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erculosis patients - maintenance of: 1277/67;
vebrack to Five Crossroads, Castelfin - Road at: 1238/68;
lenagh ; road at: 1348/68;
tor accidents: 1445/68;
nagrossan Beach and Car Park - road to: 1475/67;
lin Pier: Winch at: 1489/68; 1495/68;
rism - organisation of Regional Tourist Organisation: 1521/67; 1504/67;
urism: 1430/68;
rnon Group Scheme: 1488/67;
nnaleghan - main road at: 1526/68;
chnology - School of: 1537/67; 1665/67;
llyillion Road - Sluice Gates: 1989/68;

rban Demands - sealing of: 1227/67; 1386/67;

Veterinary Sugeon - appointment of additional: 1057/67;
Valuation - revision of: 1209/67;
Vice-Chairman - election of: 1402/67;
Vocational Education Committee - election of: 1405/67; 1441/67;
Vesting of Council Cottages: 1477/67;
Vested cottages - Sale of: 1478/67;

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 30TH JANUARY, 1967

1000/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleery, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McElvney, McGowan, MacRuaighrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1001/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, S. Keating, County Secretary, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Assistant Co nty Engineer and L. Roarty, Staff Officer.

1002/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the following meetings of the Council were confirmed:

(a) Ordinary meeting held on 28th November, 1966;
(b) Special (Planning) meeting held on 12th December, 1966.

1003/67. EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of the Chairman the Council unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy with the County Manager on the death of his brother.

1004/67. RAPHOE NO. 3 HOUSING SCHEME - LOAN OF £4,000

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor D. Boyle

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the raising of a sum of £4,000 by way of Supplemental Loan to finance the completion of the Raphoe No. 3 Housing Scheme, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government."

1005/67. DONEGAL HOUSING SCHEME - LOAN OF £3,000

Proposed by: Councillor M. Melly
Seconded by: Councillor C. Meehan

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the raising of a sum of £3,000 by way of Supplemental Loan to finance the completion of the Donegal Housing Scheme, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

1006/67. CALHAME NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME LOAN OF £10,500

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the raising of a sum of £10,500 by way of Loan to finance the completion of the Calhame No. 2 Housing Scheme, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government."

1007/67. FILLING OF CASUAL VACANCY

Proposed by: Councillor C. Meehan
Seconded by: Councillor S. Cleary

AND RESOLVED: "That Mr. Brendan A. Murrin, Killybegs be co-opted as a member of the Donegal County Council for the Donegal Electoral Area."

The Chairman and members congratulated Mr. Murrin on his selection as a member of the Council and Mr. Murrin suitably replied.

1008/67. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY - OLD MILFORD WORKHOUSE

Proposed by: Councillor R. Doherty
Seconded by: Councillor P. McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council consent to the proposal to sell to the Milford Co-operative Livestock Mart Ltd., the lands at Milford known as the old Milford Workhouse and lands comprising an area of 4 acres, 3 roods and 19 sq. perches approximately for the sum of £50, subject to the sanction of the appropriate Minister and compliance with the following conditions:

(a) That the lands will be used for the provision of a cattle mart to be approved by the County Council under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963;
(b) the buildings to be demolished and the site levelled to such extent as may be approved by the County Council;
(c) The Councils costs in connection with the transfer to be borne by the purchasers;
(d) the property to revert to the ownership of the Donegal County Council unless within a period of five years an approved Cattle Mart is built thereon, on payment by the Council to the Milford Co-operative Livestock Mart Ltd. of a sum of £500."

1009/67. DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY - ST. COLUMBA'S HOSPITAL, KILLYBEGS

Proposed by: Councillor R. Doherty
Seconded by: Councillor P. McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council consents to the proposal to transfer the property known as St. Columba's Hospital, Killybegs to the Donegal Vocational Education Committee for the sum of £6,811 subject to the sanction of the appropriate Minister."

1010/67. PLANNING POLICIES

The Council agreed to defer consideration of this matter to a special meeting to be held on the 27th February, 1967.

1011/67. DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That the appropriate statutory notice having been given the following roads are hereby declared to be public roads:

(1) Road at Cruit Island from the end of the existing County Road at Belcruit to the strand at Owey Sound. Length - 5324 yards.

(2) Manoe's Lane situate in the townlands of Dromore and Drumrooske from the three roads at Dromore (Map No. 2002) to the junction with the four roads at Drumrooske (Map Nos. 2007 and 2006). Length - 1960 yards.

(3) School Lane, Mountcharles situate in the townland of Mountcharles from the junction with Main St., Mountcharles (T72, Map No. 1912) from a point 210 yards South East of Doorin Line to the New School at Mountcharles. Length - 180 yards.

(4) Magheramore Road situate in the townland of Churchland Quarters from the junction with the Buncrana Mountain Road to the junction with the Innishoneill County Road. Length - 462 yards.

(5) Magheranant Road situate in the townland of Churchland Quarters from the junction with the Buncrana Mountain Road to the houses of Messrs. J.W. McCallion and Samuel McLucan. Length - 396 yards.

(6) Road known as "Droughar Lane" situate in Rathmore, Ballyshannon from the end of County Road No. 2116 to the junction with the Old Kinlough Road. Length - 700 yards.

(7) Road situate in townland of Kildoney Glebe - from the junction with County Road No. 2077 to the junction with County Road No. 2076. Length - 1000 yards.

(8) Stranabrattock Road situate in the townlands of Meenalig and Stranabrattock from the junction with the Boltifree Road along Old Railway Line for a distance of 1848 yards. Length - 1848 yards.

(9) Boltifree Road situate in the townlands of Letterbrick and Meenalig from the junction with the main Glenties/ Ballybofey Road (Map No. 1307) to the junction with County Road No. 1306.

(10) Link Rhad between Belcruit and Kincasslagh situate in the townland of Belcruit from the junction with the Main Road at Belcruit New National School to the junction with the Main Road near Bilberg's Belcruit. Length - 1045 yards.

(11) Clar Chapel/Clar National School Road situate in the townlands of Clar and Clarcam from Map No. 1827 from three roads north of Clar School through the townland of Clarcam to join Map No. 1826 some 560 yards to west of junction of latter road with Finnabanes Road. Length - 1,140 yards.

1012/67. DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS (Contd.)

(12) Road situate in the townlands of Welchtown and Kinaderry from the junction with the main Ballybofey/Glenties Road at Welshtown past the Post Office to the junction with County Road No. 1458 at Kinaderry. Length - 2376 yards.

(13) Road situate in townlands of Termon and Maghery, Dungloe from a point 20 yards east of Gallagher's Public House at Maghery on County Road No. 1166 to the end of the road at O'Donnell's house in Termon. Length - 2768 yards.

(14) Road at Ballyhernan from the County Road at Rapps to the old Warren House at Ballyhernan. Length - 1045 yards.

1013/67. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING - 19TH DECEMBER, 1966

The report of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on 19th December, 1966, having been proposed by Councillor Diver and seconded by Councillor Doherty, was adopted.

1014/67. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING - 16TH JANUARY, 1967

The report of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on 16th January, 1967, having been proposed by Councillor Diver and seconded by Councillor Cleary was adopted, subject tothe following decisions:

Minute 4/67: It was agreed that a draft scheme be brought before the Council providing for advances without security.

Minute 11/67: It was agreed that representations be made to the Minister for Local Government to revise the effective date for the payment of Tenth Round increase to roadworkers to the 1st May, 1966.

Minute 15/67: It was agreed that the Estimates meeting of the Council would be held on the 27th February, 1967 and that if adjourned the final meeting be held not later than 20th March, 1967.

1015/67. REPORT OF MEETINGS OF ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE

On the proposal of Councillor McEleney, seconded by Councillor Doherty, the report of Visiting Committee meetings of St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, held on 22nd December, 1966 and 9th January, 1967, were adopted.

1016/67. MARCH MEETING OF COUNTY COUNCIL

The County Manager stated that the ordinary meeting of the County Council would normally be held on the 27th March, 1967 which is the date of Easter Monday. It was agreed that the meeting be held on the 20th March, 1967.

1017/67. ST. JOSEPH'S HOME, STRANORLAR - RECONSTRUCTION

The County Manager indicated that finances would be available in the financial year 1967/68 to allow the next stage of the proje[illegible]o proceed.

1018/67. RAMELTON HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. McGlinchey:

"What is the position regarding the new housing Scheme for Ramelton and when is it expected that work will commence?"

REPLY: The Council's Architects are at present carrying out amendments suggested by the Department of Local Government to the plans for this Scheme.

1019/67. HOUSING, 1966

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"How many houses have been completed by the Council in 1966?"

REPLY: The number of houses completed by the Council during the year ended 31st December, 1966 was 88. The number completed during year ended 31st December, 1965 was 70.

1020/67. FLOODING OF ROADS AT INCH

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"Has any action been taken by the County Engineer or does he propose to take such action in regard to what has now become permanent flooding in the case of the Inch junction road and periodic flooding in the case of the Slob Road and main road to Inch Island?"

REPLY: Burnfoot/Tooban junction Inch road has now been flooded for most of the last two years due to condition of river which runs alongside. There is an alternative route to Inch Island through Magherabeg. The cost of raising the road 12" would be £1,000 for a distance of half mile. There is not much hardship as there are two alternative routes through Magherabeg and Roxtown. I have recently read in local newspapers that cleaning of the river is listed by arterial drainage section of the Office of Public Works.

There is no flooding of the Slob Road since I put in filling in October, 1966. Here again cleaning of Skeoge river would be most useful.

Inch Embankment: This road was seriously flooded in December, 1965 by heavy south-west wind and after exceedingly heavy rain. This occurred to a lesser degree in 1964. These are the only two occasions I know of. At the time I improved the drainage across the road and this helped in the speedy run off the road of water which was collecting. Two hundred lineal yards of the road was effected and cost of raising this by 12" would be £400. Cost of raising the sea wall would be three times this cost.

1021/67. BAILEY BRIDGE AT INVER

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. Cleary;

"Since the Bailey Bridge was erected at Inver, how much money has been paid by the Council to the Company that it is leased or hired from?"

REPLY: The cost of the Bailey Bridge at Inver is £1,680 per annum. To date the Council have paid £2,607 for this Bridge.

1022/67. REPAIR OF ROADS IN BUNDORAN AND MOUNTCHARLES

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. Cleary;

"The Council decided some time ago to take over a portion of road known as the Broughan Lane at Ardfarna, Bundoran and also the School Lane, Mountcharles. Has any work been carried out on either of these roads, and if not, when is it proposed to repair same?"

REPLY: The General Purposes Committee at their meeting on the 14th March, 1966 recommended that the above-mentioned roads be declared Public Roads. The members of the Council at their meeting held on the 28th March, 1966 adopted the General Purposes Committee recommendation.

In accordance with the Council's policy the necessary statutory notice was published in the week ending the 23rd December, 1966, and the matter will be formally considered by the Council at their meeting on the 30th January, 1967.

No repairs have been carried out to these roads nor has any provision been made for their repair in the coming year.

1023/67. LIGHTS AT UPPER END, MOUNTCHARLES

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. Cleary:

"When if ever, do the Council intend to have the two lights erected at Upper End, Mountcharles?"

REPLY: An Order has been placed with the Electricity Supply Board for two lights. The cost exceeds the amount allowed but it is hoped that we may have a saving in other areas.

1024/67. RATEABLE VALUATION, 1966

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"What is the amount brought in, in the year 1966, by new and increased valuations?"

REPLY: The total rateable valuation of the County [illegible]ealth District increased between 1965 and 1966 revisions from £349,686 to £351,366, an increase of £1,680. The total of exampt valuations remained unaltered at £2,900. The total of Housing remission increased by £291 to £11,394. The net increase in the assessible valuation was, therefore, £1,389 (£1,680 less £291) and the amount raised in rates on this increased valuation was £5,473.

1025/67. COTTAGE REPAIRS

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"What is the reason for the very unsatisfactory position prevailing at present where some materials for cottage repair are months on order, and great hardship is suffered by tenants. The materials mainly are, exterior doors, new ranges and range parts."

REPLY: Exterior doors for cottages are so varied in design and size that it would be impracticable to stock these. They are supplied directly from suppliers as they are required and the delivery period in most cases is not excessive.

New ranges and cookers are supplied by official contractors and the delivery period for these is reasonable, usually a few weeks.

Most new range parts are stocked in County Council stores, but we have experienced difficulty in obtaining some parts for the older type of ranges and cookers, such as Stan ley No. 8 and Square Bottom Truburn Cookers, which were replaced by newer models. There are no contractors for these older type of parts and we have taken the matter up with the manufacturers, who have now promised to supply these parts.

1026/67. NURSING STAFF - ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"Is the County Manager aware that female night nursing staff in St. Conal's Hospital find it impossible to rest during the day, because their accommodation is located in the centre of the institution and if steps can be taken to provide this accommodation elsewhere?"

REPLY: No complaint has been made by any member of the female nursing staff. It is not possible to accommodate the nurses elsewhere in the Hospital. A request from any nurses to live outside the Hospital will be favourably considered.

1027/67. MOSSYGLEN/CRAIGNAHOLLA ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. McEleney:

"When does the County Engineer intend to tar the Mossyglen/Craignaholla Road?"

REPLY: This road is not on the current Five Year Plan. However, it is hoped to tar it within the next couple of years out of County Road maintenance. No date can be given at present for carrying out the work, as same depends on money available.

1028/67. PROTECTION WALL AT BALLYNACARTA, DUNAFF

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. McEleney:

"Has any reply been received to our application to have a protection wall built on the slipway at Ballynacarta, Dunaff?"

REPLY: No reply has been received and the proposal has now been raised again with the Fisheries Section of the Department of Agriculture which had been awaiting a report and estimate on the additional work from the Special Employment Schemes Office.

1029/67. REFUSE DUMP AT NARIN

The following question has been submitted by Councillor P. O'Donnell:

"When is it proposed to provide a refuse dump for Narin?"

REPLY: The Council's Solicitor is negotiating with the owner with a view to acquiring by agreement the site selected for the dump and which is generally acknowledged to be the only suitable central site in the locality.

1030/67. OLD MARKET HOUSE, CASTLEFIN

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. Patterson:

"When do the Council expect to remove the old Market House in Castlefin?"

REPLY: This work will be carried out when the legal formalities in connection with the acquisition of the property are completed.

1031/67. ARRANMORE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"What is the position of the proposed Arranmore Water Scheme?"

REPLY: A Preliminary Report has been prepared and sanctioned in respect of this scheme, and the Consulting Engineers were appointed on the 6th May, 1966 for the preparation of Contract Documents and Specification. These documents have not yet been completed.

1032/67. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN - PROPOSALS BY GREENCASTLE AND MOVILLE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATIONS

The following question was submitted by Councillor A. Diver:

"Have proposals made by Greencastle and Moville Development Committees been noted for inclusion in the County Development Draft Plan?"

REPLY: Proposals and suggestions submitted by all Development Associations with whom we had discussions are being taken into consideration in the preparation of the County Development Plan.

1033/67. ARDARA/GLENTIES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuidhrigh:

"What progress, if any, has been made on Ardara/ Glenties Regional Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: A tender for this scheme has been accepted and submitted to the Department of Local Government for sanction on the 14th September, 1965. Sanction has not yet been received. A loan to finance the scheme has been applied for on the 5th October, 1965.

1034/67. EXTENSIONS TO FALCARRAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"Has any progress been made regarding proposals to carry out a number of extensions to the Falcarragh Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: No progress has been made regarding proposals for the extension of the Falcarragh Water Supply Scheme due to lack of engineering personnel engaged on design work. An engineer has now been assigned to works in this area, and it is hoped to have plans ready before the end of September, 1967.

1035/67. ROAD IN TOWNLAND OF MULLAGHDUFF

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What steps does the County Engineer intend to take to remove bumps from approx. ¼ mile of the main road in the townland of Mullaghduff?"

REPLY: The removal of the bumps will be incorporated in work proposed for next year's Tourist Grant in the Mullaghduff area.

1036/67. RATHMULLAN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What is the present position in regard to the proposed Water Scheme for Rathmullan?"

REPLY: Plans for this scheme have been approved by the Department of Local Government. A Compulsory Purchase Order has been made in respect of a reservoir site. The local Enquiry in respect of this Compulsory Purchase Order was held on the 12th October, 1966, and the decision of the Minister for Local Government in the matter is awaited.

It will be necessary to make a Water Rights Proposal in respect of the source of supply but this Proposal cannot be made until the decision on the C.P.O. is received.

1037/67. KILMACRENAN, RATHMULLAN AND RAMELTON HOUSING SCHEMES

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What is the position of the proposed Housing Schemes for Kilmacrenan, Rathmullan and Ramelton?"

REPLY:

Kilmacrenan: The purchase of this site has been agreed and the Council's Solicitors are at present completing the necessary legal transfer.

Rathmullan: Final layout plans for a Scheme of thirteen houses at Rathmullan have been approved by the Department on 23rd January, 1967, and the Council's Architect is at present preparing sets of tender Documents. It is hoped to be in a position to advertise this Scheme for tender shortly.

Ramelton: The Council's Architects are at present carrying out amendments suggested by the Department of Local Government to the plans for this Scheme.

1038/67. RAILINGS AT WEST END, BUNCRANA

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. McLaughlin:

"What is the delay in erecting the railings at the West End, Buncrana?"

REPLY: Kerb railings, 7 lineal yards long have been re-erected on Main Street at West End corner Buncrana. I feel that this is giving sufficient protection to pedestrians at the corner and at same time not interfering with local trader adjoining.

1039/67. REFUSE DUMPS AT CARRIGART AND DOWNINGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"What progress has been made regarding provision of refuse dumps at Carrigart and Downings?"

REPLY: No suitable site for a dump was obtainable. Tenders will now be invited by advertisement in local papers for a combined refuse service for Carrigart and Downings with a requirement that the person to be awarded the contract shall provide a site (to be approved) for dumping the refuse collected.

1040/67. RATHMULLAN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"When is it anticipated that Rathmullan Water Scheme will commende?"

REPLY: Plans for this scheme have been approved by the Department of Local Government. A C.P.O. has been made in respect of a reservoir site. The local Enquiry in respect of this C.P.O. was held on the 12th October, 1966, and the decision of the Minister for Local Government in the matter is awaited.

It will be necessary to make a Water Rights Proposal in respect of the source of supply but this Proposal cannot be made until the decision on the C.P.O. is received.

1041/67. HOUSING SCHEMES AT KILLACRENAN, CREESLOUGH, CARRIGART AND DOWNINGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"What is the up to date position regarding the following new Housing Schemes:
(a) Killacrenan; (b) Creeslough;
(c) Carrigart and (d) Downings?"

REPLY: (a) The purchase of this site has been agreed and the Council's Solicitors are at present completing the necessary legal transfer.

(b) A site has been selected at Creeslough for a Housing Scheme and negotiations are at present in progress with the landowner Mr. J. Brennan regarding acquisition of same.

(c) The layout plan for a Scheme of four houses at Carrigart has been prepared by the Council's Architect and is awaiting approval of the Minister for Local Government.

(d) A site has been selected at Downings for a Housing Scheme but the owner Mr. Edward McBride refuses to sell. A C.P.O. for the acquisition of the site is at present in course of preparation.

1042/67. SCAVENGING SERVICE FOR NARIN AND PORTNOO

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a scavenging service be provided for Narin and Portnoo during the Summer months."

1043/67. S.I. COTTAGE FOR PETER WILKIE, DROMORE, LETTERKENNY (S.I. 1789)

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council erect an S.I. cottage for Peter Wilkie, Dromore, Letterkenny. (S.I. No. 1789)?

1044/67. RAMELTON STREETS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte was not moved:

"That immediate attention be given to the repair of the Ramelton streets in view of the unsatisfactory condition of same."

1045/67. FAHAN GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council take over the Group Water Scheme now completed at Fahan."

1046/67. PIPE ON TRUSK COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the County or local Engineer inspect a pipe on the Trusk County Road, about 50 yds. above Charles McElchar's land, in order to have a small embankment made along side of the burn to prevent flooding of road."

1047/67. BALLINTRA/ROSSNOWLAGH ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Cleary, having been proposed and seconded, the Secretary stated that it is proposed to do some surfact dressing and realignment on the worst section of the Ballintra/Rossnowlagh Road in the current year:

"That the road from Ballintra to Rossnowlagh be put in proper state of repair to facilitate heavy traffic for the coming tourist season."

1048/67. PROVISION OF ELECTRICITY IN S.I. COTTAGES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council make some arrangements with the Electricity Supply Board where service can be provided to Specific Instance houses erected by the Council immediately they are ready to be occupied and have a normal fixed charge."

1049/67. ROAD FROM LAGG CHURCH

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

"That the County Road from Lagg Church be extended to beach at Knockamany and taken over by this Council."

1050/67. WATER SUPPLY TO TOWNLANDS OF ARDAGH AND CLOGHERNA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, was proposed and seconded:

"That a water supply be made available from the Ballyliffen reservoir, to serve eight houses holders in the townlands of Ardagh and Clogherna."

The Secretary stated that the Council adopted a similar proposal at their meeting on the 23rd May, 1966. The Ballyliffin reservoir and mains have now been recommissioned and plans are being prepared for a scheme to serve the townlands in question.

1051/67. ROAD FROM TOWNLAND OF LAUGHT, KILLYGORDON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Buchanan, was proposed and seconded:

"That the road leading from the townland of Laught Killygordon and emerging on the road leading from Raphoe to Liscooley be put in a reasonable state of repair."

It was noted that materials were brought to this road during the past week and repairs are now in progress.

1052/67. DERRYLOUGHAN/GWEEBARRA BRIDGE ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor D. Doyle, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"In view of its importance as a scenic route, Bord Failte be requested to give a grant towards the reconstruction of the road from Derryloughan to Gweebarra Bridge."

1053/67. FLOODING OF ROAD JUNCTION AT DRUMOSKE, BALLINTRA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor R.Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council take immediate measures to curtail the flooding of county road at road junction at Drumoske, Ballintra."

1054/67. ROADS IN MANORCUNNINGHAM, LETTERKENNY, RAPHOE AND KILLYGORDON AREAS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Patterson having been proposed and seconded was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That roads in the Manorcunningham, Letterkenny, Raphoe and Killygordon areas of which I will give particulars at meeting receive immediate attention."

Councillor Patterson submitted the following details of the roads in question:

(a) Road leading from four crossroads at Calhame to three crossroads on road to Raphoe above Liscooley Crossroads.

(b) Road leading from three crossroads beyond Carnone four crossroads on Convoy road leading through Hawstown Kildowney and emerging on main Liscooley/Carnone road at Blackburn.

(c) Road from Porthall Station to McKean's of Porthall passing Mr. Marreco's also passing an engineering firm.

(d) Road leaving main Derry/Letterkenny Road at Pluck Garage and joining Convoy/Letterkenny Road in townland of Knockbrack.

(e) Road leaving main Derry/Letterkenny Road in townland of Rossbracken and ending in Big Isle, Manorcunningham.

(f) Road leaving the main Derry/Letterkenny road in townland of Magheraboy and joining Convoy/Ballybofey road at Listillion.

1055/67. CARRICKATASKIN (DERRYBEG) COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Carrickataskin (Derrybeg) County Road should now be put into a proper state of repair following the laying down of water mains there."

1056/67. WIDENING OF McCORMICK'S BRIDGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"McCormick's Bridge on the main Belleek/Bundoran road - request the County Engineer to make provision in this year's estimates for the widening of this bridge. This road is a main tourist road leading from Northern Ireland to Bundoran."

1057/67. ADDITIONAL VETERINARY SURGEON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Greene, having been proposed and aseconded, was adopted:

"That this Council ask the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries to make an early decision on the Council's request to the Department dated 25th October, 1966, regarding the appointment of a further Veterinary Surgeon in County Donegal."

The Secretary stated that the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries were examining this proposal and a communication would be issued from the Department at an early date.

1058/67. VOTE OF SYMPATHY

On the proposal of Councillor Buchanan, the Council unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. M. Morrow, formerly a member of the Donegal County Council.

1059/67. NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

It was agreed to hold a further County Council meeting on the 6th February, 1967.

1060/67. OFFICIAL OPENING OF NEW HOUSING SCHEME, STRANORLAR

The meeting concluded at 4 p.m. The members and officials attended at the new Housing Scheme at Stranorlar for the official opening of the Scheme by Mr. N.T. Blaney, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries. The Scheme was formally opened by Mr. Blaney. Mr. J. Brennan, T.D., Minister for Social Welfare was also present.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 6th February, 1967

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON FEBRUARY 6, 1967

1061/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell and Patterson.

1062/67 OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1063/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Cleary, the Minutes of meeting of Donegal County Council held on 30th January, 1967, were confirmed.

1064/67. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES

(a) Ballyshannon Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cleary and seconded by Councillor Breslin and resolved that the Rev. Mr. Dundas be appointed a member of the Ballyshannon Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

(b) Donegal Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Cleary and resolved that the Rev. Mr. Gibbons of Ballintra be appointed to the Donegal Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.

(c) Glenties No. 1 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Cleary that the following persons be appointed to the Glenties No. 1 Sub-Committee:

Very Rev. Fr. McGettigan, P.P.
Mr. Francis Houston
Mr. Thomas Brennan
Mr. Brendan Murrin

(d) Inishowen No. 1 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Breslin, and resolved that Mr. Owen Carr, N.T., Gaddyduff and Mr. Philip Doherty, Clonmany, be appointed to the Inishowen No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.

1064/67. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES (Contd.)

(e) Inishowen No. 2 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Deery and resolved that the following members be appointed to the Inishowen No. 2 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee:

Rev. Mr. C. Thornton
Mr. Gerry McGee
Mr. John Bradley
Mr. John Grant

(f) Inishowen No. 3 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor McEleney and resolved that the Rev. Mr. J.Henderson, The Rectory, Glebe, be appointed to the Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

(g) Inishowen No. 4 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor McEleney and resolved that Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan, P.P., be appointed to the Inishowen No. 4 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.

(h) Letterkenny Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor McGlinchey, seconded by Councillor Breslin and resolved that Mr. Patrick O'Donnell, 2, MacMahon Villas, Letterkenny and Canon Corabin, Adm. be appointed to the Letterkenny Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

(i) Aileach No. 1 Sub-Committee

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Deery, and resolved that Mr. John McGlynn, Ballynakilly, Inch Island, be appointed to the Aileach No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee.

1065/67. FIRE FIGHTING SERVICE - LOAN

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the proposal to borrow £20,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purpose of financing the provision of buildings and machines for the Fire Brigade Service, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government,"

1066/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Cleary, the report of meeting of Scholarships Committee held on 21st December, 1967 was adopted.

1067/67. PURCHASE OF CEDARWOOD HOUSES

The County Manager informed the meeting that discussions had taken place with the manufacturers of Cedarwood Houses at Colooney, Sligo, and a single apartment dwelling with 340 sq. ft. floor area had been offered at a cost of £675, inclusive of the cost of erecting on the site, but not including the cost of connecting up the sanitary services. The Council unanimously agreed that the Manager should purchase one of these Homes on a trial basis.

1068/67. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - MR. KEVIN T. LARKIN

The Council considered the application of Mr. Kevin T. Larkin for the renewal of his University Scholarship for the current academic year despite the fact that he had failed his First Engineering Examination.

The County Manager pointed out that Clause 8 of the University Scholarship Scheme provided as follows:-

"In case a Scholar fails to give satisfaction either in conduct or in studies, the Council shall be free to withdraw all subsequent instalments of the grant. Scholarship holders must sit for all class and other University examinations in order to warrant the continuance of their scholarships for a second or third year, as the case may be. Those who fail in any subject at the First Year College Examination must complete that examination the following year, together with doing the Second Year examination in toto. Where an Honours Course is provided Scholars must follow it."

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the application of Mr. Kevin T. Larkin, for renewal of his University Scholarship for the current academic year be conceded."

The Council also considered the renewal of the Scholarship of Mr. James A. Doherty, who had failed his Second Engineering Examination in University College, Dublin.

It was unanimously agreed that Mr. Doherty be informed that an application from him for renewal of his University Scholarship for the current academic year would be considered.

1069/67. REPAIR OF RAMELTON STREETS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That immediate attention be given to the repair of the Ramelton streets in view of the unsatisfactory condition of same."

1070/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE CARETAKERS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor R. Doherty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the wages of part-time Caretakers of Public Conveniences in the county be increased."

1071/67. EMPLOYMENT OF THE DISABLED

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the County Manager consider the employment of trained ex-polio and other such persons in suitable positions in the County Council service."

The County Manager informed the meeting that it was his policy to consider the employment of persons covered in the motion when a suitable opportunity offered. He had previously informed the Association for the Blind that he would be willing to consider the employment of a blind telephonist in the Council's service, but no application had been made. He also pointed out that in the placement of disabled staff in employment it was the practice to place them in jobs suitable to their condition and where they could give good productivity.

1072/67. SOCIAL WELFARE BENEFITS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council calls on the Department of Social Welfare to give recent increases in Social Welfare benefits to all recipients of same."

1073/67. ERECTION OF SMALL FARMERS HOUSES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, was proposed and seconded:

"That the Council get started on the erection of Small Farmers houses without further delay."

The County Manager explained that the legislation authorising the Scheme came into force on the 31st December, 1966. Prior to that date the Council's Solicitor had endeavoured to devise a Deed of Mortgage for which he could not rely on a Statutory basis before the commencement of the Housing Act, 1966. He pointed out that the Council's application for a loan to finance the erection of these houses was before the Department of Local Government for sandtion. The Manager gave particulars of progress under the Scheme as follows:

(a) Three houses for which the Solicitor has been asked to have Contracts signed;
(b) Three tenders before the Department for sanction;
(c) Fourteen houses advertised for tender.

1074/67. PUMP AT TONDUFF, LINSFORT

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin was not moved:

"That this Council erect a pump on the well at Tonduff, Linsfort that supplies water to ten houses."

1075/67. BRIDGE AT NEW BRIDGE, RATHMULLAN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, was deferred to the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council carry out immediate repairs to iron-railing on Bridge at New Bridge, Rathmullan."

1076/67. REFUSE COLLECTION, MOUNTCHARLES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a refuse collection for the town of Mountcharles."

1077/67. S.I. COTTAGE FOR SAMUEL RUSSELL (S.I. 1562)

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council erect an S.I. cottage for Samuel Russell, Crievesmith, Letterkenny." (S.I. 1562)

1078/67. PUBLIC LIGHT AT CONEYBURROW ROAD, LIFFORD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That a public light be provided at the Coneyburrow Road, Lifford, at the approximate vicinity of the new Hotel site."

1079/67. ROADS AT BURT, TURE, QUIGLEY'S POINT AND CARNDONAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That this Council urge upon the County Engineer the desirability of completing the tarmacadaming of the partly completed main road schemes at Burt, Ture and Quigley's Point, Carndonagh, in April or early May, so that the least amount of inconvenience be caused to the public generally and to the tourist trade."

1080/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATH FOR BALLYKERRIGAN, STONEGARROW AND STRONEGIBBAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a dipping bath be erected to serve a considerable number of sheep owners in the Ballykerrigan, Stonegarrow and Stronegibbagh areas."

1081/67. NEW BRIDGE AT INVER

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Cleary, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council take immediate steps to have a new bridge erected at Inver to replace the one damaged by the flooding in October, 1965."

1082/67. CASTLEFIN SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded was adopted:

"That this Council recommend to the County Engineer that the new sewerage now being provided in Castlefin be extended to serve the Corcullen/ Milburn part of the town."

1083/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Senator McGlinchey having vacated the Chair, Councillor Buchanan took over chairmanship of the meeting.

On the proposal of Councillor Blaney, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, it was agreed to suspend Standing Orders to enable consideration to be given to a matter concerning the giving of service by Dr. B. MacMahon, County Physician. Councillor Blaney stated that his reason for raising the matter was that it had come to his notice that a Doctor in the Council's service had refused to give service to a child who was ill.

Councillor Cunningham stated that while an officer was criticised by a Councillor the officer should not retaliate. He stated that the child is a son of the Chairman of the County Council and in seeking the service of Doctors members did not deserve more attention than any other member of the public. The Chairman had, however, criticised this officer previously and he should not now be refused this service. Senator McGlinchey stated that he did not ask to have Standing Orders suspended nor to have this matter raised. He stated that he would ask for a Sworn Enquiry. He stated that Dr. McGinley attended the child. Prior to the Senator's departure from home to attend at a County Council meeting on the 30th ultimo he had asked Dr. McGinley to ask Dr. MacMahon to see the child. He understood that Mr. MacMahon refused to come to the house when asked to do so by Dr. McGinley. The child was taken to Derry for hospitalisation on Tuesday, 31st ultimo. On Thursday night the child was seriously ill and a heart condition was suspected.

Senator McGlinchey stated that he had previously thought fit to criticise Doctor MacMahon after he had received complaints from people who had been charged fees by the Doctor when they considered that they should not have been charged. The Senator pointed out that he knew that Dr. MacMahon could refuse his services and that he was previously told by the County Manager that the hospital staff were not obliged to serve the Higher Income Group.

1083/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS (Contd.)

He had previously advocated on many occasions that the County Council should not enable specialist staff to have the use of private beds. He felt that because of this criticism the County Physician had refused to attend his child. He pointed out that people in the Lower Income Group occasionally had to wait three, four or six months for a bed in the County Hospital but if they chose to go as private patients of the Consultants a bed could be procured within a few days.

On the proposal of the Acting Chairman, Councillor Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Breslin, it was unanimously agreed that the County Manager be asked to investigate the matter and to report back thereon at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

1084/67. CHAIRMANSHIP

Senator McGlinchey at this stage resumed Chairmanship of the meeting.

1085/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING AT MALIN VILLAGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting:

"That additional public lighting be provided at Malin Village."

1086/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR TOWNLAND OF CLOONTAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having beenproposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a water supply be made available to serve thirty-two householders in the townland of Cloontagh. These have already submitted a jointly signed application for same, and are prepared to connect."

1087/67. FINTOWN/GLENTIES ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor D. Boyle, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That immediate steps be taken to strengthen and repair portions of the main Fintown/Glenties Road at Stranaglough, where its dangerous condition seems to be due to the excavation effected in connection with the Glenties to Stranaglough water extension."

1088/67. FLOODED LANDS AT MURVAGH, BALLINTRA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council request the Valuation Office to remove the rateable valuation of all lands which are consistently flooded on "Semones", at Murvagh, Ballintra."

1089/67. PROVISION OF CEDARWOOD HOUSES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin, was proposed and seconded:

"That the County Council should consider the erection of houses of Cedarwood construction in order to expedite the provision of houses in the County."

Councillor Breslin suggested that Cedarwood houses should be tried as he was of the opinion that the Department of Local Government had this type of house under consideration for some time. The County Manager pointed out that he had made enquiries as to the availability of this type of structure and had ascertained that they were manufactured at Colooney, Sligo. He pointed out that the purchase of this product did not solve the Council's housing problem but together with other methods would help towards a solution. The Cedarwood is treated with a fire delaying paint. It is a single apartment structure with a floor area of approximately 345 sq. ft. It could accommodate small family units in isolated places where they could be erected quickly. Councillor Breslin was of the opinion that it would be a useful structure in a case where Title difficulties arose in connection with Small Farmers Sites. The structure being moveable offered a further advantage. Its estimated life was 40 years without maintenance and 80 years with maintenance.

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor McGowan the motion was unanimously adopted.

The Council also agreed to consider the acquisition in due course of precast structures which it was noted, would be produced within the County.

1090/67. SEWERAGE FOR HOUSES AT THE BATTERY CLOGHORE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"Request the County Engineer to provide proper sewerage for ten houses and two shops at the Battery, Cloghore, which is dangerous to health."

1091/67. GORTAHORK WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Greene, was not moved:

"That this Council instruct the County Engineer to extend the Gortahork Water Supply Scheme to supply the townlands of Baltoney, Shroohan, Oldtown and other townlands in the vicinity of the village of Falcarragh in accordance with plans drawn up recently."

1092/67. DENTAL SERVICES IN COUNTY DONEGAL

The following motions standing in the names of Councillors Doherty and Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, were considered:

"That owing to the fact that there is no County Council dentist, alternative arrangements should be made with private dentists in Inishowen to cater for the lower income group."

"That the County Medical Officer of Health carry out an immediate and urgent Health and Dental inspection scheme in all the schools of the County in order to bring the schools Health Service up to date."

The Secretary read the following report from the County Medical Officer:

"There are 358 National Schools in this County. The school population is approximately 20,000. We have three Assistant County Medical Officers.

The system of School Medical Inspection has been changed, so that instead of examining the whole school population at approximately three yearly intervals, selected groups of school children are examined yearly, (i.e. Entrants, Mid groups, Leavers and those under observation). This system came into operation in 1966. This, I feel, will ensure better contact and liaison between the School Authorities, school population and parents and our staff, with resultant better service for the children.

I note from my records that in 1966 5,525 children (27%) of the school population were examined. In 1964, 3,568 and in 1962 5,663 or (28%).

It is obvious that the younger the child with a defect is discovered, the better the result for both the child and community. More and more emphasis is being paid to infant Welfare visiting and Child Welfare Clinics. We are concerned with the setting-up of an Observation Register for children considered as being at more risk than others because of various factors, and the testing of the hearing of the younger child and the school entrant is proceeding.

Treatment of defects found is casting a severe strain on resources available to deal with them. This is especially so in the case of E.N.T. Services. This service is at present given by the E.N.T. Surgeon attached to Altnagelvin. He does Clinics for us in Buncrana, Letterkenny and Donegal Town, and is employed on a temporary basis. However, he does not provide operative facilities, and such cases are referred to Dublin where there is a considerable delay. I may add that these Clinics are for cases referred from School Medical Inspection and from General Practitioners, so School Medical Services get their share of the service and no more.

The Ophthalmic Services are provided by a Specialist employed by the Council on a temporary basis. However, though he is fully qualified, he has no operative facilities and cases must again be referred to Dublin with the inevitable delay.

1092/67. DENTAL SERVICES (Contd.)

Taking all in all, I would not recommend an immediate examination in all Primary Schools as I believe such a move would -

(1) throw into disarray the present scheme as inaugurated in 1966;

(2) throw too great a load on the present services, with the resultant build up of waiting lists;

(3) Our staff put full time on such a service would be unable to cope with other routine work.

There are no County Dentists employed in this County, nor has there been since the resignation of Dr. McDonagh in 1965.

There are 13 Private Practitioners who are working for the Council on a sessional basis. In 1966, 1,664 children were treated. In 1964 2,503 children were treated and in 1962, 2,973.

Every available Dentist who is willing to work for the Council on a sessional basis has been so employed. If any Councillor is aware of Dentists who are not so employed and who are willing to do sessions for the Council, I would be only too pleased to recommend that they be so employed.

I must express my gratitude to these Dentists for the excellent services that they have given, as is indicated by the figures quoted."

It was agreed that the Department of Health be asked to reconsider the Council's proposal for financing the provision of dentures by private dentists.

1093/67. POTATO STORE AT CARRICKARORY PIER

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

"That this Council request permission from the Department of Local Government for the expenditure of monies on the erection of Potato Store and shipping facilities at Carrickarory Pier, Moville."

1094/67. SLIPWAY AT OILEAN NA MARBH, CARRICKFIN ISLAND

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"Go n-iarraidh an Comhairle Conndae deontas ar Roinn na Gaeltachta, le ceid na foscadh a thogal do badai ag Oilean na Marbh, Carraic na Finne."

(That this Council requests Roinn na Gaeltachta to make monies available, towards provision of slipway at Oilean na Marbh, Carrickfin Island.)

1095/67. SLIP AT RAY BRIDGE, RATHMULLAN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration and report:

"That the Council repair the slip to the shore at Ray Bridge, Rathmullan."

1096/67. WALL ON ROAD NO. 765

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council erect a wall on the east side of road leading to Inch Island - Road No. 765."

1097/67. RATHMULLAN HOUSING SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin was deferred to the next meeting:

"That this Council proceed immediately with the erection of 13 new houses at Rathmullan."

1098/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, DUNGLOE

The follkwing motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That this Council provide an additional light on the Chapel Road, Dungloe and one outside Dan O'Donnell's house at Upper Main St., Dungloe."

1099/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, RAMELTON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor D. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That pilot lights be provided in the town of Ramelton." (The E.S.B. to be requested to consult the Local Development Association re. placing.)

1100/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

It was proposed by Councillor Cunningham and seconded by Councillor Doherty that Standing Orders be suspended to enable a discussion to take place on a matter not on the Agenda.

When the vote was taken there were 18 members present. Thirteen voted for the motion and five voted against the motion. The Chairman declared that since the motion was not passed with the required $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of those present, the motion to suspend Standing Orders was deemed to be lost.

1101/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLYBOFEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That an extra light be erected in the town of Ballybofey between the Guards Barracks and Anthony Brogan's Buthhers Shop."

1102/67. LINK ROAD FROM MAIN MOUNTCHARLES/KILLYBEGS ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Cleary, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That the link road from the main Mountcharles/ Killybegs road past Barney Griffin's, Stonepark, to the Dromore Road, be put in a proper state of repair."

1103/67. DENTAL SERVICES - MICHAEL LAFFERTY, MAIN ST., STRANORLAR

The following motion was submitted by Senator P. McGowan:

"That this Council meet the dental service expenses incurred by Michael Lafferty, Main St., Stranorlar, A School medical officer recommended dental treatment for Michael which he had to obtain before going to boarding school."

An amended proposal by Senator McGowan, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, was adopted unanimously in the following terms:

"That the Council pay a contribution towards the expenses similar to that which would have been paid if he had been referred to a dental session by the Council."

1104/67. BUNAGEE PIER

The following motion was submitted by Councillor J. McEleney:

"That the existing pier at Bunagee be extended a distance of forty feet to facilitate fishermen from the Culdaff and Glengad area."

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Deery and seconded by Councillor Blaney:

"That the matter be deferred pending a decision by the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries in connection with the development of fisheries in the locality."

The amendment was carried, ten voting for and five against.

1105/67. DERRYLOUGHAN/GWEEBARRA ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor D. Boyle, was not moved:

"That urgent repairs be made to the Derryloughan/ Gweebarra Road."

1106/67. PURCHASE OF LAND AT ROSSNOWLAGH (Mr. BLEVINS)

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor R. Anderson was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council purchase the portion of land at Rossnowlagh owned by Mr. Blevins so that it may be used as a Public Park."

The County Manager explained that permission for development of the land was refused by the Council and a purchase notice was served under Section 29 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, by Mr. Blevins' Solicitor. The Council had agreed to the purchase proposal which now had the effect of a Compulsory Purchase Order duly confirmed by the Minister and the question of compensation would now have to be determined by arbitration.

1107/67. ROAD FROM DROMORE ROAD TO BALLYDEVITT ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"I request the County Engineer to take the following road over - road on the Dromore and Glebe road leading from Dromore Road to the main Ballydevitt Road. I want about a quarter of a mile of it to be taken over by the Council, which the Council has the other part of."

1108/67. SHESKINARONE/CRAGHEYBOYLE COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacNuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That this Council carry out immediate repairs to the Sheskinarone/Craghcyboyle County Road."

1109/67. CRUCKAHENNY/GLENTOGHER ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That the Council repair the road leading from Cruckahenny to Glentogher - Road No. 443."

1110/67. PAYMENT OF DISABILITY ALLOWANCES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Harkin, was deferred to the next meeting:

"That this Council in future pay Disability Allowances to all disabled persons who have no other personal income regardless of means of household."

1111/67. CAR PARK FOR BALLYBOFEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a car park in the town of Ballybofey."

1112/67. DELAY IN HOUSING PROGRAMME

The following motion in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, was deferred to the next meeting:

"That the factors of official level causing delay in the housing programme of the county be abolished."

1113/67. ROAD FROM DOORIN LINE TO DROMORE

The following motion in the name of Councillor S. Cleary was not moved:

"That the road from the Doorin Line to Dromore via Frank Conaghan's, Walkers and Josie Gillespie's be put in proper repair."

1114/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING

The following motion in the name of Councillor P. McGowan was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That this Council erect lights at the following points:

at the Bridge beside Bishop's Factory on the old Raphoe Road from Convoy;

at Glenfin Road, Ballybofey;

At the Cottages, Drumboe, Stranorlar;

between the Church Road, Stranorlar and St. Joseph's Home;

at Post Office Lane, Lifford."

1115/67. PILOT LIGHTS AT CARNDONAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That pilot lights be provided in the town of Carndonagh."

1116/67. LETTING OF HOUSES AT CLUAIN BARRON, BALLYSHANNON

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor R. Anderson was declared to be out of order by the Chairman:

"That this Council request the official Government Auditor to surcharge the County Manager with the loss of revenue caused by the undue delay in letting of houses at Cluain Barron, Ballyshannon."

1117/67. TAKING OVER OF ROADS

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council institute a programme for the taking over of non-county roads which are of public utility."

1118/67. ROAD AT KINNEGOE SCHOOL

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council repair the road leading from the three roads at Kinnegoe School to Falask - Road No. 363."

1119/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, RAMELTON

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration:

"That two extra lights be erected at St. Mary's Tce., Ramelton."

1120/67. COMPENSATION FOR MR. EDWARD PATTON, MIDCUT, DRUMKEEN

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Manager explained that Council would negotiate with the landowner in this matter:

"That this Council compensate Mr. Edward Patton, Midcut, Drumkeen, for damage caused to his field and fences in the course of laying a sewer at St. Joseph's Home, Stranorlar. The Council entered upon Mr. Patton's land without his knowledge or permission and caused serious damage."

1121/67. SPEED LIMIT IN PORTNABLAGH

The following notion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, was deferred to the next meeting:

"That a 30 mile speed limit be introduced between McElhinney's Garage, Portnablagh to Friel's, Sandhill, Portnablagh."

1122/67. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY, ARDSMORE AND ARDSBEG, GORTAHORK

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council extend the public water supply from Ardsmore and Ardsbeg, Gortahork."

1123/67. PARKING AND DRIVING OF VEHICLES ON ROSSNOWLAGH STRAND

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor R. Anderson, was duly moved:

"That this Council prohibit the parking or driving of vehicles on Rossnowlagh Strand on the portion parallel to the lands of Mrs. Sheraton and Mr. Blevins."

1124/67. INTERFERENCE WITH NEWS SERVICE

It was agreed that the following motion transmitted by the Ballina Urban District Council be marked read:

"That this Council point out that Telefis Eireann being the property of the public, no interference by the Government in the news service can be permitted;

That the Council call on the Taoiseach to instruct his Ministers not to interfere in the news service;

That, in view of the grave disquiet now being felt, the Taoiseach will re-assure the public that it is not the Government's intention to take over the Telefis Eireann news service as a Government propaganda medium."

1125/67. ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD CHARGES

It was agreed that the following motion transmitted by the Tramore Town Commissioners be marked read:

"That this Authority strongly opposes the increased E.S.B. charges of 7%. The E.S.B. had made a profit of £240,000 during the past year and it was difficult to justify the increased charges which had already been provisional Ministerial sanction. If the increase is finally approved it should not be applicable to 'Fixed Charge on Valuation' as that would be tantamount to increased Rates on buildings.

1126/67. NATIONAL FARMERS ASSOCIATION

The Council considered the following resolution from Monaghan County Council:

"That Monaghan County Council support the National Farmers Association in their claims."

It was proposed by Councillor McGowan, seconded by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh and resolved:

"That the Donegal County Council suggests that the National Farmers Association and the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries should need unconditionally in the interests of those earning a living from farming."

The meeting then terminated

ADOPTED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 27/4/67

MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON 27TH FEBRUARY, 1967

1127/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislein, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1128/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, A.J. Murphy, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1129/67. APPROVAL FOR EXCESS EXPENDITURE:

The County Manager informed the meeting that at various Council meetings throughout the year approval had been given for expenditure in excess of that authorised in the Estimate of Expenses as adopted for the financial year ending 31st March, 1967. He indicated that in connection with Civil Defence approval had been given for a figure of £2,945. The Manager indicated, however, that the latest revised estimate for the cost of Civil Defence for the current year is a figure of £4,615. He indicated that the Council's formal approval was now being requested in respect of the revised estimate for Civil Defence and the revised estimate for the other services of the Council as indicated in the middle column on the expenditure side of the Explanatory Memorandum produced in connection with the Estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1968.

It was then proposed by Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Harkin, and resolved:

"That approval is given under Section II of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, for expenditure in excess of the provision in the Estimates for the financial year ending on 31st March, 1967, as follows:

ROADS:	Ordinary Road Works	£7,734
		£6,530
	Other Purposes	£5,391
HEALTH:	General Medical Services	£11,722
	Institutional Services	£44,218
	Mental Health	£378
	Mathrnity & Child Health	£1,738
	Specialist	£2,001
	Rehabilitation & Maintenance of Disabled	£3,585
	Boarding out of children	£65
	Ambulance & Transport	£1,000
	Supervision of Food & Drink	£84
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:		
	Home Assistance	£1,551
	Government Grant Schemes	£1,078
	Other Purposes	£1,299
SANITARY SERVICES:	Water Supplies	£2,000
	Other Purposes	£5,790
HOUSING:	Other Purposes	£280
GENERAL PURPOSES:	Public Libraries	£31
	Public Works	£1,050
	Drainage of Land	£156
	Planning and Development	£1,000
	Fire Brigades	£550
	Materials Expenses	£15,000
	Other Purposes	£30,278

1130/67. ESTIMATES, 1967/68

Proposed by: Councillor Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That further consideration of the Estimates be deferred until imprisoned farmers are released."

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Breslin and seconded by Councillor Cunningham:

"That the Council proceed to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year 1967/68."

A vote was then taken on the amendment and a majority of the members present voting in favour of the amendment, it was declared adopted.

1131/67. ESTIMATE FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

At the suggestion of the Chairman the Council commenced consideration of the Estimate for Mental Health.

Proposed by: Councillor Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Council do not grant the rate increase of 2/10d in respect of Health Services."

The following amendments were proposed -

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

"That the Council provide the estimated cost of salaries for St. Conal's Hospital."

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Council reduce the provision for salaries at St. Conal's Hospital by the amount included for the salary of a Catering Officer not yet appointed."

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Council consider each individual item and then refer the Estimate to the Minister for Health."

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

"That the Council defer consideration of the Health Estimates until further information is procured from the Department of Health in connection with the Health Services Grant."

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

"That the Council consider the estimate section by section."

A vote was taken on the last amendment which was declared carried, a majority of the members of the Council present having voted in favour.

ESTIMATE FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Estimate be amended by the deletion of the sum of £900 from the provision for salaries in respect of St. Conal's Hospital."

1132/67. RECEPTION OF A DEPUTATION

A deputation representing District Nursing Associations organised by the Queen's Institute was introduced. Rev. Mr. Kerr speaking on behalf of the deputation stated that he was Vice-Chairman of the Manorcunningham District Nursing Association which was reformed about one year ago. He thanked the County Council and officials for the co-operation extended to the Association and for the grant paid. He stated that the Council's proposal to appoint a Superintendent Public Health Nurse had been discussed by the members of his Association who considered the appointment to be superfluous and unnecessary. He indicated that an officer from the Institute visits each Nursing Association twice annually. This Inspector examines the books of the District Nurse, the patients under her care and also visits the Doctor and the Secretary of each Association. He pointed out that each Nurse reports each month to the County Council on the duties performed and suggested that nurses be relieved of some of the clerical duties associated with County Council clinics.

Mrs. Chance speaking on behalf of the Associations indicated that 20% of all the District Nursing Associations in the country were located in County Donegal where there were 27 nurses. She pointed out that the County Medical Officer had asked that new Associations be formed and three such Associations had commenced operations last year. She mentioned the problem experienced in procuring nurses and indicated that married nurses were appointed by some Associations on a temporary basis. Forty-one per cent. of all nurses were married women. She pointed out that the County Medical Officer had asked the Nursing Associations through the nurse to perform additional work particularly in connection with people over the age of 70 years. In addition school inspections were carried out and were considerably increased in recent years. She suggested that clerical staff be recruited to relieve the nurses of some of the clerical duties performed. Mrs. Chance stated that she was of the opinion that nurses would resent inspections by a Superintendent Public Health Nurse. She also stated that the District Nursing Associations were not aware of the duties of a Superintendent Public Health Nurse and recommended that the appointment be not made.

The Chairman thanked the members of the District Nursing Associations and their speakers for their attendance and for the remarks made and indicated that a discussion on the points raised by the deputation would not then take place. The deputation then withdrew.

1133/67. ADJOURNMENT OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING

The Chairman referred to the notice received by the members of a special meeting of the Council to be held in connection with the preparation of the County Development plan and the determination of the boundaries of the scheduled towns and he indicated that he wished to adjourn the Estimates meeting for a short period so as to enable the Council to convene the special Planning Meeting.

The Estimates meeting then adjourned and reconvened after a short interval.

1134/67. ESTIMATE FOR ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Gallagher

AND RESOLVED: "That the provision for superannuation in respect of St. Conals Hospital be reduced by £3,290."

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Groceries and Provisions in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £790."

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Tobacco and Snuff in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £420."

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Clothing and Bedding in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £1,076."

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Crockery, Furniture and Hardware in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £3,577."

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Fuel and Light in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £1,662."

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Washing Materials in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £500."

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That further consideration of the Estimate for Farm and Garden Expenses in respect of St. Conal's Hospital be deferred until a special Committee has studied the farm accounts and reported thereon."

APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEE

The Council agreed to appoint the following members to act on a Sub-Committee to examine the farm accounts in respect of St. Conal's Hospital:

Senator P. McGowan
Councillor R. Anderson
Councillor W. Buchanan
Councillor J. Patterson
Councillor P. Dunnion

ESTIMATE FOR ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan:

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate in respect of Repairs and Alterations for St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £6,500."

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate in respect of Rents, Rates, Taxes and Insurances for St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £50."

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate in respect of Miscellaneous Expenses for St. Conal's Hospital be reduced by £500."

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Receipts in respect of Industrial and Occupational Therapy at St. Conal's Hospital be increased by £500."

1135/67. ESTIMATE FOR GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor McEleney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for salaries in respect of General Medical Services be reduced by £456."

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Medicines in respect of General Medical Services be reduced by £2,000."

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate in respect of superannuation for General Medical Services be reduced by £1,000."

1135/67. ESTIMATE FOR GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Bunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Receipts in respect of Rents of Dispensary Premises be increased by £100."

1136/67. ESTIMATE FOR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Food in respect of the County Hospital, Letterkenny, be reduced by the sum of £1,500."

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate in respect of medicines for the County Hospital, Letterkenny, be reduced by the sum of £500."

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Heating of the County Hospital, Letterkenny, be reduced by £500."

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Salaries and Wages in respect of the County Hospital, Letterkenny, be reduced by the sum of £3,000."

1136A/67. ESTIMATE FOR OTHER HOSPITALS

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

"That the Manager's estimate for the remaining hospitals be each reduced by the sum of £1,100."

A vote having been taken the motion was declared lost.

1137/67. ESTIMATE FOR LIFFORD HOSPITAL

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

"That the estimate for Lifford Hospital be reduced by £4,000."

A vote was taken on this proposal, five members voting for and nine members voting against. The motion was declared lost.

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the estimate for Lifford Hospital be reduced by £1,500."

A vote was taken again and five members voted for and ten members against. The motion was declared lost.

Proposed by: Councillor McElheney
Seconded by: Councillor Baxter

"That the estimate for Lifford Hospital be reduced by £2,500."

A vote was taken on the resolution, nine members voting for and twelve against. The motion was declared lost.

1138/67. ESTIMATE FOR BALLYSHANNON HOSPITAL

The Estimate for Ballyshannon Hospital was not amended.

1139/67. ESTIMATE FOR CARNDONAGH HOSPITAL

The Estimate for Carndonagh Hospital was not amended.

1140/67. ESTIMATE FOR DONEGAL HOSPITAL

The Estimate for Donegal Hospital was not amended.

1141/67. ESTIMATE FOR DUNGLOE HOSPITAL

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor MacRuaidhrigh

"That the Manager's Estimate for Dungloe Hospital be approved."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

"That the Manager's Estimate for Dungloe Hospital be reduced by the sum of £1,100."

A recorded vote was taken and resulted as follows:

For the amendment: Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Harkin, McGowan (6)

Against the amendment: Councillors Gallagher, Harte, Kelly, McGlinchey, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, Breslin, Murrin, O'Donnell and Patterson (12).

The amendment was accordingly declared lost and the original motion approved.

1142/67. ESTIMATE FOR ST. COLUMBA'S HOSPITAL, KILLYBEGS

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

"That the Estimate for St. Columba's Hospital, Killybegs be reduced from the sum of £4,987 to the sum of £2,387 (a reduction of £2,600)."

