the proposal to acquire a site in Ardnagannagh, it was decided to endeavour to obtain a site in a location which would enable the cottages to be serviced.

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 It was decided to defer consideration of application for subscription from the Institute of Public Administration.
- 139/60. ERECTOR OF COTTAGE AT CO. QUIGLEY, RA. HOE:
 The Committee noted with approval that the cost of erecting cottage at Gortquigley, Raphoe, by labour contract was £902. 16s. 11d.
- 140/60. CALHANE NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME:
 The Committee noted that four houses are required in this area and directed that steps be taken to procure a suitable site.
- 141/60. BALLYVAKE HOUSING SCHEME:
 The Committee noted that three houses are required in this area and directed that steps be taken to procure a suitable site.
- 142/60. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK TO COUNTY DONEGAL OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE:
 The Committee recommended the continued employment of the County Secretary as Clerk to the County Donegal Old Age Pensions Committee.
- 143/60. RATES EQUALIZATION FUND:
 It was decided to furnish the Chairman of the Council with a copy of the communication from Mayo County Council with a view to having it considered at a Meeting of the General Council of County Councils.
- 144/60. INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:
 It was decided to defer consideration of application for subscription from the Institute of Public Administration.
- 145/60. SEA WALL AT INNISBOFIN ISLAND:
 The Committee approved of estimate of £1,800 prepared by the County Engineer for the provision of sea wall at Innisbofin Island and directed that application be made to Doinn na Gaeltachta to finance the work.
- 146/60. ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY - DRY ROT:
 The Committee noted that steps had been taken to deal with pernicious dry rot which had been discovered at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny.
- 147/60. GREENCASTLE HARBOUR - IMPROVEMENT SCHEME:
 Correspondence with the Office of Public Works in regard to the agreement covering the carrying out of improvement works at Greencastle Harbour was noted, and it was decided that the agreement, with the amendments agreed in the course of the correspondence, should be completed. The Committee indicated that the Council should not insist in including in the agreement a clause to the effect that no departures from the plan which are likely to involve the Council in additional expenditure should be made without the prior consent of the Council.
- 148/60. IMPROVEMENT OF HARBOURS AND PIERS:
 The Committee recommended that a loan should be raised for the purpose of financing contributions by the Council to improvement works for Harbours and Piers.
- The meeting then terminated.

Confirmed Liam Lunny Chairman
19 September 60.
Adopted by Council
Date: 8 August 60.

PROGRESS REPORT ON WATER SUPPLIES AID

SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

Lough Hourne Extensions:

- (a) Extension to Glebe Stranorlar
- (b) Extension to Convooy
- (c) Extension to Ballindrait
- (d) Extension to Killygordon
- (e) Extension to Castlefin Road, Ballindrait
- (f) Extension to Coneyburrow, Lifford
- (g) Cross-connection between Lough Hourne Scheme and Stranorlar Reservoir.

Extensions A to F have been completed.

Extension G has been held up due to the non-delivery of the necessary pipes.

Extension to Carrigans:

The preliminary report on the proposed scheme has been approved by the Department who also asked that the ultimate limits of the Lough Hourne Scheme be defined at this stage. Before defining these limits it was necessary to await completion of the comprehensive report on water supply schemes. In the light of this report it will be possible to define these limits.

Creeslough:

- (a) Extension to Ards:

Item 18 of the Agenda refers.

Malin-Culdaff:

Completed.

Clonmany:

- (a) Urris-Kindroghid Extension

Tender accepted. Sanction of Minister for Local Government awaited.

Downings:

Contract documents are with the contractors for signature and it is hoped to have an early start made on this scheme.

Gortshork:

Work on the Gortshork Water Supply Scheme is progressing satisfactorily. Circulars have been sent to all householders giving them details of house connections but so far the response has been poor.

Extensions to Gortshork Water Supply Scheme:

- (a) Extension to Ardsbeg)
- (b) Extension to Ardsmore)
- (c) Extension to Killult)

The result of canvasses in cases A and B are awaited. Extension C has been approved. Plans will be submitted shortly and it is hoped to do the work as part of the main contract.

Miff:

The scheme has been approved and the Council is in a position to place an order for the necessary pipes and fittings. The response to circular about connections has not been very satisfactory - 12 householders indicating their intention to connect to the water main.

Falcarragh:

Proposals are being prepared for certain extensions and improvements to the existing water supply scheme. However it is understood that in the comprehensive waterworks report the possibility of a scheme of much larger scope is dealt with and the whole question of proceeding with the above extensions would require to be considered in the light of this report.

Fonad:

A satisfactory private conveyance has been received. This scheme is being dealt with in the comprehensive report on water supplies.

Killybegs:

Work on this scheme has been completed and the filtration plant is operating.

Noville:

Improvement scheme has been sanctioned and the question of water rights resolved. Pipes have been on order for two months but held up by shipping strike. Work will commence on delivery of pipes.

Clymore:

Agreement signed. Work held up pending delivery of certain fittings of which all but one have now been received. Work will commence shortly.

Rosces Regional- Extensions:

Item 27 of the Agenda refers.

Rosces Regional - Improvements:

Sanction has been received from the Department of Local Government subject to certain minor alterations to the preliminary report on the improvement scheme. Tenders for new filtration plant have been examined and recommendation furnished by the Consulting Engineers. The latter is at present being examined by the County Engineer.

Narin-Portnoe Extension:

Preliminary report and other documents in course of preparation. The question of further extensions is being dealt with in the comprehensive report.

SEWERAGE SCHEMES.

Falcarragh

Section 1. This has been completed as far as the general contract is concerned. The discharge control gear has now been delivered to Falcarragh and will be installed as soon as possible.

Hamilton:

The contract documents have been signed and the contractor has been instructed to commence work as soon as possible.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

Killybegs:

Work is progressing satisfactorily.

APPENDIX "B"

ITEM 13 on Agenda for General Purposes Committee Meeting on 25th July, 1960.

<u>HOUSES COMPLETED</u>		<u>TENDERS RECEIVED</u>	
Group Schemes	956	Killybegs No. 2 H.S.	12
S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1953	61	St. Johnston H.S.	6
do. C.P.O. 1954	34	S.I. Agreement	9
do. C.P.O. 1955	46		
do. Agreement	44		
		TOTAL:	<u>27</u>
	TOTAL:		
	<u>1,141</u>		

<u>HOUSES IN PROGRESS</u>		<u>TENDERS INVITED</u>	
Donegal No. 2 H.S.	4	S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1954	1
Stranorlar	6	ditto C.P.O. 1955	1
Convoy No. 2	5	ditto Agreement	7
Ballindrait	6		
S.I. Sites Agreement	12		
		TOTAL:	<u>9</u>
	TOTAL:		
	<u>33</u>		

<u>TENDERS SANCTIONED</u>		<u>CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BEING PREPARED</u>	
Raphoe No. 2	6	Carndonagh No. 2 H. S.	4
Ballymagan	4	S.I. Sites Agreement	8
S.I. C.P.O. 1955	1		
ditto Agreement	11		
Nurse's Cottage, Ardara	1		
		TOTAL:	<u>12</u>
	TOTAL:		
	<u>23</u>		

S U M M A R Y

Houses completed	1,141
Houses in progress	33
Tenders sanctioned	23
Tenders received	27
Tenders invited	9
Contract Documents being prepared	<u>12</u>
TOTAL:	<u>1,245</u>

LIFFORD HOUSING SCHEME: The transfer of the site for the above scheme is being effected.

BALLYMAGAN HOUSING SCHEME: Negotiations are still proceeding in regard to the completion of the acquisition of this site.

ST. JOHNSTON NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME - 6 HOUSES: An up-to-date survey is being made to ascertain the present housing needs in St. Johnston district.

ARDNAGANNACH HOUSING SCHEME NO. 2: A special report on this scheme is being submitted to the Meeting.

SURVEYS COMPLETED

Milford	4 houses required	Lismonaghan, Letterkenny	4 houses required
Quigley's Point	4 " "	Calhane	4 " "
Inch Island	3 " "	Ballyare	4 " "
Bridgend	4 " "		

SURVEYS IN PROGRESS

Cockhill, Ballymagan & Ramelton No. 3

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 10th AUGUST, 1960

149/60

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Cunningham (Presiding), Blaney, Deery,
Diver, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, McEleney, McGowan,
Molly, Muldoon, O'Braisleain, P. O'Donnell and Walsh.

150/60

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager: A. A. Sharkey,
County Secretary: H. O'Connell, County Engineer;
Dr. McParland, County Medical Officer: E. P. Nulty,
Chief Assistant County Engineer: Mr. J. Coll,
Staff Officer.

151/60

WATER SUPPLIES IN COUNTY DONEGAL:

The following report from the County Engineer in regard to
Water Supplies in County Donegal was read:-

Report on the Planning of Water Supplies in County Donegal.

This report will attempt to formulate proposals for the comprehensive development of water supplies in County Donegal and if adopted will serve as the nucleus of a plan for all such future development. Since this object is so far reaching and depends on very many factors it is considered necessary to go into the factors involved in very great detail and in particular to set out the method of approach to the problem and the criteria adopted. The extent of the schemes which can be formulated will depend to a large extent on the terms of reference authorised and the Council should be very clear on this point since any economic criteria adopted will affect the extent of the schemes directly. The report is rather lengthy but clarification of the problems at the present stage will make for more efficient progress in the subsequent stages.

Terms of reference.

In preparing this report the terms of reference are those contained in Local Government Department Memorandum issued in September, 1959. This is a very comprehensive document and hereunder is given a summary of the main points relevant to the present report:-

1. County Councils should provide adequate water supplies for all towns in their areas.
2. They should also aim at providing piped water supplies to all populated areas in their districts, where such is practicable at reasonable cost.
3. Where this is not practicable water should be provided otherwise than in pipes, again subject to considerations of practicability at reasonable cost.
4. Programmes should be prepared showing an outline plan for schemes for towns, villages and rural areas in every part of the County by means of piped supplies, large or small, or handpumps.
5. Unless circumstances are exceptional a scheme should not be considered if it involves capital outlay in excess of £350 per household or holding in the area to be served.
6. Where population is sparse it will be necessary to rely on private initiative and co-operative schemes will be necessary. These will be state aided.
7. In the case of Regional Development a canvass of potential users should be carried out in order to decide whether or not to proceed with the scheme and to determine its place in the priority list.
8. A priority list should be drawn up and account should be taken of the results of the canvass.
9. Schemes should be adopted so that a reasonably even progress from year to year can be secured.

PROCEDURE ADOPTED.

On a map of the County to a scale of 1" to one mile every townland has been marked as well as the population in it at the date of the most recent census. The population density, e.g. acres per person, has also been marked on. This map is necessarily very large and cannot accompany this report but is available when required. The relative densities of population are readily apparent from this map but since houses may in some areas tend to exist along a road or in groups, factors other than density must be considered.

What has been done is to establish two separate criteria, one based on density, the other on number of houses per mile of road, applying the one which seems most appropriate in view of existing knowledge of the area. Where the results seem to warrant further investigation on the spot surveys and house counts have been made.

The method of establishing the criteria for economic schemes is given in an appendix and while there will be various factors arising in many cases which may affect the figures somewhat it is felt that basically they are substantially correct, in as far as schemes which give results which are either clearly economic or clearly uneconomic are concerned. Where the results give borderline results special investigations can be undertaken but these will require to be very detailed - in fact a full preliminary design will be essential in most cases.

The criteria referred to above are:-

- (1) Eighteen houses per mile throughout the scheme or
- (2) A density of one person to 4 acres extending over a number of townlands.

Where there are a large number of townlands involved and a large number of them give the above density townlands in between which give a somewhat higher density could also be considered so as to provide a regional or semi-regional unit. In general where criterion (2) is used on the spot house counts have been carried out in order to obtain confirmation of the results.

Before going on to deal with individual schemes it would be opportune at this stage to review the present water supply position in the County so that the background to the problem will be evident.

EXISTING POSITION.

The population of County Donegal as given in the 1956 census is 122,059 persons. At present piped public water supplies are available to about 40,000 people or approximately $33\frac{1}{3}$ of the population of the County. This figure includes for the three Urban areas - Letterkenny, Bundoran and Buncrana. If the Urbans are disregarded $28\frac{1}{2}$ of the County Health District population have public piped supplies available.

At unit costs of £350 per house it would seem that an expenditure of £1,000,000 would bring piped supplies to under 13,000 additional people, representing a further 15% of the County at large population or over 11% of the County Health District population.

It will be seen later that the figure £350 per house would be exceeded in all but a small number of cases, this making it apparent that in the case of County Donegal the provision of piped public schemes has very definite limitations as regards percentage of the population served, and that, therefore, co-operative schemes and the provision of hand pumps must receive serious attention, since the majority of the population presumably cannot hope to have access ever to public regional or village schemes. This would remain true even if the criterion of £350 per house were raised since the ultimate cost would seem prohibitive. Consequently it would seem that in order to implement the Department's circular a due sense of proportion as between regional schemes on the one hand and small co-operative schemes and hand pumps on the other must be maintained and the latter not neglected in favour of the former. In proposing this I am fully aware of the difficulties involved in respect of co-operative and handpump schemes in the County. Most of the County is covered by Metamorphic rock formations and the geological condition renders the possibility of obtaining water by deep well boring unlikely. It also mitigates against the probability of sizeable springs being available. Most handpumps will, therefore, have to be served by dug wells and the yields of dug wells in the County is generally very low - certainly well below the figure which would justify the use of electric pumps and below the figure mentioned in a previous Local Government Department circular in connection with loans for provision of pumps. This point will have to be dealt with if a scheme is to be formulated. The traditional methods for obtaining and constructing dug wells also seem unsuitable should a large scale programme be envisaged and consideration should be given to evolving new techniques.

It may be that in parts of the County such dug wells are out of the question and in these cases if water is to be supplied at all it seems that regional type schemes would be essential no matter how uneconomical it may be.

The most difficult areas as regards provision of wells would be the areas comprising the Dunfanaghy and Glenties Rural Districts which would embrace an area from Kilear in the South-West to Cresslough in the North. The position there, however, is that of a population of 34,911 people about 27% have already a piped supply available and if List A and List B works are completed a further 22 $\frac{1}{3}$ % will have a piped supply available. This would bring the total to almost 50% as against a corresponding figure of 48 $\frac{2}{3}$ % in respect of the whole County or excluding Urbans about 44% in the County Health District. It will be seen, therefore, that West Donegal compares very favourably at present with the position in the County as a whole and if A and B Schemes are completed will compare more than favourably.

PROPOSALS.

The following are the proposals which can be based on the above considerations:-

- (1) A definite list of schemes (marked A) to be adopted.
- (2) A further list (marked B) which represents borderline cases (e.g. estimated cost at the £350 per house level) could be considered in detail and firm estimates obtained. In order to avoid waste of effort and expense a canvass should be the first step in the case of List B scheme. If this is unsatisfactory further work could be left in abeyance.
- (3) A list of small extensions (List C) could be drawn up - these could be financed by loan and done in bulk without the need for establishing much, if any, priority.
- (4) The attention of the public to be drawn to the advantages of co-operative schemes and enquiries invited. Some possible such schemes are given in List D.
- (5) Special consideration to be given to the question of providing hand-pumps in particular to method of financing these with a view to inaugurating large scale works.
- (6) Where townlands have high densities and for one reason or another piped supplies cannot be made available special priority should be given to these places in any small pumping or handpump programme. This would include the following islands:-

Inisfree - Population.....	75
Owey "	99
Gola "	125
Inishmeane "	54
Inishbofin "	102
Tory "	273

The additional population which would be served by List A Schemes is 8,000 people or almost 7% of the County population.

It is more difficult to estimate the population which would be served by list B schemes since the limits of these schemes will, to a large extent, depend on the sources adopted and on further investigations but assuming all the B Schemes to be carried out the additional population served would be about 10,000 people or 8 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of the County population. The significance of these figures lies in the fact that broadly speaking 7% of the population can be served by A Schemes at an estimated cost of roughly a half million pounds whereas in the B list only 8 $\frac{1}{3}$ % can be served at a cost of over one million pounds. This confirms the earlier statement, arrived at by a different method that an expenditure of £1 million would only bring water to under 13,000 people. The percentage per £1 million expenditure is obviously decreasing between A and B Schemes and, having regard to the obviously diminishing returns, it seems that the economic limit has been reached somewhere in the B List.

PRIORITIES.

There will be many factors affecting the adoption of a priority list. In most cases the results of a canvass of householders will be the principal factor involved and it is proposed to submit, in agreement with the County Medical Officer, a suggested priority for the carrying out of canvasses.

LIST A.

		<u>Estimated Cost.</u>	
Rosses Regional Development	(A)	£150,000	
Newtowncunningham	(A B)	See List B	
Manorcunningham	(A B)	See List B	
Laghey	(A)	£10,000	
Frosses	(A B)	£12,000	
Malinmore	(A B)	£16,000	
Malinbeg	(A)	£12,000	
Glenties	(A B)	£30,000	Replacement of existing supply
Ardara	(A B)	£50,000	do.
Rathmullan	(A)	£20,000	do.
Kerrykeel	(A B)	See List B.	do.
Falcarragh and Gortahork Regional	(A)	£140,000	
Glencely	(A)	£8,000	
Cranford	(A)	£7,000	
Churchill	(A)	£10,000	
Naran-Portnoo Development	(A)	£26,000	This does not include Clooney and Kilclooney extensions already agreed.
Burnfoot	(A B)	£10,000	
Dunaff	(A)	£10,000	
Quigley's Point	(A B)	£13,000	
Rosenakill-Tamney	(A B)	£32,000	
Arranmore Island	(A)	£50,000	
Glen	(A or D)	£1,800	

The above list is not set out in any suggested order of priority.

