

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Davis, Joseph McKeon, May
 Harford, Monica Purcell, Brian
 Lawless, Stephen Tuite, Bredge

Apologies for non attendance were received from Commissioners Gallen, Larkin and Murray.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

Apologies for non attendance were received from Mr. D.P. Byrne, Fingal Area Manager and Mr. J.W. Byrne, Principal Officer.

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

(i) Minutes of Meeting held on 8th December, 1992 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall:

An application by St. Peter and Pauls's Feis committee to hold a Feis on the 18th July, 1993 was noted by the Commissioners.

3. Correspondence:

A: Correspondence from Dublin County Council:

(i) Letter dated 10/12/92 from roads Section
RE: Repairs was read and noted.

B: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

(i) Letter dated 2/12/92 from Bardas Loch Garman
RE: Drugs was read and noted.

C: Other Correspondence:

- (i) Letter dated 6/1/93 from Department of Environment
RE: local Authority Housing was read. Following discussion it was agreed to write to the new Minister for the Environment on the matter and to have the matter included on the deputations agenda to Dublin County Council.
- (ii) Letter dated 4/1/93 from I.D.A.
RE: Industry in Balbriggan was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner McKeon seconded by Commissioner Purcell and agreed to write to the I.D.A. that the Commissioners be included in all future meetings in relation to industry in the town.
Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to request a meeting

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- with the I.D.A. on the matter.
- (iii) Letter dated 6/1/93 from Roads Section
RE: Traffic Route Lighting on the N1 was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment concerning the erection of lights on the N1.
- (iv) Letter dated 8/1/93 from Roads Section
RE: Laneway at Chapel Street was read.
Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the developer of the property.
- (v) Letter dated 5/1/93 from Community Department
Re: Bremore Historical Site was read.
Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to include it on the deputations agenda with dublin County Council.
- (vi) Letter dated 11/1/93 from Parks Department
Re: Balbriggan Town Park was read and noted.

4. **Deputations to Dublin County Council on 28/1/1993:**

Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that the following matters would be included on the agenda for the deputations to Dublin County Council:-

1. Building of additional houses at Pinewood
2. Proposed development of Bremore Historical Site
3. **Bremore Housing Estate**
 - (a) Completion of the Play area
 - (b) Re-examination of inner ring road

5. **Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation:**

There was no report under this heading.

6. **Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative:**

There was no report under this heading.

7. **Matters Arising out of the Minutes and Other Business:**

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request Dublin County Council to designate a hard surface area for the school warden and children opposite Bremore School and to further ask Dublin County to consider Tree Planting in the area.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again ask Dublin County Council to provide barriers outside the shopping centre at Bridge Street and outside the Community College in Drogheda Street and Confrey's shop.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it

was agreed to write to the County Council to investigate the possibility of developing a public golf course in Ardgillan.

- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to Dublin County Council asking why Balbriggan Library was open for five days instead of the usual six.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment asking that arrangements be made so that cars could be taxed in Post Offices.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Minister for Employment and Enterprise asking him to pay particular attention to providing industry in Balbriggan.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the Minister for the Marine to develop the maraculture industry in the country ~~with special relevance to value of the products~~
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to contact the Minister for the Marine asking that Laws in relation to oil spillages be tightened up in light of the recent Shetland disaster.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write to St. Vincent de Pauls Society and Senior Citizen Committee congratulating them on the work they are carrying out especially over the recent Christmas period.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request Dublin County Council to take a frest look at the proposed Treatment Plant for Balbriggan and Skerries and suggest a possible site for the plant on Shennick Island.
- (xi) On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to request the owners of the Cardy to change the direction of the car park lighting.
- (xii) In response to the Chairman the Town Clerk agreed to circulate the recent housing allocations list.
- (xiii) Letter dated 8/1/93 from black Raven Karate Club was read. Following discussion the Town Clerk accepted a recommendation from some members of the Commissioners that those using the hall be asked to specify what particular area of the hall a function is taking place in.

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The meeting finished at 10.10 p.m.

Handwritten signature: Brian Purcell
9/2/93

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Davis, Joseph	McKeon, May
Harford, Monica	Purcell, Brian
Lawless, Stephen	Tuite, Bredge

An apology for non attendance was received from Commissioners Gallen, Larkin and Murray /

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

Apologies for non attendance were received from Mr. D.P. Byrne, Fingal Area Manager and Mr. J.W. Byrne, Principal Officer.

MEMBERS OF BREMORE RESIDENTS

ASSOCIATION PRESENT:

Robert Kenny
Ivan Harper

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

At the outset the Chairman welcomed members of the deputation to the meeting. Commissioner Lawless then stated that he objected to the fact that only certain Commissioners were invited to the Associations meetings and he felt that all Commissioners should be invited. The Chairman endorsed Commissioner Lawless's remarks and the deputation noted what the Commissioners had said and agreed to bring the matter to the attention of their committee. Mr. Kenny then stated the reason they had requested a meeting with the Commissioners was that no play area had yet been provided for the estate despite the fact that it was 20 years old. He also stated that the proposed inner relief road would not be adequate for the proposed traffic and he asked that the situation be reinvestigated.

The deputation further asked that the verge around the Garda Station be landscaped and looked after.

Following a discussion of the matter it was agreed that the Commissioners would take up the matter raised by the deputation with Dublin County Council when they met them, shortly.

The meeting concluded at 8.10 p.m.

Brian Purcell
9/2/93

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON 25/1/1993
WITH MEMBERS OF AN GARDA SIOCHANA.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Davis, Joe	McKeon, May
Gallen, Patricia	Murray, David
Harford, Monica	Purcell, Brian
Larkin, Jack	Tuite, Bredge

An apology for non attendance was received from Commissioner Lawless.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk

GARDAI: Inspector Michael Ryan
Sergeant Austin Foran

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

The chairman welcomed the members of the Gardai and thanked them for attending the meeting. He then outlined the Commissioners views in relation to traffic and parking within the town. Inspector Ryan stated that the Gardai were well aware of the problem and would support the Commissioners in which ever way was possible. Following discussion on the matter the following items were agreed:-

1. That the one way system from the railway station to Mill St. should revert to two way traffic.
2. That a number of box junction would be provided along the main street.
3. That the double yellow lines on the Square would be investigated with a view to reducing the no parking area.
4. Disc Parking should be introduced on the main street and some of the side streets.
5. That Supervalu would be asked to use their car park for deliveries and to keep the main street clear. Also that Hagans would use the side of their premises for deliveries.

The Town Clerk suggested that all the traffic and parking measures should be brought in at the one time. This was agreed by those at the meeting.

The matter of the junction at Balrothery was raised and it was suggested that an accident Black Spot Sign and speed limit signs be installed in this area and that a filter lane on the Southbound carriageway should be introduced at that junction.

It was agreed that these matters would be pursued.

The meeting then concluded and the Chairman thanked the Gardai for attending.

Brian Purcell
9/2/93

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Davis, Joseph	McKeon, May
Gallen, Patricia	Murray, David
Harford, Monica	Burcell, Brian
Larkin, Jack, M.C.C., P.C.	Tuite, Bredge

An apology for non attendance was received from Commissioner S. Lawless.

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

D.P. Byrne, Fingal Area Manager
P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk
J.W. Byrne, Principal Officer
S. Carey, Principal Officer

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

- (a) Minutes of Meeting held on 25/1/93 were read. An alteration was requested by Commissioner McKeon and agreed and the minutes were then confirmed.
- (b) Minutes of Special Meeting held on 25/1/93 were read and confirmed.
- (c) Minutes of Special Meeting with Garda Siochana held on 21/1/93 were read and confirmed.
- (d) Minutes of Special Meeting with I.D.A. held on 21/1/93 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall:

The following applications were noted by the Commissioners

- (i) Application from Comhaltas Ceolteoiri Eireann for hire of the Supper room on saturday 27th February, 1993 for a set dance workshop.
- (ii) Application from Suzanne McDonnell, Stamullen for hire of the Hamilton Hall from 20th February, 1993.

3. Correspondence:

A. Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers:

- (i) Letter dated 27/1/93 from Minister for Justice
RE: Garda Manpower was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed to write to the Garda Commissioner concerning the question of additional manpower for the Balbriggan District.