A recorded vote was taken on the proposal and resultdd as follows:

For the motion: Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Doherty, Harkin, McEleney, McGowan, Patterson (11)

Against the motion: Councillors Harte, Kelly, McGlinchey, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Breslin, Murrin and O'Donnell (9).

The motion to amend the estimate to the sum of £2,387 was accordingly declared carried.

1143/67. ESTIMATE FOR ST. JOSEPH'S HOME, STRANORLAR

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for St. Joseph's Home, Stranorlar be reduced by the sum of £500."

1144/67. ESTIMATE FOR HOSPITAL FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN, CARNDONAGH

The Estimate for this Hospital in a sum of £16,071 was approved.

1145/67. NEXT BUSINESS

Proposed by: Councillor MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Council move to next business."

Thirteen members having voted in favour of this motion it was declared carried.

1146/67. ADJOURNMENT OF ESTIMATES MEETING

The Chairman declared that the Estimates meeting was adjourned until 11.30 a.m. on Monday, 6th March, 1967.

The meeting then terminated

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: ~~6/3/67~~ 24/4/67

7th March, 1967

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH FEBRUARY, 1967, TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF SCHEDULED TOWNS

1147/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McElency, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislenin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1148/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, A.J. Murphy, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1149/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That further consideration of the Development Plan and of the proposals to determine boundaries of the Scheduled Towns be deferred until the Department of Local Government has clarified the position as to whether houses built inside the boundaries of the Scheduled Towns would qualify for the higher rate of grant in respect of houses built in a rural area."

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN
24th April
DATE: ~~6th March,~~ 1967

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING)
OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON 6TH MARCH, 1967

1147/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Gallagher, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislean, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

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Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, L. Boarty, Staff Officer, A.J. Murphy, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1149/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That Standing Orders be suspended to facilitate consideration of a planning application for permission at Downings."

Councillor Harkin stated that he understood that permission was about to be refused for the erection of a National School at Downings. He stated that the condition of the existing building was bad and a new school was required. He enquired as to whether the Chairman was previously granted permission for development in the same area as that proposed for the new school. He urged that the Council grant permission in this case so as not to deprive school children of eduction. He expressed the opinion that the tourist industry would not be adversely effected by the erection of a National School.

The County Engineer replying to Councillor Harkin stated that permission for certain development had been granted to Senator McGlinchey in the area, but that no influence or pressure was brought to bear on the consideration of the application. He stated that it was the policy to prohibit development on the seaward side of the road in question but that each case would have to be considered on its merits. The permission which was granted would not have had prejudicial effects on the scenery, but the School could interrupt the excellent panoramic view of the coastline. He indicated that he was arranging a meeting with the Architect on the site to ascertain if it would be possible to approve of the application He stated that the Council should not relax control in the matter of protecting exceptional scenery irrespective of the identity of the applicant. He referred to the possibility of mistakes which could occur in the granting of permissions in certain cases and pointdd out that every effort should be made to reduce the incidence of such mistakes.

149/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - PLANNING PERMISSION AT DOWNINGS

The County Engineer also pointed out that the Chairman had not objected to the proposed erection of a National School.

The Chairman stated that he formerly owned land in the area in question but was not now the owner of the land. Bearing in mind that scenic views could be interrupted by development he was satisfied that the development for which he got permission would not interfere with the view of the sea. His site was not more than 150 ft. long and development on the site would not interfere with the scenic view. He referred to a rumour to the effect that a previous owner had applied for permission and was refused. In fact the previous owner had not applied by reason of a provision of the Intoxicating Liquor Act which prohibited the granting of a Licence for a premises situated within one mile of an existing licensed premises. The Chairman stated that he had not attempted to influence the Council's decision on his application and this fact could be borne out by an enquiry. In fact an application from him for development in Letterkenny had been refused four months ago and he had accepted that decision on the grounds that the Planning Officer was qualified to decide the issue. The Chairman referred to the fact that any person making an objection to development would have his name recorded in the Council's Register of Planning Applications. The Chairman expressed the opinion that the building of the proposed School would not spoil the scenery in the area.

150/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., Chief Planning Assistant informed the meeting that the stage had been reached where firm proposals for the Development Plan were being formulated. The Department had recommended that the Council should aim at producing a Draft Development Plan by the 31st March, 1967. The Draft Plan would be open for discussion and consideration before the final adoption of the Development Plan which should be ready before the 1st October, 1967. It was his opinion that the members of the Council should be aware of the proposals to be incorporated in the Development Plan at this stage. Mr. O'Malley indicated that while certain areas of the County would require special treatment in the Development Plan, it should be understood that it was not the intention to inhibit growth in other areas. He recommended the adoption of a policy whereby schemes which were ready for execution should proceed while the works necessary for development in other areas in the County should be planned to the stage where they could be ready for execution at the appropriate time.

Mr. O'Malley listed the following statutory objectives of the Development Plan:

1. Proposals for dealing with obsolete areas
2. Proposals for preserving and improving amenities
3. Proposals for new water and sewerage schemes and extensions of existing schemes
4. Proposals for dealing with road improvements
5. Proposals for structural development.

1150/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Contd.)

In connection with the determination of the boundaries of the Scheduled Towns Mr. O'Malley indicated that the proposed boundaries were influenced by the natural drainage area of each town and the available water supply. The boundaries were drawn to allow for the expansion necessary to cater for the development of each area while at the same time prohibiting strip development.

1151/67. HOUSING GRANTS IN THE SCHEDULED TOWNS

The County Manager referred to the concern expressed by the Council at its meeting on the 27th February, 1967 that areas within the boundaries of the scheduled towns would not be regarded as being rural areas for the purposes of the higher rate of Housing Grant payable for new houses in rural areas. The Manager explained that he had discussed the matter with officers of the Department of Local Government and he had ascertained that grants were not now payable inside the boundaries of the census towns. He understood that this position would not change before the next census which did not take place until 1971. He was aware, however, that the Central Statistics Office were endeavouring to rationalise the boundaries of the census towns and if the boundaries of the scheduled towns coincided at a future census with the boundaries of the census towns then applicants within these boundaries would not qualify for the special rural grant. He indicated again, however, that this position would not obtain until 1971.

1152/67. REGIONAL PLANNING STUDIES

Mr. O'Malley indicated that regional planning studies were proceeding under the direction of An Foras Forbartha and for this purpose the County of Donegal constituted a region. The recommendations following these studies would not be available before 1968 and in the meantime planning authorities should endeavour to guide growth along the lines of the anticipated recommendations.

1153/67. GROWTH OPTIONS

Mr. O'Malley referred to the growth options in the County Provisional Plan as follows:

Option (A) Dominance of Derry and Sligo as growth points

Option (B) Single growth centre in Letterkenny

Option (C) North/South corridor development - corridor linking Derry and Sligo and including the towns of Donegal, Killybegs, Ballybofey, Letterkenny and Buncrana

Option (D) Dispersed growth to significant towns in all parts of the County.

Mr. O'Malley indicated that a binding decision on growth patterns would not be required before receipt of the report on the regional studies.

1153/67. GROWTH OPTIONS (Contd.)

In the meantime he suggested that a combination of options (C) and (D) might be embarked upon. In connection with airport facilities Mr. O'Malley referred to the reference in the County Provisional Plan to the desirability of a North/South feasibility study and he indicated that if this joint study did not offer prospects of progress County Donegal would have to consider the provision of facilities alone.

1154/67. COUNCILLOR McELENEY'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor McEleney was of the opinion that options (A) and (B) would not be attractive. He felt that option (C) had some merit and he favoured option (D).

1155/67. COUNCILLOR CUNNINGHAM'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor Cunningham favoured option (C) with option (D) as second choice.

1156/67. COUNCILLOR DIVER'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor Diver referred to the importance of port development on the Foyle particularly at Moville which was capable of development to take a ship of almost any size at little cost. He referred to the necessity for expansion of tourism.

1157/67. COUNCILLOR O'DONNELL'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor O'Donnell was of the opinion that a decision on options should not be taken before the election of the new Council and he urged that the Council consider the outstanding question of the boundaries for the scheduled towns.

1158/67. COUNCILLOR MURRIN'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor Murrion was opposed to options (A) and (B) and was satisfied that a combination of options (C) and (D) would be best for County Donegal. He recommended that the Council defer consideration of the boundary of the scheduled town of Killybegs. He stated that he could not be responsible for the adoption of a boundary without consultations with the Killybegs Development Association.

1159/67. COUNCILLOR MAC RUAIDHRIGH'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor MacRuaidhrigh felt that a discussion on options would have to take place with the new Council and he advocated decentralisation of growth and services at local and national levels. He referred to the danger in planning for the dominance of Derry where there was considerable unemployment.

1160/67. COUNCILLOR McGLINCHEY'S OBSERVATIONS

The Chairman stated that he was dubious about options and posed the question as to what effect the plan will have on the future activities of the Council. He pointed out that no member would be a party to depriving any town of services. On the question of Letterkenny as a growth centre he pointed out that the development of Letterkenny depended on the development of every town and village in the County. If Letterkenny is prosperous other areas will likewise be prosperous and vice versa. He advocated that the Council consider the development of the County as a whole and pointed out that even if option (B) were accepted the Council could proceed as heretofore. He stated that the Council would be careful not to exclude any area and he enquired as to whether development not proposed in the Development Plan could be carried out in the future. He stated that he would not be in favour of option (B) if it had the effect of excluding other areas from development. He indicated that he was opposed to option (A) and he advocated a combination of options (B), (C) and (D).

1161/67. COUNCILLOR DEERY'S OBSERVATIONS

Councill Deery was dubious about the consideration of future development at this stage in view of the length of time taken to complete works proposed heretofore.

1162/67. COUNCILLOR BUCHANAN'S OBSERVATIONS

Councillor Buchanan expressed the view that all towns are dependent on other towns and on the rural area. Rural prosperity is reflected in urban prosperity. He stated that Donegal trade is affected by geographical considerations and he advocated that Donegal be set up as a Free Trade Area.

1163/67.. DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE SCHEDULED TOWNS

DONEGAL

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Melly

"That the boundary of the scheduled town of Donegal be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this date - 6th March, 1967."

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Meehan and seconded by Councillor Murrin:

"That the determination of the boundary of the scheduled town of Donegal be deferred."

The amendment was declared carried, twelve members having voted in favour as against four in favour of the original motion.

163/67. DETERMINATION OF BOUNDARIES OF SCHEDULED TOWNS (Contd.)

Moville

Proposed by: Councillor Diver
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That the determination of the boundary of the scheduled town of Moville be deferred."

KILLYBEGS

Proposed by: Councillor Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor Meehan

AND RESOLVED: "That the determination of the boundary of the scheduled town of Killybegs be deferred."

CARNDONAGH

Proposed by: Councillor Doherty
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the determination of the boundary of the scheduled town of Carndonagh be deferred."

BALLYBOFEY

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the boundary of the scheduled town of Ballybofey be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this 6th day of March, 1967."

The Seal of the Council was then affixed to the map showing the boundary of the scheduled town of Ballybofey.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 24th April 1967

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING
OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON MARCH 6, 1967

1164/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blancy, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Gallagher, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislein, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1165/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, A.J. Murphy, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1166/67. ESTIMATE FOR INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Contributions from Patients in the Council's Hospitals be increased by £2,000."

1167/67. ADJOURNMENT OF ESTIMATES MEETING

At the suggestion of the Chairman it was agreed that the meeting be adjourned for a short period so as to facilitate the holding of a Special Meeting summoned for planning purposes.

The Estimates meeting was resumed later in the afternoon.

1168/67. HEALTH SERVICES GRANT, 1967/68

The County Manager informed the meeting that he had received confirmation from the Department of Health that the grant of £643,000 was the maximum grant payable to the Council for the service of the year 1967/68. This sum includes the cost of operating the fluoridation of water supplies and the cost of operating the radio system for ambulances.

The figure also includes any additional grant in respect of St. Joseph's Home, Stranorlar over and above the recoupment of 50% ofthe loan charges.

1169/67. EXTERN HOSPITALS

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for payments under Extern General Hospitals be reduced by the sum of £1,000."

1170/67. MATERNITY HOMES

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Manager's estimate for Maternity Homes in the sum of £7,100 be approved."

The following amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Manager's estimate for extern Maternity Hospitals be reduced by £500."

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

"That the Manager's estimate for extern Maternity Hospitals be reduced by the sum of £1,000."

A vote was taken on each amendment and each was defeated, the majority of the members having voted against.

The Chairman accordingly declared the Manager's estimate approved.

1171/67. TUBERCULOSIS SERVICE

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Manager's estimate for Tuberculosis Hospitals be approved."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor McEleney

"That the Manager's estimate for Tuberculosis Hospitals be reduced by the sum of £1,500."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared defeated, eight members having voted for and eleven having voted against.

1172/67. FEVER HOSPITALS

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for Fever Hospitals be reduced by the sum of £400."

1173/67. SCHOOL MEDICAL SERVICE

Proposed by: Councillor Deery
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Minister for Health be invited to introduce legislation whereby a school child who misses the school medical service examination should be examined by the District Medical Officer."

1174/67. TUBERCULOSIS SERVICES - SALARIES ETC.

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That consideration of this item be deferred so as to enable the cost of travelling expenses to be considered."

1175/67. DENTAL, OPHTHALMIC AND AURAL SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for fees in respect of Dental, Aural and Ophthalmic Services be reduced by the sum of £1,500."

1176/67. DENTAL, OPHTHALMIC AND AURAL SERVICES - TRAVELLING EXPENSES

It was unanimously agreed that consideration of this item be deferred.

1177/67. AMBULANCE AND TRANSPORT SERVICE

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

"That the Manager's estimate for Ambulance and Transport Service be approved."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Dunningham

"That the Manager's estimate for Transport and Ambulance Services be reduced by the sum of £3,000."

The amendment was declared carried, ten members having voted in favour, as against five members in favour of the original motion."

1178/67. HELICOPTER SERVICE

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council make representations to the appropriate Minister to the effect that the Helicopter Service be made available free of charge for all emergencies."

1179/67. ADJOURNMENT OF ESTIMATES MEETING

The Chairman declared the Estimates Meeting adjourned until the 13th March, 1967.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 24/4/67

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING
HELD ON 13TH MARCH, 1967 at 11.30 a.m.

1180/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, MacRuaidhrigh, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislenin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1181/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. J.D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, T. Murphy, Staff Officer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S.Keating, County Secretary.

1182/67. LOAN CHARGES - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

"That the Manager's estimate for loan charges under the heading of General Administration of the Health Services be reduced by the sum of £2,000."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Manager's estimate for loan charges under the heading of General Administration of the Health Services be approved in the sum of £36,588."

On a vote the motion proposed by Councillor McEleney and seconded by Councillor Cunningham was passed, twelve members having voted in favour, as against four members in favour of the amendment.

1183/67. RECEIPTS - GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(a) As a consequence of the reduction of the provision for loan charges by the sum of £2,000, the estimate for receipts in the form of loan charges subsidy was reduced by the sum of £1,000

(b) It was noted that the estimated receipts for Ambulance, Radio Equipment and fluoridation of water in the sum of £10,500 required to be reduced by the sum of £500 by reason of the clarification of the arrangements for Health Services Grant. Accordingly a sum of £500 was deducted from this estimate.

(c) It was noted that the Health Services Grant of £643,000 included recoupment in respect of travelling expenses of Assistance Officers. Accordingly the estimate was reduced by the sum of £900.

1184/67. ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY - FARM ACCOUNT

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's estimate for receipts in respect of Farm Produce under Mental Health Services be increased by the sum of £750."

1185/67. HEALTH SERVICES - GENERAL

Proposed by: Councillor Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Donegal County Council refer the Health estimate to the Minister for Health and that the Minister be asked to increase the Health Services Grant by a sum equivalent to the produce of a rate of 2/10d in the £."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the Donegal County Council accept the Health Services Grant of £643,000 and apply it as the Council considers proper."

A recorded vote was taken on the amendment and resulted as follows:

For the amendment:	Councillors Blaney, Boyle, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislein (12)
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Baxter, Buchanan, McLaughlin, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, O'Donnell and Patterson (13)

The Original motion was declared carried.

1186/67. ROADS SERVICE

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Meehan

"That the Manager's estimate for Main Road Maintenance be increased by the sum of £2,300."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Cunninghan
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

"That the Manager's estimate for Main Road Maintenance in the sum of £169,033 be approved."

The amendment was declared carried, twelve members having voted in favour and nine against.

1187/67 . HOME ASSISTANCE

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Manager's estimate for Home Assistance in the sum of £18,231 be approved."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor MacMuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

"That the Manager's estimate for Home Assistance be increased by the sum of £2,300."

The amendment was declared carried, nine members having voted in favour and three against.

1188/67. SANITARY SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

"That the Manager's estimate for the maintenance of water supplied be reduced by the sum of £1,229."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor MacMuaidhrigh

"That the Manager's Estimate for the maintenance of water supplies in the sum of £48,229 be adopted."

The original motion was declared carried, tenmembers having voted in favour as against three in favour of the amendment.

1189/67. PUBLIC SANITARY CONVENIENCES

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor McGlinchey

"That the Manager's estimate for Sanitary Conveniences in the sum of £1,455 be increased by the sum of £75 to finance repair of the Raphoe Convenience."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

"That the Manager's estimate for Sanitary Conveniences in the sum of £1,455 be reduced by the sum of £50."

The original motion was declared carried, eight members having voted in favour, as against five in favour of the amendment.

1190/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor Cunninghan
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That the Estimates meeting be adjourned."

The Chairman indicated that the adjourned meeting would be held on Monday, 20thMarch, 1967.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 24/4/67

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING)
HELD ON MARCH 13, 1967

1191/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey, (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, MacRunidhrigh, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislecin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1192/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. J.D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, T. Murphy, Staff Officer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1193/67. DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE SCHEDULED TOWN OF MOVILLE

Proposed by: Councillor Diver
Seconded by; Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the boundary of the scheduled town of Moville be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this 13th day of March, 1967,"

The Seal of the Council was then affixed to the Map showing the boundary.

1194/67. DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE SCHEDULED TOWN OF KILLYBEGS

Proposed by: Councillor Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the boundary of the scheduled town of Killybegs be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this 13th day of March, 1967,"

The Seal of the Council was then affixed to the Map showing the boundary.

1195/67. DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE SCHEDULED TOWN OF DONEGAL

Proposed by: Councillor Meehan
Seconded by: Councillor Cleary

AND RESOLVED: That the boundary of the scheduled town of Donegal be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this 13th day of March, 1967.2

The Seal of the Council was then affixed to the Map showing the boundary.

1196/67. DETERMINATION OF THE BOUNDARY OF THE SCHEDULED TOWN OF CARNDONAGH

Consideration of the boundary of the scheduled town of Carndonagh was deferred to the Special meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, 20th March, 1967.

The meeting then terminated

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey CHAIRMAN DATE: 24/4/67

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
13TH MARCH, 1967
(SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE)

1196/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, MacRuaidhrigh, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McElency, McGowan, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislesin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.

1198/67 OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. J.D. Williams, County Manager, Dr. F.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, T. Murphy, Staff Officer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, L. Hearty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1199/67. SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE - RESCINDING RESOLUTION

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

AND RESOLVED: (Eighteen members of the Council having voted in favour and one against)

"That this Council rescind the resolution consenting to the appointment of a Superintendent Public Health Nurse."

The meeting then terminated

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 24/4/67

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1967

1191/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislain, O'Cinneide, Murrin, O'Donnell and Patterson.

1192/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. Murphy, County Accountant, A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, T. Murphy, Staff Officer, P. Byrne, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1193/67. FINALISATION OF ESTIMATE

At the outset the Chairman informed the members that the Council were under statutory obligation to finalise the Estimate without adjournment to a later date.

1194/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING

Proposed by: Councillor Buchanan
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

"That the Manager's Estimate for Public Lighting in the sum of £7,000 be approved."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

"That the Manager's Estimate for Public Lighting be increased by the sum of £1,500."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was passed, eleven members having voted in favour and eight against.

The Chairman accordingly declared the amendment as passed to be the substantive motion against which other amendments might be moved.

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Melly

"That the Manager's Estimate for Public Lighting be increased by the sum of £1,260 (£1,500 less £240)."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared passed, fourteen members voting for and five against.

The Manager's Estimate was accordingly deemed to be increased by the sum of £1,260.

1195/67. DOMESTIC SCAVENGING

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

"That the Manager's Estimate for Domestic Scavenging be reduced by the sum of £3,000."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

"That the Manager's Estimate for Domestic Scavenging be adopted."

1195/67. DOMESTIC SCAVENGING (Contd.)

A recorded vote was taken on the amendment which was declared lost, eight members having voted for and fifteen against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Baxter, Dunnion, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Meehan, O'Breislenin and Murrin (8),
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harte, Kelly, McEleney Cleary, Melly, O'Donnell & Patterson(15)

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Dunningham

"That the Manager's Estimate for Domestic Scavenging be reduced by the sum of £1,381."

A recorded vote was taken on this amendment which was declared carried, 15 members having voted for and 8 against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Baxter, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, Kelly, McEleney, McGlinchey, McGowan, Melly, Meehan and Murrin (15).
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, Dunnion, Harte, Cleary, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell and Patterson (8).

The amendment as passed was deemed to be the substantive motion against which further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor Greene

"That the Manager's Estimate for Domestic Scavenging be reduced by the sum of £770."

A recorded vote was taken on this amendment which was declared lost, ten members having voted for and thirteen against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Baxter, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McGlinchey, McGowan, Meehan, Murrin And O'Donnell (10).
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, McEleney, Cleary, Melly, O'Breasleain and Patterson (13).

No further amendment was proposed against the substantive motion to reduce the estimate by the sum of £1,381 and the Estimate was accordingly deemed to be reduced by that amount.

1196/67. LOAN CHARGES - SANITARY SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Manager's Estimate for Loan Charges in the sum of £131,560 be reduced by the sum of £2,560."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Manager's Estimate for Loan Charges in the sum of £131,560 be approved."

The amendment was declared lost, ten members having voted for and thirteen against.

The original motion reducing the Estimate by £2,560 was declared passed.

1197/67. NEW WORKS (TOURIST)

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Manager's Estimate for new works in the sum of £1,000 be reduced by the sum of £500."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

"That the Manager's Estimate for new works in a sum of £1,000 be approved."

The amendment was declared carried, twelve Members having voted for and ten against.

1198/67. DANGEROUS BUILDINGS AND PLACES

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey

Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Dangerous Buildings and Places in the sum of £2,800 be approved."

1199/67. RECEIPTS - WATER RENTS AND RATES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Receipts for Water Rates and Rents in the sum of £12,500 be increased by the sum of £500.

1200/67. RECEIPTS - GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES

As a consequence of the reduction for expenditure on loan charges by the sum of £2,560 it was agreed that the Estimate for receipts in respect of Government Subsidies in a sum of £68,919 be reduced by the sum of £1,536.

1201/67. COTTAGE REPAIRS

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor O'Donnell

"That the Manager's Estimate for Cottage Repairs in the sum of £14,490 be increased by the sum of £5,510."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Manager's Estimate for Cottage Repairs in the sum of £14,490 be approved."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared passed, fourteen members having voted for and seven against.

The Manager's Estimate was accordingly approved.

1202/67. RECEIPTS - RENTS

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Melly

"That the Manager's Estimate for house rents in a sum of £72,940 be approved."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"That the Manager's Estimate for house rents be increased by the sum of £1,000."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared lost, five members having voted in favour and eight against.

The Manager's Estimate was accordingly deemed to be approved.

1203/67. GENERAL PURPOSES SERVICE - COUNTY LIBRARIES

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Manager's Estimate for County Libraries in the sum of £13,341 be approved."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Manager's Estimate for County Libraries be reduced by the sum of £2,784."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared passed, fifteen members having voted in favour and five against.

The amendment was accordingly deemed to be the substantive motion.

A further amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

"That the Manager's Estimate for County Libraries be reduced by the sum of £2,191."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared lost, nine members having voted for and eleven against.

The substantive motion reducing the Manager's Estimate by the sum of £2,784 was declared adopted.

1204/67. LIBRARY RECEIPTS

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor McGlinchey

"That the Manager's Estimate for County Library Receipts in the sum of £300 be increased by the sum of £2,000 and that a charge be made on book borrowers at the rate of 3d per book."

1204/67. LIBRARY RECEIPTS (Contd.)

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the Manager's Estimate for Library Receipts in the sum of £300 be approved."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared lost, six members having voted for and fifteen against.

The original motion was accordingly declared adopted.

1205/67. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

"That the Manager's Estimate for Planning and Development in the sum of £27,220 be reduced by the sum of £16,190."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Cunninghan
Seconded by: Councillor Dunnion

"That the Manager's Estimate for Planning and Development be reduced by the sum of £5,000."

This amendment was declared lost, ten members having votedfor and fourteen against.

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Manager's Estimate for Planning and Development in the sum of £27,220 be approved."

This amendment was declared lost, seven members having voted for and fifteen against.

The original motion was accordingly declared carried.

1206/67. FIRE BRIGADES

Proposed by: Councillor O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the County Manager's Estimate in the sum of £15,075 be approved."

1207/67. LOAN CHARGES

Proposed by: Councillor Meehan
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Loan Charges in the sum of £10,842 be approved."

1208/67. SCHOLARSHIPS

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Scholarships in the sum of £14,610 be approved."

1209/67. REVISION OF VALUATION

A discussion took place on the increase of valuations which became effective on the 1st March, 1967 in the Revised Valuation Lists. All the members of the Council contributed to the discussion and expressed dissatisfaction at the steep increases which had taken effect.

At the suggestion of the County Manager it was agreed that this matter would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

1210/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

"That the Council adjourn for one hour."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor O'Cinneide

"That the meeting continue without adjournment."

A vote was taken on the amendment, twelve members voting for and twelve against. The Chairman gave his casting vote against the amendment and the meeting adjourned accordingly.

1211/67. RENTS AND EXPENSES OF COURTHOUSES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate in respect of Rents and Expenses of Courthouses in the sum of £2,590 be reduced by the sum of £523."

1212/67. INTEREST ON BANK OVERDRAFT

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the Manager's Estimate in respect of Interest on Bank Overdraft be reduced by the sum of £1,000."

An amendment was

Proposed by; Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the Manager's Estimate in respect of Interest on Bank Overdraft be reduced by £2,000."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared carried, 14 members having voted for and 7 against.

1212A/67. MAINTENANCE OF COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND COUNCIL OFFICES

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the Estimate for maintenance of County Courthouse and Council Offices be reduced by £300."

1213/67. CIVIL DEFENCE

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Manager's Estimate in respect of Civil Defence be adopted."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the Manager's Estimate for Civil Defence be reduced by the sum of £4,115."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared lost on the casting vote of the Chairman, after ten members had voted for and ten members voted against.

1214/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATHS

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

"That the Manager's Estimate for Sheep Dipping Baths be adopted."

An amendment as follows was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Manager's Estimate for Sheep Dipping Baths be reduced by the sum of £400."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared carried, twelve members having voted for and eleven against.

1215/67. SCHOOL MEALS

Proposed by: Councillor MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

"That the Manager's Estimate for School Meals in the sum of £1,000 be increased by the sum of £500."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Manager's Estimate for School Meals in the sum of £1,000 be adopted."

A recorded vote was taken on the amendment which was declared carried, twelve members having voted for and ten members having voted against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harte, McEleney, Melly (12)
Against the amendment:	Councillors Greene, Harkin, McGowan, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, O'Breislenin, O'Cinneide, Murrin and O'Donnell (10)

1216/67. SCHOOL MEALS GENERAL

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Minister for the Gaeltacht be asked to amend the Schedule of Gaeltacht districts so as to include the Gaeltachts of Rossguill, Fanad and Glenvar, together with all other areas within the County of Donegal in which the Minister for the Gaeltacht has functions."

1217/67. OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Office Equipment under General Purposes Services in the sum of £700 be reduced by the sum of £400."

1218/67. POSTAGE AND TELEPHONES

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Postage and Telephones (General Purposes)be reduced by the sum of £500."

1219/67. PRINTING, STATIONERY AND ADVERTISING

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor O'Donnell

AND RESOLVED: "That the Manager's Estimate for Printing, Stationery and Advertising (General Purposes) be reduced by the sum of £665."

1220/67. MALICIOUS INJURIES

Four Malicious Injury decrees had been received since the circulation of the Manager's Estimate and approval was given to the adoption of a revised estimate to cater for the additional charges as follows:

Name	Expenditure	Income	Net amount to be raised	Rate in the £
922 James Whoriskey	£58.16.0d.	£4. 8.7d.	£54. 7.5d	.04187
923 Joseph Doherty	£51.12.5d.	£3,17.8d.	£47.14.9d.	.03399
924 James McDaid	£32. 6.9d.	£2. 8.9d.	£29.18.0d.	.02129
925 Representative Church Body	£21.12.3d.	£1.12.7d.	£19.19.8d.	.01539

1221/67. PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

An application from the County Donegal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was considered by the meeting and noted.

1222/67. TRAVELLING EXPENSES - OFFICERS

The Council considered the total provision in the entire Estimate for Travelling Expenses in the gross sum of £22,000 and having examined the mileage rates appropriate to each category of vehicle, and having heard the County Manager's observations in relation to the Council's obligations to meet these charges, no amendment of the Estimate was made in respect of this item.

1223/67. HEALTH SERVICES GRANT

The text of a letter from the Minister for Health dealing with the Council's application for increased Health Services Grant as follows was noted:

"The Minister regrets that there are no funds now available to him to increase the grant allocation in respect of 1967/68 already notified to the Health Authority."

1224/67. ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATE IN THE POUND

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

"That the Council adopt the estimate as amended, with such further amendment of the estimated balances in Column 11 of Table C, as may be necessary to determine a rate of 83/10d in the pound."

The following amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harte
Seconded by: Councillor O'Donnell

"Recognising the efforts of all Councillors to reduce the County Manager's demand and conscious of the need to provide necessary services in the County and of the inability of ratepayers to pay a further increase that the Council strike a rate not greater than last year's rate, and that we hereby call on the Government to provide the difference needed."

This amendment was declared out of order by the Chairman, in so far as it did not provide for the adoption of an Estimate and the determination of a rate in the pound.

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Buchanan

"We the Donegal County Council respectfully request the Government to introduce to Dail Eireann immediate measures whereby further rate relief may be granted to Donegal and that the rate of 78/9d (last year's rate) be not exceeded for the coming year."

This amendment was declared out of order by the Chairman in so far as it did not provide for the adoption of an Estimate and the determination of a rate in the pound.

1224/67. ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATE IN THE £ (Contd.)

The following amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

"That the Estimate for Institutions be amended by the deduction of the following sums:

District Hospital, Lifford	£1,838
District Hospital, Ballyshannon	£474
District Hospital, Carndonagh	£718
District Hospital, Donegal	£1,870
District Hospital, Dungloe	£393
St. Joseph's Home, Stranorlar	£677

and that the Estimate for Civil Defence be reduced by £4,115 and that the estimate for Ambulances be increased by the sum of £2,300 with an increase of £800 in the Estimate for Receipts in respect of Health Services."

A recorded vote was taken on this amendment which was defeated on the casting vote of the Chairman, after twelve members had voted for and twelve members had voted against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Blaney, Buchanan, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Greene, Harkin, McEleney and Patterson (12).
Against the amendment:	Councillors Dunnion, Harte, McGlinchey, McGowan, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breisleain, Murrin, O'Donnell and O'Cinneide (12).

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Andersen
Seconded by: Councillor O'Donnell

"That the Donegal County Council strike no rate."

A recorded vote was taken on this amendment which was declared defeated nine members having voted for and thirteen members having voted against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Andersen, Buchanan, McLaughlin, Greene, Harte, McEleney, Melly, O'Donnell and Patterson (9)
Against the amendment:	Councillors Blaney, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Cleary, Meehan, O'Breisleain, O'Cinneide and Murrin (13).

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Diver
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the Estimate for the maintenance of County Roads be reduced by the sum equivalent to the produce of a rate of 2d in the £, and that the Health Estimate be increased to provide for the purchase of an ambulance."

1224/07. ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATE IN THE £ (Contd.)

A recorded vote was taken on this amendment which was declared defeated, nine members having voted for and twelve members having voted against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Greene, Harte, McEleney and O'Cinneide (9).
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Blaney, Buchanan, Harkin, McGlinchey, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislein, Murrin and Patterson (12)

The following amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That the Manager's Estimate as amended for Ambulance Services (Health Services) be further amended as between Expenditure and Receipts so as to provide a sum of £1,500 for the purchase of an ambulance and so as to provide a net £10 for Civil Defence Service, and that the balance required to make up the sum of £1,500 for the ambulance be procured by the reduction of the estimate for Planning (General Purposes)."

The County Accountant explained that the adjustments necessary to give effect to the amendment would be as follows:

(a) Health Service: Increase expenditure by £2,300 and increase receipts by £800.

(b) General Purposes: Reduce the Estimate for Civil Defence by £4,582 to £33 and reduce the Receipts for Civil Defence by £3,207 to £23.

(c) General Purposes - Planning: Reduce the provision for Planning by £125 to £10,905.

A recorded vote was taken on Councillor MacRuaidhrigh's amendment as clarified by the County Accountant and was declared carried, thirteen members having voted for and eleven members having voted against.

For the amendment:	Councillors Blaney, McLaughlin, Dunnion, Greene, Harkin, Harte, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Cinneide and O'Donnell (13).
Against the amendment:	Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, McGlinchey, Cleary, O'Breislein, Murrin and Patterson (11)

PUTTING THE QUESTION

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

"That the question be now put."

A vote was taken on this proposal which was declared carried, fourteen members having voted for and one against.

1224/67. ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATE IN THE £ (Contd.)

A recorded vote was then taken on the original motion as proposed by Councillor McGlinchey and seconded by Councillor Breslin, but as amended by the amendment of Councillor MacRuaidhrigh, seconded by Councillor Harkin, which had been carried. The motion as amended was declared carried, fourteen members having voted for and ten members having voted against.

For the Motion:	Councillors Blaney, Cunninghan, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Cleary, Mehhan, O'Breislenin, O'Cinneide and Murrin(14)
Against the Motion:	Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, McLaughlin, Greene, Harte, McEleney, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, O'Donnell and Patterson (10).

The County Secretary was instructed to insert in the Minutes the time at which this vote was taken. It was voted at 12.55 a.m. on Tuesday, 21st March, 1967.

1225/67. FORMAL ADOPTION OF ESTIMATE AND DETERMINATION OF RATE IN THE £

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council hereby adopt the Estimate of Expenses as amended by the Council and as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D and E of the Estimate and determine in accordance with the said Estimate the rate set forth in Column 13 of Table C, Column 15 of Table D and Column 8 of Table E, to be the rate in the £ to be levied for the several services in the said estimate for the financial year ending 31st March, 1968.

1226/67. SIGNING OF CERTIFICATE

Before the conclusion of the meeting the Certificate at the foot of Table E of the Estimate as prescribed was duly signed by the Chairman and countersigned by the Secretary.

1227/67. SEALING OF URBAN DEMANDS

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the sums as set out hereunder be demanded from the Urban District Councils:

Letterkenny Urban District Council	£31,521
Bundoran Urban District Council	£14,246
Buncrana Urban District Council	£24,237"

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: B. Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: April 24, 1967

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL
HELD ON 24TH APRIL, 1967

1228/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Blaney, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell, Patterson and Murrin.and Doherty.

1229/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, A.J. Murphy, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1230/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY MEETING ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Buchanan, the minutes of meeting of Council held on 6th February, 1967, were confirmed.

1231/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ESTIMATES MEETING ON 27TH FEBRUARY, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Gallagher, the minutes of Estimates meeting held on 27th February, 1967, were confirmed.

1232/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING) 27TH FEBRUARY, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Doherty, the minutes of Special meeting of the Council held on 27th February, 1967, were confirmed.

1233/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING ON 6TH MARCH, 1967

On the proposal of Councillow Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Cleary the minutes of adjourned Estimates meeting held on 6th March, 1967, were confirmed.

1234/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING) 6TH MARCH, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Melly, the minutes of Special meeting held on 6th March, 1967, were confirmed.

1235/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING, 13TH MARCH, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Cleary, the minutes of adjourned Estimates meeting held on 13th March, 1967, were confirmed.

1236/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING 13TH MARCH, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Deery, seconded by Councillor Gallagher, the minutes of special meeting held on 13th March, 1967 were confirmed.

1237/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING (SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE) ON 13TH MARCH, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Cleary the minutes of Special meeting held on 13th March, 1967 were confirmed.

1238/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ADJOURNED ESTIMATES MEETING ON 20TH MARCH,1967

On the proposal of Councillor Gallagher, seconded by Councillor Anderson, the minutes of adjourned estimates meeting heldon 20th March, 1967, were confirmed.

1239/67. TAKING OF ROADS IN CHARGE

Proposed by: Councillor Deery
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That the appropriate statutory notice having been given the following roads are hereby declared to bepublic roads:

(i) Road from Knockamanny to Killourt, situate in the townlands of Knockamanny, Dun Argus and Killourt from the end of the County Road at William Harkin's house, Knockamanny to the end of the County Road at Andrew Devanney's house, Killourt;
(ii) Road situate in townland of Castlewray from junction with County Road No. 1066 in Castlewray to Mr. J. O'Brien's farmyard gate in Castlewray;
(iii) Road situate in the townland of Castlewray from its junction with County Road No. 912 at Mr. A. Russell's house in Castlewray to its junction with County Road No. 1066 in Castlewray;
(iv) Road in townland of Ballyhellion from the County Road near the village of Ballyhellion to the Martello Tower at Malin Head;
(v) Road from Carn Crossroads to Boes Hill, Pettigo, situate in the townland of Carrickrory, North East, Boeshill and Croagh from the three roads at Map 2070 Carrickrory, North East through Boeshill and Croagh to the three roads at Carn Map 2073.

1240/67. APPOINTMENT OF CLERK OF COUNTY OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly

AND RESOLVED: That Mr. Seamus Keating, County Secretary, be appointed Clerk to the Donegal Old Age Pension Committee for the period from 1st April, 1967 to 30th September, 1967, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Social Welfare."

1241/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £30,000 FOR RATHMULLAN NO.2 HOUSING SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £30,000 to finance the erection of Rathmullan No. 2 Housing Scheme."

1242/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £35,000 FOR DONEGAL NO. 4 HOUSING SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Gallagher

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £35,000 to finance the erection of Donegal No. 4 Housing Scheme."

1243/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £34,800 FOR ERECTION OF 17 SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSES

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £34,800 to finance the erection of seventeen Specific Instance cottages."

1244/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £200,000 FOR MAKING SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS

Proposed by: Councillor Diver
Seconded by: Councillor Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £200,000 for the making of supplementary grants under Sections 26 and 29 of the Housing Act, 1966."

1245/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £100,000 FOR THE MAKING OF LOANS

Proposed by: Councillor Melly
Seconded by: Councillor Cleary

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £100,000 for the making of loans under Section 39 of the Housing Act, 1966."

1246/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £45,000 FOR DOWNINGS SEWERAGE SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £45,000 to finance Downings Sewerage Scheme."

1247/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £51,000 FOR 18 HOUSES AT COCKHILL

Proposed by: Councillor Deery
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the raising of a loan of £51,000 to finance the erection of eighteen houses at Cockhill."

1248/67. DISPOSAL OF LAND TO MR. Anthony FLANAGAN

Proposed by: Councillor Melly
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That notice having been given under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, approval is hereby given to the sale of land to Mr. Anthony Flanagan, in accordance with the following particulars:

Parcel of land measuring 98' x 64' i.e. 18 sq. perches, situate in Carrickboy, Ballyshannon at the rere of property owned by Anthony Flanagan, East Port, Ballyshannon. This parcel of land forms part of an area of landmeasuring 4 acres 2 roods 11 perches acquired by the Council on the 11th October, 1963 from the E.S.B. for the sum of £365. 10s for road realignment purposes - in part exchange for 3 roods of land being acquired by the Council from Mr. Bernard Flanagan, East Port, Ballyshannon, father of Mr. Anthony Flanagan for road widening purposes. In addition to the transfer of the plot measuring 18 sq. perches to Mr. Anthony Flanagan, Mr. Bernard Flanagan is to be paid a sum of £65 compensation for the plot measuring 3 roods being acquired by the Council.

1249/67. ABOLITION OF OFFICE OF WARD SISTER

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Cleary

AND RESOLVED: "That theDonegal County Council consents to the proposal to abolition the office of Ward Sister held by Sister M.P. O'Donnell at St. Columba's Hospital, Killybegs."

1250/67. CIVIL DEFENCE

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Cunningham

"That approval is hereby given under Section 11 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, for expenditure of £4,582 in excess of the provision made in the Estimate for the current financial year, to finance the Civil Defence Service."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

"That the question of providing additional finance for Civil Defence be deferred until the July meeting of the County Council."

A recorded vote was taken on the amendment which was declared lost, ten members having voted for and eleven against.

For the amendment: Councillors Anderson, Buchanan, McLaughlin, Gallagher, Greene, Harte, Kelly, Cleary, Melly and Patterson (10).

Against the amendment: Councillors Boyle, Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Harkin, McEleney, McGlinchey, McGowan, and Breslin (11).

No further amendment was proposed and the original motion was accordingly declared carried.

1251/67. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That overdraft accommodation in the sum of £60,000 be approved in respect of each of the quarters ending 30th June, 1967 and 30th September, 1967."

1252/67. IMPROVEMENT SCHEME FOR ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY.

The County Manager informed the meeting that he had received preliminary notification from the Department of Health that a sum of £20,000, of which 50% would be grant, would be available for expenditure on the improvement scheme for St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, within the current financial year. He stated that the matter would formally be placed before the General Purposes Committee but that he was seeking immediate approval to the arrangements to put the work in hands.

Proposed by: Councillor Diver
Seconded by: Councillor McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the execution of a programme of improvement works at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, within an estimate of £20,000 during the current financial year."

1253/67. AUDIT REPORT - COUNTY DONEGAL COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE

On the proposal of Councillor Harkin, seconded by Councillor Cleary, the Council noted the report of the Auditor on the audit of accounts of theCounty Donegal Committee of Agriculture for the year ended 31st March, 1966.

1254/67. BURNFOOT/SKEOGE CATCHMENT DRAINAGE SCHEME

The County Secretary formally placed before the meeting the drawings and schedule of works forwarded by the Board of Works, outlining the proposals for the drainage scheme of the Burnfoot/Skeoge area.

The following report of the County Engineer was also noted:

"I have examined the Drainage Scheme submitted by the Board of Works for the Skeoge River area and the maps sent for deposit and examination. The Scheme was estimated to cost £42,000 and when completed will provide adequate drainage to 400 acres of land and will also alleviate the flooding which was taking place at a number of points on the Council's roads. A number of properties will also be rendered immune from flooding. The Scheme was estimated to cost £400 annually in maintenance and it will be necessary for the Council to contribute this amount annually.

I recommend that the proposal be adopted and that the required annual maintenance charge be provided by the Council. I have arranged for copies of the necessary drawings to be made and retained in my office."

The Council noted that the drawings and schedule of works would be available for public inspection at the Garda station in Burnfoot.

1255/67. BOUNDARY OF THE SCHEDULED TOWN OF CARNDONAGH

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

"That the boundary of the scheduled town of Carndonagh be determined as set forth on the map as approved and sealed at the Council meeting on this date."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor McLaughlin

"That the determination of the boundray of the scheduled town of Carndonagh be deferred for one month."

The amendment was defeated on the casting vote of the Chairman, eleven members having voted and eleven members having voted against.

No further amendment was proposed and the original motion was accordingly declared carried.

1256/67. IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LTD

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Gallagher

AND RESOLVED: "We, the members of Donegal County Council, in the County of Donegal, being a member of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. hereby appoint as our nominee Mr. Seamus Keating, County Secretary, Donegal County Council, in our name and on our behalf to vote and exercise every other right and power incidental to such membership.

This appointment is revokable by us as provided in Article 37 of the Company's Articles of Association, and if not expressly revoked shall be determined to be revoked by any subsequent appointment hereinafter lodged by us with the Company."

1257/67. REPRESENTATIVE ON BOARD OF PEAMOUNT HOSPITAL

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

"That Councillor John Harkin be nominated to represent the Donegal County Council on the Board of Peamount Hospital Incorporated for the year commencing 24th April, 1967."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor McLaughlin
Seconded by: Councillor Cleary

"That theCounty Medical Officer be nominated to represent the Donegal County Council on the Board of Peamount Hospital Incorporated for the year commencing 24th April, 1967."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was defeated, ten members having voted for and eleven against.

No further amendment was proposed and the original motion was accordingly declared carried.

1258/67. TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

The Council noted the following letter dated 9th February, 1967 addressed by Bord Failte Eireann to the County Manager:

"I have pleasure in enclosing a small supply of regulation brochures for the 1967 Tidy Towns Competition. I also enclose a list of the 1966 competitors so that you may note how your County was represented last year.

Emphasis in the current event is being placed on the litter problem, and as you will note 35 marks out of a total of 150 are being allocated for 'absence of litter and general cleanliness and tidiness'. We trust as always, we can rely on your support for this annual promotion and would be glad if you would bring the matter to the attention of your Council."

1259/67. IRISH FRESH MEAT EXPORTERS SOCIETY LTD.

The Council noted a memorandum dated 16th February, 1967 from the Irish Fresh Meat Exporters Society Ltd.

1260/67. CROSS BORDER ROADS

The Council noted the following letter dated 22nd February, 1967, addressed by the Revenue Commissioners to the County Secretary:

"With reference to your letter dated 22nd April, 1966 regarding certain cross-border roads between Counties Donegal and Tyrone, I am directed by the Revenue Commissioners to enclose for your information a copy of an official notice announcing the extension of the scope of the cross-border concession pass arrangements to ease the position of persons resident near the border who need to make frequent crossings for essential purposes. It may be expected that these arrangements will largely resolve the difficulties of near-border residents in the Kelly's Meadow, Clady Bridge and Drumbane areas.

As regards the Strabane-Castlederg via Iniscleen, Fern and Ballyfolliard road, the Commissioners findthemselves unable to accede to your request as there are more appropriate roads wholly within Northern Ireland connecting the two towns. In the case of the Sixth Corgary road, it is considered that the alternative roads are adequate to cope with existing traffic and the expense of establishing and staffing a frontier post at Srughangarve Bridge would not be justified by the volume of traffic likely to be attracted to the road."

1261/67. ELECTION PUBLICITY

The County Manager appealed to candidates contesting the Local Government elections to avoid defacing public property in the course of publicising their election campaign. He stated that on occasions in the past slogans in public places had detracted from the amenities of the County.

Members undertook to ask their supporters to avoid repetitions of the past undesirable practices in this connection.

1262/67. DEPUTY CORONER - DONEGAL SOUTH-EAST

The County Manager informed the meeting that the late Mr. B. McDermott, Solicitor, Ballybofey, had been nominated as Deputy Coroner by Dr. J.G. O'Brien, Coroner. Dr. J.G. O'Brien had now nominated Mr. Laurence Coyle, B.A., Solicitor, Main Street, Stranorlar as Deputy Coroner.

The Council noted the appointment.

1263/67. REPORTS OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the minutes of meetings of General Purposes Committee held on 20th February, 1967 and 10th April, 1967, be approved."

1264/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION - COUNTY DONEGAL PHARMACISTS

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That Standing Orders be rescinded so as to facilitate the reception of a deputation from the County Donegal Pharmacists to consider a matter which had arisen from Minute 100/67 of General Purposes Committee report of 10th April, 1967."

A deputation from the Pharmaceutical Association led by Mr. James Brady was accordingly received.

At the request of the Council the County Manager made a statement on the arrangements for the supply of medicines to eligible persons. In the course of his statement the Manager referred to the newspaper report which indicated that the Pharmaceutical Association was going to demand to see the County Manager. He pointed out that he had seen representatives of the Pharmaceutical Association on three occasions in the past month and it was, therefore, "nonsense" to suggest that it was necessary to demand to see him. He pointed out that Medical Card holders are supplied with medicines by District Medical Officers and there was no alteration in that procedure. Where Medical Card holders availed of the services of private Doctors in the absence previously of an alternative arrangement, such persons had procured medicines from local Chemists and the Council paid the accounts. There were 75 such persons and 7 Chemists involved. Thirty-three persons were in receipt of medicines from a category of persons not usually entitled to free medicines, but because of special circumstances free medicines were, in fact, available. Nine Chemists were involved in the supply of medicines to these thirty-three cases. The Manager stated that there had been a Pharmacy in the County Hospital since it was opened. In the past year the Department had authorised the appointment of a Pharmacist. Drugs were purchased under a Contract system which gave the Council the advantage of bulk buying. This system had been in operation for over forty years. Terms had been offered by the Pharmacists for the supply of medicines, but these were not as attractive as an offer made to another Health Authority.

1264/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION - PHARMACISTS (Contd.)

In the case of the latter Authority the arrangement had proved expensive and was dropped as quickly as possible. The Manager stated that in the General Medical Services the cost of medicines last year was £21,000 whereas this year the sum provided was only £20,000. Referring to the White Paper on Health Services the Manager stated that legislation would be required to implement the arrangement for the supply of medicines as envisaged in the White Paper. The Manager gave particulars of the difficulties which had arisen and which could arise from the supply of drugs through the trading Chemists.

Concluding the Manager stated that he had detailed discussions with the Pharmaceutical Association andhe was available for further discussions.

Mr. Brady representing the Pharmaceutical Society explained that a statement had not been issued to the Press referring either to a demand to meet the County Manager or to a strike of Chemists in County Donegal. He stated that the Pharmacies were closed solely because all the Chemists in the County were at the meeting. Mr. Brady stated that there were thirty-six trading Chemists in County Donegal representing one for each 3,100 persons of the population. On the Continent the number of the population represented is one for every 5,000 persons of the population. The number of trading Chemists in the County was adequate to serve the community. Referring to a central depot Mr. Brady referred to the difficulty and delay encountered by a person in posting prescriptions to Letterkenny and procuring supplies through the post. He claimed that Chemists were in the best position to supply the needs of patients. He felt that while the saving of money is important, the Local Authority should consider wastage in the stocking of Dispensaries and should consider the efficiency of the service as its most important feature. He disputed if a better offer could be made elsewhere than the offer which had been made to the County Manager.

Mr. McElwee speaking for the Pharmaceutical Society protested at the Central Depot in Letterkenny which he considered imposed a hardship on poor people where treatment was urgent. He pointed out that hardship cases were drawn from the Middle Income Group and an increase of hardship cases drawing further on the Middle Income Group would endanger the economy of pharmaceutical business. He noted that large increases of this type of patient had occured in the past year. He also pointed out that the membership of the Lower Income Group had risen since about 1958 from the equivalent of 18% of the population to a figure equivalent to 30% of the population and in some areas the group represented 50% of the population.

The following Councillors addressed the meeting in support of the case for arrangementswhereby the appropriate categories of persons could procure medicines from the trading Chemists:

Councillors McGowan, Diver, O'Donnell, McLaughlin, Anderson, Deery, Harkin, Breslin, Dunnion, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, Cleary, Patterson, Doherty, McGlinchey, Harte, MacRuaidhrigh, McEleney, Boyle, Blaney and Cunningham.

1264/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION - PHARMACISTS (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

"That approval to the creation of a permanent post of Pharmacist be postponed indefinitely."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

"That a Committee of members drawn from each Electoral Area be appointed to continue negotiations with the Pharmacists."

The amendment was defeated on a vote, ten members having voted for the amendment and eleven members having voted against.

The original motion was, therefore, declared carried.

A further motion was

Proposed by: Councillor McElheny
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That if a permanent post of Pharmacist is created the duties of the office be confined to compiling prescriptions for hospitals and that prescriptions for hardship cases be given to the trading Chemists as heretofore.

1265/67. CAR PARK AT BALLYBOFEY - G.P. MINUTE 64/67

Referring to the Council's proposal for the provision of a Car Park at Ballybofey Councillor McGowan indicated that Dr. Callaghan's field opposite the Butt Hall is the most suitable site for a Car Park in Ballybofey. He also indicated that he was instructed to convey to the Council an offer of a grant of £1,000 for theprovision of a Car Park together with a grant of a further £1,000 for the improvement of public lighting in Ballybofey.

1266/67. ADOPTION OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE REPORTS

No further amendment was proposed to the motion proposing the adoption of the reports of the General Purposes Committee meetings held on 20th February, 1967 and 10th April, 1967 and the reports were accordingly adopted.

1267/67. VISITING COMMITTEE MEETING OF ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

The reports of meetings of St. Conal's Hospital Visiting Committee held on 13th February, 1967 and 17th April, 1967 were adopted.

1268/67. INSTALLATION OF WATER MAINS

The following question was submitted by Councillor R. Anderson:

"What is the arrangement forthe installing of 3" water mains for extensions?"

REPLY: The average cost for installing 3" dia. Class B watermains on the Council's extensions using P.V.C. pipe is 18/-d in good ground. This is inclusive of sluice valves, but does not include hydrants and other specials, road restoration, excavation of rock, or house service connections.

1269/67. FIRE PRECAUTIONS - COUNCIL OFFICES AND INSTITUTIONS

The following question was submitted by Councillor R. Anderson:

"What fire precautions are taken andwhat appliances provided in regard to all Council offices in Lifford and all sub-offices and institutions?"

REPLY: The Council Offices in Lifford are provided with fire extinguishers. The Yard staff are familiar with the operation of the extinguishers. Fire hose, stand pipes, bars and keys are kept in stores and are available at any time should an emergency arise.

In connection with hospitals, Mr. Lillis, Second Fire Officer has visited all the hospitals under the jurisdiction of the County Council and has given lectures from time to time to the resident staff in the use of the fire appliances provided in each hospital. Also the staff were instructed in the procedure to be adopted in case of fire, including methods of evacuation etc. All the new hospitals have been provided with First Aid internal hose reels and the staff have been instructed in their use.

In the case of St. Conal's Hospital, a small fire station has been provided which contains all thenecessary first aid equipment which can be put into operation immediately should an emergency arise. The resident staff have been instructed in theproper use of this equipment. The local fire brigades have standing instructions to carry out periodic drills in each institution. These fire drills consist mostly of the testing of fire hydrants and the fire fighting appliances provided in each institution.

With regard to the Council offices the Caretakers of these are responsible for ensuring that adequate precautions are taken against outbreaks of fire. Fire extinguishers are provided in all offices.

1270/67. LANDING FACILITIES AT LOWER CRUIT ISLAND

The following question was submitted by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh:

"Has the Council any information from Roinn na Gaeltachta regarding provision of landing facilities at Lower Cruit Island?" (The Department sanctioned this work several years ago.)

REPLY: Roinn na Gaeltachta have agreed to give a grant of £3,750 to improve the landing facilities at Dumach Beag, Cruit Island and the work will be carried out by the Office of Public Works. The Council have to acquire the lands for these works and for the approach roadway. There has been difficulty with title and the acquisition of lands has not yet been completed despite the efforts of the Council's Solicitor for some considerable time past. Another difficulty is the restrictions being placed on the use of the existing approach road.

1271/67. INCREASED COST OF BREAD AND FLOUR

The following question was submitted by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh:

"What will be the extra annual cost to this Council as a result of the recent increase in price of bread and flour?"

REPLY: The prices of bread and flour have gone up by 1d in the case of bread and ½d in the case of flour. Additional expenditure on these items for the year would, therefore be -

Bread -	388,582 lbs @ 1d extra	£1,619.
Flour -	16,237 lbs @ ½d extra	£33.
	TOTAL:	£1,652.

which is approximately 1.08 pence in the pound.

1272/67. KINCASSLAGH/GORTNASADE AND BELCRUIT/CRUIT ISLAND ROADS

The following question was submitted by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh:

"When is itintended to carry out repairs to the Kincasslagh/ Gortnasade road and the Belcruit/Cruit Island Road?"

REPLY: Work will begin on the Gortnasade road this week and repairs to the Belcruit road will follow on immediately.

1273/67. DE-RATING OF LAND

The following question was submitted by Councillor Buchanan:

"In view of the recent Budget will the County Secretary please state -

(a) the total number of agricultural holdings in this County;
(b) the number of these with Poor Law Valuation of £20 and under;
(c) the number of these which will qualify for complete de-rating of land;
(d) the amount of extra Grant from the Department of Local Government or Department of Finance involved in meeting the cost of de-rating these holdings during the current year (over and above the primary grants of 80% payable prior to the Budget."

REPLY:

(a) According to the Agricultural Statistics issued by the Central Statistics Office, there are 23,168 agricultural holdings in County Donegal
(b) According to the Council's own records, there are 2,330 holdings with a valuation of over £20 - leaving the number of 20,838 agricultural holdings with a valuation of under £20
(c) All of these 20,838 are understood to qualify for derating
(d) The amount of extra agricultural grant towards relief of rates for the holdings under £20 valuation is £95,430. In addition it is estimated that there will be a further additional £10,000 of agricultural grant in respect of the holdings between £20 and £33 valuation - making a total of £105,500 approximately in all.