NOTE: The above schemes are all either schemes for towns or villages, or regional type schemes or development to existing regional schemes which would seem to be economic.

The symbol A in brackets signifies that the particular scheme is an economic scheme.

The symbol A B signifies that, while economic as a village type scheme, a larger regional or semi-regional scheme would be feasible but would not necessarily be economic.

LIST B.

(1) Newtowncunningham-Manorcunningham Regional	A B	£90,000
(2) Fanad Regional	A B	£175,000
(3) East Inishowen Regional	A B	£90,000
(4) Malin Head - Semi-Regional	B	£80,000
(5) Lough Mourne Development	B	£60,000
(6) Frosses-Inver Semi-Regional	A B	£100,000
(7) Glenties-Annagh	A B	£100,000
(8) Letterkenny-Doochary Semi-Regional	B	£40,000
(9) Rossbeg	A B	£7,000
(10) Ballyshannon development	B	£35,000
(11) Carrick Area Development	A B	£60,000
(12) Largymore	B	£9,000
(13) Carrigart - Downings Development	B	£20,000
(14) Creeslough Extensions	B	£20,000
(15) Burnfoot Regional	A B	£70,000
(16) Desertegny	B	£20,000
(17) Buncrana environs development	A B	£20,000

The above list is not set out in any suggested order of priority.

The symbol AB has the same significance as previously.

The symbol B indicates that the scheme is on the borderline between economic and uneconomic.

Appended are notes on schemes which seem to require additional explanation.

NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM-MANORCUNNINGHAM REGIONAL SCHEME.

If this is economic the schemes on List A for the two villages could be enlarged to serve an area from Pluck along the Main road possibly as far as Bridgend, Burnfoot and Fahan. The exact limits to be investigated will depend to a large extent on the source to be adopted, and in the first instance the possibility of a Lough Mourne extension from Raphoe might be considered.

FALCARRAGH REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

A major extension to the above has already been approved by the Council and two others are under consideration. The existing filtration plant is most unsatisfactory and in order to serve some of the areas seeking a supply they would have to be re-located at a much higher level. There are other areas adjoining the Dunfanaghy road which would seem to warrant a supply and it is felt that a new scheme to serve Falcarragh and the other areas in Drummattinny, Ballyness, Ray, Dunmore, Moyra, Clonbarra, Erryrua, Fenmore, Ballyboe, would prove justified. In addition, the townlands between the limits of the Gortahork scheme and the present Falcarragh Supply should be considered, eg, Tullaghobegley, Craigstown, Ballintemple, Calhane, Strahanreagh and Ballina. The estimate also includes for construction of Section 2 of the Gortahork Scheme.

Such a scheme should, if possible, be amalgamated or at least be capable of amalgamation with the Gortahork Regional Supply. A new source might be required

since the existing source - Lough Agher - also serves the Creeslough Regional Scheme and large additional abstraction might not be feasible. In any event the mains from Lough Agher would require replacing. Altan Lough as a source should be seriously considered.

Such a scheme together with Section 2 of the Gortahork Scheme would serve about 2,000 persons including Falcarragh.

CREESLOUGH REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

Some minor extensions to the Creeslough Regional system might be considered - one, that to Ards, is at present under consideration. The total amount of development possible is very limited.

CARRIGART-DOWNINGS DEVELOPMENT.

Some extensions to this proposed scheme might be economical. For consideration are the following:-

Umlagh (part of), Dunmore, Tirloughan and in Rossgull, Derryhassan, Ardbane and Doocy.

PANAD REGIONAL SCHEME.

This scheme is at present under consideration by the Council. In all a population of about 2,000 persons could be served including the village of Kerrykeel, the supply to which is insufficient in dry periods. Much of the design work has been done.

EAST INISHOWEN REGIONAL SCHEME.

This might serve Muff, Quigley's Point and augment Moville.

Muff will shortly have a water supply from Derry Rural District Council but could be included in the above scheme. Quigley's Point as a village at present unserved would warrant a supply. There are only 40 houses between Quigley's Point and Muff and the distance is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles. By itself this road would seem to be an uneconomical proposition but if linked with Quigley's Point and Muff might be economical. It is hoped that the Moville-Greencastle extension will improve the former supply but it is possible that at a future date further augmentation might be necessary. Heretofore this was anticipated as coming from a Stage 2 Greencastle Development but an East Regional Inishowen Scheme would obviate the need for the development. This scheme, Moville and the Greencastle/Strcove Scheme could be integrated.

MALIN HEAD SEMI-REGIONAL SCHEME.

Between Ardmalin, Glengad and Culkenny there are 196 houses probably representing about 860 people. This gives a house density of 17 to the mile which would merit consideration. On the other hand, a suitable source might be difficult to procure and this might adversely affect the economics of the scheme.

PROSSES-INVER SEMI-REGIONAL SCHEME.

There are over 1,000 people in the Prosses-Inver area. A semi-regional scheme might be justified if a suitable source were available at a central point.

ARRANMORE ISLAND REGIONAL SCHEME.

The population of Arranmore according to the latest census is 1,151 persons. A suitable source for a regional scheme exists on the Island and despite the presence of rock and transport difficulties it is felt that a Regional Scheme would be an economical proposition. An unofficial canvass carried out some time ago yielded satisfactory results. The only alternative is development of wells and springs and these do not hold out much prospect. It is felt that a Regional Scheme should be again considered. With improved grants and new cheap small bore service piping local response may improve. The scheme would probably involve pumping but this need not prejudice the economics of the scheme. The cost would be of the order of £40,000.

LETTERMACAWARD-DOOCHARY SEMI-REGIONAL SCHEME.

Upwards of 100 houses could be served by a pipeline along the road between Lettermacaward and Doochary. The estimated cost would be of the order of £35,000 which would render this scheme a borderline case economically. It is not likely that extensions to the main line would be economical but they would have to be borne in mind.

NARAN-PORTNOO DEVELOPMENT.

The Council has already approved of extensions to Clooney and Kilclooney. Further possible development would consist of closing the loop by laying a main on the Lough Fad road to serve about 31 houses, and possibly an extension to Maas to serve about 100 people en route.

Apart from the possibility of serving Rosbeg from this scheme it would seem that the above extensions will bring the scheme to its maximum economical development. To achieve these limits certain improvement works will be necessary, and as these are necessary, in any event to a certain extent, the whole development is included as an A scheme. Canvasses could be carried out along the Lough Fad road and along the road to Maas to ascertain whether these should be included with the other development.

GARRICK AREA DEVELOPMENT.

In this area there are existing schemes at Carrick, Teelin and Kilcar. The two latter are new schemes. The former is older and is an unfiltered supply. The source is a mountain stream and there does not seem to be much excess water in drought periods. North of Carrick are the areas of Bogagh-Straleel which are seeking a supply and which are on an earlier priority list. South-East of Carrick is Derrylahan which is densely populated, there being 160 persons in the area between Carrick and Derrylahan including the latter. From Derrylahan to Kilcar there are 114 people, not all of them however adjacent to the road. Preliminary investigations show a Bogagh-Straleel supply scheme to be of doubtful economic merit, but nevertheless in the absence of alternative supplies it should be considered. South-East of Carrick is the Kiloasey area where there is a large density of population along the valley of the Ballaghdoe River. Some of these areas are high and could not be served from existing source without pumping.

While the whole area around Carrick should be investigated the obvious solution is not readily apparent and full scale investigations would be needed to determine how best to serve the areas in question. The existing schemes might be used to a certain extent but would not wholly suffice. If a new scheme were considered for the area the question of having it serve Malinmore as well could be considered.

LARGYMORE.

There is a high density of population over a limited area along the main Kilcar-Killybegs road. Unless a suitable local source could be found this would hardly be an economical proposition. It might represent a suitable location for a co-operative scheme.

ROSSBEG.

The question of a supply for Rossbeg has been raised on many occasions and as this is an area of some tourist importance it should be considered. There are only 20 to 25 houses and to extend the Portnoo Scheme would mean pumping plus long lengthy mains which would render the cost per house very high and certainly outside the economical figure. A small scheme based on Kiltoorish Lough with small filtration and storage facilities might meet the case. This might be considered in the first instance.

ARDARA.

The present scheme is unsatisfactory. Defects include absence of treatment, unroofed service reservoir and old mains which have been scraped on many occasions. In preparing a new scheme certain areas outside the town should also be considered - Sandfield, Beagh, Tullycleve, Derryness, Kilgoly. Loughros Point might also be considered but the latter is of doubtful merit from economic point of view. The possibility of a joint Glenties-Ardara scheme should be kept in mind.

GLENTIES.

The present scheme has the following defects:-

An inadequately sized reservoir, no treatment other than chlorination, old mains.

A new scheme is necessary and a joint Ardara-Glenties scheme might be considered as one possibility.

Some areas outside the town should be considered for inclusion.

BALLYSHANNON DEVELOPMENT.

An extension to Cloghore could be considered as also extensions to the areas south of Ballyshannon, e.g., around Rathmore. They may not prove economical however.

BURNFOOT SEMI-REGIONAL SCHEME.

Burnfoot village is on List A. However, it seems that a larger scheme to serve the surrounding area should be investigated. This area would include Tooban, and on to Fahan, Bridgend and Burt.

The Fahan supply yields about only 6,000 gallons per day in dry periods. If this were augmented it should be possible to serve Ludden and Lisfannon from it although there is another possible method of serving the latter areas.

The method of serving and limits of this scheme will, to a large extent, depend on proposals for the adjoining East Inishoven and Newtowncunningham semi-regional schemes. It might be incorporated with one or other of these schemes, or might be an independent scheme.

DESERTEGNEY SCHEME.

There exists a fairly densely populated area at this place and a piped scheme might be economical. The scheme would be necessarily limited in extent.

BUNCRANA ENVIRONS.

Ludden, Lisfannon, Cockhill and Ballynagan would seem reasonable prospects for supplies. Ludden and Lisfannon might alternatively be served from Fahan, if this latter scheme could be augmented.

Cockhill and Ballynagan would be served from Bunrana Urban District Council supply and special arrangements with that authority would be necessary.

LOUGH MOURNE DEVELOPMENT.

The density of population between the northern and southern legs of this scheme does not in general seem to warrant many extensions, other than very small ones which might be done as co-operative schemes. An extension from Broadpath, Convooy, to Drumkeen might be justified as well as some extensions north-east of Raphoe, and an extension to Drumboe, Stranorlar.

At present investigations are being carried out in order to enable a decision to be made as to the ultimate limits of this scheme. Possibilities to be considered are -

- (a) whether the existing scheme can be augmented to serve a wider area;
- (b) if this is possible then the question of what area it should serve arises.

The area contiguous to the present pipelines would be one possibility and the serving of Manorcunningham and Newtowncunningham, if feasible, might be another possibility.

LIST C.

SMALL WATERMAIN EXTENSIONS.

Apart altogether from new schemes and major extensions a considerable number of houses could be served very economically by small extensions without the necessity for major planning.

This would mean that a start could be made on the comprehensive programme without undue delay and it would help to achieve the object stressed in the Local Government Department circular that the construction programme should proceed at a fairly uniform pace from year to year. These extensions would help to cover the period which would elapse before the more elaborate schemes could be got under way.

In this case also the criterion of £350 per house maximum obtains.

In determining whether an extension is economic or not the criterion of eighteen houses per mile explained elsewhere has been used to decide economic merit, but in giving the estimated cost only the estimated cost of construction has been given. It is considered that it is logical to use the criterion mentioned above since any extension presupposes getting a stage nearer the point when supplementary headworks, filter plant or other augmentation will be necessary. Where the cost of an extension is above the economic limit it would seem that a co-operative scheme should be investigated.

There is a list of eighteen extensions which have been requested at various times. There are undoubtedly many more possible ones and these could be adopted as the demand arises.

Of the eighteen extensions nine are economic. These are given in List C.

Five more are uneconomical by the standards referred to above, but if local labour were available they would become economical. These have been included in List D.

A further four would seem to be economical but by their very nature would seem to be obvious cases for co-operative schemes.

In this connection it is felt that in general an extension should not be laid in a size less than 3". If this renders it uneconomical and it is obvious that a smaller sized pipe would in fact suffice except possibly for fire fighting, such an extension should automatically be classified as a co-operative scheme.

The cost of the List C Schemes given elsewhere in this report will be about £9,000 and if it is the Council's intention to proceed with these they should be done by means of a loan after a canvass of householders has proved satisfactory.

Some of the householders in certain of the above cases have already offered free labour. It is felt, however, that as the schemes are in themselves reasonably economical and as there would be no priority list in question justification for seeking free labour does not exist.

Further List C schemes can be considered later and done in groups if the number required warrant this.

LIST C.

MINOR EXTENSIONS.

	<u>No. of houses.</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Aughavennon (Rathmullan)	14	£500
Stranaglough (Glenties)	7	£1,000
Tulnaree (Carndonagh)	16	£1,100
Tullyvinney (Raphoe)	9	£1,400
Cleggan (Carrigart)	8 plus school	£1,400
Ranelton along Letterkenny Road	6 or 7	£1,000
Gortnacall (Milford)	6	£300)
or alternatively	10	£532)
Ballyboe (Rathmullan)	11	£1,400
Abbeylands (Ballyshannon)	3	£500

together with other extensions which may arise later.

LIST D SCHEME.

Co-operative Schemes.

Co-operative schemes are schemes in respect of which the Local Government Department, the local authority and the householders or property owners who would benefit co-operate financially and otherwise to organise and construct a scheme.

It is understood that the Local Government Department will outline the method of operation of such schemes and for this reason there is no necessity to deal further with them in this report.

The importance of such schemes has already been referred to and such schemes should be encouraged as far as possible where suitable conditions for such a scheme exists. A short list of possible schemes is given herewith and this list can be added to as the demand arises.

LIST D.

Co-operative schemes.

Lisargan (Carrowmore) (this could alternatively be in List C).
Collon (Carndonagh)
Carrick Upper (Carrick)
Moneymore (Ballintra)
Mullindrait and Corcam (Lough Mourne)
Coastguard Station (Moville)
Ruosky (Clonmany)
Magheramore (Clonmany)
Ballyraine (Letterkenny)
Glen (This could also be an A Scheme).

LIST E SCHEMES.

Handpumps and other minor schemes to serve groups of houses.

It is presumed that handpumps will be erected only when there is no possibility of a piped supply being made available either by a public scheme or a co-operative scheme.

The principal reasons for their use will in general be -

- (1) the yield of the well will be too low to give a piped supply;
- (2) the diversity of the houses is so great as to render even a co-operative piped scheme impracticable;
- (3) that the householders in question will not agree to co-operate in order to obtain a piped supply.

Case (1) will certainly obtain in many cases.

The question of whether a co-operative scheme for dug wells might be entertained arises but there are many factors militating against this. One is the fact that if the Council entertains proposals to do List E schemes on a large scale basis, mechanical methods might be introduced and there would be little scope left for local labour.

There are no statistics available to show how many houses occur in groups throughout the County but certain calculations indicate that there would probably be something of the order of 1300 houses in groups of three or more houses. This would mean that about 1,000 new hand pumps would be required if groups of three or more are to be served.

By traditional methods only a percentage of borings for dug wells are successful in the County and allowing for this the cost of providing 1,000 pumps could be taken as £300,000.

It seems possible that by developing a new technique using mechanical methods this figure could be cut very considerably.

A list of possible E Schemes is given hereunder. These are ones which have already been requested and the list can be added to at a later date.

Clarification of the following points would be required at an early stage:-

- (a) The minimum number of houses in a group which would justify provision of a pump;
- (b) The extent of the programme to be adopted. On this will depend whether mechanical techniques would be warranted.

LIST E.

The following is a tentative List E which could be added to as the need arises:-

Annagh
Ballinacarrick
Ballycrowey
Ballyharry
Ballyhaerin
Ballyhernan
Ballylonkey
Ballymagua
Baylett
Boherma
Garrickballydoocy
Castlegunther
Castlewray
Clogherma
Clonmartin
Cockhill
Crestland
Crieve
Crislakeel
Crosgh
Derrylinn
Drumhall
Drummond (Ramelton)
Dunaff
Erryrosey
Glebe (Clonmany)
Gortery (Quigley's Point)
Gortnalake (Creeslough)
Leenan
Moss Edge
Mullaney
Mulroy
Owentaskinny
Rathmore (Ballyshannon)
Ross Head (Glengad)
Roosky (Quigley's Point)
Strangartan
Tirloughan

A large number of these would involve trial borings and for this reason the estimated cost has been kept somewhat on the high side. If one trial boring fails presumably another would be made and allowing for this the estimated cost is taken as £5,000. However, the unit cost is lower than that taken in estimating the over-all cost of a pump programme. The reason is that most of the above are in areas where prospects of successful borings are above average.

If the above are being financed by loan it will be necessary to formulate more definite proposals in each case and approval in principle only would be required at this stage.

APPENDIX 1.

Economics of Schemes adopted as basis of report.

Case (a) Semi-Regional Schemes.

Pipelines generally represent about $66\frac{2}{3}\%$ of all-in cost.

1 mile of piping at average 50/- per yard..... £4,400
 All-in cost per mile..... £6,600

$$\frac{6600}{350} = \text{almost 19 houses per mile.}$$

Case (b) Small Schemes.

Pipeline costs are taken as 50% of all-in cost.

1 mile of piping at average 40/- per yard..... £3,520
 All-in cost..... £7,040

$$\frac{7040}{350} = \text{almost 20 houses per mile.}$$

In order to avoid undue conservatism, a figure of at least 18 houses per mile has been adopted as representing the house density necessary in general so that a scheme will not exceed the limiting cost of £350 per house.

Case (c) In considering large areas an alternative method has also been used.