B. Correspondence from Dublin County Council:

- (i) Letter dated 21/1/93 from Environmental Services
RE: Beaches was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 2/2/93 from Planning Department
RE: Bremore Housing Estate was read.
Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to the Planning department asking them to keep the Commissioners up to date on the situation as it developed.
- (iii) Letter dated 3/2/93 from Secretariat Department
RE: Library was read. The Manager stated that most libraries were open for five days during the week due to the government restriction on staff numbers. He indicated that he would re-examine the situation in relation to the Fingal area when the new Fingal Council came into being. In response to Commissioner Gallen Mr. Liam Byrne agreed to investigate the removal of the graffiti on the front of the Library and to ascertain the current position in relation to the interior painting of the library. Mr. Byrne stated that he would write to the Commissioners on the matter.
- (iv) Letter dated 27/1/93 from Parkd Department
RE: Beaches was read.
The Manager informed the Commissioners that the funding of special beach projects was stopped by the Department of the Environment in 1992 and accordingly the Council had no funds to finish the project.

C. Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

- (i) Letter dated 2/2/93 from An Garda Siochana
RE: Disabled Parking Bays was read and noted.
- (ii) Letters in reply to recent resolution of Commissioners were read. In response to the request for additional information on the resolution by one local authority Commissioner Murray agreed to supply this information to the Town Clerk.

D. Other Correspondence:

- (i) Letter dated 3/2/93 from Comhairle Chontae Mhaigheo
Re: LAMA Annual Conference 1993 was read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 9/2/93 from sanitary Service Section
RE: Sewerage Treatment Plant was read and noted. The Manager agreed to send a copy of the submission on the infrastructure in Dublin City and County to the Commissioners and to inform the Commissioners of the level of treatment proposed in the new treatment plant.

4. Deputations to Dublin County Council:

At the outset mr. Liam Byrne informed the members that the County Council agreed that the Fingal Council would meet with the Commissioners in future at a special meeting organised on a quartley basis by the Chairman of the Fingal Council. The commissioners welcomed this and the Chairman stated that they look forward to positive meetings with the Fingal Council.

A report on the recent deputations meeting with Dublin County Council was given by those members who were present. The Manager informed the Commissioners that the County Council were drawing up schemes at present for an expected three hundred house starts in the Fingal Area in the coming year. The estimated number of starts would be confirmed when the figures had been received from the Department of the Environment.

5. Dublin Tourism Organisation:

The Chairman stated that there had been no meeting since the last Commissioners meeting. He then proposed a vote of sympathy to Mr. Michael Flood Chairman of Dublin Tourism on the recent death of his mother. This vote was passed unanimously.

6. Dublin Transportation Initiative:

Commissioner Davis the Commissioners representative on the committee presented the Commissioners with the interim report of the Dublin Transportation Initiative.

7. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Davis:

It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Gallen and resolved that

"We the Balbriggan Town Commissioners in recognition of the trojan work carried out for the blind by 'Frank the Guide Dog' confer on him the 'Freedom of the Lamposts of Balbriggan'."

8. Any Other Business:

(i) St. Patrick's Day Parade

It was proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the parade would be on the same basis as last year. it was further proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite that only the Chairman would make a speech.

(ii) Proposal for Traffic and Parking in the Town

On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the chairman it was agreed to contact the Gardai concerning the possibility of providing a loading bay at the Post Office for the postal van. The proposals as presented were agreed by the Commissioners subject to the inclusion of the following

- (a) Provision of Accident Black Spot Signs at Balrothery
- (b) Provision of No Overtaking signs at the same spot.

The manager agreed to investigate the position of the provision of a filter lane at Balrothery Junction.

Following further discussion it was proposed by the chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the following proposals would be made to the Gardai and Dublin County Council in respect of the traffic and parking situation in the town

1. Box Junctions

Box Junctions to be provided on Drogheda St. at

- (i) Convent Lane
- (ii) Chapel St.
- (iii) Clonard St./Mill St.
- (iv) Quay St.
- (v) The Square

2. Disc Parking

The introduction of disc parking to take place in conjunction with single and double yellow line proposals as detailed at 3 below. Disc Parking to be introduced in the following areas:-

- (i) Dublin St. (West Side) from bus stop at Cinema to Square except where double yellow lines are in place at pedestrian lights.
- (ii) Bridge St. (West Side) from Square to Keelings House.
- (iii) Drogheda St. (West Side) from from double yellow lines outside Medical Centre to Bus stop outside Community College except where there are double yellow lines at pedestrian lights and junctions as at present.
- (iv) Drogheda St. (East Side) from double yellow lines outside Harbour Bar to Bus stop outside Supervalu except where there are double yellow lines at pedestrian lights and junctions as at present.
- (v) The Square from double yellow lines at hotel to double yellow lines outside Library.
- (vi) The Square from outside McGowans to laneway at Courthouse.
- (vii) Quay St. (North Side) from double yellow lines (which will end approx. 30 ft. from junction with Bridge St.) to point opposite High St.
- (viii) Mill St. (North Side) from double yellow lines to point opposite corner of Kearns House.
- (ix) Mill St. (South Side) from corner of 1st House to corner of Kearns House.

3. Parking Restrictions

- (i) Remove approx. 8 yds. of double yellow lines outside McGowans on the Square.
- (ii) Double yellow lines to be provided on Bridge St. from Keelings House to Clonard St. corner.
- (iii) Remove double yellow lines on north side of Quay St. except for a length of 30 ft. from its junction with Drogheda St.
- (iv) Replace single yellow lines on South side of Quay St. with double yellow lines from its junction with Bridge St. to the end of Shopping Centre wall (start of loading bay). Single yellow line to be retained as at present as far as High St.
- (v) Bus stop in Drogheda St. to be marked out.

4. Traffic Lights

Traffic Lights to be provided at Convent Lane junction to work in conjunction with current pedestrian lights outside Reynolds shop in Drogheda St.

5. One Way System

The present one way system from Railway Station to Mill st. to convert to two way traffic.

6. Other Proposals

- (i) Thirty mile an hour limit sign on South side of town to be moved out to present forty mile limit sign.
Forty mile an hour limit to be introduced from outside Eamonn Kellys House in Balrothery.
- (ii) Left turn filter lane to be introduced on approach to Balrothery Inn junction on N1 on Southbound carriageway.
- (iii) Commissioner Gallen informed the meeting that she had received a letter from the United Towns Organisation concerning Town Twinning. It was agreed that the Town Clerk would reply to the letter.
- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Mckeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed that a Special Meeting would be held to discuss various Commissioners issues.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the reinstatement of the open space at the top of Lambeecher Estate and the erection of a boundary wall. Mr. Liam Byrne undertook to contact the Parks Department in this regard.

- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact Dublin County Council concerning housing younger people in Senior Citizens Flats. The Manager agreed to look at the situation.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the possibility of including a public golf course in ardgillan Park. The Manager stated that the Council would look at the possibility of such a development.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Larkin seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact Dublin County Council concerning the closure of the toilets on the Square.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Larkin seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the E.S.B. concerning the long delay over the repair of the street lights on the N1 in Balbriggan.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to Dublin County Council again concerning the provision of safety railings on Bridge Street and Drogheda Street.
- (xi) In response to Commissioner Tuite the Chairman informed the meeting that the reason the Commissioners had no vote in the Senate Elections was due to the fact that it was not included in the constitution.
- (xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to examine the possibility of including fire escapes on the flats in Lambeecher Estate.
- (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask the Architects to consider the provision of a kitchen and tea making facilities on the plans for the hall.
- (xiv) In reply to Commissioner Murray the Town Clerk informed the members that he hoped to have the draft plans for the hall available for the March meeting.
- (xv) On the proposal of commissioner Murray seconded by the Chairman a vote of congratulations was passed to the Fingal Council on the gritting of the roads during the icy weather.
- (xvi) In reply to Commissioner Purcell the Manager stated that it would not be possible to provide to litter wardens at night in the town due to the prohibited cost of such a service.