1274/67. PLANNING PERMISSION FOR FACTORY AT DONEGAL ROAD, BALLYFOREY

The following question was submitted by Councillor McGowan:

"Has this Council refused Planning permission for a new factory at Donegal Road, Ballybofey?"

REPLY: The Planning Authority has not refused at any time permission for the erection of a new Factory at Donegal Road, Ballybofey.

1275/67. SPECIFIC INSTANCE AND SMALL FARMERS HOUSES IN THE KILLYBEGS AREA

The following question was submitted by Councillor Murrin:

"What is the present position relating to the erection of Specific Instance and Small Farmers dwellings sanctioned for the Killybegs area?"

REPLY: Difficulty has been experienced in obtaining Contractors for the erection of Specific Instance and Small Farmers Houses in the Killybegs area.

All cottages at tender stage in this area have been advertised for tender on numerous occasions. Tenders have been accepted and sanctioned forthe following cottages and the successful contractors have been requested to complete the necessary Contract Agreement and Bond.

S.I. 127 - advertised 15 times
S.I. 1389 - advertised 5 times
S.I. 1407 - advertised 5 times
S.I. 1428 - advertised 6 times

Tenders have been re-invited by public advertisement on 21st instant for the following:

S.I. 165 - 3rd advertisement
S.I. 1443 - 5th advertisement
S.I. 1603 - 3rd advertisement

A number of attempts have been made to negotiate a tender for houses in this area.

1276/67. AMBULANCE SERVICE FOR KILLYBEGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor Murrin

"Is the County Manager prepared to locate an Ambulance at Killybegs in view of the high Industrial Employment in the area?"

REPLY: The pprvision of an ambulance service for Killybegs will be considered at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee when the ambulance services will be generally re-examined.

1277/67. MAINTENANCE OF TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS

The following question was submitted by Councillor Murrin:

"What is the relative cost per patient payable by Donegal County Council for Donegal patients in Dublin hospitals as compared with the cost per capita at St. Columba's Hospital, Killybegs, when it was operational?"

REPLY: The capitation rates for T.B. patients sent to Extern Hospitals are:

Blanchardstown Hospital	54s. 6d per day
Peamount Hospital	28s. 6d per day

1277/67. MAINTENANCE OF TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS (Contd.)

In the year ended 31st March, 1966 the average daily cost of maintaining a patient at St. Columba's Hospital was 53s. 7d made up as follows:

Maintenance Cost	12s. 5½d
Establishment Cost	41s. 1½d

The average daily number of patients during that year was 34. As the number of patients decreased the maintenance cost would probably decrease somewhat, but the establishment cost would not decrease and thus the average daily cost of maintaining a patient would increase as the numbers of patients decreased.

1278/67. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO MEENMORE NATIONAL SCHOOL

The following question was submitted by Councillor O'Donnell:

"When is itproposed to extend the Rosses Regional Water Scheme to Meenmore National School?"

REPLY: Contract documents are in preparation for this extension to be included in the second contract for extensions to this scheme. When ready the documents will require approval of the Department. The loan must also be sanctioned and a Contractor obtained. In the circumstances it isnot possible to indicate when the work will be carried out.

1279/67. CAR PARK AND PUMP AT NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM

The following question was submitted by Councillor McLaughlin:

"What is the delay in providing a Car Park and raising a pump at Newtowncunningham?"

REPLY: Certain works, including the erection of pumphouse, are to be carried out in conjunction with the Newtowncunningham Housing Scheme at this site. The construction of the Car Park will be deferred until they have been completed.

1280/67. WATER RIGHTS FROM LOUGH FAD, CLONMANY

The following question was submitted by Councillor McEleney:

"What actual progress has been made towards the acquisition of water rights from Lough Fad, Clonmany, since the objectors were interviewed by the Council's engineer?"

REPLY: A Water Rights Proposal was made in respect of this scheme on the 28th November, 1966. Notices were served on the riparian owners on the 16th December, 1966. A number of objections were received to the Proposal and, the Council's Engineer, Mr. A.Spears, attended a meeting arranged by Councillor McEleney in February, 1967 for the purpose of persuading the objectors to withdraw their objections. The objectors, however, have not yet withdrawn their objections.

If all the objections in respect of theproposal are not withdrawn it will be necessary to submit the proposal to the Minister for Local Government. The Minister will hold a Public Enquiry into the matter and then submit his decision.

In further reply to Councillor McEleney the County Engineer stated that he proposed having further negotiations with the objectors concerned.

1281/67. DERRICKS AT MALIN HEAD AND BUNAGEE

The following question was submitted by Councillor Deery:

"What progress has been made in providing Derricks at Malin Head and Bunagee?"

REPLY: The Fisheries Branch of the Department of Agriculture notified some time ago that they had recommended to the Special Employment Schemes Office, which is the body responsible for such works in congested districts, that the question of providing a suitable crane at Portmore (Malin Head) Pier be investigated. It was understood at the time that the Office of Public Works have been requested to prepare the necessary report and estimate of cost. The outcome of this investigation is awaited.

There have been no recent developments in regard to a derrick for Bunagee Pier.

1282/67. REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE FOR MALIN AND CULDAFF

The following question was submitted by Councillor Deery:

"What steps have been taken to provide scavenging service at Malin andCuldaff?"

REPLY: In accordance with the recommendations of the Council at the Estimates Meeting, the balance of themonies available which can be used for new collecting services forportion of the year in certain specified sea side resorts is being examined. This will include Malin and Culdaff where a site for a dump has already been selected and the limits of the collection in both places defined.

1283/67. PETTIGO SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor Melly:

"What is the position regarding the Pettigo Sewerage Scheme?"

REPLY: Contract documents for Pettigo Sewerage Scheme have been forwarded to the Department of Local Government for ministerial approval on the 11th May, 1966. Approval has not yet been received. All land required for the scheme has been acquired and a loan application has been made to the Department of Local Government on 31st May, 1967.

1284/67. BALLYSHANNON WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor Melly:

"What is the exact position of the Ballyshannon Water Scheme and when can we expect work to commence?"

REPLY: A tender of Messrs. Hyland & McGovern, Contractors, Donegal Town has been accepted and sanctioned forthis scheme. The Contractors have been requested to call on the Council's Solicitor to prepare the necessary Contract Agreement andBond. It isunderstood, however,.that theContractors have experienced a delay with their Insurance Company in furnishing the necessary Bond. The Contractors have however, informed the Council that they hope to have the necessary Bond completed before the end of next week.

1285/67. CARAVAN PARK LICENCES - CONDITIONS OF ISSUE

The following Notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report;

"That this Council discuss fully the conditions whereby caravan park licences are being issued this year."

1286/67. ARLAND/CLOUGHGLASS COUNTY ROAD - LAY-BYES

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

"That this Council provide lay-byes on the Arland/ Cloughglass County Road."

1287/67. RAPHOE SCAVENGING DUMP

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Buchanan was proposed and seconded:

"That the scavenging dump serving Raphoe be cleaned and kept in order."

The County Secretary stated that the Contractors for Raphoe Housing Scheme were granted permission to dump spoil in the Council's dump at Raphoe. They left the entrance to the dump in an untidy state and the Council is communicating with them to ensure that the matter is rectified forthwith.

1288/67. ROAD FROM TIEVEBRACK TO THE FIVE CROSSROADS, CASTLEFIN.

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council provide a sum of approximately £2,000 for the repair of County Road No. 1635 from Tievebrack to the Five Crossroads, Castlefin district."

1289/67. KILLYBEGS HOUSING SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Murrin, was proposed and seconded:

"That theproposed Housing Scheme at Killybegs be extended to include the erection of 30 dwellings in view of the serious housing crisis existing in Killybegs."

The County Secretary stated that a scheme of 18 houses to be sited on land owned by the Council at Killybegs, is at present at an advanced design stage. This scheme will fully utilise all the land owned by the Council in the Killybegs area. Negotiations are proceeding, however, for the acquisition of a further site for Council houses which would accommodate 36 additional houses. The legal transfer is also in progress for a site acquired by the Council for private development. This site will accommodate 24 private houses."

1290/67. SEWER AT CARNAMUGGAGH ROAD, LETTERKENNY

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

"That the sewer at Carnamuggagh Road, Letterkenny, be extended."

1291/67. LINK ROAD FROM UPPER GORTNASILLAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"As the link road from Upper Gortnasillagh to Kilkenny National School is the main entry to this National School, that this Council take over same."

1292/67. SEA WALL AT MILL BAY, INCH ISLAND

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor McLaughlin was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council erect a sea wall at Mill Bay, Inch Island."

The Council noted the following report from the County Engineer:

"This sea wall is rather low and heavy storms cause wave damage to road road and adjoining houses. The cost of raising the wall for 50 yards would be £200.

I recommend that this be done out of maintenance."

1293/67. WATER TABLES ON LEGLAND COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That water tables be cleaned on the Legland County Road to and from three pipes which cross the road along Daniel Sweeney's farm of land which he claims is flooding 7 acres of his meadowland."

1294/67. MILFORD PUBLIC LIGHTING

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Kelly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates Committee for consideration:

"That a public light be provided in Milford at the entrance to Dr. McGarvey's to serve dispensary patients."

1295/67. STRANAGLOUGH/GLENTIES ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Boyle, having beenproposed and seconded, was referred to General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the roadway from Stranaglough to Glenties (via Alter and the Rock, Drumnasillagh) be put in a proper state of repair."

1296/67. HOUSING PROGRAMME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was considered:

"That the factors at official level causing delay in the housing programme of the county be abolished."

A general discussion took place on the Council's programme for theprovision of houses and the following Councillors contributed - Councillors Cunningham, Harkin, McGlinchey, Blaney and Murrin.

The County Manager informed the meeting that the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee would provide for consideration of the progress reports on housing and sanitary schemes. He also stated that under the Housing Act, 1966 it is a statutory obligation on the Council to assess housing needs and to draw up a building programme. The making of a building programme is a reserved function.

1297/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor Cleary
Seconded by: Councillor McLaughlin

"That themeeting be now adjourned."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor McEleney
Seconded by: Councillor McGowan

"That Page five of the Agenda be completed."

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor Murrin

"That the meeting remain in session until the Agenda is finished."

On a vote this amendment was defeated, seven members having voted for and eight against.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was accordingly declared carried and the meeting adjourned.

CONFIRMED: Bernard Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 29/5/67

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY ON 12TH JUNE, 1967

1387/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell and Patterson.

1388/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1389/67. ROADS PROGRAMME

At the request of the members of the Council the County Engineer explained the factors which affected the Council's policy in relation to road improvement works as distinct from maintenance. He stated that works for execution under the County Road Improvement Grant are selected from the Five Year Plan which is formulated with the help of members of the Council. Forty-five per cent of County Roads were dust free at the 31st March, 1967 and of the remaining 55% of County Roads it was doubtful if all of them could be regarded as qualifying for surfacing. In some areas the cost of work was high by reason of difficult terrain and the required materials not being readily available. The progress per annum was in the order of an additional 5% of County Road mileage rendered dust free. The County Engineer expressed the view that 60% of County Roads brought to dust free standard would be a high target for Donegal.

In relation to the taking in charge of additional roads the County Engineer stated that the policy was that residents with the aid of grants would first bring the roads up to Council's standards and the County Council would then take over maintenance. There were some roads which should be taken over and some which should not be taken over. He suggested that in taking over of roads the Council should have regard to the following points of policy - (1) a minimum of six occupants per mile, even in the case of Cul-de-Sacs. The occupants could be wither resident or non-resident; (2) the roads should be capable of development to a 12' wide carriageway in due course; (3) roads for the service of bogs only should not be taken in charge.

The County Engineer also pointed out that under the Civil Liability Act the Council, after commencement of the appropriate section of the Act, could be responsible for claims arising out of the condition of roads, whereas formerly the Council could not be held liable for damage arising from non-feasance.

A general discussion then took place on the condition of roads and the following Councillors contributed to the discussion:

Councillors Deery, O'Donnell, Cunningham, Meehan, Breslin, Blaney, Patterson, Buchanan, Doherty, Gallagher, Dunnion, McGlinchey, Anderson, McEleney, Melly, Cleary, MacRuaidhrigh, and McGowan.

1389/67. ROADS PROGRAMME (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor Doherty

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council's policy in connection with the selection of roads for improvement works be considered at area meetings to be convened by the County Engineer as soon as practicable."

1390/67. ROAD GRANT ALLOCATIONS, 1967/68

Proposed by: Councillor P. O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That the individual proposals for execution under the Grants for 1967/68 be not discussed but that the County Engineer be authorised to proceed with continuing works provided no new works are started."

The County Engineer then gave particulars of the continuing works for which he wished to have authorisation to proceed, as follows:

Glenveagh Road
Ballyshannon/Beleek Road
Muff/Quigley's Point Road
Burt/Speenogue Road
Port Bridge, Letterkenny
Letterkenny Streets
Bundoran Car Park
Mulhern's Turn
Portnablagh
Bloodyforeland
Kerrykeel

1391/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING

The County Engineer informed the Council that he had been in correspondence with the Electricity Supply Board in connection with an offer of a better type of lighting which was not available for the purposes of street lighting. The proposal had the effect that if the number of lights in any town was not increased, no additional capital charge arose. He proposed asking the Council to experiment with the new system in Ramelton. The following letter dated 29th May, 1967 from the Electricity Supply Board was then considered by the Council:

"Further to my letter of the 23rd May, the existing metered rural Public Lighting in Ramelton village consists of 38 - 200 watt filament lamps lighting dusk to midnight and there are also three hand switched lamps of a similar kind at the harbour for which there is a separate public lighting account.

As we are now in a position to offer an urban tupe contract for Ramelton, we suggest that the whole 41 lamps be put on this basis and all changed over to the new type 125 watt mercury fluorescent lanterns. The annual costs of these new lamps would be as follows:

Lighting Hours	Inclusive Annual Charge per 125 MFB/U Lamp
Dusk to Midnight	£6. 13. 0d.
Dusk to 1 a.m.	£6. 16. 0d.
Dusk to Dawn	£8. 4. 0d.

1391/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING (Contd.)

At present the 200 watt filament lamp lighting dusk to midnight costs about £5 per annum but the new 125 watt mercury fluorescent gives approximately 80% more light and is, therefore, much better value. In view of the fact that the extended hour to 1 a.m. only costs an extra 3/-d per lamp per annum it is considered that your Council may wish to avail of this additional service. There would be no initial capital charge to your Council for the provision of the new lamps but at any point where a pilot light is required, the cost of providing the necessary time switch would be £18. 13. 0d payable upon completion of the work.

It is now suggested that four pilot lights be provided: one at the Pier, one at the Hotel, one on the Mall at the foot of Tank Brae and the fourth at the Bridge -End side of the Bridge. On the assumption that these four pilots would be allowed and that the other 37 lamps would be lighting dusk to 1 a.m. the costs would be as follows:

1.	Initial Capital Charge	4 time switches	£74. 12. 0d
2.	Annual Charge		
	4 lamps at £8. 4. 0d per annum		£32. 16. 0d
	37 lamps at £6.16. 0d per annum		£251. 12. 0d

The annual charge does of course, include for the renewal of all bulbs and the maintenance of the fittings as and when this may be required.

I feel that the new scheme will be attractive to your Council and you can be assured that your instructions will have our best attention."

Proposed by: Councillor D. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council agree to install the new type of public lighting as proposed by the Electricity Supply Board in the town of Rosselton."

1392/67. REMUNERATION OF DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER, ARRANMORE

The County Manager informed the meeting that approval had recently been given for the payment of a residence allowance of £770 per annum in the case of a Dispensary Doctor who was prepared to live on Arranmore Island.

The Minister for Health was now prepared to agree to a revised salary of £2,500 for the office of District Medical Officer for Arranmore (Dungloe No. 3) Dispensary District.

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor S. Cleary

AND RESOLVED: "That the salary of £2,500 is hereby approved for the office of District Medical Officer, Arranmore Island."

CONFIRMED: Bernard Mc Glinchey
CHAIRMAN

DATE: _____

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL TO INTRODUCE THE DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) ACT, 1963 (19-6-1967)

1393/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey, Anderson, Baxter, Blaney, Buchanan, Cleary, Cunningham, McLaughlin, Deery, Diver, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breaisleain and Patterson.

1394/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. Burke, Temporary Assistant County Engineer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1395/67. INTRODUCTION OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The County Manager introduced the Draft Plan and informed the Council that the 1st October, 1967 was the statutory date by which the Plan must be adopted, and that prior to that date the Draft Plan should be on display for a period of three months, during which time objections may be made to any matter contained in the Draft. The Manager advised the Council that it would be necessary to have further meetings for the purpose of considering the draft in detail so as to be ready to adopt a Plan before the statutory date.

The Plan was formally circulated to members and was introduced by Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., who described in detail the various proposals outlined in the Plan, and displayed large scale maps which had been prepared as part of the Plan. Mr. O'Malley's explanation of the Plan commenced at approximately 12.30 p.m. and continued until approximately 5 p.m.

The following Councillors also spoke in connection with the Plan:

Councillors McGlinchey, Cunningham, Deery, Buchanan, Diver, Patterson, Melly, McGowan, Breslin, Dunnion, Anderson and Gallagher.

1396/67. ADOPTION OF DRAFT PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the document numbered from Page 1 to Page 182 inclusive together with the maps contained therein hereby constitutes the Draft of the proposed Development Plan for the Donegal County Health District, prepared pursuant to Section 21 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. McLaughlin
Seconded by: Councillor S. Patterson

"That the Council do not adopt the Plan as presented."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was defeated, five members having voted for and eight against. No further amendment having been proposed the original motion was declared carried.

1397/67. CONCLUDING REMARKS

During the afternoon session of the meeting Councillor Buchanan acted as Chairman in the absence of Councillor McGlinchey.

At the conclusion of the meeting Councillor Buchanan expressed good wishes to the retiring members of the Council and conveyed his thanks to the Council officials and the Press representatives for their co-operation with the Council during its term of office.

Councillor S. Patterson and Councillor P. Kelly as retiring Councillors also joined in the expression of thanks to the officials.

The County Manager expressed thanks on his own behalf and on behalf of the officials for the co-operation extended by the Council towards officials during the previous seven years.

The meeting then terminated

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28/8/67

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 29TH MAY, 1967

1298/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Baxter, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, McLaughlin, Deery, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislesin, Dunnion, Patterson and Murrin, Anderson, Blaney, Cunningham, Diver.

1299/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Speers, Chief Assistant County Engineer, N. Walsh, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1300/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor Dunnion, the minutes of meeting of Donegal County Council held on 24th April, 1967 were confirmed.

1301/67. SCHEME OF IMPROVEMENTS AT ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY - LOAN

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be obtained to the raising of a loan of £10,000 to finance a scheme of improvements at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny."

1302/67. MOBILE AND PREFABRICATED HOMES - RAISING OF LOAN

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That the consent of the Minister for Local Government be obtained to the raising of a loan of £10,000 for the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited to finance the acquisition of mobile and prefabricated homes and for making Essential Repair Grants."

1303/67. EXCESS EXPENDITURE, 1967/68 - HEALTH SERVICES

Proposed by: Councillor Kelly
Seconded by: Councillor Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That excess expenditure for Pathological Services be approved under the following headings:

Institutions	-	£3,920
T.B. Service	-	£1,200
Maternity Services	-	£158
Specialist Service	-	£282
TOTAL:		£5,560

1304/67. DISPOSAL OF MILFORD WORKHOUSE LANDS

Proposed by: Councillor Baxter
Seconded by: Councillor Kelly

AND RESOLVED: "That in accordance with notice serve pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, on each member of the Council on 12th May, 1967, land be disposed of as follows:

Lands at Milford, area approximately 4 acres 3 roods and 19 perches property known as "Old Milford Workhouse and Lands."

The lands were acquired by the County Council under the State Lands (Workhouse) Act, 1962, and the Labourers Acts. It is proposed to transfer the lands to the Milford Co-operative Livestock Mart. Ltd., at a consideration of £50 and subject to the conditions that:

(a) The lands will be used for the provision of a cattle Mart to be approved by the County Council under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963.

(b) The Buildings to be demolished and the site levelled to such extent as may be approved by the County Council.

(c) The Council's costs in connection with the transfer to be borne by the purchasers."

1305/67. DISPOSAL OF DONEGAL DUMPING SITE

Proposed by: Councillor Anderson
Seconded by: Councillor Cleary

AND RESOLVED: "That in accordance with notice served pursuant to Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, on each member of the Council on 10th May, 1967, land be disposed of as follows:

Site of the existing dumping ground in Donegal Town by granting a lease of it to St. John Bosco's Boys Club for use as a sportsfield, for a period of fifteen years at a rent of £1 per annum, on condition that the small portion of the lands, which will in time be affected by road re-alignment to Killybegs and will eventually be required for that purpose, be excluded."

1306/67. PROHIBITION ORDER - KNOCKALLA ROAD

Proposed by: Councillor McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the County Council of the County of Donegal being the Sanitary Authority for the County Health District of Donegal hereby prohibits the erection or retention of temporary dwellings on the land specified in the Schedule hereto as they are of opinion that such erection or retention would be prejudicial to Public Health or the amenities of the Locality.

The above Order relates to all the land in the townlands of Bunnaton, Magherawarden, Killavee, Greenfort Demesne, Drum and Creaghross on the Seaward side of the following lines, that is the line of the new road (known as the Knockalla Road) through the townland of Bunnaton and Magherawarden from a point where the said new road commences in the townland of Bunnaton to a point where it meets the County Road at the townland boundary between the townlands of Magherawarden and the townlands of Carn Upper and Carn Lower

1307/67. PROHIBITION ORDER - KNOCKALLA ROAD (Contd.)

(designated on the O.S. Map as Carn Upper and Lower) and from this latter point a line to the point where the boundary of the townlands of Drum and Croaghross, meet the main Kerrykeel Portsalon road and from this latter point the line of the said Kerrykeel Portsalon Road to where it meets a roadway leading to Portsalon Pier.

Which said lands are bounded in the townland of Bunnaton by a line drawn at right angles from the point where the said new road commences to the sea and in the townland of Croaghross by the road leading from the junction of the Kerrykeel Portsalon road to Portsalon Pier.

1308/67. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 15, 1967

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

AND RESOLVED: That the minutes of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on 15th May, 1967, be adopted subject to the following amendments:

Minute 110/67: It was agreed that the arrangement entered into by the County Manager with the Donegal Pharmacists be limited to a period of one year.

Minute 146/67: It was agreed that the County Engineer would examine the provision of traffic lights at the Bridge, Ballyshannon.

1309/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF VISITING COMMITTEE OF ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL

On the proposal of Councillor Anderson, seconded by Councillor Diver, the minutes of meeting of Visiting Committee of St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, held on 8th May, 1967, were adopted.

1310/67. PROVISION OF CEDARWOOD HOUSES

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"Has the Council any proposals to provide Cedarwood houses to alleviate the housing position in the County?"

REPLY: A Cedarwood house has been provided by the Council to rehouse an elderly couple who were living in an unsafe house at Carrickmagrath, Ballybofey. This house is 311 sq.ft. in area and was purchased on an experimental basis from Messrs. G.W.I. Collooney, Co. Sligo. The question of providing further houses of this type is being deferred pending results of a proto type prefabricated house which is being erected under the guidance of the Department of Local Government by Kildare County Council. It is hoped that this house will be completed shortly and if same is found to be satisfactory plans will be made available to this local authority.

The question of providing Cedarwood houses similar in floor area to S.I. cottages at present being erected was considered but it was found that the Cedarwood houses were very costly by comparison to the normal type of S.I. Cottage.

Five Mobile homes have been ordered by this Council to provide accommodation for elderly people. One of these mobile homes has been erected at Cashelogary, Inver and is occupied by Patrick Mulherne.

1310/67. PROVISION OF CEDARWOOD HOMES (Contd.)

The main objection to the use of Cedarwood houses or mobile homes is that there is a certain fire hazard attached to them. It is understood that the prefabricated house at present being erected in County Kildare has been so designed as to eliminate this fire hazard."

1311/67. WATER FOUNTAIN IN ROSBEG

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"Has the Council replaced or repaired (water) fountain in Rosbeg which serves some forty people?"

REPLY: A hand-pump on a well at Rosbeg was repaired by the Council's workmen on the 27th April, 1967.

1312/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR ROSBEG, PORTNOO

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"Has the County Council any proposals for the provision of a water supply for Rosbeg, Portnoo."

REPLY: The Council adopted a proposal in 1963 for providing a water supply at Rosbeg, Portnoo. This scheme was not on the original programme adopted by the Council and the planning was to be undertaken by the County Engineering Staff in its place on the programme. The design staff has, however, not been available to undertake the planning and this scheme has had to be deferred. It is included in the Council's present priority list.

1313/67. DISCLOSURE OF ELECTION RESULTS

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. Patterson:

"In the local elections taking place on 28th June, 1967, is it fact that candidates can ascertain after the count for whom particular members of the electorate cast their votes?"

REPLY: No.

1314/67. GLENTIES/ARDARA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"Has any progress been made re. the Glenties/Ardara Regional Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: Tenders were submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval on the 14th September, 1965. A loan to finance the Scheme was applied for on 5th October, 1965.

1315/67. DOOCHARY/FINTOWN ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"Amount of money to be expended on the Doochary/ Fintown Road during the current year?"

REPLY: It is proposed to expend £4,000 on special repairs to this road in the current year.

1316/67. ERECTION OF HOUSES

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"How many houses does this Council propose to erect during the current year?"

REPLY: The number of houses it is proposed to erect during the coming year is 130.

1317/67. INSTALLATION OF SEPTIC TANK AT S.I. COTTAGE IN GREENCASTLE

The following question was submitted by Councillor A. Diver:

"What is the position re. installation of septic tank at S.I. Cottage in Greencastle?"

REPLY: This cottage was located so as to make sewering practicable in the event of a sewer being laid in the adjoining road from Drumaweir Housing Scheme to Greencastle in the future. As the cottage is an unserviced one in a location where temporary septic tank would be difficult to construct, and then only in land not the property of the Council, it was recommended that no further action be taken pending the laying of a sewer.

1318/67. ST. FINIAN'S PARK, MOVILLE

The following question was submitted by Councillor A. Diver:

"When will work start on the reconstruction of Council cottages at No. 1 Scheme at St. Finian's Park, Moville."

REPLY: A sum of £2,990 was provided in the Estimates for the provision of bathrooms in the above Housing Scheme. It is proposed to do this work by contract and arrangements are being made to request quotations.

1319/67. COOLE/CRANFORD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor Blaney:

"What is the up to date position in connection with the Coole/Cranford Water Supply Scheme? What has been the delay in making more progress with the Scheme?"

Contract Documents for Cranford Water Supply were forwarded to the Department of Local Government on the 1st February, 1967. Approval of these Documents has not yet been received. In anticipation of this approval the Council's Solicitors are preparing the necessary water rights proposal for the Scheme.

This Scheme was designed by the Council's own staff. Any delay which may have arisen in preparing Contract Documents would have been caused by the fact that there is a shortage of adequate Engineering Staff.

1320/67. EXTENSION OF CARRIGART WATER SUPPLY

The following question was submitted by Councillor Blaney:

"What is the position in regard to the proposed extension of Carrigart Water Supply to serve the townlands of Clontelle, Meevagh, Dundoan and Melmore area?"

REPLY: Plans for this extension have yet to be prepared by the Council's Engineers.

1321/67. DOWNINGS SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor Blaney:

"What is the up to date position in connection with the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Downings?"

REPLY: Contract Documents for this Scheme have been sanctioned by the Department of Local Government on the 27th May, 1965. All land required in connection with the Scheme has been acquired The Scheme is ready for advertising. An application has been made to the Department of Local Government for a loan to finance the Scheme on the 8th May, 1967. As no capital allocation in respect of Sanitary Services for the current year has yet been received, the Department of Local Government have been asked if it is in order to advertise this Scheme for Tender.

1322/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT ROSBEG

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

"That a sheep dipping tank be provided in Rosbeg as the nearest tank is 8 miles away."

1323/67. SPEED LIMIT IN PORTNABLAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Technical Committee for examination and report:

"That a 30 mile speed limit be introduced between McElhinney's garage, Portnablagh to Friel's, Sandhill, Portnablagh."

1324/67. ENTRANCES TO SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Petterson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That steps be taken to provide proper entrances to newly constructed S.I. houses by erecting gates etc."

1325/67. HOUSES AT LONGLANDS, CONVOY - BATHS ETC.

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council instal sanitary facilities, bath and hot water in the 30 houses at Longlands, Convoy."

1326/67. WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Minister for Local Government be pressed to expedite his decision in relation to the water and sewerage schemes under consideration for Frosses/ Inver, St. John's Point, Killybegs, Kilcar, Dunkineely, Carrick, Malinbeg/Malinmore and Brockey Cottages, Killybegs."

1327/67. RAMELTON WATER SUPPLY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a new water supply system for the town of Ramelton."

1328/67. CAR PARK AT NARIN, PORTNOO

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examinationand report:-

"That this Council provide a Car Park at Narin, Portnoo."

1329/67. BALLEIGHAN ROAD TO CARROWHUGH ROAD, GREENCASTLE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council take over the connecting road between Balleighan Road and Carrowhugh Road, Greencastle."

1330/67. WATER SUPPLY TO BRINLACK AND KNOCKFOLA AREAS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the water supply be extended to Brinlack and Knockfola areas."

1331/67. PAYMENT OF DISABILITY ALLOWANCE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Minister for Health be invited to introduce legislation enabling entitlement to Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances to be determined without regard to the means of the other persons in the household."

1332/67. ROAD FROM BINION HOUSE GATES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the M.E.S. Road from Binion House Gates to the footbridge at Binion Strand, be taken over by the County."

1333/67. PETTIGO/LAGHEY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Melly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Pettigo/Laghey Road be put in a proper state of repair."

1334/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING - FINTRA ROAD, KILLYBEGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates Committee for consideration in connection with the preparation of the Estimates for 1968/69:

"That an additional street light be placed at Fintra Road, Killybegs."

1335/67. ROAD FROM BARNESMORE POST OFFICE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council take over the road from Barnesmore Post Office and Brininnen."

1336/67. ROAD AT HILLTOWN, COCKHILL, BUNCRANA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council pipe and widen portion of road at Hilltown, Cockhill, Buncrana."

1337/67. MEENACLADDY/CURRANSPORT/MEENLARAGH ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"Go n-iarraidh an Comhairle Conndae deontas ar Roinn na Gaeltachta leis an Bhealach mhor o Mhin a 'Cladaigh trid Phort an Currain go Min na Iaraigh a dheisiu."
(That the Council request Roinn na Gaeltachta to reconstruct the Meenacladdy/Curransport/Meehnlaragh Road.)

1338/67. ROAD FROM BALLINA BRIDGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"In view of the historical and scenic importance of the road from Ballina Bridge, via the Church of Ireland, to Barney McGee's of Killult, that this Council apply to Bord Failte for a grant and repair same. Situate on this road is a cottage frequented by the late Sir Roger Casement, Padraig Pearse and Dr. Douglas Hyde."

1339/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING - FAHAN VILLAGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposdd and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide five lights between the Church of Ireland Church and Fahan Village on main Derry/Buncrana Road."

1340/67. SMALL FARMERS HOUSE FOR PATRICK GALLAGHER, CLOCHBAN, DOWNINGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having beenproposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council build a house under the Small Farmers Scheme for Patrick Gallagher, Clochban, Downings on his farm at Melmore."

1341/67. WATER SUPPLY - BUNBEG AND GLASAGH AREAS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the County Council takes immediate steps to ensure that a regular supply of water is provided in the Bunbeg to Glasegh area in view of the summer influx of tourists and students."

1342/67. ADDITIONAL LIGHTS FOR BALLYLIFFIN VILLAGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That two additional lights be provided in Ballyliffin Village."

1343/87. TARRING OF PROPERTY OUTSIDE THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BALLINDRAIT

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council repair and tar their property outside the Presbyterian Church in Ballindrait now being used as parking ground by housing estate."

1344/87. SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGE APPLICANTS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council discuss the position of applicants for S.I. houses whose sites have been rejected as unsuitable."

1345/87. COTTAGES AT BELTONY, RAPHOE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Buchanan, was referred to the County Manager for attention:

"That immediate action be taken to rebuild and repair two Council cottages destroyed by fire situated at Beltony, Raphoe."

1346/87. SLUICE GATE UNDER THE BRIDGE AT CALHAME, ANNAGRY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer undertook to take the matter up with the Land Commission:

"That this Council place a sluice gate under the bridge at Calhame, Annagry thus preventing flooding of good arable land."

1347/87. FROSSES/INVER WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council ask the Minister for Local Government to sanction the Frosses/Inver Water Supply Scheme without delay."

1348/87. ROAD AT TULLENAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council take over the road leading from Michael McBroary's house, Tullenagh, from the County Road going to John Meehan's house and to the County Road at Orbeg. This road is 1¼ miles long."

1349/67. LISTACK COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the County Road leading from Stranorlar/Letterkenny Main Road starting from Sweeney's Crossroads about 100 yards below Johnny Bonnar's Pub, Drumkeen, through the townlands of Trentaboy, Stralongford, Corrovaddy and Listack into Old Town, Letterkenny, be tarred and rolled. It is generally known as Listack County Road."

1350/67. INSTALLATION OF SHEEP GATES

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

"That the County Engineer formulate a plan to install sheep gates on hill roads that are used for turf haulage only."

1351/67. DERRY/STRANORLAR MAIN ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer explained that efforts had been made in conjunction with the Contractor for the Sewerage Scheme to have temporary restoration carried out as quickly as possible:

"That more effort be made to effect repairs to the Derry/Stranorlar Main Road through the towns of Raphoe and Convoy."

1352/67. BRIDGES OVER THE RIVER FINN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer explained that the legal position would have to be clarified before the Council could give an undertaking to the Office of Public Works in advance of the formulation of a drainage scheme:

"That this Council meet the expenses of replacing bridges over the River Finn where the drainage of the river will necessitate same."

1353/67. ROAD FROM MAIN ROAD AT DRUMBOARTY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this road be taken over leading from John McKelvey's house and from the main road at Drumboarty leading on past Bernard Ward's house. It is about ½ mile long."

1354/67. FOOTPATHS IN BALLYBOFEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the footpath past Barney McBride's Public House, Ballybofey, Nevenny Street, be completed to the end of the street."

1355/67. NURSING SERVICES IN INISHOWEN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, the County Medical Officer indicated that he had consistently directed his efforts towards ensuring that every area in the County would be covered as fully as possible. He indicated, however, that his jurisdiction over the activities and the areas of the District Nursing Associations was not adequate to enable him to revise their districts:

"That a redistribution of all District and Public Health Nursing areas in Inishowen be carried out to ensure that every district therein will be fully served by the Nursing service."

1356/67. FREE POSTAL FACILITIES FOR ELECTION LITERATURE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Buchanan, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council request the Minister for Local Government to make an Order granting free postal facilities for "Election Literature" in connection with forthcoming Local Government Elections."

1357/67. AIGHAN COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee, for examination and report:

"That this Council put this road in a proper state of repair chipping and tarring leading from Meehey's house at Aighan County Road, Bruckless and going through Gilbertstown and leading out at Colhame County Road."

1358/67. SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGE FOR MRS. HANNAH McDAID, MAGHERACLOY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That an S.I. Cottage be provided for Mrs. Hannah McDaid, Magheracloy, St. Johnston."

1359/67. TRUSK COUNTY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Dunnion, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the upper end of Trusk County Road be put into a decent state of repair as this part of road is in a deplorable condition."

1360/67. FOUNTAIN AT GLENEELY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery, having beenproposed and seconded, it was indicated that this work would be carried out at an estimated cost of £50:

"That this Council pipe water from "Green's Well", Gleneely to roadside and erect fountain or tap."
(Distance approximately 100 yards)

1361/67. TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT THE BRIDGE, BALLYSHANNON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Melly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That traffic lights be erected at the new road junction at the Bridge, Ballyshannon and pedestrian crossings be made at same."

1362/67. REARRANGEMENT OF SURFACE MEN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council discuss the present re-arrangement of surface men employed by the Council."

The County Engineer explained the necessity for the revision of the arrangments for utilising the service of surface men and he undertook to examine the position of any workman who suffered hardship as a result of the revision.

1363/67. MILK PRODUCTION AT ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor R. Anderson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council discontinue the production of milk at St. Conal's Hospital farm, Letterkenny."

1364/67. PIER AT CHAPEL STRAND, ARRANMORE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRhaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"Go n-iarrfidh an Comhairle Chontae deontas ar Roinn na Gaeltachta le fad a chur leis an ceidh ag Traigh an tSeipeal, Arainn Mor."
(That the Council request Roinn na Gaeltachta to provide monies to extend Pier at Chapel Strand, Arranmore.)

1365/67. ROAD FROM GRANGE TO BENAULT, INCH ISLAND

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council make a new road to link County Roads at Grange to Benault, Inch Island thus making a complete circuit of the Island possible."

1366/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATHS AT DUNDOAN, DOWNINGS AND DRIM, CRANFORD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer undertook to examine the position:

"That this Council repair sheep dipping baths at Dundoan, Downings and Drim, Cranford."

1367/67. DRAINAGE WORKS ON GWEEBARRA RIVER

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Board of Works be requested to carry out drainage work on the Gweebarra River."

1368/67. ERECTION OF NEW HOUSES AT RATHMULLAN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the Contract for this work has been sanctioned:

"That this Council proceed immediately with the erection of thirteen new houses at Rathmullan."

1369/67. NEW ROAD PAST CATTLE MART, DONEGAL TOWN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer indicated that the allocation of grant to the Council for the current year had not yet been announced:

"That portion of Main Road Grant for Donegal district be spent on proposed new road past Cattle Mart this year."

1370/67. CRANE AND BOGIES AT RATHMULLAN PIER

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Council ask the Potato Marketing Board to provide a crane and bogies at Rathmullan Pier."

1371/67. WATER SUPPLY AT PORTHALL

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That water service be extended from Carlin's Corner, Porthall to Porthall old Railway Station to serve eight families."

1372/67. DUMPING GROUNDS FOR CLONMANY AND BALLYLIFFIN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That in order to avail of the scavenging services, dumps be provided for Clonmany and Ballyliffin."

1373/67. CARRIGART AND CREESLOUGH WATER SUPPLY

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

"That the Council connect the water supplies of Carrigart and Creeslough to serve the townlands of Claggin, Glenree, Drim, Aghadhor, Creevagh, Lackagh, Cashel and Rosead areas."

1374/67. LOUGH FAD WATER RIGHTS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. McEleney, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer explained that a new canvass would be carried out:

"That a fresh attempt be made to acquire the water rights for Lough Fad by agreement."

1375/67. OLD AGE PENSIONS

It was proposed by Councillor J. Harkin and seconded by Councillor H. Blaney, that the following resolution from Cork County Council be marked read:

"That the means test for the Old Age Pensions be abolished. That the rates of both contributory and non-contributory Old Age Pensions be increased. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Taoiseach, the Minister for Social Welfare and to all Local Authorities for their consideration."

An amendment was proposed by Councillor S. McLaughlin and seconded by Councillor J. McEleney - "That the resolution be adopted".

The amendment was defeated by four votes to six.

1376/67. RAILWAY TRACK AT LETTERKENNY

The following resolution from Letterkenny Urban District Council was proposed and seconded:

"That Donegal County Council be requested to declare the Railway Track at Letterkenny to be a main road in substitution for the Cullion Road and that work on this section of road be put in hands as soon as possible."

The County Engineer stated that a firm proposal would be placed before the Council on this matter in the near future.

1377/67. WATER DISTRIBUTION MAINS, BALLYSHANNON

The following resolution from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer indicated that this work had already been started:

"That we ask the Donegal County Council to arrange to have the new scheme for water distribution mains in Ballyshannon commenced as soon as possible as there seems to be an undue delay in this matter which ultimately will affect the tourist traffic should the main streets be dug up during the Summer."

1378/67. PILOT LIGHTS IN BALLYSHANNON

The following resolution from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That we ask the Donegal County Council to provide a Pilot light at junction of the two new roads at Bridge Ballyshannon and if possible provide a further pilot light on the new road at West Port."

1379/67. OLD PEOPLES REST HOME, BALLYSHANNON

The following resolution from Ballyshannon Town Commissioners was noted:

"That we ask the Donegal County Council to provide an Old Peoples Rest Home at Ballyshannon to cater for an ever increasing number of old people who must be sent to an overcrowded County Home at Stranorlar, and failing that that the County Council provide an extra male ward at the Rock Hospital so that some of these people may be catered for during illness."

1380/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor R. Anderson

AND RESOLVED: "That Standing Orders be suspended."

Following the suspension of Standing Orders Senator McGowan proposed that a Special meeting be held to deal with County Roads not covered by the Five Year Plan and to deal with accommodation roads.

It was agreed that a Special meeting be held at St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny at 3 p.m. on 12th June, 1967.

1381/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the proposal of Councillor J. Harkin, seconded by Councillor H. Blaney, it was agreed that Standing Orders be suspended to enable the Council to consider the Milford Housing Scheme which is in progress.

Councillor Blaney made the point that a footpath included in the original plan is not scheduled for execution inthe present Contract and requested that the matter be considered with a view to taking the necessary steps to have it included at this stage.

The County Engineer indicated that he would examine the matter.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28th August ~~12th July~~, 1967

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON MAY 29, 1967

1382/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors McGlinchey (Presiding), Baxter, Boyle, Buchanan, Cleary, McLaughlin, Deery, Doherty, Dunnion, Gallagher, Greene, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McEleney, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Meehan, O'Breislein, Dunnion, Patterson, Murrin, Anderson, Blaney, Cunningham and Diver.

1383/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, N. Walsh, Staff Officer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S.Keating, County Secretary.

1384/67. MAKING OF COUNTY RATE AND SEVERAL COUNTY RATES FOR THE SERVICE OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 1968

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor P. Dunnion

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council hereby make and allow the County Rate and several County Rates for the service of the financial year ending on the 31st March, 1967, 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 County Council.

1385/67. SEALING OF COLLECTORS WARRANTS

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor P. Dunnion

AND RESOLVED: "That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to Rate Collectors Warrants for the year ending 31st March, 1968."

1386/67. SEALING OF DEMANDS ON URBAN DISTRICTS

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor P. Dunnion

AND RESOLVED: "That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to the Demands of the Urban Districts of Buncrana, Bundoran and Letterkenny."

The meeting then terminated.

ADOPTED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28th August, 1967

COMHAIRLE CHONNDAE DHUN NA nGALL

County Secretary's Office
County House
LIFFORD
27 June 1974

NOTICE OF MEETING

Annual Meeting of Donegal County Council

Tuesday, 2 July, 1974 - 11.30 a m

at County House, Lifford

TO EACH MEMBER OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

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You are summoned to attend this Meeting of the Council. The Agenda is attached. The Register of County Manager's Orders will be available for inspection at the Meeting.

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AGENDA - COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING OF 2nd JULY, 1974

1. Election of Chairman ✓
2. Election of Vice-Chairman ✓
3. Election of Deputy Vice-Chairman ✓
4. Election of County Donegal Vocational Education Committee ✓
5. Election of County Donegal Committee of Agriculture ✓
6. Election of 6 members of North Western Health Board ✓
7. Election of 15 members of Donegal Local Committee of the North Western Health Board ✓
8. Election of General Purposes Committee ✓
9. Election of Housing Committee ✓
10. Election of Library Book Selection Committee ✓
11. Election of Roads Committee ✓
12. Election of Diseases of Animals Committee ✓
13. Election of Sheep Dipping Committee ✓
14. Election of County Donegal Old Age Pension Committee ✓
15. Election of Delegates to County Councils General Council ✓
16. Election of Representative to North Western Regional Tourism Organisation ✓
17. Affixing of official seal of the Council ✓

Note:- Election of Members of Ballyshannon (4) and Buncrana Harbour (2) Authorities shall be made between 7 July and 31 August 1974 (The Harbours Act, 1946, Section 10) and will be on the agenda for meeting of the Council which will be held on 29 July 1974. ✓

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 12TH JULY, 1967

1398/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney, Boggs, Campbell, P. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breislenin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1399/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1400/67. CHAIRMANSHIP

At the Commencement of the meeting Senator B. McGlinchey Chairman, presided. In his opening remarks he extended a welcome to the new members elected to the Council and expressed his pleasure at the re-election of existing members.

Senator McGlinchey thanked the County Council and the officials of the Council for their co-operation with him in the performance of his duties as Chairman.

1401/67. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That Councillor H. Blaney be elected Chairman of the Donegal County Council."

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

"That Councillor M. Melly be elected Chairman of Donegal County Council."

A vote was taken and Councillor Blaney was declared elected, fourteen members having voted for his election as against eleven members for Councillor Melly.

For Councillor Blaney:	Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislenin (14)
For Councillor Melly:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell and Reid (11)
Abstained from voting:	Councillors MacRuaidhrigh and Patterson

Councillor Blaney then took the Chair and thanked the Council for his election.

1402/67. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor B. Boggs

AND RESOLVED: That Councillor W. Patterson be elected Vice-Chairman of the Donegal County Council."

1403/67. ELECTION OF DEPUTY VICE-CHAIRMAN

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

"That Councillor A. Diver, be elected Deputy Vice-Chairman."

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

"That Councillor M. Melly be elected Deputy Vice-Chairman."

A vote was taken and Councillor Diver was declared elected Deputy Vice-Chairman, fourteen members having voted for his election as against eleven members for the election of Councillor Melly.

For Councillor Diver: Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislein (14)

For Councillor Melly: Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell and Reid (11)

Abstained from voting: Councillors MacRuaidhrigh and Patterson

1404/67. APOLOGY FOR INABILITY TO ATTEND

An apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor J. Kelly who was unable to be present due to illness.

1405/67. ELECTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: That the following members be elected to the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee:

Monsignor D.J. Furey, P.P., Glenties
Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Donoughmore Manse, Castlefin
Rev. Fr. Donal Sweeney, Bunbeg
Mr. John Harkin, Co.C., Tirhomin, Milford
Mr. M. Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Mr. A. Diver, Co.C., Main St., Moville
Mr. J. Campbell, Co.C., Glen Road, Glenties
Mr. John McFadden, N.T., Downings
Mr. M. Feeney, N.T., Ballintra
Councillor P. McGowan, Knock, Ballybofey.

1405/67. ELECTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the following additional members be elected to the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee:

Mr. J. McEleney, Letter, Clonmany
Mr. C. Gallagher, Co.C., Main St., Mountcharles
Mr. Donal Whelan, Ardara
Mr. Frank Hannigan, Milford

1406/67. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

"That the following members be elected to the Donegal Committee of Agriculture:

Senator P. McGowan, Knock, Ballybofey
Mr. H. Blaney, Co.C., Rossnakill, Tamney
Mr. J. Harkin, Co.C., Tirhomin, Milford
Mr. S. McCrea, Mill St., Pettigo
Mr. J. Kelly, Co.C., Ballyness, Falcarragh
Mr. Liam O'Donnell, Glencar, Letterkenny
Mr. Charles Gallagher, Castlegoland, Clooney
Mr. John Sheridan, The Mall, Ramelton,
Mr. Hugh Sheilds, Kerrykeel
Mr. Francis J. Doherty, Magheramore, Clonmany
Mr. Robert Doherty, Mill Brae, Carndonagh
Mr. John McLaughlin, 35, Lr. Main St., Buncrana
Mr. William Buchanan, Rooskey Upper, Convoy

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

"That the following members be elected to the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture:

Mr. Conell Boyle, Dooey, Lettermacaward
Mr. James Deeney, Upper Main St., Buncrana
Mr. Patrick Kelly, Kerrykeel
Mr. Thomas McCormick, Drumrooske, Donegal
Mr. F. Reid, Crossroads, Killygordon
Mr. Bertie Boggs, Co.C., Malin Town
Mr. Fergus Taylor, Carnddore, Castlefin

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh

"That the following be elected members of the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture:

Mr. W. Patterson, Co.C., Millsessiogh, Ballindrait
Mr. R. Anderson, Main St., Ballintra

A vote was taken on Councillor Patterson's proposal, as seconded by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh and it was defeated, two members having voted for and thirteen against.

Voted for the proposal: Councillors MacRuaidhrigh and Patterson (2)

Voted against the proposal: Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breisleain (13)

Did not vote: Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell and Reid

1406/67. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE (Contd.)

No further proposals were submitted and the Chairman declared elected to the County Donegal Committee of Agriculture the members proposed by Councillor L. Cunningham, as seconded by Councillor C. Breslin and the members proposed by Councillor P. Harte, as seconded by Councillor F. Cunningham.

1407/67. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY DONEGAL OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Herkin

AND RESOLVED: "That all the members of the Donegal County Council be elected to membership of the County Donegal Old Age Pension Committee."

1408/67. ELECTION OF CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to membership of the Consultative Health Committee:

Mr. J.Hanley, M.Ch., F.R.C.S., County Hospital, Letterkenny
Senator B. McGlinchey, Golden Grill, Letterkenny
Senator P. McGowan, Knock, Bellybofey
Mr. Edward Fries, Kilmacrennan
Dr. P. Delap, Carrick
Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Lifford
Dr. M. Coyne, Lifford - representing the Irish Medical Association

and that one other place be reserved for a further nominee of the Irish Medical Association."

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to membership of the Consultative Health Committee:

Mr. C. Gallagher, Co.C., Main St., Mountcharles
Mr. P. Harte, T.D., Raphoe

1409/67. ELECTION OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following Councillors be elected to the General Purposes Committee in addition to the places reserved for the members of the Oireachtas, the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman:

Mr. P. Friel, Co.C., The Diamond, Raphoe
Mr. J. Kelly, Co.C., Ballyness, Falcarragh
Mr. A. Diver, Co.C., Main St., Moville
Mr. C. Meehan, Co.C., Castle St., Donegal
Mr. M. Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Mr. S. McEniff, Co.C., Main St., Bundoran

1409/67. ELECTION OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the following Councillors be elected to membership of the General Purposes Committee:

Mr. Sean McLaughlin, Co.C., Main St., Buncrana
Mr. M. Melly, Co.C., East Port, Ballyshannon
Mr. J. Deehan, Co.C., Main St., Falcarragh
Mr. Colm Gallagher, Co.C., Main St., Mountcharles

1410/67. ELECTION OF MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to the St. Conal's Hospital Visiting Committee and that the duration of the Committee be for the lifetime of the Council:

Mr. A. Diver, Co.C., Main St., Moville
Mr. C. Meehan, Co.C., Castle St., Donegal
Mr. H. Blaney, Co.C., Rossaskill, Tamney
Senator B. McGlinchey, Golden Grill, Letterkenny
Mr. J. Harkin, Co.C., Tirhomin, Milford
Mr. Mandy McGroddy, Falcarragh

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to the St. Conal's Hospital Visiting Committee:

Mr. M. Melly, Co.C., East Port, Ballyshannon
Mr. Tom Coll, Derrybeg
Mr. John F. Hunter, Findrum, Convoy

1411/67. ELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the County Donegal Scholarships Advisory Committee:

Mr. Jim Cunningham, Carrick
Mr. Jim Grant, Buncrana
Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Moville
Mr. Laurie Craig, Raphoe
Mr. Patsy O'Donnell, McMahon Villas, Letterkenny
Mr. Edward Fries, Kilmacrenan
Mr. D. McBride, Milford
Mr. L. Cunningham, T.D., Bridgend
Mr. B. Murrin, Co.C., Killybegs
Mr. M. Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Mr. J. McGlinchey, N.T., Convoy
Mr. J. McMonagle, N.T., Gortahork
Rev. Fr. Donal Sweeney, Bunbeg
Mr. Liam Thompson, Stranorlar
Mr. S. MacRuaidhrigh, Co.C., Ath na gCoire, Thiar, Ath na gCoire
Mr. B. Egan, N.T., "Aisling", Doonan, Donegal

1411/67. ELECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the County Donegal Scholarships Advisory Committee:

Mr. James N. Gallagher, Ardara
Mr. P.J. McGill, N.T., Woodhouse, Ardara
Mr. James White, Ballyshannon
Mr. James McCafferty, Junior, Kilmacrenan
Mr. S. O'Donnell, N.T., Ballyshannon
Rev. Fr. P. Deegan, Adm., Frosses
Mr. J. McElenay, Letter, Clonmany
Mr. C. McDyer, Upper Kilraine, Glenties
Mr. T.P. Nee, Main St., Letterkenny
Miss Sally Blake, Ard O'Donnell, Letterkenny
Mr. B. McDaid, Castle St., Rannelton
Mr. Thomas Murphy, Killybegs

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to the County Donegal Scholarships Advisory Committee:

Mr. W. Buchanan, Rooskey Upper, Convoy
Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Donoughmore Manse, Castlefin
Mr. A.M. Raffan, Prior School, Lifford
Mr. E.W.R. Cookman, Royal School, Raphoe

1412/67. ELECTION OF BOOK SELECTION COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to the County Donegal Library Book Selection Committee:

Mr. Joseph McBride, N.T., Moville
Mr. M. Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Very Rev. Canon Long, Donegal
Mr. L. Walsh, Lifford
Rev. Mr. J. Sproule, Donoughmore Manse, Castlefin
Mr. S. McEniff, Co.C., Main St., Bundoran
Mr. Liam Thompson, Stranorlar
Mr. Joseph Doherty, Bundoran
Rev. Fr. Arnold, Milford

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: That the following persons be elected to the County Donegal Library Book Selection Committee:

Mr. Joseph Gallagher, Draper, Downings
Mr. T.P. Nee, Main St., Letterkenny
Mr. James O'Murphy, Ballybofey
Mr. James McGettigan, Realt na Mara, Moville
Mr. E. Gillen, Co.C., Foyle Hotel, Moville
Mr. F. Hannigan, Milford

1413/67. ELECTION OF ROADS COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That all the members of the Donegal County Council be elected to membership of the Roads Committee."

1414/67. ELECTION OF DISEASES OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED; "That all the members of the Donegal County Council be elected to the Diseases of Animals Committee."

1415/67. ELECTION OF SHEEP DIPPING COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to membership of the Sheep Dipping Committee:

Mr. Tony Carlin, Gortiness, Cloghan
Mr. John McHugh, Green Hill, Dunfanaghy
Mr. William Kelly, Ballybun, Castlefin
Mr. Hugh Boyle, Carrigart
Mr. Frank Gallen, Lismullyduff, Ballybofey
Mr. Charles Doherty, Crossroads, Killygordon
Mr. P.J. Mundy, V.S., Raphoe

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor B. Boggs

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected to membership of the Sheep Dipping Committee:

Mr. James Deehan, Co.C., Main St., Falcarragh
Mr. William Kee, Millbrook, Welchtown
Mr. B. Grahan, Drumcreagh, Lonegal
Mr. B. Boggs, Co.C., Malin Town
Mr. Francis Kelly, V.S., Marine Hotel, Bundoran
Mr. C. Scott, Tulnaree House, Corndonagh

1416/67. DELEGATES TO GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That the following Councillors be elected as delegates to the General Council of County Councils:

Senator B. McGlinchey, Golden Grill, Letterkenny
Senator P. McGowan, Knock, Ballybofey
Mr. M. Melly, Co.C., East Port, Ballyshannon

1417/67. REPRESENTATIVE ON NORTH WESTERN REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That Councillor A. Diver be appointed to represent the Council on the North Western Regional Tourism Organisation."

1418/67. OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE COUNCIL

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Official Seal of the Donegal County Council may be affixed in the presence of all the members or any member of the Council."

1419/67. KILLYBEGS HARBOUR BOARD

Proposed by: Councillor B. Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the Killybegs Harbour Board:

Mr. C. Murrin, Killybegs
Mr. Maurice Moore, Killybegs

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the Killybegs Harbour Board:

Mr. S. McShane, Dunkineely
Mr. William J. Molloy, Killybegs

1420/67. BALLYSHANNON HARBOUR AUTHORITY

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor C. Meehan

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the Ballyshannon Harbour Authority:

Mr. J. Quinn, Ballyshannon
Mr. R. Gallagher, Ballyshannon

Proposed by: Councillor M. Melly
Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That the following persons be elected members of the Ballyshannon Harbour Authority:

Mr. John Vannon, College St., Ballyshannon
Mr. J. White, T.C., Ballyshannon

1421/67. BUNCRANA HARBOUR AUTHORITY

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That the following persons be elected to the Buncrana Harbour Authority:

Mr. J. McGuinness, Buncrana
Mr. John McLaughlin, Main St., Buncrana

Proposed by: Councillor S. McLaughlin
Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte

"That Mr. James Deeney, Upper Main St., Buncrana be elected a member of the Buncrana Harbour Authority."

1421/67. BUNCRANA HARBOUR AUTHORITY (Contd.)