Area of County Donegal..... 1,193,621 acres.
 Road mileage..... 3,776 miles.

therefore 1 mile of road exists for every 316 acres.

18 houses or say 81 persons per mile represents almost 4 acres per person.

This method is obviously less accurate than (a) or (b) but it served as a guide to pinpoint areas where further investigations by means of house counts were warranted.

A P P E N D I X 2.

The programme outlined in this report is a very large one and if it is to be carried out in ten years as suggested by the Minister for Local Government, I consider that the following arrangements for their design should be made:-

- (1) The appointment of Consultant Engineers for the following schemes:-

Rosses Regional extensions, Newtowncunningham, Manorcunningham, Arranmore Island, Kerrykeel and Rosnakill-Tannoy, Prosses, Quigley's Point, Burnfoot, Churchill.

In the case of the schemes above where regional development is also possible the Consultants should report on this aspect also.

- (2) Provision of at least one extra Engineer to work on the remaining List A Schemes as well as certain List B Schemes.

- (3) If the canvass of the List B schemes is satisfactory, the following schemes should be sent to Consulting Engineers for a preliminary report on the scheme and its economic feasibility:-

Malin Head semi-regional, Lough Mourne development, Lettermacaward-Doochary semi-regional, Cresslough Extensions, Ballyshannon development.

The County Manager pointed out that the implementation of the County Engineer's recommendation would require a rate of $3/6$ d. in the £ to meet loan charges on increased maintenance:- List A Schemes would account for $1/12$ d. and List B for $2/4$ d. of this figure.

After a long discussion it was agreed to defer a decision in regard to the provision of pumps as set out in List E. Minor extensions as set out in List C should be financed out of proposed loan of £20,000 for Water Extensions and should be proceeded with as quickly as possible.

It was agreed to investigate the schemes listed as A and B in accordance with the following priority recommended by the County Engineer and County Medical Officer on the understanding that the results of any canvasses made would be submitted to this Committee, and the order in which the schemes are to be executed then determined.

In this connection, the County Manager pointed out that factors other than the result of canvasses would have to be taken into account in determining a scheme's priority, and it was agreed that this matter should come before the Committee before any of the schemes is undertaken.

A Schemes

1. Rosces Regional Development
2. Rathmullen
3. Laghey
4. Falcarragh/Gortahork
5. Arranmore Island
6. Churchill
7. Cranford
8. Glencely
9. Malinbeg
10. Dunaff
11. Glen
12. Harin/Portnoo
13. Bosbeg.

AB Schemes

1. Newtown Cunningham/Manorcunningham
2. Frosses/Inver
3. Rosnacill/Taney/Kerrykeel (Fenad Regional)
4. Malinmore/Carrick
5. Burnfoot
6. Quigley's Point
7. Glenties
8. Ardara.

B. Schemes

1. Malin Head Sea Regional
2. Carrigart/Downings Development
3. Ballyshannon Development
4. Lough Mourne Development
5. Lettermacaward/Doochary
6. Cresslough Extensions
7. Desartogney
8. Largymore.

These lists do not include schemes which are at present in hands as follows:-

- (a) The development of the Rosses purification and main line distribution;
- (b) Carrigart/Dowmings water supply;
- (c) Muff
- (d) Carrigans
- (e) Greencastle augmentation.
- (f) Urris
- (g) Marin/Portnoc (Kilclooney extension)

152/60

SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee adopted the following report from the County Engineer with the amendment that Clonmany should be added ~~is~~ as No. 9 to the schemes recommended for investigation and subject to further report on the order of priority for the execution of the works.

The Committee noted that the programme will require a rate of 1/1¹/₂d. in the £.

Quote:

In the case of sewerage schemes, it would appear that approximately forty-three schemes would require to be implemented to cover towns and villages in the County. I have reviewed these particular schemes and consider that the best way of implementing them would be to send a number of the major schemes to Consultants while the Council's staff would cater for a considerable number of the smaller schemes. All of these might be considered in the "small" category but they are capable of being grouped so as to form a unit in the same way as a group of cottages would be considered as a unit for contract purposes. For this reason I would suggest that the following schemes be submitted to Consultants:-

Killygordan)	
Lifford)	
Hallinrait)	
Convoy	)	Total estimate approximately £100,000
Castlefin)	
Raphoe)	
Greenslough)	
Carrigart	)	Total estimate approximately £30,000
Kilmacrennan)	
Newtowncunningham)	
Carrigans	)	Total estimate approximately £30,000
Sanorcunningham)	
Bunbeg)	
Currybeg	)	Total estimate approximately £100,000

SEWERAGE SCHEMES (contd.)

Gortshork)	Total estimate approximately £37,000
Dunfanaghy)	
Portnablagh)	
Amgry)	Total estimate approximately £30,000
Loughanure)	
Rossnaskill)	Total estimate approximately £12,000
Tamney)	

The following schemes could be undertaken by the augmented Engineering Staff:-

Ballintra)	£45,000
Rossnowlagh)	
Laghey)	
Pettigo)	
Downings		£15,000
Kilcar)	£35,000
Dunkineely)	
Carrick)	
Clonmany)	£25,000
Malin)	
Ballyliffin)	
Guldaff)	£20,000
Quigley's Point)	
Muff)	£14,000
Greencastle)	
Ardara)	£30,000
Nerin-Portnoo)	
Teelin)	£24,000
Glencolumbkille)	
Frosses		£8,000
St. Johnston)	£15,000
Fahan)	

In consultation with the County Medical Officer, the following priority list for investigation is recommended:-

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| 1. | (a) Raphoe | (a) Ballintra | () Carrigart |
| | (b) Convoy | (b) Rossnowlagh | () Creeslough |
| | (c) Lifford | 2. (c) Pettigo | 3 (c) Kilmacrennan |
| | (d) Castlefin | (d) Laghey | |
| | (e) Killygordon | | |
| | (f) Ballindrait | | |

SEWERAGE SCHEMES (contd.)

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| 4. | (a) Dunfanaghy
(b) Gortahork
(c) Portnablagh | 5 | (a) Bunbeg
(b) Derrybeg | 6. | (a) Newtowncunningham
(b) Manorcunningham
(c) Carrigans |
| 7. | (a) Kilcar
(b) Dunkineely
(c) Carrick | 8. | (a) Ardara
(b) Narin-Portnoo | | |

In the case of the remaining schemes, it does not seem necessary to make a priority list at this stage. A further priority list will be submitted when the above programme is well advanced towards completion.

As regards the schemes which would be undertaken by the Council's Engineering Staff, I would suggest that in the first instance a temporary Engineer be appointed to assist in this work. You will recall that a similar suggestion was made in the case of the water supply programme. Depending on how much of these programmes are adopted by the Council it would be advisable to consider at a later stage substitution of permanent staff for temporary staff in order to provide continuity in the work and to avoid a continual changing of personnel.

Regarding maintenance costs, general supervision and other costs would be covered in the estimates given in respect of the water supply programme and the additional cost involved in respect of the above priority list would consist mainly of caretakers' salaries but there would be some changes arising out of pumping costs. The total for the above twenty-six schemes would be of the order of £3,000 per annum.

Unquote.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) ACT, 1956.

The Committee approved of Circular to be sent to roadworkers in connection with above.

154/60

LEASING OF SITES IN LETTERKENNY:

The County Manager referred to Mental Hospital field adjoining the new County Hospital, and to the difficulty of Officers of the County Hospital finding suitable houses in Letterkenny. He pointed out that the County Surgeon and County Physician were anxious to acquire sites on which to erect houses. In addition, the County Radiologist would be taking up duty soon. He suggested that the field could be developed to provide from 10 to 12 sites for building, and that four of the sites could be reserved for Officers of the County Hospital, the remainder to be leased to persons prepared to erect suitable houses on the sites. Ground rents to recover the cost of acquisition and development would be charged. It would be necessary to advertise for enquiries to ensure that there would be sufficient interest in the remaining sites to justify the undertaking.

The Committee approved of the County Manager's proposal.

155/60

STAFF:

The Committee noted that in order to implement the programmes proposed for water and sewerage, two additional Assistant County Engineers would be required.

The County Manager suggested that two permanent appointments be made. He pointed out that the two Assistants would be required for at least 10 years and that short term vacancies were bound to arise in the permanent Engineering staff and the position could be reviewed before such vacancies were filled.

After discussion it was decided to recommend approval to the appointment of two additional Assistant County Engineers - one on a temporary basis and one permanent appointment.

The Committee approved of the County Engineer's proposal for the employment of Consultant Engineers.

The Meeting then Terminated.

Accepted

Leann Cunningham
Chairman

19th September '60

Members of Council

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1960.

156/60. MEMBERS PRESENT.

Councillors Cunningham (Presiding), Anderson, Blaney, Deery, Diver, Dunne, Gallagher, McLeneay, McGowan, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Lonnell and Walsh.

157/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; J. J. Caffrey, Chief Assistant County Engineer; A. F. Nalty, Chief Assistant County Engineer; Dr. M. McFarland, County Medical Officer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

158/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of meetings of General Purposes Committee held on the 25th July and 10th August, 1960 were confirmed.

159/60. RECEPTION OF TENDERS:

It was agreed that the following procedure should be adopted for the receiving and opening of tenders:-

- (1) Tenders to be received by the County Secretary and kept under lock and key until closing date;
- (2) Tenders to be opened by the County Manager in the presence of the Tenders Sub-Committee as soon as possible after the closing date;
- (3) The Tenders Sub-Committee to consist of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Deputy Vice-Chairman of the Council, and Councillors Harte and McGowan until next annual meeting of the Council;
- (4) One member of the Tenders Sub-Committee to constitute a quorum;
- (5) The County Secretary to call meetings of the Tenders Sub-Committee at his discretion.

160/60. REMUNERATION OF SHREVE DRAINING INSPECTORS:

It was decided to defer consideration of this proposal until the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

161/60. APPOINTMENT OF NURSING SISTERS IN THE COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The following report from the County Secretary was considered:-

"The approved nursing establishment for the County Hospital, Letterkenny, is 28 Nurses. This establishment was approved in 1948.

The Matron in the County Hospital points out that it will be necessary, in addition to the nursing staff, to employ Nursing Sisters and she has suggested that it would be necessary to employ 6 Nursing Sisters, 1 Sister in the Theatre, 1 Night Sister, 1 Home Sister and 1 Sister in charge of each of the medical, surgical and Childrens' sections.

The salary scale applicable to Nursing Sisters is £490 x £12. 10s. to £527. 10s. by two long service increments to £550. In the case of Home Sister the salary payable would be £515 x £18 to £605. The immediate additional cost of providing the 6 Nursing Sisters proposed would, therefore, be £2,965, 50. of which would be recouped by way of Health Grant. Assuming that all of the Sisters achieve their maximum the annual remuneration payable to them would be £3,355.

161/60. APPOINTMENT OF NURSING SISTERS IN COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY: (CONTD.)

The Matron has also expressed the view that the nursing establishment of 25 Nurses will not be adequate, but it has been decided to defer any proposal to increase the nursing staff until the Hospital has been in operation for some time.

The consent of the Council to the creation of 6 Nursing Sister posts as set out above is required. The approval of the Minister to the proposal will also be required".

After some discussion, it was agreed to recommend that the Council consent to the creation of 4 Nursing Sister posts for the County Hospital.

162/60. PROPOSED APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY PHARMACIST:

On the suggestion of the Manager, consideration of this matter was deferred to a later Meeting.

163/60. ARDMAGANACH HOUSING SCHEME:

The Committee considered a suggestion that the four houses proposed to be built to serve this area, be erected at the existing housing site at Killygordon.

After a discussion, it was decided that steps should be taken to acquire a site at Crossroads which would be a more suitable centre for the erection of these houses.

164/60. REMUNERATION OF DENTAL ATTENDANTS:

The Committee recommended that the Council consent to increase the remuneration of Dental attendants from £4. 15s. 6d. per week to £5 per week.

165/60. RATE COLLECTION DISTRICT NO. 18:

The Committee noted report from County Secretary stating that the Department of Local Government had approved of the temporary appointment of Mrs. Alice Crossan as Rate Collector for District No. 18 pending the making of a permanent appointment.

The Committee also noted that the suggestion, that rates for this District be collected by this office had been examined, but that it was considered that it would not be economical to collect rates for a small area from the office.

The Committee recommended that advertisements for the filling of the vacant post of Rate Collector for District No. 18 be inserted so that the applications may be considered at a Meeting of the Council to be held in November.

166/60. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS:

The Committee noted that application for a second Supplementary Grant had been received from Mr. Patrick McElhinney, Magheradrumman, Carndonagh. His first Supplementary Grant had been paid to him in respect of work done on the premises in 1958. Subsequently, the premises went on fire and it was necessary to reconstruct it a second time. A State Grant of £100 had been paid in respect of the second reconstruction, and the Committee recommended that a second Supplementary Grant calculated in the usual manner should be paid to this applicant.

167/60. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPPLEMENTATION) ACT 1956:

The County Secretary submitted the following result of the recent ballot in regard to above:-

Number of Ballot papers issued.....	2,580.
Number of Votes received.....	1,152.
<u>Result of Voting:</u>	
In favour of adoption of act	1,006.
Against adoption of act.....	142.
Spoiled Votes.....	4.

After some discussion, the Committee decided that an agreement could not be reached, a decision as to whether the act should be adopted or not, should be left over for consideration at a full Meeting of the County Council.

168/60. INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION:

The Committee considered application from the Institute of Public Administration for a corporate subscription of £100. The Manager outlined the objects of the Institute and gave particulars of the steps being taken to achieve these objects.

The Committee recommended that a corporate subscription of £50 should be paid.

169/60. PROVISION OF WATER AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES TO NEW HOUSES AT DRUMKEEN:

The following report 17/9/1960 submitted by the County Manager was agreed to:-

"About fifty-two houses could be served by an extension from Broadpath via Aghagault. The cost would be about £9,000 and, on a houses per mile basis, this would seem to be an economic extension. However, I think it would not be desirable to do major extensions to the Lough Courne water scheme in the absence of an overall programme for the future of this scheme. I would suggest, therefore, that this extension should be recommended by the County Council as a likely extension on which detailed reports should be made available in conjunction with proposals for the Lough Courne scheme".

170/60. EXTENSION OF CULDAFF WATER SUPPLY TO BOGAN:

The Committee noted that this proposed extension would require pumping and that owing to the necessity for pumping and the provision of a small reservoir, the scheme could not be classified as economic. It might be suitable for consideration as a co-operative scheme, and it was agreed that it should be added to the schemes set out in List "D" of the Engineer's comprehensive report of water Supply and Sewerage Schemes.

171/60. EXTENSION OF MALIN WATER SUPPLY TO DRUMCARBIT AND BALLYBEE:

The Committee noted that this scheme could not be classified as economic but that it might be suitable for consideration as a co-operative scheme, and it was agreed that it should be added to the schemes set out in List "D" of the Engineer's comprehensive report of water Supply and Sewerage Schemes.

172/60. PROVISION OF FIELD WATER SUPPLY TO REDUCED NEW SCHOOL AT CASTLETOWN,
ST. JOHNSTON:

The Committee approved of the following report submitted by the County Manager in connection with the above:-

"The school site could be served by a Lough Bourne extension which would serve a number of houses en route, and it might also be served from the existing supply. The question of serving from the Lough Bourne mains is tied up with certain proposals in the vicinity, which are under investigation at the moment and for this reason in order to provide an accurate report, I would suggest that further consideration of this be deferred until the next meeting. A full report on all alternatives will then be available."

173/60. EXTENSION OF ARDARA WATER SUPPLY TO COTTAGES AT DRIMSHA AND COTTAGES
AT HILL HEAD:

The Committee noted the following report submitted by the County Manager, and it was agreed to refer back the proposal in regard to Drimsha for further consideration:-

"The pressures available in Ardara at present would not be adequate to serve the cottages at Hill Head. This supply is so old and the mains are in such condition that it seems doubtful whether it would be advisable to make any further extensions at present. The solution would seem to lie in speeding up a new scheme for Ardara which would serve Hill Head adequately and any other areas which might be necessary".

174/60. PROPOSED LEASING OF SITES AT LETTERKENNY:

The Committee noted that five applications had been received for sites at the field adjoining the County Hospital, and it was agreed that the County Manager should proceed to develop portion of the site to provide for sufficient houses for any applicants who might be interested. It was further agreed that the sites should be leased to applicants on the usual conditions and that provision should be made for a site fine and ground rent sufficient to recoup the Council the full market value of the site and the full cost of development.

It was also agreed that four of the sites to be made available should be reserved for medical staff of the County Hospital.

175/60. PROPOSED USE OF DISTRICT AND MATERNITY HOSPITALS, LETTERKENNY:

The Committee noted that it was proposed to provide accommodation in the District and Maternity hospitals vacant as a result of the opening of the County Hospital as follows:-

General Medical Services dispensary;

Assistant County Medical Officer's office and Public Health Clinic;

Town Clerk's offices;

Assistant County Engineer's offices;

Weights and Measures office;

Branch Library for Letterkenny;

Home Assistance Offices;

Civil Defence Offices;

Committee of Agricultural offices;

Headquarters - County Library.

The Committee noted also letter 22/7/1960 from An Chomhairle Leabharlanna, in regard to financial assistance for schemes to improve public library services and directed, that pending the appointment of a County Librarian, the County Manager should submit an application to An Chomhairle Leabharlanna, for financial assistance.

176/60. BOARD FOR EMPLOYMENT OF THE BLIND:

It was decided to refer to the Finance Committee for consideration when preparing estimate for year 1961/62, the application for a contribution from the Council towards the expenses of the Board for the employment of the blind.