At this stage the Chairman stated that the Commissioners were aware that Mr. Liam Byrne would no longer be attending meetings of Balbriggan Town Commissioners as he was taking up duties in relation to the new Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council. The Chairman thanked Mr. Byrne for his dedication and commitment to Balbriggan and his loss would be regretted by the Commissioners. Other members joined in with their tributes to Mr. Byrne. The Chairman then made a presentation of Dublin Crystal to Mr. Byrne on behalf of the members and staff of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners. Mr. Byrne thanked the

Chairman and the Commissioners and Town Clerk for their kind gift and stated that he had enjoyed his time with the Commissioners. He hoped that his contribution to Balbriggan had been a positive one and he wished the Commissioners well in the future.

Mr. Davy Byrne, Fingal Area Manager also paid tribute to Liam Byrne and he thanked the Commissioners for the appreciation which they had shown to Mr. Byrne and the Council staff.

At this stage the Chairman also welcomed Mr. Sean Carey who was to replace Mr. Liam Byrne.

The meeting ended at 10.10 p.m.

Monica Harford.
9/3/93.

B: Correspondence from Dublin County Council:

- (i) Letter dated 11/2/93 from Housing Dept.
 RE: 1993 Housing Programme was read, report of Fingal Housing Sub Committee Meeting 3rd March 1993 on the matter was also read. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed to write to the Minister asking for an explanation as to why so few funds had been allocated to the Dublin area. It was further proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed to ask the Manager to seek a meeting with the Minister to discuss the matter with him. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner lawless seconded by the Chairman and agreed to ask the Manager to investigate the possibility of building one person dwellings for elderly people in Mill Street and other locations in the town whcih might possibily be derelict.
- (ii) Letter dated 25/2/93 and letter dated 10/3/93 from Roads and Traffic Dept.
 RE: Barriers was read.
 Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Mckeon to write back to the Council the provision of barriers on the corners of Mill Street.

C: Correspondence from Other Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

- (i) Letters (4) RE: Recent Commissioners Resolution were read and noted.
- (ii) Letter dated 27/2/93 from Lexilip Town Commissioners
 RE: Juvenile Crime was read.
 Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would support the motion. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Mckeon that the Commissioners write to the Department of Justice asking for details of proposed legislation in relation to the contents of the resolution.
- (iii) Letter dated 25/1/93 from Castlebar U.D.C.
 RE: National Peace Hour was read.
 Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner

Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would support the resolution.

D: Other Correspondence:

(i) Letter dated 9th March, 1993 from Environmental Services Dept.
RE: Balbriggan Sewerage Treatment Plant was read and noted.

(ii) Letter dated 8/3/93 from Housing Dept.
RE: Fire Escape from Flats was read and noted.

(iii) Letter dated 2/3/93 from Naas Urban District Council
RE: Ethnic and Sectarian Attacks was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed to support the motion and to open a petition in the office of the Town Commissioners to enlist support for the resolution.

(iv) Letter dated 8/3/93 from E.S.B.
RE: Public Lighting in Balbriggan was read.
Following discussion on the matter Commissioner McKeon stated that the fitting on the public light outside the Medical Centre on Pump Lane was falling off. It was further agreed that Commissioners Larkin and Lawless would carry out a patrol of the public lighting network in Balbriggan and report any lights out of order. Commissioner Tuite informed the meeting one of the lights on the flats at Lambeecher was out of order.

(v) Letter dated 2/3/93 from Garda Siochana
Re: Manpower was read and noted.

(vi) Letter dated 9/3/93 from Traders of Dublin Street, Bridge Street and Drogheda Street
RE: Proposed Parking Restrictions was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the traders on Thursday 25th March, 1993 at 8.00 p.m.
It was further agreed to contact the Chamber of Commerce and the Garda Siochana and invite them to the meeting.

4. Appointment of Nominee to Annual General Meeting of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

It was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that Commissioner Gallen would be the Commissioners nominee. Following discussion it was agreed that the steps outside the Town Hall would be scored to prevent accidents.

5. Conferences/Seminars

- (i) Westport - 25-27 March, 1993. This was noted by the Commissioners.
- (ii) Arklow - 23-25 June, 1993. This was noted by the Commissioners.

6. Fixing of Date for Special Meeting to Discuss Plans for Town Hall Recreation Centre

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the special meeting would be held at 8.00 p.m on Monday 22nd March, 1993. it was further agreed that if the Commissioners had any items for discussion they should give them to the Town Clerk for listing on the agenda.

7. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

Report on Dublin Tourism was given by the Commissioners representative Commissioner Brian Purcell.

8. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

A report on this matter was given by the Commissioners representative Commissioner Davis. He also presented a letter from Iarnrod Eireann which was circulated to each Commissioner.

9. St. Patrick's Day Parade 1993

A report was given by the Town Clerk on the progress of the Parade. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Window Competition would be held.

10. Other Business

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to request Dublin County Council to place public phones on halting sites.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to note in the Commissioners Minutes that the Breakaway Festival had been refused permission to use Ardgillan Castle for the Lord Mayors Ball by the Skerries Development Association and Dublin County Council. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write to the Skerries Development Association to invite Balbriggan people and the Town Commissioners to their A.G.M. It was further agreed that a copy of this letter would be sent to Dublin County Council.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner McKeon it was agreed to write to the Taoiseach asking how many of the recent

advisors jobs who were on the Live Register.

- (iv) Commissioner Davis on behalf of the Association for the Blind in Balbriggan thanked the Chairman for turning up at the reception in O'Dwyers.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the chairman it was agreed to again ask Dublin County Council to investigate the development of a public golf course in the Balbriggan Electoral Area.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Eastern Health Board and Dublin County Council concerning the provision of an emergency hostel or shelter for Homeless People in North County Dublin.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to remove the broken gates and the band stand at the Park at Blackrock and to replace them with an overhead barrier.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the graffitti on the Library.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to close off two of the entrances to the Town Centre Park in an effort to reduce the drink and drug related activities taking place there.
It was further proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would request a meeting with the Garda Superintendent to discuss the drugs situation.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request a meeting with the Minister for Enterprise and Employment Ruairi Quinn to discuss the unemployment situation in Balbriggan.

The meeting ended at 10.10 p.m.

Bruce Lawless
13/4/93

(ii) Letter dated 25/3/93 from Roads and Traffic Dept.

Re: Balbriggan By-Pass was read and noted.

(iii) Letters from members of Fingal Area Committee

Re: Public Lighting on the N1 were read.

Following discussion it was agreed to write to the Minister for the Environment requesting once again that finance be made available for Public Lighting on the N1 approach to Balbriggan and stating that it had the full support of the members of the Fingal Council.

C: Correspondence from Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

(i) Letter dated 9/3/93 from Sligo Corporation

Re: Rates Exemptions for Sports Clubs was read and noted.

(ii) Letter dated 19/3/93 from Tipperary N.R. County Council

RE: Conference was read and noted.

D: Other Correspondence:

(i) Letter dated 7/4/93 from Sligo County Council

Re: Conference was read and noted.

(ii) Letter received 6/4/93 from Doris McKenna, 9 Quay St., Balbriggan

Re: Goods vehicles delivering to Quinnsnorth was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed to write to the Area Manager of Quinnsnorth concerning this situation. It was further proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Purcell and agreed to request the Area Manager and the main tenants of the shopping centre to meet with the Commissioners and the Gardai concerning the matter.

(iii) Letter dated 31/3/93 from Minister for the Environment

RE: Car Tax Offices was read and noted.

4. Annual General Meeting Dublin Tourism Organisation:

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that the Commissioners nomination to the council of Dublin Tourism would be Commissioner Brian Purcell.

5. Meeting with Dublin County Council:

The Town Clerk informed the members that the first meeting under the new arrangements with Dublin County Council would be held on Tuesday 1st June, 1993 at 10.30 a.m. Following discussion the following agenda was agreed by the Commissioners:-

(a) Cleaning of Bracken River

(b) Public Lighting

(c) Maintenance of Car Park opposite Church

- (d) Implementation of Litter Act
- (e) Reinstatement of open space at top of Lambeecher Estate and erection of wall
- (f) Lambeecher Estate Playground
- (g) Provision of Childrens Playground in Ardgillan Park
- (h) Balbriggan Sewerage Treatment Plant
- (i) Inner Relief Road

6. **Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation:**

The chairman gave a report on the proceedings of Dublin Tourism Organisation and handed over various correspondence to the Town Clerk. The Chairman further thanked all participants in the Balbriggan St. Patrick's Day Parade.