A vote was taken on the proposal of Councillor McLaughlin seconded by Councillor Harte which was declared defeated, eleven members having voted for and twelve members having voted against.

Voted for proposal:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell and Reid (11)
Voted against proposal:	Councillors Blaney, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan and Murrin (12)
Did not vote:	Councillors Campbell, MacRuaidhrigh, O'Breislein and Patterson

The Chairman declared Messrs. McGuinness and McLaughlin elected.

1422/67. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That a Committee be appointed consisting of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and the new members of the Council for the purpose of studying the Council's Draft Development Plan

1423/67. ELECTION OF VISITING COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

Proposed by: Councillor P. O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That the Visiting Committee for St. Conal's Hospital be appointed also as the Visiting Committee for the County Hospital, Letterkenny."

The meeting then terminated

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28th August 1967

MINUTES OF MEETING OF COUNTY DONEGAL
OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE HELD ON
~~JUNE~~ JULY 12, 1967

1424/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, McGlinchey, McCafferty, McEniff, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breislean, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1425/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1426/67. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES

The following Old Age Pension Sub-Committees were elected:

Ballyshannon Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Rev. Mr. Marshall, Ballyshannon
Rev. Mr. Dundas, The Rectory, Ballyshannon
Mr. Sean McEniff, Co.C., Main St., Bundoran
Mr. Michael Melly, Co.C., East Port, Ballyshannon
Rev. Father Finnegan, Bundoran
Rev. Fr. J.H. Duffy, Ballyshannon
Rev. Fr. P. Denney, Ballyshannon
Mr. Francis O'Flanagan, Ballyshannon
Mr. James Quinn, Ballyshannon

Donegal Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Rev. Dr. Long, P.P., Donegal
Rev. Father Moore, C.C., Donegal
Rev. Mr. S.A. Cave, The Rectory, Donegal
Rev. Mr. Gibbons, Ballintra
Mr. C. Gallagher, Bridge St., Donegal
Mr. C. Meehan, Co.C., Castle St., Donegal
Mr. J. McGroarty, N.T., Mountcharles
Mr. William Gilden, Castle St., Donegal
Mr. Colm Gallagher, Co.C., Main St., Mountcharles

Dunfanaghy Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. John Kelly, Co.C., Ballyness, Falcarragh
Mr. James Doohan, Co.C., Main St., Falcarragh
Father McGettigan, P.P., Gweedore
Rev. Mr. J. Carson, Dunfanaghy
Rev. Father C. McGrenra, C.C., Falcarragh
Rev. Father T. Doherty, P.P., Dunfanaghy
Mr. Seamus Harkin, Derryart, Creeslough
Rev. Fr. J.A. Sheils, P.P., Gortahork
Mr. Joseph McNulty, Falcarragh.

1426/67. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES (Contd.)

Glenties No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Joseph McLoone, Post Office, Glenties
Mr. Thomas Murphy, Killybegs
Mr. Charles Sheridan, Killybegs
Mr. Francis Houston, Glenties
Mr. Thomas Brennan, Glenties
Rev. Mr. N. Stewart-Maunder, The Rectory, Ardara
Right Rev. Monsignor D.J. Furey, P.P., Glenties
Mr. Francis Cunningham, Co.C., Straleel, Carrick
Mr. James C. Murrin, Killybegs
Mr. Charles McDyer, Kilraine, Glenties
Mr. Joseph Campbell, Co.C., Glen Road, Glenties
Mr. Frank Gallagher, Ard Conell, Ardara
Mr. John Boyle, Highland Hotel, Glenties

Glenties No. 2 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. P. O'Donnell, T.D., "Shandon", Burtonport
Rev. Canon T. Molloy, P.P., Dungloe
Mr. John Walsh, Merchant, Dungloe
Mr. Denis Greene, Garage, Dungloe
Mr. Charles Boyle, N.T., Dungloe
Mr. J.J. McFadden, Dungloe
Mr. Charles Campbell, Merchant, Dungloe
Rev. Father Michael Sweeney, Letterkeaward
Rev. Father McFadden, Burtonport

Glenties No. 3 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Rev. Father D. O'Doherty, Arranmore
Patrick O'Donnell, Arranmore
Mr. B. Gallagher, N.T., Arranmore
Mr. Patrick Bonner, N.T., Arranmore
Mr. Edward Gallagher, Arranmore
Mr. Hugh Early, Arranmore
Mr. Phil Boyle 'Ban', Arranmore
Mr. Michael Gallagher, Arranmore
Mr. Phil J. Boyle, Arranmore

Inishowen No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. James McElevey, Letter, Clonmany
Rev. Father Douglas, P.P., Clonmany
Mr. Patrick Gallen, Clonmany
Mr. P. Kavanagh, N.T., Clonmany,
Mr. John McElevey, The Cross, Clonmany
Mr. J. Gallen, Clonmany
Mr. Peter Comiskey, Clonmany
Mr. Owen Carr, N.T., Gaddyduff N.S., Clonmany
Mr. Philip Doherty, Merchant, Clonmany

Inishowen No. 2 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. John McLaughlin, 33, Lower Main St., Buncrana
Rev. Father O'Brien, P.P., Buncrana
Mr. Denis Brennan, Buncrana
Mr. Denis Grant, Montilly House, Buncrana
Mr. Sean McLaughlin, Co.C., Main St., Buncrana
Rev. C. Thornton, Buncrana
Mr. Gerry McGee, Buncrana
Mr. John Bradley, Buncrana
Mr. John Grant, Buncrana

1426/67. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES (Contd.)

Inishowen No. 3 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Michael Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Rev. Father Bonner, P.P., Carndonagh
Rev. Father McGilligan, P.P., Bocan, Culdaff
Rev. Mr. R.H. Body, The Manse, Carndonagh
Mr. P.H. Doherty, P.C., Carndonagh
Mr. W. McLaughlin, Drumaville House, Malin
Mr. James Kelly, Gleneely
Mr. Robert Doherty, Bridge St., Carndonagh
Rev. Mr. J.E. Henderson, The Rectory, Glebe, Carndonagh

Inishowen No. 4 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. A. Diver, Co.C., Main St., Moville
Mr. W. Kealey, Greencastle
Mr. Bernard Gillespie, N.T., Quigley's Point
Mr. Patrick Doherty, Malin Road, Moville
Mr. Thomas McLaughlin, Lecamey, Moville
Rev. Father O'Callaghan P.P., Moville
Rev. Mr. McConnell, Moville
Mr. Eamon Gillen, Co.C., Foyle Hotel, Moville
Mr. Patrick McGilloway, Ballynally, Moville

Inishowen No. 5 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Michael Deery, Co.C., Carrowmore, Malin
Mr. John Byrne, N.T., Malin
Mr. John F. McLaughlin, Malin
Mr. Patrick McCallion, Balleighan, Malin
Mr. Patrick Monagle, Tully
Mr. James Quigley, Lagg, Malin
Mr. Bertie Boggs, Co.C., Malin Town
Mr. John E. Kelly, Glentosket, Glengad
Mr. Henry McLaughlin, Drumaville, Malin

Letterkenny Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Hugh McKendrick, 6, High Road, Letterkenny
Mr. Tony Gallagher, Station House, Letterkenny
Mr. Frank Vaughan, Ballymacool Tce., Letterkenny
Mr. J. Gallagher, Lower Main St., Letterkenny
Ven. Archdeacon Crookes, Letterkenny
Rev. Canon A. Carabin, Adm., Letterkenny
Mr. Manus McFadden, Main St., Letterkenny
Mr. A.D. Kelly, Kiltoy, Letterkenny
Mr. J. Prendergast, Letterkenny

Lifeach No. 1 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. L. Cunningham, T.D., Bridgend
Rev. Canon W.G. Dickson, The Rectory, Fahan
Rev. Dr. Brennan, P.P., Fahan
Rev. L. Keaveney, C.C., Burt
Rev. James O'Neill, P.P., Quigley's Point
Mr. Laurence Ferguson, Craigtown, Fahan
Mr. Mark McGrory, Tooban, Burnfoot
Mr. John McGlynn, Ballynakilly, Inch Island
Mr. Sean McIvor, Burnfoot

1426/67. ELECTION OF OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES

Aileach No. 2 Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Thomas McDaid, Drumbarnett, Manorcunningham
Mr. Michael Burke, Newtowncunningham
Mr. Francis McFadden, Newtowncunningham
Rev. Father Arnold, C.C., Newtowncunningham
Rev. Mr. Logue, Crossroads, Bogay
Mr. Peter McLaughlin, Newtowncunningham
Mr. James Roulston, Newtowncunningham
Mr. Brian Gillespie, Drumbarnett, Manorcunningham
Mr. Thomas Dillon, The Haw, Carrigans

Milford Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Harry Blaney, Co.C., Rossnakill, Tamney
Mr. John Harkin, Co.C., Tirhemin, Milford
Rev. Father T. Gallagher, C.C., Termon
Mr. J.J. Sheridan, The Mall, Ramelton
Mr. Hugh Sheilds, Kerrykeel
Mr. J.B. O'Donnell, Milford
Mr. B. Gardiner, Main St., Milford
Mr. William McElwee, Milford
Mr. Denis McBride, Milford
Mr. Stephen Fox, Glen
Mr. Edward Fries, Kilmacrenan
Mr. Jim McCafferty, Junior, Kilmacrenan

Lifford Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Hugh Doherty, P.C., New Road Porthall
Mr. S.J. Patterson, Castlefin
Rev. Father M. Flanagan, C.C., Murlog, Lifford
Rev. Mr. Yeo, The Rectory, Lifford
Rev. Mr. Bewglass, The Manse, Ballindrait
Mr. Patrick Friel, Co.C., The Diamond, Raphoe
Rev. Mr. Bell, Raphoe
Mr. Charles Callaghan, Croaghan House, Lifford
Mr. William Gallagher, The Diamond, Castlefin.

Stranorlar Old Age Pension Sub-Committee

Mr. Peter Dunnion, Corefrin, Ballybofey
Rev. Father T. Gallagher, P.P., Stranorlar
Rev. Mr. Moore, Stranorlar
Rev. Mr. McClure, The Manse, Stranorlar
Rev. Father Young, C.C., Convoy
Rev. Father Meehan, Cloghan
Rev. Father McKee, Sessiaghoneill, Ballybofey
Rev. Father McCafferty, Convoy
Mr. J.J. Reid, Co.C., Knockfair, Ballybofey

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28th August 1967

MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF
NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE
COUNCIL (AND THE CHAIRMAN)
HELD ON THE 4TH AUGUST, 1967

1424/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Kelly, McCafferty, McNutt, Patterson and Reid.

1425/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, Planning Section, M. Burke, B.E. and M. Murphy, Acting County Secretary.

1426/67. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A brief outline of the provisions of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, and regulations thereunder was given by the County Manager

The Draft Development Plan was then outlined by Mr. M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant and various items therein were discussed at length by the Councillors present.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 28th August 1967

MINUTES OF CONFERENCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES HELD IN THE BUTT HALL, BALLYBOFEY, ON 17TH AUGUST, 1967.

MEMBERS OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney, Boggs, Campbell, Cunningham F, Cunningham L, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Gallagher, Kelly, McEniff, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, O'Breisleain, Patterson and Reid. (Mr. Blaney presided)

OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Messrs. J. D. Williams, County Manager; M. Murphy, Acting County Secretary; M. O'Connell, County Engineer; M. O'Malley, Chief Asst. Planning Officer; M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, and Mr. P. Byrne, Acting Co. Accountant.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM LETTERKENNY U.D.C.:

Messrs. Colum O'Donnell, Chairman and Patrick O'Donnell, U.D.C.; J. P. Robinson, Town Clerk; C.V. McLaughlin, Town Surveyor.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM BUNCRANA U.D.C.:

Councillors G. McGroarty, T. Gill and H. O'Donnell.
Mr. M. Ward, Acting Town Clerk.

REPRESENTATIVES FROM BUNDORAN U.D.C.:

Councillors S. McEniff, P. McManus.
Mr. E. Lynch, Town Clerk and Mr. J. G. McIvor, Town Surveyor.

The Chairman explained that the Conference was being held for the purpose of obtaining the views of the three Urban Authorities on matters contained in the Draft Development Plan relating to their areas.

Councillor McGroarty, on behalf of Buncrana U.D.C., raised the question of the possibility of obtaining a technological college in the Inishowen area either in addition to or substitutionfor college proposed for Letterkenny. The Planning Officer replied that Donegal would be very lucky to obtain one technological college.

On behalf of Bundoran U.D.C., Councillor McEniff pointed out that that Urban Area was only seeking tourist development and that the opening up of the strand and the surfacing of the road at Bundoran Bridge would assist.

On behalf of Letterkenny U.D.C., Councillor C. O'Donnell, (Chairman) requested that the road from Letterkenny to Glenties via Finlough be put on the Five Year Plan. He also requested that the Council give priority for any heavy industry for Letterkenny, and indicated that an industrial estate there would cater for labour from Ramelton, Kilmacrennan, Churchill, Manorcunningham, Raphoe and Convoy. The Planning Officer replied that Letterkenny would benefit from the type of growth envisaged.

AIRPORT AND PORT FACILITIES.

A discussion took place regarding the above-mentioned. The following took part:-

Councillors C. O'Donnell and P. O'Donnell, Letterkenny U.D.C.
Councillor McGroarty, Buncrana U.D.C.
Councillor McEniff, Bundoran U.D.C.
County Councillors Patterson, Breslin, McNutt, Diver and the Chairman, Mr. Blaney.

The Planning Officer pointed out that the study of airport facilities was at present being undertaken and an airport for the area would contribute towards the solution of the passenger traffic problem arising from the discontinuation of the Glasgow/ Derry Boat service.

CARAVAN PARKING ON ROADWAY AT BUNDORAN.

It was agreed on the suggestion of the Chairman that the question of applying Section 31 of the Sanitary Services Act, 1948 to Magheracar, Bundoran be put on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

SURVEY OF POSSIBLE CARAVAN SITES.

Councillor McNutt requested that a survey of possible caravan sites be carried out and the Planning Officer agreed that this would be done in due course.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT TO BUNDORAN.

Councillor McEniff drew attention to this problem and the Planning Officer pointed out that negotiations were at present in progress for the provision of package tours to Donegal.

GROUP WATER SCHEMES IN RURAL AREAS.

On the suggestion of Councillor Reid, it was agreed that the Council should encourage these Schemes.

GAELTACHT AREAS.

On the suggestion of Councillor MacRuaidhrigh, it was agreed that the question of including Cloughaneely, Dungloe, Doochary and Fintown in any Development Plan would be examined.

ACCESS ROADS TO BEACHES... MULLAGHDERG STRAND.

Councillor MacRuaidhrigh recommended that Mullaghderg Strand be included in the works proposed in the Plan.

REALIGNMENT OF ROAD ALONG RAILWAY LINE AT LETTERKENNY.

Mr. P. O'Donnell, Letterkenny U.D.C., requested that work proceed immediately on this road.

The meeting then concluded.

CONFIRMED Harry Blaney

Date 28th August, 1967.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 28TH AUGUST, 1967

1431/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, Patterson and Reid.

1432/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1433/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the minutes of special meeting held on 29th May, 1967, were confirmed.

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the minutes of meeting of Council held on 29th May, 1967, were confirmed.

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the minutes of special meeting of Council held on 12th June, 1967 were confirmed.

On the proposal of Councillor Deery, seconded by Councillor Breslin, the minutes of special meeting (Planning) held on 19th June, 1967, were confirmed.

On the proposal of Councillor Breslin, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the minutes of annual meeting of Council held on 12th July, 1967, were confirmed.

1434/67. RAISING OF LOAN FOR DUNGLOE SEWERAGE EXTENSION

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor J. Kelly

AND RESOLVED: That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £2,000 to finance the extension of Dungloe Sewerage Scheme to Caravan Road, Dungloe."

1435/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £4,140 - COOLADAWSON GROUP WATER SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

AND RESOLVED: That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £4,140 to finance the making of a contribution towards Cooladawson Group Water Supply Scheme.

1436/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £51,000 - KILLYBEGS NO. 3 HOUSING SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor F. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £51,000 to finance the erection of Killybegs No. 3 Housing Scheme."

1437/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £650 - CARNDONAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £650 to finance the extension of Carndonagh Water Supply Scheme to Carrowreagh Road."

1438/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £39,000 - RAMELTON NO. 5 HOUSING SCHEME

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor W. McNutt

AND RESOLVED: That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £39,000 to finance the erection of Ramelton No. 5 Housing Scheme.

1439/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £6,800 - DONEGAL AND KILLYBEGS WATER SUPPLIES

Proposed by: Councillor C. Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: That approval is hereby given subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the borrowing of £6,800 to finance the extension of Killybegs Water Supply Scheme to Fintra Road and Donegal Water Supply Scheme to Ardeskin.

1440/67. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That Mr. Liam Grant be appointed a member of the County Committee of Agriculture."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor J. Reid
Seconded by: Councillor W. McCafferty

"That Mr. J. Devenney be appointed a member of the County Committee of Agriculture."

A vote was taken and Mr. Liam Grant was declared elected after thirteen members voted in his favour as against six for Mr. Devenney.

Voted for Mr. L. Grant: Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan and O'Breisleain

Voted for Mr. J. Devenney: Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Gallagher, Gillen, McCafferty and Melly (6)

1441/67. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF COUNTY DONEGAL VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The County Secretary read the following letter dated 19th July, 1967, received from the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee:

"Rev. D. Sweeney who was elected a member of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee by your Council (see your letter of 13th July, 1967 to me) has informed me that he will be unable to act due to pressure of work as Headmaster of Ard-Scoil Mhuire. I enclose herewith, for your information, copy of his letter of 17th July, 1967, to me.

My Committee at their meeting yesterday accepted Fr. Sweeney's resignation with regret, and instructed me to make a recommendation from them to County Council that Rt. Rev. Monsignor T. Molloy, P.P., St. Peter's, Dungloe, be elected to the vacancy created by Fr. Sweeney's resignation."

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That Councillor L. Cunningham be appointed a member of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee."

Proposed by: Councillor J. Kelly
Seconded by; Councillor C. Breslin

"That Mr. Hugh Curran be appointment a member of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee."

Proposed by: Councillor C. Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

"That Rt. Rev. Monsignor T. Molloy, P.P., be appointed a member of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee."

Voted for Mr. Cunningham:	Councillors Blaney, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan and Meehan (9)
Voted for Mr. Curran:	Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGowan, Meehan and O'Breisleain (11)
Voted for Monsignor Molloy:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Gallagher, Gillen, McCafferty, Melly and Reid (7)

Monsignor Molloy was then eliminated and a further vote was taken on the result of which Mr. L. Cunningham was declared elected eight members having voted in his favour as against four members in favour of Mr. Curran.

Voted for Mr. Cunningham:	Councillors L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, McGlinchey, McGowan, Meehan and Patterson (8)
Voted for Mr. Curran:	Councillors Blaney, Kelly Campbell, and O'Breisleain (4)
Did not vote:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham. Gallagher, Gillen, McCafferty, McEniff, McNutt, Melly and Reid.

Councillor L. Cunningham was accordingly declared to be a member of the County Donegal Vocational Education Committee.

1442/67. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO MEETINGS OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Proposed by: Councillor Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council delegates be Mr. E. McIntyre and Father Arnold, C.C., Milford."

1443/67. REMOVAL OF RAILWAY BRIDGE AT STRANORLAR

The Council considered the following report dated 17th August, 1967 from the County Engineer:

"I have been in touch for some time with the promoters of a new factory for Ballybofey and the promoters have, in consultation with the Planning Authorities decided to site the new fadtory in a field adjacent to the Mill Brae. The choice of this site was made oh the recommendation of the Planning Authority.

The site, however, is considerably lower than the level of the existing roadway because the roadway rises rather steeply to cross over a bridge spanning the old railway embankment. In order, therefore, that construction work could be carried out without interference it would be necessary to remove the old railway bridge and lower the level of the roadway. This would initially involve the expenditure of approximately £1,000. I have gone into the question of providing this money and have ascertained that because of the good progress made on County road reconstruction in the Stranorlar area it would be possible to expend £1,000 of County Road Reconstruction Grant Monies without upsetting the present year's programme for county road reconstruction.

I would recommend, therefore, that the Council approve of the transfer of £1,000 of grant monies to the work of removing the railway bridge and lowering the road at the Mill Brae. Should the Council approve it will also be necessary to get the approval of the Minister."

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That the County Engineer's proposal for the provision of money for the removal of the old railway bridge and the lowering of the level of the road at Stranorlar be approved."

1444/67. INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND DISABLED PERSONS MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES

The County Manager informed the meeting that increases of 5/;d per week had been authorised by the Government from the 1st August, 1967, to recipients of (a) Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances and (b) Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowances. He stated that the total cost of the increases for the remainder of the current year would amount to £14,000and that he proposed giving effect to the increased allowances forthwith, pending consideration of the matter by the General Purposes Committee.

The County Manager explained that it was the intention to allow the full 5/-d per week to each recipient.

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor F. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: That the payment of incrdased allowances as proposed by the Manager be approved.

1444/67. INCREASED ALLOWANCES (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor M. Melly
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: That the Department of Health be asked to give 100% grant in respect of additional expenditure for increasdd Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowances and Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances.

1445/67. TRACTOR ACCIDENTS

The Council considered the following circular dated 23rd August, 1967, received from the Department of Local Government:

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to state that agricultural accidents involving tractors, their causes and measures likely to increase safety have been the subject of study for some time by this Department. The Minister is concerned at the number of accidents which result in fatal or serious injury due to tractors overturning.

In considering this problem regard has been had to statistics and reports of accidents over the past five years furnished by the Garda Siochana and to surveys of similar accidents carried out in Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Great Britain. In the light of all the available information it is apparent that overturning of the tractor is a frequent cause of tractor accidents. In the five years, 1962/66, out of a total nmmber of 65 tractor accidents caused by the vehicle overturning in this country there were 42 persons killed and 21 injured. In an effort to minimise the riske involved in this type of accident Sweden, in 1959 and more recently Norway and Denmark hove made a tested safety frame compulsory equipment for all agricultural tractors. It is understood that regulations were made by the British Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food on 18th July, 1967 requiring the compulsory fitting of approved safety cabs on all new tractors after 1st September, 1970.

There is no doubt that the use of the safety frame reduces the risk of injury. The fitting of such a frame would, however, increase the price of the tractor by £100 approximately, and the total national expenditure in this connection would be considerable. (There are approximately 50,000 licensed tractors in the country and annual imports are about 3,500) Nevertheless, it is felt that the number of serious tractor accidents which have occurred here would provide adequate justification for making such equipment compulsory in this countrt also and serious consideration is being given to the matter.

The Minister is anxious to ascertain the views of other Government departments, semi-state bodies and local authorities, etc. which use tractors extensively on this proposal and accordingly I am to request that you be good enough to furnish your observations."

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor J. Reid

AND RESOLVED: "That Donegal County Council favours the fitting of a safety frame on tractors, provided a subsidy is made available to farmers, towards the cost."

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor J. Reid

AND RESOLVED: "That the County Committee of Agriculture be asked to support the Council's resolution suggesting that a Department subsidy be provided towards the cost of safety frame for tractors."

1446/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE - 24TH JULY, 1967

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That the report of General Purposes Committee meeting held on 24th July, 1967, be adopted, subject to the following amendments:

Minute 163/67 - Road Grant Allocations, 1967/68

In connection with the allocation of grant to the Burt-Speenogue Road the County Engineer undertook to investigate the position of men recently paid off.

Minute 164/67 - Hot Drink Machine for County Hospital

The Council recommended that this matter be referred to the Hospital Visiting Committee

Minute 186/67 - capital allocation for Sanitary Services

It was agreed that the Department of Local Government be asked to expedite sanction for schemes at Kilmacrenan, Creeslough, Carrigart and Downings.

Minute 204/67 - property at Ballindrait Church

The Council asked that this matter be expedited

Minute 215/67 - Water Supply to Porthall

It was proposed by Councillor Harte and seconded by Councillor McGlinchey and resolved, that water supply be extended to four houses in Porthall and that the old reservoir at Raphoe be reconnected to the supply.

Minute 214/67 - Road from Grange to Benault, Inch Island

It was agreed that application be made to Bord Failte for a grant towards the cost of this work.

Minute 216/67 - Carrigart and Creeslough Water Supply Schemes

It was agreed that a detailed report on this project should be available at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

Minute 166/67 - Membership of General Purposes Committee

It was agreed that this matter be not finalised so as to give members an opportunity of putting down a notice of motion for the next meeting of the Council.

1447/67. VOTE OF SYMPATHY

The Council unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy to the Murrin family, Killybegs on the death of James Murrin, father of Councillor Murrin.

The adoption of the vote of sympathy was marked by a minute's silence in the Council Chamber.

1448/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE - 9th August, 1967

The Council adopted the report on the motion of Councillor M. Melly, seconded by Councillor J. Reid. It was agreed that a list of candidates who passed the examination would be made available to members.

1449/67. MEETING OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Council approved of the report of special meeting of the Planning Committee held on the 4th August, 1967.

1450/67. CONFERENCE OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES - 17TH AUGUST, 1967

The Council approved of the report of Conference of Local Authorities held on the 17th August, 1967.

1451/67. MEETING OF BOOK SELECTION COMMITTEE - 28TH JULY, 1967

The Council approved of the report of meeting of Book Selection Committee held on the 28th July, 1967.

1452/67. MENTAL HOSPITAL VISITING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Council approved of the reports of meetings of the Mental Hospital Visiting Committee held on the 12th July, 1967 and 14th August, 1967.

1453/67. DONEGAL HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillors Gallagher and Meehan:

"Has the Minister for Local Government sanctioned the tenders, which have already been accepted for Donegal Town Housing Scheme?"

REPLY: The Minister for Local Government has sanctioned the acceptance fo tender for this scheme.

1454/67. FROSSES/INVER WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"What is the position regarding the Frosses/Inver Water Scheme which is holding up development in this important tourist area?"

REPLY: This Scheme is ready for advertising. A loan to finance the work was applied for on 1st December, 1965, but has not yet been approved.

1455/67. DUNKINEELY SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"Has there been any further word regarding the proposed Dunkineely Sewerage Scheme?"

REPLY: The preliminary report for the Scheme was submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval on 7th February, 1966. This approval has not yet been received.

1456/67. GWEEDORE WATER SUPPLY

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"Pending the implementation of proposals to give the parish of Gweedore a proper water supply, would the Council state what steps are being taken in the meantime to improve the supply there?"

REPLY: The Council has immediate proposals for the installation of a 10" and 7" main through Dore and Meenanillar to Derrybeg to provide a water supply in the Gweedore area to the highest standards. Pending the implementation of this extension the Council have accepted the tender for the installation of a temporary booster pump which will make maximum use of the existing mains.

1457/67. WATER SUPPLY TO TOWNLAND OF MAGHERY

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"How far advanced are proposals to extend a water supply to the townland of Maghery and surrouding areas?"

REPLY: This area is included in the proposals for the full development of the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme. It is not included in any early planning by way of extensions to the existing scheme, as a canvass carried out on the route of the extension resulted in a poor response.

1458/67. SPEED LIMIT SIGNS - ANNAGRY AND GORTAHORK

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"Has this Council received any information from the Department of Local Government as to when speed limit signs may be erected in the villages of Annagry and Gortahork?"

REPLY: Notice of intention to make regulations fixing a 30 m.p.h. speed limit for Annagry and Gortahork was received from the Department of Local Government per letter dated 19th May, 1967, but no confirmation of making of regulations has yet been received. When confirmation is received the necessary signs will be erected.

1459/67. PURCHASE SCHEME ! STRANORLAR HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"When is it intended to implement a Purchase Scheme for the new houses in Stranorlar with the tenants?"

REPLY: The Council is at the moment drawing up a purchase scheme for cottages built up to the 31st December, 1965. It is intended to draw up another scheme which will include the new houses at Stranorlar in the early part of next year. This purchase scheme will not include the eight houses erected for occupation by old persons.

1460/67. STREET LIGHTING

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"When will the E.S.B.'s offer to replace all the existing street lighting systems be implemented?"

REPLY: The E.S.B.'s offer specifically referred to Ramelton and that offer was accepted. The matter of lighting of the other towns in the County and in particular of Ballybofey is being taken up with the E.S.B.

1461/67. REPAIR OF SHEEP DIPPING BATHS

The following question was submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

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"Why has the Council neglected the repair of sheep dipping baths this season?"

REPLY: It has been the practice to review the extent of need for repairs at the conclustion of dipping seasons and to carry out the repairs over the winter months. The alternative policy of completing repairs before the commencement of dipping seasons can be considered.

1462/67. NEW FIRE ENGINER FOR DUNGLOE

The following question was submittdd by Councillor P. O'Donnell:

"If, in view of the antiquated fire engine located at Dungloe, a new engine will be provided for the brigade there?"

REPLY: The Council adopted a report of the Chief Fire Officer dated 28th November, 1966 in relation to Fire Services and approved of the raising of a loan of £10,000 to provide fire stations and equipment. Provision was included in this amount for new fire appliances for Dungloe station. Sanction to the loan was sought on the 8th February, 1967. The Department has not yet sanctioned it.

1463/67. KILLYBEGS NO. 3 HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"When can it be reasonably expected that the Killybegs No. 3 Housing Scheme will commence?"

REPLY: A tender for this Scheme has been accepted and forwarded to the Department of Local Government on the 12th July, 1967. As soon as sanction is received the Contractor will be asked to complete his Contract Agreement and Bond and then to commence work.

1464/67. ERECTION OF S.I. HOUSES

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"Would the Council consider increasing the amount of money presently being paid to Building Contractors for S.I. houses in view of the fact of the lack of interest on the part of builders in the said houses?"

REPLY: Tenders for the erection of S.I. cottages are advertised for public tender and any contractor is free to tender for the erection of a cottage at a price which he considers to be appropriate. In the western part of the county the difficulty would not appear to be one of price but of a shortage of contractors interested in erecting cottages for the Council.

1465/67. SPEED LIMIT IN KILLYBEGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"When will the speed limit shown at Killybegs be extended on both the Kilcar and Donegal Town ends?"

REPLY: The Department of Local Government, by letter dated 19th May, 1967, intimated that it was proposdd to make regulations fixing a 30 m.p.h. speed limit at Killybegs on the Donegal road for a distance of 180 yards from its junction with Muleany's brae and fixing a 40 m.p.h. speed limit on the same road between a point 180 yards north east of its junction with Mulreany's brae and a point 670 yards north east of the said junction.

The existing 30 m.p.h. speed limit on the Donegal road, Killybegs covers a distance of 270 yards from its junction with Mulreany's Brae.

No reference is made in the proposed regulations to any extension on the Kilcar end. Confirmation of the making of these regulations is awaited."

1466/67. BREAKDOWN OF MACHINERY ON BURT/BRIDGEND ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"Would the County Engineer indicate dates on which machinery (including all vehicles) was broken down or not working on Burt/Bridgend job? (Parts of days to be included."

REPLY: I append hereunder table giving the owner, type of machine, number of breakdowns and the time involved.

When excavators broke down lorries were diverted to next nearest gravel pit and this, in fact happened on fifteen occasions. For the remainder of breakdowns alternative machines were available.

I have gone into the cost of gravel delivered on the site of this road, taking into account the breakdowns, and have ascertained that the cost of loading from Bridgend is 2/8d per ton from Inch Road is 4/1d per ton. The excavation and haulage of clay on the site worked out at 2/7d per ton. These figures are in comparison with works in other sections of the county, low and therefore, economical.

OWNER	TYPE OF MACHINE	NO. OF BREAKDOWNS	HOURS BROKEN DOWN
John McDaid	75 H.P. Deutz)	17	45½
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	Muirhill	4	6½
	Massey Ferguson	Nil	Nil
	10 R.B.	1	4
Donegal Co. Co. lorries	2 Council lorries	5	
	Roller	1	
L.S.R. Lorries	Lorries	4	

1467/67. NEWTOWNCUNNINGHAM NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"What is the present position regarding Newtowncunningham No. 2 Housing Scheme?"

REPLY: Following recent discussions with the Department of Local Government regarding design of this Scheme, the Architects are now preparing Final Contract Documents. It is hoped to be in a position to advertise this Scheme within a few weeks' time.

1468/67. EAST INISHOWEN REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"What is the present position regarding East Inishowen Regional Water Supply Scheme?"

REPLY: This scheme was sanctioned in principle by the Department of Local Government on the 18th January, 1963, but final contract plans have yet to be prepared by the Council's engineering staff. This scheme is not scheduled for completion during the term of the Council's Five Year Plan.

1469/67. PETTIGO SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor M. Melly:

"What is the present position of the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Pettigo?"

REPLY: Contract Documents for this scheme were forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval on 11th May, 1966. This approval has not yet been receivdd. A loan to finance the scheme was applied for on 31st May, 1966

1470/67. BALLINTRA SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor M. Melly:

"What is the position of the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Ballintra"

REPLY: Contract Documents for Ballintra Sewerage Scheme were forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval on 21st January, 1966. This approval has not yet been receivdd.

1471/67. FIRE STATION FOR DONEGAL TOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"I would like to know what is the delay in getting the fire station under way in Donegal Town?"

REPLY: The Council's Solicitor has investigated the Title of the site on which the Council proposes to erect the Fire Station, and he has advised that the Council might proceed with the proposal. Arrangements are being made for the design of the Station to be put in hands. The design is expected to be available shortly.

1472/67. OLD RAILWAY BRIDGE FROM MAIN ROAD AT DRUMININ

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"As promised over three years ago the old railway bridge leading from the Main Road at Druminin was to be lowered and the road put in a state of good repair. This bridge is in a dangerous state of repair."

REPLY: It is intended to try, if possible to get the old railway bridge on County Road at Druminin removed out of maintenance funds this year.

1473/67. HEDGE AND DITCH AT MARIAN VILLAS, DONEGAL TOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"This hedge and old ditch was to be taken away over two years ago in front of the Council houses at Marian Villas and also a small fence to be put up at Mrs. O'Donnell's house, Marian Villas. This is a dangerous corner at this house."

REPLY: The estimated cost of this work is £200. Expenditure of this sum from cottage repairs funds has not been undertaken because of the more pressing need to finance house repairs from the fund.

1474/67. CARRIGART AND DOWNINGS SEWERAGE SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"What is the position regarding the Carrigart and Downings Sewerage Scheme?"

REPLY: The position regarding Carrigart sewerage scheme is that the Council have accepted a tender for the construction of this scheme, on the 3rd May, 1966. Tender was forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval on the 11th May, 1966. This approval has not yet been received. A loan to finance the scheme was applied for on the 5th October, 1965.

The position regarding Downings Sewerage Scheme is that the scheme is now ready for advertising, and the Department of Local Government have been asked if it is in order to do so. This approval has not been received. A loan to finance the scheme was applied for on the 8th May, 1967. This loan has not yet been sanctioned.

1475/67. ROAD TO TRANAROSSAN BEACH AND CAR PARK

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"When does the Council intend commencing work on the road to Tranarossan beach and car park?"

REPLY: The Council's Solicitor has been asked to make the necessary transfer of lands in this case. He has had some difficulty in his investigation of title and it was necessary for the local engineer to have further inquiries made in regard to these lands.

As soon as the legal formalities in regard to the land transfer have been completed arrangements will be made to have the work carried out.

1476/67. WATER SUPPLY TO MELMORE, DOWNINGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"What is the up to date position of the proposed water scheme to Melmore, Downings?"

REPLY: This scheme was approved by the Council at their meeting of the 3rd October and is estimated to cost £16,700. The scheme is being designed by the Council's engineering staff, and, until recently there was a shortage of design engineers in this section. Work has, however, now commenced on the design of this scheme.

1477/67. SEPTIC TANK AT BALLYLIFFEN

The following question was submitted by Councillor M. Deery:

"What is the delay in providing septic tank at Ballyliffin?"

REPLY: The reconstruction of the drainage system at Ballyliffen as a sanitary sewerage scheme and installation of septic tank is one of the many minor projects which have had to be deferred pending appointment of design staff. The design of these works will be given early priority when the new engineers are recruited.

1478/67. ROAD OPENING DEPOSITS

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Kelly:

"The number, amount and percentage of total deposits for road opening water connections and sewerage connections not repaid each year for the past five years?"

REPLY:

Year	Total No. deposits	No. not refunded	Percentage of deposits not refunded	Amount of deposits not refunded
1962	400	25	6¼%	£83
1963	511	100	19½% approx.	£293
1964	506	111	22% approx.	£411
1965	390	147	37½% approx.	£666
1966	428	321	75% approx.	£1,168

The total amount of deposits not refunded for the past five years = £2,621

The total number not repaid = 704

This means that approximately 31% of the deposits lodged for the past five years have not been refunded.

1479/67. KILMACRENAN NO. 2 HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"When will work commence on the construction of the twelve houses in Scheme No. 2 at Kilmacrenan?"

REPLY: The Council's Architect's are at present designing this Scheme and it is hoped that they will be in a position to submit preliminary plans at an early date. It is not possible at this stage to state when work will commence on the Scheme, but it has been scheduled for completion during the term of the Council's Five Year Programme.

1480/67. TRAVELLING EXPENSES ETC. OF SUPERVISORS

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What is the intention of the Council in regard to Supervisors now employed by the Council and what travelling expenses are now being paid to these Supervisors?"

REPLY: The Council is in correspondence with the Department of Local Govwrnment on the question of a revised arrangement for supervision of roadworks. The matter is not yet finalised. If the arrangement is implemented as proposed it will not have any detrimental effect on the position of the existing Overseers, but the question of replacing these Overseers after their retirement would not arise.

Travelling expenses are not paid to Overseers. However, this matter is being examined and as a consequence of the examination a small number of Overseers may be deemed to qualify for expenses.

1481/67. MILFORD WATER SUPPLY

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What is the present position in regard to proposed water scheme for Milford?"

REPLY: A Preliminary Report for Milford Water Supply Improvement Scheme was forwarded to the Department of Local Government for approval on the 20th March, 1967. This approval has not yet been received. In anticipation of this approval, however, negotiations are in progress for the acquisition of the necessary land, and the Council's solicitors are preparing a Water Rights proposal.

1482/67. COOLE/CRANFORD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What is the up to date position in regard to Coole/ Cranford Water Supply Scheme proposal?"

REPLY: Contract Documents for Cranford Water Supply Scheme were forwarded to the Department of Local Government on the 1st February for approval. Approval to these documents has not yet been received. In anticipation of this approval, the Council's solicitors are preparing the necessary water rights proposal for the scheme.

1483/67. SPEED LIMIT AT FINTOWN

The following notice of motion standing in the names of Councillors, Breslin, Campbell and MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Technical Committee for consideration:

"That speed-signs be erected between the Cross-roads at Millside, Fintown and Fintown Cross-roads."

1484/67. REPLACEMENT OF RANGE

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, the County Manager agreed that as hardship was involved in this case the installation of a range without charge would be approved:

"That the County Council replace range in house No. 13, Marian Villas, Donegal Town."

1485/67. RENT SHCEME FOR COUNCIL HOUSES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the County Manager be asked to devise a rent scheme which would provide for an abatement of 10/-d for each member of a household who was a disabled person, irrespective of age, and in addition that all non-contributory social welfare benefits be ignored for income purposes and that the recipients of these allowances be regarded as dependants qualifying for an abatement of 10/-d per person."

The County Manager undertook to examine the proposal and to allow credit to tenants for over-payments of rent prior to the sanctioning of the Council's Scheme by the Minister for Local Government.

486/67. DERRYLOUGHAN/GWEEBARRA ROAD

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Campbell, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Forestry Department be requested to contribute to the repairs and maintenance at the Derryloughan/ Gweebarra Road, which is extensively used by them."

487/67. ROAD AT GLASSLY BRIDGE, CONVOY

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the special roads meeting:

"That this Council take over the road at Glassly Bridge Convoy, which passes the residences of John Quinn, Michael Boyle, John J. Magee and Peter Rogers."

488/67. GRAVEYARD AT ARDVALLEY, ARDARA

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the graveyard in question is not Council property:

"That this Council carry out immediate repairs to the old graveyard at Ardvalley, Ardara, where the boundary walls have fallen in."

489/67. WINCH AT TEELIN PIER

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

"That a winch be provided at Teelin Pier forthwith to facilitate the expansion of the said Pier."

490/67. SEWERAGE SCHEME FOR THE BATTERY, CLOGHORE

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

"That this Council consult the Fermanagh County Council about the possible arrangement of sewerage disposal for a number of houses and shops at the Battery, Cloghore."

1491/67. PAYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS IN URBAN DISTRICTS

It was agreed that the following motion in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey be deferred to the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council pay supplementary grants in the urban districts of Letterkenny, Buncrana and Bundoran."

1492/67. LIFFORD/RADHOE ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer informed the meeting that he proposed having this work carried out:

"That white lines be marked on the road from Lifford to Raphoe."

1493/67. SPEED LIMIT IN KILCAR

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor F. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconddd, was referred to the Technical Committee for consideration:

"That speed limit signs be erected in Kilcar."

1494/67. DOWNINGS WATER SUPPLY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McNutt, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council includes Kinnelergy Cotteges in the Proposed water scheme to Melmore Downings."

1495/67. DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE COUNTY ROADS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor A. Diver, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the special roads meeting:

"That the following roads be declared County Roads:

(a) Road from the end of County Rd. at Michael McDermott's house at Ballylawn, to County Road near James Breddin's house, Cosley.
(b) Road from the end of County Road at Drumaville to County Road at Ballyharry.
(c) Road from Ballyratten County Road to James McLaughlin's house, Middletown.
(d) Road from the Main Road at Hugh O'Donnell's house, Moneydonagh to Bridget McDermott's house, Drumley.
(e) Road from Drung County Road to Samuel Harrigans' house
(f) Road from the end of County Road at Charles Lafferty's house to County Road at Owen Caln Bridge.
(g) Road from Tiernaleague County Road to Patrick McCole's house.
(h) Road from Carndonagh, Quigley's Point Main Road, through Carrowblagh townland to Point, formerly maintained by the County Council.

1496/67. TAKING OVER OF ROADS

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the special roads meeting for consideration:

"That the Council take over Board of Works roads from Togher to Tornabratley, Clonmany; from Gortnamullen Bridge to Main Road at National School, Malin Head."

1497/67. APPOINTMENTS WITH MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Kelly, was proposed and seconded:

"That the Council's system for arranging appointments for patients with Doctors be investigated with a view to eliminating unnecessary delay."

The County Manager informed the meeting that he would investigate the particular cases to which Councillor Kelly referred, on receipt of the names of the persons concerned, and while it was not possible to completely eliminate waiting lists the arrangement for clinics provided that in cases or urgency a patient would be seen without having to await his turn on the waiting list. The Manager also stated that he had recently been making enquiries with regard to waiting lists.

1498/67. ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, was proposed and seconded:

"That the Council provide extra accommodation for (name given to County Secretary) who is already in a Council cottage."

The County Manager stated that the Council would consider making available the requried loans and grants, and if the tenant was unable to finance the execution of the work by this means he would endeavour to find a solution to the problem of over-crowding. It was agreed to have the matter referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report.

1499/67. IMPROVEMENTS TO CURRANSPORT PIER

The following notice of motion standing in the names of Councillars Breslin, Kelly and MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded was adopted:

"That the Council ask Roinn na Gaeltachta to allocate a grant to the County Council in order to carry out very necessary improvements to Curransport Pier."

1500/67. KILLIN ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That this Council repair the Killin Road leading from Dan Boyle's, Meenagran, through Killin by Keeloges National School to Main Road at Inver."

1501/67. BRIDGEND WATER SUPPLY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council negotiate to have water supply extended from the Derry Frontier to Bridgend area on similar arrangement as that made in Muff a few years back."

1502/67. ROSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council request the Department of Local Government to give immediate sanction to proposals before it for a number of extensions to the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme."

1503/67. RANGES IN HOUSES AT DWNPARKS, CONVOY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the Council had now procured the required parts for the ranges in question:

"That this Council replace ranges in the Housing Scheme in Townparks, Convoy, where they are unable to procure parts for ranges presently installed there."

1504/67. SMALL FARMERS' HOUSE FOR EDDIE McNALLY, GROUSELODGE, TIEVEMORE

The following motion in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the applicant was a single man aged 64 and that it would not be possible for the Council to build a house for this type of applicant:

"That this Council build a small farmers house for Eddie McNally, Grouselodge, Tievemore."

1505/67. CONLIN ROAD, KILLYBEGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That the surroundings of the Conlin Road Cottages be put in a respectable condition."

1506/67. SEWERAGE FACILITIES FOR CLOGHORE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Melly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council again examine the possibility of providing Sewerage facilities to the Council cottages at Cloghore."

1507/67. NEW COURTHOUSE FOR LETTERKENNY

It was agreed that the following motion in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey be deferred to the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council erect a new Courthouse in Letterkenny."

1508/67. SPEED LIMITS FOR BALLINDRAIT AND LISCOOLEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Technical Committee for consideration:

"That 30 m.p.h. speed limits be erected at Liscooley and Ballindrait villages."

1509/67. ROAD TO MUCKROSS STRAND AND MUCKROSS HEAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor F. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, it was noted that the County Engineer proposed to bring forward proposals for a new Five Year Plan within the next few months:

"That the road from Kilcar/Killybegs Coast Road to Muckross Strand and Muckross Head be tarred."

1510/67. PROTECTION OF BEACHES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McNutt, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for the purpose of examining the proposal to erect a barrier to exclude traffic from beaches:

"That this Council enforce its powers to prevent cars from destroying the beaches in Donegal."

1511/67. PURCHASE OF SURGICAL APPLIANCES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery was deferred to the next meeting:

"That the Council ask the Department for permission to purchase surgical appliances from any source they may be available."

1512/67. REPAYMENT OF ROAD OPENING DEPOSITS ETC.

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Kelly was proposed and seconded:

"That the system for repayment of road opening and water mains connecting deposits be improved."

The County Secretary explained that recently a system had been introduced providing for non-refundable deposits of smaller amounts than were required previously. He stated that it was the Council's practice to await notification from persons making road openings to the effect that the work had been carried out before undertaking inspections with a view to arranging refunds of deposits. He indicated, however, that with the introduction of the non-refundable deposits the Council was taking the initiative in the matter of examining applications with a view to making refunds.

1513/67. SHEEP DIPPING TANK FOR CHURCHILL/KEELOGS AREA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a sheep dipping tank be installed in the Churchill/Keelogs area."

1514/67. FANAD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

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

"That the Council extend Fanad Water Supply Scheme to serve areas Ballyhirk, Ballyheerin; Umricam, Ballyheerin; Muineach, Ballyheerin and Knockbrack, Ballynashannagh."

1515/67. ROAD TO DRUMGORMAN, MOUNTCHARLES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the special roads meeting for consideration:

"That the County Council take over, repair and maintain the link road from William Stewart's house, Buncroanen by Jim Stewart's house to Drumgorman, Mountcharles."

1516/67. RATING POSITION OF BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT

The Council deferred consideration of the following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, to its next meeting:

"That this Council support and take all necessary steps to assist the case made by Buncrana U.D.C. to the Minister for Local Government for an amendment of the appropriate Act which would put the rating position in Buncrana (viz a viz the County Council) on a par with the position obtaining in similar Urban areas in Donegal."

1517/67. GLENTIES/ARDARA REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That a strong protest be sent to the Minister for Local Government re. undue delay in sanctioning loan for the Glenties/Ardara Regional Water Supply Scheme."

1518/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES AT BALLYBOFEY, CONVOY AND CASTLEFIN

The following motion in the name of Councillor P. McGowan was deferred for consideration at the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council provide a public convenience in Ballybofey, Convoy ahd Castlefin and maintain them in a fit condition for the public to use."

1519/67. ROAD FROM SALTHILL HOUSE, MOUNTCHARLES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the special roads meeting for consideration:

"That this Council take over the 300 yds. of road and declare same a County Road, from Salthill House, Mountcharles to Mrs. Mullarkey's Cottage."

1520/67. PURCHASE OF PROVISIONS, COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

It was agreed that the following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, be deferred to the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council request the County Manager to stop dictating to the patients of the County Hospital, Letterkenny where they should purchase their provisions."

1521/67. TOURISM IN COUNTY DONEGAL

The following motion in the name of Councillor W. McNutt was deferred for consideration at the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council forms its own regional tourist organisation to promote tourism in the County more effectively."

1522/67. COAST EROSION AT ROSAPENNA, DOWNINGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillors H. Blaney and W. McNutt, was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council do something immediately to arrest coast erosion at Rosappnna, Downings."

It was agreed to refer this matter to the Office of Public Works.

1523/67. COTTAGE REPAIR SCHEME

It was agreed that the following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan be deferred to the next meeting for consideration:

"That this Council completely over-haul their cottage repair scheme to give more satisfactory service to occupiers of Council houses."

1524/67. COAST EROSION AT KILMACREDDAN, INVER

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council promote a coastal erosion scheme at Kilmacreddan, Inver."

1525/67. FOOTPATHS IN MILFORD

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

"That the Council give immediate consideration to repair of footpaths in the town of Milford."

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 9th October, 1967

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 4TH
SEPTEMBER, 1967

1427/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, W. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1428/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. L. Roarty, Staff Officer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1429/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR - DISTRICT NO. 26

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: For the purposes of Article 26(g) of the Local Government (Officers) Regulations, 1943, the Donegal County Council hereby decides that having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector the knowledge and the experience necessary for that office the person to be appointed to that office cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and such person should be selected by a vote of the Council.

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: The Donegal County Council hereby decides that in the case of the appointment of a Rate Collector, having regard to the requirements of the office, it would not be reasonably practicable to give preferences to candidates according to the knowledge of the Irish Language which such candidates possess and the ability of the said candidates to perform the duties of that office through the medium of the Irish language.

The Council noted the following letter dated 30th August, 1967 addressed by the Irish Local Government Officials Union to the Chairman:

"I wish to make representations to the Donegal County Council in connection with the vacancy for a Rate Collector in District No. 26 which, I understand, will be under consideration by the Council at their Meeting on the 4th September next.

The Union has been considering for some time past the possibility of having Rate Collectorships rationalized in terms of districts and salaries, not alone for the purpose of establishing a common scale for all Collectors within a county but also because of the changes in warrants arising from the increases in the Agricultural Grant in recent years. As you are aware Collectors are now all paid upon a fixed salary and bonus and the former poundage method of payment has disappeared. The position in Donegal is that there are 27 Rate Collectors with remuneration - inclusive of bonus - varying between £400 and £1,400 per annum approximately.

1429/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR (Contd.)

The Union is seeking for the introduction, over time, of a common salary scale and for the equalization of districts. The Union accepts that the achievement of this objective would require a reduction in the number of Rate Collectors employed. This to be achieved over time by non-filling of vacancies as they arise.

The Union appreciates that it may be very difficult indeed to achieve the rationalization envisaged, and that the proposal would need careful examination by the Council and by the County Manager. Apart from the question of the advantages accruing to our members, the proposal might also be of advantage to the Council in that it might present an opportunity for relating the Rate Collector establishment more closely to the reduction of the warrants in recent years arising from the incidence of the Agricultural Grant.

I am to request that the Council give consideration to this matter and, if possible, to agree to the reception of a Union deputation, and that the filling of the present vacancy be not proceeded with until the matter has been fully examined. I am also to point out that another vacancy is likely to arise in October or November of this year on the retirement of a Rate Collector under the Age Limit Order.

I am forwarding a copy of this letter to the County Manager for his information and attention.

I should be very grateful if the Council would give this representation their kindest consideration and attention."

The County Manager submitted the following report in connection with applications received for the appointment:

Sixteen applications were received as follows:

Susan Arthur, Raphoe
Gerard Carter, Rooskey, Fahan
Horace G. Friel, Carrigans
Neil A. Gallagher, Liskey, Ballindrait
James Harte, Lifford
James Henderson, Porthall, Lifford
Sean Kelly, Oakfield, Raphoe
James Logue, St. Johnston
Charles Meehan, Galdonagh, Manorcunningham
Patrick McBrearty, P.O. Lane, Lifford
John McDermott, Mullindrait, Stranorlar
Frederick J. McGee, Galdonagh, Manorcunningham
Michael McElhinney, c/o Doherty, Stranorlar
Andrew Tinney, Grahamsland, Castlefin
Patrick Tourish, Veagh, Manorcunningham
James Wilson, Carricknamanna, Killygordon.

I am unable to give the prescribed Certificates in respect of the following for the reasons given:

James Harte	Failed to qualify at Examination
Sean Kelly	do.
James Logue	do.
Patrick McBrearty	do.
Charles Meehan	do.
James Wilson	Did not attend for examination
Gerard Carter	do.

Miss Susan Arthur did not attend for examination or Irish interview. She qualified at an examination in connection with the appointment of Rent Collector earlier this year.

1429/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR (Contd.)

The standard of Irish of the remaining candidates has been assessed as follows:

Neil Gallagher	Competent
John McDermott	do.
F.G. McGee	do.
Michael McElhinney	do.
Patrick Tourish	do.
Horace G. Friel	Good
Andrew Tinney	do.
James Henderson	Less than good.

I certify that the following candidates possess the qualifications (other than the Health Qualification) declared for the post:

Susan Arthur	
Horace G. Friel	(Subject to production of Birth Certificate)
Neil Gallagher	
James Henderson	(Subject to production of Birth Certificate)
John McDermott	
Michael McElhinney	
Frederick McGee	
Andrew Tinney	
Patrick Tourish	

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

"That all candidates be admitted to the competition irrespective of whether or not they had passed the qualifying examination."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor W. Patterson

"That the Council admit to the competition for the appointment only those candidates who had passed the qualifying examination."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared passed, seventeen members having voted for and ten against.

Voted for the amendment: Councillors Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid (17)

Voted against the amendment: Councillors Blaney, L. Cunningham. Deery, Diver, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, Murrin and O'Breisleain (10)

No further amendment having been proposed the amendment was declared to be the substantive motion and having been passed.

Proposed by: Councillor B. MCGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the appointment of a Rate Collector be postponed."

The Chairman ruled that this motion to be considered would require the suspension of Standing Orders.

It was then

Proposed by: Councillor B. Mc Glinchey
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the Council's Standing Orders should be suspended."

1429/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR (Contd.)

A vote was taken on this motion which was declared lost, eight members having voted for and nine against.

Voted for the motion:	Councillors Blaney, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, and O'Breisleain (8)
Against the motion:	Councillors Campbell, Friel, Kelly, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Murrin and Patterson (9)
Did not vote:	Councillors Boggs, Doohan, F. Cunningham, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, Melly, O'Donnell and Reid (10)

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor W. Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the appointment all the candidates who passed the qualifying examination be put before the meeting for voting."

A vote was then taken at which each Councillor cast four votes as follows:

Councillor Blaney:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Boggs	Arthur, McDermott, McElhinney and McGee
Councillor L. Cunningham:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor F. Cunningham:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Councillor Breslin:	Gallagher, McDermott, McGee and Tinney
Councillor Campbell:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Deery:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Diver:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Doohan:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Councillor Friel:	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Gillen:	Arthur, McDermott, McElhinney and McGee
Councillor Gallagher:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Conncillor Harte:	Arthur, McDermott, McElhinney and McGee
Councillor Kelly:	Gallagher and McDermott
Councillor Harkin:	Gallagher, McDermott and McElhinney
Councillor Melly:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Councillor Murrin:	Gallagher, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Meehan!	Gallagher, Henderson, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor McLaughlin:	Arthur, McDermott, McElhinney and McGee
Councillor McEniff:	Gallagher, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor McRuaidhrigh:	Gallagher, McDermott, McGee and Tinney
Councillor McGlinchey:	Gallagher, McDermott, McElhinney and Tinney
Councillor McGowan:	Gallagher, McDermott, McGee and Tinney
Councillor McCafferty:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Councillor O'Donnell:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney
Councillor Patterson:	Arthur, Gallagher, McDermott and Tinney
Councillor Reid:	McDermott, McElhinney, McGee and Tinney

On the result of this poll candidates were seen to have received votes as follows:

Susan Arthur	Five Votes
Horace Friel	Nil
Neil Gallagher	Sixteen Votes
James Henderson	Seven Votes
John McDermott	Twenty-seven Votes
Michael McElhinney	Thirteen Votes
F.J. McGee	Fourteen Votes
Andrew Tinney	Twenty-one Votes
Patrick Tourish	Nil

1429/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR (Contd.)

In accordance with Standing Orders the following names were then withdrawn:

Susan Arthur, James Henderson and Michael McElhinney.

On the second poll Councillors cast their votes as follows:

For Mr. Gallagher:	Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham Deery, Diver, Friel, Harkin, McEniff, McGlinchey, Meehan, Murrin and Patterson
For Mr. McDermott:	Councillors Campbell, Gallagher, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell and Reid
For Mr. McGee:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty and O'Donnell
For Mr. Tinney:	Councillors Blaney, Boggs, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, O'Breisleain, Patterson and Reid.