177/60. WAGES OF WATERWORKS CARETAKERS:

The Manager outlined in detail, the particulars of negotiations which had taken place with the Irish Transport and General workers' Union in regard to the wages of waterworks caretakers. He stated that it had been agreed that the waterworks caretaker should be classified in three categories:

Category 1 to be whole-time employees;

Category 2 would be part-time skilled employees who may have some mechanical equipment under their control;

Category 3 unskilled employees who have not any mechanical equipment under their control.

The Union had argued and it had been accepted, that the wages of category 1 should be related to the wages for plumbers, or a differential of £3. 10s. 0d. less than the plumbers' rate, had been suggested.

The Union had also argued that the wages of category 2 and 3 should be related to plumbers' rate but this had not been agreed to.

The Council offered to relate the wages of these workers to roadworkers and to pay category 2, 3d. per hour in excess of road workers' wages and category 3, 1 1/2d. per hour in excess of road workers' wages. This offer was not acceptable to the Union who had now indicated that they proposed to refer the matter to the Labour Court.

The Committee approved of the action being taken by the Manager in the matter.

178/60. AWARD OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP:

The Committee noted that Mr. J. J. Molloy who had been awarded a University Scholarship had also obtained a Geeltacht Scholarship and did not wish to avail himself of the Council's Scholarship. It was agreed that the Scholarship should be awarded to the applicant who obtained fifth place in the examination, viz. Mary Teress Harvey, Rose Cottage, Mountcharles, who proposes pursuing a course in Arts and Commerce.

179/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP - THOMAS V. KILVENNY, "LORET", MOVILLE:

An application from the above named applicant to have his scholarship extended for a further year was considered, and it was decided that as the Scholarship Scheme did not provide for an extension in the case of a pupil pursuing the faculty of medicine, the application should be refused.

180/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP - MAULINE MCCORMACK, MOVILLE:

It was agreed to permit this applicant to defer availing of her fourth year scholarship until next year in order to enable her to take a teaching appointment for one year in Thornhill Convent, Lerry.

181/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP - PHILIP J. DOHERTY, GARRAREACH, CLEENEELY:

The Committee noted that on the recommendation of the University authorities, Mr. Doherty was doing a years practical Agriculture this year and it would, therefore, be necessary for him to defer his Scholarship until next year.

182/60. REVISION OF SALARIES:

The following report submitted by the County Manager was adopted:-

"Since 1958 the application of increases in salaries were limited by the appropriate Ministers in respect of officers whose salaries exceeded £1,240 per annum.

In the recent adjustment of salaries these limitations were removed with the result that the officers affected may now be paid the amounts of which they were deprived by the limitations for the period 1/4/1958 to 15/12/1957. The increase is 6% in excess of £1,240 per annum of pre-1958 salary.

The terms of resolutions passed from time to time do not clearly cover the payment of this increase, estimated to cost approximately £400. It is suggested that the Council formally resolve "to consent that officers whose inclusive remuneration (excluding 7th round increase and temporary allowance, 1958) exceeded £1,240 per year in 1958 be paid 6% in excess over £1,240 per annum with effect from 1st April, 1958".

183/60. FAIRS:

The Committee noted that the Department of Agriculture had approved of the following places for the holding of public sales of cattle where segregation of Blue Carded cattle from other cattle for sale would be carried out:-

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| Ballyshannon. | Ardara. |
| Kephee. | Dungloe. |
| Brockagh. | Clonmany. |
| Lettingo. | Kerrykeel. |
| Mountcharles. | Killybegs. |
| Milford. | Letterkenny. |
| Ballintra. | Stranorlar. |
| Convoy. | Glenties. |
| Lunkineely. | Jackstown, Meensleck. |
| Buncrana. | Kilcar. |
| Carrionagh. | Kilmoreninan. |
| Carrick. | Malin. |
| Castlefin. | Moville. |
| Cloghan. | Remelton. |
| Greenslough | Rashedog. |
| Croly. | Pintown. |
| Caldaff. | Lurnfoot. |
| Derrybeg. | Domgal. |
| Dunfanaghy. | Falcarragh. |
| Gortahork. | |

The Committee also noted that the Department of Agriculture required the assistance of the Council in the segregation of cattle and approved of the giving of all necessary assistance to the Department.

184/60. ADDITIONAL MAIN AND COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT ALLOCATIONS 1960/61:

The Committee noted that the £5,000 allocated to the Milford area would be spent as follows:-

- Lossett to Gartan - County Road Nos. 876 and 878..... £2,500.
- County Road No. 1018 - Letterkenny to Remelton
between Ballymaleel and Castlehamaghsh..... £2,500.

185/60. MORTALCEN, IED:

Councillor Deery stated that he understood that the Department of Local Government had notified the Council that a 75% grant of the cost of providing a new Crane at Mortalceen would be allocated by the Department, and he asked that the Committee approve in principle of the acceptance of the grant and the provision of the necessary money to enable the Council to purchase the Crane.

The Committee approved of Councillor Deery's suggestion.

186/60. HOUSING SURVEY IN MOVILLE:

Councillor Liver asked that steps be taken to expedite the carrying out of a housing survey in Moville.

187/60. WORKS STUDY COURSE:

The Committee noted that it was proposed to send one of the Council's Engineering Staff on a works Study Course which would last for a period of six to eight weeks and that on his return, he would be given some work study assignment on the Council's road operations.

188/60. HOUSING REQUIREMENTS : MILFORD AREA:

The Manager stated that it had been suggested to him by the Department of Local Government that developed sites for leasing to persons willing to erect their own houses should be provided in Milford. It was intended to hold a meeting with a view to ascertaining the need for such sites.

The Committee approved of the proposed action.

189/60. DR. J. F. MCGINLEY:

The Committee recommended that the Dr. McGinley presentation Committee be given permission to present a portrait of Surgeon McGinley to the new County Hospital.

The Committee also noted letter from Dr. McGinley expressing his gratitude to the Council for the tributes paid to him at their last meeting.

The meeting then terminated.

Confirmed: Liam Cunningham
Date: 21st October 1960.

Adopted by Council: Liam Walsh
Date: 27th September 1960.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD
AT COUNTY HOME, STRANGLAR, ON 21ST DAY OF OCTOBER, 1960.

190/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors L. Cunningham (Presiding), Anderson, Blaney, Deery, Diver, Dunion, McGowan, Kelly, Muldoon, O'Donnell and Walsh.

An apology for inability to attend the meeting was received from Councillor Gallagher.

191/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; Patrick Dowd for County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; Bernard Griffin, Superintendent assistance officer; and T. G. Nolan of Messrs. Nolan & Quinlan.

The County Manager introduced Mr. Nolan who was welcomed by the Chairman and Councillors.

192/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Minutes of General Purposes Committee Meeting held on the 19th day of September, 1960 were confirmed and signed.

193/60. FOOTWEAR SCHEME:

The Acting Secretary informed the meeting that the Department of Social Welfare had refused to approve of the implementation of the Footwear Scheme on the basis of the scheme operated in previous years.

Following discussion, it was agreed under protest, to carry out the scheme on the basis laid down by the Department in Circular H.A. 8/60 of the 14th September, 1960.

194/60. RECONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY HOME:

The County Manager summarized the work which had been done on the preparation of schemes of reconstruction. He informed the meeting that a final revised scheme, providing for a bed accommodation of 198, had now been received from the architects. The total cost of this scheme amounted to £124,350 and included a sum of £23,800 in respect of the installation of a heating system. Mr. Nolan, of Messrs. Nolan and Quinlan produced copies of the revised plans and emphasized that the scheme involved no demolition work. It was proposed to reconstruct the existing structure so as to provide for centralised dining accommodation by conversion of existing chapel. A new chapel of economical construction was envisaged in the proposals and new mens and womens ward blocks.

In reply to Cl. Walsh, the Manager informed the meeting that the subsidy was based on 50% of the loan charges, subject to a capital limit of £500 per bed. This limit was fixed in 1952 and present day figures would be £620 approximately. The scheme proposed would cost over £600 per bed.

Councillor P. O'Donnell queried the prospect of utilising Glenties as a second County Home, and following discussion, it was agreed that the Committee, having regard to the prospect, that Glenties Hospital might become available in the near future, the Council should cater for a smaller number of patients in the County Home, and utilise Glenties Hospital as an auxiliary County Home for the present. The County Manager agreed to investigate the proposal and report to a further meeting of the Committee.

The Chairman assured the meeting, in reply to a query from Councillor McGowan, that the Committee would take a firm decision on the County Home Reconstruction Proposals in the light of the revised bed requirement at next meeting.

195/60. CARRONDONAGH FUEL CONTRACT:

The Chairman asked the Manager to reconsider the position of fuel supplies to Carrondonagh Hospital. He suggested that the contract or part of it should be re-advertised.

The County Manager agreed to examine the position.

196/60. SURGERY AT DONEGAL HOSPITAL:

Councillor Muldoon asked the Manager if there were any changes in the provision of Surgical Services at Donegal Hospital. Replying, the County Manager confirmed that surgery would continue in Donegal Hospital. Nevertheless the County Surgeon was responsible for organising surgery services in the County, and the normal arrangement would be that all major surgery would go through the County Surgeon. The County Manager would keep the Committee informed of developments in this regard, with particular reference to any influence the Sheil Hospital development might have on the matter.

The meeting then terminated.

Proposed Liam Cunningham
Chairman

18/11/1960

Adopted by board

Chairman

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1960.

197/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Cunningham (Presiding), Blaney, Anderson, Deery, Diver, Breslin, McGowan, Kelly, Muldoon, F. O'Donnell, Walsh, Gallagher, Greene, and McEleney.

198/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; J. J. Caffrey, Acting County Engineer; E. P. Multy, Chief Assistant County Engineer; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

199/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on the 21st day of October, 1960 were confirmed.

200/60. SCHEME OF IMPROVEMENT FOR COUNTY HOME:

The following report from the County Manager was considered:-

"At a special meeting on 21st October, 1960, the Committee considered the plans prepared by Messrs. Nolan & Quinlan, Architects, for the reconstruction and improvement of the County Home at an estimated cost of £124,350. The reconstructed Home will provide accommodation for 198 persons.

The Committee referred to the possibility of Glenties Hospital becoming available in the near future and asked that the feasibility of utilising it as an auxiliary County Home with a corresponding reduction in the bed complement of the Stranorlar Home should be examined.

Preparation of Plans.

Before dealing with the specific suggestion made, I think it advisable to outline for the Committee, the events leading to the preparation of the plans which were submitted last month.

Following the issue of a white Paper concerning County Homes in 1951, the Department of Health, in June 1952, invited the Council to submit a comprehensive scheme for the improvement of the County Home. At the same time it was indicated that the Department should meet one half of the capital cost of approved works, subject to a maximum outlay of £500 per bed. The contribution would be made by way of an annual payment towards the loan charges incurred by the Council.

The subject was considered by the Council, and in 1955 Architects were appointed. The Architects, in 1956, submitted comprehensive plans for the reconstruction and improvement of the Home. Provision was made for 233 beds. With the consent of the Council, the plans were submitted to the Department of Health for approval. Approval was not received.

In 1958, it was considered that some improvements in the Home should be made without further delay. The Department agreed that improvements might be made in the sanitary arrangements and in the heating, and that fire escapes should be provided. Tenders were about to be invited for these works when the Department indicated that they would be prepared to consider a comprehensive, but modified improvement scheme.

During the last year the Architects have been engaged in the preparation of plans for a modified scheme. Requirements and suggestions were discussed on several occasions with the County Medical Officer and the Matron of the Home, and their ideas have been incorporated in the plans now submitted.

200/60. SCHEME OF IMPROVEMENT FOR COUNTY HOME (CONTINUED):

In a report in the plans, the County Engineer states:

"I have examined the documents submitted by Messrs. Nolan & Quinlan in connection with the proposed renovation of the County Home, Stranorlar. The plans outlined in these documents fits in with the proposals made at various discussions at the County Home and I am in full agreement with the plans now submitted"

Glenties Hospital.

At present there are 24 patients in Glenties Hospital. If, and when the number of patients falls permanently below about 20, it would be more economical to close the Hospital and have the patients treated outside the County. That stage may be reached within the next year.

Following an inspection of Glenties Hospital, the County Medical Officer reported:-

"The situation would be ideal in catering for the needs of old people in west of Donegal.

Unfortunately the building would not be suitable. I have carried out a general inspection of the whole institution. It cannot be described as being in good repair at present. It has 39 beds for the treatment of tubercular patients. Thirty of these beds are set aside for male patients and nine for females. The majority of the wards are small. The heating of this building is very poor. Nearly all the wards and rooms are heated by open turf fires. In a few wards heating is boosted by storage heaters though the number of storage heaters is quite inadequate for this purpose.

I am informed by the district Engineer that the roof of the building is in gross disrepair. He also tells me that the whole Institution would require to be re-wired for electricity. There are no fire escapes in this building.

There is a third floor in the terminal part of the building. At each end, (these I assume were originally wards but apparently they have not been used for many years), there is a narrow stair case leading to the third floor, but there is no toilet accommodation. In the event that this ward was re-opened, an additional eight to ten beds could be provided, and I would estimate that at a maximum the capacity of the building, if used for a County Home, would be 56 beds.

There is a reasonable amount of ground around the Hospital which could be utilised as a garden for old people.

It must be remembered that if this Institution was converted into a second County Home that there would of necessity be a certain amount of duplication of staff, both Nursing and domestic. The minimum with 56 old people would require a Nursing Staff of 8 in order to provide a 48 hour working week.

It would be obvious to anybody who has walked through the building that a very considerable sum of money would be necessary to convert this building into a suitable Institution for elderly people and this expenditure would be very marked if the building was to be brought up to the standards that are required at present.

200/60. SCHEME OF IMPROVEMENT FOR COUNTY HOME (CONTINUED):

I am of the opinion that this building could be utilised as an old persons home, but that it would involve heavy expenditure, duplication of staff, possibly high running costs, and that in general, it would be more advisable to have a single home for elderly people for the County as heretofore".

Lifford Hospital.

There would be no advantage in using Lifford buildings as an auxiliary County Home. It is only 14 miles from Stranorlar. It would require extensive repairs and would involve duplication of staff as in the case of Glenties Hospital.

Financing.

If the Council approves of the County Home reconstruction scheme, as prepared, it will be necessary to raise a loan of approximately £125,000. Such a loan would be repayable over a period of 35 years. The present rate of interest on loans borrowed from the Commissioners of Public works is 5½% per annum. The loan charges would be £8,085 per annum. The Department's contribution on the basis of £250 per bed would be £3,205 leaving £4,880 which is equivalent to a rate of 3.3d. in the £. to be borne by the Council.

It will be noted that the figure of £580 per bed was fixed in 1951/'52. It is estimated the present day equivalent of this sum would be £620. If the Council decides to go ahead with the scheme, I recommend that the Minister for Health be asked to raise to £620 the amount on which contribution to loan charges will be calculated".

After a general discussion it was decided that the County Engineer should be requested to prepare an estimate for putting the existing buildings in good repair, providing heating, sanitary and fire precaution facilities. No new building is to be provided for in the County Engineer's estimate.

201/60. REVISION OF SALARIES:

The following report from the County Secretary was submitted:-

"The Manager has made an Order directing that, subject to the prior approval of the Council and the consent of the appropriate Ministers, revised salary scales be paid to certain officers as from the 1/8/1960 as follows:-

Office.	Proposed Scale.	Existing Scale.
County Engineer.	£1,880 x £65 - £2,140.	£1,745 x £63 - £1,980.
County Medical Officer.	£1,880 x £65 - £2,140.	£1,745 x £67 - £1,812. x £56 - £1,980.
County Accountant.	£1,065 x £40 - £1,345.	£995 x £36 - £1,275.
District Medical Officer.	£900 x £50 - £1,250.	£735 x £42 - £945.
Asst. Medical Officer.	£1,350 x £40 - £1,550.	£1,275 x £40 - £1,475.
Dentists.	£1,300 x £40 - £1,550.	£1,140 x £33 - £1,173 x £34 - £1,445.
County Surgeon.	£2,000.	£1,760.

201/60. REVISION OF SALARIES (CONTINUED):

The cost per annum of the proposed increases will be as follows:-

District Medical Officer	£10,838.
County Medical Officer	£151.
Assistant Medical Officer	£300.
Surgeon	£240.
Dentists	£420.
County Engineer	£137.
County Accountant	£70.

All of the increases with the exception of £207 payable to the County Engineer and County Accountant will rank for Health Grant and the amount of the increased expenditure to be met out of the rates will be £6,181, equivalent to a rate of 4.25d. in the £.

Arising out of the recent adjustments in the salaries of certain officers, the appropriate scales for their posts as from the 15/12/1959 are as follows:-

County Engineer.	£1,770 x £65 - £2,020.
Chief Assistant County Engineer.	£1,290 x £38.10 - £1,520.
County Medical Officer.	£1,770 x £63 - £1,959 x £61 - £2,020.
Assistant County Medical Officer.	£1,275 x £42. 10. - £1,445 x £40 - £1,485.
County Secretary.	£1,345 x £49 - £1,630.
Total:	12,156.

In the cases of the County Engineer, County Medical Officer and Assistant County Medical Officer these new scales will be superseded if the proposed new scales are adopted from the 1st August, 1960, and the cost of paying the appropriate scales to them for the period 15/12/1959 to the 1st August, 1960 is £46. 15. 9d. on which £15. 1. 2d. Health Grant will be payable, leaving the net cost £31. 14. 7d.

The actual cost per annum of the adoption of the appropriate scales for Chief Assistant County Engineers and County Secretary would be £10 per annum".

It was decided to defer consideration of the proposal to the next meeting of the Committee when the action taken by other County Councils on similar proposals would be known.