7. **Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative:**

Commissioner Davis stated that he had no report to make at the meeting.

8. **Traffic Meeting with Traders:**

The members of the Commissioners discussed the recent meeting which they had with members of the Chamber of Commerce and traders in Balbriggan in relation to the traffic situation in the town. The Chamber of Commerce were to get in touch with the Commissioners. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by the chairman seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed to write to the Chamber of Commerce and to each trader in relation to the meeting. It was further agreed to obtain a relief road map and proposals which were to be sent to the Commissioners.

9. **Other Business:**

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to resurface Bridge Street at its junction with Quay Street.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to resurface the roadway at Dublin Street/Market Green corner and Drogheda Street beside the traffic lights at Chapel Street.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Murray seconded by the chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to resurface Drogheda street outside SuperValu.
- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the broken gates at the Band Park at Blackrock.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the chairman it was agreed to contact FAS asking them to arrange to advertise for vacancies

in Balbriggan and to consider the opening of a FAS office in the town.

- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council about the present position of the vacant shop at Lambreecher Estate.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Bus Eireann to extend the time of the last bus from Drogheda as the present time was not suitable.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to follow up the request for a meeting with the Gardai concerning the drug problem.

The meeting finished at 10.05 p.m.

Brian Linnane
 11/5/93

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Davis, Joseph	McKeon, May
Gallen, Patricia	Murray, David
Harford, Monica	Purcell, Brian
Lawless, Stephen	Tuite, Bredge

An apology for non attendance was received from Commissioner J. Larkin

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk
S. Carey, Principal Officer

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided.

1. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

(a) Minutes of meeting held on 13/4/93 were read and confirmed.

2. **Applications for Hire of Hall:**

The Commissioners noted an application by the Balbriggan Breakaway Festival Committee for use of the hall for various functions during the festival.

3. **Correspondence:**

A: **Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers:**

(i) Letter dated 20/4/93 from Minister for the Environment
RE: U.D.C. Status was read and noted.

B: **Correspondence from Dublin County Council:**

(i) Letters dated 29/4/93 and 7/5/93 from Development Dept.
RE: By-Pass were read and noted.

C: **Other Correspondence:**

(i) Letter from Greystones Town Commissioners
Re: la Touche Seminar was read and noted.

(ii) Letter dated 7/5/93 from Portlaoise Town Commissioners
Re: Town Commissioners Expenses was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would support the resolution.

(iii) Letter dated 8/5/93 from Committee of Scoil Rince Cualann
RE: Hire of Hall was read.

The Town Clerk informed the members that he had informed the Committee that the Commissioners could not reduce the cost of the hall. The Commissioners recommended that no reduction be given.

4. Meeting with Dublin County Council:

Following discussion on the agenda agreed at the previous meeting it was agreed to include road repairs to the main street on the agenda for the meeting with the County Council.

The following Commissioners stated that they would be in attendance Commissioners Gallen, Lawless, Harford, Davis, Murray and Tuite. The Chairman stated that it was too early for him to give a commitment to attend but that he hoped to be in a position to do so.

The Commissioners then agreed among themselves as to who would speak on the various items.

5. Tidy Districts and Sports Awards 1993:

Following discussion on the suggestion from the Town Clerk it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that each of the clubs who had mainly participated in the competition over the years should be invited to nominate one member to be included on the Sports Awards Sub Committee and this committee would make their report back to the Commissioners at the July meeting.

In relation to the Tidy Districts Sub Committee it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that Evelyn McMahon would be co-opted on to the sub committee. It was further agreed that the committee would have a report for the Commissioners at their July meeting. In the meantime the Town Clerk would send out the usual letters for the garden competition and for the business competition.

6. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation:

A report on the recent A.G.M. of Dublin Tourism was given by the Chairman Commissioner Purcell who was the Commissioners nominee on the Council. The Chairman handed a number of items of correspondence to the Town Clerk to be included on the Dublin Tourism File. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the contribution to Dublin Tourism would be the same as last year.

7. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative:

A report was given by the Commissioners nominee on the D.T.I. Commissioner Davis. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to write to Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann concerning the entrance to the station and the replacement of gates at the station.

8. Other Business:

- (i) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to write to Mr. Dan O'Sullivan, Dublin County Council concerning various allegations that had been made in relation to the running of Balbriggan Tennis Club. It was further agreed to ask for a copy of the Management agreement to be forwarded to the Commissioners.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the dangerous gates at the Band Park.
- (iii) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the appropriate authorities concerning the wrecked ship which had been blown on to Balbriggan Beach.
- (iv) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council concerning the present position of the Bremore Historical Site and asking them to include it and the adjacent thatched cottage as a tourist amenity.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman and resolved that Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for State of the Department of the Environment to show the same consideration to the residents of Lambeecher Estate who had pre fabricated fireplaces as he showed to the residents of Clusker Park, Navan.
- (vi) It was proposed by Commissioner Harford that the Commissioners would call a public meeting concerning the formation of a community centre committee. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed to write to Mrs Marie Wright of Hampton Cove asking for her view on the matter of the last community centre committee which she had been chairperson. Commissioner Harford agreed to wait until a response had been received from Mrs Wright.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Minister for Communications condemning the recent increases announced in private telephone charges.
- (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Murray seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Garda Superintendent concerning the recent increase in break-in's to various premises in the town.
- (ix) In reply to Commissioner Murray the Town Clerk stated that no response had yet been received from the Chamber of Commerce following the meeting which was held on the traffic situation in the town.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council concerning the broken water main at the top of Quay Street.

- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact the County Council concerning the erection of safety barriers at Bridge St.
- (xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to contact Dublin Port and Docks Board asking them to remove the remaining wreck in the Harbour.
- (xiii) The Town Clerk presented revised plans for the Town Hall Recreation Centre to the Commissioners. Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that the plans would be accepted as presented subject to the inclusion of toilet accommodation adjacent to the Commissioners offices. It was further agreed that following the costing of the scheme that applications for grant assistance would be made to Dublin County Council and the National Lottery.
- (xiv) On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman the Commissioners passed a vote of congratulations to John O'Leary and the Dublin Team on winning the National Football League Final.
- (xv) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman a vote of congratulations was passed to Balbriggan Rugby Club on winning the Anderson Cup.

The meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.

Monica Harford
8/6/93

RE: Wrecks in Harbour and on Beach was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would write back to Dublin Port and Docks Board stating that they were not satisfied with the reply and the Port and Docks Board should exercise their responsibility in relation to the wreck in the Harbour.

- (ii) Letter dated 31/5/93 from Dublin County Council Parks Department

RE: Balbriggan Tennis Club was read and noted.

- (iii) Letter dated 7/6/93 from Balbriggan Community and Leisure Centre Holding Committee was read

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Holding Committee after the Festival. In the meantime it was proposed by the Vice Chairman seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would seek legal advice on the Commissioners involvement in the matter.

- (iv) Report on meeting with Dublin County Council 4/6/93 the Commissioners who were present gave a report to the meeting on the proceedings on the meeting with Dublin County Council.

Following Discussion it was agreed that the following matters would be followed up on:-

- (i) Repair of roadway at George's Hill
- (ii) A letter would be sent to the Developer at Chapel Gate
RE: Street Lights
- (iii) A report will be requested from Dublin County Council on the implementation of the Litter Act.
- (iv) Dublin County Council to be requested to furnish a referencing report concerning the Mill Pond area.
- (v) To contact the Parks Department concerning the cleaning of the river and the overgrown Mill Pond banks .
- (vi) Dublin County Council requested to have the Name Stone in the Town Centre Park fitted more securley.
- (vii) Dublin County Council to request to provide tarmac for the new pathways at the open space in Lambeecher Estate and to retain the stone wall.
- (viii) Cutting back of the overgrown sides at Lambeecher Estate playground.