At the end of that poll candidates were seen to have received votes as follows:

Neil A. Gallagher:	Twelve Votes
John McDermott:	Fifteen Votes
Frederick McGee:	Seven Votes
Andrew Tinney:	Nineteen Votes

Candidates Gallagher and McGee were then eliminated.

A poll was then taken which resulted in sixteen votes for John McDermott and eleven votes for Andrew Tinney.

Voted for McDermott:	Councillors Campbell, L. Cunningham, Diver, Doohan, Gallagher, Harkin, Kelly, McEnif*, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain and O'Donnell(16)
Voted for Tinney:	Councillors Blaney, Boggs, F. Cunningham, Deery, Friel, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Patterson Gillen and Reid (11)

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That Mr. John McDermott, is hereby appointed to the office of Rate Collector under Donegal County Council subject to the qualifications for the office and the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and subject to receipt by the Council of satisfactory evidence as to health and character."

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

At the outset of the meeting the County Manager explained that the Council was obliged by statute to adopt a Plan before the 1st October, 1967. He indicated that some objections had been received to the proposals in the Draft Plan and that the period of three months for the submission of objections had not expired. Consideration would have to be given to further objections if they came to hand.

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Contd.)

The County Manager then gave particulars of the consultations held by the Council in connection with the Planning Act over a period as follows:

1. Amenity and Tourism Study of Donegal

The following were consulted:

(a) Game Council
(b) Most Development Associations within the County
(c) Fr. McDyer, Glencolumbkille
(d) N.F.A.

A Seminar was held in Dublin on 28 - 30th June, 1967, introducing the above Plan at which County Council members and Urban District Council members were present.

2. Provisional Plan

A Public Meeting was held in Ballybofey on 21st October, 1966 at which the Minister for Local Government and members of the County Council and Urban District Councils were present. Representatives of the various Development Associations and other bodies were invited to the meeting.

The Planning Officer attended at meetings of the following:

Letterkenny Urban District Council
Bundoran Urban District Council
Buncrana Urban District Council
Donegal Town Development Association - two meetings at which local Council's were present.
Ballybofey Development Association - do.
Killybegs Development Association - at which local Councils were present
Ballyshannon Development Association - do.
Moville/Carndonagh/Inishowen Development Associations - do.

3. Draft County Development Plan

Consultations with Bord Failte regarding Tourism Development Plan
Consultations with the Board of Works and Bord Iascaigh Mhara

12th December, 1966:	Meeting with full Council regarding preparation of County Development Plan
31st January, 1967:	Meeting with Council regarding Interim Development Control Policies
27th February, 1967:	Second meeting with Council to finalise town boundaries
6th March, 1967:	Third meeting with Council to finalise town boundaries and option of County growth for County Development Plan.
20th March, 1967:	Meeting with Council re. growth pattern to be included in the County Development Plan.
15th April, 1967:	Meeting with County Council General Purposes regarding Ribbon Development
19th June, 1967:	Sixth meeting with County Council and presentation of County Development Plan
8th August, 1967:	Seventh meeting with Council (new members) Presentation of County Development Plan
17th August, 1967:	Meeting to present County Development Plan to: (a) the Public (b) Development Associations (c) Urban and County Councillors (d) Regional Game Council (e) Historical Society etc.

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Contd.)

25th August, 1967: Meeting with Mart Committee, Moville regarding Planning and location of Cattle Mart.

4th August, 1967: Consultations with Regional Planning Consultants (Colin Buchanan)

Meeting in August with Donegal Historical Society

At least six meetings have been held with North West Airport Committee at which Councillors A. Diver and P. McGowan were present.

Proposed by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor W. McCafferty

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to postpone the statutory date for the making of the Plan to the 31st March, 1968."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to defer the statutory date to the 1st January, 1968."

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

"That the Council proceed to consider the Draft Plan with a view to its adoption on the 25th September, 1967."

After further discussion it was agreed to proceed with the consideration of the Plan and the objections which had been received.

FISHING SCHOOL AT GREENCASTLE

Proposed by: Councillor A. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That the Council convey to the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries an expression of their appreciation on account of his decision to establish a Fishing School in County Donegal."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That no action be taken."

This amendment was declared defeated, six members having voted for and eight against.

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

"That the Donegal County Council ask the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries to reconsider the establishment of a Fishing School at Greencastle rather than in Killybegs, which is considered to be a better centre, by reason of the amount of money invested in Killybegs by State Departments and because of the extent to which the fishing industry has been developed in Killybegs."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared passed, seven members having voted for and six against.

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Contd.)
CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DRAFT PLAN

(a) Advertisers

The County Manager explained that a representative had been received from Messrs. David Allen & Sons Ltd. and following this Mr. Rogers, representing this firm and the Irish Outdoor Advertising Committee had attended at the Council's offices for consultations. The following is the text of the objections received from Messrs. David Allen & Sons Ltd.:

"We have examined the above Plan and object to the following extracts:

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"It shall be the objective of the Council to refuse Planning Permission for the erection of advertisement structures, posters etc. which contain commercial or trade names, brands etc. where these would be located in rural areas or outside the built-up areas of towns and villages." This would rule out advertisements of this nature on such places as Confectionery Shops and Pubs.

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"Signs shall be located as far as possible on buildings rather than on free standing hoardings." "Advertisement panels exceeding the 16 sheet size shall not be permitted." "Advertisement Structures will not be permitted in areas classified as residential areas, nor shall they be permitted on the main approaches to the towns and villages throughout the county." "No Advertisement structures will be permitted in the vicinities of Historic or Civic buildings, Cathedrals, Churches, Monuments, nor shall they be located so as to detract from Civic dignity or the architectural environment or setting." There may be instances where advertisements would be situated in such an Area where it could not be seen in conjunction with the building specified and where they could perform a useful screening function. "The Council shall make rules for regulating the manner in which signs are to be affixed to buildings and shall apply these rules when granting permission. Advertising banners, models, letters, plates, hanging signs, projecting signs, window posters, newsboards, painted signs and such similar displays shall not be permitted, expecially around shop fronts and the forecourts of filling stations, as it spoils the appearance of the premises, is injurious to the street scene and the jumble detracts from the effects of properly located signs." "Floodlit or reflectorised Advertising panels shall not be permitted at points where road and traffic conditions are such that maximum concentration is necessary for road safety." Maximum concentration is always required in every circumstance and we submit that this is too sweeping a statement.

In all these cases we submit that the provisions are contrary to the Department of Local Government's circular on Outdoor Advertising dated May, 1967, and would inhibit Planning Officials for all times in giving proper individual condideration to each particular Planning Application for an Advertisement site on its own particular merits.

Other members of the Irish Outdoor Advertising Committee will undoubtedly be objecting, and we, therefore, suggest that they should act on behalf of its members at a hearing to be heard by a person or persons appointed by the Local Planning Authority to receive such objections. Would you therefore please arrange for such a meeting direct with the Secretary of the Irish Outdoor Advertising Committee at 40, Pearse Street, Dublin. In the event of the County Council agreeing to the deletions or amendments of the references as stated above, we would be happy to withdraw our objections."

1430/67. OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

In connection with the objections from this firm and following the consultations held with the representative of the Irish Outdoor Advertising Committee, the County Secretary submitted a list of amendments of the Draft Development Plan which if adopted would meet the objections raised to the Council's proposals for control of advertisement structures.

(i) Page 69 of the Draft Development Plan - addition of the following definition of a village: "A settlement consisting of a group of six occupied buildings, one of which is used for commercial purposes shall be deemed to be a village as distinct from an open space."

The Council discussed the implications of the proposal for control of advertising on open spaces, but no firm decision was taken to include the definition of a village on Page 69 of the Plan.

(ii) Page 114 of the Draft Development Plan.
The Council considered the first paragraph of Page 114 dealing with Advertisement Structures.

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher

"That the Draft Development Plan be amended so as to allow advertising of local facilities in rural areas, except areas where the County Council would normally refuse building permission so as to protect amenities, and providing that the advertising panels are limited to size 3' x 2'.

The following amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That the Council adopt the policies as outlined in the Plan."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared carried, twelve members having voted for it and seven against.

The Council considered the following objective as outlined in Page 115 of the Plan: "No advertisement structures will be permitted in the vicinity of historical or civic buildings, Cathedrals, Churches, Monuments, nor shall they be located so as to detract from the civic dignity or the architectural environment or setting."

The following alternative draft was submitted by the County Secretary to the Council for consideration:

"No advertisement structures will be permitted in the vicinity of historical or civic buildings, Cathedrals, Churches, Monuments, where they detract from the civic dignity or the architectural environment or setting. Advertising not seen in the same view as the building or which does not impinge on it may be permissible."

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the objective as originally outlined on Page 115 of the Plan be adopted."

1430/67. OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

The Council considered the objective outlined on Page 116 of the Draft Development Plan dealing with advertising banners, models etc. The County Secretary submitted an amended draft which would delete the words in the text "if it spoils" and substitute the words "where it spoils".

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh

"That the entire paragraph on Page 116 dealing with advertising banners, models etc. be deleted from the Draft Development Plan."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor J. Kelly
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

"That the words 'if it spoils' be deleted from the text and the words 'where it spoils' be substituted."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared defeated, nine members having voted for and ten members having voted against. The original motion was carried, ten members having voted for and nine against.

The Council considered the objective on Page 116 of the Draft Development Plan dealing with advertisement for the purpose of identity, direction or warning etc. The County Secretary submitted the following revised draft of the first sentence of the paragraph - "Advertisements for the purpose of identity, direction or warning which do not contribute to clutter may be permitted."

The Council unanimously agreed to the proposed revision of the Draft.

The Council considered the objective on Page 116 of the Draft Development Plan beginning with the following words - "It is acceptable to Donegal County Council that there is a need for local advertising ....." On the proposal of Councillor L. Cunningham, seconded by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, it was agreed that this paragraph should be amended by the deletion of the words " normally black and white".

The Council considered the objective on Page 114 of the Draft Development Plan reading as follows:

"Signs shall be located as far as possible on buildings rather than on free standing hoardings."

The County Secretary submitted the following revised draft which was designed to introduce flexibility to the objective. "Signs shall preferably be located on buildings rather than on free standing hoardings in towns and villages."

The Council agreed to the proposed amendment.

ADVERTISING POSTERS

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That after the Council has provided advertising hoardings in the scheduled towns, posters will be prohibited on roadsides between the towns where the hoardings are provided, and that after the Council has gained experience of the hoardings, consideration be given to the provision of further hoardings in other towns."

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN - ADVERTISING POSTERS (Contd.)

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh

"That advertisers be obliged to erect their own hoardings on sites selected by the Council."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared defeated, seven members having voted for and eight against.

A vote was then taken on the original motion which was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman, after seven members had voted for and seven against.

Proposed by: Councillor C. Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor J. Reid

AND RESOLVED: "That permission for advertising on County Council hoardings be given to advertisers on payment of an annual fee."

(b) OBJECTIONS OF BALLYSHANNON TOWN COMMISSIONERS

The Council considered the following letter dated 25th August, 1967 from the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners:

"The Town Commissioners at a Special Meeting on the 24th instant considered the County Development Plan with relation to Ballyshannon.

Proposed by Cmr. White, seconded by Cmr. Maguire and resolved: "That we ask that the 'Ring Road' - long term proposals for Ballyshannon be deleted from County Development Plan and we suggest that one side parking be introduced on main streets which would ease traffic congestion.

Proposed by: Cmr. Slevin, seconded by Cmr. White and resolved: "That as the traffic density between Ballyshannon and Bundoran is 300 buses for 7 day week in Summer and other traffic is about 3,000 vehicles per day we would urge that the completion of the main road from Portnason to town be completed and included in the Plan and we would urge that a traffic counter be installed on Belleek - Ballyshannon road as soon as possible."

Proposed by Cmr. White, seconded by Cmr. Vaughan and resolved: "That we would urge the County Council to carry out a study of St. Angleo airport to serve six counties viz. Derry, Tyrone, Donegal, Fermanagh, Leitrim and Sligo as in our opinion this is the airport which is most capable of extension and development and would prove an economic proposition."

In connection with Town Detail Plan the Commissioners were anxious to know when this would be prepared and ready for inspection."

Proposed by: Councillor M. Melly
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council take no action on the long term proposal to provide a 'Ring Road' at Ballyshannon."

The County Engineer explained that proposals were in hand for the completion of the Main Road from Portnason to the town. He also stated that he was in agreement with the proposal to provide a traffic counter.

In connection with the reference to St. Angleo's Airport the County Manager explained that the Draft Development Plan included an objective for the undertaking of an airport feasibility study to serve the County, and that it would be premature to refer to any particular location.

The Council discussed the question of providing traffic lights at Ballyshannon and it was agreed that this matter be included on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

1430/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (Contd.)

(c) OBJECTIONS OF BALLYSHANNON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Council considered the following letter dated 23rd August, 1967 from the Ballyshannon Chamber of Commerce:

"The Executive Council of the Ballyshannon Chamber of Commerce considered the Donegal Development Plan at their meeting on the 21st instant, and made the following objections and suggestions:

(1) Long term Policy: The meeting unanimously asked that the 'Ring Road' as outlined for Ballyshannon be deleted from the Plan as (a) there is no need for it and (b) its suggested site would destroy the only amenity in Ballyshannon - the Mall Quay and Park. The executive suggested that to solve the future traffic problem more parking areas be provided, the present streets be improved by removal of obsolete structures.
(2) Airport Feasibility. The Executive Council suggested that the County Council make a feasibility study regarding siting of airport at St. Angleo for six counties, viz. Derry, Donegal, Tyrone, Fermanagh, Leitrim and Sligo.
(3) Industry. It is suggested in the Plan that a timber industry be set up in the future in the County and the Executive ask that this should be designated for Ballyshannon."

The Council noted that the same matters had been considered arising out of the objections of the Ballyshannon Town Commissioners.

SUGGESTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL

GLENCOLUMBKILLE

The Council considered the following statement of suggestions submitted by Father McDyer, C.C.:

(1) Expansion of existing Weaving Factory owned by Gaeltarra Eireann to admit twenty extra Weavers.
These Weavers to be drawn from:

(a) Weavers already weaving at home
(b) Remainder to be trained from among the young men in the District.

(2) Assistance to be rendered to Magee & Co., Donegal in setting up a small Weaving Industry in one of the evacuated schools in Glencolumbkille.
(3) Assistance to be rendered towards expansion of Pilot handknitting Co-operative recently commenced in evacuated school of Lougheraherk. This is as yet only experimental and is an attempt to perform a specialized type of handknitting on assembly style. All operations are conducted through medium of Irish. Building requires modification and rehabilitation.

TOURISM

(1) Access roads and Car Park for Beach at Glencolumbkille and Malinbeg.
(2) Access paths to three ancient Monuments viz

(a) "An Cloghan Mor" at Glenmalin
(b) "Mainistir na Mairtigh" at Farranacbride
(c) "Teampall na Mainach" at Cloghan

(3) Signposts to above (No. 2) and signposts to about six other ancient monuments.

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(4) Lay-by to be erected at:

(a) "Lug na druthain" overlooking Glen Head
(b) Cashel Hill overlooking Glencolumbkille
(c) At Drim overlooking Glencolumbkille.

(5) Signposts for "Folk Village" to be erected at Killybegs, Carrick and Ardara.
(6) Assistance in building another Thatched Cottage in Folk Village for sale of Home-crafts.
(7) Accessibility of Carraross Bridge to motor traffic.
(8) Tar surface for road leading to Garraross Bridge and for Ring Road around townlands of Garraross and Beefan and leading to ruins of Columban settlement.
(9) Tar surface for Kinakillew Lane."

In connection with the suggestions as to industry the County Manager explained that the Council had no direct function in the promotion of industry but it was the policy of the Council, as outlined in the Draft Development Plan, to encourage the development of industry by the appropriate means, such as the provision of Infra structure.

In connection with Fr. McDyer's proposals for the development of industry the Council noted the following observations of Mr. M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant. Mr. O'Malley explained that the Draft Development Plan provided for access roads and car parks at the beaches at Glencolumbkille and Malinbeg. Bord Failte had been asked to make available the signs and to provide funds for the development of access paths to ancient monuments. In connection with the provision of lay-bys it was considered that this suggestion was in keeping with the Council's general intentions as outlined in the Plan. The Plan also envisaged improvement of facilities for traffic at Garraross Bridge. The surfacing of the road leading to Garraross Bridge and the other roads mentioned by Fr. McDyer would have to be considered in conjunction with the Council's Five Year Plan.

MALINHEAD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered the following letter dated 31st August, 1967 from the Malinhead Development Association:

"With reference to the County Donegal Development Plan, the above Association would be very grateful if you would consider the following observations:

1. During the past two or three years, there has been a growing trend in this area of letting furnished and unfurnished houses during the summer months. This year about 90% of all Possible housing, regardless of condition, has been let. However, the owners of these houses have difficulty in getting reasonable rents for their houses. The reason is lack of running water, lack of sewerage etc. We are aware of many efforts to provide water supplies in this area and about 95% of these efforts gave supplies that were unsatisfactory in qualify and quantity of water. Our hotel, restaurants and bars all have water supply problems. As well, we have had a steep rise in the number of day-trippers to the area in the last few years.

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The problem, then, is that we have a rising demand for holiday accommodation and with the increase in day-trippers, a rising demand on the services of our hotel, restaurants and bars and at the same time a lack of water and sewerage facilities that is becoming increasingly acute with the rising demand. Apparently a solution is not to be found before 1970 when the water scheme for this area may or may not be completed. We have the possibilities for tourist development now, in 1967. Should we tell the tourists to call back about 1971.

2. Farmhouse Holidays. This point has been made before and indeed, better made. However, we would like to add our voice. This should be one of the obvious ways in which the county as a whole can benefit from tourist development. However, we are not convinced that the present policy of Bord Failte in recommending, at this stage, that holiday-makers stay only in farmhouse accommodation recommended by them, is a step in the right direction. We appreciate their stated aim of discouraging the provision of unsuitable farmhouse accommodation. However, in our opinion, in dealing with the ultra conservative farming community, Bord Failte have gone much too far and much too fast. They now claim to be clamping down on unsuitable farmhouse accommodation when, in fact, they have not sold the idea of farmhouse accommodation to the majority of the farming community. We would recommend that the County Development Team very carefully consider the effect of trying to develop tourist amenities etc. if the majority of the community do not or are not encouraged to benefit from such development.

Finally, though it is not the direct worry of the planning officer, WHY, if a foreign industrialist setting up in Ireland is exempt from tax for ten or fifteen years, should the Irish farming community not be free of tax, in respect of farmhouse accommodation, for a like period.

3. Agricultural Development. We are not perfectly happy about the analysing of present population and other trends in Agriculture for indications of future trends in this field. We think there is doubt as to which is cause and which effect here. Put briefly, and very crudely, there is a drift away from agriculture because farming, in present conditions and by present methods does not pay satisfactorily, but before we plan for a continued drift from agriculture, are we satisfied that farming in any conditions and by any methods will not pay satisfactorily?"

It was noted that the Council's proposals subject to the availability of funds provided for the completion of a water supply for the Malinhead area by 1970.

In connection with Farmhouse Holidays it was agreed that this matter should be referred to Bord Failte.

The Council noted the Association's remarks on the question of agricultural development.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That the meeting be adjourned to Monday, 11th September, 1967"

Proposed by: Councillor B. Boggs
Seconded by: Councillor E. Gillen

"That the meeting be adjourned to Monday, 18th instant."

The original motion was declared carried, eleven members having voted for and six members against it.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 25th September, 1967

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING (PLANNING)
OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
11TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

1431/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGowan, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Senator B. McGlinchey.

1432/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1433/67. ADVERTISING SECTION OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

At the outset Mr. M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, referred to the principles on which the policies in the Draft Development Plan were framed. He indicated that the policies should be seen as affecting on the one hand "Brand Advertising" and on the other hand local facilities. He pointed out that Bord Failte had regarded the whole County as a tourist resort because of its high amenity value, which should be protected against the disfigurement caused by badly located signs or badly framed signs. He also indicated that having considered the views expressed by the Council at the last meeting he wished to suggest a formula which he had designed to meet both the wishes of the Council and the needs of advertisers, as follows:

(a) That advance advertising of local facilities be permitted by means of finger post signs;

(b) Within the curtilage of the premises where the facility is available, signs be allowed of dimensions not exceeding 3' x 2' and that these be permitted even in rural areas;

(c) Either at the entrance to towns or within towns there should be one site for the advertising of local facilities, which could indicate the type of facility and its location within the town. This site should provide for a panel for the display of posters advertising local interests. The site should be designated by the Planning Authority and could be managed by either (i) the local Development Association, (ii) an Advertising Agency, (iii) the Planning Authority.

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the revised proposals put forward by Mr. M. O'Malley be adopted for inclusion in the Draft Development Plan."

A discussion took place on the proposals which were unanimously agreed subject to the condition that where permission was given to a Development Association or to an Advertising Agency to erect panels or hoardings, a condition would be attached requiring that advertising facilities be made available to all advertisers so as to guard against a monopoly of advertising space.

1434/67. MAJOR POLICIES (as outlined on Pages 41 to 46 of the Draft Plan)

The Council proceeded to consider the major policies as outlined in the Draft Development Plan on Pages 41 to 46.

Mr. M. O'Malley outlined the reasons for the selection of the towns of Letterkenny, Buncrana, Ballybofey/Stranorlar, Donegal, Ballyshannon and Killybegs, for industrial development. He indicated that Carndonagh and Moville as scheduled towns would have separate Development Plans prepared. He pointed out that it was not the intention to exclude from industrial development any town not listed on Page 41 and that his study of the best means for encouraging industrial development in the County had led to the conclusion that outside of the Urbans the Council should provide in depth in four towns, as an initial step, the standard of services required for the encouragement of industry. He indicated that the Plan for Carndonagh and Moville would show an industrial area for those towns. In arriving at the conclusion incorporated in the Plan Mr. O'Malley had regard to the financial commitment involved in the provision of infrastructure for industry.

A general discussion then took place on the desirability of adding the towns of Carndonagh and Moville to the list shown on Page 41. In the course of the discussion Councillors referred also to the desirability for including other towns such as Milford and Dungloe.

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That it be the Council's objective to purchase or cause to be purchased an industrial site for each of the towns of Moville and Carndonagh."

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That the town of Milford be added to the list of towns on Page 41 of the Draft Development Plan in which industrial development should be encouraged."

Proposed by: Councillor C. Gallagher
Seconded by: Councillor J. Kelly

"That the Council confine its objective for the encouragement of industrial development to the six towns listed on Page 41 of the Draft Plan."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared carried after eleven members had voted for and ten against.

This amendment as carried was then the substantive motion.

A further amendment was then

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That the following towns be added to the towns listed on Page 41 of the Draft Development Plan for the encouragement of industrial development: Milford, Carndonagh, Moville and Dungloe."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared carried after thirteen members had voted for and eight against.

1434/67. MAJOR POLICIES (Contd.)

A further amendment was then

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor W. Patterson

"That every town in County Donegal be included in the Draft Development Plan for the provision of an industrial site and the provision of services for industry."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was declared carried after eleven members had voted for and six against.

This amendment as passed became the substantive motion and was declared carried, no further amendments having been moved against it.

1435/67. DEVELOPMENT OF PORTS

The Council proceeded to consider Policy 20 on Page 44 of the Draft Development Plan dealing with the objective to support the use of the Port of Derry as a major sea port for Donegal. During the discussion Councillors expressed support for the view that the ports of Rathmullan and Carrickarory should be developed.

No formal resolutions on these matters were adopted.

1436/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

"That the Council adjourn at 6.30 p.m. and meet on Friday 15th September in Committee."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh
Seconded by: Councillor P. O'Donnell

"That the Council adjourn the finalisation of the Plan to the 31st December, 1967."

A further amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That the next meeting of the Council to discuss the Plan be not held in Committee."

After discussion on the original proposal Councillors Patterson and McEniff agreed to delete from their motion the reference to the holding of the meeting in Committee, and the Council agreed to continue the meeting until 6.30 p.m.

1436/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING (Contd.)

The Chairman was then invited to have a vote taken on the amendment as proposed by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh and seconded by Councillor P. O'Donnell.

A further amendment was then

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That the Council take no decision on the question of adopting the Plan until the Council had finalised its discussion on the Draft Development Plan."

A vote was taken on this amendment which was defeated after nine members had voted for and ten against.

Discussion continued on the motion as proposed by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh and seconded by Councillor P. O'Donnell until 6.30 p.m., when the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned until Friday, 15th September, 1967.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 25th September, 1967

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Proposals for Inclusion in the County Development Plan.

1. That an Industrial Site be developed in the town of Milford.

2. That a feasibility study be carried out on the entrance to Mulroy Bay with a view to the erection of an E.S.B. Power Station and the erection of a Bridge between the Rosguill and Fanad Peninsulas.

Harry Blaney.

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The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

Re/ Commmal Centre, Page 110.

I consider that public toilets should be provided in Malin, Culdaff and Clonmany in five year plan.

Signed : M. Deery

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The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

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Include Malin, Culdaff, Ballyliffen sewerage schemes on proper place onto Development Five Year Plan.

M. Deery.

25th September, 1967.

County Secretary.

That the County Development Plan does not mention any town as one likely to developed as the capital town.

P. McGowan.

MINUTES OF MEETING(PLANNING) OF
DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD
ON 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

1437/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly, Murrin, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1438/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1439/67. AMENDMENT OF DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

At the commencement of the meeting the Chairman informed the members that he would require notice in writing from members of any motions, amendments or objections which they wished to have considered in connection with the Plan. He indicated that members of public and Development Associations wishing to put forward objections or suggestions would also be required to have them submitted in writing. It was noted that this arrangement did not interfere with the right of individuals or Organisations to request an oral hearing in connection with their objections. The members of the Council unanimously agreed to co-operate with the Chairman in implementing the proposed arrangement.

1440/67. EXTENSION OF TIME

It was noted that at the conclusion of the previous meeting the Council had not taken a decision on a Motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh and seconded by Councillor P. O'Donnell, as follows:

"That the Council adjourn the finalisation of the Plan to the 31st December, 1967."

It was then

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That application be made to the Minister for Local Government for an extension of time for the adoption of the Development Plan to the 30th October, 1967."

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Kelly

AND RESOLVED: "That the date for the receipt of objections and suggestions in connection with the Draft Development Plan be extended to the 9th October, 1967."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

The Council considered the following letter dated 8th September, 1967, received from Bord Failte:

"Bord Failte as a prescribed body under the Planning and Development Act acknowledges with thanks the County Development Plan for Donegal, and would like to congratulate all concerned on the production of most comprehensive and forward-looking proposals. Congratulations are due also the Council members who adopted the Plan at its special meeting on June 10 last.

Bord Failte is naturally concerned with the implementation of development proposals, of amenity preservation especially in designated major resort areas, of which Donegal is one. And while the implementation of the Plan is a long-term programme, there are fundamental issues which concern us and which, we feel, must be brought under control without delay.

In this year's Tidy Town Competitions we emphasised a number of these issues which might be classifidd as despoilation of one's towns and countryside by overbearing commercial pressures, litter, dumped cars, hoardings, temporary dwellings etc. It is encouraging to read in the report under the heading Advertisement Structures that strong and comprehensive measures are planned to deal with this problem of outdoor advertising, especially in the open country. This positive step is welcomed and will initiate an acceptance of overall planning for the common good. The fact that it will have the secondary advantage of making Donegal a more attractive tourist area is of major importance to Bord Failte. In this context we welcome the importance attached to the amenity areas of Donegal, i.e. Resources in the Form of Beaches, and the full and thorough way the Coastline problem is dealt with. To conclude we consider the Development Plan documentation invaluable material which should form the basis for fruitful co-operation between Bord Failte and the Donegal County Council in the development of the County's tourist potential"

During the course of the discussion on this letter Councillors adverted to the need for suitable dumping sites for refuse and the problem of litter. Discussion also took place on the desirability of having hedges cut so as to open up scenic views.

It was

Proposed by: Councillor B. Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor B. Boggs

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council should enforce Section 52 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, for the purpose of controlling the litter problem."

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor S. McLaughlin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council note the Bord Failte letter and that an acknowledgement be sent to Bord Failte."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

(2) The Council noted the following letter dated 7th September, 1967 from An Taisce:

"We would like to comment on the following points in the Development Plan for County Donegal. We would be obliged if you would bring these matters before your Council at their next meeting:

(a) Re "Advertisement Structures"

We would like to endorse and support the restrictions proposed in the Plan on Advertisement Structures.
High amenity areas are widespread in Donegal and further development of these Structures and Signs would lead to serious depreciation of these amenities. In fact the restrictions suggested in the Plan appear to be the minimal required to preserve the scenic amenities of the County.

(b) Re "Obsolete and Derelict Areas" etc.

Unfortunately derelict and obsolete areas are fairly numerous in the County and those - such as disused gravel and stone quarries - which are alongside or near main and country roads should receive particular attention. Screening could frequently assist here, and also the clearance or removal of other objectionable features. Your Council might consider taking special steps in collaboration with the County Development Team. In this connection the encouragement of local Development Associations would most probably prove rewarding.

(c) Re "Resources in the Form of Beaches"

We would stress the importance of the erection of public warning signs where beaches or any section of same, are dangerous for bathers. Also to indicate where dangerous tidal channels exist at low water.

We hope the above comments will be helpful to your Council and its officers."

It was agreed that this letter should also be acknowledged and that many of the points covered in it were also covered in the letter from Bord Failte.

1442/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS.

Proposed by: Councillor J. Reid
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council's Standing Orders be suspended for the purpose of rescinding resolution of the Council adopted at its previous meeting".

Proposed by: Councillor J. Reid
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That the following resolution of Donegal County Council adopted at its meeting on the 11th September, 1967 (Minute No. 1434/67) be rescinded:

That every town in County Donegal be included in the Draft Development Plan for the provision of an industrial site and the provision of services for industry."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor B. Boggs

AND RESOLVED: "That all letters containing objections and suggestions be taken in the order of date of receipt, after having first considered suggestions put forward by Councillor S. McEniff."

(3) Councillor S. McEniff's suggestions:

The Council considered the following letter dated 31st August, 1967 received from Councillor S. McEniff:

"The following are my suggested recommendations to the County Plan:

(a) A new bridge for Bundoran in the next five years owing to the density of traffic.
(b) That Bundoran streets be widened levelled and surfaced in the next five years.
(c) A forest Park for the Pettigo area be considered.
(d) That the County back the existing Airport at St. Angelo, Enniskillen rather than consider a new Airport in the County.
(e) That the County Plan back the establishment of a new University at Sligo as recommended by the Committee on Higher Education.

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

"That the provision of a new bridge at Bundoran be included in the County Development Plan for execution in the first five years and that the Bundoran streets be widened, levelled and surfaced in the same period."

After discussion of this proposal the motion was amended by the addition of the condition: "if grant allocations are increased, the Council will recommend that the work be done in the first five years."

The motion as amended was passed.

On the question of the provision of a Forest Park in Pettigo, Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., explained that a Forest Park in Ards is under examination and after a decision is taken on this matter, other forest areas will also be examined. He agreed that the Pettigo forest could be considered to be an amenity area and should be included in one of the areas to be considered after finalisation of the Ards project.

In connection with the proposal affecting the Airport at St. Angelo, Enniskillen Councillor McEniff agreed to delete the words "rather than" from the suggestion in his letter. It was then

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council encourage the existing airport at St. Angelo, Enniskillen."

The Council then considered the suggestion to support the establishment of a University at Sligo. It was

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor S. McLaughlin

"That Donegal County Council forward a resolution to the Department of Education supporting the establishment of a University in Sligo."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor S. McLaughlin

"That there be no intervention by Donegal County Council in the matter of the establishment of a University at Sligo."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman after seven members had voted for and seven against.

(4) The Council considered the following letter dated 11th August, 1967, received from Miss Mairead Dunleavy:

"Thank you sincerely for your Plan. It is indeed a wonderful accomplishment. You should feel proud, relieved and happy to have published such a large volume. It has interested many of my friends - some of which may even be interested enough to write to you (or so they claim)

The only constructive suggestion that I have really heard so far was for Page 98, Map Ref. 68 - to convert the footbridge to a road bridge, and to open up the townland of Garraross, and also tp provide tourist access to Glen Head.

The sheets of paper which accompany this may be all nonsence - it is up to you to judge. The National Library with all its O.S. maps is closed for redecoration and summer vacation - which means that I dont know where half of these townlands are. I hope, however, that out of all the nonsence you may even get one thing of use."

1. Right of access and short historical treatises are of real importance. Thanks be to God you are doing something about it. Some of the chief monuments, E.G. An Grianan, Beltany, Kilclooney More, Glencolumbkille/Glenmaulin monuments, Donegal Abbey and Castle, should all have these information plaques immediately. The O'Davoran fort in Clare and many other monuments with fine detailed plaques are in much more remote places than the above mentioned monuments.

The Board of Works (National Monuments Branch) are storing four lovely well-glazed, beautifully painted, tiles underneath a dusty bench in the attic of 10, Hume Street. If put together and if placed (as the authorities intend them to be put) into cement they will show any visitor a clear clean plan of the site - Donegal Abbey in this case. Why not invite them to mix their cement here - and to splash a few more around while they are at it? They are only waiting to bb asked by someone in authority. The Donegal Historical Society and Donegal Town Development Committee know about it, but .....

2. A County Museum is not a luxury. Britain and the Six Counties are surely showing us the way - especially now that Enniskillen Castle should soon be opened.
It is necessary to start one in Donegal now because of (a) Andrew Lowry's diminishing collection - both in size and condition; (b) Harry P. Swan has been happy to give his linen seals to Belfast; and some Belleek Chine to Seaby in the Ulster Museum, and some silver to others .....
(c) Other smaller collections exist now e.g. Brownhall Demesne and P.J. McGill's in Ardara.

The Rossnowlagh Museum is good, but is certainly not sufficient - (a) it is not central (b) there is no guard or attendant (an iron horse-bit which was possibly made in the Early Iron Age and whish was re-used as a bell blanger in the Early Christian times has disappeared from Rossnowlagh Museum)

Should the County Council not employ at least a Curator/ technician, an attendant and a cleaner?

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

3. Should the National Monuments branch of the Office of Public Works not be asked to employ a Clerk of Works for the North West area for maintenance and preservation at least, of National Monuments?
4. Who owns the land on which Donegal Castle stands? Does Mr. Sweeney (Solicitor) own it?

After discussion by the Council on the matter Mr. M. O'Malley B.E., pointed out that the Draft Development Plan contained objectives for the preservation of monuments of historical or archaeological interest and that Bord Failte would be invited to make funds available for the preservation of monuments and the provision of access to them.

He also indicated that the Council would be considering the making of preservation and conservation Orders in respect of many of the monuments.

(5) The Council considered the following letter dated 25th August, 1967 received from the Glenties and District Development Association:

"Referring to the meeting addressed by you at Ballybofey on 17th August, 1967 we were relieved to hear that the Ardara/ Glenties water scheme was high on the priority list.

We would suggest that it is a matter of prime necessity that public toilets be provided in towns like ours, and Ardara. In fact, a site had been offered here, and although at the time opinions differed as to its location, our outlook has changed now. Apart from the tourist, such lack of convenience is discomfiting to the "country" shopper. Caretakers would be necessary, and possibly a severer penalties bye-law for vandalism or misuse. Wethink though as the Civics School Course gets going, rather more appreciation will be shown for public utilities.

We should like also, to call your attention to the potentialities of Lough Finn, as a tourist attraction. Father McGlynn, C.C., is very keen that the "neck" be cleaned. He maintains that salmon would get in if that were done. Probably it would need to be stocked with trout fly in any case. Provision of convenient lay-byes would help, as I have seen picknickers parked by the roadside. Some effort there would be a great help, as the sad signs of village decay are only too evident in Fintown.

I am to again express our appreciation of the very wonderful planning efforts you, and your team, are making for our County."

After discussion on the letter by members of the Council, Mr. M. O'Malley, pointed out that the Plan contained an objective for the provision of water supply to the Glenties/ Ardara area. He suggested that the Development Association might consider formulating proposals for development of amenities of Lough Finn.

It was then

Proposed by: Councillor J. Campbell
Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh

AND RESOLVED: "That the town of Ardara be added to the list of places on Page 110 of the Draft Development Plan for the provision of Sanitary Conveniences."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS (Contd.)

(6) The Council considered the following memorandum dated June, 1967 submitted by the Carndonagh Development Committee:

"Carndonagh Development Committee has, in conjunction with other development bodies in Inishowen, considered the Draft Development Plan for the County.

We congratulate the County Planning Officers on the excellent and comprehensive scheme which they have provided for the County. It is our hope that the recommendations and objectives of the County Plan will be realised.

Attention is drawn to certain apparent errors and omissions in the Plan. These are as follows:

(a) Page 28, Line 6 Jobs in Larger Factories
Carndonagh Male 52 should read Carndonagh Male 62
(b) Fig. 19 A. Public Toilet symbol omitted for Carndonagh
(c) Fig. 19 A. Ballyliffin Golf Course symbol - 18 holes should read 9 holes
(d) Fig. 19 A Gaelic Football Pitch symbol omitted for Carndonagh
(e) Fig. 19 A Gaelic Football Pitch symbol omitted for Malin
(f) Fig. 19 A Soccer Football Pitch symbol omitted for Carndonagh
(g) Fig. 19 A Climatological Station symbol omitted for Malin Head.
(h) Is Greencastle omitted from list of ports on Page 143?
(i) Page 68. "See section dealing with figure No. 42" should read "See section dealing with figure No. 41"
(j) Fig. 22. Sheltered Inshore Fishing area of Trawbreaga Bay is not indicated.

We suggest that Butler's Glen, Clonmany, with its spectacular waterfall should be listed as a major amenity and that the County Council should make this amenity accessible for the public.

The proposed mechanical traffic counter at Drumfries on the Buncrana/Clonmany Road (T 73) will not provide an accurate picture of the traffic volume between Buncrana and Carndonagh. Much of the private and freight traffic between Buncrana and Carndonagh uses the shorter route via No. 218, 219. An additional traffic counter on this route (218, 219) is needed since the volume of traffic here is underestimated and improvements are proving inadequate to cope with the volume of traffic on this road.

Fisheries: The County Plan does not pay sufficient attention to commercial fishing. Since Donegal has an indented coastline with fjords and rias, with rich fishing grounds off the coast and considerable resources in inshore fishing, it had been expected that the County Plan would have included a more comprehensive survey of the present conditon and future potential of commercial fishing.

The Plan states that "the second finest fishing grounds in Europe are said to lie a few miles off Malin Head." Yet the Plan devotes very little space to the prospects for expansion and exploitation of these resources.

The Plan engages the County Council in the maintenance of existing fishing piers, but it relieves the Council of any initiative in the real improvement of facilities for commercial fishing when it states (Page 68): "The Council shall not be committed to execute new works." We strongly feel that the County Council should encourage, and indeed should initiate real improvements in fishing harbours and piers, as well as in the facilities provided at these harbours and piers.

The Development Plan for the County should contain specific recommendations to the appropriate Government Department and to Bord Iascaigh Mhara in regard to exploitation of the fishing potential of the Donegal Coast. The Plan should commit the Council to undertaking whatever works are necessary to provide proper facilities and accommodation for Donegal fishing fleets. A sum in excess of 2½ million pounds is to be spent on roads in the County Development Plan. But only £15,000 is to be spent on the maintenance of fishing piers. This appears to be neglect of an important natural resource.

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

It is doubtful if the fishermen of the County will benefit fully from Central Government schemes for commercial fishing unless the County Development Plan embodies some plans for the improvement of such important traditional fishing ports as Portaleen and Bunagee. The improved port of Greencastle has proved inadequate to the requirements of the fishing fleets of Inishowen.

At the very least, the County Plan should incorporate projected improvements to the fishing ports of the County. At the best, the Plan should envisage proper expansion of facilities for this important industry.

The town plans for the scheduled towns of Carndonagh and Moville are awaited with interest.

It is the feeling of the Carndonagh Development Committees and of the Development Committees and Associations of the area surrounding Carndonagh that the County Planning team has made a serious omission in failing to include Carndonagh in the list of towns in which the County Council will concentrate on early provision of sites for initial industrial development.

It is realised that in the town plan for Carndonagh (as one of the scheduled towns with a population of over 1,000 persons) the County Planners will arrange for an industrial zone. However, it is felt that this is not sufficient for such a populous area, and that the County Council should purchase a site for industrial development in the town of Carndonagh, and that a strong case can be made for the inclusion of Carndonagh along with Killybegs, Ballyshannon, Donegal Town, Ballybofey/ Stranorlar, Letterkenny and Buncrana, for the provision of an industrial estate.

This submission is made on the basis of the following factors:

(a) Situation of Carndonagh:

Carndonagh is situated in the centre of the populous peninsula of Inishowen. (Population, 1966 Census - 21,564) It is convenient to the ports of Derry (20 m.) Moville (12 m.) Buncrana (12 m) Greencastle (14 m) and Belfast (95 m). The catchment area for commuting labour would include the following District Electoral Divisions: Ardmalin, Ballyliffin, Carthage, Castlecary, Culdaff, Dunaff, Glenagannon, Gleneely, Glentogher, Greencastle, Kilderry, Malin, Mintiaghs, Moville, Redcastle, Straid, Three Trees, Tremone, Whitecastle. These electoral divisions include the towns of - Malin Town, Culdaff, Gleneely Clohmany, Moville, Greencastle, Carrowkeel and Ballyliffin.

It is exceptional in the County to have such an extensive and populous area within convenient commuting distances from a town offering the services and advantages of Carndonagh. This explains why Carndonagh is the only active marketing centre for livestock and agricultural produce in the Rural District of Inishowen. The advantages of its situation are:

A nodal position in the peninsula of Inishowen
Its accessibility for passenger transport
Its accessibility for freight transport
Its convenience to ports
Its nearness to an extensive and substantial labour pool.

Population:

According to the 1966 Census of Population, Preliminary Report, the total population of the electoral divisions noted was 14,088 made up of 7,270 males and 6,818 females. Inishowen (including Buncrana Urban District) is, in fact, the largest Rural District in population in the County of Donegal. The centre for the commercial, trading and agricultural activities of the bulk of the population is Carndonagh.

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

Services:

At present, Carndonagh has a surplus of water supply and a surplus capacity for sewerage disposal - in spite of the fact that the Carndonagh water supply extends to other towns in the area.

When the Lough Inn scheme comes into operation Carndonagh will enjoy an abundant supply of water for domestic and industrial use. This Committee considers that the Lough Inn scheme should have priority on the Council's programme and that it should not be relegated to a long term basis.

Carndonagh has excellent freight and passenger services and connections with Dublin, Derry, Sligo, Buncrana, Letterkenny, Moville and with cross-Channel container services via Derry and Larne. The existing industries in the area (one of which caters exclusively for the export market) are very well served by transport services into and out of Carndonagh.

Amenities: Carndonagh is very pleasantly situated and offers an exceptionally high standard of living accommodation and facilities. It is convenient to swimming, sporting and recreational resorts. It provides first-class educational facilities at primary and port-primary level.

Existing Industries:

The existing industries in the area are listed in an appendix to this submission. A notable feature of the major existing industries in Carndonagh is their satisfactory and successful development. The reasons for their success are:

(a) the suitability of the location
(b) the initiative and ability of local management
(c) the intelligence of the operatives
(d) the traditional talent of the people
(e) the ideal relationship between Management and Labour

The success of local industries should be an encouragement to to any prospective industrialist from outside the area. The indications are that in Carndonagh there are excellent relations between management and labour; that productivity is extremely high and that prospects for development and expansion are bright.

It is worth noting, too, that in Joinery and Metalwork, Carndonagh and district has produced craftsmen superior to the rest of the country when tested in open competition.

Conclusion:

There is no doubt that, given the incentive and encouragement, Carndonagh could have an impressive industrial future. A list of possible industrial activities, utilising in the main local and natural resources is given here: Concrete Blocks, Artificial Stone, Soft Drinks, Food Processing, Fish Curing, Potato Crisps, Food Products, Vegetable Preserving, Market Garden Produce, Coppering, Souvenirs, Precious Stone dressing, Distilling, Plastics Bag and Sack Manufacture, Cushion Making, Pottery, Jams, Marmalades, Preserves, Honey, Fertilisers, Fabrid Dying, Fabric Printing, Hosiery, Knitwear, Broiler Fowl, Seeds, Bacon Curing, Metalwork, Wrought Ironwork.

It is appreciated by this Committee and by the Development Committees of the associated area that the County Council has no function in the actual provision of industry. It is also understood that local initiative and enterprise in exploiting natural resources and local ability are prerequisites for successful industrial development. However, it is our contention that we have these requirements in addition to the natural, geographical and local advantages which Carndonagh enjoys. We submit that the Council should add Carndonagh to the list of towns which will be scheduled in the County Development Plan for initial industrial development.

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

This will ensure industrial development which will be of the greatest benefit to Inishowen and to County Donegal. If the Council fails to provide an industrial site at Carndonagh a substantial proportion of the people of the County will have been neglected. Moreover, the Council will have failed to provide the best facilities for industrial development in a place where such development promises excellent prospects of success."

A full discussion took place on the fishing facilities considered to be required for fishermen operating from piers in Inishowen.

Proposed by: Councillor B. Boggs
Seconded by: Councillor S. McLaughlin

"That the Donegal County Council include in the Draft Development Plan an objective that extensive improvements be carried out at Portaleen Harbour."

This proposal was not pursued after the Council unanimously agreed to a suggestion put forward by Councillor L. Cunningham to the effect that the Council should await the results of a survey to be carried out by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries. It was agreed that the Secretary should ask the Department for a report on the progress made in connection with the survey.

The Council then considered the inclusion of Carndonagh as a centre for the provision of an industrial site.

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the town of Carndonagh be added to the list of towns on Page 41 of the Draft Development Plan for the provision of a site for industry."

A vote was taken on this motion which was declared carried, after twelve members had voted for and one against.

1443/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the meeting end at 6 p.m."

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

The Council considered the following letter dated 30th August, 1967, from Dr. Deeney, Strabane, in connection with the Council's objectives for development of game potential:

"A high percentage of the rough unenclosed hill ground referred to is potential grouse moor and with careful, professional management and conservation could, I think, be quidkly brought up to good class grouse shooting, of which at present there is NOTHING in the county.

Development of well stocked moors within three to five years would require a completely professional approach, with considerable initial financial investment, and, once suitably advertised, would produce gross financial returns of the order of £600 per annum per one thousand acres. This class of sport would be beyond the reach of the average native whom your governing classes already entertain lavishly (And profitably) with the most up to date English ballroom dancing. The moors would be snapped up eagerly by wealthy Continental and American sportsmen, as red grouse, like poteen, only exist in Britain and Ireland.

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

Within my own experience the hills around Killygordon, Stranorlar and the upper Finn valley, and certain areas around Kilmacrenan and Carrigart have, within the past twenty five years, carried, without conservation, grouse stocks equal to that of many preserved moors throughout Scotland. The opinion of Mr. Millburn of Cloghan Lodge should be sought in this matter, as he has demonstrated that a barren Donegal moor can quickly be improved to good class Scottish standards, and he is more informative and authoritative on matters pertaining to grouse.

I would envisage the development of grouse moors in Donegal as a State enterprise. This type of project is already running successfully in similar totalitarian states, e.g. the State owned partridge shoots in Czechoslovakia and Poland.

Moderate stocking with hill sheep is not detrimental to grouse moors, provided heather burning is the perogative of the grouse management.

Deer: The Glenveagh deer forest extending to 22,000 acres is most competently managed and really lavishly endowed; it produces about thirty-six stage per season. At even such an exorbitant charge as, say, £50 per stag, this will give a gross return of only about £60 per thousand acres, and would probably leave the project in permanent debt. I should add that Glenveagh, is, of course, a strictly private forest. I do not think that deer forests could be made an economic proposition. Also the havoc wrought on agricultural holdings by red deer in winter time has to be seen to be believed. Deer will travel miles to feed on cereals and root crops, and protective fencing is very costly. Sheep and deer do not mix well on hill ground; sheep win the competition for available feed. Grouse are not welcome in a deer forest. Deer are most ornamental creatures and rather interesting to study, and some herds on Muchish and Errigal would be a worthwhile amenity, if provided with bullet proof vests.

Snipe: This species has had its habitat drastically reduced by modern drainage and the general impact of civilization on a truly wild species. The snipe potential of Donegal is not 25 per cent of what it was thirty years ago. The trend is practically irreversible due to drainage and many other influences beyond our control.

Woodcock: Woodcock potential is being steadily improved in the County as forestry extends, but a little more attention to the lay-out of the individual stands of young trees would greatly facilitate woodcock shotting, especially as the timber passes a height of six feet. Existing rides are too far apart and too many cock escape without the guns having a chance to shoot. This defect could very easily be remedied and there should be considerable scope for sport for aborigine and tourist at quite acceptable fees. Donegal is already recognised as a very good woodcock area.

Pheasant: Much has already been done in the County to foster this bird, especially by local gun clubs, and with notable success. Whether the clubs remain enthusiastic, when they are asked to share their shooting with tourists, as a condition of further financial aid from the national purse, remains to be seen.

I fully agree that woodcock, pheasant and what remains of snipe shooting should be the prerequisite of the native. There will always be a surplus for the tourist rough shooter, at a modest charge, and the management of this aspect of the game resources of the County could be adequately administered at County level."

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor P. O'Donnell

AND RESOLVED: "That Dr. B. Deeney be invited to state if he represents the County Donegal Game Council."

1444/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Proposed by: Councillor B. Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor P. O'Donnell

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council's Standing Orders be suspended to facilitate consideration of a matter which did not appear in the Council's Agenda."

Proposed by: Councillor B. Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor P. O'Donnell

"That this Council refuse Planning Permission for a Fishing School at Greencastle."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That the Donegal County Council congratulate the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries on having selected a port in County Donegal for the establishment of a Fishing School."

A vote was taken on the amendment which was declared defeated after seven members had voted for and nine against.

A vote was then taken on the original motion which was declared carried after nine members had voted for and seven against.

1441/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

The Council noted the following letter dated 28th August, 1967, received from the Killybegs Development Association:

"With regard to the County Development Plan, the Committee of this Association asks that the following recommendation be considered:

(1) That priority should be given to the improvement of hospital and ambulance services in County Donegal. These are already inadequate and should an increase in population take place as a result of the new plan, the situation will become even more acute. The Committee wishes to bring to the notice of the Council the case of an accident in Killybegs on August 19 in which an injured man waited for more than two hours for the arrival of an ambulance. The Committee would suggest that the increase in the number of workers in the fishing industry and the factories of Killybegs necessitates an ambulance stationed in this town for the needs of the surrounding districts and improved hospital services in the very near future."

1445/67. NEXT MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council for planning purposes would be held on the 25th September, 1967 and that the ordinary meeting of the Council would be held on the 9th October, 1967.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry O'Clery
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 25th September, 1967

MINUTES OF MEETING (PLANNING) OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 25TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

1446/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Gallagher, Harkin, Kelly, McCafferty, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breislenin, Patterson and Reid.

1447/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1448/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of Planning Meetings held on 4th September, 1967, 11th September, 1967 and 15th September, 1967, were confirmed.

1449/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

1. Ballybofey/Stranorlar Development Association

The Council considered the letter from the Association dated 1st September, 1967 as per the attached Appendix.

The Council agreed that the reference in the letter to the question of housing should be considered in conjunction with the Development Plan for the scheduled town of Ballybofey/Stranorlar.

2. Moville Development Association

The Council considered letter received from the Chairman, Moville Development Committee as per the attached Appendix.

Proposed by: Councillor A. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That steps be taken to have Moville Port developed as a major port."

After discussion on the foregoing proposal it was agreed that this matter be deferred for examination in conjunction with the Town Plan for the scheduled town of Moville.

Referring to the Committee's observations on the question of beaches Mr. M. O'Malley explained that a survey would be undertaken in connection with rights-of-way to beaches, with a view to formulating a policy on the number of access routes to beaches to be opened up within the next five years. He pointed out that rights-of-way designated for preservation would have the effect of committing the Council to their maintenance.

The Council noted the references in the Committee's letter to the provision of toilet facilities on beaches. Mr. M. O'Malley pointed out that extension of water to beaches would be necessary before toilet facilities could be provided, and he also referred to the need for taking account of the pressure of use in any particular beach before deciding to provide toilet facilities. He directed the attention of the Council to the list of proposals on Page 110 of the Plan dealing with provision of public sanitary conveniences.

The remaining points of the letter were deferred for consideration in conjunction with the Development Plan for the town of Moville.

1449/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

3. Malin Development Committee

The Council considered the letter received from the Chairman and Secretary of the Malin Development Committee and noted that all the points therein had been covered by previous discussions of the Council in conjunction with representations received from the adjoining Associations.

4. Mr. W.J. Patterson, The Hollow, Rossnowlagh

The Council considered letter dated 29th August, 1967 from Mr. W.J. Patterson, The Hollow, Rossnowlagh as per the attached Appendix.

Mr. M. O'Malley explained to the Council that the original guide plan for Rossnowlagh showed the area to which Mr. Patterson referred as one designated for a Car Park. He pointed out, however, that it was proposed to undertake the preparation of a fresh Development Plan for Rossnowlagh and that this Plan would take account of existing land uses including the position of the Caravan Park in question.

5. Rev. T.V. Craig, Raphoe

The Council considered the letter received from the Rev. Mr. T.V. Craig, as per the attached Appendix.

Referring to Mr. Craig's observations Mr. M. O'Malley made the following points:

(a) Common Market

The first steps towards formulating policy consistent with the country's application for admission to the Common Market were taken as regards County Donegal in the Draft County Development Plan. It was not possible to go further in designing objectives.

(b) Textile Technology

The need for facilities for the study of this branch of technology is recognised as also is the need for advancement of marine technology within the County.

(c) Transport

The Draft Development Plan has an objective aiming at a complete study of transport facilities of the County.

(d) Housing

The Draft Development Plan recognises the need for aiming at a better standard of lay-out, design and amenity.

(e) Education

The provision of services, land and zoning of land for educational purposes is the limit of the Council's concern in this matter.

A general discussion took place on Mr. Craig's observations and the Council unanimously agreed that an expression of thanks be conveyed to the Rev. Mr. Craig for his constructive observations on the Plan.

1449/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

6. Kilcar Parish Council

The Council considered the letter submitted by the Kilcar Parish Council as per the attached Appendix.

(a) Beaches

The Council noted the statement of Mr. O'Malley to the effect that the Plan deals with the beaches of Traban, and Port an Chabhlaigh.

(b) Approach road to sea caves

The Council agreed on the suggestion of Mr. O'Malley to consider the question of roads separately.

(c) Sewerage

On the suggestion of Mr. M. O'Malley, it was noted that a separate discussion would take place on the question of sewerage generally.

(d) Ambulance Services

It was noted that the provision of an Ambulance Service was not a matter for consideration in conjunction with the Draft Development Plan.

7. Milford Development Committee

The Committee considered letter received from the Milford Development Committee as per the attached Appendix.

(a) Inclusion of Milford in the Plan

Mr. O'Malley pointed out that Milford had not, in fact, been excluded from the Plan dnd he referred to the proposals made for housing and sanitary services.

(b) Caravan Park Marina

Mr. O'Malley pointdd out that development of this type was a matter for private enterprise with encouragement from the County Council in the matter of infra-structure and development control.

(c) Shell Fishing - Sea Weed

Mr. M. O'Malley intimated that he would welcome a survey by a competent authority for the purpose of exploring the possibility of development of industries associated with Shell Fishing and Sea Weed.

(d) Industry

Mr. M. O'Malley stated that educational facilities at Milford could encourage industrial development in the area. On the question of Milford as a centre for the provision of a site by the Council for industrial development, Mr. O'Malley pointed out that an objective of the Draft County Development Plan stipulated that in any place where there is a proposal for industrial development the Council will give every encouragement in respect of it.

(e) Amenity Area

Councillors J. Harkin and H. Blaney referred to the high standard of amenity and scenery in the area, particularly in the Milford/Carrigart area and a general discussion took place on the question of shortage of sandy areas for beach development. Reference was made by the speakers to the decline of shell and scallop fishing.

1449/87. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

Milford Development Committee (Contd.)

Mr. O'Malley replying to the observations stated that the Tourist and Amenity Study carried out by An Foras Forbartha had examined the question of areas of high amenity and pointed out that where an area is designated as one of very high amenity development may have to be restricted there. An Order could be made defining the boundaries of the area and within that area compensation would not be paid in respect of refusals for development proposals. He indicated that a further study had been carried out with a view to giving the Council an opportunity of considering whether Orders should be made. He also pointed out that the Tourism and Amenity Study had led to the conclusion that development pressure on areas of high amenity was not yet a problem and that some development should be permitted after careful examination. He was of the opinion that stocking of waters in Mulroy for fishing purposes should be feasible and that Festivals could be encouraged. He suggested, however, that the Council await the outcome of the survey undertaken by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

"That boat slips be provided near Cratlagh Wood and Cranford."