The County Manager was requested to have available particulars of the salaries and fees paid by the Council to each District Medical Officer.

202/60. REVISION OF SALARY - MATRON, COUNTY HOSPITAL:

The following report from the County Secretary was considered:-

"The appropriate salary scale for the Matron of an Institution with 61 to 120 beds is £600 x £18 - £572 x £19 - £710. The Matron of the District Hospital, Letterkenny, is now Matron of the County Hospital, but she is not being paid the salary appropriate to the post. The increased cost of giving her the appropriate salary would be £70 per annum.

The consent of the Council to the application of the appropriate scale is requested".

The Committee recommended that the Council consent to the payment of a revised salary scale to the Matron of the County Hospital.

203/60. REVISION OF SALARY - MEDICAL OFFICER, DONEGAL FEVER HOSPITAL:

The following report from the County Secretary was considered:-

"The present remuneration of the Medical Officer, Donegal Fever Hospital, is £220. The approved rate of remuneration for a Medical Officer of an Institution of this type is £340.

The reduced rate of remuneration was fixed for the Medical Officer, as at the time he was appointed, he was also appointed temporary Medical Officer to the District Hospital and temporary Dispensary Medical Officer. He has now ceased to hold these latter offices, and it is proposed that he be paid the remuneration appropriate to the post with effect as from the 1st April, 1960"

It was decided to defer consideration of the matter pending the submission of a report by the Manager on the feasibility of putting one of the Assistant County Medical Officers in charge of Donegal Fever Hospital.

204/60. REVISION OF SALARIES OF FARM WORKERS AT ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The Committee recommended that the Council consent to the payment of revised wages to agricultural workers employed at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, in accordance with County Manager's Order No. 1960/3266 as follows:-

"That, subject to the consent of the County Council, the wages of the agricultural workers employed at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, be increased by 4/- to £5. 15. 0d. per week with effect from 28th March, 1960, and by a further 3/- to £5. 18. 0d. with effect from 24th October, 1960".

205/60. SALARIES OF SHEEP DIPPING INSPECTORS:

It was decided to defer consideration of this matter until a comprehensive report in regard to sheep dipping has been considered.

206/60. HOUSING:

The Committee noted Circular N. 2/60 of the 14/5/1960 from the Department of Local Government in regard to the need for an intimate examination of the housing problems by officers of housing authorities.

The Committee agreed that a general survey on the lines indicated by the Department could not be undertaken by the Council's existing staff, and accepted the recommendation of the County Medical Officer that the following programme for detailed survey be carried out in the next six months:-

Milford.
Ballyshannon.
Donegal.
Moville.
Raphoe.
Ballinacrait.
Strenorlar.
Dungloe.
Bancrans Rural.
Killybegs.

207/60. HOUSING NEEDS:

The Committee noted Circular N. 4/60 of the 12/10/1960 from the Department of Local Government in regard to the submission of proposals for the erection of houses to the Department for approval in future.

208/60. DONEGAL HOUSING SCHEME:

The Committee approved of recommendation of County Medical Officer that a further scheme of fifteen houses be proceeded with for Donegal Town.

209/60. BALLYARE HOUSING SCHEME:

The Committee agreed that the proposal to erect four houses at Ballyare should be deferred, pending a survey to ascertain the actual need for housing in the area.

210/60. S. I. COTTAGE - PATRICK HAUGHEY:

The County Manager reported that further consideration had been given in accordance with the wishes of the Council to the application of Mr. Patrick Haughey, Bogagh, for the erection of a Specific Instance Cottage. He stated, that on consideration of the matter, it was apparent that in the event of a cottage being erected, it would only qualify for one-third subsidy and this would mean that the applicant would be called upon to pay a rent of approximately 18. 6d. to 19/- per week including rates. If the applicant is willing to undertake to pay this weekly rent, the Manager will be prepared to authorise the erection of a cottage.

The Committee agreed that if the applicant undertakes to pay the rent, the cottage should be erected for him.

211/60. S. I. COTTAGE - ROBERT J. BARNETT:

The Committee considered the representations submitted by Councillor Buchanan in regard to this case, and it was agreed that in the exceptional circumstances of the case, a cottage should be erected, provided satisfactory proof is submitted that the applicant has not paid the purchase price of the farm recently acquired by him.

212/60. INCH ISLAND HOUSING SCHEME:

It was decided to proceed with the erection of four cottages at Inch Island.

213/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON HOUSING SCHEMES:

The Committee noted the Progress Report in regard to housing schemes and expressed appreciation of the new form in which the report had been prepared. (See appendix "B").

214/60. FAHAN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The Committee recommended that steps be taken to instal suitable chlorinating plant at Fahan water Supply at an estimated cost of £400 and recommended that expenditure in excess of that provided in the estimate be authorised for this purpose.

215/60. GORTAGRK WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION:

The Committee noted that the proposed extension at Ardsmore would not be economic.

It was agreed that the Ardsbeg extension which is economic should be proceeded with.

216/60. WATER SUPPLY TO COTTAGES AT IRIMAHA:

It was agreed that the provision of a water supply to cottages at Irimaha should be included in the plans which will be prepared for a new water supply at Ardara.

217/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR COTTAGES AT MULLANS, DONEGAL:

The Committee noted that the estimated cost of providing water and sewerage to these cottages would be £60 per house.

It was agreed to proceed with the work provided the tenants undertake to pay increased rent of 2/- per week.

218/60. WATER SUPPLY FOR NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM:

The Committee noted the following report from County Engineer in regard to above:-

"Newtowncunningham village is included in the comprehensive waterworks report under List "A" and under List "B". This means that a scheme for the village is definitely recommended and there will be a possibility of such a scheme serving a regional area outside Newtowncunningham. As regards the source, this will require a very detailed examination and the Council should not commit themselves to any source at this stage. In any event the reservoir at Killea is the property of Derry Corporation and the last approach which was made to that authority resulted in a figure being quoted for a bulk supply of water which seemed rather high under the circumstances. However, it is one of the possible sources which should be borne in mind."

219/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION FROM CLARKE'S CORNER TO FORTHALL:

It was decided to include this extension in List "C" of the comprehensive report on water supplies.

220/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO STRANGLAR PARISH CHURCH:

The Committee noted report from County Engineer in regard to the above and it was agreed that the extension should be carried out at an estimated cost of £175.

221/60. LOUGH MOURNE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO CASCULLION, CASTLEFIN:

It was agreed to include this extension in List "C" of the comprehensive report on water supplies.

222/60. NOVILLE WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO COASTGUARD STATION:

The Committee noted report from County Engineer in regard to the canvass which had been carried out in connection with this extension, the estimated cost of which is £2,866. The canvass had proved inconclusive, and it was agreed that further efforts should be made to ascertain the number of people who would be prepared to make connections in the event of the extension being carried out.

223/60. TERMON WATER SUPPLY:

The Committee noted that examination of this proposal had shown the extension to be uneconomic, but the County Engineer suggested that it might be carried out as a co-operative scheme. The County Engineer was asked to re-examine the matter so as to verify that the extension would, in fact, be uneconomic.

224/60. MOUNTCHALES WATER SUPPLY - EXTENSION TO GLENOLLAGH:

The Committee noted County Engineer's report stating that it would be necessary to provide a pumping scheme in respect of this extension at an estimated cost of £1,000.

The Committee decided that the extension should be proceeded with.

225/60. PROGRESS REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES:

The Committee noted Progress Report on Water Supply and Sewerage Schemes. (See Appendix "A").

226/60. OLD SEWERAGE SCHEME IN BALLYBOFFEY:

The Committee noted that it is proposed to serve notices on landlords in connection with above.

227/60. COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The Committee recommended that the Minister for Health be invited to an official opening of the County Hospital, and it was agreed that the matter should be taken up with the Contractor by Councillor McGowan.

228/60. PROVISION OF DISPENSARY AT CONVOY:

It was decided that the Manager should submit a full report in regard to the need for new dispensaries at various places in the County and that, in the meantime, the Minister be requested to make grants available towards the construction of dispensaries.

229/60. STANDING ORDERS:

In connection with the number of matters which had been raised in regard to the preparation of Agenda, the following report from the County Secretary was considered:-

"At the last meeting of the Council a number of matters were raised in connection with Notices of Motion included on the Agenda.

Standing Orders provide that the Agenda Papers shall not contain more than four Notices of Motion from any one Councillor including adjourned Motions. No reference is made in Standing Orders to Motions submitted in the names of two or more Councillors. Where Motions have been submitted in the names of several Councillors, they have been included on the Agenda, provided at least one of the members associated with the Motion had not exceeded in his own name, the limit of four provided for in Standing Orders.

In the absence of specific provision for Notices of Motion in the names of two or more Councillors, it is suggested that the Committee should now consider and decide on the manner in which they are to be dealt with.

Reference was also made to the content of Notices of Motion, and it was suggested that some of the Motions contained a multiplicity of items, each of which could be regarded as a separate Motion in itself. There is no definition as to what constitutes a Notice of Motion in Standing Orders. Standing Orders provide that a Notice of Motion should be relevant to some question which affects, or may affect, the services of the Council, the administration of the County, or the interests of the people of the County.

A Notice of Motion which is obviously out of order or contains unbecoming expressions may be expunged from the Agenda by order of the Chairman. If, in the opinion of the Secretary, a Notice of Motion is irregular or illegal, he is required to communicate his opinion to the Chairman and to the member submitting the Notice of Motion. The Secretary is not authorised to omit any Motion from the Agenda.

229/60. STANDING ORDERS (CONTINUED):

Standing orders also provide, that notices of Motion shall appear on the Agenda in order of their importance. In practice, Notices of Motion appear on the Agenda in the order in which they are received. Unless the Committee wish otherwise, it is proposed to continue this practice".

The Committee recommended that in future, joint Motions should not appear on the Agenda. Where a Motion is submitted in the name of several Councillors, it was agreed that the Motion should appear on the Agenda in the name of one of the Councillors, and that a note should be appended at the end of the Motion giving the names of the other Councillors who wished to be associated with it. With regard to the order in which Notices of Motion should appear on the Agenda, it was agreed that the first Motions submitted by each Councillor should be listed in order of receipt and that these should be followed by second Motions submitted by Councillors in order of receipt and so on until all Motions have been listed.

230/60. AUTHORISATION OF EXCESS EXPENDITURE:

The Committee recommended that expenditure in excess of amounts provided for in the estimates be authorised as follows:-

Lifford Hospital	£5,000.
Provision of Medicines	£2,000.

231/60. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1960:

The Abstract of Accounts for year ended 31/3/1960 plus expenditure on the various services is as follows:-

Roads	£623,979.
Health	£450,801.
Mental Hospital	£157,772.
Public Assistance	£29,727.
Sanitary Services	£94,083.
Housing	£152,110.
General purposes	£174,838.
Town Charges (Ballyshannon)	£1,130.
Separate Charges	£2,082.
Total:	<u>£1,686,522.</u>

Government Grants received during the year totalled £1,023,648 made up as follows:-

Agricultural Grant	£262,058.
Roads	£411,902.
Health	£270,700.
Water and Sewerage	£24,552.
Housing	£36,649.
Other Grants	£17,787.

The total rate receipts for the year were £537,889 and represent a collection of 98.24%. Total receipts for water rates and rents were £7,571 and rent receipts including cottage purchase annuities amounted to £36,068 and represent a collection of 98.24%.

The total indebtedness of the county at 31/3/1960 was £3,162,194.

Average expenditure per mile of Main Roads was £447 and per mile of County Road was £100. The deficit falling on the rates in respect of cottages provided under the Labourers Acts was £8. 17. 9d. per cottage.

231/60. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1960 (CONTINUED):

Approval to expenditure in excess of the amount provided is requested, as follows:-

Health Service:

Ambulance - Transport of patients £771.
Supervision of Food and Drink £126.

Housing:

Loan Charges - Supplementary Grant £4325.

General Purposes:

Public Libraries £22.
Fire Brigades £315.

232/60. ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY:

The Committee recommended that a loan of £27,500 be raised to finance works at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, as follows:-

Sewerage Scheme £3,000.
Boiler Installation and Laundry £23,300.
Electrical Contract £1,200.

Total: £27,500.

233/60. REPAIRS TO PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT BALLYBOFEY:

The Committee recommended that expenditure of £62. 10. 0d. in excess of that provided in the estimate be authorised for the carrying out of repairs to Ballybofey Sanitary Convenience. In this connection, the Committee stated that slots should not be provided in the public convenience.

234/60. LANDING FACILITIES AT SLAD Na bhFUIGHEOG:

The Committee noted that Roinn na Gaeltachta has indicated that it will carry out works to the extent of £2,400 at Slad na bhFuígheog, and it was agreed that the Council should undertake the maintenance of the works when they are completed.

235/60. PROVISION OF LIGHTED BEACONS AT AILEEN REEF AND TURK ROCK:

The Committee noted offer from Department of Lands to make a contribution of 75% of the cost or £1,238 whichever is the lesser towards the provision of lighted beacons on Aileen Reef and Turk Rock.

It was decided to defer consideration of the matter pending the submission of a map showing the location of the beacons from the Department of Lands.

Arising out of the discussion, it was agreed that the Minister should be requested to revise the terms of the agreement covering contributions of this nature to provide that expenditure will be borne proportionately by the Council and the Department of Lands.

236/60. APPLICATION FROM DR. MCGINLEY PRESENTATION COMMITTEE FOR PERMISSION TO HANG HIS PORTRAIT IN THE COUNTY HOSPITAL:

The Committee recommended that the Council defer consideration of this matter to a later date when it can again be reviewed.

237/60. PURCHASE OF FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT:

The Committee noted recommendation from Chief Fire Officer that one Long wheel base Land Rover and one Leyland 30 H.P. dual purpose fire engine complete with all equipment including 50 feet wheeled escape be purchased at a total cost of £1,100.

The Committee also noted report 4/11/1960 from the Divisional Officer, Northern Ireland Fire Authority, Derry, stating that he considered the price at which these vehicles were offered to the Council to be most reasonable.

It was decided, after discussion, to approve of the purchase of these machines.

238/60. APPLICATION FOR GRANT - KILCAR PARISH HALL:

It was decided to defer consideration of this application until the preparation of the estimates for year ending 31st March, 1962.

239/60. APPLICATION FOR GRANT - EXTENSION OF ST. FINIAN'S HALL, FALCARRAGH:

It was decided to defer consideration of this application until the preparation of the estimates for year ending 31st March, 1962.

240/60. TRANSFER OF £1,500 FROM COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT NO. 1/4 TO COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT NO. 1/3:

The Committee noted with approval, the following report from the County Engineer:-

"I wish to apply for authority to transfer £1,500 from County road Improvement Grant No. 1/4 i.e. "widen, shape and surface in gravel from Cooley to Noone's Bridge including branches to Cooley School and Merville". Map Nos. 242 and 309 to Grant No. 1/3 i.e. "widen, strengthen, shape and surface in 2" Tar-Grouted Macadam from Churchtown, Carrdonagh towards Hilltown", Map No. 156.

The work on Grant No. 1/4 has been completed with the exception of some surface dressing which can not be carried out until the Spring of 1961 and in respect of which sufficient money is being retained. Road No. 156 is carrying very heavy traffic and is breaking up badly. The Grant allocated is not sufficient to deal adequately with the bad section of this road".

241/60. RAILWAY ROAD GRANT 1960/'61 - DONEGAL/BALLYSHANNON ROAD:

The Committee noted, with approval, that it is proposed to expend £5,000 allowed under the above grant for the Donegal/Ballyshannon road, on improving St. Ernan's turn.

242/60. URBAN DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:

The Committee noted following resolution from Buncrana U. D. C. :-

"at their meeting held on the 9th October, 1960, the Urban District Council unanimously passed the following resolution:-

"That the Urban District Council draws the attention of the Donegal County Council to the fact that when the Urban District Water Supply Scheme was being carried out the Urban District Council agreed, on the initiation of the County Council, to divert their watermain from Slavery to west end, Buncrana via Cockhill to facilitate the County Council in the erection of twenty four Council Houses instead of the original twelve. To further facilitate the County Council the Urban Council laid a 9" diam. A. C. main in lieu of the 8"

242/60. URBAN DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY SCHEME (CONTINUED):

diss. main originally proposed. The additional cost to the Urban District Council in respect of these works was £1,947.

The Urban Council undertook this work on an understanding received from the County Council that twenty four houses would be built therefore at Cockhill but so far the County Council have erected no houses at Cockhill.

The Buncrana Urban District Council wish to remind the Donegal County Council of their obligation with regard to the erection of these twenty four houses at Cockhill".

I have been requested to send a copy of the above resolution to the Donegal County Council and also to every County Councillor from the Urban District, and surrounding areas".

The Meeting then terminated.

Confirmed Liam Cunningham
Chairman

Date: 16/1/1961

Adopted by Council: _____
Chairman

Date: _____

NEW PROGRAMME.

<u>A Schemes.</u>	<u>Position at end of October, 1960.</u>
Rosser Regional Development	Preparations being made for canvass of householders preparatory to adoption of priority list.
Newtowncunningham	do.
Manerecunningham	do.
Laghey	do.
Frosses	do.
Malinmore	do.
Malinbeg	do.
Glenties	Canvass not required in this case.
Ardara	do.
Rathmullan	do.
Kerrykeel	do.
Falcarragh and Gortahork Regional	Preparations for canvass.
Glencely	do.
Cranford	do.
Churchill	do.
Narin-Portnoe Development	do.
Burnfoot	do.
Dunaff	do.
Quigley's Point	do.
Reanskill-Tamney	do.
Arrenmore Island	do.
Glen	do.

B Schemes

Position at end of October, 1960.