4. The Proposed Meeting with Mr. Emmett Stagg T.D. Minister of State, Environment Dept.

It was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners would meet with the Minister as requested. Following discussion it was agreed that the following matters would be discussed with the Minister:-

- (i) The small amount of funds allocated Dublin County Council for housing starts in 1993.
- (ii) Health Board and Local Authorities Housing Subsidies.
- (iii) Provision of Inner Relief Road.
- (iv) Designating Balbriggan as an area under the Urban Renewal Scheme.
- (v) Status of the Balbriggan Town Commissioners in relation to Local Government Reorganisation and the June 1994 Local Elections.
- (vi) Restoration of the Full Rates Support Grant.

5. A.G.M. of Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen that the following motion be included on the Agenda of the Conference:- "That Conference call on the Minister for Finance to withdraw the recent increase in V.A.T. on clothing, footwear and tourism products."

It was agreed that the Commissioners could propose further motions for consideration at the July meeting.

6. Tidy Districts Awards

Commissioner Gallen informed the meeting that there would be no report until the July meeting.

7. Sports Awards 1993

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen and seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that Commissioner McKeon would be on the Sports Committee. A report from the Committee will be given to the July Meeting.

8. Report on Dublin Tourism Organisation

Commissioner Harford informed the members that Commissioner Purcell had stated that there had been no recent meetings of the D.T.O.

9. Dublin Transportation Initiative

A report on recent meetings was given by Commissioner Davis.

- 10. (i) Town Clerk informed the members that Irish Rail had informed him that they were examining the situation relating to the improvement of the railway station.
- (ii) Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had been informed by Dublin

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- County Council that the gates in the Band Park would be removed.
- (iii) Commissioner Gallen gave a brief report on the A.G.M. of Irish Public Bodies Insurances and stated a full report would be ready for the July meeting.
 - (iv) Commissioner McKeon stated that shrubbery at Pump Lane/Market Green was overgrown. It was suggested perhaps the Tidy Towns Committee could undertake this area as a project.
 - (v) On a proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to cut the banks on the front beach.
 - (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to clean up the flower bed in front of the Courthouse.
 - (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner McKeon it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to remove the wreck on the strand.
 - (viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford it was agreed that the present position concerning the Housing Programme, the National Housing Programme figures would be provided to the Commissioners before the meeting with Mr. Emmett Stagg T.D.
 - (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford it was agreed to contact Dublin County Council concerning the cutting of the grass outside the Garda station.
 - (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless it was agreed to follow up recent correspondence concerning payment for people who had to go into nursing homes.

The meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.

Brian Lawless
13/7/93.

Commissioners would find out if Sports Clubs were interested in using the shelters before any decision was made on the removal.

(111) Letter Dated 28/6/93 from Parks Department.

RE: Tennis Club was read.

Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that the Manager would investigate the situation with the view to improving the facilities for the public.

C: Other Correspondence:

(i) Letter dated 29/6/93 from Balbriggan Town Football Club.

RE: Town Crest was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that permission would be given to Balbriggan Town Football Club to use the Town Crest subject to the normal conditions of approval.

4. Associations of Municipal Authorities Conference:

(i) Consideration of Motions for submission.

(i) It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that the following Motion would be submitted for inclusion on the Agenda of the Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities.

"That Conference calls on the Minister for Finance to withdraw the recent increase in VAT, Clothing, Footwear and Tourism products."

(ii) It was proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the following Motion would be included for submission on the Agenda for the Association of Municipal Authorities Annual Conference.

"That Conference call on the Minister for Equality and Law Reform to immediately cease all state grants and lottery grants to all clubs who discriminate on the basis of gender."

5. Tidy Districts Awards 1993

A Report on this matter would be presented at the September Meeting.

6. Sports Awards 1993

This has been discussed previously and no further discussion was held on it.

7. A Report on Annual General Meeting of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances

A report on the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting was given by

Commissioner Patricia Gallen to the members.

8. A Report on Dublin Tourism

Commissioner Purcell stated no meeting had been held since the last Commissioners meeting, but he wanted to inform the Commissioners that the new Shaw Museum would be opening on the 15th July, 1993 in Sing Street.

9. A Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative

Commissioner Davis reported no meeting had been held since the last meeting of the Commissioners.

10. Conference in Donegal on Environmental Pollution

This matter was noted by The Commissioners .

11. A Report on the Meeting with Mr. Emmet Stagg T.D. Minister of State
Department of the Environment

At the outset it was proposed by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would write to the Minister thanking him for his courtesy in meeting with them. The members of the Commissioners who were present then gave a report on the proceedings of the meeting with Deputy Stagg.

12. Motions Submitted by Commissioner Davis

It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford that the Manager report on the reasons why 19 housing starts sanctioned in 1992 for the Fingal area were not started in that year and will they be started in addition to 1993 allocation of 75 housing starts. The Manager Mr. Byrne explained that the allocation was received late in 1992 and they had difficulties in relation to site work for 14 of the houses these had been started early in 1993 and were in the Howth area. The other 5 houses were nominee houses for individual people and they had experienced various difficulties in relation to these. He informed the Commissioners that all the 1993 allocations would be started in 1993.

13. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Joe Davis

It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford that the Manager compile a submission to the Minister of State of the Dept. of the Environment making a strong case of the inclusion of Balbriggan in the next Urban Renewal Scheme. The Manager stated that this would be done.

14. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Joe Davis

It was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Harford that the Manager compile a submission to the Minister of State of the Dept. of the Environment making a strong case for a special allocation of funds from the E.E.C. Cohesion Fund to enable the Balbriggan Inner Ring Road to be built.

The Manager undertook that he would make this submission.

15. Other Business

(i) The Town Clerk informed the members that he had received a phone call from Mrs. Marie Wright in relation to the funds which had been raised for the proposed Community Centre. He informed the members that Mrs. Wright would contact him later in month to arrange a meeting.

(ii) Commissioner Gallen raised a query with the Manager in relation to preservation orders on buildings in the town. The Manager explained the situation in relation to these.

(iii) Commissioner Gallen raised a situation in relation to the planning permission for the Cardy at the Harbour. She state that they had ingnored all conditions of planning permission from the County Council and an Bord Pleanala.

The Manager agreed to investigate the matter and to ask the Planning Department to furnish up-to date situation to the Commissioners.

It was agreed to include the matter on the Agenda for the Septmeber meeting.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis it was agreed to write to FAS asking them to establish an office in Balbriggan.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to write to the Eastern Health Board asking them to establish a Hostel or a Shelter for homeless people in Balbriggan.

(vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again write to the Minister for Justice asking him to increase Garda man-power in Balbriggan Garda district due to difficulties being experienced in relation to the present level of manning.

(vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Murray seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again ask Dublin County Council to reinstate the area at Lambeeher Estate .

The Manager agreed to investigate and report back on the matter.

(viii) It was proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by Commissioner Tuite and resolved the Commissioner should call on the Minister for Fianance to withdraw the recent Tax amnesty. Commissioner McKeon dissented on the matter.

- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to redo the flower planter at the Courthouse.
- (x) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to find out the up-to date position on the play area at Bremore Housing Estate.
- (xi) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again ask Dublin County Council to erect barriers at Bridge Street.
- (xii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to repair the footpath outside St. Peter's and Paul's School at Chapel Street.
- (xiii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to cut the grass at Malahide Road Roundabout, as the high grass in the centre was a danger to traffic.
- (xiv) On the proposal of Commissioner Larkin seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask Dublin County Council to finish cutting of the Banks at the beech.

The meeting finished at 10.05 p.m.

Brian Larkin
 14/9/95.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Davis, Joseph	Lawless, Stephen
Gallen, Patricia	McKeon, May
Harford, Monica	Purcell, Brian
Larkin, Jack, P.C., M.C.C.	Murray, David
Tuite, Bredge	

OFFICIALS PRESENT:

D. Byrne, Fingal Area Manager
P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk
S. Carey, Principal Officer

The Chairman, Commissioner Purcell, presided

1. Election of Chairman:

Commissioner Purcell was proposed by Commissioner Larkin and seconded by Commissioner Lawless. As there were no other proposals Commissioner Purcell was elected as Chairman of Balbriggan Town Commissioners. The Chairman then thanked the Commissioners for re-electing him .