After discussion on the proposal, the proposer and seconder agreed to have the matter deferred so as to provide an opportunity for the submission of a specific motion on the matter at a later meeting of the Council.

8. Ramelton Development Association

The Council considered the letter received from the Ramelton Development Association as per the attached Appendix.

(a) Derelict Sites

Mr. M. O'Malley pointed out that the Draft Development Plan contained proposals for the elimination of derelict sites within the County and that the Plan envisaged the provision by the Council of a sum of £3,000 per annum towards this purpose.

(b) Site at McCafferty's Public House

Mr. O'Malley agreed that this was a particularly unsightly property and he was of the opinion that it could cater for local authority housing. Senator McGlinchey supplied the name and address of the owner of the site and it was agreed that the Council would investigate the question of acquiring the site.

(c) Sanitary Convenience

On the question of Sanitary Convenience it was

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

"That the town of Ramelton be added to the list of towns on Page 110 of the Draft Development Plan for the provision of public Sanitary Conveniences."

After discussion on this motion the Council noted that the inclusion of Rathmullan as a site for a public sanitary convenience on Page 110 of the Draft Development Plan was an error and that the entry should have referred to Ramelton.

The references in the Association's letter to litter bins and fire fighting were stated to be matters not for inclusion in the Draft Development Plan.

1450/67. LETTER FROM DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DATED 20TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

The Council considered and noted the following letter dated 20th September, 1967, from the Department of Local Government:

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to the application for an extension in the statutory period for the making of the development plan(s) under the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963.

The Minister is precluded by section 19(6)(c) from making a decision on the application until a month has been allowed for objections and any objections duly made have been taken into consideration. Consequently it cannot be stated at this stage what the Minister's decision will be in this particular case.

Attention is, however, directed to the stated policy of the Minister on the general question of extensions in the statutory period, as set out in circular P.D.13 of 9 November, 1966, to the effect that he is opposed to the granting of extensions and that no planning authority may relax its efforts in the expectation of an extension of the time allowed for the making of plans. Without prejudice to the outcome of the application for an extension, therefore, the Minister expects that all necessary steps will be taken by the Council to advance the preparation of the plan while the application is being considered and that the Council will be in a position to indicate continuous and substantial progress in this regard. If any further considerations exist to support the application for special treatment they should be put forward without delay to enable the Minister to consider them in conjunction with any objections which he may receive.

It will be essential also to submit full details of the present time-programme for each of the outstanding stages in the making of the plan with full regard to the considerations in the preceding paragraphs."

1451/67. a APPROPRIATION OF HOUSING SITE AT STRANORLAR FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

The County Manager informed the meeting that the Council had acquired a site of approximately 9 acres at Stranorlar for housing purposes at a cost, including legal costs, of approximately £2,700. A proposal had been received for the provision of post-primary educational facilities at Stranorlar by His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. McFeely, Bishop of Raphoe and he proposed, subject to the approval of the Council, to dispose of the site for a sum equivalent to the Council's outlay. The Manager also stated that the proposals for the Draft Development Plan for the town of Ballybofey/Stranorlar would indicate this particular site as one which should be reserved for educational purposes.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That the land in question be made available to His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. McFeely, for the provision of a school in Stranorlar, and that congratulations be extended to His Lordship for the prompt action taken to meet the educational needs of the area."

1452/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

9. Dunfanaghy/Portnablagh/Marblehill Development Association

The Council considered the letter received from the Dunfanaghy/Portnablagh/Marblehill Development Association as per the attached Appendix, and letter dated 11th September, 1967 from Tomas Uas. MacGiolla Brigde as per the attached Appendix.

1452/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

Dunfanaghy/Portnablagh/Marblehill Development Association (Contd.)

(a) Tourist Centre - Planning Region

Mr. M. O'Malley pointed out that this matter had been raised at the public meeting in Ballybofey and that since the meeting he had discussions with Messrs. McBride and O'Reilly in the course of which he had suggested that this matter be discussed widely in the Gaeltacht area and that a meeting be held to consider the matter.

Councillors S. MacRuaidhrigh, J. Campbell, F. Cunningham, W. McNutt, B. Murrin and B. McGlinchey referred to the need for special effort on the part of the Council for the development of Gaeltacht areas.

(b) Sewerage Schemes - Beaches

The Council agreed to consider separately the general question of sanitary services and access to beaches.

(c) Creeslough Streets

The County Engineer explained that the condition of the Creeslough Streets was receiving active attention in conjunction with the Council's ordinary programme for road works.

10. Councillor B. Boggs, Malin Town

The Council considered the following letter from Councillor B. BOGGS dated 16th September, 1967:

"Inclusions for the next County Development Plan meeting to include Cottages for the village of Malin.

Include the Lockfaid water scheme at Gleneely in the County Development Plan."

(a) Housing

A discussion took place on the need for housing in the Malin area and Councillor Boggs proposed that four houses be built immediately and that a further four be built before 1972. This number would account for the projected need for housing in the area to 1972 in accordance with the Plan.

After discussion on the matter the County Manager undertook to proceed with the acquisition of a site and to do a survey to ascertain housing needs.

(b) Lough Fad Water Scheme

It was noted that the Council would consider separately the general question of water and sewerage schemes.

11. Bundoran Urban District Council

The Council considered the following letter dated 15th September, 1967 from the Bundoran Urban District Council:

"I am to confirm that the above meeting which was attended by the members of the above Council had no objection to the County Development Plan.

They requested, however, that the widening of the Bridge be made a short term objective in the Plan and that the improvement of the main Ballyshannon/Sligo Main Road be implemented as soon as possible. The Development of St. Angelo Airport, Enniskillen, was advocated."

The Council noted that the matters raised in this letter had been dealt with in the course of considerations received from other bodies.

1452/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

12. Buncrana Urban District Council

The Council considered and noted the following letter received from Buncrana Urban District Council dated 15th September, 1967;

"The Draft County Development Plan for County Donegal was discussed at the monthly meeting of Buncrana Urban Council on Wednesday, 13th September, 1967. The Council decided that no objection be made to the Draft Plan but recommended that the implementation of a scheme to prevent coastal erosion along the Fahan Road, be included in the Plan as a short term objective."

13. Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, Ath na gCoire

The Council considered letter dated 20th September, 1967 from Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh as per the attached appendix and the following letter dated 22nd September, 1967:

"I wish to propose the amendments herewith to Draft Development Plan:

(a) That priority be given to Annagry Sewerage Scheme;
(b) That lay-bys be provided on the Maghery/Croyhey Road;
(c) That the Cruit Island road and the road leading to Carrickfin Island be reconstructed;
(d) That the following link roads be provided (i) Ballymanus County Road to Braade County Road (Kincasslagh)
(ii) Arlands County road to Lower Keadue County Road (Burtonport)
(iii) Arlands County road to Tullyillun County Road (Burtonport)
(e) Repair road at Drumlaghdrid;
(f) Bridge in Dungloe - Cloughwilly County Road to Strand at Traughennan. Repair road from Letternacaward Drumlaghdrid-Dungloe Shore Road to Traughennan Strand at John Brennan's house, Drumlaghdrid;
(g) Improve landing facilities at Owey Island and Lower Cruit Island;
(h) Improve landing facilities at Oilean na Marbh, Carrickfin Island;
(i) Improve and carry out repairs to Curransport Pier;
(j) Reconstruct Curransport County Road;
(k) Provide lay-bys on Fintown/Glenties Road;
(l) Provide access roads to Doocy Strand, Lettermacaward."

Mr. M. O'Malley gave explanations to Councillor MacRuaidhrigh in respect of the matters which he wished to have discussed affecting the following:

(i) Pace of urbanisation;
(ii) Regional Development;
(iii) Building Sites;
(iv) Amenity Areas;
(v) Filling Stations.

Arising out of Councillor MacRuaidhrigh's letter of the 22nd September, 1967 Mr. O'Malley explained the position in relation to each of the proposals put forward by Councillor MacRuaidhrigh.

14. MR. E.T. McMullin, Solicitor, Ballybofey

The County Manager explained that Mr. McMullin, Solicitor, has been invited to advise on the content of the Plan from the legal point of view and in that connection he had subnittdd recommendations as follows:

Development Objectives - Page 45

Add objective No. 26 to define "ordinary amenity" as follows;

"The pastoral and open nature of land in the County outside the built up centres of population is such that it is in itself a valuable amenity and it is the objective of the Council that consistent with proper economic development this amenity should be preserved."

1452/07. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

14. Mr. E.T. McMullin, Solicitor (Contd.)

Areas of High Amenity Value - Page 60

Above objective to be also included under this heading.

Feasibility - Page 46a, Column 1

Paragraph 1 - No change
Paragraph 2 - Delete and substitute:- "The regional study will examine and make recommendations in connection with the growth points in the County. The recommendations in connection with the growth points will be considered by the Council and the provisions of the Act for variation and review of this Plan will afford an opportunity for incorporating the recommendations of the regional study if same seems necessary and feasible.

Paragrph 3 - Delete in its entirety

Paragraph 4 - Delete words "and on-going" in line four and substitute the word "progressive".
Delete the word "forecast" in line five and substitute the word "foreseen".

Paragraph 5 - Delete in its entirety.

Page 46a - Column 2

At the commencement of this column insert the following:

"Subject to the over-riding conditions set out in the last paragraph of this section of the Plan the Council reserves the right to change the order of priority of a five year programme etc. etc. to "render planning continuous".

At the end of Column 2 delete the following:

"All the objectives are, therefore, to be interpreted in the light of the foregoing statements in regard to availability of resources and feasibility."

Page 46(b) - Paragraph ii

Delete and substitute the following:

"They are feasible and within the capacity to achieve by virtue of the state of preparation of these schemes subject to the conditions on feasibility hereinafter referred to in the last paragraph."

Page 46b - Final paragraph

Delete and substitute the following:

"The objectives contained in this Plan requiring the execution of works of expenditure of moneys which the Council aim to achieve within five years shall be deemed to be objectives of the Plan within the meaning of the Act only to the extent

(a) That the objectives can be secured by virtue of the progress already made, and by the reasonable use of the skills, technical abilities and resources of the Council's staff, and
(b) That Grants, Subsidies and Loans from the State, semi-State and other sources are made available when required to finance the securing of the objectives to the fullest possible extent, and
(c) That the moneys required for the securing of such objectives in addition to such moneys as are available from the Grants can be raised by the Council, having regard to the over-all committments of the Council and the ability of the economy of the County to bear the impositions necessary, and,
(d) That the objectives remain feasible and no not become impossible to secure by virtue of circumstances which cannot now be foreseen.

Subject to foregoing and to the right of the Council to vary this Plan from time to time the Council will take all possible steps to secure the objectives in this Plan programmed for completion within the next five years.

1452/67. CONSIDERATION OF OBJECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS (Contd.)

14. Mr. E.T. McMullin, Solicitor (Contd.)

Gravel Quarries and Quarries Generally - Page 74, Column 2

Paragraph 2 & 3 - delete words "shall serve an Order" and "shall make and Order" and substitute "will make use of their powers under the Act to require .."

Resources in the form of Beaches - Page 78, Column 2

Paragraph 2(b) - Delete and substitute "preserve the public and other rights of way"

Add the following statement: "In the case of public rights of way it is proposed to prepare a draft variation of this Plan detailing the public rights of way to be preserved as soon as the information necessary to enable the Council to observe the provisions of the Act can be assembled."

Development Control - Roadside Trading - Page 113, Column 2

Paragraph 1 - Add 'In particular along arterial or other main roads any development in the nature of roadside trading or the use of the roadside or land adjoining the road for the display or wares for advertisement or sale shall not be permitted. (Save and except trading from suitable stalls or vehicles in built up areas which do not cause a traffic hazard, and the normal temporary stops of mobile shops for the purpose of sale or wares to individual customers at the residences of such customers which does not cause a traffic hazard provided that where such trading would require Planning Permission on any application any other relevant objectives of this plan shall be considered before granting it.")

Highway Aesthetics - Page 118

Paragraph 1 - Add above statement to this paragraph

Revise heading as follows:

"The following section deals with other matters contained in the third schedule of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, and other spheres of Planning."

Proposed by: Councillor J. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

"That the recommendations of Mr. E.T. McMullin, Solicitor, be incorporated into the Draft County Development Plan."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

"That Mr. E.T. McMullin, Solicitor's recommendations be incorporated into the Plan subject to the exclusion of the following clause:
Page 113, column 2 - "In particular along arterial or other main roads any development in the nature of roadside trading or the use of the roadside or land adjoining the road for the display of wares for advertisement or sale shall not be permitted. (Save and except trading from suitable stalls or vehicles in built up areas which do not cause a traffic hazard, and the normal temporary stops of mobile shops for the purpose of sale of wares to individual customers at the residences of such customers which does not cause a traffic hazard provided that where such trading would require Planning Permission on any application any other relevant objectives of this plan shall be considered before granting it.")

This amendment was unanimously approved by the Council.

1453/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor P. McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That the meeting adjourn at 6.30 p.m."

1454/67. , DERELICT SITES AT CASTLEFIN

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor W. Patterson

AND RESOLVED: "That the power of compulsory acquisition of land should be used to acquire derelict land for housing purposes as an alternative to the acquisition of good agricultural land."

1455/67. CAPITAL TOWN

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher

"That the County Development Plan should not mention any town as one likely to develop as the Capital Town."

Discussion on this proposal continued until 6.30 p.m. when the meeting adjourned, without having taken a decision on the matter.

1456/67. NEXT MEETING

The Council unanimously agreed that the next meeting of the Council for planning purposes would be held on Friday, 13th October, 1967.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Hart Glancy
CHAIRMAN

DATE: 30th October, 1968

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 9TH OCTOBER, '67

1457/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McGlinchey, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1458/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1459/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES - SECTION 4 OF CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1955

The Council considered the following motion of which notice had been given under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

"That the Council having received Tenders for the supply of twelve lorries and 2 spare bodies less an allowance for 13 old vehicles, the County Manager be and is hereby directed to divide the order between Messrs. Flood Motors Ltd., and Messrs. McMahon Bros. Ltd., on the following basis:

1. Six vehicles and one body to be ordered from each firm;
2. Messrs. Flood to be paid £11,232
3. Messrs. McMahon to be paid £11,890
4. Messrs. Flood to take the flat bottom truck (ZP 802) offered for trade-in
5. Each firm to take six of the remaining twelve trade-ins; the allocation to be determined by lot by the County Manager."

The motion was formally proposed by Councillor J. Harkin and seconded by Councillor W. McNutt. The County Manager was asked to explain the position with regard to the specification used in conjunction with the invitation for tenders. In reply the County Manager stated that the specification showed only the minimum requirements for the reason that a detailed specification might have the effect of confining tendering to the type of vehicle which corresponded with the specification in every respect. He also stated that the County Engineer had recommended the acceptance of the lowest tender and while the Council would not be required in all circumstances to accept the lowest tender there would have to be a good reason for accepting a tender other than the lowest. In this case the Manager was not aware of any such good reason and accordingly he felt obliged to give the statutory warning to the members that the passing of a motion under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, directing him to accept a tender other than the lowest could result in a surcharge being made against the members voting in favour of the resolution. He indicated that a record would be made of the names of the members voting for the resolution, the names of those voting against the resolution and the names of those not voting.

1459/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES (Contd.)

On the invitation of the members the County Engineer informed the meeting that he had not always recommended the acceptance of the lowest Tender. In the course of examining Tenders of this nature the [illegible] efficiency of the vehicles offered would have to be examined. He explained that on the examination of Tenders for lorries in 1965 the Ford vehicles were not the cheapest offered, but they offered features which while costing approximately £33 extra per vehicle over and above the cost of Bedfords, these features were worthwhile and justified his recommending a splitting of the order as between Bedfords and Fords. On this occasion the Ford lorries were the cheapest offered and by contrast with the previous occasion the Bedfords did not include features which would justify him in making a recommendation in favour of a division of the order.

At the request of the County Engineer the members agreed to hear his report on the Tenders received in 1965. The County Secretary accordingly read the following extract from the County Engineer's letter dated 24th September, 1965:

"In answer to a recent advertisement for the supply and delivery of certain items of machinery to the County Council, tenders for the supply and delivery of twelve Tipping-trucks and one platform truck were received from Messrs. McMahon, Milford for Bedfords, Messrs. Flood Motors, Donegal, for Fords and Messrs. Lincoln and Nolan, Dublin, for Austin. Quotation for supply of Commer Tipping-trucks was also received from Messrs. McMahon, Milford.

In the case of the Bedford tenders, only model K.G.S.C. 5 and K.G.T.C. 5 were considered as being suitable, because they were the vehicles which met with the minimum specification as set out by the County Council as suitable for tipping-trucks, while models K.C.C. 10 and K.D.S. were considered for the flat-trucks.

In the case of Ford tender, model D.700 only was considered as meeting the minimum specification for the tipper-trucks while model D.400 and Ford Trailer 20 were considered for the platform-truck. Model 800 D in the Ford series was too high in price and too far ahead of the minimum specification laid down by the Council, as was also the offer of Messrs. Lincoln and Nolan for Austin trucks.

The Austin F.K.J. 100 was considered for the platform truck. The summary of the consideration of the tipping-truck tenders is outlined as follows:

Bedford

Model K.G.S.C. 5	Total cost	£30,132. 6. 0d
Less trade-in for old vehicles		£5,500. 6. 0d
	Net	£24,632. 0. 0d
Model K.G.T.C. 5	Total cost	£28,092. 6. 0d
Less trade-in for twelve old trucks		£5,092. 6. 0d
	Net	£23,000. 0. 0d

Ford

D.700	Total cost	£31,036. 10s. 0d
Less trade-in allowance for twelve old trucks		£7,037. 10s. 0d
	Net	£23,099. 0s. 0d

1459/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES (Contd.)

The comparible trucks are Bedford K.G.T.C. 5 and Ford D.700

It will be noted that the price of the twelve Bedfords is £999 less than the net price of the Ford although certain extra features appear in the Ford which are considered desirable. Three of these features are:

(a) Alternator instead of Generator
(b) Tilting Cab for easy access to the engine for repairs
(c) Improved floating type of rear wheel springing.

The extra cost of these features would be in excess of £83 approximately difference in the price per vehicle and their incorporation in the vehicle, must, I feel sure lead to cheaper maintenance costs.

Examining past performances of the Fords and Bedfords, it has been ascertained that as regards average working hours per year, per vehicle, which is a measure of its useful work, both types of vehicles are approximately equal with possibly 30 hours approximately per year in favour of the Fords. Considering all things, therefore, I feel that both trucks are of equal value and I am recommending that the order for twelve trucks be divided between Messrs. McMahon of Milford and Messrs. Flood Motors, Donegal for the supply and delivery each of six trucks.

The feasibility of this arrangement is dependent of course, on the two suppliers agreeing to give half their allowance for six trucks which in the case of Bedford would amount to £2,546. 3. Od and in the case of Ford would amount to £3,518. 15. Od.

The trucks being traded in number seven Bedfords and five Fords and it is suggested that the six Bedfords be traded in with Messrs. McMahons and the five Fords be traded in with Floods and the picking of this Bedford would be by lottery from a hat."

After a detailed discussion on the motion a vote was taken and the motion was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman after eleven members had voted for and eleven had voted against.

Voted for the motion:	Councillors Blaney, L. Cunningham Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Harkin, McGlinchey, McLaughlin, McNutt and Patterson (11)
Voted against the motion:	Councillors Campbell, F. Cunningham, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, Kelly, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, O'Breisleain and O'Donnell (11)
Did not vote:	Councillors Boggs and Reid
Absent from Council Chamber when vote was taken:	Councillors McCafferty, Murrin McGowan and McEniff.

1460/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor C. Breslin, seconded by Councillor B. McGlinchey, the minutes of meeting of the Council held on 28th August, 1967, were confirmed.

1461/67. ARRANGEMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR

Proposed by: Councillor P. O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: That the appointment to the vacant office of Rate Collector be made at the next ordinary meeting of the County Council.

1462/67. AWARD OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

The County Manager informed the meeting that one of the successful candidates, Kathleen M. O'Donnell, who obtained 5th place had declined the award of a University Scholarship, as also had Anne P. Varilly, who obtained 6th place and Joan Bury, who obtained 7th place. He stated that the Scholarship had been awarded to Patrick B. Byrne who took 8th place.

1463/67. SENIOR DENTAL SURGEON

The Manager informed the Council that Mr. John M.T. Murray, B.D.S., had taken up duty as Senior Dental Surgeon.

1464/67. GENERAL COUNCIL OF COUNTY COUNCILS - SUBMISSION OF MOTION

The Council agreed to put forward the following motion for inclusion on the Agenda for the next meeting of the General Council of County Councils:

"That the Minister for Local Government be asked to raise the capital sum on which subsidy calculated in respect of loans for the building of Local Authority houses, to a figure consistent with current building costs."

1465/67. OVERDRAFT ACCOMMODATION

The Council adopted the following resolution:

"That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the borrowing by way of temporary overdraft accommodation , of a sum of £650,000 for the quarters ending 31st December, 1967 and 31st March, 1968."

1466/67. SALE OF LAND AT STRANORLAR

The Council considered the following notice under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, which was circulated to members on the 27th September, 1967:

"Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, as amended by any other enactment that Donegal County Council will, at a meeting after the expiration of ten days from the date of this notice consider the disposal of lands as set out hereunder:

Lands acquired from	Area
John Lawne	3.6 acres approximately
Dan Laverty	3.75 acres approximately
Mrs. McClay	2.29 acres approximately

Including legal and transfer fees the cost of acquiring the lands in question was £2,700. The lands are situated at Drumboe Ave., Stranorlar and were acquired for housing purposes.

It is proposed that the lands be conveyed to Most Rev. Dr. MacFeely, Bishop of Raphoe or to a person or persons nominated by him for the purpose of providing a site for the erection of a school thereon. The consideration for the sale is £2,700."

1466/67. SALE OF LAND AT STRANORLAR (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconddd by: Councillor A. Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given to the sale of lands as outlined in the notice to members dated 27th September, 1967."

1467/67. TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor E. Gillen

AND RESOLVED: "That Mrs. Sarah O'Donnell, is hereby appointed as temporary Rate Collector under Donegal County Council from 1st November, 1967 to 30th April, 1968.

1468/67. RENEWAL OF CINEMA LICENCES

The following resolution was adopted by the Council:

"That Cinema Licences be renewed in respect of the following Cinemas:

Strand Cinema, Falcarragh
La Scala Cinema, Milford
Colgan Hall, Carndonagh
Astor Cinema, Derrybeg
Four Masters Cinema, Donegal
Rita Cinema, Ballybofey
Ritz Cinema, Killybegs
Ritz Cinema, Raphoe
St. Dominic's Hall, Glenties
Ritz Cinema, Lifford
Ritz Cinema, Dungloe

1469/67. EXCESS EXPENDITURE - LOCAL ELECTIONS, 1967

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given under Section 11 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, for excess expenditure in the current financial year in the sum of £900 to finance the cost of the Local Elections."

1470/67. LOAN FOR FIRE FIGHTING PURPOSES

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given for the borrowing of a sum of £20,000 for fire fighting purposes."

1471/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE - 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

Proposed by: Councillor W. McNutt
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

"That consideration of the General Purposes Committee report be deferred to the end of the Agenda."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That the Council adopt the General Purposes Committee report of the 18th September, 1967."

A vote was taken and the original motion was declared carried.

1472/67. BUSINESS DISCHARGED BY THE MEMBERS ACTING IN THE CAPACITY OF COUNTY OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That Mr. Seamus Keating, is hereby appointed Secretary to the County Donegal Old Age Pension Committee for the period from the 1st October, 1967 to the 31st March, 1968."

Members referred to the necessity for ensuring that Old Age Pension Sub-Committee hold regular meetings and the Secretary was asked to attend to this matter.

1473/67. COST OF PREPARATION OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What has been the cost to date of preparing the County Development Plan?"

REPLY: "Further to query raised at Council level regarding cost of production of County Development Plan, I estimate that in time, material and expenses the costs of production were as follows:

Allowing for work to be completed on the Town Plans and six scheduled towns to 31st December, 1967:

1.	County Provisional Plan	- £750
2.	County Development Plan	- £4,010
3.	Urban Plans for Letterkenny, Buncrana and Bundoran	- £2,080
4.	Finalisation of preparation of Town Development Plans to period 31st December, 1967.	-.£1,100
	TOTAL:	£7,940

The cost of production of the County Development plan, which is the query raised, was £4,010.

No specific costing has been kept in the Planning Office in regard to time available in development control at the specific time available in the preparation of any one Plan.

The above, therefore, is an estimate based approximately on the time sequence available in each case."

1474/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT GLASSAGHBEG, BALLINAMORE

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What is the position regarding provision of sheep dipping tank at Glassaghbeg, Ballinamore?"

REPLY: The cost of providing a Sheep Dipping Bath at Glassaghbeg would be approximately £300. A report on the operation of the Mobile Sheep Dipping Tank will be submitted to the Council at the end of the season when consideration could be given to the purchase of further mobile tanks, for which provision has been made in the Estimates, and thus possibly eliminate the necessity of building any further new sheep dipping stations.

1475/67. STATE ALLOCATION FOR SANITARY SERVICES

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What is the State allocation for Sanitary Services for 1967/68? How much of the allocation has been spent to date?"

REPLY: An allocation of £189,000 has been approved by the Department of Local Government for expenditure during the present year on current works. Expenditure to be set against this allocation has been £114, 000 approximately to the 30th September, 1967.

1476/67. MALIN HEAD WATER SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Boggs:

"What is the position regarding the Malin Head water scheme which is holding up development in this important tourist area?"

REPLY: Contract Documents for the Malin Head Water Supply Scheme were sent to the Department of Local Government on the 2nd April, 1965, asking for sanction. The Preliminary Report covering the entire Lough Inn area was sent for the Department's sanction on the 11th October, 1965. This latter area includes the Malin Head area as a sub-regional scheme. No approvals have been forthcoming from the Department of Local Government on either of these documents. Until such approval is received, the scheme cannot be included in the application for a place in the annual allocation of loan funds.

1477/67. VESTING OF COUNCIL COTTAGES

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"Why is there extensive delay on the part of the Council in dealing with applications by tenants who desire to have their dwellings vested."

REPLY: To date the Council has 230 applications from tenants who wish to have their cottages vested.

The average number of cottages vested over the past three years is 25 each year.

Before a vesting order can be made the Housing Authority must satisfy itself that the cottage is in good structural condition. Where a tenant has applied to have his cottage vested and is satisfied with the condition of the cottage and the Housing Authority's Engineer is also satisfied there should normally be no delay in vesting the cottage.

1477/67. VESTING OF COUNCIL COTTAGES (Contd.)

The total amount provided in this year's estimates for cottage repairs is £11,500. The average cost of carrying out repairs to a cottage prior to vesting is £85. The estimated cost of carrying out the necessary pre-vesting repairs to cottages for which applications have been received is £19,550. The Council is also obliged to carry out repairs to cottages irrespective of whether the tenant has applied to vest or not.

Under the Housing Act, 1966, tenants whose cottages are included in a Purchase Scheme are given until the 30th June, 1968 to apply to purchase under existing conditions. The Council is expecting a considerable influx of applications to vest and is at present reviewing the whole question of cottage repairs.

1478/67. SALE OF VESTED COTTAGES BY TENANTS

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"Can the Council prohibit the owner of a Vested Cottage from selling to a purchaser of his choice?"

REPLY: The Council cannot prohibit the owner of a vested cottage from selling his interest in the cottage to a purchaser of his choice provided that the purchaser is an eligible person within the meaning of the Housing Act, 1966.

1479/67. ROAD FROM DRIMANOO ROAD, KILLYBEGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor B. Murrin:

"In view of the high tourist amenity value of the access road leading from the Drimanoo Road, (Killybegs) to Roshine Port, when will the Council carry out the urgently required repairs to the said road which is in chronic condition?"

REPLY: The road in question is not a County Road.

1480/67. RECRUITMENT OF ROADWORKERS

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Campbell:

"What is the method employed in the recruitment of Council roadworkers and by whom are appointments made?"

REPLY: Men who have had the longest service with the Council are taken on first and left off last. Other men are employed through the Labour Exchange, and, if otherwise suitable, married men are given first preference.

Each Assistant County Engineer is responsible for the selection of men for employment in his area.

1481/67. SPEED LIMIT SIGNS FOR DOWNINGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"What is the possibility of having speed limit signs erected in Downings?"

REPLY: I wish to state that this matter will be placed before the Technical Committee of the Council for consideration.

382/67. NEW COTTAGES FOR CARRIGART

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"What is the up to date position of the six new Carrigart cottages?"

REPLY: Plans for Carrigart No. 2 Housing Scheme have been approved by the Department of Local Government and Architect is at present preparing Contract Documents.

483/67. NEW COTTAGES AT DOWNINGS

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McNutt:

"What is the present position regarding acquisition of site for cottages in Downings?"

REPLY: Site for Downings No. 2 Housing Scheme has been selected and the owner has agreed to sell.

484/67. ROAD FROM LETTERFAD SCHOOL

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"I would like to know from the County Engineer when will the road from Letterfad School be chipped and tarred, which is in a very bad state of repair up to Trummon Bridge."

REPLY: This road will be included in the next Five Year Plan. In the meantime it will receive normal maintenance.

485/67. SPEED LIMIT, DONEGAL TOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"I would like to know from the County Engineer when he is going to remove the 30 mile limit out past the new factory to the old school, which is a built up area?"

REPLY: This matter will be referred to the Technical Committee Meeting of the Council for consideration.

486/67. NEW PUBLIC LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR DONEGAL TOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Meehan:

"When will the new lighting system start for Donegal Town and area which is in very bad need for extra lights?"

REPLY: The Electricity Supply Board indicated some time ago that a new type of route lighting was being proposed for Donegal Town and to immediate environs and had undertaken to furnish full particulars of the design and the costs to the Council. If the design and the costs are made available now and found to be practicable, then the change over in Donegal Town could be considered with the proposals to be submitted to the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee for expending the monies available this year for new and additional public lighting.

487/67. FOOTPATHS IN KILMACRENAN

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"What amount of money is to be spent on footpaths in Kilmacrenan this year?"

REPLY: It is proposed to spend £400 out of Main Road Maintenance on the repair of footpaths in Kilmacrenan this year.

1488/67. GROUP WATER SCHEMES FOR TERMON AND BALLYBOES, CREESLOUGH

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"What is the hold up in getting the Group Water Supply Schemes of (a) Termon and (b) Ballyboes, Creeslough, under way?"

REPLY: (a) Plans for the Termon Group Scheme were approved on the 16th April, 1964. Canvasses have since been carried out with a view to increasing the area of this scheme to an economic limit. The results of this are not known and revised plans have not been received.
(b) It is understood that the participants in this Group are considering the implications of a revised estimate inclusive of the necessary pumping. The estimated cost involves a large contribution from the participants.

1489/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT STACKENAGH, CHURCHILL

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"What has been the delay in carrying out the repairs to the sheep-dipper at Stackenagh, Churchill?"

REPLY: Sanction was received from the Department of Agriculture on the 5th October, 1967, for an expenditure of the sum of £40 on repairs to this sheep dipping bath. The necessary repairs will be carried out at an early date.

1490/67. KNOCKALLA ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor H. Blaney:

"What date does the Council contemplate that the new Knockalla Road will be completed?"

REPLY: It is estimated that this road will be viable for traffic for the next tourist season. It is further estimated that embankments and fencing will not be completed for another twelve months.

1491/67. POTATO SHED ON CARRICKARORY PIER, MOVILLE

The following question was submitted by Councillor E. Gillen:

"What is the position regarding building of Potato Shed on Carrickarory Pier, Moville?"

REPLY: The position is that there is no statutory authority to enable Donegal County Council to contribute towards the cost of erecting a potato store at Carrickarory Pier. Neither has the Minister for Local Government any power to authorise expenditure by this Council on the provision of a potato store there, nor has he any proposals to introduce enabling legislation.

1492/67. COAST PROTECTION FOR RIVER ROW, MOVILLE

The following question was submitted by Councillor E. Gillen:

"Is coast erosion plan for River Row, Moville, soon to be started?"

REPLY: This matter has been in the hands of the Board of Works for some time. I have no information as to when this scheme is likely to start.

493/67. DUMP AT DONEGAL TOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"What is the delay in having the new dump at Donegal Town opened?"

REPLY: Before the new site at the rere of the G.A.A. grounds could be used, a new entrance road had to be properly surfaced. This had been done. It has also been agreed to hand over the old dump site to the local Boys Club after levelling it off. All that remains to be done is to complete the legal formalities of the lease of the new site and the Council's Solicitor has this in hands.

494/67. ERECTION OF SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGES IN SOUTH DONEGAL

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"Can this Council take any further steps to expedite the erection of S.I. houses in the south of the county?"

REPLY: Satisfactory tenders have now been received for all S.I. houses in the Glenties, Ardara and Glencolumbkille areas. These have been received by direct tender and in some cases by negotiation.

We have difficulty in obtaining tenders for the erection of houses in the Donegal Town/Killybegs district. The local contractors do not tender and we have been unsuccessful in negotiating with them. There are 12 S.I. houses and 2 S.F. houses in this area which were advertised recently and tenders have not yet been analysed.

It is suggested that the local Councillors in this area submit the names of any Contractors or tradesmen whom they think might be suitable and interested, and arrangements will be made to call on them with a view to negotiating a tender.

495/67. WINCH AT TEELIN PIER

The following question was submitted by Councillor F. Cunningham:

"When is it hoped to have a winch erected at Teelin?"

REPLY: The objection to having the winch across the road from the boatslip is still valid, in fact, more so as traffic has increased since 1957. The only alternative is to provide storage for boats on the sea side of the road. It would then be necessary to extend the slip and provide a winch near the top. This would cost approximately £8,500 covering extension to slip - 20 yds. approx; storage place for boats - 36 yds. x 5 yds, and provision of winch.

As most of the above works would be subject to tides it is suggested that the Board of Works undertake the work.

496/67. SLIP AT MALINBEG

The following question was submitted by Councillor F. Cunningham:

"When is it hoped to have slip erected at Malinbeg?"

REPLY: To facilitate the fishermen in landing their catches at Malinbeg, Roinn na Gaeltachta has made available a grant of £1,000 for a suitable type of lifting gear, to be installed there. Various types of installation had to be considered to see which best suited the landing place there. It was eventually agreed with the Office of Public Works that a derrick type crane would be purchased and erected there. The crane selected was ordered but the suppliers had not the exact one in stock but have offered one of slightly larger capacity which can now be purchased and installed there whenever it is delivered.

497/67. HOUSING SURVEY IN KILCAR

The following question was submitted by Councillor F. Cunningham:

"When is it hoped to carry out a survey of the housing needs in Kilcar?"

REPLY: A general housing survey for the county is at present in progress and the needs of Kilcar will be assessed in this Survey.

498/67. FIRE STATION FOR STRANORLAR

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Reid:

"What is the position regarding the proposed new Fire Station for Stranorlar?"

REPLY: Preliminary plans, specifications and estimate for a fire station to be located at the new Housing Scheme in Stranorlar have been prepared by Mr. P.C. Carr, Architect, and have been approved in principle by the Department of Local Government. The Department requested that more detailed plans and specification be prepared and submitted and these documents are awaited from the Architect.

499/67. RATES ON STATE LANDS

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Reid:

"Does the Forestry Department pay rates for all of their lands in this County and what was their total paid in rates for the past year?"

REPLY: Property in the occupation of the State and this includes lands acquired and held by the Forestry Department is exempt from rating in the ordinary sense. Instead a bounty in lieu of rates which is based on the rateable valuation of the property occupied by the State is paid to this Council by the Valuation Office. The amount of the bounty in the year to 31st March last was £18,857.

500/67. COOLADAWSON AND CAVAN LOWER - DEMAND FOR WATER RATES

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Reid:

"Why did the residents of Cooladawson and Lower Cavan receive Demand Notes for Water Rates when they have not got the water laid on to their houses?"

REPLY: There is a group scheme for serving Cavan and Cooladawson townlands in course of construction and it is connected to the Council's watermains. Demands for water charges for ten houses in Cavan and two in Cooladawson regrettably issued in advance of the construction of the pipeline being completed.

No payment need be made in the maantime on foot of these demands and when the scheme is completed the charges will be amended and re-issued.

1501/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLYBOFEY AND CONVOY

The following questions were submitted by Councillor P. McGowan:

"When does the Council intend to erect lights at Donegal Road, Ballybofey?"

"When does the Council intend to erect lights at the Green, Convoy which have beenprovided for in the Estimates?"

REPLY: The Council's proposals for expending the monies provided in this year's Estimates for renewal and additional public lighting will come before the General Purposes Committee at its next meeting and will embrace all the additonal lights put forward by Councillors during the past year or more as well as any other lighting points deemed necessary.

1502/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT CARRIGART

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"What is the position regarding provision of public convenience at Carrigart?"

REPLY: This Council has already formulated a priority list of twelve towns and villages wherein conveniences will be erected and is proceeding with this programme. The Council in drawing up this programme, considered a report from the County Medical Officer in which he outlined the towns and villages where this amenity was non-existent. The Council in limiting their programme to twelve gave priority to more important seaside resorts and towns where public transport routes converged. Carrigart was not included in the priority programme.

1503/67. FOOTPATHS FOR NEW HOUSING SCHEME AT MILFORD

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"What is the position regarding proposed footpaths for new Housing Scheme at Milford to Church Road."

REPLY: The National Building Agency has informed the Council that the footpath from the Scheme to Church Road is included and will be laid under this Contract.

1504/67. TOURIST ORGANISATION IN COUNTY DONEGAL

The following notice standing in the name of Councillor W. McNutt was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council forms its own regional tourist organisation to promote tourism in the County more effectively."

A general discussion took place on this motion and further consideration of the matter was deferred to the next meeting of the Council for the purpose of arranging the attendance at the meeting of Mr. E. Hoy, Manager of the North Western Regional Tourism Organisation.

505/67. MILFORD/CARRIGART MAIN ROAD

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McNutt, was proposed and seconded:

"That the main road from Milford to Carrigart be widened."

After discussion on this matter the County Engineer explained that he expected to be able to improve 3½ miles of this road in the next five years and that in arriving at this estimate he had taken account of the amount of grant money made available over the past five years. He indicated that depending on the allocation of grant it would be the Council's aim to complete the road as quickly as possible.

506/67. SEPTIC TANK FOR GLEN VILLAGE

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

"That a septic tank be built in Glen Village."

507/67. PURCHASE OF SURGICAL APPLIANCES

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery was proposed and seconded:

"That the Council ask the Department for permission to purchase surgical appliances from any source that may be available."

A general discussion took place on this motion during which members expressed dissatisfaction at the delays which occurred in the making available of the appliances required by patients.

The County Manager explained that he would not continue the existing arrangement if a better or alternative could be devised. He indicated that the National Organisation for Rehabilitation were able to supply some appliances but were not able to meet the entire needs. He stated that difficulty was presented in the necessity for having present at Clinics (a) the patient (b) the Orthopaedic Surgeon and (c) the Appliance Fitter. He indicated that the only firm prepared to attend at the Council's clinics was the firm whose services were available to the Council through the Contract negotiated by the Galway County Council. The County Manager stated that the County Medical Officer was endeavouring to procure the services of another Fitter and a report on progress would be submitted to the General Purposes Committee at the earliest opportunity.

508/67. RATING POSITION OF BUNCRANA URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council support and take all necessary steps to assist the case made by Buncrana U.D.C. to the Minister for Local Government for an amendment of the appropriate Act which would put the rating position in Buncrana (viz a viz the County Council) on a par with the position obtaining in similar Urban areas in Donegal."

1509/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AT BALLYBOFEY, CONVOY AND CASTLEFIN

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

"That this Council provide a public convenience in Ballybofey, Convoy and Castlefin."

1510/67. COTTAGE REPAIR SCHEME

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

"That this Council completely over-haul their cottage repair scheme to give more satisfactory service to occupiers of Council houses."

1511/67. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS IN URBAN AREAS

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council pay supplementary grants in the urban districts of Letterkenny, Buncrana and Bundoran."

1512/67. NEW COURTHOUSE FOR LETTERKENNY

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey having been proposed and seconded, was considered:

"That this Council erect a new Courthouse in Letterkenny."

After discussion on the motion it was

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Department of Justice be asked to make available to the Council a grant towards the cost of building a new Courthouse in Letterkenny."

1513/67. PURCHASE OF GOODS FOR PATIENTS IN COUNTY HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was considered:

"That this Council request the County Manager to stop dictating to the patients of the County Hospital, Letterkenny, where they should purchase their provisions."

Senator B. McGlinchey stated that a shop was opened in St. Conal's Hospital, seven or eight years ago. Initially a loss was incurred and Canteen facilities were put to tender, stating the approximate turn-over. The tenancy was awarded to Mr. M. Cutliffe, who increased his tender price in subsequent years.

1514/67. PURCHASE OF GOODS FOR PATIENTS IN COUNTY HOSPITAL (Contd.)

In June, 1967, the Canteen was re-advertised and the tenancy awarded to Messrs. Dillon Bros. Within two weeks after the invitation for tenders was published an Order was issued requiring patients to spend their money in the Canteen, thereby increasing the turnover by approximately £100 per week. Senator McGlinchey stated that the proposed increase of turnover was known to the successful tenderer, but was not generally known to people who might otherwise have tendered on the basis of the increased turnover. He stated that hitherto Porters in the County Hospital were free to buy provisions for patients where the Porters desired. The purchases were made sometimes at St. Conal's Hospital Canteen. Recently an order was made prohibiting the Porters from purchasing in any place other than St. Conal's Hospital Canteen. He stated that the tenant of the Canteen was recently hverheard by a patient threatening one of the Porters of the County Hospital that if purchases were not made in the Canteen the Porter would be dismissed from his employment. In fact the Porter has been taken off the purchasing duties. Senator McGlinchey further stated that shopkeepers occasionally gave a packet of cigarettes to the Porter. He made the point that this practice was no more objectionable than the offer made by Dillon Bros. to the Porter to sell to him personally at a cheap rate for resale by the Porter to the patients. The Councillor also made the point that the forms issued with the invitation to tender indicated that purchases from the County Hospital 'may' be made at the Canteen, as distinct from 'shall' be made at the Canteen. In fact the County Manager and the County Secretary were insisting that the purchases be made at the Canteen.

Senator McGlinchey also stated that the successful tenderer had information which was not available to other tenderers concerning a proposal to enlarge the Canteen premises. Senator McGlinchey made the point that this fact together with the decision to require patients at St. Conal's Hospital to spend their money in the Canteen taken after the date of the advertisement for tenders represented skullduggery in the allocation of the tenancy.

The County Manager informed the meeting that before he could stop dictating to patients in the County Hospital, he would first have to start dictating, which he had not done. He stated that the shop in St. Conal's Hospital was opened about 1960. Porters at the County Hospital were authorised to take orders from patients in the hospital for purchases to be made in the Canteen in St. Conal's Hospital. The service given to patients was in fact a messenger service to the St. Conal's Hospital Canteen only. On a few occasions during the tenancy of the previous shopkeeper the County Hospital Porters made purchases elsewhere and when the matter came to light the situation was remedied. The Manager made it clear that patients in the County Hospital were not required to spend their money in the Canteen at St. Conal's Hospital, but they were at liberty to avail of the Council's messenger service to the Canteen. No other service was made available by the Council for County Hospital patients.

The Manager stated that he was not aware that patients at St. Conal's Hospital were required to purchase in the Canteen and he undertook to investigate this matter. The Manager also stated that County Hospital Porters could not be permitted to collect orders from patients to be hawked about the town for the Benefit of the Porters as distinct from patients. If this practice were permitted the question would arise as to why anyone wishing should not be permitted to do the same thing.

1514/67. PURCHASE OF GOODS FOR PATIENTS IN THE COUNTY HOSPITAL (Contd.)

Changes made in the duties of any Porter were made for a good reason. The tender form used for the letting of the Canteen did not stipulate that the business from the County Hospital would be transacted in the Canteen, but tenderers were free to observe for themselves the practice of making purchases for the County Hospital patients in the Canteen. On the question of a threat issued to a Council employee, the County Manager made the point that no person outside the Council's employment had the right to make this threat. The Manager also stated that if there was an objection to the practice of purchasing in the Canteen for County Hospital patients it would be reviewed at the end of the two year letting period. On the question of skullduggery the County Manager suggested that the Councillor should wither prove this charge or withdraw it. On the question of extending the shop at St. Conal's Hospital the County Manager explained that this proposal had been mentioned to him, but he had not acted upon it for the reason that money was not provided for the purpose in the Estimates.

After further discussion on the matter it was agreed that it be referred to the Visiting Committee for the County Hospital.

1515/67. PROCEED TO CONSIDER MOTIONS

Proposed by: Councillor C. Meehan
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

"That the Council continue to consider motions, deferring consideration of the General Purposes Committee report."

A vote was taken on this motion which was declared passed, after thirteen members had voted for and seven against.

1516/67. TEMINATION OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham
AND RESOLVED: "That the meeting finish at 6.30 p.m."

1517/67. MEMBERSHIP OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

The following motion was proposed by Councillor J. Harkin and seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"That the relevant Standing Order relating to the General Purposes Committee be deleted and substituted by the following -

'That the General Purposes Committee consist of all members of the Council, that the report of the General Purposes Committee meeting be not debated at subsequent Council meeting and that an opportunity be given to any Councillor disagreeing with any item in the report to table a motion or question at the following meeting of the Council.'"

An amendment was proposed by Councillor C. Breslin, seconded by Councillor S. McLaughlin:

"That the membership of the General Purposes Committee be not altered."

The amendment was declared carried on the casting vote of the Chairman, after eleven members had voted for and eleven against.

1518/67. SURFACING AND TARRING OF ROADS

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Boggs, was proposed and seconded:

"That these roads be selected for surfacing and tarring:

(1) Branch road from Malin/Culdaff Road to Glengad Road;
(2) Road at Park House, Malin Head to Ballygorman Road;
(3) Glack Road (Culdaff);
(4) Ballyloskey Road, Carndonagh;
(5) Road at Bunn, Glengad."

The Council noted that the roads in question will be considered for inclusion in the coming Five Year Plan with the exception of the road at Bunn, Glengad, which is not a County Road.

1519/67. ROAD FROM OLD WOODLANDS NATIONAL SCHOOL

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the road from the old Woodlands National School to the new Woodlands National School, Letterkenny be tarred."

1520/67. ESSENTIAL REPAIRS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That under provisions in the Housing Bill, this Council meet the full cost of essential repairs where it is found that the applicant has no means."

1521/67. SLIP AT PARTNACROIS, KILLYBEGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Slip at Partnacrois, Killybegs, be raised to facilitate the local Fishermen in an effort to provide normal landing facilities which are not existent at present."

1522/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR ROSBEG

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Campbell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a public water scheme be provided for the seaside resort of Rosbeg."

1523/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR LETTERMACAWARD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a public water supply scheme be provided for the Lettermacaward area."

1524/67. ROAD IN FANAD

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer advised the meeting that the roads in question were the responsibility of the Contractor who had been asked to affect an improvement:

"That immediate action be taken to ensure that the road in Fanad, torn up by work on the water scheme, be repaired and left in its original state."

1525/67. MAIN ROAD FROM DRUMFRIES, TERMON

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

"That the Council reconstruct and widen the main road from Drumfries, Termon to McGrenra's house at Lossett."

1526/67. TAKING OVER OF ROAD FROM MAIN ROAD AT TOWNALAGHAN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Special Roads Committee for consideration:

"That this Council take over the road leading from the main road at Townalaghan to Gerry Breslin's house, Ardnableaske, Barnesmore, which is only ½ mile long."

1527/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE FOR PETTIGO

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

"That in view of the proposed Sewerage Scheme for Pettigo that this Council now select a site for a public toilet in this town."

1528/67. BOAT SLIP AT CRATLAGH AND CRANFORD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide boat slip at Cratlagh Milford and Cranford."

1529/67. TRANSFER OF MOVILLE SHORE FRONT TO THE COUNCIL

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor E. Gillen, having been proposed and seconded, was considered:

"That the Council seek a transfer of the property at the Shore-front in Moville from the Londonderry Harbour Board."

After discussion on this motion which was formally proposdd by Councillor A. Diver and seconded by Councillor E. Gillen, the motion was unanimously adopted after amendment by the addition of an addendum as follows - ..... together with the pier at Carrickarory.

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Harry Blaney DATE: 30th October, 1967
CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL (PLANNING) HELD ON OCTOBER 20, 1967

1530/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, McCafferty, McEniff, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1531/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer, and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1532/67. ROADSIDE TRADING

The Secretary submitted a revised draft of the clause for addition to the Plan at Page 113, Column 2, which the Council had considered at its previous meeting.

Proposed by: Councillor C. Breslin
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

AND RESOLVED: "That the following clause be added to the Plan at Page 113, Column 2:

"In particular along arterial or other main roads any development in the nature of roadside trading or the use of the roadside or land between the road and the boundary of adjoining private property for the display of wares for advertisement or sale or the parking of temporary dwellings shall not be permitted. (Save and except trading from suitable stalls or vehicles in built up areas which do not cause a traffic hazard, and the normal temporary stops of mobile shops for the purpose of sale of wares to individual customers at the residences of such customers which does not cause a traffic hazard provided that where such trading would require Planning Permission on any application any other relevent objectives of this plan shall be considered before granting it.")

1533/67. FISHING SURVEY

The Council noted the following letter dated 6th October, 1967 from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries:

"With reference to your letter of October 3, 1967 (Ref/IC) regarding a survey of Donegal fishing ports, I wish to inform you that it is proposed to make a survey of fishing ports and landing facilities on the Donegal coast with a view to making up-to-date appraisal of the facilities required to meet the present and expected needs of the fishing industry on this coast. It is intended that the survey will take place as soon as a similar survey which is being made at present of the Galway/Mayo coasts is completed.

I might mention that this Department's Fishery Officers visit and report on the various County Donegal fishing centres in the course of their normal duties. If at any time it is found that improvement works at particular landing places are warranted and can be justified in the interests of the local fishing industry the matter is sympathetically considered and decisions reached having regard to the extent of local fishing activity or potential fishing activity, the estimated cost of the works recommended and the availability of funds."

It was agreed that the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries be invited to utilise Army helicopters for the purpose of detecting illegal fishing within territorial waters.

1534/67. DEPARTMENT'S OBSERVATIONS ON THE PLAN

The Council considered the following letter dated 26th September, 1967, from the Department of Local Government:

"I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to refer to the draft development plan for Donegal County. The following are some points that arise. To the extent that it may not prove practical to take full cognisance of these at this stage by reason of the proximity of the statutory limit they should be further considered as soon as possible.

Figure 25(a) It is suggested that the title be altered from "Items of Dereliction" to "Derelict Items",

Page 110 It is suggested that it be considered whether preference should be given to providing for swimming pools as long term objectives in Letterkenny and Buncrana instead of Mobille and Carndonagh in order to place these facilities in the planned growth centres.

Page 111 - Development Control It is considered that good architecture is particularly important in Donegal and that the degree of control at (a) should contain a reference to "sound" principles rather than "reasonable" principles.

Page 115 It is suggested that the heading "Temporary location" be omitted.

Page 117 It is suggested that the last paragraph in the first column be subdivided;

the provision of toilets in filling stations should not be obligatory. A reference to the desirability of such might be included.

Page 135 It is suggested that the particular need for good ddsign recognising local environment in housing design should be stressed in this section.

Housing Design In regard to housing development between roads and the coast and in areas of high amenity the necessity for a very high standard of design should be stressed. The Council should ensure when detailed plans are submitted that the aesthetics and design are of a high order and that the project would result in a harmonious blending with the landscape and surroundings. In the case of areas of high amenity the objective should be to preserve views and the rural quality and to ensure that buildings are well designed for their particular sites and reflect the local features. Suitable references should be included in the plan.

Finances etc. Attention is drawn to the various considerations under "Prescribed Authorities" in circular letter P.D. 16 of the 6th June, 1967.

Attention is drawn also to the farious considerations in Circular letter P.D. 18."

The Council took the following decisions in relation to the matters mentioned in the Department's letter:

Figure 25 (a)	No change
Page 110	No change
Page 111	No change
Page 115	Department's suggestion approved
Page 117 (a)	Department's suggestion approved
Page 117 (b)	No change
Page 135	No change
Housing Design	No change
Finances etc.	No change.

1535/67. OBSERVATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Council considered and noted the observations of members of the public following their inspection of the Plan in the Council's Offices between 1st August, 1967 and 7th September, 1967, as per the attached Appendix.

1536/67. SUGGESTIONS OF MR. L. CUNNINGHAM, T.D., BRIDGEND

The Council considered the points raised by Deputy L. Cunningham in his letter as per the attached Appendix.

It was noted that the Plan made provision for this work.

On the question of the preservation of right-of-way for the Foyle net fishermen to the river at Carrigans Station. It was agreed that this right-of-way would be included in the over-all examination of rights-of-way in the County. The right-of-way to Tready Point at Inch Level, Speenogue, would also be examined in conjunction with the survey of rights-of-way.

In connection with the parking and driving of cars on the beach at Fahan it was noted that it was a general policy of the Council to prohibit the parking and driving of cars on beaches, but arrangements would have to be made for access for boats to the sea.

The Council noted that the date of completion of the Lough Mourne No. 1 Regional Supply Scheme would have to be considered in conjunction with the special report on water supplies to be placed before the next General Purposes Committee meeting.

On the question of the Sewerage Schemes listed for execution before 1972, Mr. O'Malley explained that Figure 17 of the Plan showed proposals for a large number of schemes and it was not possible to have all the schemes executed in the first five years. Deputy Cunningham indicated that he would raise this matter again.

It was noted that Carndonagh had been added to the list of towns on Page 41 for the provision of an industrial site.

1537/67. SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

A general discussion took place on the desirability of asking the Department of Education to locate the new school of Technology for County Donegal in Ballybofey/Stranorlar as distinct from Letterkenny.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor J. Reid

"That the proposed Technological College for County Donegal be located in the Ballybofey/Stranorlar district."

A vote was taken on this proposal which was declared carried after eleven members had voted for and seven against.

The Secretary was asked to have a copy of the resolution forwarded immediately to An Taoiseach and to the Minister for Education.

1538/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR M. DEERY

The Council considered the letter received from Councillor M. Deery, dated 25th September, 1967 as per the attached Appendix.

It was agreed that these matters be deferred for consideration at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee when the question of priorities for water and sewerage schemes would be examined.

1539/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR S. McENIFF

The Council considered letter dated 15th September, 1967 from Councillor S. McEniff as per the attached appendix.

Proposed by: Councillor S. McEniff
Seconded by: Councillor M. Melly

AND RESOLVED: "That the town of Pettigo be added to the list on Page 110 of the Plan for the provision of a public sanitary convenience."

1540/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM FIONNTAIN UAS. MacAODHA BHUI

The Council considered and noted letter dated 19th September, 1967 from Fionntain Uas. MacAodha Bhui as per the attached appendix.

1541/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM LT.-CDR. W.M. BRITTON, RATHMULLAN

The Council considered the letter from Lt-Cdr. W.M. Britton, Hon. Secretary, Rathmullan Development Committee, dated 22nd September, 1967, together with the copy of his letter dated 21st September, 1967 to Mr. I.C.B. Wright, Burns & Laird Lines Ltd, as per the attached appendix.

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council support the Rathmullan Development Committee in its efforts to re-establish a passenger service from Glasgow to Rathmullan."

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor W. McNutt

"That Bord Failte be asked to support passenger service between Glasgow and Donegal."

An amendment was

Proposed by; ,Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

"That a feasibility study be carried out on the proposal for a car and passenger ferry service from Scotland to Rathmullan during the Summer months."

The amendment was adopted unanimously

1542/67. PORT OF DERRY AS MAJOR PORT

Proposed by: Councillor W. McCafferty
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Draft Development Plan be amended so as to include the objective for the support of the port of Derry as a port for County Donegal, but not as a major port."

1543/67. SUGGESTIONS OF COUNCILLOR J.J. REID

The Council considered letter dated 25th September, 1967, from Councillor J. Reid, as per the attached appendix.

In connection with the provision of a Sugar Beet Factory in County Donegal to serve the Counties of Donegal, Derry and Tyrone, the Council unanimously agreed that the appropriate survey be carried out.

On the question of group schemes it was

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That the Department of Local Government be asked to allocate an extra Engineer for promotion of Group Schemes in County Donegal."