B Schemes	Position at end of October, 1960.
Newtowncunningham-Monorcunningham Regional	Preparations for canvass being made.
Faned Regional	do.
East Inishowen Regional	do.
Malin Head Semi-Regional	do.
Lough Mourne Development	do.
Frosses-Inver Semi-Regional	do.
Glenties-Ardara Semi-Regional	do.
Letterkenny-Doochery	do.
Rosbeg	do.
Ballyshannon Development	do.
Carriek area Development	do.
Largymore	do.
Carrigart-Downings Development	do.
Crosslough Extension	do.
Burnfoot Regional	do.
Desertegney	do.
Bunrens environs Development	do.

C Schemes

Position at end of October, 1960.

C Schemes	Position at end of October, 1960.
Aughavernon (Rathmullen)	Preparations being made for canvass.
Stranaglough (Glenties)	do.
Tulnaree (Carrindagh)	do.
Tullyvinney (Raphoe)	do.
Claggen (Carrigart)	do.
Ramilton (Letterkenny Road)	do.
Gortnacall (Milford)	do.
Ballyboe	do.
Abbeylands (Ballyshannon)	do.

SEWERAGE SCHEME.

Schemes adopted prior to new Programme.

- (1) Falcarragh Sewerage Scheme: The Contractor has completed work. Discharge Control Plant has now been delivered and preparations for installation being made.
- (2) Ramilton Sewerage Scheme: Progress on this scheme is satisfactory.
- Falcarragh Sewerage Scheme Section 2. Bill of Quantities in course of preparation for submission to Local Government Department.

NEW PROGRAMME.

Preparations for canvass will be put in hands when canvass arrangements for water supply schemes are completed.

Raphoe
Convoy
Lifford
Castlofin
Killygordon
Ballindrait

Ballintra
Rosnowlough
Pettigo
Laghoy

Carrigart
Creeslough
Kilmacrennan

Dunfanaghy
Gortshork
Portnablagh

Bunbeg
Derrybeg

Newtowncunningham
Manorcunningham
Carrigans

Kilcar
Dunkineely
Carriok

Ardara
Marin-Portnoo

Clooney

Appendix "B" - Details of Specific Instance Cottages

Houses in Progress (16)

- S.I. 562 Thomas McLaughlin, Balleighan, Greencastle.
786 Patrick McLaughlin, Carnagarve, Moville.
832 William Doherty, Glenfad, Clonleigh.
858 Gerald Crawford, Carrickmore, St. Johnston.
900 Vincent Crawford, The Blocks, Porthall
896 Thomas McClean, Augheygault, Drumkeen.
879 Patrick J. Doherty, Keelogs, Buncrana
826 Joseph Peoples, Steverage, St. Johnston.
848 Thomas Gamble, Drumemmon, St. Johnston.
881 William Laughlin, Rahan, Letterkenny.
736 Patrick Hegarty, Grange, Inch.
802 Mrs. Sarah O'Donnell, Magherabann, Linsfort.
853 John Gallagher, Drumhaggart, Muff.
776 Charles McCarron, Castletown, St. Johnston.
820 Con Hanlon, Madavagh, Lettermacaward.
907 Michael Houston, Cleenderry, Dungloe.

Tenders Sanctioned (6)

- C.P.O. 1955 S.I. 285 Charles Duggan, Loughanure, Annagry.
S.I. 819 Bridget Bradley, Keenaghan, Kilmacrennan.
S.I. 870 Patrick McGreenera, Clonkillymore, Termon.
S.I. 863 Domnick Gillespie (P), Unerafad, Creeslough.
S.I. 899 Joseph Boyle, Tullagh, Carrigart.
S.I. 778 James Russell, Glencar, Letterkenny.

Tenders Received (12)

- S.I. 535 Michael McNamee, Callanor, Drumkeen.
589 Joseph Gibson, Moneymore, Newtowncunningham.
597 Daniel McCarron, Moneymore, Newtowncunningham.
892 Patrick F. Callaghan, Pound Street, Carndonagh.
894 Patrick Sharkey, Swilly, St. Johnston.
911 John O'Donnell, Ironworks, Ballybofey.
917 John Friel, Gortnacor, Portsalon.
931 William Coyle, Lettergull, St. Johnston.
932 John Slevin, Kilcaddin, Killygordon.
936 Patrick Shéala, Whitehill, St. Johnston.
942 John Gallagher, Cross, Carrigans.
966 Patrick Douglas, Whitehill, St. Johnston.

15 Tenders Invited 24/9/60 - No response.

- C.P.O. 1954 S.I. 55 Mrs. Sheila O'Brien, Knockfolia, Derrybeg.
C.P.O. 1955 S.I. 488 John McBrearty, Corporation, Killybegs
S.I. 322 James P. McGinley, Sieve, Glencolmcille.
S.I. 612 James Harkin, Cashelnagor, Gortahork.
S.I. 733 Patrick D. Gillespie, Malimore, Glencolmcille.
S.I. 743 John Boyle, Killaghtee, St. Johnston.
S.I. 811 Patrick Byrne, Kilcasey, Kilcar.
S.I. 841 Hugh McGuire, Malimore, Glencolmcille.
S.I. 862 James Toland, Garvanagh, Bdl intra.
S.I. 869 James Bonner, (Dan), Derrylacomell, Doochary.
S.I. 426 John McBride, Woodquarter, Cranford.
S.I. 800 John Logan, Glenalla, Ray, Letterkenny.
S.I. 844 Frank Harkin, Woodside, Ramelton.
S.I. 873 Andrew Aiken, Drugherrive, Ramelton.
S.I. 938 Michael Ellison, Ballycrowey, Dunkineely.

APPENDIX "B"

ITEM 13 on AGENDA for General Purposes Committee Meeting on 18th November, 1960.

<u>HOUSES COMPLETED</u>		<u>TENDERS INVITED</u>	
Group Schemes	965	S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1954	1
S.I. Sites, C.P.O. 1953	61	ditto C.P.O. 1955	1
do. C.P.O. 1954	34	ditto Agreement	<u>13</u>
do. C.P.O. 1955	46	<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>15</u>
do. Agreement	<u>53</u>		
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,159</u>		

<u>HOUSES IN PROGRESS</u>		<u>CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BEING PREPARED</u>	
Killybegs No. 2 H.S.	12	Carndonagh No. 2 H.S.	4
Stranorlar	6	S.I. Sites Agreement	<u>3</u>
Ballintrait	6	<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>7</u>
S.I. Sites Agreement	<u>16</u>		
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>40</u>		

<u>TENDERS SANCTIONED</u>		<u>SITES APPROVED</u>	
Raphoe No. 2	6	S.I. Sites Agreement	<u>14</u>
Ballymagan	4	<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>14</u>
S.I. C.P.O. 1955	1		
ditto Agreement	5		
Nurse's Cottage, Ardara	<u>1</u>		
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>17</u>		

<u>TENDERS RECEIVED</u>		<u>APPLICATIONS BEING EXAMINED</u>	
S.I. Sites Agreement	<u>12</u>	S.I. Sites Agreement	<u>110</u>
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>110</u>

SUMMARY

Houses completed	1,159
Houses in progress	40
Tenders sanctioned	17
Tenders received	12
Tenders invited	15
Contract documents being prepared	7
Sites approved	<u>14</u>
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>1,264</u>

LIFFORD HOUSING SCHEME: The transfer of the site for the above scheme is being effected.

ST. JOHNSTON NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME - 5 HOUSES: An up-to-date survey has been made of the present housing needs in St. Johnston district.

ARDNAGANNACH HOUSING SCHEME NO. 2: A report on sites is being submitted to the Meeting.

SURVEYS COMPLETED

Milford	4 houses required	Lismonaghan, Letterkenny	4 houses required
Quigley's Point	4 " "	Calhane	4 " "
Inch Island	3 " "	Ballyare	4 " "
Bridgend	4 " "		

SURVEYS IN PROGRESS

Cockhill & Ramelton No. 3

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CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BEING PREPARED

S.I. 89 Patrick Boyce, Loughagannon, Ballymaleel; S.I. 512 Samuel Pearson, Creatland, St. Johnston; 950 Edward A. Boyle, Quigley's Point.

Sites Approved (14)

- S.I. 475 Gerard Wilson, Shroove, Greenacastle.
1004 Neil Joseph Browne, Drumahambo, Cloghan.
916 Susan Doherty, Kirkstown, Letterkenny.
598 Cornelius Boyle, Toome, Lettermacaward.
840 Michael McBride. (Jack), Cranford.
959 Owen Doherty, Bice, Ballygorman.
969 John Murphy, Slavery, Buncrana.
988 Patrick Sweeney, Meenasrone, Pintown.
990 John McMonagle, Corderry, Churchill.
998 John Galbraith, Cottown, Raphoe.
1000 William Porter, Woodlands, Raphoe.
1001 John McPeely, Carnahamagh, Raphoe.
1003 Hugh Bonner, Tubberkeen, Dungloe.
1015 Paddy Sweeney, Derryduel, Lettermacaward.

Other Specific Instance Applications (110)

- 127 Charles Boyle, Ballyare, Killybegs.
173 Ellen J. McKee, Cramnaghbuys, Inver.
285 Charles Doogan, Loughanure, Amagry.
291 John McHugh, Alt Upper, Castlefinn.
395 Charles A. McMonagle, Pintra, Killybegs.
398 Mary Ann Molloy, Tievebrack, Glenties.
532 James O'Boyle, Killaned, Glencolumkille.
655 Joseph Doherty, Red Row, Culdaff.
671 Michael Purey, Drumasillagh, Glenties.
701 Joseph McGroarty, Drumgowan, Donegal.
722 Joe McGettigan, Tullyheniver, Glenties.
748 Charles McFadden, Gortnabrade, Carrigart.
751 Joseph Gallagher, Edergole, Ardara.
761 William Bovaird, Borevagh, Ramelton.
762 James McDaid, Tonlette, Speenogue.
782 Mrs. Rebecca Friel, Fortnavern, Coolbuoy.
787 Paddy Boyle, Cramnaghbois, Ardara.
796 Joseph Connolly, Glenleary, Ramelton.
815 Mrs. Margaret Callaghan, Drum, Quigley's Point.
817 Sarah McAteer, Kindrum.
822 John G. Crossan, Trensallagh, St. Johnston.
860 Joseph Mulhern, Common, Ardara.
868 Joseph McKeown, Meenasrone North, Pintown.
871 Michael Murray, Crohonagh, Ballybofey.
872 Mrs. Bridget McGroddy, Drumnamonagh, Carrigart.
886 James McAnaney, Newtownhamilton, Carrigans.
898 Charles Gibson, Lettergull, St. Johnston.
903 William Hegarty, New Mills, Ramelton.
910 Bernard Long, Croggan, Ballybofey.
914 Mrs. Bridget McCrudden, Leitrim, Bogay.
919 Michael Gallagher, Cleengert, Doochary.
929 John Glenn, Bonemaine, Bridgend.
943 William Gillespie, Doohan, Castlefinn.
944 Felix McManus, Belaught South, Castlefinn.
945 Daniel Deery, Drumbane, Castlefinn.
947 Mrs. Maggie Boyle, Gortnasade, Kincasslagh.
948 Denis McKeeney, Ballyheeney, Ballygorman.
950 John Boyle, Milly, Greenam, Glenties.
951 Jeremiah McNulty, Coonsen, Cloghan.
952 William McDaid, Dundrain, Burnfoot.
954 Patrick Crossan, Killydonnell, Ramelton.
955 Bernard O'Donnell, Castleblagh, Newtowncunningham.
958 John Diver, Knockastolar, Bunbeg.
963 Edward Logue, Strangarrow, Cloghan.
970 Patrick McClafferty, Carrownamaddy, Cashelmore.

- 753 Michael McGinley, Corlan, Killybegs.
759 Brian Gallagher, Meenakillew, Ardara.
- 971 Dan McDermott, Cortnacorrib, Letterkenny.
974 Con O'Donnell, Craghey, Dungloe.
976 Thomas Hegarty, Burnfoot.
977 John Doherty, Lower Carrickamore, Burtonport.
978 John Joseph McCallig, Ballysaggart, Dunkineely.
979 Patrick James O'Donnell, Eighter Island, Burtonport.
984 John Gallagher, Sheaknagreens, Bruckless.
987 Nellie Gallagher, Meencarricka, Falcarragh.
991 Hugh McCarron, Craigdoes, St. Johnston.
992 John McGrath, Baylett, Inch Island.
994 Domnick Boyle, Cashelogy, Inver.
1001 John McPeely, Carnsharnagh, Raphoe.
1005 Mrs. Mary Ann Doherty, Barnes Road, Ballybofey.
1006 Annie Gallagher, Derrynaspool, Doochary.
1007 Michael Gallagher, Meenawilligan, Churchill.
1009 Susan Harkin, Gortiness, Cloghan.
1010 James Langan, Maghery, Dungloe.
1014 Patrick Slevin, Knock, Ballybofey.
1016 Denis McDaid, Tullyhanner, Breenagh.
1018 Bernard McHugh, Leckonnell, Ardara.
1023 Thomas ~~Blain~~ Drumbaraty, Killybegs.
1024 James ~~Bannan~~ Faddler, Grial, Annagry.
1026 Laurence McConneil, Drumerdagh, Manorcunningham.
1027 Margaret McFadden, Garshuey, Bogay.
1028 James McGinley, Tirhonia, Milford.
1030 Rachael Watson, Sheekin, Raphoe.
1031 Joseph Stewart, Carraghmore, Ballybofey.
1032 William Boulston, Ardagh, St. Johnston.
1033 Mary Bridget McGettigan, Glassaghbeg, Ballinamore.
1034 Mrs. Rose Ann Coyle, Cannagh-Kerrigo, Ballymagan.
1036 Denis Gallagher, Saltpans, Dungloe.
1037 Charles Joseph Gordon, Laught, Castlefin.
1039 Patrick Joseph Doherty, Sheil House, Rosstownlagh.
1040 James McGlinchey, Dramore, Killygordon.
1041 Patrick L. Gormley, Coolaghey, Raphoe.
1042 Denis P. Gallagher, Glebe, Downings.
1043 Denis Brennan, Coolmore, Rosstownlagh.
1044 Patrick Harkin, Tummock, Bridgend.
1045 Maurice O'Donnell, Cruckmore, Meenbarad.
1046 Daniel Gibson, The Park, Meengavlin, St. Johnston.
1047 Patrick Joseph Melaught, Cronalaghey, Crossroads.
1048 John Francis Sweeney, Warden, Ballynashannagh.
- 64 James Hardy, Benault, Inch Island.
91 Thomas Piper, Ballygreen, Ramelton.
275 Thomas McMonagle, Chrislamore, Burnfoot.
590 William Murphy, Drumboe Ave., Stranorlar.
688 Robert Gilmour, Tieveockmoy, Ballybofey.
740 Mrs. Jean McBrearty, Coolaghey, Raphoe.
817 Sarah McAteer, Kindrum.
828 Patrick Ayton, Tops, Raphoe.
831 Joseph O'Donnell, Listillion, Letterkenny.
882 John Magee, Cappry, Ballybofey.
982 John Duffy, Bunagee, Letterkenny.
1035 Patrick Donnelly, Liskey, Ballintrait.
922 John McNulty, Station Rd., Ballintra.
614 Patrick McCarry, Ballyboes, Falcarragh.
934 Mrs. Una Diver, Middletown, Derrybeg.
953 Michael Boyle, Carrickakeeghan, Annagry.
956 Robert Scanlon, Tieveockmoy, Ballybofey.
983 James Gallen (Con), Meengoland, Killygordon.
1012 James O'Donnell, Craghey, Dungloe.
1015 Patrick Sweeney, Derryduel, Lettermacaward.
1022 James Rodgers, Balloighan, Manorcunningham.

ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL LETTERKENNY

VISITING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 11th January, 1960.

Members Present: Mr. W. A. W. Sheldon T.D. (Chairman), Messrs. Liam Cunningham T.D., James McMenamin, Alex. Diver Co.C., Robert Gallagher Co.C., Michael Melly Co.C., Patrick Kelly Co.C., and Charles O'Donnell Co.C.

Also Present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P. J. Courtney R.M.S., Dr. Kevin A. McDaid, Senior Assistant Medical Officer, Mr. Patrick Sheridan, Land Steward and Mr. P. McDaid, Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and three patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal, where possible, with the other matters raised.

Land Steward's Report: The report had been circulated. The loss of two Friesian calves during the month was discussed. It was agreed that quotations would be sought for the inclusion of the Friesian calves in the insurance covering the Friesian cattle.

Inspection: The Committee subsequently inspected Divisions 4, 5, 1, Male Hospital and Male and female dining halls.

Signed:

P. McDaid
Chief Clerk.

ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL LETTERKENNY.

Visiting Committee.

A meeting of the above Committee was held in this hospital on Monday 14th March, 1960.

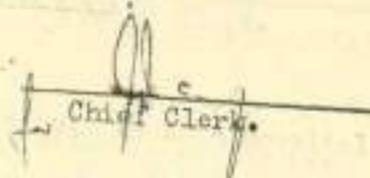
Members Present: Chairman Mr. W. A. W. Sheldon T.D., Messrs. Patrick Kelly, Michael Melly, Robert Gallagher, Alex Diver, James McMenamin and Liam Cunningham.

Also Present: Mr. A. A. Sharkey, Deputy County Manager, Dr. P. J. Courtney, Resident Medical Superintendent, Dr. K. A. McDaid, Senior Assistant Medical Officer and Mr. James Harnsey, Acting Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and six patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal where possible with the other matters raised.

Inspection: The Committee reported that they inspected the Male Dining Hall, Male Hospital and Divisions 5, 4 and 1.

Signed:


Chief Clerk.

VISITING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 11th April, 1960.