2. Election of Vice Chairman:

Commissioner Harford was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner McKeon. Commissioner Gallen was proposed by Commissioner Purcell and seconded by Commissioner Larkin.

Following a vote Commissioner Harford received four votes and Commissioner Gallen received four votes. The Chairman Commissioner Purcell then gave his casting vote in favour of Commissioner Gallen. Commissioner Gallen was accordingly elected Vice Chairman of Balbriggan Town Commissioners.

3. Election of Estimates Committee

On the proposal of Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Gallen that all members of the Commissioners would be members of the Estimates Committee.

4. Election of the Town Twinning Committee:

On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite it was agreed that the matter would be referred pending the holding of a public meeting.

5. Election of Sports Awards Committee:

It was proposed by Commissioner Purcell seconded by Commissioner Gallen that the matter would be deferred until the September Meeting of the Commissioners.

6. Election of Tidy Districts Awards Committee:

It was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the members of the Tidy Districts Awards Committee would be Commissioners Lawless, Gallen and McKeon, Evelyn McMahon and representatives from the Fingal Independant and the Balbriggan Tidy Towns Committee.

The Annual Meeting then Concluded.

Brann Lawless
14/9/93

Dillon School of Dancing	Tuesday & Friday	4.30 pm - 5.30 pm	Hamilton Hall
Golden Eagle Karate Club	Wednesday	7.00 pm - 9.30 pm	Ballroom
	Friday	8.00 pm - 9.30 pm	Hamilton Hall
North County School of Ballet	Thursday	3.00 pm - 8.00 pm	Supper Room
Pride of Balbriggan	Tuesday	7.30 pm - 9.30 pm	Hamilton Hall
	Saturday	2.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Hamilton Hall
Scoil Rince Cualann	Wednesday	5.00 pm - 7.00 pm	Ballroom
	Friday	5.00 pm - 6.30 pm	Ballroom
	Saturday	2.00 pm - 6.00 pm	Ballroom
Tae Kwon-Do (Paul Shelley)	Saturday	10.00 am - 12.00 m/d	Ballroom
	Sunday	10.30 am - 1.00 pm	Ballroom
Youth Club	Monday	8.00 pm - 10.00 pm	Supper Room
	Thursday	8.00 pm - 9.00 pm	Supper Room
Trevor Sargent (Green Party)	Friday	7.00 pm - 7.30 pm	Band Room

3. Correspondence:

A: Correspondence from Dublin County Council:

(1) Letter dated 11/8/93 from Finance Department

RE: Cardy Marina was read.

Following discussion it was agreed to wait for a further report in time for the meeting in October.

B: Correspondence from other Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

(1) Letter dated 12/8/93 from Donegal County Council

RE: Cycling Headgear was read

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that the Commissioners would support the motion as set out.

C: Other Correspondence:

(1) Letter dated 7/9/93 from Eastern Health Board

RE: Housing for homeless parents was read and noted.

(ii) Letter dated 10/9/93 from Environmental Services Department,
Dublin County Council

RE: Litter fines was read

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Murray
seconded by Commissioner Lawless and agreed that the Commissioners
would write to the premises in the town asking them to
provide litter bins and signs in relation to disposal of
rubbish.

(iii) An invitation from the Fingal Association for the Mentally
Handicapped for their Annual Mass to each of the Commissioners
was read and noted.

4. Revision of Recreation Centre Charges:

At the outset Commissioner Tuite raised an objection to the name recreation
Centre. The Town Clerk informed the members that as it was a recreation
Centre he was just using the appropriate words in the matter.

This was accepted by all the Commissioners except Commissioner Tuite and
she asked that such non-acceptance be noted in the minutes.

Following discussion on the proposed charges it was proposed by Commissioner
Gallen seconded by Commissioner Tuite that the commissioners recommend that the
proposed increases do not come in as yet.

Following further discussion on the matter it was agreed that a further
report be presented to the October 1993 Meeting. The Town Clerk indicated
that he hoped to have costings available in relation to the renovations
for either the October or November Meeting.

5. Tidy Disctricts Awards 1993:

The following report was presented to the Commissioners in respect of the
Tidy Districts Awards 1993.

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen and
seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would write
to the three premises mentioned under the Business Face of Balbriggan
Awards asking them to renevatate the fronts of thier premises.

It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Lawless and
agreed the vote of thanks be sent to the judges.

It was further agreed that contact would be made with the Chamber of
Commerce requesting a meeting with a representative of the Balbriggan Town
Commissioners.

It was then proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and
agreed that the Awards Ceremony would be held on Thursday 21st October, 1993
at 8.30 p.m. in the Ballroom.

6. Sports Awards 1993:

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Lawless Seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would submit names at the October Meeting as nominees for a Sports Award.

7. Town Twinning:

It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that this matter would be deferred to the October Meeting.

8. Seminar in Greystones 8th - 10th October, 1993

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the matter would be noted.

9. People of the Year Awards 1993:

It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed to note the matter.

10. A Report on Dublin Tourism:

There was no report under this heading.

11. A Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative:

A Short report was given by Commissioner Davis. He then proposed that the Commissioners write to Iarnrod Eireann in connection with an incident which happened on the 8/9/93 in relation to a freight train which had broken down and the subsequent chaos caused it was seconded by the Chairman and agreed by the Commissioners.

12. Any Other Business:

(i) Town Clerk informed the members that a request had been received in respect of 32 Lawless Terrace to mortgage the premises and to buy out the freehold.

It was proposed by Commissioner Lawless seconded by Commissioner Murray and agreed that the necessary permissions be given.

(ii) Town Clerk informed the members that Mrs. Marie Wright would be available to meet them any night except Wednesdays in relation to Community Centre funds.

Following discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the meeting would be held on Tuesday 28th September, 1993 at 8.00 p.m.

(iii) It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to find out the present position concerning the Balbriggan Sewage Treatment Plant.

(iv) In reply to Commissioner Tuite in respect of the Commissioners request for a FAS office in the Town, Town Clerk informed the members that Patricia Curtin of FAS would be coming to Balbriggan on Wednesday 15th September, 1993 to discuss the matter.

The Meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.

Brian Linnell
12/10/93

a number of items such as the Christmas lights, job creation, Tidy Towns. He stated that Commissioner Gallen was drawing up a report to be presented to the Commissioners and to the Chamber of Commerce.

Following a discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Tuite and agreed that a special meeting would be held when the report was ready.

(ii) Letter dated 5th October 1993 from County Dublin V.E.C.
RE: Youth Reach Programme was read and noted.

(iii) Letter dated 7/10/93 from Environmental Services Dept. Dublin County Council
Re: Sewage Treatment Plant was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to request a copy of the design brief from the Council.

(iv) Letter dated 1/10/93 from Iarnrod Eireann
RE: Train delay was read and noted.

(v) Letter dated 12/10/93 from Roads and Traffic Dept. Dublin County Council
RE: Balbriggan By-Pass Motorway was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that a strong letter would be sent to the Manager of Fingal Area Committee expressing the annoyance and disappointment of the Commissioners with the further delay. A copy of the letter would be sent to the Minister for the Environment. It was further agreed to include a request for the Inner Relief Road in the letter.

Following further discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice Chairman and agreed that a copy of the letter would be sent to all public representatives in the Fingal Area including T.D.'s and Senators.

(vi) Letter dated 27/9/93 from Councillor Jack Larkin
Re: Weekend Street Cleaning was read and noted.

(vii) Letter dated 29th September, 1993
RE: Conference and Urban Development in Mullingar was read and noted.

4. Tidy Districts Awards:

It was confirmed by Commissioner Gallen that the Tidy Districts Awards were going ahead as agreed by the Commissioners on 21/10/93.

5. Sports Awards:

The Town Clerk informed the members that he had four nominations for the Sports Awards. Commissioner Tuite then proposed that Tomas Levins deceased should be awarded a sports award in the view of his commitment to sport before his death. This was seconded by the Chairman and agreed by the Commissioners. It was agreed that a special sports awards meeting would be held on 13/10/93 at 11.00a.m. to decide on the recipient of the other sports award.

6. Meeting with Dublin County Council:

Following discussion on the matter it was agreed that the following agenda would be submitted to Dublin County Council for the forth coming meeting.