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That the Department of Local Goverument be asked to increase the grants for the installation of water and sewerage facilities."

Regarding Councillor Reid's suggestion regarding publicity for available grants, it was agreed that this matter would be put down as a notice of motion for the next meeting of the Council.

1544/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR H. BLANEY

The Council considered letter dated 25th September, 1967 from Councillor H. Blaney as per the attached appendix.

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the town of Milford be added to the list of towns on Page 41 of the Plan for the provision of an industrial site."

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That a feasibility study be carried out on the entrance to Mulroy Bay with a view to the erection of an E.S.B. Power Station and the erection of a bridge between Rosguill and Fanad Peninsulas."

1545/67. CONCLUSION OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor C. Ballagher
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council conclude its business at 6 p.m."

1546/67. PRIORITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRIAL SITES

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That any of the towns listed on Page 41 of the Draft Development Plan as amended offering a free site for industry be given priority for development."

1547/67. INDUSTRIAL SITE FOR MOVILLE

Proposed by: Councillor A. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor B. Gillen
AND RESOLVED:
"That the town of Mobille be added to the list of towns on Page 41 of the Plan for the provision of an industrial site."

1548/67. ADOPTION OF PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor B. Murrin
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

"That the Development Plan be adopted and that all the remaining objections and representations be noted."

After discussion on this matter the propowal was withdrawn.

The meeting then terminated.

CERTIFIED _____
Co. SECRETARY

CONFIRMED _____
CHAIRMAN.

List of comments in Office Register by Members of Public who inspected the Draft Plan in Council Offices.

1. Mr. Liam O. McMenamin, Ballybofey:- 1/8/'67

The Plan confirms in figures the ills of the County- punished by high rating, and bled white by emigration. The Plan is sound, but a Special Committee of the Council should be formed charged with the implementation. This Committee should consist of the younger members who would dedicate themselve to see the Plan realised in, say, 25 years. Very interested persons could be co-opted.

2. Mr. Henry J. Simms, Lifford:- 1/8/'67

Short inspection only at this time. Look forward to more detailed study later.

3. C. Brown, David Allen & Sons Ltd., Belfast 2. :- 4/8/'67

No. Comment.

4. D. Cullen, Killygordon:- 14/8/'67

Plan excellent with minor inaccuracies.

5. Mr. Dominick O'Donnell, Market Square, Letterkenny:- 14/9/'67

I regret that Plan No. Figure 1. shows no artery development towards Maghery, Dungloe which is Dungloe areas nearest strand - also its scenic headland drive by Crohy Head.

6. M. J. Geary, Glenleary, Ramelton:- 17/8/'67

No. comment.

7. David Dickson, Fahan Rectory:- 18/8/'67

Excellent report - but in historical/archaeological section some doubtful entries: No. 14 has been moved to National Museum; No. 27 is already National Monument; 'No. 12' on schedule and map don't tally; and there are unfortunate omissions in the Inishowen area at least- which deprives the list of being a comprehensive survey.

8. Rev. T. V. Craig, Carnone House, Raphoe, Lifford:- 18/8/'67

No. comment.

9. Mr. P. O'Donnell, T.D., Burtonport:- 5/9/'67

No. comment.

10. Mr. James Whyte, L & L. S. Railway, Derry:- 7/9/'67

An excellent factual report and embodies a high measure of realism for the future I think the case for an extension of Hotel and Tourist facilities could be elaborated as the County lags behind other areas in the South bearing in mind that 75 - 80% of United Kingdom holiday people who travel to Northern Ireland cross the border mainly through Derry. There is a pressing need for Motels - I suggest that deep sea commercial fishing is a "must" for the future. Why can't we match up to the Spanish and French trawlers who invade Irish waters so frequently. The Scotch Trawlers used Lough Swilly 50 years ago.

Per L. Cunningham T.D.

Proposals for inclusion in County Development Plan under appropriate heads.

1. Extension of car park at Pollan Strand Ballyliff in and removal of sand bank between car park and sea.

2. Preserve right of way for Poole Net Fishermen to the river at Carrigans Station (This right of way has been threatened by removal of bridge.

3. Resurrect right of way to Trendy Point at Inch Level Speenoge P.O.)

4. Prohibit parking and driving of cars on beach from Fahan Pier to Buncrana Boundary.

1. Objection to expected date of completion of Louth Mourne No. 1 Regional Water Supply i.e. 1/4/72

2. Objection to 5 year Development Plan for Sewerage Schemes as it interferes with priority list already agreed on by the County Council and does not contain any sewerage scheme for completion in Inishowen in the next Five years.

3. Objection to the non inclusion of Carndonagh in list of towns to be selected as industrial growth centres.

McGhiff's,
Cafe and Confectionery,
Bundoran,
Co. Donegal.
15/9/'67.

Dear Mr. Keating,

An amendment to the County Plan.

That a public toilet be provided in Pettigo with the density of Tourist traffic and Lough Derg pilgrims in the area.

Yours faithfully,
Sean McGhiff.

'Cloch',

Pairc Beaumont,

Corcaigh.

19/9/'67

Do/ Comhairle Chonndae Dun na nGall.

Taim se, Fionntain Mac Aodha Bhui, ag cur in eadan an polasai ata mar chuid de phlean forbartha an chontae go ndeanfar an Falcharrach a fhorbairt mar ' phriomh bhaile an cheantair Gaeltachta' ar na cuiseanna seo leanas:-

1. Nil an Fal Carrach taobh istigh den cheantar in a bhfuil an Ghaeilg a labhairt ag furmhorna ndaoine. Da bhri sin ni feidir leis feidhmui mar lar don cheantar sin. Bearla priomh-theanga an bhaile.

2. Ta an Fal Carrach comh comhgarach don cheantar ina bhfuil an Ghaeilg cnuichtar fan lathar afach go mbeidh tionchar an laidir aici sa an gceantar sin ma deintear i a fhorbairt go mor. O tharla gur baile bearla anois i is cinnte gur bearla a bheidh i nuachtar innti ma fhasann si nios mo, agus go mbeidh bearla a bhru amach uaithi o dheas go dti Gort a Choirce agus Gaoth Dobhair.

3. Ma deantar Fal Charrach a fhorbairt deanfar forbairt a stiuru o Ghaoth Dobhair - ait a bhfuil pobal lionmhar de Ghaeilgeoiri agus nucleus de bhaile nua cheanafein

Impim ar Chomhairle Chontae Dun na nGall an cuid seo den pholasai a chur as feidhm. Creidim go marbhoshadh se Gaeltacht Iarthair Thir Chonail mar Ghaeltacht in ait cuidiu lei. Impim oraibh baile nua a fhorbairt in ait oiriunach taobh istigh den cheantar ina labhartar an Ghaeilg go fior ag furmhor na ndaoine.

Go soirbhidh Dia Dibh,

Fionntain Mac Aodha Bhui.

TRANSLATION.

"Cloan",

Pairc Beaumont,

Corcaigh

19/9/'57.

Do / Comhairle Chonndae Dhun na nGall.

I, Fionntan MacAodh Bhui, object to the policy forming part of the County Development Plan that Falcarragh be developed as the principal town of the Gaeltacht area on the following grounds:-

1. Falcarragh is not situate within the district in which Irish is spoken by the majority of the people, Therefore it cannot be used as the centre of that district. English is the principal language of the town.

2. Falcarragh, however, is so close to the predominantly Irish speaking district that if developed, it would strongly influence that district. Since it is now an English (speaking) town, should it expand English would continue to dominate and English as a spoken language would expand southwards to Gortahork and Gweedore.

3. The development of Falcarragh would mean directing development away from Gweedore where there is a large population of native Irish speakers and where there is already the nucleus of a new town.

I implore Donegal County Council to revoke this part of the policy. I believe that it would kill the West Donegal Gaeltacht instead of helping it. I implore you to develop a new town in a suitable location within the district in which Irish is spoken by the majority of the people

Yours sincerely,

Fionntan MacAodha Bhui.

RATHMULLAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Rathmullan,

Co. Donegal.

21st September, 1967.

J.C.B. Wright, Esq.,
Messrs. Burns & Laird Lines Ltd.,
52, Robertson Street,
Glasgow, C.2.

Dear Sir,

I have been instructed by the above Committee to write to you following the close of the 1967 Tourist Season in Donegal in regard to the possibility of your Company running a summer passenger service from Glasgow to Rathmullan in 1968.

It is known that the tourist interests in this area, and also in other parts of West Donegal, including many other Development Associations, feel that the withdrawal of the Glasgow/Londonderry passenger vessel has adversely affected our tourist industry and that the instituting of a direct service from Glasgow to Rathmullan would be an economical proposition for your Company. In addition to the Tourist Industry we would also mention that other interests, i.e., the Livestock Industry, would at this time also be interested in such a service.

Rathmullan, compared with Londonderry, is approximately the same distance from Glasgow, and Port Charges at Rathmullan are more economical than at Londonderry. Rathmullan is situated in Lough Swilly at latitude 55°06 north, longitude 7°32 west. The pier is "T" shaped, is of concrete construction with a good surface and is well fendered with wood sheathing and rubber cushions between the wood sheathing and the pier. Vessels are berthed fore and aft of the tide. Harbour dues are based on the N.R.T. of the vessel at 9d. per ton.

We would welcome the opportunity of travelling to Glasgow to discuss matters with you, and you can rest assured that our Development Committee, together with other Development Associations, would give you full support for such a service.

Yours faithfully,

W. N. Brittain
Hon. Secretary.

Knockfair,

Ballybofey,

25/9/'67

County Secretary,
Lifford.

Dear Sir,

I recommend the following suggestions for consideration in the Development Plan:-

(1) That a survey be made with a view to setting up a Sugar Beet Factory in th County in Co-operation with Co's Derry and Tyrone.

(2) More consideration be given to Group Water Schemes.

(3) That better Publicity be given regarding what Grants are available under the various schemes that are in operation.

Faithfully yours,

J. J. Reid.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL (PLANNING) HELD ON OCTOBER 23, 1967

1549/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breislenin, Patterson and Reid.

1550/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

1551/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MR. V. BRITTON, ROSSNOWLAGH

The Council considered the letter dated 22nd September from Mr. V. Birtton, Secretary, Rossnowlagh Amenities Association as per the attached appendix.

On the question of closing Rossnowlagh Strand to motor vehicles pending the provision of parking facilities Mr. O'Malley indicated that a study would be carried out on the extent to which access to the beach for cars and for parking should be allowed at two points and pending the outcome of this study further consideration should be deferred.

The closing of the strand to traffic between the concrete ramp at Belault and the ramp south of the Sand House was stated by Mr. O'Malley to be also a matter for inclusion in the proposed study. Mr. O'Malley indicated that the need for the construction of ramp to the New Line Road would also be examined.

1552/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COL. EOGHAN O'NEILL

The Council considered and noted the points made in the letter received from Col. Eoghan O'Neill together with attached memo. as set out in the appendix hereto.

1553/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MR. EDWARD QUINN, FROSSES

The Council considered letter dated 27th September, 1967 from Mr. Edward Quinn, Secretary, Frosses Water Supply Committee as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley pointed out that he could not recommend the changing of the expected date of completion of the Frosses/Inver Water Supply Scheme having regard to the Council's over-all commitments.

1554/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MR. JOHN J. GALLAGHER, CRUIT ISLAND

The Council considered letter dated 27th September, 1967 from Mr. John J. Gallagher, Cruit Island, Kincasslagh as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley informed the meeting that the work envisaged could be carried out by the Council outside of the proposals in the Plan.

1555/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM ANNAGRY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered letter dated 30th September, 1967 from Mr. James O'Donnell, Secretary, Annagry Development Association as per the attached appendix.

On the question of the execution of sewerage scheme it was

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That a Consultant be engaged by the Donegal County Council for the planning of sewerage schemes to serve towns, villages and seaside resorts, with a view to having plans ready for execution when money becomes available."

It was noted that the remaining points in Mr. O'Donnell's letter could be covered by the Council in the ordinary programme of works outside the plan.

1556/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM BRIAN UAS. O'GALLACHOIR, ARA MHOIR

The Council considered letter dated 3rd October, 1967 from Brian Uas. O'Gallachoir, Runai, An Cumann Foirbirthe, Ara Mhoir, as per the attached appendix.

It was noted that plans for the Arranmore Water Supply Scheme are in progress and the Council did not expect to be able to complete this project in the first five years of the Plan.

1557/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM SOUTH-WEST DONEGAL GAELTACHT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Council considered letter dated 3rd October, 1967, received from P. O'Byrne, South-West Gaeltacht Development Committee.

It was noted that sewerage scheme for Kilcar is at an advanced stage of preparation and could be undertaken as additional money becomes available.

1558/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MILFORD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered letter dated 5th October, 1967 from Mr. James McVeigh, Secretary, Milford Development Association as per the attached appendix.

Councillor J. Harkin indicated that he would put down notices of motion on all of the matters mentioned in Mr. McVeigh's letter for the next meeting of the County Council.

1559/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM THE GLENTIES AND DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered letter dated 6th October, 1967 from Mr. A. O'Shea, Hon. Secretary, Glenties and District Development Association as per the attached appendix.

Mr. M. O'Malley stated that on review of the Development Plan within the next five years the requirements of the Glenties/Ardara area in the matter of industrial development would have to be reconsidered.

1560/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM CLONMANY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered letter dated 6th October, 1967 from Mr. C. Doogan, Clonmany Development Association, as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley undertook to examine the suggestions for the repair and extension of existing roadway to the beach at Suil.

The Council agreed that the widening of the road over Mamore Gap and the provision of lay-bys required attention and asked that the required survey be carried out.

The Council agreed that the provision of adequate septic tank for the Ballyliffen Sewerage Scheme was necessary and asked to have this matter examined.

1661/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM AN TAISCE

The Council considered letter dated 6th October, 1967, from Mr. W.A. Watts, Chairman, An Taisce, as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley stated that An Foras Forbartha was carrying out a special study of the Cloughaneely District and this matter could be reconsidered after submission of the report.

1662/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM DEPUTY LIAM CUNNINGHAM

The Council considered letter from Councillor L. Cunningham as per the attached appendix.

On the question of a Ferry Service from Fahan to Rathmullan Mr. O'Malley stated that a feasibility study would be carried out.

1663/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM RATHMULLAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Council considered letter dated 5th October, 1967 from Mr. W.M. Britton, Hon. Secretary, Rathmullan Development Committee as per the attached appendix.

It was noted that the Council's decision on the advertising section of the Plan covered this point.

1664/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MR. J.J. O'DONNELL, KINCASSLAGH

The Council considered letter dated 7th October, 1967 from Mr. J.J. O'Donnell, Kincasslagh as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley stated that the proposals in the Plan for execution in the short-term and in the long-term were designed to deal with the type of problem mentioned by Mr. O'Donnell.

1665/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM MR. NEIL T. BLANEY, MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE

The Council noted the letter dated 4th October, 1967 received from Mr. N.T. Blaney, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries as per the attached appendix.

Mr. O'Malley stated that the right-of-way at Rosgarrow although rather overgrown appears to have been established in the past and that the Plan includes an objective designed to preserve rights-of-way and that this right-of-way should be included in the list of rights for preservation.

After discussion on the matter it was agreed that this right-of-way would be re-examined by Mr. O'Malley with a view to ascertaining if a solution could be got in the matter of keeping the right-of-way open and at the same time meeting the needs of Mr. O'Donnell, who had occasion to use the right-of-way for his stock.

1666/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM RUTH REEVES, DEVON

The Council considered letter dated 26th September, 1967 from Ruth Reeves, Longcause House, Dartington, Totnes, Devon in regard to the dumping of old vehicles, as per the attached appendix.

A general discussion took place on the ways and means of prohibiting the depositing of vehicle bodies in unauthorised places.

Proposed by: Councillor M. Deery
Seconded by: Councillor B. Murrin

AND RESOLVED: "That Development Associations and County Councillors be asked to suggest places in their districts for the dumping of vehicle bodies."

1657/67. ATTENDANCE OF MR. E. HOY AT COUNCIL MEETING

The Council considered suggestion that Mr. E. Hoy, Manager, North-Western Regional Tourism Organisation attend the Council's next meeting. After discussion it was agreed that Mr. Hoy would be invited to attend the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee and the subsequent meeting of the Council.

1658/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR W. McNUTT

The Council considered letter dated 21st September, 1967 from Mr. W. McNutt, Co.C. as per the attached appendix.

On the question of Milford/Carrigart Road Mr. O'Malley stated that as much of this road as possible would be done within the next five years.

On the question of widening and provision of lay-bys on the Atlantic Drive and the widening of road through Downings it was agreed that these matters could be considered by the Council in conjunction with theordinary programme of road works.

On the question of speed limit for Downings it was agreed that this was a matter for the Technical Committee of the Council.

1659/67. CONCLUSION OF EXAMINATION OF THE PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the examination of the Draft Development Plan be finalised today with a view to its final adoption on Monday, 30th October, 1967, in a formal manner."

1660/67. FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That discussion be not re-opened on matters which have already been discussed."

1661/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM KILMACRENAN DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Council considered letter dated 5th October, 1967, from Mr. E. Friel, Secretary, Kilmacrenan Development Association as per the attached appendix.

On the question of an industrial site for Kilmacrenan Mr. O'Malley stated that the development of industry in Milford would adequately serve the Kilmacrenan area.

Mr. O'Malley stated that the Plan dealt extensively with proposals for tourism development.

It was noted that proposals in connection with lighting need not be considered in conjunction with the Plan.

On the matter of provision of a new bridge at Creeslough Mr. O'Malley stated that this proposal should be considered in conjunction with main road realignment.

It was noted that the drainage of rivers was a matter for the Office of Public Works.

1662/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR W. McCAFFERTY

The Council considered letter dated 7th October, 1967 from Councillor W. McCafferty, as per the attached appendix.

It was noted that the discussion at the previous meeting regarding the ports of Rathmullan and Derry covered the points in question.

1663/67. SUGGESTIONS FROM CHURCHILL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Council considered letter dated 7th October, 1967 from Councillor W. McCafferty, on behalf of Churchill Development Committee as per the attached appendix.

Proposed by: Councillor W. McCafferty
Seconded by: Councillor J. Harkin

AND RESOLVED: "That the Churchill, Gortan and Glenveigh Districts be added to the list of areas of specially high amenity as shown in the Plan."

1664/67. BALLYSHANNON/DONEGAL ARTERIAL ROAD

Councillors M. Melly and S. McEniff made the point that not enough money was being allocated annually for the completion of the improvement works on this road.

Mr. O'Malley indicated that any money becoming available for the road would be spent on it.

1665/67. TECHNOLOGICAL COLLEGE

A general discussion took place on the resolution passed by the Council at its meeting on the 20th October, 1967 asking that the College be provided in the Ballybofey/Stranorlar district. Senator B. McGlinchey outlined the points in favour of building the College in Letterkenny as also did Councillor W. McCafferty.

Points in favour of the building of the College in Ballybofey/Stranorlar were made by Councillors McGowan, Reid, Breslin, Gallagher, Murrin, Patterson.

Councillors Deery, Blaney and Cunningham made points welcoming the decision to have the College located in the County.

1666/67. DETERMINATION TO ADOPT THE PLAN

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor M. Deery

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council hereby determine that the Development Plan comprising the Draft Development Plan presented to the Council at its meeting of the 19th June, 1967 and incorporating the amendments and proposals affecting the Plan as adopted by the Council at its meetings on 4th September, 1967, 11th September, 1967, 15th September, 1967, 25th September, 1967, 20th October, 1967 and 23rd October, 1967."

1667/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION FROM NATIONAL FARMERS ASSOCIATION

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

AND RESOLVED: "That a deputation from the National Farmers Association be received by the Council at its meeting on the 30th October, 1967."

1668/67. EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY - DEATH OF MONSIGNOR MOLLOY, P.P., DUNGLOE

On the proposal of the Chairman the Council unanimously adopted a vote of sympathy to His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. MacFeely, Bishop of Raphoe, on the death of Monsignor Molloy, P.P., Dungloe.

The meeting then terminated.

CERTIFIED _____
Co. Secretary

CONFIRMED _____
Chairman

McNUTT, HARDWARE

DOWNINGS.

21st September, 1967.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford,
Co. Donegal.

Dear Mr. Keating.

In connection with the five year plan, I would like to include the following:-

1. That the road from Milford to Carrigart be included.
2. The Atlantic Drive road be widened and lay-bys added and the dangerous bends widened.
3. The road through Downings village be widened.
4. Speed limit be erected in Downings.

Yours sincerely,

W. McNutt.

RATHMULLAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Rathmullan,

Co. Donegal.
22nd September, 1967.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
County Offices,
LIFFORD.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the above Committee I have written to Messrs. Burns & Laird Lines Ltd., Glasgow, with regard to the operating of a passenger service from Glasgow to Rathmullan during the summer season of 1968.

A copy of this letter is attached and the Committee would be most grateful for any co-operation and support that you can give to this project which, if taken up, would restore the loss to the tourist industry in the North West Region occasioned by the withdrawal last year of the Glasgow to Londonderry service.

Yours faithfully,

W. M. Brittain.

ROSSNOWLAGH AMENITIES ASSOCIATION.

(Co. Donegal)

22nd September, 1967.

The County Planning Officer,
Lifford.

A Chara,

I have been instructed by the above Association at out Annual General Meeting, to put on record the following objections to the implementation of Co./Plan relating to Rossnowlagh.

1. The Association wishes to stress its objections to the closing of Rossnowlagh Strand to motor traffic and wishes to emphasise in the strongest possible terms, that no section of the Strand be closed until alternative parking facilities are provided.

2. The Association states also that under no circumstances should the Strand between concrete ramp at Bellalt and ramp south of Sand House be closed to motor traffic.

3. We also state that a further ramp be constructed at end of New-Line Rd. (from Ballintra) to permit motor traffic on to Strand to park right side only.

Notes Re-above:

1. To facilitate those visitors who have boats and have to drive on to the Strand to launch them.

2. To facilitate local people who have used short-cut between both ramps for generations.

The Association does agree that major section of Strand be kept traffic free to stop speeding and give peace of mind to parents with young children.

Remedy: Two rows of poles driven into Strand between the two ramps.

On behalf of the Rossnowlagh Amenities Association I wish to thank you for your assistance rendered during my past year as Secretary.

Yours faithfully,

V. Britton.

Secretary, R.A.A.

COMHDHAIL NAISIUNTA NA GAEILGE,

Arus na Comhdhala,

Sraid na bhFinini,

Baile Atha Cliath, 2.

Mairt, 19 Mean Fomhair 1967.

An Runai,
An Comhairle Chontae,
Leithbhearr,
Dun na nGall.

PLEAN FORBARTHA CHO. THIR CHONAILL.

A Chuine Uasail,

Gleas comhordaithe na n-eagras Gaeilge is ea Comhdhail Naisiunta na Gaeilge a bhfuil de dhualgas uirthi labhairt ar mhaithe a bhaineann leis an dteanga thar cheann na n-eagras. Ta craobhacha ag cuid de na heagrais sin i gCo. Dhun na nGall agus cuireann siadsiuil an- speis i bPlean Forbartha an Chontae. Chomh maith leis sin ta baint ag an gComhdhail le heagrais airithe a bhfuil baint acu leis na Gaeltachtai. Mar sin, iarradh orm mar Stiurthoir Chomhdhail Naisiunta na Gaeilge scriobh chugat i dtaobh plean forbartha an Chontae.

Mar sin, tar eis duinn comhairle a fhail o dhaoine ata inar n-aitheoiri rataí i gCo. Chorcai, ba mhaith linn an ngoid a ghabhann leis seo a chur faoi do bhraid.

Is mise, le meas,

AN COL. SEOHAN O NEILL
Stiurthoir.

PLEAN FORBARTHA AN CHONTAE.

Priomh Phointi Agoide

1. Pleanail Speisialta.

Ait agus limisteir inti fein i an Ghaeltacht, a bhfuil fadhbanna agus buntaisti ar leith ag baint lei, agus da bharr sin ta pleanail ar leith ag teastail le haghaidh na limisteiri Gaeltachta. Meastar nach bhfuil aitheantas go leor tugtha don Ghaeltacht mar Ghaeltacht i bPlean Forbartha an Chontae.

2. Turasaiocht

Ceann de na buntaisti is mo ata ag an Ghaeltacht fein ach go hairithe agus ag an Chontae, o thaobh na turasaiochta de, is sa an teanga Ghaeilge a bheith ann. Le leathchead bliain anuas ar a laghad, ta an turasaiocht ina thionscal sa Ghaeltacht, agus daoine o gach aird den tir ag triall air chun an teanga a fhoghlaim. Tuigtear e sin i gcuid de na contaethe agus ta forbairt a dheanamh chuige sin, ach sa chas seo, ni meastar gur tuigeadh i gceart an foinse saibhris ata ansan.

a. I mbliana chuaidh 12,000 scolairi oga go dti na Gaeltachtai uilig.

b. Chomh maith chuaidh na milte eile - daoine fasta, teaghlaigh etc. agus d'fhan siad ar saoire ann.

c. Bhi cursai a reachtail do mhuinteoiri agus statseirbhisigh ann.

d. Thainig an-chuid daoine o na Se Contaethe.

e. Agus is leir gur thainig roinnt daoine on imigein go dti an Ghaeltacht toisc go raibh teanga na Gaeilge a labhairt ann, toisc go raibh cultur ar leith faoi bhlath ann, agus toisc gur ait difriuil i.

Meastar nar tugadh aird go leor sa Phleanail ar an tabhacht a ghabhann le caomhnu agus ar leathnu ar an dteanga, ar an gcultur agus ar thimpeallacht na Gaeltachta sa Chontae.

3. Airgead Stait.

Ta roinnt mhaith airgide breise ag teacht isteach go dti an Chontae nar chabhair stait don Ghaeltacht, airgead nach mbeadh ag teacht isteach murach gur Gaeltacht i. Beidh an t-airgead sin ar fail fhad agus ata na limisteiri sin in a nGaeltachtai agus o thaobh na heacnamaiochta de, meastar go bhfuil se tabhachtach go mbeidh pleanail ann d'fhonn iad a chaomhnu. Chomh maith le sin, tar eis scrudu a dheanamh ar an bplean, meastar go bhfuil baol ann go bhfeadfai mireanna airithe den phlean a fhaidhmiu amach i dtreo is nach mbeadh cead ag muintir na Gaeltachta ata ina gconai i Limisteiri Taithneamhachtaleas iomlan a bhaint as na deontais stait ata curtha ar fail don Ghaeltacht, go mor mor iad siud a bhaineann le:

Togail
Meadu speisialta do chuairteoiri
Seallai Saoire
Brunna
Colaisti agus Scoileanna
Hallai Siamsa
Tionscalaiocht.

4. Taithneamhachtai (Amenities)

Ta tracht san bPlean ar ce chomh tabhachtach agus ata se na taithneamhachtai is mo a mheallann daoine chuig an Chontae a chaomhnu. Mar aduirt James Connolly "Ireland without her people means nothing to me", agus d'fheadfai an rud cheanna a ra mar gheall ar an gContae seo. Ar na taithneamhachtai a liostailtear ta:

radharcanna
forbracha
carraigeacha
sanlaith.

Meastar nach n-aithnitear i gceart gurb i an taithneamhacht is mo ata ag Ghaeltacht an Chontae (ata ina limisteir taithneamhachta), agus an phriomh rud a mheallann daoine isteach ann, na an Ghaeilge agus na daoine a labhrann i. Nil pleanail go leor ann chun aitheantas ceart a thabhairt do sin.

5. Oidhreachtagus Cultur.

Admhaitear san Phlean go bhfuil tabhacht le hoidhreacht agus cultur ach, ina dhiaidh sin meastar nach n-aithnitear an tabhacht faoi leith a ghabhann le caomhnu agus le forbairt a dheanamh ar an gcultur naisiunta agus ar an dteanga naisiunta mar phriomh ghne den chultur agus den oidhreachtsin.

Translation

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COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Dear Sir,

The Irish National Council is a co-ordinator of the various Irish language organizations and it has an obligation to speak on subjects relating to the Irish language on behalf of these organizations. Some of these organizations have branches in County Donegal and show a great interest in the Donegal Development Plan. As well as this, the Council is connected with particular organizations connected with the Gaeltacts. In the light of this, I have been asked, as Director of the Irish National Council, to write to you regarding the County Development Plan.

Therefore, having had advice from ratepayers in County Cork, we would like to bring the attached to your attention.

Col. Eoghan O'Neill
Stiurthoir

Translation

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Principal Points of Dispute.

1. Special Planning.

The Gaeltacht is an area which has problems and advantages peculiar to itself and, as a result, special planning is needed in the Gaeltacht areas. It is felt that enough attention has not been given to the Gaeltacht as a Gaeltacht in the Plan.

2. Tourism:

One of the greatest advantages of the Gaeltacht in particular, and of the County as a whole, from the point of view of tourism, is the fact that the Irish language is spoken there. Tourism has been an industry in the Gaeltacht for the past 50 years, at least, with people coming from all over the country to learn Irish. This is understood in some Counties and appropriate development is being done, but in this case, it is felt that this source of income has not been properly appreciated.

a. This year 12, 000 scholars came to all the Gaeltachts.
b. Thousands also (adults etc.) came to the Gaeltachts on holidays.
c. Courses for teachers and civil servants were held there.
d. Many people come from the six counties.
e. Many people come to the Gaeltacht from abroad because the Irish language was spoken there, because it has a culture of its own, and because it is different.

It is felt that not enough stress was laid on the consolidation and fostering of the language, the culture and on the surroundings of the Gaeltacht in the County.

3. State Aid.

Considerable extra monies come into the county as state aid to the Gaeltacht, monies which would not come into the county if it didn't have a Gaeltacht. This money will be available as long as these areas are Gaeltachts, and from an economic point of view, it is important to plan for their consolidation . Also, having examined the Plan, it is considered that a danger exists that certain provisions of the Plan could be executed in such a way that Gaeltacht dwellers in Amenity areas might not be in a position to take full advantage of the State Grants that are available for the Gaeltacht especially:

Housing
Extension for Tourists
Holiday Chalets
Hostels
Colleges and Schools
Entertainment Halls
Industry

4. Amenity.

Mention is made in the Plan of the importance of the preservation of the principal amenities which attract people to the County. As James Connolly said "Ireland without her people means nothing to me" and the same can be said of this county. The amenities listed are:
Views
Ancient Monuments
Places of Geological interest
Game.

It is felt that the Plan does not properly recognise that the principal amenity that the Gaeltacht of the County (which is an amenity area) possesses and the principal attraction for tourists is the Irish language and the people who speak it. Sufficient stress is not laid on this in planning.

5. Heritage and Culture.

The importance of heritage and culture is recognised by the Plan, but it is thought that there is not sufficient recognition of the importance of the preservation and consolidation of the national culture and of the national language as the principal aspect of that culture and heritage.

Frosses,

Inver,

Co. Donegal.

27th September, 1967.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford,
Co. Donegal.

Dear Sir,

On the publication of the County Plan, the people of this Frosses area were astounded at the way their water scheme had been relegated to a low priorty. Several meetings were held of the interested people in this area. These meetings were also attended by many public representatives who also pledged their keen support.

We are aware of and duly appreciate the fact that the Frosses-Inver Water scheme has received quite considerable attention from the Council officials in the past so much so that it has now reached the stage where it only awaits the sanctioning of the loan by the Minister of Local Government for the whole matter to be put in hand. What we ask of the Council is merely this - that they restore our priority which we had in this whole matter by reason of the time when this scheme was first initiated.

In the County Plan, the Frosses - Inver Water Scheme is set down for completion in 1971 but it is now thirty years since the matter of a water supply for Frosses was first mooted and we have been waiting patiently since then. At first, it was a water supply solely for Frosses, a simple matter and not costing very much. In fact if it had been done then it would have cost only £6000. Officially, it was boosted into the Frosses-Inver Supply - a more grandiose scheme which has been very slow in getting off the ground and which will now cost considerably more than the original simple proposal. Many local difficulties have been encountered in working out the scheme but in the course of years all these have been ironed out and the whole scheme has received Governmental approval and now awaits only the official approval of the loan.

We in Frosses are doing everything we can to have that loan approved as soon as possible but we would like very much if in the meantime the Council would restore to us the priority we had in this matter of a water supply by reason of the time when we started. So we would earnestly request the Council to give this matter their most favourable consideration as we are in dire straits for a hygienic water supply in these parts.

Yours truly,

Edward Quinn
Secretary.

Frosses Water Supply Committee.

Cruit Island,

Kincasslagh,

Letterkenny.

27th September, 1967.

Mr. O'Malley,
Lifford,
Co. Donegal.

Dear Sir,

Please send me on a copy of the proposed plan of Board Failte for Cruit Island and the Rosses.

I would like if would get a pier or slipway built to facilitate Tourists at the west end of the Graveyard Road in Cruit Island.

Yours faithfully,

John J. Gallagher.

CUMANN FORBARTHA ANAGAIRE

(ANNAGRY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION)

30th September, 1967.

Mr. O'Malley, B.E.,
Chief Planning Officer,
Donegal County Council.

Thank you for your letter of September 22nd in reply to our invitation to discuss the Draft Development Plan in Annagry. The above association hereby submit proposals as suggested by you in your letter.

Proposal No. 1.

That the proposed Sewerage Scheme already drafted and sanctioned by Donegal County Council be proceeded with without delay.

Proposal No. 2.

That road direction signs, plus village signs, plus Parish signs be erected.

Proposal No. 3.

That as a Tourist Amenity a swimming pool is very necessary.

Proposal No. 4.

That roads to the beaches be constructed to conform to the ever increasing Tourist Traffic.

Proposal No. 5

That footpaths be constructed or laid in Annagry Village as at present it is both hazardous and extremely dangerous to traverse the village during the peak summer season with such a large volume of motor Traffic added to this is the fact that several hundred Gaelic Language Students make use of the road during each day. Coupled to that use the many hundreds of Tourists and Visitors in the area.

Proposal No. 6.

That we ask the Donegal County Council to widen the approach corner of the road leading from Loughanure to Annagry at Annagry Bridge.

The proposals accompanying this letter have been sanctioned and approved by the above Associat on, and I as Secretary has been instructed to send on to you for consideration both by you and the County Council.

James O'Donnell

Secretary.

An Cumann Foirbirte,

Ara Mhor.

3rd October, 1967.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

A Chara,

We understand that the County Council have recently issued a list of water schemes proposed to be completed before 1973 and that the Arranmore Water Scheme is not among them.

This committee takes a very serious view of this ommission as we understand from your correspondence (Ref W/47 of 14/9/'67) that plans were with the Consultant Engineer and therefore in an advanced stage of preparation. Are we now to understand that we are not to be considered further until after 1973? If this is so, it is our intention to send a deputation to the next meeting of the County Council. We would feel grateful therefore if you could clarify the matter for us, or if our worst fears are confirmed, would you be prepared to receive our deputation.

Yours faithfully,

Brian O'Gallachair,
Runai.

COISTE FORBARTH GAELTACHT L.a.R. - AHEISCEARD DHUN NA NGALL

(South-West Donegal Gaeltacht Development Committee.)

Carrick,

3rd October, 1967.

KILCAR & CARRICK - SEWERAGE.

A Chara,

At a recent meeting of the above Committee I was directed to bring the following urgent matter to your notice.

The results of the lack of sewerage facilities in Kilcar and Carrick villages has now reached most serious proportions.

Due to the topography of both localities over half the villages find that satisfactory sewerage disposal is almost impossible. Besides, in Kilcar there is a large factory employing well over one hundred workers which has no sewerage facilities.

We understand that the County Council has submitted plans to the Department concerned to provide sewerage schemes in both villages, but we feel the matter has now been put on the long finger.

We ask you therefore to have the matter examined again with a view to pressing the Department to have the schemes sanctioned without delay.

Mise, le meas,

P. O'Byrne.
(Secretary)

Medical Officer of Health,
Donegal County Council,
County House,
Lifford.

MILFORD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Milford,

Co. Donegal.

5th October, 1957.

J. McVeigh.
Secretary.

S. Keating, Esq.
County Secretary,
Council Offices,
Lifford.

Dear Sir,

At a meeting of the above association held on the 3rd inst. I was instructed to write to you about several points, some of which have been mentioned before and some new ones.

As it is likely that Milford Street will shortly be resurfaced we should like to mention.

1. Corner at Miss Mooney's used as a cattle yard.
2. " " McMahon's Garage used as a paint shop.
3. Filter beds at Lough Columb - water muddy.
4. Temporary N.C. in place of the late Mr. McGarvey
5. Inadequate street lighting???
6. Narrow footpath on Kilmacrennan Road???
7. Public Convenience???
8. Refuse Dump???
9. Septic Tank at Sewage disposal unit - New tank required as the amount of sewage has increased greatly by the erection of new houses and new schools.

Mr. John Harkin Co. C. who is a member of the association is intending to mention some of these matters at the next Council meeting.

We thought that you should have notice of this matter.

Yours faithfully,

James McVeigh.
Secretary.

Glenties & District Development Association

Glenties

Hon. Secretary. Mr. A. O'Shea,
National Bank House,
Glenties.

6th October, 1967.

Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E.,
County Development Planning Officer,
Council Offies,
Lifford.

Dear Sir,

Industrial Development Areas.

It seems as if some five or six large towns are to be scheduled for industrial development under the Five Year Plan. Whilst recognising that some definite system must be worked on, and that the greatest potential lies with the larger towns; nevertheless, my Association feels that, when this part of the Plan comes to be written in it's final form, a rider should be added to the effect that, if at any future time, other town or area comes forward with a reasonable industrial development proposition, then the Authority will give all the assistance it can, to have such industr placed in that particular town or area.

Yours faithfully,

A. O'Shea
Hon. Secretary.

CLONMANY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Ballyliffin,

Clonmany

6th October, 1967.

Dear Sir,

I have been asked by the above association to submit the following recommendations for inclusion in the Draft County Development Plan.

(1) Beach at Suil: Repair of and extension to existing roadway (See Sketch)

(2) Widening of Road over Mamore Gap.

(3) Complete development of Ballyliffin Sewer.

We feel obliged to inform you as developments in this parish in the recent past.

Onion Growing: Approximately 6 acres of onions have been grown on an experimental scale this year.

The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries has approved permission to erect a Drying Plant for onions and grass seeds. A site for such a plant has already been secured. Government funds have been sanctioned for this project. Further envisaged development includes the prepackaging and processing of vegetables. Negotiations are at an advanced level to have this association listed as a Friendly Society.

The Parish has been accorded Pilot Area Status requiring co-ordination of existing development projects together with those in the Draft Plan.

The Committee wish to point out the fact that the "Development of Leenan Port" was considered a top priority. We wish to reiterate this view and trust the immediate development of this viable asset be included in the plan.

Yours sincerely,
C. Deegan.

KILMACRENNAN DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Kilmacrennan,

Co. Donegal.

9th October, 1967.

Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
LIFFORD.

At a meeting of the above held on Wednesday 4th October to consider the Draft Development Plan, it was unanimously decided to protest against the treatment accorded to Kilmacrennan District.

While we appreciate the provision for housing and the sewerage scheme, these were matters that have been a long time afoot.

We object to the decision that six towns be laid aside in the County for Industrial Development. These sites are going to cost the County Council £8,000. We have a site suitable for Industrial Development which can be required at no cost to the County Council.

You may raise the objection that we have not got the proper facilities for a factory but we have. We have an excellent water supply, Sewerage scheme being undertaken this year and excellent educational facilities at Letterkenny and Milford together with an abundance of labour.

In the section on Tourism we are hardly mentioned. We have a great tourist attraction in fishing and shooting. We suggest that a lot could be done to improve the fishing and shooting in this area. We propose that a slipway be provided at Lough Fern, that the Kilmacrennan Ramelton Road be included in the Main Roads Tourists Grants Section. That sign posts giving direction to the popular fishing sports be erected.

We propose that a proper lighting system be provided for the town, the present system is totally inadequate in 1967. We ask that the Council in the interest of public safety provide a footpath for school-going children at the Chapel Road, and finish off the two footpaths, that have been left unfinished at the top of the town.

Kilmacrennan has been waiting for a new bridge at the Creeslough end of the town for a long number of years, yet there is no mention of it, in the short term or in the long term in the plan. Traffic through the town is extremely heavy in Summer months and this bridge beingso narrow and twisted leaves it highly dangerous for both pedestrian and motorist.

While the drainage of rivers is not included in the plan we would request the Council to ask the Dept. to speed up the long awaited drainage of the Lennon.

Signed: Edward Friels (Secretary) 5/10/67

Kilmacrennan,
Co.Donegal.
7th October, 1967.

Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
LIFFORD.

Dear Mr. Keating,

I hereby give notice of my intention to speak on the following matters:-

(1) The Port of Rathmullan - Policy No. 20
(2) Policy No. 15

Yours sincerely,

N. McCafferty.

Kilmacrennan,

Co. Donegal.

7th October, 1967.

Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

Dear Mr. Secretary,

At a meeting held in Churchill concerning the Development Plan, the people of the area fell strongly that Churchill, Gartan and Glenveigh district be included in the section of areas of especially high amenity in virtue of its scenic and national beauty and attractiveness. We propose that Gartan be included, together with Rosanowlagh, Lough Eske, Portnoo and Ards Forest, to have plans prepared by competent consultants.

The Plan has put this area completely on the long finger. It suggests that a road be constructed around the top lake, in the long term. We propose that it be included in the short term.

Recently outside interests acquired the Lough Veagh Estate. Has the Council any knowledge of the development that may take place in this estate?

The Gartan District offers recreational facilities which no place in the County can equal. The game potential in the area is unlimited, together with excellent fishing on the lakes. The Historical aspect attracts many tourists, many more would come if they only knew about the area.

The people of the Churchill area request the Council to include their proposals in the Plan

Yours sincerely,

M. G. McCafferty on behalf of
Churchill Development Committee.

An Taisce,
The National Trust for Ireland,
Bagot Street Bridge House,
Dublin 4.

October 6, 197-.

Mr. M. O'Malley,
Planning Officer,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

Dear Mr. O'Malley,

I understand that there is a proposal before Donegal County Council for road and car park construction at Tramore Beach, Dunfanaghy. I wish to object to this on the grounds that:-

1. The dunes are a site of scientific interest and have been mentioned as such in relation to the Dunfanaghy Lake in the Donegal report produced by An Foras Forbartha.

2. Interference with the dunes would cause a serious danger of erosion by blowing such as has earlier occurred in this very area.

3. Piecemeal development in this area is undesirable as the Dunfanaghy and Port-na-Blagh areas already provide very satisfactory focal points for development of tourist facilities. If the area is to remain attractive to tourists there should be an interspersal of tourist facilities with areas of wild undeveloped coastline.

Yours sincerely,

M. A. Potts, Chairman.

Per Liam Cunningham, T.D.

For inclusion in County Development Plan.

That embarking and disembarking facilities be made available at or near Fahan Pier to cater for Ferry Service to Rathmullan and other boating activities.

RATHMULLAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
Rathmullan,
Co. Donegal.
5th October, 197.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
County Offices,
Lifford.

Dear Sir,

At a recent meeting of the above Committee the subject of the defacing of telegraph poles, road signs and trees on Public and private land by posters of both political and commercial nature. It was the opinion of the Committee that these posters detracted from the natural beauty of the scenery particularly during the tourist season and at a time when various Towns were being judged in the Tidy Towns Competition. The political posters were plastered on telegraph poles in June and have not yet been removed.

I have been instructed by the Committee to enquire whether there is a Bye-Law against this indiscriminate advertising and, if so, why legal action cannot be taken against the offenders who so blatantly disregard such Bye-laws.

Yours faithfully,

M. M. Brittain,
Hon. Secretary.

Kincasslagh,

Letterkenny

7th October, 1967.

The Secretary,
Donegal County Council,
Council House,
Lifford.

Donegal Development Plan - Roads.

Dear Sir,

I protest most strongly against the state of all classes of roads in the area from Burtonport to Crolly and against the proposed continued neglect as shown by, admittedly, cursory glance at maps on the Development Plan. The people of the Lower Rosses are not third class citizens to be given such roads as compared with any other area of the County. The Tourist Road from the junction "Arlands Strand" to Crolly is a disgrace and a danger at every point; at places it is only 15½ to 16½ feet wide and rarely is it the 19 feet wide that a Bord Failte representative said it should be and was. Where it is raised above the ground, and that is fequently, there are rarely protection walls or adequate fences, there are not even verges and such sections are veritable death traps. Blind and narrow bends abound and no effort has been made to remove the danger in really bad spots and in those attended to or being attended to widening is entirely inadequate. The surface of the road is deplorable. Nowhere else in the county is there a road of similar tourist importance with bumps and sudden dips. What between width, bends and surface this road shows that the Lower Rosses holds a low place in the eyes of thos responsible for tourist development. How can development take place with roads to discourage tourists? Contrast this with development in Gweedore, Glenties and indeed anywhere else in the county - without mention of the Tourist Road at Portsalon.. Those placed are entitled to good roads but why are Lower Rosses roads so denigrated? Is it that the money for making and/or improving has to be "skimped" and switched to areas with more interested or active Co. Councillors?

Bord Failte may say that the roads are in character with the country but this is the on only area with roads so bad. I could mention Glencolumbkille and Bloody Foreland in contrast. Can anyone honestly dispute it?

Apart from tourism are the natives unworthy of consideration? Our County officials or whoever they were that should have seen to it failed to apply for an to secure the special grants for bringing roads in areas losing railways to a proper standard. Or if the grants were secured the money was not spent in the Rosses. How long is the neglect to continure and why?

The Plan seems to mark part of Cruit out for development but with roads so bad leading there how can worthwhile development be secured? The Plan seems a sham. Until roads equal to those of any other area are made here the other plans are useless.

As a citizen, a ratepayer and a car owner I demand that our roads are brought to the standards recognised elsewhere in the county. I demand that monies are spent and spent productively so that car tyres give more than 9,000 to 10,000 miles so that tourists are encouraged and more important that the natives get the same facilities, the same standards as anywhere else.

Yours faithfully,

J. J. O'Donnell.

Office of the Minister for
Agriculture and Fisheries

Dublin 2.

4th October, 1967.

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

With regard to your letter of 19th instant in connection with the right-of-way at Rosgarrow, I would like you to have another look at this matter. There is no doubt whatever that this is a public right-of-way. The fact that it may cause inconvenience to Mr. O'Donnell does not lessen the right of the public to transverse it. As to what the Council can do under the Planning Acts, I think you will agree with me that it is their responsibility to preserve the rights of the public. This is a case where I would recommend very strongly that this right-of-way be included in your draft plan.

Yours sincerely,

Neil T. Blaney.

Mr. M. O'Connell,
County Engineer,
Donegal County Council,
Lifford.

Longcause House,

Dartington,

Totnes,

Devon.

September 26, 196 .

Dear Sir,

My husband and I have just spent a delightful two weeks holiday in Donegal, and intend to return next year and bring friends to enjoy it with us.

There is just one thing that I must protest about, which I feel is going to ruin your beautiful County if steps are not taken to stop the menace.

That is the indiscriminate dumping of old cars in fields, ditches - even on the edge of lakes.

I know this is a problem - one we have had in Devon and have overcome by the enforcement of stringent by-laws.

Please try and clear up the present eyesores and prevent any further ones.

Donegal is too lovely to be ruined by the selfish few.

Many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Reeves.

Seanad Eireann,

Baile Atha Cliath 2.
(Dublin 2)

17th October, 1967.

County Secretary.

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly put on agenda for Friday. Page 41 of the County Development Plan in my name.

Yours sincerely,

P. McGowan.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 30TH OCTOBER, '67

1669/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, P. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breisleain, Patterson and Reid, and O'Donnell.

1670/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, M. O'Donovan, Staff Officer and L. Roarty, Staff Officer.

1671/67. ALLOCATION OF HOUSE - STRANORLAR

The Council considered the following motion of which notice had been given under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, in the names of Councillors McGowan, Gallagher and Breslin:

"That the Council direct the County Manager to allocate House No. 1 in the Stranorlar Housing Scheme to Mr. Hugh Duffy, Main Street, Stranorlar, and that one of the new Pre-Fab houses be erected and allocated to Mrs. William McKane, Navenny Hill, Ballybofey."

After discussion on the motion Councillor McGowan indicated that he would withdraw it if the County Manager would in future take particular notice of the circumstances of a housing applicant who is under notice to vacate his existing accommodation. In reply the County Manager stated that he would give as much consideration as possible in the circumstances of this type of applicant but he could not undertake that his examination of such cases would result in the allocation of a Council house in every case.

Councillor McGowan then indicated that he and the other Councillors associated with the motion wished to withdraw it.

At this stage Councillor P. Friel indicated that he and the Councillors associated with a Section 4 motion concerning the allocation of houses at Stranorlar wished also to withdraw the motion.

1672/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES

The Council considerdd the following motion of which notice had been given under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, by Councillors Harkin, Blaney, L. Cunningham and A. Diver:

"That the Council, having received Tenders for the supply of twelve lorries and two spare bodies less an allowance for thirteen old vehicles, the County Manager be and is hereby directed to divide the order between Messrs. Flood Motors Ltd. and Messrs. McMahon Bors. Ltd. on the following basis:

1672/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES

(1) Six vehicles and one body to be ordered from each firm;
(2) Messrs. Flood Motors to be paid £11,232;
(3) Messrs. McMahon Bros. Ltd., to be paid £11,800;
(4) Messrs. Flood to take the flat bottom truck (ZP 802) offered for trade-in;
(5) Each firm to take six of the remaining twelve trade-ins; the allocation to be determined by lot by the County Manager.

In the event of one firm accepting and one declining the offer an order be placed for six trucks and one body on the foregoing basis and the remainder of the order be re-advertised.

In the event of both firms declining the offer the twelve lorries and two bodies be re-advertised."

A full discussion took place on this motion and it was finally withdrawn following an announcement by the Chairman that an alternative Section 4 motion would be submitted to the Manager on this matter. Before withdrawing the motion the County Manager had given the statutory warning to the members to the effect that the names of the Councillors voting for and against the motion and the names of those abstaining from voting would be recorded and that members voting in favour of the motion may be liable to surcharge in the event of a surcharge being made arising out of the implementation of the motion.

1073/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor L. Cunningham, seconded by Councillor S. Mac Suaidhrigh, the following minutes were confirmed:

Ordinary meeting - 9th October, 1967
Planning meeting - 25th September, 1967
Planning meeting - 20th October, 1967
Planning meeting - 23rd October, 1967

1074/67. DEPUTATION FROM NATIONAL FARMERS ASSOCIATION

A deputation from the National Farmers Association led by Major N.F. Chance was received by the Council.

Major Chance thanked the Council for having received the deputation. He stated that the members of his organisation appreciated the last budget concessions in favour of farmers and while he intended to refer to the predicament of farmers in relation to rates liability, his members also appreciated the circumstances of other ratepayers.

In his address Major Chance referred to the Pope's Encyclical Mater et Magistra. He mentioned in particular the reference in the Encyclical to the desirability that the tax burden should be according to ability to pay and that farmers were in a special position by reason of having to wait longer for the returns of their labour and by reason of the occupational hazards. He referred to the situation in relation to liability for income tax. The rating system did not take account of a person's ability to pay, and for this reason the system is inequitable and required change. He stated that there was urgent need for revised legislation and suggested that the County Council draw up a resolution suggesting changes to equalise and stabilise the rates burden.

107 /67. DEPUTATION FROM N.F.A. (Contd.)

In the meantime Major Chance expressed the hope that the County Manager in relation to this year's rates would remember the plight of the farmers. He appealed to members of his Organisation who could pay rates to pay them promptly so as to ensure that farmers finding it difficult to pay could receive sympathetic consideration from the Council.

At the request of the Chairman the County Manager stated that in accordance with Law the first moiety of rates became due on demand and the second moiety on the 1st October. He had never found Rate Collectors unreasonable in dealing with reasonable people. Any farmer finding difficulty in the payment of rates should see his Rate Collector. The County Manager referred to the risk that public discussion of this matter might be availed of by the wrong people to delay payment of rates. On the question of Rate Collectors' bonuses the County Manager stated that the year before last Collectors who had always earned their bonuses were paid them where it was considered that failure to qualify was attributable to an organised policy to with-hold rates.

1975/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16

It was noted that the following Certificate of the County Manager had been circulated to each member of the Council:

Sixteen applications were received as follows:

Mr. Edward A. Boyle, Quigley's Point, Lifford
Miss Marie McLoughlin, Ballybreen, Gleneely
Mr. William J. McConalogue, Carrowmore, Gleneely P.O.
Mr. Patrick J. McLoughlin, Drumley, Gleneely
Mr. Michael McLoughlin, Corner House, Gleneely
Mr. Michael McElhinney, c/o Peter Doherty, Stranorlar
Mr. Frederick J. McGee, Galdonagh, Manorcunningham
Mr. P.J. Gillen, Church Road, Carndonagh
Mr. Liam S. McGabhann, 8, Sloans Terrace, Doire
Mr. Charles Meehan, Galdonagh, Manorcunningham
Mr. Dermott Doherty, 86, St. Finian's Park, Moville
Mr. Patrick J. Barr, 93a Wrottesley Road, Harlesden, London, N.W.10
Mr. Edward Duffy, Gleneely P.O.
Miss Margaret M. O'Kane, Carrowmena, Lecamey P.O.
Miss Agnes C. Doherty, Quay St., Moville
Miss Mary Barr, Step-in Bar, Main Road, Moville.

The following withdrew their applications before the date of the qualifying examination:

Edward Duffy
Miss Margaret M. O'Kane
Miss Agnes Celine Doherty.

I am unable to give the prescribed Certificates in respect of the following for the reasons stated:

Liam S. McGabhann	Did not attend for examination
Charles Meehan	do.
Dermott Doherty	do.
Patrick James Barr	do.
Mary Barr	Failed to qualify on age limit grounds

Messrs. Michael McElhinney, Frederick J. McGee and P.J. Gillen qualified at previous examinations in connection with the appointment of Rate Collector.

1975/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16 (Contd.)

The standard of Irish of those who attended for Oral Irish examination has been assessed as follows:

Edward A. Boyle	Good
Marie McLoughlin	Fairly Good
William J. McConalogue	Good
Patrick J. McLoughlin	Good
Michael C. McLoughlin	Competent
P.J. Gillen	Competent

I certify that the followig candidates possess the qualifications (other than the Health Qualifications) declared for the post:

Edward A. Boyle	
Marie McLoughlin	(Subject to production of Birth Cert.)
William J. McConalogue	(Subject to production of Birth Cert.)
Patrick J. McLoughlin	
Michael C. McLoughlin	
Michael McElhinney	
Frederick J. McGee	
P.J. Gillen	

Proposed by: Councillor E. Gillen
Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte

"That item 49, as follows of the Agenda be considered:

"That this Council do not make the appointment of Rate Collector, in the Moville and Whitecastle area, in view of the proposed intention of the Manager to reform the areas allocated to Rate Collectors."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor S. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor B. Mur-in

"That the Council proceed with the appointment of a Rate Collector."

The Chairman ruled that it was not possible for him to consider Item 49 of the Agenda on the grounds that Minute 461/67 of the Council's meeting of the 9th October, 1967, recorded a resolution of the Council to the effect that the appointment to the facant post of Rate Collector be made at the next ordinary meeting of the County Council, and that this resolution would require to be rescinded before the motion from Councillor Gillen and Harte could be taken.

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: For the purposes of Article 26(g) of the Local Government (Officers) Regulations, 1943, the Donegal County Council hereby decides that having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector the knowledge and the experience necessary for that office the person to be appointed to that office cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and such person should be selected by a vote of the Council.

1975/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16 (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor W. Patterson
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: The Donegal County Council hereby decide that in the case of the appointment of a Rate Collector, having regard to the requirements of the office, it would not reasonably practicable to give preference to candidates according to the knowledge of the Irish language which such candidates possess and the ability of the said candidates to perform the duties of that office through the medium of the Irish language.

Proposed by: Councillor A. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: That for the purpose of selecting candidates for the appointment, all the candidates who passed the qualifying examination be put before the meeting for voting.