Members Present: Mr. W. A. W. Sheldon T.D. (Chairman), Messrs Patrick Kelly Co.C., Liam Cunningham T.D., Michael Melly Co.C., Alex Diver Co.C., Robert Gallagher Co.C., and James McMenamin.

Also Present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P. J. Courtney R.M.S., and Mr. P. McDaid Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and five patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal, where possible, with the other matters raised.

Inspection: The Committee inspected Divisions No. 7, 13, 14, Female Hospital and Male and Female dining halls.

Signed: P. McDaid

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St. Conal's Hospital Letterkenny.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 8th May, 1960.

Members present: Messrs Kelly Co.C., Louis Walsh, Co.C., James McMenamin, Liam Cunningham T.D., Michael Melly Co.C., Robert Gallagher Co.C., and Alex Diver Co.C.

Also present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P.J. Courtney R. M. S. and Mr. P. McDaid Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and five patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal, where possible, with the other matters raised.

Land Steward's Report: The report had been circulated and was approved.

Inspection: The Committee inspect^{ed} Divisions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and Male Hospital.

Signed: P. McDaid

St. Conal's Hospital Letterkenny.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 12th September, 1960.

Members present: Messrs. Patrick Kelly Co.C., Harry Blaney Co.C., John Hunter Co.C., Frank Muldoon Co.C., Alex Diver Co.C., Liam Cunningham T.D., W.A.W. Sheldon T.D.

Also present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P. J. Courtney, Resident Medical Superintendent, Dr. K. McDavid, Senior Asst. Medical Officer and Mr. James Harney, Acting Chief Clerk.

Election of Chairman: On the motion of Mr. Cunningham seconded by Mr. Kelly, Mr. W. A. W. Sheldon was unanimously elected Chairman.

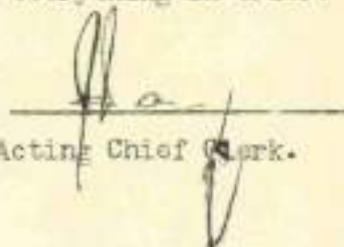
Election of Vice-Chairman: On the motion of Mr. Muldoon seconded by Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Alex Diver was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and eight patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal, where possible, with the other matters raised.

Report of Inspector of Mental Hospitals: The Committee were informed that in his last report the Inspector of Mental Hospitals stated that there was a need for a more varied diet for the patients and that the furnishing of the Day Rooms was unsatisfactory. The Resident Medical Superintendent stated that the diet could be improved considerably by the provision of cornflour or rice for sweet daily, an egg for tea and bacon once a week for each patient and that this would cost £4,757 per annum. The Committee recommended that a sum of £4,757 be included in the estimates for the coming year for this purpose. In regard to the furnishing of the Day Rooms the Committee recommended that a sum of £2,100 be included in the next years estimate for the purpose of providing 340 easy chairs.

Land Steward's Report: The report had been circulated and was approved.

Inspection: The Committee inspected Divisions Nos. 1,3,4,5 and 6 and that they found everything in order.

Signed: 
Acting Chief Clerk.

St. Conal's Hospital Letterkenny.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 13th June, 1960.

Members present: Messrs. James McMenamin, Patrick Kelly Co.C., Liam Cunningham T.D., Alex Diver Co.C., Michael Molly Co.C., Robert Gallagher Co.C., and Charles O'Donnell Co.C.

Also present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P. J. Courtney, Resident Medical Superintendent and Mr. P. McDaid, Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and five patients were interviewed. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to contact relatives of the patients who might be prepared to take them out and to deal, where possible, with the other matters raised.

Land Steward's Report: The report had been circulated and was approved.

Inspection: The Committee inspected Divisions Nos. 11, 12, 13, Female Observation, Work Room and Female Dining Hall.

Signed: P. McDaid

St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkeny.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 14th November, 1960.

Members present: Messrs. W.A.W. Sheldon T.D., L. Cunningham T.D., F. Muldoon Co.C., A. Diver Co.C., P. Kelly, Co.C., M. Melly, Co.C., H. Blaney, Co.C.

Also present: Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P.J. Courtney, Resident Medical Superintendent, Dr. K. McDaid, Senior Asst. Medical Officer and Mr. P. McDaid, Chief Clerk.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and 5 patients were interviewed. The matters raised in the letters and by the patients interviewed were considered. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to deal with any correspondence arising from the matters discussed.

Land Steward's Report: The report had been circulated and was approved.

Inspection: The Committee inspected Boiler House, Kitchen, Male and Female Dining Halls.

Signed: P. McDaid

CHIEF CLERK.

St. Conal's Hospital Letterkenny.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the above committee was held in the hospital on Monday 12th December, 1960.

Members Present:- Messrs. W. A. W. Sheldon T.D., L. Cunningham T.D., J. Hunter Co.C., A. Diver Co.C. and P. Kelly Co.C.

Also Present:- Mr. J. D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P.J. Courtney, Resident Medical Superintendent, Dr. K. McDaid, Senior Assistant Medical Officer and Mr. J. Harney, Acting Chief Clerk.

Vote of Sympathy:- The committee passed a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Edward McMonagle who had held the office of Charge Nurse and whose death occurred recently. The County Manager and Resident Medical Superintendent associated themselves with the vote of sympathy.

Correspondence: Letters from patients were read and six patients were interviewed. The matters raised in the letters and by the patients interviewed were considered. The Resident Medical Superintendent undertook to deal with any correspondence arising from the matters discussed.

Land Steward's Report:- The report for the month of November, 1960, had been circulated and was approved. Arising out of the report the committee asked for details of the milk yield of the Friesian cows which were purchased last year. The Co. Manager read a special report from the Land Steward dated 26/10/'60 which gave the yields to that date. He pointed out that it was not possible at this stage to assess the success of the scheme as the lactation periods were not completed and he stated that a further report would be submitted when all the necessary figures were available.

Inspection: The committee inspected the Male and Female dining halls, the kitchen and the boiler house.

Signed: _____

Actg. Chief Clerk.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 26TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1960.

1/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rev. Dr. Furey (Presiding), Rev. C. S. Finnegan, Rev. A.C. McFeely, Rev. Dr. Long, Mr. A. M. Raffan, Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Councillors C. Breslin, L. Walsh and J. McElenay.

An apology for inability to attend the Meeting was received from Rev. Mr. Sproule.

2/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary, and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

3/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Rev. A. C. McFeely, seconded by Mr. A. M. Raffan, the Minutes of the Scholarships Meeting held on the 5th day of August, 1959, were confirmed.

4/60. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO COMPETE AT EXAMINATION 1960:

The Secretary stated that in all, eighty-eight applications had been received. Six applications were received on the 16/1/1960, and as the latest date for the receipt of applications was the 15/1/1960, these applications had been rejected. Two applicants did not come within the terms of the Scheme as their means exceeded the limits prescribed. Sixty-nine of the remaining applicants have completed their application forms satisfactorily and had submitted all necessary documentary evidence to verify that they were qualified to compete. In the remaining eleven cases, further documentary evidence in regard to age and means was required.

The application forms were examined in detail, and the following action was taken and approved:-

It was decided to request the Department of Education to consider acceptance of the six application forms received late. In this connection, the Secretary pointed out that it was unlikely that the Department could agree to accept these, but the Committee asked that the Minister be requested to consider the matter.

The following are details of the applications:-

Late Applications:

Sarah Anne Faulkner, Cabry, Quigley's Point.
Francis Bernadette McDaid, Grehennen, Quigley's Point.
James Michael Davenport, Ruskey, Quigley's Point.
Eleanor Margaret Macrina McCauley, Cabry, Quigley's Point.
Mary Cathleen Moyné, Drumhaggart, Muff.
Clive Carmel Moyné, Drumhaggart, Muff.

Ineligible Applicants:

Sean C Cionacith, Marlboro, Sea Road, Bundoran.
Kathleen Anne Haughey, 15, St. Columba's Tce. Letterkenny.

4/60 APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO COMPETE AT EXAMINATION 1960:

Eligible Applicants:

Marie Annette Duffy, 18 Lr. Main Street, Letterkenny.
Thomas Ciaran McHugh, 306 Coneyburrow, Lifford.
Patrick James Harkin, Croagh, Dunkineely.
Searlaidh Aine Ni Scallain, Dinglei Cough, Bundoran.
Mary Elizabeth McConnell, 10 St. Columba's Tce., High Rd. Letterkenny.
Dorothea Mary Frances Lunny, Mill St., Pettigo.
Ann Marie Stevenson, 48, Lower Main St., Letterkenny.
Ellen Veronica Mundy, Finabans, Donegal.
Joseph Francis Gillespie, Glencosgh, Mountcharles.

Elizabeth Mary Browne, Stroangibbagh, Drumkeen, Ballybofey.
Sheila Ann Gallagher, Lismonaghan, Letterkenny.
James Anthony Toland, 33 Cluain Mhuire, Buncrana.
Norah Philomena Coll, C/o Mrs. Molloy, 14 Market Square, Letterkenny.
Mary Grace Patricia McFadden, Cashel, Creeslough.
Jeremiah Harvey, 3 Church Street, Letterkenny.
James Edward Bradley, Letterleague, Newmills, Letterkenny.
Thomasina Catherine McManus, St. Columba's Tce. High Road, Letterkenny.
Catherine Teresa Crossan, Conwal, Letterkenny.
James Anthony Boyle, Dungloe, Letterkenny.
Mary Ellen Bradley, Creive Smith, Letterkenny.
Margaret Duffy, Loughkeel, Crolly, P.O.
Helen Ann Quinn, Water St., Donegal.
Brigid Teresa O'Barroll, Bridge Street, Killybegs.
Andrew Columba McGeady, Middletown, Derrybeg.
Dympna Carolina Coyle, 11 St. Columba's Tce., Letterkenny.
Mary Teresa McDaid, Porthall, Clonleigh P. O. Lifford.
Anne Frances McDaid, Porthall, Clonleigh P.O., Lifford.
Mary Bernadette Masterson, Legandara, Lifford.
Helena Anne Masterson, Legandara, Lifford.
Patrick Columba McGuinness, Church Road, Carndonagh.
Mary Teresa Houston, 25 Lr. Main Street, Letterkenny.
Shaun Vincent McLaughlin, Culkenny, Malin.
Rose Marie Callaghan, Keelogs, Churchill, Letterkenny.
Margaretta Susanna Dolores Rooney, Maenavoy, Ballybofey.
Brigidh A. Ni Bhacainhill, 62 Conlin Road, Killybegs.
Dominick Charles Gildea, Carrickatleave, Ardara.
Mary Anne Kennedy, Glenties.
Margaret Ann Gibbons, Tironesill, Ballindrait.
Carosia Ann Cahill, Maenavoy, Fintown.
Mary Brigid Philomena Harper, Carrickbrack, Convoey.
Noreen Philomena Harvey, Lower End, Mountcharles.
Joseph Anthony McManagle, Cornagullion, Churchill, Letterkenny.
Marjorie Maria Ferry, 28 Wolfe Tone Place, Letterkenny.
Cora Elizabeth Lee, 32 Cluain Mhuire, Buncrana.
Mary Lafferty, 59 Conlin Road, Killybegs.
Grace Celine McCafferty, 6, Church St., Letterkenny.
Margaret Josephine Kelly, Edenoughill, Killygordon.
Michael Joseph McIntyre, Creevy, Ballyshannon.
Margaret Brenda Craig, The Diamond, Ardara.
Finola Rose Quinn, Main Street, Castlefin.
Joseph Patrick Moshan, Creevy, Ballyshannon.
John Francis Gerard Keaney, Main Street, Pettigo.
Mary Teresa Herron, Hillhead, Ardara.
James Anthony Sweeney, 21, Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
Neil Francis O'Donnell, 29 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
Mary McGettigan, Coolshannon, Inver.
Oisín Mary McManus, 7 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
John Brendan Kerr, Moross, Tamney.
James Joseph McManus, 75 Lr. Main Street, Letterkenny.

4/60. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO COMPETE AT EXAMINATION 1960:

Conall Anthony Conaghan, Drimnoco, Killybegs.
Mary Christina Hegarty, 26 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
Cahir Maloney, 35 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
Cristoir MacDaibhid, west end, Bundoran.
Sean S. McGill, Straebel, Carrick.
Mary T. McGinley, Maenacharvey, Carrick.
Isobel Mary McGlynn, 69 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
James Joseph McNamee, Drimnoco, Killybegs.
Mary Frances Philomena Sweeney, 45 Lr. Main St., Letterkenny.
Valentine Traynor, Church Road, Bundoran.

Applicants whose eligibility has yet to be finally determined:

Michael Joseph Callaghan, 93 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
James Aidan McMenamin, Bonagee, Letterkenny.
Mary Teresa Breslin, Mullamore, Glenties.
Brigid Claire Haughey, Brackey, Ardara.
Hugh Patrick Mcnaghan, 79 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
Joseph Martin Boyle, Meenahallow, Glenties.
Thomas Patrick Campbell, Bridge House, Ardara.
Bridget Mary Toner, 128 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.
James Toner, Upper Sallaghagrane, Letterkenny.
Kevin Thomas Larkin, 97 Lr. Main Street, Letterkenny.
Kathleen Philomena Whoriskey, Ballymoney, Speenogue P.O.

5/60. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS TO SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS FOR YEAR 1961:

It was decided that the scheme should remain unaltered except in regard to the syllabus for the examination.

The Committee recommended that the syllabus should be amended to provide obligatory subjects as follows:-

Irish,
English,
Arithmetic,
History (200 marks).

Optional Subjects:

Algebra,
Geometry,
Drawing,
Rural Science,
Needlework, and
Geography (100 marks).

It was also recommended that each candidate should ~~only~~ be permitted to take ^{one} optional subject.

6/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Chairman stated that he had been examining the scholarships given by other Counties, and the scale of University fees, and he considered that the existing University Scholarships should be increased. He suggested that each Scholarship should be valued for £100 per annum, plus University fees including examination fees; the Scholarship to cover the normal period of the course selected by the candidate on the understanding, that in the case of the Faculty of Arts, a student who has secured a Degree with Honours may get an extension for four years with a view to obtaining a higher Diploma in Education.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE HELD
ON THE 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1960.

13/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rev. Dr. D. Furey, P.P., Mr. Bernard Egan, Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Mr. Thomas McCormick, Mr. Patrick J. McGill, N.T., Mr. Thomas P. Nee, Councillors L. Cunningham, T.D., Patrick D. Harte, J. McKelney and B. McCrory.

14/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

J. D. Williams, County Manager; A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary; and J. Coll, Staff Officer.

15/60. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D.,

Seconded by: Councillor P. D. Harte,

AND RESOLVED: That Rev. Dr. D. Furey, P.P., be elected Chairman.

16/60. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN:

Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D., was, on the proposition of Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., seconded by Mr. Thomas P. Nee, elected Vice Chairman.

17/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Mr. Patrick J. McGill, N.T., seconded by Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., the Minutes of the Scholarships Meeting held on the 11th day of March, 1960, were confirmed.

18/60. VOTE OF CONGRATULATION:

On the proposition of the Chairman, the Committee directed that a letter of congratulation on his new appointment, be sent to Mr. H. R. Cathcart, Raphoe.

19/60. ILLNESS OF FR. FINNEGAN:

On the proposition of the Chairman, it was decided to write to Fr. Finnegan wishing him a speedy recovery from his illness.

20/60. AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS:

The Committee approved of the award of scholarships in accordance with the Scholarships Scheme to the following who obtained the first ten places:-

James E. Bradley, Letterleague, Newmills, Letterkenny. -
Kevin Thomas Larkin, 97 Lower Main Street, Letterkenny. -
Sheila Ann Gallagher, Lissonaghan, Letterkenny. -
Mary Bernadette Masterson, Legandara, Lifford.
Helen Ann Quinn, Water Street, Donegal.
Elizabeth Mary Browne, Stroangibbagh, Drumkeen, Ballybofey.
James Anthony Sweeney, 21 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny. -
Thomassina Catherine Kormanus, 1 St. Columba's Tce., High Rd. Letterkenny.
Ellen Veronica Mundy, Finabans, Donegal.
Rose Marie Callaghan, Keelogs, Churchill, Letterkenny.

Results of the examination are given as Appendix "A" to this report.

In connection with the value of scholarship to be awarded to No. 3 - Sheila Ann Gallagher, it was agreed that the value of her scholarship, viz. £50 should be reduced each year by the cost of books actually supplied to her by St. Louis Convent, Carrickmacross.

21/60. RENEWAL OF EXISTING SCHOLARSHIPS:

It was decided that satisfactory reports having been received from schools, the following scholarships should be renewed for a further year:-

Kathleen McMullin	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Michael J. McHugh	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Joan T. Francis,	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
John G. Blake	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Patrick A. McDevitt	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Mary Teresa Harvey	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Peter Toner	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
John Thomas Slowey	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Patrick G. Sharkey	:	St. Columb's College, Derry.
Anthony H. Glasken	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Tressa Ni Dubhgain	:	Colaiste Bride, An Fhalcarrach.
Daniel Joseph McKenamin	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Patrick Gallagher	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Ethna B. Sweeney	:	St. Louis Convent, Carrickmacross.
James Kennedy	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Patrick A. McAteer	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Mary Patricia Kelly	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Margaret A. Harkin	:	St. Louis Convent, Carrickmacross.
William F. Gallagher	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Brian C. Harkin	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Lesmond C. Slowey	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
James A. Gallen	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Mary E. Canny	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Ann K. McEnhill	:	St. Louis Convent, Carrickmacross.
Jeanie M. Doherty	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Rosemary Ward	:	Ursuline Convent, Sligo.
Hugh B. McGlynn	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Brigid McGrory	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Patrick Sweeney	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Patrick P. McGlynn	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Andrew A. McCool	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Anne E. McLaughlin	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Samuel Noel McConnell	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Mary Anne Hannigan	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Mary Ellen Peoples	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Daniel Joseph Harkin	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.
Rosemary Peoples	:	Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.
Hugh Denis Harkin	:	St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny.