- (a) Present position in relation to the Motorway By-Pass and the Inner Relief Road.
- (b) Housing Matters:
 - (i) Construction of present phase of Pinewood housing estate.
 - (ii) Maintenance on current housing stock.
- (c) Development of Bremore Historical Site and Thatched Cottage.
- (d) Present position and plans for the Balbriggan/Skerries Sewage Treatment Plant.

7. Report on Dublin Tourism:

The Chairman informed the members he had no thing to report at this time.

8. Report on Dublin Transportation Initiative:

Commissioner Davis stated he had nothing to report at this time.

9. Litter Problem in the Town:

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner McKeon and agreed that an anti litter slogan and campaign with a prize for the best school would be held. It was further agreed to encourage the use of junior litter wardens in schools and to have an anti litter day. The Town Clerk stated that he would ask the litter warden Joe Price for his input on the matter. It was agreed to launch the anti litter campaign on 8th November, 1993.

10. Application for Certificate under Section 15 of Gaming and Lotteries Act 1956:

The Town Clerk informed the Commissioners that as it was before the court he could not discuss it, but it was just on the agenda to inform the Commissioners that an objection would be going in from them in relation to the administration of the application.

11. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Bredge Tuite:

It was proposed by Commissioner Tuite seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Office of Public Works purchase the thatched cottage at Bremore, Balbriggan with a view to converting and utilising it as a cultural/heritage centre. It was further agreed to contact Dublin County Council in relation to requests which had been made for them to purchase the cottage.

12. Any Other Business:

- (i) The Town Clerk circulated the members with a draft of the circular for the Community Centre meeting to be held on 1st November, 1993. Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis that the circular be redrafted. The Chairman called for a vote. There were three members in favour of redrafting and three members against. Accordingly the chairman gave his casting vote in favour of leaving the circular as it was.
- (ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen it was agreed to again contact the County Council concerning the owners of the land adjoining the Bracken River. It was further proposed to contact the litter warden in relation to trollies which had been dumped in the river and to contact the Environment Dept. with a view to having the bed of the river cleaned.
- (iii) Commissioner Gallen showed a development project of the old Garda Station to the Commissioners and stated that there was apparently an objection to the plans as outlined . Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner McKeon and agreed to write to Dublin County Council asking the reasons for the objection.
- (iv) Commissioner McKeon stated that at each meeting her interests for the rest of her term would be the Inner Relief Road, Sewage Treatment Plant, the creation of jobs and the development of Bremore Historical Site.
- (v) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed that Commissioner Harford would submit a motion in relation to the provision of an ambulance service and taxi rank in time for the next meeting.
- (vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact the County Council concerning the overgrown site at the corner of Drogheda Street and Bath Road.
- (vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Davis seconded by the chairman it was agreed to contact the Planning dept. in relation to the development at 19 Clonard St., Balbriggan.
- (viii) Commissioner Tuite asked if anyone had any information relating to the switching on of the traffic lights at SuperValu. Commissioner Davis said there was an objection in as regards the siting of it and that perhaps this was what was holding it up.
- (ix) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the provision of railing barriers outside the supermarket exit at Bridge St.

The meeting concluded at 10.05 p.m.

Brian Lucey
9/11/93

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MEETING BETWEEN BALBRIGGAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS AND TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY CENTRE FUND
HELD ON 26TH OCTOBER, 1993.

PRESENT: Gallen, Patricia
Larkin, Jack, P.C. M.C.C.
Harford, Monica
McKeon, May
Purcell, Brian

Apologies for non attendance were received from Commissioners Lawless, Murray and Tuite.

M. Wright
E. McGovern

M. Wright stated that the Trustees had not been notified of the Commissioners decision Re: Letter for House Drop.

The Commissioners apologised stating that she should have been notified the day after the decision.

M. Wright - To date drops have been made in Curran Park, Craoibhin Park, Hampton Cove, Fancourt Heights, Castlelands, The chantries, Seapoint, High St., Quay St., mill St., and Railway St.

M. Harford - is "dropping" Clonard/Chapel St., Pineridge, Fullam Tce & St., Chapel Crescent and Chapel Court.

J. Larkin - will "drop" Dublin Road down to the Square, Balscadden and Balrothery are also being covered.

Jack Larkin presented plans of the Cinema, drawn up sometime ago and he passed these to M. Wright.

M. Wright will have a questionnaire for the Public Meeting on 1/11/93. This will hopefully be completed by all in attendance.

M. McKeon asked the question !How would the trustees react when questioned about their role over the past years? and respond on financial issues. Questions were asked as to whether a committee should be formed on the night or respond to the questionnaires completed, which ever, it was decided that the trustees should be part of the new committee.

P. Gallen proposed that the agenda should take the following route:

- (a) Open address by Chairman, B. Purcell
- (b) M. Wright to advise the public of committees progress to date
- (c) Open discussion
- (d) Form Committee or else

It was noted that the Town Clerk is arranging for a public address system for the night, as agreed at a Commissioners meeting.

Meeting ended at 10.20 p.m.

- (ii) Letters from Councillors and T.D.'s in support of the Commissioners request to bring forward the time of the construction of the By-Pass and the provision of the Inner Relief Road.

C: Other Correspondence

- (i) Letter dated 26/10/93 from Balbriggan Tennis Club

Re: Public Lighting was read.

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners write to the Parks Department asking for Public Lighting to be installed along the entrance to Balbriggan Town Park.

- (ii) Letter dated 2/11/93 from residents of Railway Street

Re: Gaming Arcade was read.

The Town Clerk informed the members that the application referred to had been withdrawn.

Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to ask Planning Dept. to check the premises in Dublin Street for planning approval in respect of the amusement arcade and video library. It was further agreed that a statement would be sent to the Fingal Independent to clarify the matter in relation to the Gaming and Lotteries Act

- (iii) Letters from St. Teresa's Primary School, St. Molagas N.S., and Balrothery N.S.,

Re: Anti Litter Campaign were read and it was agreed to contact the schools to have an indication of their interests in the matter and to have the item included on the agenda for the January meeting.

- (iv) Letter dated 2/11/93 from FAS

Re: Clinic in Balbriggan was read.

The Commissioners welcomed the commencement of the clinic and suggested that the time be erected on the wall outside the Town Hall. The Town Clerk stated that he would contact FAS in this regard.

- (v) Letter dated 4/11/93 from County Dublin V.E.C.

Re: Youth reach Programme.

It was agreed to write back to the V.E.C. asking them why they were not in a position to provide such a programme. It was further agreed to contact the Dublin County Council representative on the V.E.C.

- (vi) Letter dated 2/11/93 from Naas U.D.C.

Re: V.A.T. was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed that the Commissioners would support the motion as set out.

4. Meeting with Dublin County Council:

The Commissioners who were at the meeting gave a report to the members on the proceedings. Mr. Carey agreed that the Commissioners would receive a detailed report on the By-Pass and this would be regularly updated.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Purcell and seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed that the Commissioners write to the Minister for the Environment requesting a deputation with him to discuss the provision of funds for the Inner Relief Road. In writing emphasises would be laid on the necessity of providing the road and local T.D.'s especially government T.D.'s would be requested to ensure that the deputation with the Minister was granted. It was further proposed by the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners write to the Balbriggan Chamber of Commerce in regard to Bremore Cottage and that a necessary report would be provided.

It was also agreed to ask Dublin County Council to give the Commissioners a breakdown of £100,000 necessary for the works at Bremore Historical Site. Mr. Carey stated that the County Council engineer would send a copy of the design plan for the sewerage treatment scheme to the Commissioners and the Commissioners would be informed of on going progress.

5. Community Centre Committee:

The Chairman and other Commissioners report on the community centre committee meeting.

6. Dublin Tourism Organisation:

The Chairman stated that there had been no meetings since the last Commissioners meeting but on 11/11/93 a presentation of annual awards for Dublin Tourism retail outlets would be presented in the Writers Museum.

7. Dublin Transportation Initiative:

Commissioner Davis stated that there had been no meetings since the last Commissioners meeting but he proposed that the Commissioners write to Iarnrod Eireann thanking them for resurfacing the station. This was agreed by the other Commissioners.