A vote was then taken at which each Councillor gave four votes as follows:

H. Blaney:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
B. Boggs:	E. Boyle, Marie McLaughlin, P. Gillen, P. McLoughlin
P. Campbell:	M. McElhinney, Marie McLaughlin, P. Gillen, M. McLaughlin
F. Cunningham:	M. McElhinney, F. McGee, Marie McLaughlin, P. McLaughlin
L. Cunningham:	E. Boyle, P. Gillen, W. McConalogue, Ml. McLaughlin
M. Deery:	E. Boyle, Marie McLaughlin, W. McConalogue, Ml. McLaughlin
A. Diver:	Marie McLaughlin, P. Gillen, W. McConalogue, Ml. McLaughlin
J. Doohan:	P. McGee, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, P.J. McLaughlin
P. Friel:	M. McElhinney, F. McGee, E. Boyle, P. Gillen
C. Gallagher;	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen P. McLaughlin
E. Gillen:	P. McLaughlin, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Marie McLaughlin
J. Harkin:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
P. Harte:	M. McElhinney, F. McGee, E. Boyle, P. McLaughlin
J. Kelly:	M. McElhinney, F. McGee, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
W. McCafferty:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, P. McLaughlin
S. McEniff:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
B. McGlinchey:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
P. McGowan:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
S. McLaughlin:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, W. McConalogue, P. McLaughlin
W. McNutt:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
S. MacRuaidhrigh:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. McGee, P. Gillen
C. Meehan:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
M. Melly:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, P. McLaughlin
B. Murrin:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
C. O'Breisleain:	F. McGee, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
P. O'Donnell;	F. McGee, E. Boyle, P. Gillen and P. McLaughlin
W. Patterson:	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, Ml. McLaughlin
J. Reid.	M. McElhinney, E. Boyle, P. Gillen, P. McLaughlin

On the result of this vote candidates were seen to have received votes as follows:

Michael McElhinney	Twenty votes
F.J. McGee	Eight votes
Edward Boyle	Twenty-four votes
Marie McLaughlin	Six votes
P.J. Gillen	Twenty-four votes
W.J. McConalogue	Four votes
P.J. McLaughlin	Eleven votes
Michael McLaughlin	Fifteen votes

1975/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16 (Contd.)

In accordance with Standing Orders the following names were then withdrawn:

F.J. McGee, Marie McLaughlin, W.J. McConalogue, P.J. McLaughlin.

On the second vote Councillors gave their votes as follows:

For M. MCElhinney:	Councillors F. Cunningham, DOohan, Gallagher, Harkin, Harte, McCafferty McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, O'Donnell Reid, and Patterson. (13)
For E. Boyle:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Deery, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid. (14)
For P.J. Gillen:	Councillors Blaney, Boggs, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Diver, Gillen, Kelly, McGlinchey, McGowan, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Murrin, O'Breislein(14)
For Michael McLaughlin:	Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Friel, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislein. (15)

Mr. Michael McElhinney was then eliminated. As two candidates had each received fourteen votes and only one candidate could go forward to the next poll a further vote was then taken as between Mr. E. Boyle and Mr. P.J. Gillen to ascertain which one of them should continue to the next poll.

For E. Boyle:	Councillors F. Cunningham, Deery, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, McCafferty, McGowan, McLaughlin, Melly, O'Donnell, Reid and Patterson. (15)
For P.J. Gillen:	Councillors Blaney, Boggs, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Diver, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislein (13)

The following candidates then proceeded to the next poll - Messrs. E. Boyle and Michael McLaughlin.

Votes were cast as follows:

For Mr. E. Boyle:	Councillors Boggs, F. Cunningham, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, McLaughlin, MacRuaidhirgh, Meely, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid. (14)
For Michael McLaughlin:	Councillors Blaney, Campbell, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Harkin, Kelly, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, Meehan, Murrin and O'Breislein. (14)

The Chairman then gave his casting vote in favour of Mr. Michael McLaughlin.

1975/67. APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16 (Contd.)

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That Mr. Michael McLaughlin is hereby appointed to the office of Rate Collector under the Donegal County Council subject to the qualifications for the office and the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and subject to the receipt by the Council of satisfactory evidence as to health and character."

1976/67. MAKING OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The County Manager referred to Minute 1500/67 of the Council meeting held on the 23rd October, 1967, which recorded that the Council had asked to have examined the question of including in the Plan an objective for the provision of adequate septic tank for Ballyliffen Sewerage Scheme. He stated that examination had revealed that this work was necessary.

Proposed by: Councillor A. Diver
Seconded by: Councillor S. McLaughlin

AND RESOLVED: "That an objective be included in the Development Plan covering provision of adequate septic tank for the Ballyliffen Sewerage Scheme."

The Chairman stated that he wished to place on record an expression of congratulations to the staff of the Council, particularly to Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., for the manner in which the Plan was compiled.

Formal resolution making the Plan

Proposed by: Councillor L. Cunningham
Seconded by: Councillor C. Breslin

AND RESOLVED: "That this Council having in accordance with resolution in that behalf applied to the Minister for Local Government for an allowance of a longer period to make a Plan for their area under Section 19(1) of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963, than is provided for in the said section and the Minister having on the 24th day of October, 1967 allowed the Council a longer period up to the 30th October, 1967 within which to make the said Plan, and the Council, having considered the written statement consisting of a book of 179 pages upon which the seal of the Council was affixed in the presence of Harry Blaney, Chairman, J.D. Williams, Donegal County Manager, and Seamus Keating, Donegal County Secretary, as amended as appears therein and in the schedule of amendments affixed thereto which schedule has now been sealed in the manner aforesaid AND the Plans (56 in number) signed by the said Donegal County Manager prior to this date, the said written statement as amended and the said plans be duly made the PLAN indicating the development objectives for the Planning area of the County Council of the County of Donegal in accordance with the provisions of Section 19(1) aforesaid TO THE INTENT that pursuant to Sub-section (5)(b) of the said section the same be made the DEVELOPMENT PLAN in relation to the whole of the Council's planning area, and in relation to sub-paragraph (iv) of Paragraph (a) and the sub-paragraphs of paragraph (b) of Sub-section (2) of the said section AND objectives referred to in Sub-section (3) of the said section."

1977/67. ISSUE OF CINEMATOGRAPH LICENCE

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That a Cinematograph Licence be issued in respect of the Star Cinema, Ramelton."

1978/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £55,000 FOR ERECTION OF LOW COST DWELLINGS

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

AND RESOLVED: "That subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government approval is hereby given to the borrowing of a sum of £55,000 to finance the provision of demountable type dwellings. The borrowing is to be from the Royal Liver Friendly Society over a period of 15 years with interest at 7¾% per annum in accordance with the offer from the Company dated 28th September, 1967 and 13th October, 1967.

1979/67. RAISING OF LOAN OF £22,000 FOR THE ERECTION OF TEN SPECIFIC INSTANCE COTTAGES

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

ANS RESOLVED: "That approval is hereby given, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, to the borrowing of a sum of £22,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to finance the erection of Specific Instance Cottages."

1980/67. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

(a) Scholarship of Miss Henrietta Timoney, Donegal Town

The Council considered and noted the following memorandum submitted by the County Secretary.

"Attached reports show that Henrietta Timoney was not successful in either the Summer or Autumn (repeat) examinations for First Commerce Degree. Ordinarily her Scholarship should not be renewed for this coning academic year. Payment of her scholarship only resumes when she has passed First Commerce and entered on the 2nd year Course. Should she change her Faculty, it would seem as if she should reach the point of having passed the first year examination in that Faculty before the payment of her Scholarship could resume from here. Otherwise she would be getting an extra year just by changing Faculty."

(b) Scholarship of Mr. Kevin P. Bonner

The Council considered the application of Mr. Kevin P. Bonner for an extension of his scholarship to pursue a course leading to the degree M.A. The County Secretary stated that under the terms of the Council's University Scholarship Scheme an extension of one year could be granted. The Council unanimously agreed to extend Mr. Bonner's scholarship for one year.

(c) Scholarship of Miss Margaret White, West Port, Ballyshannon

The Council considered and noted the following memorandum submitted by the County Secretary:

"There has been a further award of a Gaeltacht Scholarship to a candidate already holding a University Scholarship from this Council on this year's examination. The candidate is Brigid Angela Bonner, Derrylaconnell, Doochary, who took fourth place and she has written relinquishing the Scholarship awarded to her from here. As No. 6 and No. 7 have already declined the Scholarship relinquished earlier by No. 5 and which was finally awarded to No. 8; this present Scholarship falls to be given to the candidate who took 9th place. She is Margaret M. White, West Port, Ballyshannon. She is already attending University College, Galway, and will avail of her Scholarship there in the Faculty of Arts."

1981/67. POST PRIMARY SCHOLARSHIPS, 1968

The Council considered and noted the following circular letter dated 24th October, 1967 from the Department of Education:

"I am directed by the Minister for Education to refer to questions which arise out of the decision to discontinue the operation of schemes for the award of scholarships to post-primary schools.

In accordance with that decision no Scholarship examination will be held next year and, therefore, the formulation of Scholarship Scheme for 1968 does not arise.

The question of financial provision does, however, arise. In connection with the preparation of the Council's Estimates for 1968/69 it will be necessary to provide for all scholarships awarded in 1967 and in previous years, the period of tenure of which will not have expired.

Furthermore as it is the intention to devote in the future to university scholarships all monies heretofore devoted to both post-primary scholarships and to university scholarships, the financial to be made in the Council's Estimates for 1968/69 should be on the basis that would have obtained if the terms of the Local Authorities (Education Scholarships) (Amendment Act), 1961 had continued to apply in full.

The necessary legislation to give effect to the decision to discontinue schemes of post-primary scholarships and to provide for the future position in the matter of awards to students to enable them to undertake courses of higher education will be introduced as soon as possible."

1982/67. DEPUTATION TO GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING

The County Manager stated that the Donegal Development Association had asked to have a deputation received at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee. The Council agreed that the deputation be received.

1983/67. GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING - 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor C. Braolin, seconded by Councillor P. McGowan the report of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on 18th September, 1967 was adopted, subject to the following amendments:

Minute 231/67: It was agreed that the Department of Local Government be asked to make a [illegible] cut statement on the date on which sanction would be issued for the Glenties/Ardara Water Supply Scheme.

Minute 233/67: It was agreed that the National Building Agency would be invited to indicate the extent to which they could assist the Council in the matter of providing houses in the County.

Minute 255/67: The Committee recommended that the Office of Public Works reconsider their proposal to renew the winch and arm of the landing gear at Portmore Pier, Malinhead, and that application be made for the installation of new equipment.

1984/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF VISITING COMMITTEE OF ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL

On the proposal of Councillor P. Harte, seconded by Councillor J. Kelly, the minutes of meeting of Visiting Committee of St. Conal's Hospital, Letterkenny, held on the 16th October, 1967, were adopted.

1985/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF VISITNG COMMITTEE FOR THE COUNTY HOSPITAL

On the proposal of Councillor P. Harte, seconded by Councillor J. Kelly, the report of meeting of Visiting Committee for the County Hospital, Letterkenny, held on the 16th October, 1967, was adopted.

Arising out of this report the County Manager referred to the statement by Councillor B. McGlinchey at the last meeting of the Council alleging skullduggery in the allocation of the tenancy of the St. Conal's Hospital Canteen, in so far as one tenderer, to the exclusion of all other tenderers, knew before the closing date for tenders that turnover would be increased by reason of a proposed arrangement whereby patients would be required to make purchases at the Canteen. The County Manager stated that he had undertaken to investigate this matter and his investigations had revealed that Messrs. Dillon Brothers opened business at the Canteen on the 20th June, 1967 and the order requiring patients to purchase in the Canteen was made by the Resident Medical Superintendent in September, 1967. In view of this fact the Manager stated that it was about time that a campaign of libel and slander against Council officials stopped and that the Council should take steps to ensure that it stopped.

Senator B. McGlinchey in reply stated that if he wanted to prove the allegation made he could do so. He referred to another allegation concerning a threat issued by a member of the public against one of the Council's staff at the County Hospital and pointed out that the Manager's report had not dealt with this matter.

1986/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor E. Gillen

"That the meeting continue until the Agenda is finished."

An amendment was

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor B. McGlinchey

"That the meeting conclude at 6 p.m."

The amendment was declared carried, after seven members had voted for and three against.

1987/67. PIPE ON UPPER KEADUE ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"When is it proposed to repair pipe on road in Upper Keadue - it has been broken since Christmas?"

REPLY: Arrangements will be made to have this pipe replaced in the immediate future.

1988/67. MEENBANAD/BURTONPORT ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"When is it proposed to spread the gravel placed there last July on the Meenbanad/Burtonport Road?"

REPLY: It is intended to spread the gravel in question within the next week.

1989/67. TULLYILLION ROAD - SLUICE GATES

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Breslin:

"If the Council has responsibility for replacing the sluice gates at the shore end of Tullyillion Road as road and lands are constantly flooded?".

REPLY: This is not the responsibility of the County Council. Sluice gates were erected by the Land Commission in November, 1951. Fifteen tenants signed to do the maintenance work.

1990/67. PETTIGO HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. McEniff:

"When is it proposed to commence the new Housing Scheme in Pettigo?"

REPLY: The Council have acquired a site at Pettigo for housing purposes and the Council's solicitors are at present carrying out the necessary legal transfer. Until this transfer is completed, the Council cannot take any steps to appoint an Architect. A scheme of six houses is provided for in the County Development Plan.

1991/67. BALLINTRA HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. McEniff:

"When is it proposed to commence the new Housing Scheme in Ballintra?"

REPLY: The Council have appointed an Architect for the design of a scheme of eight houses at Ballintra. The design of this scheme is at an advanced stage.

1992/67. BUNDORAN/BALLYSHANNON ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. McEniff:

"When is it proposed to surface the main Bundoran/Ballyshannon Road, the section that is reconstructed?"

REPLY: If sufficient monies are available from grant next year it is intended to have this work carried out.

1993/67. MEENACROSS/LOUGHSALT ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"When will reconstruction of Meenacross/Loughsalt Road begin?"

REPLY: This road will probably be done next year. It is on the Five Year Plan and will be brought forward one year.

1994/67. RANNAFAST/DERRYNAMANSHER

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"To ask the County Engineer to take immediate steps to have the Rannafast/Derrynamansher County Road surfaced." (Road surface was damaged as a result of water supply extension.)

REPLY: There is about 400 yds of a water track to be repaired. This will be done as soon as a roller is free, i.e. within the next fortnight.

1995/67. DENTAL CLINIC, DUNGLOE

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What is the position regarding the provision of a dental clinic in the Dungloe Hospital?"

REPLY: A Dental Clinic will be provided as soon as a dentist can be recruited. The post of Dental Officer will again be advertised in the near future.

1996/67. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE, MILFORD

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Harkin:

"What is the position regarding provision of Public Convenience in Milford?"

REPLY: Efforts over several years to obtain a suitable acceptable central site in Milford for a Public Sanitary Convenience have not been successful. With the building of the Mart, on the eastern side of the town there is need to look further for a central location and this indicates looking away from the town centre where sites have all along been unobtainable. The local Development Committee have been advised of this and have been asked to use their good offices in obtaining a site.

1997/67. SCHOOL BUS SERVICE - FINTOWN AREA

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, it was agreed that the proposal be referred to the Chief Executive Officer of the Vocational Education Committee for attention:

"That this Council request C.I.E. and the Vocational Committee to inprove the school bus service for children from the Fintown area who are attending the McDevitt Institute in Glenties."

The meeting then terminated.

CONFIRMED: Hony Clancy
CHAIRMAN

DATED: 27th November, 1968

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH NOVEMBER, '67

1998/67. MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillors H. Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McLaughlin, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

1999/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, L. Roarty, Staff Officer and S. Keating, County Secretary.

2000/67. AMALGAMATION OF RATE DISTRICTS 16 AND 31

The Council considered the following motion in the names of Councillors Gillen, Boggs, Harte, McLaughlin and Gallagher under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955:

> "That the County Council hereby direct the County Manager under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, to rejoin and make one district of Rate Collection districts 16 and 31 which were divided at the time of the last appointments."

The Chairman ruled the motion out of order on the grounds that a rescinding motion would be required to reverse a previous decision of the Council.

2001/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES

The Council considered the following motion in the names of Councillors Blaney, Harkin, McNutt, McGlinchey under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, as follows:

> "In accordance with Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, we, the members of Donegal County Council, hereby direct the County Manager to re-advertise the twelve lorries required by Donegal County Council."

The motion was formally proposed by Councillor B. McGlinchey and seconded by Councillor J. Harkin.

After discussion on the motion it was proposed by Councillor B. McGlinchey and seconded by Councillor J. Harkin, "That the motion be not now put", and that the next business on the Agenda be proceeded with. A vote was taken on this motion, twelve members voting for and twelve against. The motion was declared lost under Standing Order No. 38 which stipulates that a motion on the previous question requires the vote of two-thirds of the members present.

2001/67. PURCHASE OF LORRIES (Contd.)

The County Manager stated that if the Council directed him to re-advertise for tenders and as a consequence a higher tender was accepted than the one originally offered by Messrs. Flood Motors Ltd, Councillors voting in favour of the motion may be rendering themselves liable to surcharge. He stated that the names of Councillors voting for and against the motion and the names of those abstaining from voting would be recorded in the Council's minutes. A vote was then taken on the original motion, which was declared carried after fifteen members had voted for the motion and eight against it.

For the Motion:	Councillors Blaney, Boggs, L. Cunningham Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gillen, Harkin, Harte, McCafferty, McGlinchey McLaughlin, McNutt and Patterson. (15)
Against the Motion:	Councillors Campbell, Gallagher, Kelly, McEniff, McGowan, Meehan, Melly and O'Donnell. (8)
Did not vote:	Councillors MacRuaidhrigh and Reid
Absent when vote was taken:	Councillors F. Cunningham, Murrin and O'Breislain.

During the course of the discussion on the motion under Section 4 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 Councillor P. McGowan stated that he had heard that one member of the Council had asked for payment to him of £300 for his vote. The Chairman referred to Standing Order No. 67, and informed Councillor McGowan that he would be required either to withdraw the allegation or leave the meeting. Councillor McGowan replied that if he had cast any reflection on any member of the Council he wished to withdraw that implication but he would support a resolution to have a sworn enquiry into the matter. The Chairman accepted the withdrawal of the remarks by Councillor McGowan.

It was then

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor P. McGowan

"That the Council ask to have a sworn enquiry into the allegation made by Councillor McGowan."

After discussion on the motion the proposer and seconder agreed to substituting a proposal - "that Councillor McGowan's allegation be referred to the Attorney General." This proposal was unanimously adopted.

2002/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor B. McGlinchey, seconded by Councillor P. McGowan, the minutes of Council meeting held on the 30th October, 1967, were confirmed.

2003/67. CREESLOUGH/DUNFANAGHY WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - LOAN OF £14,000

Proposed by: Councillor J. Harkin
Seconded by: Councillor H. Blaney

AND RESOLVED: "That, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, approval is hereby given for the borrowing of £14,000 from the Office of Public Works for the extension of the Creeslough/Dunfanaghy Water Supply Scheme."

2004/67. ROSSES REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME - LOAN OF £5,000

Proposed by: Councillor P. O'Donnell
Seconded by: Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh

AND RESOLVED: "That, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government, approval is hereby given for the borrowing of £5,000 from the Office of Public Works for the provision of a booster pump and extension of the Rosses Regional Water Supply Scheme."

2005/67. RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR C. BRESLIN, T.D.

The County Manager informed the Council that Councillor C. Breslin, T.D., Ceann Comhairle, had resigned from membership of the Council, and that a casual vacancy arose on the receipt by the Secretary of Councillor Breslin's letter of resignation.

On the proposal of Councillor P. O'Donnell, seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham, the Council unanimously agreed to convey to Councillor Breslin an expression of the Council's congratulations and good wishes on his election to the office of Ceann Comhairle.

2006/67. HOUSING APPLICANTS

The County Manager stated that the Council had received information that applicants for Council houses and for housing grants had been visited by a person seeking payment of sums of money to advance their applications.

He stated that he had not authorised any member of the staff of Donegal County Council to collect sums of money and that any person who was called on to make such payments should notify the Garda Siochana. He also stated that where any person was requested to make payments to the Council an official communication would be addressed by the County Secretary.

2007/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATIONS

The County Manager stated that he had receivdd a request from the Rev. Stewart-Maunder and Mr. F. Curristin, Donegal, that deputations be accepted at the next meeting of the Council.

2008/67. ADOPTION OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MINUTES - 13.11.1967 & 20.11.'67

On the proposal of Councillor P. McGowan, seconded by Councillor J. Harkin the reports of meetings of General Purposes Committee held on the 13th and 20th November, 1967, were unanimously adopted, subject to the following:

Minute 326/67: This item was referred back to the General Purposes Committee for further consideration.

Minute 320/67: It was noted that the reference 'before 1st September, 1967' should be read as after 1st September, 1967. The Council declined to accept the recommendation that Urban District Councils be asked to make a contribution to the County Council towards expenditure on the making of grants.

Minute 335/67: The Council decided that Roinn na Gaeltachta be asked to reconsider this matter.

Minute 309/67: The Council decided to proceed with the provision of a Septic Tank.

2008/67. REPORTS OF MEETINGS OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (Contd.)

Minute 327/67: This matter was referred back to the General Purposes Committee for further consideration.

Minute 334/67: The Council decided to grant the application for the renewal of scholarship to Rev. Denis McGettigan.

Minute 289/67: The Council, after hearing a report from Mr. E. Hoy, North Western Regional Tourism Organisation, adopted the following resolution:

> "That we ask the Minister for Transport and Power and Bord Failte to revise the tourism regions so as to make County Donegal a separate region and to promote the formation of a Tourism Company for County Donegal."

Voting on this motion was sixteen for and four against.

Minute 292/67: Paragraph I of the recommendations in the minutes was amended to read as follows: "The long-term proposals for surgery at Sligo should not be accepted but a surgical service should be provided permanently at the Sheil Hospital with provision for specialist surgery at Dublin.

Recommendation No. 3 was amended so as to provide for sixteen maternity, sixteen medical and sixteen geriatric beds.

2009/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION - HOSPITAL SERVICES, SOUTH DONEGAL

A deputation representing persons interested in the hospital services for the south of Donegal was received.

Mr. Cunningham, Carrick, addressed the meeting and made the following points:

(a) the question of hospital services would not be confined to the issue affecting south Donegal;
(b) Sligo is not the geographical centre of a region to serve the counties of Sligo, Monaghan, Roscommon, Leitrim and Donegal;
(c) Donegal Town is the obvious centre of such a region.

Mr. Currintin made the following points:

(a) Party politics should not take precedence in deciding the issue;
(b) A decision should be taken in the light of social justice and Christian principles;
(c) A decision should be deferred until a clearer picture emerges.

2010/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION, DONEGAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

A deputation from the Donegal Development Association was also received.

Very Rev. Canon Long, P.P., made the following points:

(a) The old hospital is in bad condition;
(b) Two deputations had been received by the Minister for Health in the course of which the Minister had undertaken to approve of the provision of a new hospital;
(c) It is realistic to take what is offered and examine other issues in the future.

Mr. C. Gallagher made the following points:

(a) In 1934 the Board of Health decided on a sub-County Hospital at Donegal. A good hospital is required at Donegal Town. There is a good surgical service at Ballyshannon. He did not agree with the long-term proposal for surgery at Sligo. He recommended that the Council adopt Motion No. 45 on the Agenda.

2010/67. RECEPTION OF DEPUTATION, DONEGAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (Contd.)

Mr. F. Muldoon made the following points:
(a) He did not understand how the other deputation claimed to have a mandate to speak for the people of south Donegal;
(b) The Donegal Development Association had been pursuing the matter for many years nad he had obtained an assurenae that a new hospital would be approved;
(c) The Donegal Development Association had decided to accept the Minister's offer;
(d) He asked for the Council's support of the resolution listed at No. 45 on the Agenda;
(e) Of the fifteen Doctors who signed the statement circulated some of them were not sending patients to the Donegal Hospital;
(f) The appointment of a permanent Medical Officer is important;
(g) The important role of the District Hospital service was recently recorded in a medical journal;
(h) He advocated a proposal for the provision of fifty beds as distinct from thirty.

Proposed by: Councillor C. Meehan
Seconded bY: Councillor C. Ballagher

AND RESOLVED: "That this Council ask the Minister for Health to provide a new District Hospital at Donegal Town to cater for sixteen maternity, sixteen medical and sixteen geriatric beds.

2011/67. DURATION OF MEETING

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor W. McCafferty

AND RESOLVED: "That the Council continue in session until 9 p.m."

2012/67. ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE SCHEDULED TOWNS

The Council decided to have a meeting on the 18th December, 1967, to receive the Draft Development Plans for the scheduled towns of Ballybofey/Stranorlar, Killybegs and Donegal.

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor P. McGowan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Minister for Local Government be asked to extend to the 20th May, 1967, the period for the making of a Development Plan for the scheduled towns of Carndonagh, Moville and Ballyshannon.

2013/67. INISHOWEN TONSIL CASES

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"Will the County Manager make alternative arrangements for Inishowen Tonsil cases?"

REPLY: Tonsil operations are carried out at the District Hospital, Donegal and Sheil Hospital, Ballyshannon. Inishowen cases are sent to Donegal. The patients have long distances to travel, some of whom do not qualify for free transport

2014/67. CARNDONAGH HOUSING SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"What is the present position regarding site for proposed Carndonagh Housing Scheme?"

REPLY: The Council have obtained agreement to the purchase of a site for housing at Carndonagh and the matter has been referred to the Council's Solicitors for completion of the necessary legal transfer. The legal transfer has been delayed, however, because of the obscure title to the property. Every effort is being made to expedite the matter.

2015/67. SCHOOL MEALS

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"Dowa this Council give grants towards the provision of meals for children attending schools in the Gaeltacht? If so, what is the amount of the grant? How much of this is refunded from State funds?"

REPLY! This Council is empowered by the School Meals (Gaeltacht) Acts, 1930 and 1933 to provide meals for children attending primary schools in the Gaeltacht areas defined in the Acts. The amounts in the current years estimates are £1,000 for the provision of food and £100 for the cost of cooking equipment and similar expenses. There is a State Grant equal to one half of the expenditure on food which now consists of a cup of hot cocoa to every child at lunch time.

2016/67. KILMACRENAN/CHURCHILL ROAD

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. MC Cafferty:

"Is it proposed to spend money this year on the Kilmacrenan/Churchill Road, at Trenta Meeting house, in view of the fact of it being low lying and, therefore, liable to ddep flooding."

REPLY: This road was inspected on several occasions and was not found to be flooded at any time. I do not consider that any money should be expended on this road as it is already tarred and in good condition and any further expenditure would only restrict reconstruction of untorred roads.

2017/67. SMALL DWELLINGS LOANS

The following question was submitted by Councillor W. McCafferty:

"Under the Small Dwellings Acquisitions Acts is a loan from the County Council available to all sections of the Community in the County, for the building of houses? Is there a long delay in getting a loan at the moment? What is the amount of the loan? What grants are available both inside and outside the Gaeltacht?"

REPLY: The Council is at the moment providing house purchase and erection loans to persons whose incomes do not exceed £1,200 per annum, from monies borrowed from the Local Loans Fund. The maximum loan available to applicants is £2,500. There is no delay in obtaining a loan where the application submitted is in order. There is also no delay in the payment of instalments of loans when they become due. The submission of satisfactory title to County Council Solicitor may give rise to delay.

2018/67. ERECTION OF BRIDGE AT INVER

The following question was submitted by Councillor C. Gallagher:

"When is it hoped to commence work on the erection of the proposed new bridge to replace the Bailey Bridge currently being used at Inver?"

REPLY: The work of carrying out site investigation at Inver Bridge has been completed. The design of the new bridge is being considered.

2019/67. WATER SUPPLY CANVASSES

The following question was submitted by Councillor J. Kelly:

"When were canvasses for piped water supply carried out in the following townlands: Dunmore, Clomlava, Ray, Ballyboes, Moyra, Derryreel, Fanmore and Errarooey?"

REPLY: No canvasses were carried out by the Council.

2020/67. FROSSES/INVER WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

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

"That this Council advertise for tenders for the Frosses/Inver Water Scheme in anticipation of the loan being sanctioned in the near future."

2021/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, KILCAR AND CARRICK

The following notice of motion standing in the name of Councillor F. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referrdd to the Estimates Meeting for consideration :

"That four extra street lights be provided in Kilcar and two extra in Carrick."

2022/67. FAIR GREEN, STRANORLAR

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Reid, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for attention:

"That this Council exercise better control over the Fair Green, Stranorlar, so as to prevent the dumpint of cattle there overnight."

2023/67. SHEEP DIPPINT TANK FOR CULDAFF

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Boggs, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a sheep dipping tank be erected in the Culdaff Area."

2024/67. NEW ROAD FOR KILLYBEGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the proposed new road at Killybegs be commenced immediately in view of the quickening expansion of the town and port."

2025/67. ROAD FROM GWEEBARRA BRIDGE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Campbell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to theRoads meeting for consideration:

"That the portion of the roadway from Gweebarra Bridge to Mick Gallagher's of Cleengort (approx. 1 mile) be registered as a County Road."

2026/67. WALL AT TERMON CHURCH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council replace the wall in front of the Termon Church, which was demolished by them for road widening."

2027/67. BAD BENDS IN THE FANAD PENINSULA

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

"That this Council provide money to widen some of the bad bends on the county roads in the Fanad peninsula."

2028/67. ROAD AT TOWNLAGHAN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That this Council take over the road leading from the main road at Townlaghan to Joseph McMenamin's house, Ardnawerk, Barnesmore, which is only about ½ mile long."

2029/67. WARDTOWN/KILDONEY ROADS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Melly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the road connecting the Wardtown and Kildoney Roads be taken over by the Council and declared a County Road."

2030/67. IRON BRIDGE ON CARRIGART/DOWNINGS ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:

"That this Council carry out immediate repairs to the iron bridge on Carrigart/Downings Main Road."

2031/67. ROAD FROM TARDRUM, GREENCASTLE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor E. Gillen, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the road leading from Main Road at Tardrum, Greencastle to Stundalone be declared a County Road."

2032/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, DONEGAL TOWN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Gallagher, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council install the new type of public lighting in Donegal Town as the existing lighting system is completely inadequate."

2033/67. STRABOY/LOUGHERAHERK ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor F. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Straboy/Loughergherk Road be put in proper repair immediately."

2034/67. NEW ROAD IN BALLYBOFEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Reid, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a new road be constructed to the new Factory in Ballybofey to connect up with the main Ballybofey/ Donegal Road and also, that the road in front of the new houses in Ballybofey be widened so as to allow two vehicles to pass on it."

2035/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, MALIN AND CULDAFF

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Boggs, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates Committee for consideration in conjunction with the preparation of next year's Estimates:

"That extra street lighting be provided in Culdaff and Malin."

2036/67. AMBULANCE FOR KILLYBEGS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Murrin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That an Ambulance be provided at Killybegs to ensure that there will be no recurrence of the ineptitude of the Ambulance Services on the occasion of a serious accident which took place in the town on the 19th day of August last."

2037/67. STRETCHERS FOR ARRANMORE AND OTHER ISLANDS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide two stretchers for Arranmore Island for conveying patients to Ambulances on the mainland, and that a survey be carried out to ascertain the position re. stretchers on the other off-shore islands."

2038/67. SIGN POST IN KILMACRENAN

The following motion in the name of Councillor W. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:

"That the sign post in Kilmacrenan is inadequate and that it be replaced."

2039/67. ROAD AT TURRIS HILL, MOUNTCHARLES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Meehan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That this Council carry out immediate repairs to this road leading from Charles McMonagle's, Turris Hill, Mountcharles from the main road down the Drumgorman, Road out to the main road at Cassie Keeney's house, known as the Dooran/Line Road."

2040/67. HOUSING IN MOVILLE AND GREENCASTLE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor E. Gillen, having been proposed and seconded, the County Manager stated that a survey was in progress:

"That this Council take immediate steps to remedy the acute housing situation in Moville and Greencastle."

2041/67. TAKING OVER OF ROADS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor F. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the following roads be taken over as County Roads:

(a) Port an Chabhlaigh to Derrylahan;
(b) Kinnakillew Lane;
(c) Sieve to Cloghan, Glencolumbkille.

2042/67. WIDENING OF ROAD AT KILLYGORDON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Reid, having beenproposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council remove part of the hedge and widen the road at the entrance to the new houses in Killygordon."

2043/67. LOUGH SALT ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:

"That the Council erect a sign and a barrier as a safeguard at the Carrigart end of the Lough Salt Road."

2044/67. AVELTYGORT/DRUMCANNON ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Reid, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:

"That the Council repair immediately the road leading past John Sweeney's house in Aveltygort (Crossroads) to Drumcannon."

2045/67. WINTER WORK POLICY FOR ROADWORKERS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council formulate a Winter Work policy to avoid men being laid off just when they need money most to send their children back to school."

2046/67. INVOLVEMENT WITH INDUSTRY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McNutt was deferred to the next meeting:

"That we in this Council get involved with industry in the County."

2047/67. VALUATION SYSTEM

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, was deferred to the next meeting:

"That the present rates and valuation system be abolished and that the revenue required by Local Authorities be raised by a more equitable taxation system based on incomes."

2048/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, DUNGLOE

The following motion standing in the name of Councilor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates meeting for consideration in conjunction with the preparation of next year's Estimates:

"That this Council erect a public light on Quay Road Dungloe."

2049/67. RECRUITMENT OF COUNCIL ROADWORKERS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council disagrees with the method of recruiting Council workers and recommends that the present system should be abolished."

The County Engineer stated that the Council had endeavoured to give sufficient employment for superannuated workers to ensure them 200 working days per annum for pension purposes. He also pointed out that men with longest service are first to be taken on and last to be paid off. Other men are employed through the Labour Exchange and if otherwise suitable married men are given first preference. He also stated that preference is not generally given to small farmers who had sold land to the Council for road widening, but occasionally it was found desirable to offer a period of employment to such persons.

2050/67. DRAINAGE OF RAY RIVER

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Doohan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the County Engineer for his attention:

"That this Council instruct the County Engineer to carry out the drainage of Ray River."

2051/67. BOARDED OUT CHILDREN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council request the Department of Social Welfare to increase the amount payable in respect of "Boarded out children" and that arrangements be made to have the Council's allowance increased without further delay."

2052/67. MULVANEY ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Friel, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the Council tar and widen the Mulvaney Road from Coolaghey gates."

2053/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR BRINLACK AND KNOCKFOLA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor C. Breslin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That Brinlack and Knockfola be provided with a water supply and an early canvass be carried out."

2054/67. BANK TERRACE BURIAL GROUND, HAMELTON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. Patterson, having been proposed and seconded, the County Engineer stated that the work had been carried out:

"That the Council clear the rubble from the gates outside the Bank Terrace Burial Ground, Hamelton."

2055/67. MILFORD STREETS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the streets in Milford be widened at Mooney's corner and at McMahon's paint shop."

2056/67. BALLYSHANNON/DONEGAL ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McEniff, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council seek a special grant from the Department of Local Government for the reconstruction of the main road from Ballyshannon to Donegal."

2057/67. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY TO RIVER ROW, MOVILLE

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

"That the public water main be extended to serve all houses at River Row, Moville."

2058/67. ISSUE OF DRIVING LICENCES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor E. Gillen, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That the Council request the Minister for Local Government to introduce legislation to enable qualified persons to obtain their Driving Licences at Post Offices and designated sub Post Offices."

2059/67. SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR STRANORLAR

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a new Sewerage System for the proposed new Secondary School in Stranorlar."

2060/67. CALHAME/CARRICKFIN ROAD, ANNAGRY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. O'Donnell, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That Donegal County Council take over the road from Brian Boyle's of Calhame, Annagry to Peter O'Donnell's of Carrickfin."

2061/67. ERECTION OF HOUSES AT LIFFORD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Harte, was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council build thirty houses in Lifford, that the site presently intended for private development be used for this purpose and, in view of the urgency that immediate negotiations be entered into with the Contractor at present engaged on the site."

The County Manager stated that an advertisement would shortly be issued in the papers inviting applications for private sites.

2062/67. CARNSHANNAGH ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Friel, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the Council tar the Carnshannagh Road running from Whitecross to Carrickadawson."

2063/67. REFUSE DUMP AT ARDARA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a new refuse dump at Ardara."

2064/67. REFUSE DUMP AT MILFORD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Harkin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a refuse dump be provided to serve Milford on a site at Oughill, Milford."

2065/67. IMPROVEMENTS TO HOUSES AT ST. FINIAN'S PARK, MOVILLE

The following motion in the name of Councillor A. Diver was withdrawn:

"That the improvements to the Council houses at St. Finian's Park, Moville be carried out without further delay."

2066/67. SERVICED SITES AT LIFFORD, CASTLEFIN, BALLYBOFEY AND CONVOY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide more serviced sites for housing in Lifford, Castlefin, Ballybofey and Convoy."

2067/67. S.I. COTTAGES FOR MERRICKS AND ERNEST WILKIE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Friel, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the Council erect S.I. cottages for Merricks Wilkie and Ernest Wilkie on the sites offered."

2068/67. OLD PEOPLES HOUSES FOR MOVILLE

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

"That old peoples homes be included in new Housing Scheme at Moville."

2069/67. REDEMPTION OF ANNUITIES

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That tenant purchasers be allowed to redeem their annuities on their cottages."

2070/67. SEAWALL AT ARDSBEG, ARDSMORE, GORTAHORK

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Doohan, was proposed and seconded:

"That this Council instruct the County Engineer to repair the sea wall at Ardsbeg, Ardsmore, Gortahork."

It was noted that a proposal was before the Office of Public Works to have this work done.

2071/67. BALLYBOES GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor W. McCafferty, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council give a grant towards the cost of the installation of a pump for the Ballyboes Group Water Supply Scheme."

2072/67. PREFABRICATED HOUSE FOR MR. JOHN LYONS, MEENBANE, BALLYBOFEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. McGowan, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council erect one of the new type prefabricated houses for Mr. John Lyons, Meenbane, Ballybofey, who has a long outstanding application for an S.F. house with the Council."

2073/67. PREFABRICATED HOUSE FOR MRS. GRACE CARR, CARRICKADAWSON, RAPHOE

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor P. Friel, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council erect a prefabricated house for Mrs. Grace Carr, Carrickadawson, at the front of her existing house."

2074/67. WATER SUPPLY FOR CLONTYSKER, ARDLOUGHILL DISTRICTS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McEniff, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the County Council provide a piped water supply for seven farm houses in the Clontyseer, Ardloughill districts, which could be obtained from the present rural extension to Killeen, only ¼ mile away."

2075/67. FLOODING ON GLENTOGHER ROAD

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. Boggs, was proposed and seconded:

"That something be done to prevent flooding on the Glentogher Road."

The County Engineer undertook to have this matter examined when completing the roads estimate for next year.

2076/67. ROAD AT ISLE OF DOAGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery, having beenproposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That road from County Road at the Isle of Doagh to Castle be declared a County Road."

2077/67. FOOTPATH FROM BRIDGEND TO BUNCRANA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That this Council provide a footpath from Bridgend to Buncrana in all places where it is not already provided."

2078/67. CANTEEN FACILITIES, ST. CONAL'S HOSPITAL, LETTERKENNY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was deferred to the next meeting of the Council:

"That this Council request the Visiting Committee of St. Conal's Hospital to investigate allegations by the undersigned re. tendering of canteen."

2079/67. PUBLIC LIGHTING, BALLINTRA

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Melly, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Estimates Meeting for consideration in conjunction with he preparation of next year's Estimates:

"That this Council provide three new public lights between Ballintra Village and the Catholic Church."

2080/67. EXTENSION OF FANAD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

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

"That the Council extend the Fanad Water Supply Scheme to serve five houses in the townland of Ballyhernan, Kindrum, Toane and Kinnalough, Ballylar P.O."

2081/67. DERATING OF PROPERTY IN URBAN AREAS

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor L. Cunningham, having been proposed and seconded, was adopted:

"That this Council urge upon the Minister for Local Government the desirability of applying the under £20 derating to genuine farmers in urban areas."

2082/67. SHEEP DIPPING BATH AT BALLYNESS/DRUMATINNEY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor J. Kelly, having been proposed and seconded was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That a sheep dipping bath be erected at Ballyness/ Drumatinney."

2083/67. MALIN HEAD WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

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

"That proposed water scheme for Malin Head be put on its proper place on priority list."

2084/67. WATER SUPPLY AT BALLINACARRICK, BALLYSHANNON

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McEniff, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"Request the County Engineer to investigate the present shortage of piped water supply to eight houses in the Ballinacarrick district, Ballyshannon, recommend that an adequate supply be made available by means of pressure pump or otherwise."

2085/67. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY FROM BUNCRANA TO LUDDEN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the General Purposes Committee for examination and report:

"That the County Council extend a piped water supply from Buncrana to Ludden, a distance of approximately 1 mile to serve 27 households.

2086/67. MAIN ROAD IN LETTERKENNY

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor B. McGlinchey, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That this Council declare the road leading from Plunkett O'Boyle Tce., via College Row to the end of the Letterkenny urban area, a main road."

2087/67. ROAD AT GARTAN LOUGH

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor H. Blaney, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That the Council reconstruct and widen the road around the north-west side of Gartan Lough (Upper) in the townlands of Drumsallagh, Glendowan, for five miles to the Gartan County Road at Roshine."

2088/67. TANK ROAD, LUDDEN

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor S. McLaughlin, having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the Roads meeting for consideration:

"That this Council take over and maintain the road at Ludden known as the Tank Road - 250 yds."

2089/67. BALLYHARRY ROAD TO CRUCKAMEAL

The following motion standing in the name of Councillor M. Deery; having been proposed and seconded, was referred to the roads meeting for consideration:

"That link road from Ballyharry Road to Cruckameal be declared a County Road."

2090/67. SUBSIDISING OF RATES

The following resolution from Clare County Council was marked read:

"That in view of the extreme financial hardship caused to ratepayers in the towns and villages of the Republic by the current rate impost, this Council request the Government to subsidise such rates exceeding a ceiling of £2. 10. Od in the £ and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all County Councils and the General Council of County Councils."

2091/67. RECRUITMENT OF LIE GUARDS

The following resolution from the Bundoran Urban District Council was adopted:

"That in view of the mounting number of drowning fatalities at seaside resorts and the difficulty experienced by Local Authorities in securing qualified Life-Guards, the Minister for Defence be requested to make available Army personnel for these duties and that copies of this resolution be sent to the Donegal County Council, the Association of Municipal Authorities, and the local T.D.s to secure their support in having the terms of the resolution implemented."

2092/67. COAST PROTECTION AT KILMACREDDAN, INVER

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council being satisfied that (a) land referred to in the Assistant County Engineer's report of the 11th May, 1967 and the County Engineer's report of the 9th June, 1967, and as shown in sketch map attached to report of the 9th June, 1967, is being progressively damaged by the continuing encroachment of the sea, as distinct from occasional or abnormal storms; (b) that the encroachment is liable to endanger valuable property hereby declares that the promotion of a Coast Protection Scheme is expedient and that the Commissioners for Public Works in Ireland should be asked to carry out a preliminary examination, and directs that an Undertaking be given that if after carrying out by the Commissioners of Public Works of a preliminary examination, of the encroachment of the sea, the Commissioners made a determination under Paragraph (a) of Sub-section 1 of Section 4 of the Coast Protection Act, 1963, or the Council make a declaration under Paragraph (a) of Sub-section 1 of Section 5 of the Act the Council will pay the amount which will become appropriate to be paid by them, when a notice under Sub-section 1 of Section 26 of the Act has been served."

The forms of undertaking in connection with the foregoing Coast Protection Scheme were then sealed with the Seal of the Council.

2093/67. COAST PROTECTION AT ROSAPENNA

Proposed by: Councillor H. Blaney
Seconded by: Councillor A. Diver

AND RESOLVED: "That the Donegal County Council being satisfied (a) that the land referred to in the Assistant County Engineer's report of the 23rd May, 1967, and 3rd November, 1967, and as marked red on the map attached to the report of the 3rd November, 1967, is being progressively damaged by the continuing encroachment of the sea, as distinct from occasional or abnormal storms; (b) that the encroachment is liable to endanger valuable property, hereby declares that the promotion of a Coast Protection Scheme is expedient and that the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland should be asked to carry out a preliminary examination and directs, that an Undertaking be given that if after carrying out by the Commissioners for Public Works of a preliminary examination of the encroachment of the sea, the Commissioners make a determination under Paragraph (a) of Sub-section 1 of Section 4 of the Coast Protection Act, 1963, or the Council make a declaration under Paragraph (a) of Sub-section 1 of Section 5 of the Act, the Council will pay the amount which will become appropriate to be paid by them, when a notice under Sub-section 1 of Section 26 of the Act has been served.

The forms of Undertaking in connection with the foregoing Coast Protection Scheme were then sealed with the Seal of the Council.

2094/67. RATE COLLECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 16

The Council considered the following motion in the names of Councillors S. McLaughlin, B. Boggs and E. Gillen:

"That this Council do not make the appointment of Rate Collector in the Moville and Whitecastle area, in view of the proposed intention of the Manager to reform the areas allocated to Rate Collectors."

The Chairman ruled that before this motion could be adopted the Council would have to rescind the earlier decision of the Council.

The meeting then terminated.

CERTIFIED: _____ DATE: 15th December 1967
COUNTY SECRETARY

CONFIRMED: _____ DATE: 18th December 1967
CHAIRMAN

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DONEGAL
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON
18TH DECEMBER, 1967

2095/67. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Blaney (Presiding), Boggs, Campbell, F. Cunningham, L. Cunningham, Deery, Diver, Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, Kelly, McCafferty, McEniff, McGlinchey, McGowan, McNutt, MacRuaidhrigh, Meehan, Melly, Delap, O'Donnell, Patterson and Reid.

2096/67. OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

Messrs. J.D. Williams, County Manager, M. O'Connell, County Engineer, Dr. P.K. Murphy, County Medical Officer, Messrs. A.T. Spears, Chief Assistant County Engineer, M. O'Malley, Chief Planning Assistant, C.F. O'Sullivan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, M. Burke, and M. Cooke, Assistant County Engineers, L. Roarty and M. O'Donovan, Staff Officers and S. Keating, County Secretary.

2097/67. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

On the proposal of Councillor M. Melly, seconded by Councillor J. Campbell, the minutes of meeting of Donegal County Council held on the 27th November, 1967, were confirmed.

2098/67. CO-OPTION OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

The County Secretary stated that Mr. Sean Delap had notified his agreement in writing to any proposal for his co-option as a member of the Donegal County Council.

Proposed by: Councillor J. Kelly
Seconded by: Councillor J. Campbell

AND RESOLVED: "That Sean S. Dealap, "Cairn Gorm", Machaire Chlochair, Bun Beag is hereby co-opted as a member of Donegal County Council for the Glenties Electoral Area to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Cormac Breslin, T.D., Ceann Comhairle.

Councillor Delap then took his seat.

2099/67. EXECUTION OF DEEDS OF MORTGAGE - LOAN OF £75,000 FROM ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Proposed by: Councillor M. Melly
Seconded by: Councillor J. Doohan

AND RESOLVED: "That the Deeds of Mortgage relating to the Council's proposal to borrow sums of (a) £20,000 and (b) £55,000 from the Royal Liver Friendly Society be executed and sealed with the Seal of the Council.

2100/67. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS

The Abstract of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1967 was placed before the Council and noted.

2101/67. REPORT OF MEETING OF SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE - 1st DECEMBER, 1967

The report of meeting of the Council's Scholarship Committee held on 1st December, 1967 was approved on the proposal of Councillor J. Campbell, seconded by Councillor M. Deery.

2102/67. GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE REPORT - 11TH DECEMBER, 1967

On the proposal of Councillor J. Kelly, seconded by Councillor W. McNutt, the report of meeting of General Purposes Committee held on 11th December, 1967, was approved by the Council, subject to the following amendments:

Minute 356/67: This matter was referred back to the General Purposes Committee for further consideration

Minute 349/67:

Proposed by: Councillor P. Harte
Seconded by: Councillor W. McCafferty

"That the maintenance allowance payable to foster parents in respect of boarded out children be increased to £3 per week."

A recorded vote was taken on the motion which was declared lost after nine members had voted for and ten against.

For the motion: Councillors Doohan, Friel, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, MacRuaidhrigh, Melly and Reid (9)

Against the motion: Councillors Blaney, Campbell, Deery, Diver, Kelly, McEniff, McGowan, McNutt, Delap and Patterson. (10)

Proposed by: Councillor E. Gillen
Seconded by: Councillor C. Gallagher

"That the maintenance allowance payable to foster parents in respect of boarded out children be increased to £2. 10. 0d"

A recorded vote was taken on this motion which was declared lost after seven members had voted for and ten against.

For the motion: Councillors Doohan, Gallagher, Gillen, Harte, McCafferty, MacRuaidhrigh and Reid (7)

Against the motion: Councillors Blaney, Campbell, Deery, Diver, Kelly, McEniff, McGowan, McNutt, Delap and Patterson. (10)

2103/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - COMPLAINT RE. COUNTY HOSPITAL

The Council unanimously agreed to the suspension of Standing Orders to enable Councillor W. Patterson to raise a matter which was not on the Agenda.

Councillor Patterson stated that he had lodged with the County Manager on Friday, 15th instant a complaint in regard to a patient admitted to the County Hospital at 8 p.m. on Monday, 11th December, 1967. Fourteen hours after an operation the patient was found to be dressed awaiting transfer to Lifford Hospital. The patient's Father was able to arrange for the patient to be kept at the County Hospital in another bed. The Council asked to be assured that the matter would be investigated.

2103/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS (Contd.)

The County Manager stated that the Council had agreed some time ago to an arrangement whereby complaints regarding the Council's Hospital Services would not be raised publicly until after these complaints had been investigated and the Manager's report conveyed to the Councillor making the complaint. The arrangement provided that where a Councillor was not then satisfied with the explanation he would be at liberty to raise the matter publicly.

Councillor Patterson pointed out that his complaint did not refer to the medical considerations in the case but rather the management of hospital services.

2104/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN - SCHEDULED TOWN OF BALLYBOFEY/STRANORLAR

Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., Chief Planning Assistant introduced and explained the proposals in the Draft Development Plan for the scheduled town of Ballybofey/Stranorlar.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

AND RESOLVED: "That the document number from Page 1 to Page 68 inclusive together with the maps contained therein hereby constitutes the Draft of the proposed Development Plan for the Scheduled Town of Ballybofey/Stranorlar prepared pursuant to Section 21 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963."

2105/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN - SCHEDULED TOWN OF KILLYBEGS

Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., Chief Planning Assistant introduced and explained the proposals in the Draft Development Plan for the scheduled town of Killybegs.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

AND RESOLVED: "That the document numbered from Page 1 to Page 66 inclusive together with the maps contained therein hereby constitutes the Draft of the proposed Development Plan for the Scheduled Town of Killybegs prepared pursuant to Section 21 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963."

2106/67. DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN - SCHEDULED TOWN OF DONEGAL

Mr. M. O'Malley, B.E., Chief Planning Assistant introduced and explained the proposals for the scheduled town of Donegal, in the Draft Development Plan.

Proposed by: Councillor P. McGowan
Seconded by: Councillor S. McEniff

AND RESOLVED: "That the document numbered from Page 1 to Page 58 inclusive together with the maps contained therein hereby constitutes the Draft of the proposed Development Plan for the Scheduled Town of Donegal prepared pursuant to Section 21 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Act, 1963."

2107/67. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

The meeting adjourned for a short period to enable the General Purposes Committee to convene and receive a deputation from the Malin Head Development Association.

2108/67. HOUSING PUBLICATION

The County Manager informed the members that the Department of Local Government had issued a booklet entitled "A home of your own" and copies were then delivered to members of the Council.

2109/67. FUTURE OF EGLINTON AIRPORT

The County Secretary informed the meeting that the Derry Chamber of Commerce had issued an invitation for the attendance of two members of the Council at a meeting in Derry on Friday, 15th instant to consider the future of Eglinton Airport. He had invited Councillors P. McGowan and A. Diver, the Council's representatives on the Committee sponsoring the Airport Feasibility Study for the north-west to attend the meeting.

Councillor P. McGowan reporting on the meeting which had taken place asked the Council to ensure that no decision to support Eglinton was taken pending the outcome of the Feasibility Study.

Councillor A. Diver reporting on the meeting stated that the tourist business for County Donegal was so important that resumption of air flights to Eglinton is vitally important before the next tourist season commences.

The County Manager explained that the Council's contribution of £1,000 was for a feasibility study in the north-west area as distinct from any separate place within the area. He pointed out that apart from the problem arising from development of air fields, a separate problem had arisen from the fact that Emerald Airways had ceased to function at Eglinton.

2110/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - WATER AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES

Proposed by: Councillor B. McGlinchey
Seconded by: Councillor L. Cunningham

AND RESOLVED: "That Standing Orders be suspended to enable Councillor B. McGlinchey to raise a matter not on the Agenda."

Councillor McGlinchey referred to the estimated cost of the Council's programme for water and sewerage schemes and indicated that if Government funds at the rate of £200,000 per annum were made available for the programme a period of 25 years would elapse before completion of the programme. He expressed the opinion that if the Council were to float a public loan on attractive terms inviting the people of the County to invest in the loan, sufficient funds could become available to enable the work to be finalised without delay.

The following motion in the names of Councillors McGlinchey, Cunningham, Deery, McEniff, McGowan, Kelly, Campbell and Blaney was then proposed by Councillor B. McGlinchey and seconded by Councillor L. Cunningham and resolved:

"That this Council float a public loan to be used for water and sewerage development within the County."

It was agreed that the Council's resolution be referred to the Department of Local Government for their observations.

2111/67. SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS - ALLEGATION OF BRIBERY

Proposed by: Councillor J. Reid
Seconded by: Councillor P. Harte

AND RESOLVED: "That Standing Orders be suspended to enable Councillor J. Reid to raise a matter not on the Agenda."

Councillor Reid referred to the decision of the Council to refer to the Attorney General the statement of a Councillor at the last meeting of the Council in regard to thepurchase of lorries and enquired as to whether the County Manager proposed pending the outcome of the Attorney General's enquiries to deal with tenders for lorries.

The County Manager replied that in accordance with the Section 4 resolution adopted by the Council at its last meeting an advertisement had been published inviting tenders for lorries and he would deal with the tenders in the normal course.

2112/67. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT TEAM - ANNUAL REPORT

The following question was submitted by Councillor L. Cunningham:

"Has the County DevelopmentTeam issued annual report at the end of any year since its formation, and if so, will these reports be circulated to Councillors."

REPLY: The County Manager stated that it was not the practice to issue an annual report but that he would arrange for the attendance of Mr. P. Bolger, Secretary, County Development Team, at the next meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

2113/67. CARRICKARORY PIER, MOVILLE

The following question was submitted by Councillor E. Gillen:

"What progress has been made in negotiations with Derry Harbour Board about the property in Moville."

REPLY: Councillor Gillen was referred to General Purposes Committee Minute 362/67.

2114/67. SALARIES OF RATE COLLECTORS

The following question was submitted by Councillor E. Gillen:

"What was the respective salaries paid to each Rate Collector in Donegal for year ending 31st March, 1967, and how much was the total including administration and other charges against the collecting of rates in Donegal for this year?"

REPLY: The Council was informed that the cost of rate applotment for 1966/67 was £3,339 and that payments to Rate Collectors amounted to £24,901.

2115/67. EMPLOYMENT OF ROADWORKERS

The following question was submitted by Councillor E. Gillen:

"Could County Councillors be circulated with terms of employment of Roadworkers as explained by County Engineer at last meeting?"

REPLY: Councillor Gillen was referred to County Council Minute 2049/67.

2116/67. SPECIFIC INSTANCE HOUSE FOR MR. A. McMAHON, FINTOWN

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What action does the Council intend to take to ensure the erection of S.I. house for Mr. A. McMahon, Fintown, is proceeded with?" (A local farmer has interfered with workmen on the site.)

REPLY: This question refers ti S.H. NO. 1585 for Mr. Conal McMahon, Fintown. A neighbour objected to the location of the septic tank as its erection in the position shown on the drawings would mean that portion of the shelter belt which this man has erected would have to be removed. This septic tank has now been relocated and there has been no further interference.

2117/67. GLENTIES/ARDARA WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"When is it expected to start work on the Glenties/ Ardara Water Supply Scheme."

REPLY: The Council have accepted a tender for the Glenties/ Ardara Water Supply Scheme and submitted same to the Department of Local Government for approval on the 14th September, 1965. Work cannot commence on this scheme until the loan and the tender are sanctioned.

2118/67. LANDING FACILITIES AT NORTH-WEST CRUIT ISLAND

The following question was submitted by Councillor S. MacRuaidhrigh:

"What is the position regarding provision of landing facilities at North-West Cruit Island."

REPLY: The Council have to acquire the lands for these works and for the approach roadway. The Council's solicitors have prepared the relevant documents and forwarded them to the solicitor acting on behalf of the people who own the lands required. To date the documents have not been executed due to the reluctance of the landowners to sign the relevant documents.

2119/67. CONCLUSION OF MEETING

At the conclusion of the meeting the Chairman expressed to the members and officials of the Council his good wishes for the Christmas season.

CERTIFIED: _____ DATE: 22nd December 1967
COUNTY SECRETARY

ADOPTED: W. C. Patterson DATE: 29th January 1968
CHAIRMAN