22/60. AWARD OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

It was decided that scholarships in accordance with University Scholarships Scheme 1960, should be awarded to the following candidates who obtained places 1 to 4 in the examination:-

Finbar Columba Gallen, Drumfergus, Killygordon.
 Patrick John Molloy, Upper Mully, Glenties.
 James Francis McGuinness, Chapel Street, Carndonagh.
 Caitriona Aine Nic Dhaibhidh, Bile Liathfionn, Gluain Maine.

Results of examination are given as Appendix "B" to this report.

23/60. RENEWAL OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

It was decided that satisfactory reports having been received, the following scholarships should be renewed for a further year:-

Denis McGettigan	:	St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.
John S. McGinty	:	University College, Dublin.
Thomas M. M. L. Collum	:	University College, Dublin.
Philip D. Doherty	:	University College, Dublin.
Philip J. Doherty	:	University College, Dublin.
Edward A. Monahan	:	University College, Dublin.

24/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME 1961:

It was decided that the Scheme for University Scholarships for 1961 should be the same as that for 1960, subject to provision being made for the award of four scholarships value £100 each plus University fees excluding examination fees, tenable for the period of the Course selected, provided that any scholar who secures his or her Degree in the Faculty of Art, Science and Commerce with Honours and who wishes to pursue his or her studies with a view to obtaining the Degree of Mastership or the Higher Diploma in Education will be given a scholarship for an extra year.

In connection with the Scheme, a proposal to delete from the Scheme for 1961, the preference given to students proposing to take a course of study in the Faculty of Agriculture was rejected by 6 votes to 3.

A proposal to fix the value of scholarships at £90 plus fees was defeated by 5 votes to 4.

25/60. SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS FOR YEAR 1961:

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham, T.D.,

Seconded by: Councillor P. D. Harte,

The Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools already formulated be amended to provide that five scholarships be awarded to the five boys obtaining highest places in the examination and five scholarships be awarded to the five girls obtaining highest places in the examination.

As an amendment, Councillor McRery proposed and Councillor McEneaney seconded: That the Scheme as formulated be implemented.

On a show of hands, the amendment was defeated by 4 votes to 3 and the proposal carried on the same voting.

26/60. CORRESPONDENCE:

The Committee noted that Rev. Dr. Long who had been appointed a member did not wish to act.

The Committee also noted the following letter from the Department of Education:-

"With reference to your letter of 19th March, 1960 I am directed to explain that the Minister for Education is not empowered under the provisions of the Irish Universities Act, 1908 to recoup a County Council any portion of the expenditure incurred by it in respect of scholarships awarded under a scheme formulated in accordance with that Act. I am to add that, as announced recently in Dail Eireann, the question of secondary and vocational school and university scholarships is under review but that the Minister is not yet in a position to make a final decision in that matter".

The Meeting then terminated.

Adopted by Co. Council

John Walsh

Chairman

Date 27 Sept 1960.

Confirmed

D. J. Furey

Chairman

17 January 1961

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

RESULT OF EXAMINATION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS HELD DURING EASTER WEEK, 1960.

Exam. No.	Order of Merit	Name of Candidate.	Irish		English	Arithmetic	History and Geography.		Total Marks in obligatory subjects.	Algebra	Geometry	Drawing	Rural Science or Nature study.	Needlework	TOTAL MARKS.
			Oral	Written			History	Geography.							
2530	13	McGuinness, Patrick C. St. Patrick's N.S.	116	121	136	142	46	61	622	88	82				792
2531	29	McLaughlin, Shaun H. Culkony N.S.	105	126	115	143	57	82	628	38			33		699
2532	20	Toland, James A. St. Columba's N.S.	110	113	124	136	50	63	596	80	69				745
2533	22	Lee, Gora E. Fahan N.S.	101	122	150	171	43	52	639			53			737
2538	1	Bradley, James E. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny.	116	146	171	203	103	92	831	101	80			45	1012
2539	-	Gallaghan, Michael J. Sc. Colneillo.	68	71	104	43	39	22	-	2	21				-
2540	59	Harvey, Jeremiah, Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny.	74	66	100	130	49	68	487	20	6				507
2541	-	Kerr, John B. St. Davaddog's N.S.	88	59	101	119	30	36	433	6					471
2542	2	Larkin, Kevin T. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	117	143	161	187	94	78	780	101	67	38			948
2543	-	Maloney, Cahir, Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	66	42	89	126	18	30	-	6	13				-
2544	18	Momaghan, Hugh F. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	95	137	134	184	50	65	665	46	60				771
2545	-	McGeedy, Andrew, Knockastoler.	89	114	129	111	39	73	-	12	-				-
2546	-	Macdugh, Thomas C. Muire Gan Sml, Leithhearr.													
2547	51	McManus, James J. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	93	107	113	116	19	41	489	27	39				555
2548	16	McManus, Oisín M. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	97	126	128	187	67	55	660	67	52				779
2549	12	McManamin, James A. Carnolite College, Castlegarty, Co. Cork.	95	140	162	123	65	80	665	92	58				815
2550	61	McMogale, Joseph A. Lessett N.S.	128	80	74	78	64	28	452	-	-				452
2551	60	O'Donnell, Neil F. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	84	77	106	139	38	25	469	13	21				490
2552	7	Sweeney, James A. Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny	105	130	137	194	78	71	715	101	52				868
2553	-	Toner, James Sc. Colneillo, Letterkenny.	79	72	77	103	18	32	-	38	18				-
2554	38	Bradley, Mary E. Scoil Muire Gan Sml, Letterkenny.	108	96	106	112	61	69	552	48				56	656
2555	6	Browne, Elizabeth M. Drukeen N.S.	123	146	143	188	81	75	756	48				74	878
2556	34	Cahill, Carosa A. Loughnuck, Fintown	134	95	100	147	59	86	621					47	668
2557	10	Gallaghan, Rose M. Sc. Muire Gan Sml, Letterkenny.	104	130	112	201	83	86	716	68				49	833

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			Oral	Written			History	Geography.							
2558	52	Morah Coll, Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	97	54	117	96	46	58	468	44				100	1100
2559	-	Coyle, Dymphna C. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	93	38	60	12	10	20	-	6				36	548
2560	-	Crossan, Catherine Teresa, Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	101	35	79	60	26	40	341	2				27	-
2561	42	Duffy, Marie A. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	90	119	97	89	70	72	537	26				38	379
2562	-	Ferry, Marjorie N. Sc. Muire Gan Sual.												76	639
2563	3	Gallagher, Shiela A. Sc. Muire Gan Sual													
2564	41	Gibbons, Margaret A. St. Brigid's N.S. Bough.	117	147	157	183	88	98	790	90				61	941
2565	25	Harper, Mary B. Ruskey N.S.	105	110	111	133	36	59	554	58				33	645
2566	-	Hegarty, Mary C. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	127	112	142	146	33	37	597	70			45	-	712
2567	26	Houston, Mary T. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	63	59	107	99	58	50	436	8				70	506
2568	30	Kelly, Margaret J. Gleneely N.S.	102	109	99	121	59	79	569	62				71	702
2569	48	Lunny, Dorothea, St. Mary's N.S. Pettigo	104	95	136	143	39	59	576	74				46	696
2570	39	Masterson, Helena, Immaculate Conception N.S. Lifford.	88	95	111	104	42	63	503	38				47	588
2571	4	Masterson, Mary B. Immaculate Conception N.S. Lifford.	73	93	116	177	45	62	566	48				42	656
2572	-	McCafferty, Grace C. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	107	124	160	187	78	67	723	94				79	896
2573	55	McConnell, Mary E. Sc. Muire Gan Sual, Letterkenny.	85	57	85	78	10	12	-	6				21	-
			93	75	106	69	56	65	464	10				70	534

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			Oral	Written			History	Geography.							
2574	21	McDaid, Anne F. St. Brigid's N.S. Boyagh.	111	125	148	164	47	55	650	88				12	738
2575	28	McDaid, Mary T. St. Brigid's N.S. Boyagh.	111	126	139	157	37	57	627	52				21	700
2576	-	McGlynn, Isobel M. Sc. Muire Can Sual, Letterkenny.						As Lethair							
2577	8	McManus, Thomasina C. Sc. Muire Can Sual, Letterkenny.	116	121	127	174	81	80	699	62				34	845
2578	-	Rooney, Margaretta S. B. Cloughroe N.S.						As Lethair							
2579	31	Stevensen, Ann Marie, Sc. Muire Can Sual Letterkenny.	89	101	133	120	68	74	585	28				67	680
2580	-	Sweeney, Mary F. Sc. Muire Can Sual, Letterkenny.						As Lethair							
2581	-	Toner, Bridget M. Sc. Muire Can Sual, Letterkenny.	69	101	89	104	35	34	432	26				63	521
2582	27	Whoriskey, Kathleen, Carrowen N.S.	76	94	149	144	53	75	591	66				44	701
2587	35	Boyle, James A. Dungleo N.S.	80	139	117	164	34	45	579	88					667
2588	-	Duffy, Margaret, Thorr N.S.	140	85	76	171	19	30	-	23				58	-
2589	-	Quinn, Finola R. Loreto Convent, Letterkenny.						As Lethair							
2594	14	Boyle, Joseph M. St. Connell's B.N.S.	107	97	139	195	56	53	647	84	61				792
2595	56	Campbell, Thomas P. Sc. Muire Can Sual, Ard a Rath.	86	94	127	110	34	44	495	14	27				522
2596	50	Conaghan, Conall A. Roshine N.S.	121	87	79	147	28	33	495	-		60			555
2597	44	Gildee, Donnick, Meentinsdea N.S.	124	101	98	141	35	75	574	-	26				635
2598	19	Gillespie, Joseph F. St. Peter's N.S.	113	116	109	177	51	68	634	72	55		35		761
2599	47	Harkin, Patrick J. Croagh N.S.	95	102	115	97	55	77	541	23	41				605
2600	53	McNamee, James J. Roshine N.S.	70	61	110	147	44	48	480	-	0				546
2601	58	Breslin, Mary T. Mullanmore	77	91	124	108	47	20	467	-		66		45	512

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Exam. No.	Order of Merit.	Name of Candidate.	Irish		English	Arithmetic	History and Geography.		Total Marks in obligatory subjects.	Algebra	Geometry	Drawing	Rural Science or Nature study.	Needlework	TOTAL MARKS
			150	150			100	100							
2602	17	Craig, Margaret B. Brackley N.S.	86	127	142	164	50	68	637	58				84	779
2603	24	Harvey, Norreen P. St. Peter's N.S.	75	103	130	194	43	59	604	92				36	732
2604	54	Haughey, Brigid Claire, Brackey N.S.	91	81	121	84	38	38	453			24		67	544
2605	-	Herron, Mary T. S.N. Mhuire Gan Stal, Ard a Rath.	108	32	129	93	34	50	446	40				54	540
2606	33	Kennedy, Mary Ann, Sc. Chailin Naofa, Na Glesantai.	104	108	109	154	29	63	567	46				57	670
2607	9	Mandy Eileen V. Nuala Convent, Donegal	101	122	153	165	65	74	680	82				77	839
2608	5	Quinn, Helen A. Nuala Convent, Donegal	100	141	164	175	69	82	731	88				75	894
2613	57	Mac A'Choill, Sean S. Meenaneary.	128	86	96	109	41	55	515	-				15	515
2614	45	Milbailighill, Brighidh, Niall Mhor.	105	108	110	174	32	33	562	62				48	624
2615	-	McGinley, Mary T. Meenaneary.	118	75	66	42	37	32	-	-					-
2620	11	Keaney, John F. St. Mary's N.S. Pettigo	101	106	154	188	72	73	694	88			40		822
2621	32	Moehan, Joseph, Br. Michael O'Cleary	83	113	115	172	62	56	601	38			35		674
2622	36	MacDaidh, Criosioir, St. Macartan's N.S.	75	104	131	159	37	74	580	56	31				667
2623	46	McIntyre, Michael, Br. Michael O'Cleary, National School.	79	110	124	119	37	38	507	54			51		612
2624	49	MacTreinfhir, Balentin, St. Macartan's National School.	77	92	82	152	24	51	478	62	33				573
2625	23	Lofferty, Mary, Niall Mor N.S.	81	116	119	173	65	65	619	74				43	736
2626	43	McGettigan, Mary, Killybegs Commons	65	107	139	179	43	60	593	16				44	637
2627	15	Miscallain, Searlait, Convent of St. Louis Bundooran.	79	114	149	158	72	74	646	70				64	780
2628	37	O'Corroll, Brigid T. Niall Mor	75	82	87	187	62	61	554	64				46	664
2633	40	McFadden, Mary G. Aghadabar N.S.	98	96	124	186	49	43	596	-				53	649

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 11TH DAY OF MARCH, 1960.

7/60. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rev. Dr. Furey (Presiding), Rev. C. S. Finnegan, Rev. A. C. McFeely, Rev. Dr. Long, Mr. A. M. Raffan, Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Councillors L. Walsh and J. McEneaney.

8/60. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

A. A. Sharkey, County Secretary, and G. Ward, Staff Officer.

9/60. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

On the proposition of Rev. Dr. Furey, seconded by Mr. A. M. Raffan, the Minutes of the Scholarships Meeting held on the 26th day of January, 1960, were confirmed.

10/60. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO COMPETE AT UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION 1960:

The Committee noted that thirty-three applications had been received as compared with twenty-three last year. It was also noted that only one applicant had indicated his intention of taking the agricultural Scholarship and that there was one applicant who indicated that he would be attending Magee University College, Derry.

Particulars of the eligible applicants are as follows:-

Patrick John Molloy, Upper Mully, Glenties.
Nora Padraigin Ní arcaín, Doire Airt, Caiseal Mor.
Alexander John McClean, 7, MacMahon Villas, Letterkenny.
Joseph Michael John O'Callaghan, West End, Buncrana.
Maire Brid Fionnuala Ní Coinceansaínn, Machaire Clochair, Bunbeg.
Maire Treasa Ní arbháil, Tamhnach a'tSalainn.
Susan Philomena Doherty, Garrareagh, Glencely, Lifford.
Kathleen Patricia O'Doherty, Carrmalin, Malin Head, Ballygorman.
John Joseph O'Donnell, Meenanearry, Carrick.
Caitriona Aine Nic Deibhid, Baile Liathfínn, Cluain Maine.
William Joseph Logan, St. Helen's, Buncrana.
Patrick Gerard Marius Harkin, Market Square, Clonmany.
James Gerard Gallen, Clonmany P.O.
Hugh Charles Harkin, Strand Hotel, Ballyliffin, Clonmany.
Siúin Proinnseas Ní Chealbhaín, Dun Ceann Fhaoisidh.
William Noel Byrne, Breanter, Inver.
James Francis McGuinness, Chapel Street, Carndonagh.
Mairead Nic Ruaidhri, Cortsacra, Na Dunaibh.
Donald Joseph Murray, Gortany, Quigley's Point.
John James Beatty, Carrowmena, Lecame, P.O., Lifford.
Roger William Anthony McGinley, The Mall, Ballyshannon.
Joseph Molloy, Ardmore, Gortahork.
James Joseph Anthony Mary Haughey, Tircconnell St., Donegal.
Gráinne Aine Nic a'bháird, Frieh Sraid, Baile-Ate-Feic.
Mary Geraldine Sweeney, Ballyliffin.
Andrew Robinson, Meenlougher, Castlefinn.
Ian Patrick B. MacLennan, 6, Leck View Terrace, Letterkenny.
Patrick John Ring, Fortnor.
Joseph McGroarty, Dunkineely.
Finbar Columba Gallen, Drumfergus, Killygerdon.
Brendan Aloysius McConigley, 59 Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny.

In some of the cases documentary evidence as to income was required, and the Committee approved of the applications subject to the necessary confirmation being made available.

10/60 APPLICATIONS FOR PERMISSION TO COMPLETE AT UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION 1960 (CONTINUED):

The Committee noted that two applications had been rejected as the means of the parents exceeded the limits prescribed in the Scheme.

The rejected applications are as follows:-

Patrick Pearse MacBride, St. Johnston.
John Patrick Gallagher, Main St., Dungloe.

11/60. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME 1961:

The Committee discussed the number and value of Scholarships at length and the general feeling was that, if possible, both the number and the value of these Scholarships should be increased. It was decided that the Secretary should circulate other County Councils to obtain particulars of their Schemes and that he should consult the Chairman of the Committee with a view to drafting a suitable clause to provide for increased Scholarships.

In connection with the Scholarship in the Faculty of Agriculture, it was proposed by Rev. Fr. Finnegan and seconded by Rev. A. G. McPeely, that the Scholarship for this Faculty should be offered in competition with that for other Faculties and that the provision reserved as a special scholarship in the scheme should be deleted.

It was proposed by Councillor McEleney, seconded by Mr. A. M. Raffan, that the Department of Education be requested to make grants available to enable the Committee to increase the number and value of University Scholarships available for County Donegal.

It was agreed that the matter of the adoption of a scheme for 1961 would be further considered at a later meeting.

12/60. CORRESPONDENCE FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

The Committee noted letter 30/1/1960 from the Department of Education stating that it would not be open to the Minister to approve of the admission of candidates for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools whose applications were received after the 15/1/1960.

The Committee noted letter 2/2/1960 from the Department of Education stating that the changes recommended by them in the syllabus of the examination for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools would receive careful consideration when the programme of the 1961 examination is being reviewed.

The Meeting then terminated.

Chairman

J. J. Finney

Chairman

12/8/1960