8. Items submitted by Commissioner Gallen:

(i) Reinstatement of Dome on Lighthouse

The Town Clerk informed the members that he had been in touch with Irish Lights and they stated that they would be willing to co-operate with the Commissioners in returning the dome to Balbriggan. They did not state whether or not they would re-erect it on the lighthouse.

(ii) Map of Town at The Square

The Town Clerk informed the members that he had been unable as yet to contact the company involved but he would continue his efforts to do so.

(iii) Replacement of Flagpole:

The Town Clerk stated that he was examining the situation in relation to the flagpoles and flags.

(iv) Old Garda Station

The Town Clerk informed members that he was attempting to ascertain who Mr. Joseph Woods would be dealing with in the Planning Department.

(v) Stile between Hampton Cove and Fancourt Heights:

Commissioner Gallen stated that steps at the stile had been removed. Following discussion it was agreed to contact Mr. Michael Lynch of Parks Department with a view to having the matter put wright.

9. Other Business:

(i) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite it was agreed to write to Dublin County Council concerning the provision of barriers at Drogheda St.

(ii) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to contact Supervalu concerning the overflow of water from one of the overhead flats.

(iii) Commissioner Tuite asked why all entries on the Sports Awards were not invited. Commissioner Gallen stated if that was the case all entries in the Tidy Districts Competition would have to be invited and this would include all of the town.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the chairman it was agreed that the provision of an ambulance and taxi service would be included on the agenda for the December meeting.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ascertain from Dublin County Council how pensioners rent was assessed.

(vi) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to have the roads report from the Chamber of Commerce included on the agenda for the December meeting.

(vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to query the planning at the Genoa Cafe in Quay St. and the Courtyard Pub.

(viii) On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to query the planning permission on the proposed house at Fancourt.

(ix) On the proposal of the chairman seconded by the Vice-Chairman it was agreed to again contact the Minister for the Environment asking him to bring in regulations to make it illegal to park at disabled parking

bays without an appropriate sign.

The Chairman then proposed a vote of good wishes which was carried to Commissioner Lawless for a speedy recovery.

The chairman proposed a vote of condolence which was carried to the family of the late Senator Eamonn ^RRooney who had died recently.

The meeting ended at 10.05 p.m.

Brannon Lawless
14/12/93

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Davis, Joseph Murray, David
Gallen, Patricia Purcell, Brian
Harford, Monica Tuite, Bredge
MCKEDOWN MAE PH

Apologies for non attendance were received from Commissioners S. Lawless and J. Larkin.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: P.A. Gibbons, Town Clerk
S. Carey, Principal Officer

1. Confirmation of Minutes:

(1) Minutes of Meeting held on 9th November, 1993 were read and confirmed.

2. Applications for Hire of Hall:

An application from Weight Watchers (Ireland) for use of the Bandroom on Thursdays from 7.30p.m. to 9.30 p.m. was noted by the Commissioners.

3. Correspondence:

A: Correspondence from Government Departments and Ministers:

- (1) Letter dated 8/11/93 from Noel Dempsey, T.D., Minister of State
Re: Thatched Cottage was read.
Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Gallen and agreed to write back to the Minister asking for money to be provided to purchase the cottage. It was further proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write to the National Heritage concerning the cottage and to contact the enterprise board in Balbriggan. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Purcell and agreed to again ask for Balbriggan to be made a designated area.
- (ii) Letters from T.D's RE: Meeting with Minister for the Environment was read. Following discussion it was agreed that the matter would be discussed at the January meeting if a reply had been received from the Minister.

B: Correspondence from Local Authorities and Public Bodies:

- (1) Letter dated 1/12/93 from Association of Municipal Authorities
Re: Seminar was read.
Following discussion it was agreed that the matter would be again considered at the January meeting.
- (ii) Letter dated 25/11/93 from Naas U.D.C.
RE: Peace in Northern Ireland was read.

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Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners would support the resolution as set out.

(iii) Letter dated 29/11/93 from Letterkenny U.D.C.

Re: Abortion Referendum was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Davis and agreed that the Commissioners would support the resolution as set out.

(iv) Letter dated 6/12/93 from County Dublin V.E.C.

RE: Youthreach Programme was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to write back to the V.E.C. and also to the Department of Education and Labour requesting that further training places be made available.

C: Other Correspondence

(i) Letter dated 8/12/93 from Environmental Services Department Dublin Co. Co.
RE: Lights at Tennis Club was read.

Following discussion it was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Harford and agreed to write back to the County Council asking them to include the cost of the lighting in the estimates for 1994. It was further proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by the Chairman and agreed to contact the clubs using the facility at Balbriggan Town Park asking them if they would contribute to the public lighting.

4. Commissioners Consent in Relation to Housing:

Following a report on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners consent be given to the redemption of annuity, purchase of fee simple and re-mortgaging of premises at 2 Gibbons Terrace, Balbriggan.

5. Cleaning of Bracken River:

On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to request the Manager that some action be taken to solve the problem and to get part of it cleaned. It was agreed to contact the Engineering Department of the County Council in this regard.

6. Connection of Public Lights at Chapel Gate:

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed that the Commissioners would contact the County Council Planning Department in relation to this matter.

7. Enforcement of Litter Act:

Following discussion on the matter it was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to contact Quinnsworth asking them to bring in a deposit system for trollies and to contact the litter warden.

8. Disabled Parking Bays:

The Town Clerk informed the members that the Minister had now made the necessary regulations restricting parking at disabled parking bays to disabled persons displaying a permit. Following discussion on the matter it was agreed to request the traffic study group to expedite the necessary arrangements in this matter. It was further proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and agreed to request that two more bays be provided one near the post office and one near the railway station.

9. Traffic Report from Traders:

It was agreed that a comparison would be made between the Commissioners original traffic report and the traders traffic report and it would be presented to the Commissioners as soon as it was available.

10. Town Twinning

The Town Clerk gave a report to the members on Town Twinning. Following discussion it was proposed that the Commissioners would actively pursue the idea of twinning and that further arrangements would be made to have information available to the Commissioners at a later date.

11. Report on By-Pass:

The Town Clerk informed the members that it was hoped to have this report available shortly.

12. Report on Dublin Tourism:

Report was given on the matter by the Chairman Commissioner Purcell.

13. Report on Dublin Transport Initiative:

Commissioner Davis stated that no meetings had been held. Following further discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Davis seconded by the Chairman and agreed to contact Mr. Oliver Doyle of Iarnrod Eireann inviting him to the February meeting to discuss various breakdowns.

James Purcell

14. Motion Submitted by Commissioner Gallen:

It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman and resolved that the Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on Dublin County Council to acquire additional land at Clonard Hill for the future requirements of the graveyard

15. Other Business:

(i) It was proposed by Commissioner Gallen and seconded by the Chairman and resolved that Balbriggan Town Commissioners call on the Minister for Finance to provide lottery funds for research into Crohn's disease in Ireland.

(ii) On the proposal of commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Murray it was agreed to request that a full time ambulance service be provided in Balbriggan located close to the fire station.

It was further agreed to check the upgrading of the station with Dublin Corporation.

(iii) On the proposal of Commissioner Harford seconded by Commissioner Murray it was agreed to follow up the situation in relation to the provision of a taxi service.

It was further proposed by Commissioner Murray seconded by the Chairman and agreed to call on the Minister for the Environment to change the laws in relation to taxis so that taxi services could be provided across the country.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by Commissioner Harford it was agreed to ask Fingal County Council to erect public lighting outside the nursing home.

(v) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again contact Dublin County Council concerning the barriers at Quinnsworth.

(iv) On the proposal of Commissioner Tuite seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to ask for the details of the programme of beach cleaning during the winter.

(vii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by the Chairman it was agreed to again ask Dublin County Council to remove the graffiti on the wall of the library and to request the County Council that Balbriggan Library would be open six days a week similar to the other libraries in the Fingal area.

(viii) On the proposal of Commissioner Gallen seconded by Commissioner Purcell it was agreed to get a report from the rates of the Fingal County Council concerning the revision of valuations.

The meeting ended at 10.05 p.m.

Commissioner Purcell
11/1/94